



FANfare



Friends and Neighbors Of FM 1960

October 2010

FAN General Meetings

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

2010-2011 Meeting Dates

**September 28,
2010**

November 2, 2010

December 7, 2010

January 4, 2011

February 1, 2011

March 1, 2011

April 5, 2011

May 3, 2011

President's Message

What a wonderful way to open the new year: an energetic and uplifting musical program by the Harbor Light Choir... AND brunch! That's what I call a great combination.

It was such a thrill to see such a familiar group of happy faces, and also to welcome all our new members. We are looking forward to many fun times together.

To continue with my introductions of the Board members:

CLARITA DOUSSAN is our treasured TREASURER. This is her second year to serve in that capacity, and we appreciate her dedication and humor. Clarita attends to budget matters and our 50-50 raffle. She's a native Texan who loves to read and travel...but not cook! Her background is in banking and her favorite job was selling Treasury securities at the Federal Reserve Bank. Best of all, Clarita loves to travel and is always ready to get on the bus and go!

COOKIE RUGGERI is our very professional SECRETARY. She has proven to be a whiz at recording our minutes even as ten or more of us attempt to speak over and above each other at meetings; that takes nerves of steel as well as a patient manner! Cookie worked extensively in the petrochemical industry, moving with her boss as his Exec Assistant when he became Harris County Tax Assessor, then retiring in 2008. Cookie loves to shop and go to movies and luncheons, making FAN a perfect fit for her! Please remember to sign up at the activity table for our upcoming events: Cookie Exchange, an overnight trip to Ft. Worth in November, and our Christmas Luncheon, "A Fairy Fantasy". Don't forget all the weekly group activities either.

Looking forward to seeing you on September 28 for our "October" meeting!

Debbie Laich

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Did you know that

October.....



Flower is Calendula or Cosmos

Gemstone is Opal, Tourmaline, or Pink Sapphire

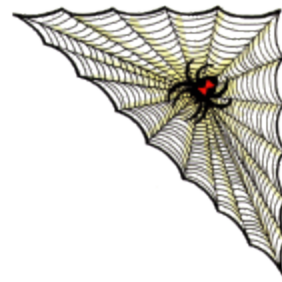


Programs – Kathy Michalski, 1st VP

Wasn't the Harbor Light Choir a great way to begin another FAN year? I've been singing along with their CD ever since!

At our next meeting, Apronista Virginia Helweg, will travel from Shiner to share her extensive apron collection with us. She's been collecting for decades and has 600+ aprons in her collection. She'll explain to us why this is such an interesting and fun hobby. **Don't forget to wear that special apron!**

I'm still looking for a few good women to model. Contact me at katyamichalski@sbcglobal.net or 281 251-1682.



Membership – Audie Brooks, 2nd VP

Hello Ladies. What a great start to our FAN year. We had 160 attendees at the September 7th general meeting including **21 new members** and **8 visitors**. Wow! The distribution of directories went very well, and we are going to do the same thing at the **September 28th** meeting where everyone needing to sign for a directory, after signing in, will go into the first classroom to the right to do so. I need to ask a favor of all the **group leaders** — Would you please bring a list of everyone in your group and pick up any unclaimed directories for your members? And remember; sign **YOUR** name on those lines. Any directories not picked up will have to be mailed, which could be quite an expense. Call or email me with any directory questions or comments.

Audie Brooks 281-225-8977 audiebrook@aol.com



Sunshine Corner — Karen Baird



The passing of Sharon Crandall's husband in June was never acknowledged in the summer edition of FanFare. We are very sorry this omission occurred. Our sympathy goes out to Sharon in her time of need.

Please continue to keep Grace Casagrande in your prayers. She has completed her last chemo treatment and is scheduled for a Mastectomy early next month, which will be followed by 6 weeks of daily radiation. Her spirits are good, but her body is tired.

Sandy Lang is home recovering from back surgery. We wish her well in the weeks ahead as she goes through the healing process.

As always, if you know a FAN member in need please give me a call at 281-651-6767 or by email at jandkbaird@aol.com. I will send an acknowledgment of the request so please, if you don't hear from me, it has most likely been lost in space. Call me again or resend the email. Thanks so much.

Please notify Karen Baird at 281-651-6767 or jandkbaird@aol.com if there is a sunshine need for a FAN member.



