



FANfare



Friends and Neighbors Of FM 1960

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November 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. Our next meeting will be on November 5, 2013

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

HAPPY THANKSGIVING! This is the beginning of a wondrous time in our year; giving us opportunities to spend time with family and friends.

In FAN we have many opportunities to enjoy our friendships. I hope all of you have signed up for the CHRISTMAS CHARITY LUNCHEON held in December. The CHRISTMAS CHARITY LUNCHEON takes the place of our GENERAL MEETING in December.

FAN members have voted and a difficult decision was made. We had three very worthy charities to consider and the choice you made was HOME OF HOPE OF TEXAS. I wish to encourage all to come and support this worthy cause. This luncheon is a good opportunity to invite your friends and family to see FAN members at their best; giving and sharing in our community.

As always, I encourage all of you to get involved in FAN activities. Let our activities chairman, Sharon Plescia, help you find the group you wish to join.

Enjoy your family and friends!

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Betty Horelica



NEWSLETTER

VIA EMAIL

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

Debbie Laich
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or

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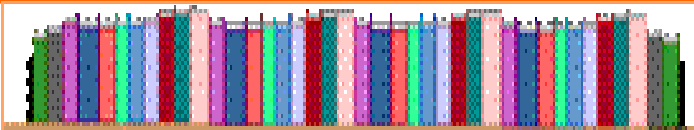
LUNCH BUNCH

We will meet on the third Wednesday, November 20, at 12:00 noon. Our hostess is Marie Nichols, 281-440-5062. Call Marie before November 16 to let her know you are coming. Bring a nonsweet dish.

Please bring a few copies of one of your Thanksgiving recipes to share. If you are new to **Lunch Bunch**, we welcome you.

Chair Person, Sharlene Wesson, 281-251-6940





FAN Book Clubs

These books are being read by our FAN Book Clubs for November:

Literary Review Pasty Justice

No Meeting in November

December Brunch

When: December 18

Hostess: Marie Remik

Cover Girls Maria Bocchino

When: **Healing**

By: Johnathan Odell

When: December 4, 2013

Due to Thanksgiving will be held in December

Hostess: Margie Rogers

Cover Girls is full, but if you wish to be placed on the waiting list please contact me:

marite.bocchino@gmail.com

Page Turners Adrienne Juno

On November 13, the Page Turners Book Group will go on a field trip to The Woodlands. We will visit **Good Books in the Woods**, a used and collectibles book shop. Afterwards, the members plan to lunch before going home.



FILM LOVERS' OUTING

Movie lovers enjoy award-winning films like *Argo* and *Lincoln*, frothy comedies or heartwarming dramas on the third Monday each month. Mark your calendar for November 18. Send your email address to me and I will contact you.

Lin Fish, linden7723@att.net



Sending Sunshine Wishes to Our Friends

Please keep in your thoughts and prayers these friends and neighbors who are ill or recovering:

Sherry Dunn is recuperating from successful shoulder surgery. Our thoughts and prayers are with her as she heals.

Our condolences go to the family of Charlotte Vinson who passed away in October. Charlotte loved playing bridge with her FAN group. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Betty Boyland as she heals from successful heart surgery.

Please contact me at:

juneb6903@hotmail.com or call me at 281-323-4581 with news to share.

June McMillin

CHECK OUT THE NEW FAN WEBSITE

<http://fan1960.wordpress.com>

This website is easy to get to.

NO PASSWORDS REQUIRED.

If you can't find your newsletter and need to learn more about some upcoming event, you can get more information on this Website. If you can't find your directory, most information from it is out there: Executive & Extended Board members, Programs, Activity Leaders, Club By-laws, and Board member duties, but not membership information. Any forms you might need are out there, too.

New: See a slide show of the Mahjongg Marauders, and September and October General Meetings

Contact me with any questions or concerns.

Adrienne Juno

ahjuno@gmail.com



Historians' Corner

Hi Again, Ladies,

I know it seems awfully early to be thinking of Betty's Scrapbook and the end of the FAN year, but with all the activities offered to us we need to keep up to date.

We really would like to put some pictures of your group in Betty's scrapbook.

Margie or I will be glad to come and take the pictures, just give one of us a call and let us know where and what time and we'll be there.

