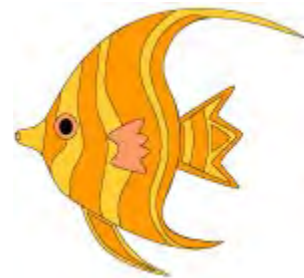




FANfare

Friends and Neighbors Of FM 1960



May/June 2011

NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL

If you would like to receive the FAN newsletter via email instead of snail-mail, please contact Audie Brooks at
281-225-8977 or
audiebrook@aol.com

FAN General Meetings

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

2010-2011 Meeting Dates

May 3, 2011

HOSPITALITY

Thanks to all who have brought goodies to our meetings throughout the year. You helped us make the meetings special.

Helen Timpe and Shirley Limbaugh

President's Message

Can you believe how fast this year has passed? And what a whirlwind of activities entertained and brought us all together this spring.

My heartfelt thanks to all FAN members for making my time with you memorable. You are a joy and an inspiration to me every day, and I'm grateful for your friendship--not to mention the way you keep me laughing!

The entire FAN Board has worked overtime to coordinate our business affairs and to create so many opportunities for us to support each other and celebrate life. Thanks to all of you Board members for an outstanding job this past year.

My appreciation, too, for the many unnamed members who have jumped in with a willing spirit to make things run smoothly--we can't do it without you!

We warmly welcome all you new members to our group; you are in for a fun-tastic year! Many of you have already volunteered to take on responsibility within the club...WOW, what a

great beginning! Thanks, members, for bringing your friends and neighbors, and a HUGE thank you to Lu Ann Kubis, Publicity Chair, for all your efforts in getting the word out in our community that FAN is here and having fun!

Many activity groups will continue to meet during the summer months, so check with your leaders to confirm. Remember, too, that our 2011-2012 FAN Directory will be in production this summer, so get your dues and membership forms in before June 30th if you want your information included. Directories will be ready at the September meeting for all. Many thanks to new member Betty Horelica, who's already begun working on directory ads for the new book. She will be teaming with Audie Brooks, Membership Chair.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Installation Luncheon on May 3rd.

Debbie Laich

debbielaiach@comcast.net



Programs – Kathy Michalski, 1st VP

The Spring Fashion Show was short but sweet! The outfits from Dillard's were so lovely. And weren't our models just beautiful? A big thank you to Bobbie Ballard, Margaret Burgess, Cathy D'Antoni, Naoual Gilliland, June McMillin, Sue Muller, Pat Prentice & Kathryn Vanderoef. You all looked fabulous.

And that ends my job of planning programs. I have had a good time doing this for the past two FAN years. I thank all of you for your attention and attendance!



Membership – Audie Brooks, 2nd VP

FAN is growing in leaps and bounds. The club is at its highest membership -- 345. I know a lot of you have invited your friends and neighbors to join, and we are so glad. Who knows?? There may still be many women out there who are looking for something to fill their time. Thanks to Lu Ann Kubis, subdivisions are putting articles in their newsletters notifying ladies about this great club.

You will notice that there is again a Membership Application included in this newsletter in case you misplaced the one from last month. I would like to remind you again that for the 2011-2012 FAN year ALL members will be required to fill out a new form. Please complete the form and bring it to the Installation Luncheon with your \$25 check made out to FAN. I have received dues from **144** of you so far for the new FAN year. Many of you are changing your choices at the bottom of your application; some are leaving off email addresses and cell phone numbers, and I am putting in your changes.

If you won't be at the May luncheon, please mail your check to the address listed on the form. You still have the rest of April, May and June to get your checks in to me. ALL DUES MUST BE PAID BY JUNE 30th IF YOU WANT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NEW DIRECTORY.

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



Sunshine Corner — Karen Baird



Susan Hoff, who had knee replacement surgery at the end of March, is working hard on her recovery, via physical therapy. We send her positive energy with the hope that she can accomplish these goals very soon.

A nasty fall put **Susan Harobin** in the hospital for a few days with a concussion. She is at home now recovering from the trauma.

Harolene Hatley is using a cane to assist her following a knee injury. She hopes to make a full recovery without surgery.

Keep your Sunshine requests coming to Karen Baird during the summer months. I can be reached at 281-651-6767 or jandkbaird@aol.com. The email method is preferred because it provides documentation of your request.



"SNAP A SMILE"

Well, my year is coming to an end as Historian, and I would like to thank all of you that have shared your photos and stories of your 2010-2011 year of memories with FAN. I'm putting the final pictures in and adding the extra bling to make Debbie's scrapbook tell the story of a great year.