WEEKEND OF COWBOYS & CULTURE

Come join us for a three-day weekend in Ft. Worth, where the West Begins! We will take in the fabulous art museums of Ft. Worth: the Kimball; the Amon Carter; the Modern Museum of Art, and the Sid Richardson Museum of Western Art. Also, enjoy beautiful Forest Park with its fabulous Rose Gardens and outstanding Oriental Gardens. Then enjoy some real cowboy culture at the Stockyards.

We leave Friday morning, November 12, carpooling to Ft. Worth, returning Sunday evening, Nov. 14. Cost for the two-night hotel stay will be approximately \$100.00. **Call Marie Remik, 713/823-1101**, for more details or to reserve your place. We will also be taking reservations at the September meeting. **It's going to be loads of fun!**



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sept 28 October FAN Meeting

- Oct 23 Social: Dinner at d'Vine Wine Bar
- Oct 29 **Haunting Day trip**
- Nov 2 FAN Meeting
- Nov 10 Museum Trip
- Nov 12-14 **OVERNIGHT TRIP** to Ft. Worth
- Dec 7 Christmas Luncheon: "A Fairy Fantasy"
- Dec 14 **Cookie Exchange**



"A Fairy Fantasy" Christmas Charity Luncheon

Tuesday, December 7, 2010

It's time to sign up for the Christmas Charity Luncheon. We had a great response at the September meeting so these places will go fast. Thanks to all who already signed up to help. However, more people are needed to make this the best luncheon ever! Call Margie or Sue to volunteer. I hope all the Activity leaders have started making plans for their group's donation. The more baskets or items donated, the more money we will have to donate to our charity or charities.

Please see the flyer that is in this newsletter and send your check as directed to hold your place. We promise you a good time!!!!!!

Thank you,

Margie Rogers (281-955-8459) and Sue Muller (281-440-5994)

Co-chairpersons - Christmas Charity Luncheon



Activities

WACKY SCRAPPERS

We had our first workday for the new FAN year. All had a really good time and we actually got a lot done. Last year's beginners have improved greatly. Welcome to our newest member, Marge Chamberlain. She fit in perfectly with our group. We still have 2 spots available if you are interested. Call or e-mail me if you want to join.

Margie Rogers, 281-955-8459
rogersmargie@yahoo.com,



FAN WINE TASTING GROUP

Brian and I were hosts for September's meeting. We tried "The Last of the Summer Wine" - chilled wines, including reds, that are suitable for hot days and evenings. The wine suggestions came from the New York Times and Washington Post, and we decided to see if they really were summer wines by rating them on a 1-5 scale. Top scores went to Dr Loosen Riesling Blue Slate and Domaine Ott Cotes de Provence Rose. Of the two chilled reds, Georges du Boeuf Beaujolais was considered better than Sancerre Rouge.

Purely by coincidence, the show "Last of the Summer Wine" had its final episode in the UK that week after 37 years!!

Jacqueline & Ed Webster will host our October meeting.

We meet on the first Saturday of each month and **currently there is a vacancy in the group**, so if you are interested and would like to know more about us, please email me at 12gibbs@att.net or call me on 281 890 3948.



COUPLES DINNER CANASTA

WHEN: 3rd Saturday of each month

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

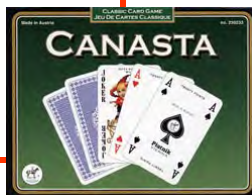
COST: \$2.00 per person, plus dinner

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

CONTACT: **Debbie Laich**,

281-251-5212

debbielach@comcast.net



RAILROAD CANASTA

3rd Thursday of the month

Fuddruckers at 10 am

For any questions call Susan Hoff at 832-446 6042 or Barbara Bolz at 281 370 8357.

Hope to see you there!



CANASTA I

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

ALL FAN MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!
NO RESERVATIONS!

Questions? Call **Shirley Strack**, 832-717-7640
or **Carol Well**, 281-251-5223

CANASTA II

This activity has been cancelled.

This canasta group met at Egg & I on Louetta Rd and was organized by Eileen Kelly.



NEW on FAN WEBSITE

- September General Meeting Minutes
- October Newsletter

Contact **Cindy Ward** for ALL of your **Google Group website** questions, cindy@planetward.net, 281-376-8704,



ANTIQUES & JUNKERS



The October outing will be at the home of Shelia Gibbs, 11619 Regency Forest Drive on Wednesday, October 27 at 9:30 A.M. for a brief get together, then we will go to a shop on Jones Road, then on to Tomball to Grannys Korner and other shops. We will conclude with lunch at The Whistle Stop.

Ladies, please bring something for our basket for the Christmas Luncheon.

Remember if you are attending, please call Shelia at 281-8903948.