If you have any pictures developed, and have a receipt, we will make sure you are reimbursed.

Let's try to have as many activity groups as possible represented in this year's scrapbook!

Have a great year!

Sue and Margie

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

Sue Muller 281-440-5994
Sbmuller60@gmail.com



1st VP/Programs

Photo journey through Texas to highlight November Meeting

Just in time to learn more before FAN's overnight trip in November to Gonzales and Goliad, seats of their respective counties, our November 4 program will be a look at historical county courthouses throughout Texas.

FAN member Pat Townzen and her husband, Don, will present their lovely photos of the beautiful and historical county courthouses of Texas. Pat and Don have made a retirement hobby of researching and photographing each of Texas' 254 county courthouses, and they've unearthed some interesting stories.

This should be a delightful and educational program.

FAN Directory 2013-2014

Great job ladies in getting the directories picked up. Currently we have 56 remaining to hand out. See me at the General Meeting to get your copy.

Thanks!

Jo Ellen Wade
832-419-9190



NEW GROUP

DUPLICATE LITE BRIDGE

WHEN: 1st Wednesday of the month

Time: 10 A.M.

Who: Looking for Regulars and Substitutes

Cost: \$3.00 per person plus your lynch

Where: Spring Creek BBQ on FM 2920 near Kuykendahl Road

Questions?

Sign Up?

Contact Corinne Sloan, CorinneLS@aol.com

Or 281-444-1537

Lunch at Strata Restaurant

Join your FAN friends at Strata Restaurant in Vintage Park for lunch after our November meeting. Be sure to sign up before our monthly meeting begins. Directions will be provided.

Strata Restaurant
122 Vintage Park Blvd Suite A
Houston
www.StrataHouston.com

Thanks
Lu Ann Kubis

OVERNIGHT TRIP

Our first overnight trip will be on November 14-15, Thursday and Friday. We're taking an historical trip to Gonzales, the Lexington of Texas. We will visit Goliad as well. This trip is filled.

I welcome any ideas you might have about places you would like to explore for overnight trips in the coming year.

Susan Ivins 281-257-2633 or
skingivins@comcast.net

Mexican Train Dominoes

We play on the first Thursday of each month at Denny's, 7720 Louetta Road (near Klein High School) at 9:30 a.m. Cost is \$1.00 plus cost of your lunch.

We would like for members to call or email if they plan to play. This will ensure that we have enough domino sets.

Rosemary Felix 281-376-5204 or
rmbfelix@sbcglobal.net

Harolene Hatley 281-370-7990 or
jhatley1@comcast.net



TRACY LALOR WINS FAN FLOWERETTES TOURNAMENT III JACKPOT

FAN Flowerette **Tracy Lalor** was a clear favorite from the beginning of this Mah Jongg Tournament, having come in second place in the last tourney. And blossom she did with a runaway score of 32 wins over a three-month period. Her closest contender, Charla Miller, bloomed in the distance with 20 wins, followed by Char Marks with 16 wins. Tracy took home a jackpot worth \$55.

Besides winning big at Mahjongg, this pretty posy is an animal advocate who rescues box turtles. Her current brood of 15 turtles enjoys the warmth of the sun and rich soil in Tracy's manicured backyard.

Fan Flowerette members include Tracy Lalor, Charla Miller, Char Marks, Ada Hart, Fredna Reinhoehl, Barbara Kerr and Belinda Evans.

WACKY SCRAPPERS

The Wacky scrappers meet at **Jo Ann's Craft and Fabric Store** near Willowbrook on the third Friday of each month from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Bring a lunch and join these fun, creative and talented ladies.

Everyone works on their own projects. We encourage "Show and Tell" items so all can learn from each other.

The group is now open. Please contact Margie if you are interested.

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





**BUY HOLIDAY LUNCHEON TICKETS BY NOVEMBER 15 AND SUPPORT
THE HOME OF HOPE**

November 15 is the last day to order tickets for our Winter Wonderland! Tickets may be purchased for your non-FAN friends as well, and we'd love to have them attend and support our chosen charity. Please print the order form, complete it and mail with your check to Sheila Gibbs, 1169 Regency Forest Dr., Cypress, TX 77429, or bring the form and check to the November meeting. If you have any questions, call Sheila at 281-890-3948.

