



FANfare



Friends and Neighbors Of FM 1960

February 2012

President's Message



NEWSLETTER

VIA EMAIL

To receive the FAN newsletter via email instead of snail-mail, please contact

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FAN

General Meetings

Meetings are held at 9:30 a.m. on the first Tuesday of the month at St. Ignatius Church, September thru May.

Meeting Dates

February 7

March 6

April 10

May 1

(Installation Luncheon)

Greetings, Ladies. I'll start out this month with a plea and a request. A new FAN nominating committee will soon be assembling a slate of officers for the FAN year, 2012-2013. Hard to imagine, isn't it? It's time to give serious thought to how YOU can serve your club, make new friends, and have a great time, all in one ball of wax. YOU are needed to fulfill the responsibilities of 25-30 positions for the new year. It takes a lot of people to ensure all of us have a lot of fun. No position requires any more time and effort than other projects in "life" we ladies take on. With few exceptions, no special talent or expertise is required. Please remember that this service is for a very short time, from June 1, 2012, through May 31, 2013...AND you get your very own honor luncheon!

Board members and Chairs participate in eight general meetings and eleven board meetings during the FAN year. We also

need people willing to serve on committees that assist the Chairpersons, on the Nominating Committee and on the Audit Committee in June.

I have been most fortunate and blessed to have the very best Boards of Directors these past two years. However, it's nearly time for us to step aside, take a rest, and open the way for others to lead. We encourage you to volunteer for positions you are interested in. The Nominating Committee will have an incredibly challenging job this month as they work to find the best people who are willing to take responsibility for "running the show." Please consider this opportunity to serve, and be ready to make a commitment when you are contacted. Be ready to take a chance and say "YES!" I did, and I've been richly rewarded for it. (No, I didn't take a salary!)

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Houston Family Art Center

Saturday, April 14



presents a Mystery Comedy, "The 39 Steps."
Tickets are \$16 per person.

Sign-up sheets will be available at the February 7 meeting. Please pay when you sign up or mail a check to Linda Neibel, 15310 Walters Rd, 77068.

Telephone Linda @ 281-583-5111 for more information.



WINE TASTING GROUP

In January, the Wine Tasting Group sampled various Spanish wines. The Michalskis hosted the event. We learned that the number of "Denominations of Origin" (wine growing regions) has grown to be over 70 starting from a handful in the 1930s. Next month's tasting will be at the home of Bobby & Dave Ballards.

We usually meet the first Saturday of the month. The host provides the wine & dessert. Members bring an appetizer to share. The cost of the wines is split among those attending. We currently have an opening for one couple. If you are interested in attending a tasting, please contact me.

Kathy Michalski

281-251-1682

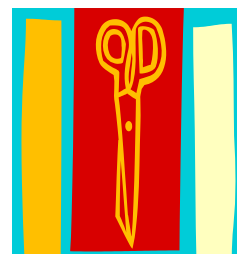


OVERNIGHT TRIP

April 27-29

Do you want to get to know your FAN friends better? Do you enjoy playing games & shopping? Do you just need to get out of town? Then don't miss our next overnight trip to the Wimberley area. We will be shopping in Wimberley as well as touring the Bella Vista Ranch (Olive Farm and Winery) and the Duchman Family Winery in Driftwood. There is always time in the evenings for games, gab and laughter. Details and sign-up at the General Meeting on February 7.

Any questions contact Linda Fisher at lpfisher3@aol.com or call 281-376-6799.



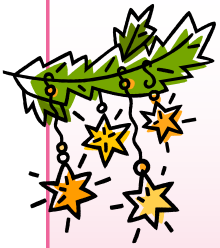
"Wacky Scrappers"

"Wacky Scrappers" will meet on Friday, February 17, at Scrapbooking Memories from 10 am - 2 pm. Bring a sack lunch and anything for show & tell. Hope you all enjoyed the holidays and acquire some new "scrapbooking toys." FUN! FUN! FUN!

Margie Rogers

rogersmargie@yahoo.com

281-955-8459



"Dreamin' of a Country Christmas"

The Christmas Luncheon raised over \$4200, which will be presented to our two charities at the February meeting.

