



FANfare



Friends and Neighbors Of FM 1960

March 2013

FAN

General Meetings

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

March 5
April 2
May 7

(Installation Luncheon)



NEWSLETTER

VIA EMAIL

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

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President's Message

Isn't it amazing how fast the year is going by? Before too long it will be May and time for the Installation Lunch. If you haven't done so, please take a minute to reserve a spot for the May 7 luncheon at Shirley Acres. Betty Horelica & Kandy Campbell are hard at work preparing a wonderful time for us.

I am constantly surprised at what an amazingly, interesting group of ladies we are. For instance, FAN's own resident co-choreographer (H & H Productions) Margaret Hein, and her husband, Dayle, spend a lot of their free time dancing. Margaret thought of dancing as an antidote to the "empty nest syndrome." Coincidentally, a Lone Star College catalog of Leisure Living that arrived in the mail

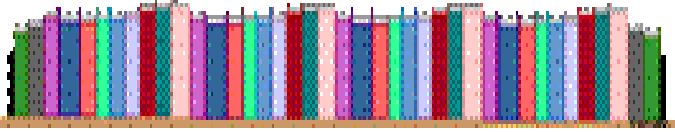
listed country-western dance classes. Here they learned to do the two-step, along with the waltz and polka. This led to their interest in the country dances at the German societies and dance halls that their parents went to. They are both of German heritage, native Houstonians and are members of the Texas German Society North Harris County Chapter. Their love of dance led to traveling around the Houston area and Texas to attend German festivals where they dance polka, waltz and schottische. A schottische is an old German folk dance, where you are side by side with your partner, not in a traditional dance hold. At last year's Tomball German Christmas Market, Margaret and Dayle won the Best Dressed German Contest. Some of the clothing shown in the picture has been bought in Germany and Austria. Most Friday nights you'll find the Heins at Red River Dance Hall dancing country-western style. As Margaret says, "We certainly look for every opportunity to don our lederhosen and dirndl and polka the night away."



See you at the March 5 meeting.

Kathy Michalski
President





FAN Book Clubs

These books are being read by our FAN Book Clubs for March.

Literary Review Winnie Mitchell

Book: Midnight Campagne

By: Manette Ansay

Hostess: Irene Zisek

Cover Girls Maria Bocchino

Page Turners Adrienne Juno

MAYFEST INSTALLATION LUNCHEON

MAY 7, 2013
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Shirley Acres
Pavilion

Cost \$21.00 per person-Checks only

Because we don't want you to lose out on attending this event, please complete the registration form found in this newsletter and mail it and your payment (checks only please), to Kandy Campbell. The mail-in deadline is April 1. We also will take your reservations at the March and April general meetings.

Please plan to attend and welcome our new officers and give a round of applause to our outgoing officers.

Betty Horelica & Kandy Campbell
Co-Chairs

Sending sunshine wishes to our friends



Tracy Bender, daughter of Marianne Bender, wishes to let FAN know that Marianne passed away January 25. FAN sends our thoughts and prayers to the family.

FAN mourns the passing of Cindy Ward, who passed away on February 12. Geoff and the family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Pat Townzen is a great-grandmother! Haylee Ryan Hamilton is Pat's first great-grandchild. Haylee and her parents, grandparents and great-grandparents are doing fine.

Our FAN family cares and wants to know about your needs and blessings. Please contact me at: juneb6903@hotmail.com or call me at 281-323-4581 with news to share.

June McMillin

Second Annual Flowerettes Luncheon

The second annual Mah Jongg Flowerettes luncheon was held at the home of Fredna Reinoehl and her husband, Bob. A connoisseur of fine foods and wine, Bob prepared a four-course meal for the Flowerettes.



Affectionately known as Chef, Bob spent nearly 24 hours preparing what he described as a "fusion of French and Italian classics."

The ladies were served regional French and Italian wines as well.

FAN Flowerette members include Ada Hart, Barbara Kerr, Belinda Evans, Char Marks, Charla Miller, Fredna Reinoehl, Gloria Barr and Tracy Lalor.



Snap A Smile

OK Ladies !! It's really time to get pictures of your Bridge, MahJongg, Canasta and Bunco groups. Pictures of Book clubs, Antique & Junkers, Needlework (and any other group that you are in) are needed. I have very few pictures of individual groups. Bring me the pictures and a receipt and I will reimburse you. Please don't wait until the last minute.

Thanks,
Margie Rogers, Historian
281-955-8459



ANTIQUERS & JUNKERS

This group meets on the third Wednesday of each month at a different hostess house for coffee, then on to a fun-filled day of antiquing, eating and shopping. We travel in carpools. Each person is responsible for the cost of her lunch and \$5.00 to her driver.

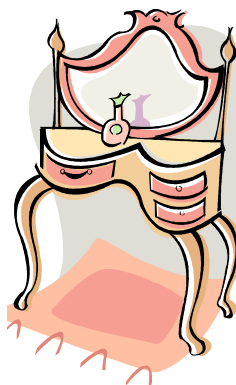
March 20 at 9:00 a.m. we are meeting at Sandy Lang's home at 7907 Ensemble Drive in Woodwind Lakes, Spring. Our destination this month will be **Antiques on 8**, lunch at the tearoom there and on to Memorial if we have time.

