

Friends and Neighbors

Of FM 1960

Presidents Message

November 2009 Newsletter

Dear FAN Ladies,

I'm writing this when it's 60 degrees outside. I love the fall - let's hope the hot temperatures are gone for awhile.

Anticipating fall always reminds me that Thanksgiving and Christmas are just around the corner. At last month's general meeting the members voted on the two recipients of this year's Christmas Charity Luncheon. They are Wellsprings and Inter-faith Care Partners. Activity leaders, don't forget to collect monies from your members for the auction donations. I don't mind saying that last year's luncheon was hard to beat, but this year promises to even be better. I've been sworn to secrecy on the entertainment, but you are not going to believe whom they've lined up for us! I would like to give you a hint, but I can't think of anything that wouldn't give it away.

Also, the Christmas Cookie Exchange on December 10th is closer than you think. This is a great FAN tradition and is always lots of fun. It's sad we have to limit the number of participants, but that just means ACT FAST! Don't miss out on this yearly event!

Our trip to TransStar was a great success. For those of you who complain about the transit system, go visit this place. What a task this city performs daily. You would not believe the cameras that are watching what we do on the expressways and parking lots 24-7. We were, also, able to start our Christmas decorating early because of Classic Accessories. Thank you Sharlene Wesson and Sharon Wertz for planning this enjoyable day.

If you were unable to attend last month's general meeting and pick up your directory, don't worry you can pick it up at the November meeting. The directories are FANTastic thanks to all our volunteers, advertisers and contributors. Thank you so much Lillian Blakesley for your hard work and long hours putting this all together. In addition to member names and advertisers, each directory includes our By-Laws. You will notice in Section 4 of Article III that "Club directories are for the exclusive use of Club members and may not be furnished to or used by any business, organization, and charitable or civic group for any purpose. No members shall profit from any activity sponsored by the club."



If you haven't signed up for the Salado overnight trip on November 13th, there is still time. Having a guided bus trip is a great first for us. Instead of going our individual ways on an overnight trip, we'll have the pleasure of organized time together. Time with friends is always a treat.

"Life is short! Forgive quickly! Kiss slowly! Love truly, laugh uncontrollably and never regret anything that made you smile."

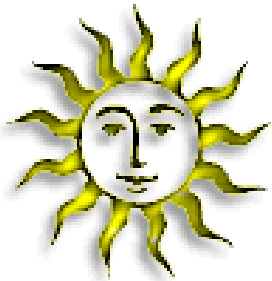
See you on November 3rd.

Linda Fisher

lpfisher3@aol.com

281-376-6799

Sunshine Corner — Joyce Wolford



Congratulations to **Jill Schumacher** and her husband, Bob, on their 50th wedding anniversary, celebrated on October 16th. May you enjoy this special time together and your terrific achievement.

Our deepest sympathy to **Katherine Vanderoef** and her family on the recent loss of her father, Vito Manganaro. We are thinking of you, Katherine, and sharing your grief.

Veterans Day is November 11th, a time to pour gratitude upon those noble patriots who sacrificed mightily to insure continuing liberty in our USA! Did you know that among the roster of FAN members and spouses, there are Purple Hearts, Medals of Honor, and illustrious, true heroes? Ask "Did you serve?" and you might be amazed at what you learn. God bless our beloved veterans, one and all!

Several FAN members are caregivers to ill spouses and family members. This can be a difficult road, although richly rewarding. Caregivers are much admired for their loyal devotion, hard work, patience and endurance. Caregivers, please remember that your compassionate FAN friends stand ready to help and listen. We care for you.

Cathy D'Antoni, get well soon!

Happy Thanksgiving!

Joyce Wolford, 281-256-6110, o2bajoy@yahoo.com



Programs – Kathy Michalski, 1st VP

Unfortunately, we have to make a program switch for our next meeting. We will be hearing from speaker, author and Personal Protection, Safety and Self-defense expert, Richard Bloom. Learn tactics that could save you from being harmed, abducted, raped or even killed. It's serious information presented in a humorous manner. After all, none of us want to be the topic of Kathryn Casey's next true crime book! Check out his website: personalsafetyseminars.com.