I would like to thank all those who volunteered, donated items, bought raffle tickets and bid on the silent auction items. It couldn't have been so successful without all your help!

Kathy Michalski

Show us your friends at play

Photos wanted, ladies, of your bridge groups, book groups, bowling actions, canasta at play, golf and most of your Mah Jong groups, or the 2011-2012 FAN scrapbook won't feature your smiling faces. Just email photos to linden7723@att.net or send a link to your online photo service (SnapFish, Kodak Gallery, Walgreens Photos, etc.) to Lin Fish at that email address, along with a note identifying those pictured. We'll pay for printing your photos ... and your group will be included. It's as easy as that!



Tracy Lalor joined the Wacky Scrap-pers this year and is having a ball making scrapbook pages with her FAN friends.

Email photos to linden7723@att.net or bring them on a CD to the next FAN event. Show all of us how much fun you have in FAN!

Lin Fish & Sue Muller
Historians



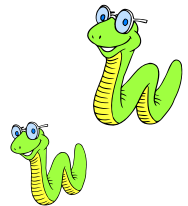
FEBRUARY LITERARY MEETING

Book: Blood Rich by Jane Wolfe
Date: February 22, 1:00 pm
Leader: Eunice Moore
Hostess: Margaret Burgess, 281-304-8977
16018 Elmwood Manor Drive
Coles Crossing

Directions: Take Spring Cypress Rd, passing Hwy 249, and Eldridge Pkwy and Grant Rd to Telge Rd and turn left. Telge becomes Spring Cypress again. Pass Huffmeister and turn left on Rockhill Grove and left on Ormonde Crossing Dr. Ormonde curves into Ashland Landing Dr. Go to Elmwood Manor and turn right.

In March we will read and discuss:

At Home by Bill Bryson



Evening Trip to Liberty

Saturday, February 25

Our destination is Liberty, Texas, to see a live country Music Show at the Liberty Opry House.

We will leave Randall's parking lot, Champion Forest and Louetta at 3:15 p.m., via Precint 4 Bus. We will have dinner before the show (on you).

Cost of trip is \$11.00 a person. I am taking a waiting list so give me a call if you're still interested.

Couples Welcome

Sharlene Wesson
281-251-6940

IMPORTANT NEWS

The 2012 Nominating Committee has been appointed to develop a slate of FAN officers for the 2012-2013 year. The committee will be introduced at the FAN meeting on February 7. The slate of officers will be announced and introduced at the March general meeting, then all members will vote at the April meeting. Additional nominations from the membership are encouraged.

Chairperson/Exec Board:	Belinda Evans
Executive Board rep:	Lin Fish
Member rep:	Sharon Schumann
Member rep:	LuAnn Kubis
Member rep:	Sharlene Wesson
Alternate:	Idalia Skates
Alternate:	Jo Ellen Wade

Call Belinda Evans, if you would like to be considered for nomination to the Executive Board.



Remember, FAN volunteer means, simply, to be motivated and give one's time or energies to work towards a project or cause that you are interested in. Without you there would be no FAN.



RODEO TIME

* Plans are in the works for this year's Rodeo!

Look for details at the February meeting or call Sharlene Wesson after Feb 1 for details.

Sharlene Wesson
281-251-6940

1st V-P/Programs—Rita May,

Invite your many friends, neighbors, and favorite relatives to enjoy the FAN Feb. 7 Program:

A HISTORICAL FASHION SHOW

This will be a special treat as Pat Shaw has chosen a dozen vintage costumes and period pieces from her collection spanning time from the 14th century to the early 20th century. Bonnie Brunskill will be the commentator for the show with Cheri Bell accompanying on the piano. Thank you, Bonnie and



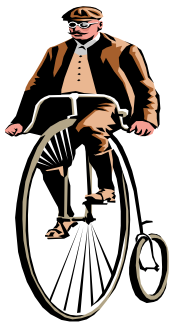
Cheri and the other lovely FAN ladies modeling the 12 period outfits.