Please let both Sandy and me know by March 18 if you are coming so we can set up carpools and make luncheon reservations. Sandy's number is 713-849-4886 or email beau001@sbcglobal.net

If you are not a member of this group and are interested or have questions, please contact chairman, Bert Forbes
281-304-2444

aforbesw@aol.com

All are welcome.



Lunch at Euro Bakery & Café

Enjoy lunch after our March 5 meeting with your FAN friends at Euro Bakery & Café, which specializes in tasty Greek food and more.

Furthermore, you'll want to save room for one of their yummy desserts.

Oh, don't forget to sign up for lunch before the meeting begins and directions will be provided.

Euro Bakery& Café
5010 Louetta

www.eurobakery-cafe.com

Thanks

Lu Ann Kubis

Springtime evening at the theater planned

Grab your favorite fellow, a friend or a member of the family for a howlingly funny evening at the Houston Family Arts Center on Saturday, April 20.

We'll have great seats for the comedy, "Leaving Iowa," which I've been told is a very funny play. It is a "folksy and nostalgic comedy about family vacations (that) will delight anyone who's ever sat in a car for more than an hour," says the playhouse.

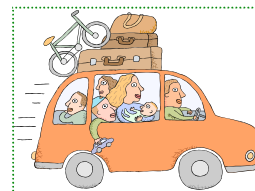
Tickets will be \$14.00 each for this Saturday evening at the theater, 10760 Grant Rd, between Highway 249 and Jones Rd.

You can order tickets at upcoming FAN general meetings or you can mail a check to me at 15310 Walters Rd, Houston, TX 77068.

For more information, contact me at wneibel@yahoo.com or 281-583-5111. The deadline for tickets is April 6.

Linda Neibel

Socials Chair



1st VP/Programs—Lin Fish

Glenwood Cemetery Tour: Take 2!

Oops! A miscommunication with our scheduled February speaker resulted in a last-minute change that seemed well-received by those at the meeting.

Tim Novack, Director of the Pearl Fincher Museum of Art, held FAN members in thrall with his look at some noted women artists of the 19th Century. Several members noted that they enjoyed the mini-class in art appreciation, and I, for one, appreciated his ability to join us on such short notice!

So ... for those who were anticipating Jim Parsons' virtual tour of Glenwood Cemetery, your second chance comes March 5. Jim assured me just last week that we are on his schedule for the correct date this month!

Here's a program reminder:

Throughout history, various civilizations have honored their dead with exquisite artwork, such as that found in Egyptian pyramids, painted on the walls inside European caves, and in monuments to the dead erected in city parks and cemeteries.

One such park-like cemetery is Houston's historic Glenwood Cemetery, the final resting place of many of those who made our city what it is today. Designed in the tradition of the romantic cemetery parks of the 19th century, Glenwood's beautiful landscape and towering trees offer some 84 acres of quiet respite just one mile west of downtown Houston. Glenwood's collection of gorgeous statuary and monuments are not at all morbid, but are reminders of Houston's rich history and the men and women who shaped it.

Among them are the last President of the Republic of Texas, four Governors, and more than 20 Houston Mayors, as well as founders of major oil companies, religious and professional leaders, and others who have made significant contributions to Houston. Capt. James A. Baker, credited with ensuring Rice University continued as its benefactor had planned, is not only buried at Glenwood, but also was instrumental in saving it from ruin early on.

At our March 5 general meeting, Jim Parsons, Director of Special Projects for Preservation Houston, will regale FAN members with stories and photographs that will provide a virtual tour of this, one of the loveliest places in the city. He'll detail the circumstances of Glenwood's establishment in 1871 and describe the influences that created its rolling landscape.

Jim's lifelong interest in Houston's history and architecture serves him well as Director of Special Projects for Preservation Houston, a non-profit corporation founded in 1978 to promote the preservation and appreciation of Houston's historic architectural and cultural resources through education, advocacy and committed action. The group aims to create economic value and develop a stronger sense of community through its activities. Individuals, corporations and organizations are members.

Well-known activities of Preservation Houston are the Good Brick Awards that recognize excellence in historic preservation and monthly guided Walking Tours that take participants through many of the city's significant historic buildings and neighborhoods. These copyrighted tours often are the only comprehensive written records of these historic communities' histories.

Jim chairs Preservation Houston's Architecture Walks Program and has researched and written tours of significant buildings and neighborhoods across the city. With David Bush, he is co-author of three books on Art Deco in Texas: "Houston Deco," "Hill Country Deco" and in 2012, "Fair Park Deco," about the architecture of the Texas State Fair.

He will provide those attending with a map locating some of the most notable people buried at Glenwood, including the last President of the Republic of Texas Anson Jones, billionaire Howard Hughes and movie star Gene Tierney.