It's your pictures that tell the story and the history of our great women's club, and it's a wonderful way to express to our president our appreciation of keeping us all active and sharing in our friendships with each other.

I look forward to presenting the scrapbook to Debbie at the May Installation Luncheon, and I hope you all get a minute to view some of FAN memories of 2010-2011 great year.

Our summer is almost upon us and the heat is setting in, and as you continue with your FAN's outing, remember to "Snap A Smile" of your group activities and pass it along to the new Historian Co-Chairs Sue Muller or Lin Fish.

Thank you so much for making my Historian job enjoyable this year.

Belinda



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- May 3 **Installation Luncheon** for New Officers at Augusta Pines Golf Club
- May 8 Mother's Day
- Jun 19 Father's Day
- Jun 21 First Day of Summer
- Jun 30 **DUES DEADLINE** for 2011-12 year
- Sep 6 First FAN meeting of 2011-12 year

THE MYSTERY WAS REVEALED!

On Apr 13th, FAN wandered Washington County looking for Texas Bluebonnets, didn't see many but we did see Lady Bluebonnet (Bonnie) an eleven year old Yorkshire terrier. If you visit the Bluebonnet House in Chapel Hill, look for her.



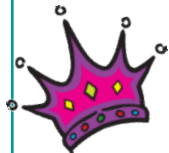
Lunch at Bevers Kitchen was enjoyed. Most of us had homemade pie for dessert. However, Bonnie Brunskill ate a big piece of coconut cream pie before her meal.

The Antique Rose Emporium near Independence is a beautiful place to tour, buy or relax in. They have many varieties of old garden roses that grew in Texas in the 1800's. We continued looking for bluebonnets on our way to Brenham. We shopped and shopped and had some Bluebell Ice Cream.

Maybe next year we will travel the highways and the fields will be full of the color blue.

Sharlene

INSTALLATION LUNCHEON



Don't forget about the Installation Luncheon at Augusta Pines Tour 18 on Tuesday, May 3rd at 10:45 am.

Directions: From the intersection of Kuykendahl and 2920, go north on Kuykendahl about 5.2 miles and turn right on Augusta Pines Drive. Drive to the end, and you'll see the Clubhouse. Please allow extra travel time, since there is roadwork along Kuykendahl.

18 Augusta Pines Dr
Spring, TX 77389-3588
(281) 290-1900

Susan Ivins

Activities

COUPLES DINNER BRIDGE

When: Saturday, May 21 **Time** 5 p.m.
Where: Spring Creek BBQ, 4220 W FM 1960 **Hosts:** Maria & Ian Davidson
Winners: 1st: Ken Gould 2nd: Suzanne Priddy 3rd: Pat Broccard
4th: Joe Ellis 5th: Steele Nixon **Small Slam:** Arlene Carmen & Joe Elliscongrats!

Thank you to Suzanne & Gary Priddy for hosting in April.



If you would like to come and play Bridge on the 3rd Saturday of each month please call; Angie Poncio @ 281-255-9525 or email at ajponcio@sbcglobal.net.



FAN Hikers/Walkers

Our walks and hikes will resume in the late fall when the weather is more suitable for this activity.

Jacqueline Webster



ANTIQUERS & JUNKERS

This group meets on the 3rd Wed. of each month for a fun-filled day of antiquing, eating and shopping. This month we will meet on May 18th at 9:00 am at Charla Hannibal's at 3318 Wild-candle Dr. in Candlelight Hills for coffee and then will carpool on to Huntsville with lunch at The Farmhouse. Please call her at 281- 288-3892 or email at charla1430@aol.com if you plan to attend.



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 aforbesw@aol.com. All are welcome. Directions to Charla's will be emailed to all.

This group will not meet in June, July or August.

THE LUNCH BUNCH

Meets every 3rd Wednesday at
12 Noon

May 19th Hostess is Mary Ann Lucas. For reservations, call her (281.583.8408) before May 16. Bring a non-sweet dish.

June 15th: Lunch Bunch will meet at Back Street Cafe, 1103 S. Shepherd at 11:15. Call Sharlene Wesson before June 12 if you are going.

July 20th: We will lunch at a restaurant. Call Sharlene for details..

August: We do not meet in August

ALL WELCOME!

Sharlene Wesson, Chairperson, 81.251.6940



MONDAY AT THE MOVIES

Don't miss the last movie day before going on hiatus for the summer (June -August). The movie for May, as well as date and time, are yet unknown. Anyone interested in meeting for a movie should call Margaret Burgess at 281.304.8977



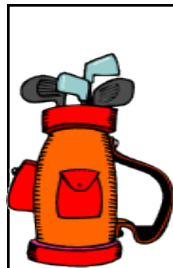
FAN WINE TASTING GROUP

Do you remember that last month we sampled wines from the Houston Rodeo International Wine Competition? And then we talked about other competitions, including the most famous of all in 1976. The journalist who attended that event has written a book about it called "The Judgment of Paris". It's a fascinating book that has also been made into a film called "Bottleshock"..