Come and see how fashion has changed through the centuries. Aren't we glad we do not have to wear corsets and bustles?! THANK YOU, Pat Shaw, for your time and efforts and for sharing your fascinating hobby with your new found Friends N Neighbors.

Our March 6 program is "Financial Planning for the Long Run." Kent McGill, CLU, ChFC, LUTCF, has a lot of letters after his name which mean: Certified Life Underwriter, Charter Financial Consultant, and Life Underwriter Training Council Fellow. He has been advising people about their finances for 20 years and hopes to give us a clue about: what's new? what works? AND Keep Score.

Thanks,

Best to you, Rita



Antiquers & Junkers

This group meets on the third Wednesday each month for a fun-filled day of antiquing, eating and shopping.

February 15, we will be meeting at Belinda Evans' home at 7514 Waning Star Court, Spring, at 8:30 am to begin a fun-filled day of antique shopping in Galveston! Yes, Galveston. It will also be Mardi Gras week of celebration, so look forward to some fun times.

Please RSVP before February 12 to Belinda at bsevans55@yahoo.com or 832-698-2732 so we can set up our carpools.

If you are not a member of this group and are interested or have questions, please contact chairperson, Bert Forbes at 281-304-2444 or 832-334-7727 cell or email me at afortbesw@aol.com

Sunshine Corner — Karen Baird

The festivities of the Christmas season have passed and some of the winter days can be cold and gloomy.



Sunshine requests this month have come to me with the request for privacy. Please know that we have members in need whether it is based on health, relationships, family or other issues.

Please think about including the FAN membership in your prayers this month.

You can also report to me joyous occasions that occur in you life.

Please call Karen Baird at 281-651-6767 or write to me at jandkbaird@aol.com.

2nd V-P/Membership—Audie Brooks

Hello, everyone. Big news! My husband's company is transferring him back to Midland. Bill's report date is February 1, so my FAN year is coming to a quick close. Jo Ellen Wade has graciously agreed and has been elected by the Executive Board to take over as 2nd VP/Membership for the remaining term. Thank you, Jo Ellen. I have really enjoyed being in FAN and will miss everyone.

Membership is at 345

Audie Brooks--281-225-8977

audiebrook@aol.com

New Members

January, 2012

Bridges, Carolyn 17211 Nevelson Circle Spring, TX 77379	11/3 (Don)	281-379-5595 cbridges@bridlie.com (Memorial Northwest)
Martin, Sandy 6411 Saffron Hills Dr Spring, TX 77379	3/4 (Ed)	832-559-8559 smartin992@aol.com (Wimbledon Estates) cell: 281-658-5262

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(President's Message)

The Nominating Committee will meet in February, will announce the proposed slate of new officers in March, and FAN members will vote in April. It's almost here!

Remember our upcoming outings. You can find details in this newsletter under Socials and Daytrips. It'll be fun...join us!

Debbie Laich, President

My 2011 New Years resolution came true...

**I look 40 years younger...
even if it's in a picture on page 1!**

COUPLES DINNER BRIDGE

When: Meets the 3rd Saturday each month.
RESERVATIONS are required, **new couples welcome**.
Call Andrea Poncio @ 281-255-9525 Bridge Coordinator

Date: When: February 18, promptly at 5 p.m.

Where: Spring Creek BBQ, 4220 FM 1960 West

Hostess: Kris Cockrell & Steel Nixon @ 832-717-5997



Want to play Bridge...or play more Bridge?

These ladies want to play with us, so call them when you need a sub.

Cindy Brown 281-440-9136 DP Dora Dean 713-385-7485 DP

Dorothy J Guinn 281-907-6316 DP DD Pat McGrath Jones 281-955-6461 DP EP

Call **Joyce King (281-469-0248)** to play every Friday at Hunan Restaurant.

Questions? Call Pat Unrau, chairman of the Bridge groups.

281-355-8340 or e-mail Jerryunrau@cs.com



Let's Go To The Movies!

Join your friends and other FAN members to see and discuss the latest movies each month. We usually we go on the Monday after the monthly FAN meeting, depending on what movie is selected.

