

Friends & Neighbors of FM 1960

February 2007

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Before saying a final goodbye to 2006, a big Thanks to Chairperson, **Katherine Vanderoef**, and Co-Chairperson, **Audie Brooks**, for a tremendously joyous and successful Holiday Luncheon. Over \$3500 was generated for our two charities. Thanks also to those who graciously donated items for the auction and raffle and to all the volunteers.

Margie Rogers and her co-chair, **Bonnie Reddehase**, delighted those who attended the Cookie Exchange with wonderful food, fun games and great door prizes. It was obvious that the bakers brought their best cookies.

There are so many things planned for the next two months. **Dorothy Tortorice** is planning our Spring Social for March 10th at the Races and **Margaret Burgess's** FAN Overnight is set to go for March 29th through April 2nd. Both of these activities are described in the Newsletter with the sign up form. Monies will be collected at the February Meeting so bring your checkbook.

Sharlene Wesson's Spring Day Trip will be on Monday, April 23rd so please save this date. More on this will be forthcoming.

The Nominating Committee will be introduced at the February meeting. Forms will be available for you to submit possible candidates for the elected positions for their consideration. Please make sure the person is willing to serve before you submit a name. Officers and duties are found in the FAN directory under By-Laws. The committee will meet in February to present a slate of Officers for next year at the March meeting.

If you have been saving Christmas cards for charity, I have learned that **Margot Isenberg** is willing to collect them at the February meeting for donation to a charity that can utilize them.

If you don't want to miss out on the fun, read your newsletter. See you at the February 6th meeting to hear about the newest on the Travel scene.

Caryl Hall, 281-631-0632
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1ST VICE PRESIDENT PROGRAMS

Happy New Year everyone! I hope you all had a great holiday. Fan got off to a running start; our first meeting of 2007 was Jan. 2nd. It was a smaller group but we had a good meeting. There were tons of goodies; most of us had to postpone our diets for another day! Kudos to Karen Gabriel, she does a great job of getting the social hour together.

Our speaker was Phoebe Lake of Arbor Gate; she had two assistants, her daughters. They helped her carry in all the herbs and set up. I had asked her to speak to us on growing herbs. I was surprised at how little I knew about the subject. Maybe I'll be more successful this year.

Here's a little recipe Phoebe gave us. Equal parts butter and cream cheese, softened (depending on how much you want to make). Mix together and add herbs of your choice.

Our speaker for the February meeting will be Renee Messina with American Express Travel. I've given her a list of your questions but if any of you have additional questions please email me at sbmuller@houston.rr.com. We're also looking forward to hearing the funny travel tales many of you have! See you on February 6th.

Sue Muller
281-440-5994
sbmuller@houston.rr.com

2nd Vice President MEMBERSHIP

Our membership this year should

exceed last years. We currently have 343 members and I know that will increase during the next few months.

I hope each of you are getting involved in a new activity this year. It's always fun to learn something new to get acquainted with new ladies.

Bonnie Brunskill
281-353-4722
bonnie@pdq.net

LADIES BE SURE TO SAVE THIS DATE OF MAY 1ST, 2007.

That is the date for Installation Luncheon:

Hilton Garden Inn
WillChase Blvd.
249 near 1960
(behind PF Changs')

More information to follow. Reservations will be taken beginning in March, 2007.

Sharon Wertz
Chairman
281-893-9329

ATTENTION: FAN LADIES AND GUESTS

EVENING SOCIAL

CHAIRPERSONS: Dorothy Tortorice
281-225-6464
Judy Talbot 281-
225-6341

WHEN: March 10, 2007, 6:30 P.M.
WHERE: SAM HOUSTON RACE
PARK

We're off to the races on March 10th. We'll be seated in the Winner's Circle Restaurant where we can enjoy the Grande Buffet (sample menu follows), place our wagers,

and enjoy the fellowship with our members and their guests.

The Grande Buffet Includes:

Cooked to Order Pasta
Assorted Toppings and Choice of Marinara
& Alfredo Sauce
Carving Station
Oven Roasted Meats, Silver Dollar Rolls
Seafood Display at your table
Peal and Eat Shrimp w/Cocktail Sauce
Alternating Selection of Hot Entrees
Beef, Chicken, Seafood, Veal, & Pork
Appropriate Starch & Vegetables
An Array of Cold Salads
Fresh Baked Breads
Chef's Bountiful Dessert Table

\$32.95 per person which includes:
Admission, Live Racing Program, Iced Tea,
Coffee, Water and Gratuity.

Send your check now (Payable to FAN) to:
Dorothy Tortorice, 11326 Carson Field Lane
Cypress, TX 77433

Also, I will be at the meeting on February
6th with a sign-up sheet so don't forget your
checkbook.

COOKBOOK UPDATE

We still have a few cookbooks left so if you
haven't gotten one call me or Susan Ivins.

Susan Ivins
281-257-2633
sivins@houston.rr.com

SUNSHINE

Josie Gerhard underwent hip replacement in
December. We all hope she is resting
comfortably and doing well.