He'll also have his books available for purchase and can probably be persuaded to autograph purchased copies.

2nd VP/Membership—JoEllen Wade

FAN membership is currently at 324. Please welcome the following new members listed below.

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Individuals not listed in the 2012-13 Directory

New Members for February



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Overnight Trip to Orange, Texas

We will carpool for a one- night trip to Orange is planned for April 12 -13. We will tour stately homes, a museum of art and the beautiful Shangri La Gardens. The hotel cost is \$45.45 per person. Admission prices of \$5 to \$6 will also be charged each person at each venue.

Sign up at the March or April general meeting or by calling Margaret Hein at 281-376-1936 or Margaret Burgess at 281-304-8977. April 2 will be the last date to sign up.

Varied activities enrich FAN membership

From bridge and canasta to hiking and wine-tasting, FAN's many special activity groups really enrich the value of our membership. Take a minute at the General Meetings to consider adding another activity to your calendar. And if there is something you'd like to do, let me know and we'll see if others do, too!

Sharon Schumann

281-370-5582 or schumannsharon@gmail.com

COUPLES DINNER BRIDGE

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

Time: Promptly at 5 p.m.
Where: Spring Creek BBQ, 4220 FM 1960 West



Film lovers' outing

Movie-going FAN members see a film third Monday. E-mail your interest in the Monday Movie Matinee to linden7723@att.net.

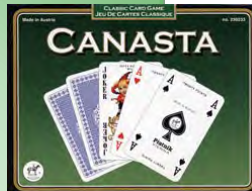
Lin Fish



Duplicate Lite is looking for several new players. We meet on the third Wednesday of the month at 10:00. Starting in March, we will play at the Hilton Garden Inn near Willowbrook. This is a fun, beginner duplicate group. Contact me, Kathy Michalski, at katyamichalski@sbcglobal.net or 281 251-1682.

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
the Champions Shopping Center.
CONTACT: Debbie Laich, 281-251-5212
debbielaiach@comcast.net



CANASTA I

We play at Willowbrook Fuddruckers the 4th Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. Charge: \$3.00
ALL FAN MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!
NO RESERVATIONS!
Questions? Call **Melody Williams**, 281-440-7512



RAILROAD CANASTA

Looking for new players!!

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

Questions? Call **Susan Hoff** 832-446-6042 or
Eileen Kelly 281-516-1535

National League Mah Jongg Group

When: 1st Monday and 3rd Tuesday of Each Month
Time: 10 a.m.
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

March 20
12:00 p.m.

Hostess----Krystyna Warwick

Bring a non-sweet dish.

Call Krystyna before March 18 @ 281-440-9564.
We always have a good time, so bring a non-sweet dish and enjoy the fellowship.

Sharlene Wesson,
Chairperson
281-251-6940



It's rodeo time....

I'm sorry to report *we were not* able to secure rodeo tickets this year.

Sharlene Wesson
281-251-6940

HOSPITALITY

A big thank you to the generous ladies who brought treats to the February General Meeting and thank you in advance to the wonderful ladies who have signed up to bring us snacks for March meeting. Please try to bring one dish to one meeting this year. The sign-up sheet for April will be located near the sign-in table. Drop off your fares at the Hospitality tables by 9:30. All food left at the end of a meeting is donated to the church. As always, we will e-mail you a friendly reminder. Happy Baking!



Barbara Kerr
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Whenever there is happiness
Hope you'll be there too,
Wherever there are friendly smiles
Hope they'll smile on you,
Whenever there is sunshine,
Hope it shine especially
For you to make each day for you
As bright as it can be.



FAN HIKING GROUP

We have been exploring the wooded nature trails at Burroughs Park, Mercer Arboretum, Pundt Park and Spring Creek Greenway. Our Precinct 4 Parks Department encompasses over 3,800 acres which allows us a large area for nature walking. If you wish to join us, please reply with your email address. We have two walks per month and are outdoors from 90 minutes to two hours. I will contact the group via email with details as to date, time and location for our next walk. Don't wait too long to join as the weather has been beckoning us outdoors. Thank you for your interest and I look forward to our walks in the woods..

Jacqueline Webster
jewebster1@sbcglobal.net



Spring Day Trip Planned

I have a mystery trip scheduled for April 19. **Hint** - we will be looking for bluebonnets with many stops during the day.

We will leave Randall's parking lot on Louetta at Champion Forest at 9:00 a.m. Cost is \$3.00. Lunch is on you. Sign up at the March general meeting; there are a few seats still available.



Sharlene Wesson, 281-251-6940

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Editor's Note

All articles for the April newsletter should be submitted before **March 12** to bsevans55@yahoo.com. Deadline for last-minute changes is **March 17**.

To update your address, please contact JoEllen Wade.

FAN WEBSITE

Have you checked out the FAN website yet? The newsletters are posted there in living color. We are adding new photos all the time (send any you might have to Adrienne so she can post). We are now adding a picture and contact information for new members! www.FAN1960.org

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