Membership – Lillian Blakesley, 2nd VP

Hope everyone is enjoying their new directory. We had almost 200 pick up their directory at the general meeting.

One person signed and received hers but left it on a table. Would that person please contact me. For those who have not yet received their directory, at the next



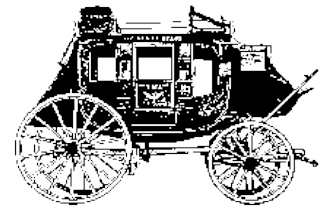
general meeting (November 3), we will again have a table set up for you to sign and receive your directory.

Included in the November newsletter will be a list of new members and renewals to insert into your new directory. These are members that missed the deadline for the directory printing.

OVERNIGHT TRIP TO SALADO

November 13-15

Start packing your bags!! The trip to Salado will begin with 32 ladies on board! The bus will leave from the parking lot behind Cypress Creek Christian Church on Cypresswood Dr. We will meet there at 8 AM. The bus leaves promptly at 8:30 AM. Kolaches and juice and water will be served on the bus. Bring your own coffee if you need it. There is **still room** for a couple of more ladies to join us!



We know this will be a really special weekend with such a nice group of FAN members participating. Thanks for the interest!

Sue Muller, Susan Busler, and Margie Rogers
Chairpersons/ Overnight Trips



FAN General Meeting Dates

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

November 3, 2009
December 1, 2009
January 5, 2010
February 2, 2010
March 2, 2010
April 6, 2010
May 4, 2010

For more information, check the FAN website or your directory.

Greeters Needed

We were delighted to have so many guests at the last meeting, but I NEED YOUR HELP! I would like 2 volunteers to greet at the door. That should be an easy job to just smile and let them know how happy we are that they are there. We have 2 ladies that will introduce them to the activities and introduce them around to the other member. Please sign up at the activities table or contact me: Carole Acker at 281-370-6666

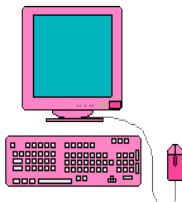


Mark Your Calendars

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| November 3 | November Fan mtg Personal Protection, Safety and Self-defense |
| November 13-15 | Overnight Bus Trip to Salado Texas |
| November 25 | Sign up for Christmas Luncheon NOW!! |
| November 29 | Donated gifts or Gift baskets for Christmas luncheon due |
| December 1 | FAN Christmas Luncheon, 10:30 am at Shirley Acres |
| December 8 | FAN December Birthday Party |
| December 10 | Cookie Exchange |
| January 5 | First FAN General Meeting of 2010 |
| February 2 | FAN February General Meeting |



New On FAN Website



Photos of Day trip to TransStar and Classic Accessories, photos of FAN Fashionistas, Mah Jongg group pic, Mah Jongg Mauraunders, updated Activities Calendar.

Contact **Adrienne Juno** for ALL of your **Google Group website** questions.

E-mail: ahjuno@gmail.com

<http://groups.google.com/group/friends-and-neighbors-of-fm-1960org>



MONDAY AT THE MOVIES

Mark your calendar for Monday, Nov 9th to go to the movies with your F.A.N. friends! Movie and time will be

announced. Call Margaret Burgess for details.

281-304-8977

Hospitality

Thanks to everyone that contributed food at our last meeting. To volunteer for the November meeting, please contact Karen Gabriel. At 281-528-9843 We are always appreciative of your favorite recipes as well as interesting new options.



NAME Your NEWSLETTER

Do you have a clever name for the Fan Newsletter? Please submit your suggestions at the meeting, email me at ahjuno@gmail.com or give me a call at 281.794.4000.

Adrienne Juno



FAN Website for Public

Go to Google Groups, & search on FAN1960

HISTORIAN

Hi, FAN friends~

We need everybody to pick up a camera--ANY camera--and share your FAN fun with us! Group leaders, send us your posed groupings, activity shots, individual pictures ---something to share with Linda for her memory book (and for the FAN website). ALL groups should be represented. Pictures can be sent to me at debbie-laich@comcast.net or placed in the purple picture box at the general meetings.