Our condolences go to Jan Eastwood on the
loss of her Father, who passed away during
the Holidays. Remember Jan in your
thoughts and prayers.

Judy and Bob Talbot are happy to announce
that they have a second grandson. Jacob
Raymond Talbot was born on November
15th, 2006 and resides with his mom and
dad and brother, Andrew, in Cleveland,
Ohio.

Linda Niermeyer
281-370-1546
niermeyer@sbcglobal.net

CREATIVE NEEDLES

Our daytime needlework/sewing/knitting
group meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the
month at 1pm. There's always a new tip to
share with the group. If you are interested
in joining call Linda Niermeyer at 281-370-
1546 (email niermeyer@sbcglobal.net) for
further information.

HISTORIAN

Margaret Hein
Mhein49@aol.com

Please bring or e-mail me any pictures that
have been taken at events or activity groups
for the President's scrapbook. Your
response will be greatly appreciated!!!

CONTINUE SAVING THOSE POP-TOP TABS



Look for the large clear plastic container
marked "**Pull Tabs for Charity**" at the
regular FAN meetings – drop your
collection of pull tabs in it and let's watch it
grow!

Thanks to all for all your participation.
Arlene Skaggs

TUESDAY BUNKO

Contact: Eileen Kelly, 281-516-1535

When: 2nd Tuesday of each month 10:00AM

Where: Rauol's Italian Grill
16823 Theiss Mail Rt. Road (on Louetta) Spring

Directions: From Steubner Airline Rd. turn left to Louetta right turn to Theiss Mail. (First Left)

From 249 Area exit, go east on Louetta Rd. Past Champion Forest, left turn to Theiss Mail Rt. Rd. (First Left)

\$2.00 for prize money. \$1.00 for morning service EVERYONE MUST EAT LUNCH \$6.00 -\$12.00. **ALL ARE WELCOME, WE HAVE OPENINGS FOR ALL FAN MEMBERS THE MORE THE MERRIER.**

CANASTA II

Contact: Fran Lindquist

When: Second Wednesday of month

Time: 10:00 am

Where: Pa's BBQ
Steubner Airline near Louetta Behind HEB

Call Fran 281-257-3036, for more information and to make your reservations.

Everyone is welcome. Come and we will teach you how to play.

COUPLES DINNER CANASTA

Contact: Katherine Vanderoef
281-251-7072
Sharon Hughes
281-379-2183

When: 3rd Saturday of each month

Time: 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Where: Fuddruckers on 1960 (between Kuykendahl and Stuebner Airline)

Cost: money \$2.00 pp, plus dinner (your selection).

We play 3 rounds, have dinner, and then play 3 more rounds. Reservations are a **MUST.**

The manager has reserved the tables in the elevated area for our group.

Looking forward to seeing you all again.

COUPLES DINNER BRIDGE

Coordinator: Irene Zisek, 281-893-5409

Hostess: Doris Stahelin, 936-271-1326

When: Saturday, February 17, 2007 – 5:00 PM

Where: Fuddruckers, 3301 FM 1960 West

Yes, there's the Super Bowl, and Valentine's Day, but who can deny the grand event of all, Couples Dinner Bridge on February 17th. Folks in charge will be Doris and Fred Stahelin.

Kudos to our January hosts, Marie and Ian Davidson who led off the new year of Bridge. Winners were not available for this issue.

Happy Super Bowl! Happy Valentine's Day!

BOWLING

Contact: Joyce King 281-469-0248

When: Every Wednesday at 9 a.m. – September through the 2nd week in May.

We have a few openings this fall and we would love to have more FAN ladies come and join us. Contact Joyce!

LUNCH BUNCH

Chairperson: Sharlene Wesson
(281-251-6940)

3Rd-Wednesday of the Month at Noon

February 21, 2007, Sharon Wertz will be our hostess. Susan Hoff will be her Co-hostess. Bring a non-sweet finger food item to share with all the ladies.

ALL ARE WELCOME THE MORE THE MERRIER

GOLF CLUB

Fan Golfers are welcome to join us each Friday morning (weather permitting) for 18 holes of golf.



Some ladies prefer to play only 9 holes, and that's fine. We have started to play at different courses, so if you are interested in playing, you will have to call **Judy Talbot at 281-225-6341** for the time and location. We usually play between 8:30 and 9:15 a.m. We have a good time and do lunch after our round. Hope you will join us!

TREKKIES

On February 23, a Friday, join the Trekkies for an adventure to the Museum of Printing History on W. Clay at Waugh. We'll have lunch in the Westheimer area, and I'll point out some more points of interest in that neighborhood.

Then, in April on Friday the 13th, join us on a trip to the Armand Bayou Nature Center where we'll have a trip on a pontoon boat, hear about the flora and fauna of this 2,500

acre wilderness preserve, and have lunch in Kemah. Space is limited so call me soon.