At the October meeting, our members voted to support the mission of The Home of Hope, Texas, which is opening a facility in Spring as a place of refuge and safety for young girls who have been rescued from human sexual trafficking in our area. You will learn more about The Home of Hope at our luncheon on December 3. We know our FAN donation will be greatly appreciated by this deserving organization. All funds raised through the silent auction, raffle and live auction will go to this cause, along with \$5 from each luncheon ticket. Let's plan to show our support generously!

Please deliver items for the silent auction and raffle, or winter decorations for the luncheon (snowmen, deer, evergreens), to one of the following:

The Holiday Luncheon Table at the November general meeting

Sherrri Lauritsen, Coles Crossing

Priscilla Browne, Cypresswood

Clarita Doussan, Gleannloch Farms

Bonnie Reddehase, Westador

Gwen Barfield, Spring Creek Forest

Trish Torgersen, Wimbledon

Be sure to include a note with the name of the activity group or member making the donation, and mark your name on decorations so they can be returned! If you need ideas or have questions, contact co-chairs:

Sherrri Lauritsen selauritsen@entouch.net 817-307-2492

Trish Torgersen torgersenp@gmail.com 832-717-0043

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FAN NATURE WALKERS

On October 10, we ventured to Mercer Arboretum to enjoy the fall weather and many blooms this location offers its visitors. During the two hour walk, we saw an abundance of the American Beauty bush in all its glory with its eye catching magenta berries along with many other notable plants, trees, bushes, etc. Our walks are more than going thru wooded trails, but enjoying nature in all its beauty, along with group camaraderie and making new friends.

There will be more walks planned in the upcoming weeks, so please join us as we will be exploring the wooded nature trails at Burroughs Park, Mercer Arboretum, Pundt Park, Spring Creek Greenway, etc. 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. Walks are scheduled according to group attendance and weather conditions, usually a week or two in advance. Thank you for your interest and I look forward to our walk in the woods.

Jacqueline Webster jwebster1@global.net



IT'S A WHITE CHRISTMAS FAN'S COOKIE EXCHANGE

When: Tuesday December 17
Where: Spring Creek Oaks Clubhouse
Time: 11:00 A.M.—til
Cost: \$15.00 per person + 3 1/2 dozen
baked cookies (21 sandwich bags of
two cookies each).

Check payable to FAN

5 Openings remaining. We will be accepting reservations at the November meeting.

Hostess: Susan Busler and Harolene Hatley

SOCIAL

Messina Hof Tour-Wine Tasting and Lunch Fun Day

FAN Members, Husbands and Friends welcome. On January 25, we will travel to Bryan to the Messina Hof Winery. We will leave at 11:00 a.m. and return by 6:30 p.m. Cost will be \$5.00 per person plus lunch of 13.95. Your \$5.00 will be returned at bus time. We are taking you on a President Four bus.

Sign up at the November General Meeting or call Sharlene Wesson 281-2516940



Our October meeting went very well. We had 94 members in attendance with 5 new members and 3 guests. We now have a membership total of 302 Linda Neibel, 2nd Vice President

NEW MEMBERS ARE:

Sheri Butler

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Spring, Tx 77389
Oakmont Village in the Preserve
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sheributler@yahoo.com

Doris Duff

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Madge Murphy

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Spring, Tx 77379
Windrose
Home; 832-698-4080
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JoAnn Weinberg

15426 Lakeport Crossing
Cypress, Tx 77429
Coles Crossing
Cell: 713-805-9309
Email:
joannweinberg@yahoo.com



2013 December Party Birthday

Monday December 2, 2013, 11:00 a.m.

Ladies born in December are invited to join us for a December Birthday Party at the **Strata Restaurant** located in the East end of Vintage Park, **122 Vintage Park Blvd.** If you wish to participate in the gift exchange please bring a “nice” wrapped Birthday gift (\$10 value) to exchange. Please RSVP by Friday, November 29, 2013

Pat Ramsey 281-413-3919 pramsey895@sbcglobal.net

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.

We will meet on November 20 at 9 a.m. at Sandy Lang's house. She lives at 7907 Ensemble Dr., Houston. Her phone number is 713-849-4886 or [**beau001@aol.com**](mailto:beau001@aol.com) Please let both Sandy and me know by November 14 if you are coming so we can set up carpools and lunch reservations.

