



FANfare



April 2010

Friends and Neighbors Of FM 1960

President's Message



Did you know that April

Flower is Sweet Pea, or Daisy



& Gemstone is Diamond, or White Sapphire

General Meetings

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

April 6, 2010
May 4, 2010

Meetings resume in September

Dear FAN Ladies,

A big "thank you" to Kathy Michalski for presiding over the March General Meeting. I understand that the style show presented by Draper's & Damon's was a huge success. The pictures are posted on our google website (<http://groups.google.com/group/friends-and-neighbors-of-fm-1960org>)

and look gorgeous. Not only were the clothes beautiful, but our FAN models showed them off to perfection.

The Nominating Committee announced the slate of officers for the 2010-2011 FAN year at this meeting. Due to the approved Bylaws change in Article VII Section 5, "All executive officers may serve two terms in succession", we have 3 officers serving another term. Look for the full list of nominees printed in this issue of FANfare. Don't miss the April General Meeting when we will be voting. If you have additional nominees submitted before March 31st, they will be added to the vote.

The mystery trip was finally revealed on February 26th. Thank you, Sharon Wertz, for a trip back in time at the Rosenberg Railroad Museum. Our ancestors definitely traveled in more style than we do now.

Our FAN year is quickly drawing to a close, but we still have several ac-

tivities taking place. I know we'll be hearing all about the rodeo trip on March 13th and the progressive dinner on March 20th.

Make sure you sign up for the Installation Luncheon on May 4th. How often do you have the opportunity to be musically entertained and have a delicious lunch for only \$10?

The April General Meeting will be the last meeting for our Hospitality Co-chair, Karen Gabriel. Karen has been heading this committee for several years and providing us with a wonderful array of foods. Even though our members have been more than generous bringing snacks, Karen always makes several dishes herself. Thank you, Karen, for your dedication to FAN. We will miss you!!

One last reminder - Renew your membership early at the April or May general meeting. All you need is a check for \$25 and no new renewal form.

Have an Eggstra
Egg-ceptional,
Eggs-traordinary Easter!!

See you on April 6th.

Linda Fisher,
281-376-6799,
lpfisher3@aol.com



Sunshine Corner — Karen Baird



Linda Fisher's absence at the March meeting was an unpleasant surprise. We are happy to report that Linda is feeling much better after her short hospitalization and she expects to see us all at the general meeting on April 6.

Clarita Doussan's husband, Chuck, is also recouping at home and feeling much better after his short hospitalization.

Grace Casagrande contacted me this week to thank FAN for the card that she had received and to also request from FAN, the power of their prayers and positive energy as she faces additional surgery and treatment for breast cancer. Grace indicated that written communications would be better than phone calls at this point.

I think I can speak for FAN when I say we will keep not only Grace close to our hearts during this challenging time, but also other FAN members who may be experiencing difficulties.

Please send your sunshine requests to Karen Baird at 281-651-67687 or via email at jandkbaird@aol.com.



Programs – Kathy Michalski, 1st VP

Wasn't the Fashion Show fun? A big thank you to our beautiful models, Margaret Burgess, Jean Bodwell, Barbara Bolz, Shelia Gibbs, Naual Gilliland, Claudia Coates and Virginia Haygood. You all did a great job.

Our next meeting will be a presentation by Jim Sigmund of the Cypress Historical Society. He'll talk about the history of Cypress and the work they are doing at the Harris County Cypress Top Historic Park and Museum. It should be both interesting and informative.

Membership – Lillian Blakesley, 2nd VP

Ladies, we are about to start another year of FAN registration...

We will be accepting dues of \$25 starting at the April meeting without having to fill out a new application form.

ALL MAILED dues will require a newly completed application form sent along with the check. We would like to encourage you to pay dues early because it helps us with getting the new directory to you on time.



Hospitality

Please bring food to share at the April meeting. We're always on the lookout for goodies.

Contact Karen Gabriel, 281-528-9843 or Helen Timpe, 281-373-3693.

HISTORIAN

Hi, FAN friends!

Many thanks for the pictures you have shared. I am currently working on our President's Memory Book for 2009-2010, and it's so much fun to relive our travel adventures, socials, and group activities while cutting and pasting.

Keep smiling: I'll still be "flashing" you when you least expect it!

Debbie Laich

debbielaich@comcast.net



INSTALLATION LUNCHEON

Tuesday, May 4, 2010




Our Installation Luncheon this year will again be at the Wyndehaven Terrace. It was beautifully decorated last year and the buffet lunch was wonderful. FAN will subsidize part of the cost, so each person only needs to pay \$10. Please make your check payable to FAN and plan to register at the April meeting.

There will be great door prizes and musical entertainment. Most of all you won't want to miss out on the opportunity to thank Linda Fisher for the job she has done as President and to welcome our new incoming President.



Priscilla Browne,
281-353-9287
Bonnie Brunskill,
281-353-4722

 **MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR NEXT YEAR ARE PAYABLE AT THE APRIL & MAY MEETINGS**



Did you know.....



that FAN members with December birthdays have gathered to celebrate their special day each December?