What about March? Call me with your ideas, and I'll schedule another jaunt to wherever you want. Many thanks, Susan Ivins.

Susan Ivins
281-257-1633
sivins@houston.rr.com

LITERARY REVIEW

Winnie Mitchell – 281-580-6672

We are opening the book group to a few new members. Please call Winnie if you love to read and discuss good books.

BOOK: Shiloh by Shelby Foote

DATE: February 28th, 1:00 PM

LEADER: Vessie Bayman

HOSTESS: Patsy Justice, 281-251-2051

17619 Hidden Forest Drive

Memorial Northwest

Directions: From Louetta between Champion Forest Drive and Stuebner Airline, turn north on Theiss Mail. Go to the 2nd STOP sign (1 mile) to Hidden Trail and turn left. Go to Hidden Forest and turn right. Patsy's house is the 5th on the left.

In March, we will read and discuss Vanishing Acts, by Jodi Picoult.

Bridge Club

Contact: Gloria Barr

281-288-7212

E-mail: gebarr@aol.com

Please add Wanda Sparks, 281-376-1766 to your Bridge Directory.

Thanks.

Gloria Barr

HOSPITALITY

Karen Gabriel: 281-528-9843

Need people to bring refreshments for the February meeting. Give me a call (281-528-9843) if you can help. Thank you

COUPLES FUN FELLOWSHIP

Chairperson: Pat Friesen
281-655-5038

Our next social will be March 3, 2007 at 6:30 PM at the home of Janice Ryder. Bring your spouse and come for an evening of fun and fellowship. We will play some group games and eat and socialize. Bring substantial appetizers or finger food as this will be our supper.

Please **RSVP** to **Pat Friesen**, 281-655-5038 or **Janice Ryder**, 281-719-0104

Movie Goers **February 12, 2007**

If you enjoy going to the movies give **Margaret Burgess** a call at **281-304-8977**. We will be going on the Monday after the FAN general meeting. We will meet at the AMC Willowbrook theater.

COUPLES DINNER BUNKO

Sorry! We couldn't get enough couples to join. Maybe at the beginning of next year, we can try again.

NEW / RENEWAL MEMBERS

Malinowski, Rena 10/12 281/376-1422
11506 Hidden Grove Ct.
Tomball, TX 77377
(Lakewood Grove)

Schumann, Carol 12/25 281/376-0725
17014 Hill View Ln
cschum6046@aol.com
Spring, TX 77379
(Memorial Northwest)

DAY TRIP

SAVE THE DATE – APRIL 23RD

We will go, by bus, to Channel 11 for a live TV show, **Great Day Houston**, Fun and sometimes give-a ways. Lunch or brunch will follow. Details later – Reservations will be taken at the February General Meeting and there after. Watch the show 9:00 – 10:00 am Monday-Friday.

Sharlene Wesson
281-251-6940

OVERNIGHT TRIP –Wildflower **Tour of the Texas Hill Country**

Date: Thursday, March 29, 2007 through Sunday, April 1, 2007

Where: Lake Buchanan at the Canyon of the Eagles Lodge and Nature Park (canyonoftheeagles.com) and Fredericksburg at The Inn on Barons Creek Spa and Conference Center (www.innonbaronscreek.com)

What: Vanishing River Cruise (www.vyrc.com), lunch at the famous “Blue Bonnet Café in Marble Falls, Willow City Loop drive, shopping/dining in

charming Fredericksburg , Wildseed Farms, and Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center. Becker Winery if time permits.

Cost: \$230.00 per person for 3 nights lodging (double occupancy/2 beds) and 2 full breakfasts. Boat ride (\$15) plus share of gas for drivers and meals will be extra.

Mode of Transportation: Carpool

A \$200 deposit will be needed at the February meeting so bring your checkbook. The balance of \$30 will be needed by February 20th. If you are unable to attend the February meeting, you can mail a check made out to FAN in the amount of \$230. It must be received by February 20th so allow for mail time.

Please contact **Margaret Burgess at 281-304-8977** if you have any questions or would be willing to drive.

RESERVATION FORM:

Name:

Address:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone: _____

Emergency Contact Information:

Sharing Room with:

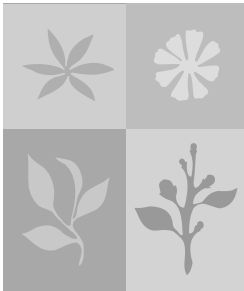
Need a Roommate: _____

Would be willing to drive:

Mail to: Margaret Burgess, 16018 Elmwood Manor Dr, Cypress, TX 77429

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EDITOR'S NOTE:

All articles for the newsletter must be submitted to the editor no later than the 3rd Tuesday of the month. This is necessary in order to have the Newsletter mailed in a timely manner prior to the monthly FAN meeting. Also, it is your responsibility to advise the Newsletter Editor if you wish the article to remain in the Newsletter each month..

If you have any questions, please e-mail me at janicemryder@yahoo.com or call me at 281-719-0104.

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!