We will go to Brookwood in Brookshire with lunch there., then on to antique malls and shops in old Katy.

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**](mailto:aforbesw@aol.com)

All are welcome.



NEWS from Idalia R Skates, Treasurer

For the October meeting the 50/50 drawing collected \$162. Jo Howell and Brenda Waters won \$40.50 each. Thank you ladies. Remember to support the 50/50 drawing for the month of November.

Needle Arts Lovers

If you enjoy any type of needlework (cross stitch, knitting, beading, quilting, embroidery, etc.); hook work (crocheting, hook rug, latch hook, etc.), or sewing (save your hems and other handwork and bring it along) and want to double your fun, come join the Needle Arts Lovers (NAL) group.

Our group enjoys working on our projects while we share our joy and our latest work-in-progress with other members. We enjoy conversations with other ladies who share an appreciation for Needle Arts.

Our meetings are on the first Wednesday and the third Monday of the month from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The meeting place is announced prior to each meeting. If you cannot make it by 9 a.m., just come when you can, even if it is only for an hour. The hostess for each meeting provides beverages, but no food. Sometimes we also go out to lunch.

Just sign up at one of the FAN meetings or call Judy Hemker 281-379-2937 or

[**judhem@hotmail.com**](mailto:judhem@hotmail.com) If you want to come to a meeting to check us out, contact Judy Hemker prior to the meeting.



HOSPITALITY

A big thank you to the generous ladies who brought treats to the October General Meeting, and thank you in advance to the wonderful ladies who have signed up to bring us snacks for the November meeting. Please try to bring one dish to one meeting this year. The sign-up sheets for January and February will be located near the sign-in table and passed around during the general meetings. Please drop off your fares at the Hospitality tables by 9:30. Great job and happy baking! Thank you.

Sharon Gardner, [**sgardner@entouch.net**](mailto:sgardner@entouch.net)

Mary Kay Roane, [**mkcardile@gmail.com**](mailto:mkcardile@gmail.com)

Hi, I'm Sharon Plescia and I am your activities coordinator this year.

On meeting day, I'm inviting everyone to stop by the ACTIVITIES table, with a special invitation to our newest members: **Jacqueline Stamates, JoAnn Weinberg, Sheri Butler, Fifi Halligan, Doris Duff and Madge Murphy.**

We have so many great events throughout the month, but there is always room for more. Please let us know if you have a hobby for which there is no group. Since we have over 300 members, there's a variety of interests, and we'd be very happy to help get your group up and running. If you'd like to join an established group, we have signup sheets at the ACTIVITIES table.

COUPLES DINNER BRIDGE

When: Meets the 3rd Saturday each month.

RESERVATIONS are required.

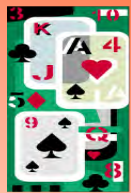
New couples are welcome.

Call Andrea Poncio @ 281-255-9525

Bridge Coordinator

Time: Promptly at 5 p.m.

Where: Spring Creek BBQ, 4220 FM 1960 West



COUPLES RR DINNER CANASTA

WHEN: 3rd Saturday 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

Just to ensure we have groups of four, RSVP Debbie.

CANASTA I

When: 4th Tuesday each month

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Cost: \$3.00 per person

Place: Willowbrook Fuddruckers

ALL FANS MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!

NO RESERVATIONS

Questions? Call Melody Williams,

281-440-7512



National League Mahjonnig Group

When: 1st Monday and 3rd Tuesday each month

Time: 10 a.m.

Place: Cafe Express, FM 1960 in the Champions Shopping Center

Group is closed but accepting subs. Contact Katherine if you want to be added to the sub list.

Katherine Vanderoef

281-251-7072 or **katherinevanderoef@att.net**



RAILROAD CANASTA

Looking for new players!!

We play on 3rd Thursday of the month at **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

New players always welcome.

We are happy to teach you this fun game.



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Editor's Note

All articles for the December-January Newsletter should be submitted between **November 4 and November 12** to **chennigd@outlook.com**. Deadline for last-minute changes is **November 18**.

To update your address, please contact **Linda Neibel** **281-583-5111** or **wneibel@yahoo.com**