This month the book was featured, together with "The Heartbreak Grape" by Marq de Villiers when Chris & David Normand gave us some "Storybook Wines" to taste. Many of the wineries are still going strong so we were able to taste what they are producing now including Chateau Montelena Chardonnay from Napa Valley (top in the white wine category in 1976) and Stag Leap Wine Cellars 'Artemis' Cabernet Sauvignon (top in the red category in 1976). We were not disappointed!

Next month Jan and Norm Odam are hosting. We are sure to have some fun because previous themes have been the Tour de France, the international bicycle race round France, and the Mille Miglia car race in Italy

We meet on the first Saturday of each month. Currently the group is full, but we have vacancies on our substitute/guest list, so if you would like to know more about us, please email me at 12gibbs@att.net or call me on 281 890 3948



FAN COUPLES GOLF

Our group plays area courses monthly, usually on weekends. This is relaxed golf - you may do a scramble with partner. Call if interested.

Call: Jan Fau, Hm: 281-290-9494

Cell; 281-728-9948



RAILROAD CANASTA

Looking for new players!!

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

Questions? Call Susan Hoff 832 446 6042 or
Barbara Bolz 281 370 8357

COUPLES DINNER

CANASTA

WHEN: 3rd Saturday of each month

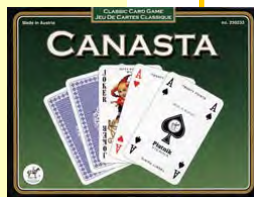
TIME: 6:00 p.m.

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 Welcome !



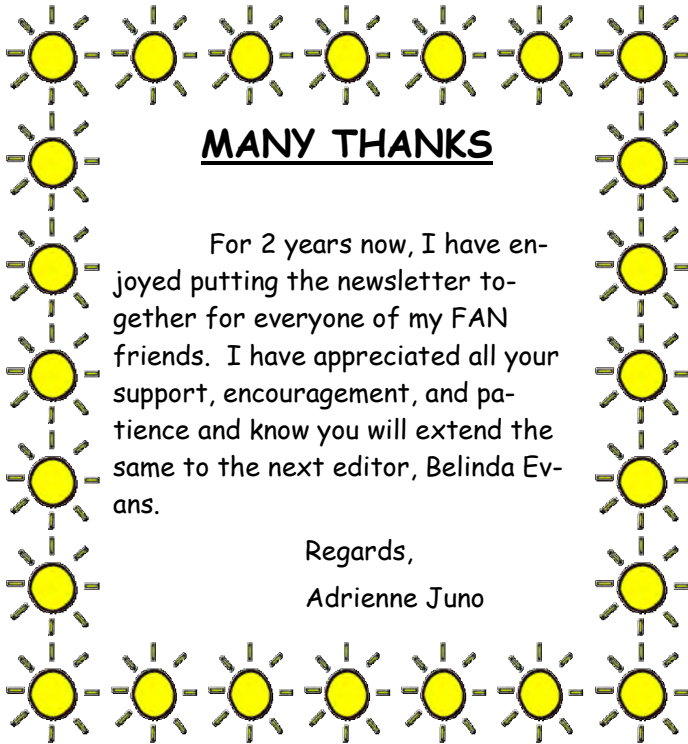
CANASTA I

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 **Carol Well**, 281-251-5223



MANY THANKS

For 2 years now, I have enjoyed putting the newsletter together for everyone of my FAN friends. I have appreciated all your support, encouragement, and patience and know you will extend the same to the next editor, Belinda Evans.

Regards,
Adrienne Juno



SPRING SOCIAL/BAR B Q



A group of 42 met at the Spring Creek Oaks clubhouse in March and enjoyed Bar-B-Q (smoked brisket and chicken) prepared by Doghouse Smokers, side dishes & dessert prepared by members, wonderful live entertainment, a Top chef competition and a Dessert Challenge Contest using predetermined ingredients including beef jerky!