We always have a good time, often with lunch before or after the movie. We choose films at one of the main theaters along Hwy. 249, depending on what is playing and where.

Please call **Margaret Burgess**, 281-304-8977, to learn what movie, when and where we will meet this month!

COUPLES DINNER

CANASTA

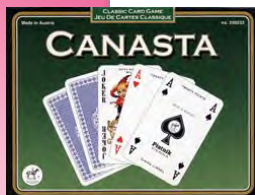
WHEN: 3rd Saturday each month

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

COST: \$2.00 per person,
plus dinner

PLACE: **Café Express**, FM 1960 in
the Champions Shopping Center.

CONTACT: **Debbie Laich**, 281-251-5212



CANASTA I

We play at Willowbrook Fuddrucker's the 4th
Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. Charge: \$3.00

ALL FAN MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!

NO RESERVATIONS!

Questions? Call **Sally Beirne**, @ 281-440-1237

RAILROAD CANASTA

Looking for new players!!

We play on 3rd Thursday of the month at the
Willowbrook Fuddrucker's. Cost is \$2 to play, plus \$1 for
tip. No reservations needed.

Questions? Call **Susan Hoff** 832-446-6042 or

Barbara Bolz 281-370-8357

FAN's National League Mah Jongg Group

When: 1st Monday and 3rd Tuesday of Each Month

Time: 10AM

Place: Cafe Express, FM 1960 in the Champions
Shopping Center

New members always welcomed; contact Katherine if
you would like to join.

Katherine Vanderoef 281-251-7072

katherinevanderoef@att.net



Lunch Bunch

All members are welcome.

February 15—12:00 noon

HOSTESS - **Margaret Burgess**

Bring a non-sweet dish and enjoy great food and fellowship.

Please call Margaret before February 13 for reservations.

Sharlene Wesson, Chair Person
281-251-6940

HOSPITALITY



A big thanks to Charla Miller for assisting the hospitality table in Jan. For the remainder of this FAN year, Barbara Kerr will be your Hospitality Chair with Charla Miller as co-chair. As usual, thanks to everyone for the continued support of food items.

Barbara Kerr
bkerr1974@hotmail.com
Charla Miller
charlamiller@sbcglobal.net



HIKERS PLAN ANOTHER GREAT Outing

Monday, February 13

10:00 am

We will meet at [Burroughs Park](#), 9738 Huffsmith Rd, Tomball, which is located between FM 2978 & Kuykendahl.

Experience the winter landscape, winding trails, and lakefront views at this splendid 320-acre park in Tomball. Amenities at this facility include a seven-acre fishing lake, over eight miles of nature trails, picnic areas, an observation deck and boardwalk, and rest room facilities. The Eagle Scouts have marked trails for us. We will spend several hours there. Walk at your own pace, as this is supposed to be fun. We all enjoy the outdoors and will make the best of our walks. Hope to see you there.

Please contact me if you wish to be on my email list for this outing as I will be sending out additional information. Let me know at jcwebster1@sbcglobal.net or by phone at 281-890-8045. In case of rain, we will reschedule

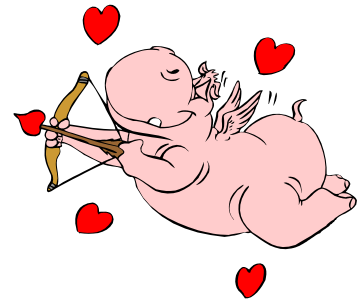
Jacqueline Webster

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NEIGHBORS**
OF FM 1960



Editor's Note

All articles for the March newsletter should be submitted before **February 17** to bsevans55@yahoo.com. Deadline for last-minute changes is **February 22**.

To update address labels, please contact JoEllen Wade.

FAN WEBSITE

Take a look at the new FAN website: www.FAN1960.org

On it you will find:

- Photos of board members
- Printable copy of up-to-date membership directory
- All the newsletters in glowing color!

Coming Soon!! Photos and contact information on our new members.

For access to this site, any questions or suggestions, contact Adrienne Juno at ahjuno@gmail.com