KEEP SMILING!

Debbie Laich

DONATED GIFTS NEEDED

for

12 Days of Christmas Luncheon

All donations are needed and appreciated. Group baskets & individual donations are due November 29th.

Jane Stephens

16810 Sandypine Cir

Spring, TX 77379

E-mail: jstep125128@yahoo.com

Phone: 281-826-0440

Activities

FAN COUPLES GOLF



We play golf in the Houston Metro area on **Saturday mornings** and eat at a nearby restaurant afterwards. **Call for date and place.**

If this sounds fun, come join us to see how you would like it..... Call

Jan Fau,

Hm: 281-290-9494,

Christmas Cookie Exchange



Date: December 10th

Time: 11-2pm

Place: Spring Creek Oaks clubhouse across the street from Strack's Bar B Q restaurant on Louetta.

Cost: \$13, which includes a full-blown lunch and prizes

Bring: 3 ½ dozen homemade cookies to exchange. Please put 2 cookies to a bag. (21 bags with 2 cookies each)

Contacts: Claudia Coates at 281.935.4897 or
Ginny Bailey at 281.440.6230

No cookies required to attend, just your smiling face.

Come join us for good food, good company, and good fun! Sign up at the October or November FAN meeting. Your check is your reservation.

P.S. A book exchange will be available if you would like to participate.



Operation Coupons continues....

Thank you to everyone who brought coupons (cut and uncut) to the September and October general meetings. I appreciate it so much. As long as there are armed forces in foreign countries, we will be clipping coupons. You are all doing such a good job of cutting inside the dotted line. Look for the basket labeled 'Coupons' on the activities table as a drop-off place for your coupons. Again, thank you so much for all your help.

Audie Brooks (281-225-8977)

WALK IN THE WOODS

YEAH, fall is finally here! So come out with us for a walk in the woods. We meet once a week and walk for at least an hour. The walk usually starts at the Lakewood Crossing Skateboard parking lot on Cypresswood just west of Jones Road (Norchester subdivision area). I will take a vote on what days everyone is available and we will then make a plan for a morning or afternoon walk.

Our walking adventure will take us on



sandy, sometimes hilly terrain in a forested area, next to Cypress Creek. Various wild flowers are in bloom this time of year. I wear sunscreen, hat, sunglasses and take a hiking stick and water.

Looking forward to walking with you in this cooler fall weather when its great to be outdoors!

Jacqueline Webster

281-890-8045

jcwebster1@sbcglobal.net



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

When: 9:45am, 2nd Tuesday of each month

Where: Egg & I restaurant, located on Louetta Rd at SH 249.

Cost: All must eat lunch. Prices Start at \$5 up, and prize money \$2

Contact: Eileen Kelly 281-516-1535

All are welcome.

No prior experience required.



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

debbielaich@comcast.net

New couples
always
welcome!



12 Days of Christmas Luncheon

Time to **sign up NOW!!!**

PULL TABS for CHARITY

We are no longer collecting pull tabs from aluminum cans due to the drastic reduction in value. Thanks for all your past efforts.

COUPLES DINNER BRIDGE

~~Fall into an evening of Bridge.~~

WHEN: Saturday, November 21, 2009 **TIME:** 5:00 p.m.

WHERE: Spring Creek BBQ, 4220 West FM 1960

****NOTE THE NEW LOCATION****

HOSTS for November: Rita & Dean May - 281-655-9866

Congratulations to the October winners:

1st place: Irene Zisek 2nd place: Sandra Lamborn 3rd place: Don McCaig

Small Slam for October: Irene Zisek & Sandra Lamborn

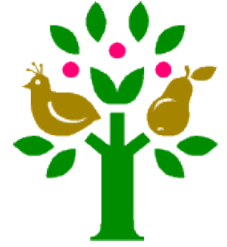
Thank you to Gloria & Ted McBeth for hosting Bridge in October

New couples interested in playing may contact Andrea Poncio to add their names to the waiting list or to sub - 281-255-9525.



FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS OF FM 1960 Women's Club

Cordially invites you to



THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

Annual Holiday Luncheon and Charity Auction

Celebrate this magical season with friends and enjoy a time of holiday entertainment, singing, door prizes, raffles, surprises and delicious holiday dining.

Tuesday, December 1, 2009 10:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

SHIRLEY ACRES - The Garden Room

217 Woerner Road, Houston, TX 77090

\$31.00 per person (includes a \$5.00 donation to our chosen charity - Presale ticket only)

Please turn in your reservation form by November 25, 2009

**Friends and Neighbors of FM 1960 Women's Club
Annual Holiday Luncheon and Charity Auction**

Your Name _____ Phone _____

Number of Reservations needed _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____ (\$31.00 per person)

Make your check payable to FAN and mail your reservation and check to:

Barb Friedl, 18319 Washington Park Ct., Spring, TX 77379

THE "12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS" LUNCHEON
FAN's Annual Christmas Luncheon & Auction

Tuesday, December 1, 2009 at Shirley Acres at 10:30 am

We will be in the beautiful Garden Room this year and expect lots of good food, prizes, auction items and fun entertainment. If you have any questions, please contact:

Barbara Friedl, lfriedl@prodiqy.net	or	Jane Stephens, jstep125128@yahoo.com
Phone: 832-717-5065		Phone 281-826-0440

Don't forget to send in your reservation form to Jane NOW!

Directions: Cross Streets: Between Kuykendahl Rd/Woerner Ln and Sugar Pine Dr

Shirley Acres
217 Woerner Rd
Houston, TX
www.shirleyacres.com, (281) 444-2582

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Editor's Note

All articles for the **December/January** newsletter should be submitted to the editor (ahjuno@gmail.com) by the second Tuesday (**November 13th**). Deadline is November 21, 2009.

Please be sure to review your information carefully to insure dates, addresses, phone numbers, etc. are correct.

For address label updates, please contact: Lillian Blakesley



THINK GREEN

THE LUNCH BUNCH

We meet the 3rd Wednesday of each month from September thru July.



Next lunch on November 18th 12:00 noon @ Margaret Burgess house. Call her for reservations: 281.370.8977.

Bring a non-sweet dish to share.

Lunch Bunch Chairperson: Sharlene Wesson



PAGE TURNERS BOOK GROUP

Book: Friday Nights Knitting Club
by Kate Jacobs

When: November 11th, 1:30pm

Where: Home of Linda Fisher
6130 Willow Pine Dr
Spring 77379

Contact: Linda 281.376.6799
lpfisher3@aol.com

LITERARY REVIEW CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

On December 9th at 11:30 AM we are invited to a Christmas Brunch at Carole Garrigan's home. We will celebrate with good food, music and games and members will exchange new, gift wrapped books. Please remember to RSVP our hostess by Dec. 5th.

Hostess: Carole Garrigan, 281-376-1173

6019 Center Court Drive

Spring Creek Oaks

Directions: Take Louetta Rd. to T.C. Jester (between Stuebner Airline and Kuykendahl and across from Strack Farm Restaurant). Turn onto T.C. Jester and go to the end. Turn left on Center Court Drive. Carole's house is on the right.

Contact: Winnie Mitchell, 281-580-6672

2009 December Birthday Party

All FAN Ladies born in December are invited to attend a Birthday Celebration in your honor on Tuesday, December 15th at 11:00 a.m., at Peli Peli, 110 Vintage Park (Louetta @ 249). Please bring a nice \$10 Birthday gift to exchange.



R.S.V.P. Pat Ramsey, 281-413-3919 by Saturday, December 12th

FAN WINE TASTING GROUP I



Our group is interested in learning about and enjoying wine. We meet: on the **1st Saturday** of each month at **7:30 p.m.** Each couple takes a turn to host the group (usually once a year). They choose the wines and provide coffee and dessert. Everyone brings an appetizer, and we all share the cost of the wines we have tasted. There is a "Guest List" for anyone interested in wine but find you can't get to our meeting every month.

If you are interested in joining us, or would like more information, please call or e-mail: Sheila Gibbs, 281-890-3948 or E-mail: 12gibbs@att.net