Coordinator: Carlene Thompson

THE LUNCH BUNCH

Meets every 3rd Wednesday at 12 Noon

Date: October 20th

Hostess: Judy Hemker. Call her before Oct 18th for reservations.

Bring a non-sweet dish.

All welcome for Fellowship and good food.



Please bring \$2 (or more) cash to lunch for our group Christmas donation. If you will not be attending, please mail your donation to Sharlene by the 18th

Chairperson: Sharlene Wesson

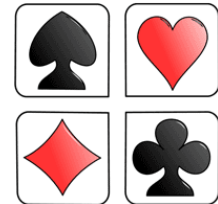


PAGE TURNERS BOOK GROUP

Book: The Ladies of Covington Send Their Love by Joan Medicott

When: Oct 6th, 1 pm

COUPLES DINNER BRIDGE



When: Saturday, October 16th **Time** 5 p.m.
Where: Spring Creek BBQ, 4220 W FM 1960
Hosts: Sandra & Julian Lamborn @ 281-580-4210

SEPTEMBER

Winners: 1st: Steel Nixon 2nd: Arlene Carmen 3rd: Charles Woody 4th: Ann Guth
5th: Twyla Woody 6th: Travis Harris **Small Slam:** Steel Nixon & Kris Cockrell

Thank you to our Hosts for August: Nancy & Don McCaig

If anyone is interested in joining Fan Couples Bridge group, please call Andrea Poncio @ 281-255-9525 or email ajponcio@sbcglobal.net



LITERARY REVIEW

Date: October 27, 1:00 PM
Book: Brooklyn by Colm Toibin
Leader & Patsy Justice
Hostess: 281-251-2051
Address: 17619 Hidden Forest Drive
 Memorial Northwest

Directions: From Louetta between Champion Forest Drive and Stuebner Airline, turn north on Theiss Mail. Go to 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.

NOTE: We do not meet in November. Mark your calendar for our December 8th CHRISTMAS BRUNCH.

Contact: Winnie Mitchell, 281-580-6672
wam281@earthlink.net



MUSEUM TRIP

Save the date: Wednesday, November 10th

We will carpool to the Houston Center for Contemporary Craft for a docent tour of their Craft Texas juried exhibition showcasing the best in Texas made contemporary craft - I am working on a second stop - to be announced later, and then lunch. Email me if you are interested in being on my email contact list.

MaryAnn Lucas, call 281-583-8408
malucasart@hotmail.com or

FAN COUPLES GOLF

Fall is here and we had our first Tee-Time at Houston National. Join us for casual stress-free Couples Golf. You can keep your own score, or do a scramble with your spouse.



We look for good deals locally and usually choose a Saturday. After golf we are famished and meet at a near-by restaurant.

We invite new members to join us or be a substitute if you choose to play occasionally.

Give me a call,

Jan Fau. 281-290-9494

Cell 281-728-9948



NATURE WALKERS



Fan Hiking/Walking Group will resume in October. Please contact me for dates and location.

Jacqueline Webster

jcwebster1@sbcglobal.net

MONDAY AT THE MOVIES

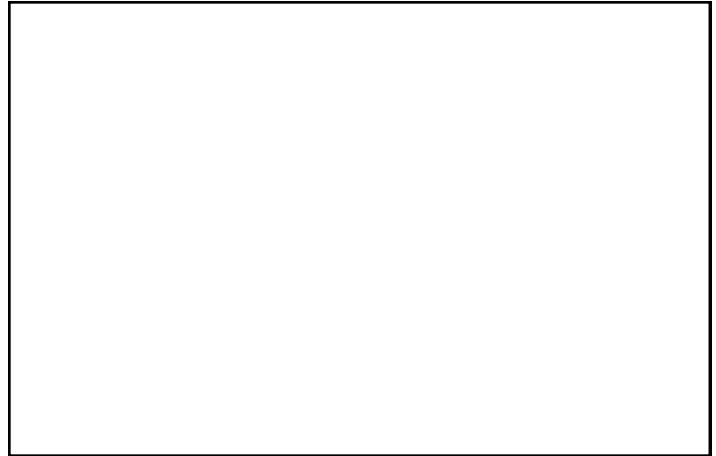
No movie afternoon planned for October. Next outing in November.
 Margaret Burgess

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Editor's Note

All articles for the **November** newsletter should be submitted to the editor (ahjuno@gmail.com) by **October 16th**. Deadline is October 19th.

For address label updates, please contact: Audie Brooks