At the end of a fun evening the winners were presented with certificates of excellence and prizes. Those winners were:

- Potato Salad** Kathy Michalski
- Cole Slaw** Valley Ranch BBQ, um....Debbie Laich
- Baked Beans** Jill Schumacher
- Dessert** Susan Busler (peach cobbler)
- Dessert Challenge Team** Sue Muller, Helen Timpe, Margie Rogers, Bonnie Reddehase

All in all, it was a great evening with good food and good friends. Special BIG thanks to those gals who spent most of the night and day working....Adrienne Juno, Linda Fisher, Susan Busler, Karen Baird, Kathy Michalski, Sharlene Wesson, Sue Muller, Carole Acker. And....our sincere thanks to Craig Whitney, who entertained us all evening with music at no charge!



LITERARY REVIEW



Date: May 25, 1 pm

Book: The Big Rich by Bryan Burrough

Hostess/Leader: Barb Hein, 281-376-3365, 9730 Champions Cove Dr., Estates of Windrush.

Directions: From Louetta Rd. turn South onto Champions Drive (not Champion Forest). Turn right on Appin Falls Dr. and go to end. Turn right on Chipstead. Turn right on Kepler McVey. Turn left on Emilia to Champions Cove. Barb's house is here.

Date: June 22 , 1 pm

Book: The Madonnas of Leningrad by Debra Dean

Leader: Winnie Mitchell

Hostess: Margaret Burgess, 281-304-8977, 16018 Elmwood Manor Drive in 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.

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

OVERNIGHT TRIP

Fourteen FAN members invaded Louisiana at the end of March. We journeyed to Nottoway Plantation in White Castle where we stayed in lovely guest cottages. We enjoyed a delicious meal there that evening. The next day we took a trip to New Orleans. We rode the St. Charles Ave. trolley to the French Quarter, toured, shopped and ate beignets at Café du Monde. The next day we toured the plantation; then some of the group went to Houmas House plantation for lunch, and toured the capital building in Baton Rouge.

It was a great trip and the company made it that much better.

Thank you, Margaret Burgess and Marie Remik!



RADIO MUSIC THEATRE TRIP

On Friday, April 15th, approximately 14 Fan members and husbands enjoyed the farewell performance of the Radio Music Theater. After opening in the 1980's, the doors are closing, leaving many followers disappointed. However, after a dinner at Pappasitos Cantina, the Fan group had another entertaining evening.

NEW ACTIVITIES GROUPS FORMING

If you are interested in

- joining a new book group
- joining a new National mahjongg group (uses the card)
- joining a Mexican train dominoes group

OR

if you are interested in becoming the leader of the Museum group, please contact Rosemary Felix at 281.376-5204.

BY-LAW CHANGES

The By-Laws committee has suggested the following changes to the FAN By-laws. Please review and be ready to vote on the changes at the next meeting (Installation luncheon).

Article III MEMBERSHIP:

Section 4: Remove the last sentence from section 4 "No members shall profit from any activity sponsored by the Club."

Section 5 (NEW): "No members shall profit from any activity sponsored by the Club."

Section 6 (NEW): "Violation of bylaws or disruptive, unruly behavior by any FAN member during any FAN-sponsored event, including but not exclusive of meetings, activity groups, or social events, shall result in possible termination of Club membership. If after a written warning from the Executive Board the violation persists, Club membership will be terminated immediately with no refund of dues."

Article IV MEETINGS:

Section 4: (current wording) "...Failure to pay for reservations to any Club function is due cause for a member to be dropped from the membership in the club."

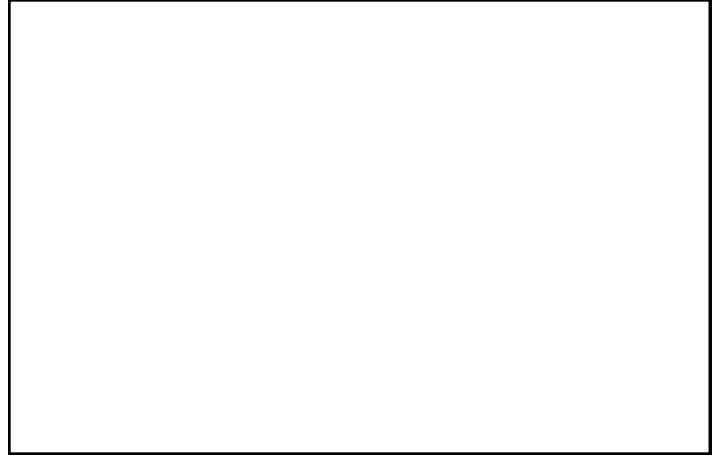
(change to) "...Failure to pay for reservations to any Club function is due cause for termination of membership."

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Editor's Note

All articles for the **July** newsletter should be submitted to the new editor, **Belinda Evans** at bsevans55@yahoo.com **before** June 15th.

For address label updates, please contact: Audie Brooks.