Would you like to participate in a Birthday Luncheon for your own month? If interested sign up at the Activities table at general meetings or contact Rosemary Felix at 281-376-5204.

Mark Your Calendars	
April 1	April Fool's Day
April 2	Good Friday
April 4	Easter
April 6	General Meeting and Board Election
May 4	Installation Luncheon
May 9	Mother's Day
May 18	Old Board/New Board Luncheon
May 31	Memorial Day

Activities

2010-11 Slate of Officers

President:	Deborah Laich
1st Vice President/Programs:	Kathy Michalski
2nd Vice President/Membership:	Audie Brooks
Secretary:	Cookie Ruggeri
Treasurer:	Clarita H. Doussan
Newsletter:	Adrienne Juno
Historian:	Belinda Evans

Officers will be elected at the April meeting. Written nominations will be accepted until March 31st. Contact

Mary Ann Lucas at 281-583-8408 or
malucasart@hotmail.com

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



FAN WINE TASTING GROUP

Chris & David Normand stepped in at the last minute to host our March meeting. And what a good job they did! All the wines were from the Rhone Valley including a couple of wonderful white wines. White wines are not usually associated with the Rhone Valley, so it was particularly interesting to taste them. Chris and David also produced a fun quiz to test our knowledge of wine making - the prize being a bottle of Cotes du Rhone Villages that we had tasted during the evening.

Next month, on Saturday April 10th, Patricia and Leo Fraske will host our Easter gathering and as they always produce interesting wines for us to taste, it should be a good evening.

We meet on the first Saturday of each month) and **currently the group is open to one more couple**, so if you are interested and would like to know more about us, please contact Sheila Gibbs at 12gibbs@att.net or 281 890 3948.

CANASTA II

When: 9:45-2, 3rd Tuesday
Where: Egg & I, located on Louetta Rd at SH 249.
Cost: \$3. All must eat lunch. Prices start at \$5 up
Contact: Eileen Kelly 281-516-1535 or
ekellyme19@sbcglobal.net
All are 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 **Shirley Strack**, 832-717-7640
or **Carol Well**, 281-251-5223

New on FAN Website:



Photos of March meeting and style show, updated bylaws as approved at March meeting, updated Membership form, updated membership directory, and general meeting minutes. Contact **Cindy Ward** for ALL of your **Google Group website** questions, 281-376-8704, cindy@planetward.net

ANTIQUES & JUNKERS



This group will meet at the home of Carlene Thompson, 8107 Twining Oaks Lane at 9:30am on Wednesday, April 28th then head to the Antique Gallery in Spring (wonderful 85,000 square feet). Believe me, if you cannot find it here, you do not need it) then on to Old Town Spring for lunch!

Please call (281-3762651) or email (carlene1776@sbcglobal.net) Carlene if attending!

REMEMBER TO KEEP BRINGING YOUR COUPONS

Audie Brooks
(281-225-8977)

THE LUNCH BUNCH



Next Lunch Bunch will be **April 21st at 12 noon:** Contact hostess Margaret Burgess at 281-304-8977 for reservations before April 19th. Bring a non sweet dish.

Lunch Bunch Chairperson: Sharlene Wesson

FAN COUPLES GOLF



We finally got to golf at the end of February. Looking forward to monthly Tee Times. We only had three couples, but had a good time.

We golf Sat or Sun at nearby courses, and go out to eat afterwards. If you can't commit to attend regularly, please consider being an alternate.

This is no stress golf - keep your own score or play a scramble with your spouse.

Jan Fau. 281-290-9494

Cell 281-728-9948



LITERARY REVIEW

BRAZOS BOOKSTORE FIELDTRIP

Wednesday, April 28, 9:30 AM

We will meet at St. Ignatius Loyola Church (7810 Cypresswood Dr) parking lot at 8:30 AM. Park in the lot in front of the Christus Center (building on right of church). We will carpool downtown to Brazos Bookstore (713-523-0701, 2421 Bissonet Street). The Brazos manager will give us a tour and talk to us about the store. We will continue on to Houston's mystery bookstore, Murder By the Book. Afterwards we will lunch at a nearby restaurant.

MONDAY AT THE MOVIES

Next movie outing will be April 12th. Mark your calendar! Sign up will be at the April meeting. Call Margaret Burgess for details.



281-304-8977



NATURE WALKERS

Give yourself the gift of health and join our walking group. This fun group will meet in Meyer Park at 7700 Cypresswood, Houston, TX.

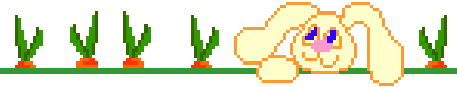
Meyer Park is a 286-acre facility with 26 soccer fields (ten are lighted), two unlighted softball fields, a basketball court, barbecue pavilion, gazebo, paved trails, nature trails, duck pond, a three-acre fishing lake, picnic tables, barbecue grills, two age-specific playgrounds, and rest room facilities. For more information, go to their website at <http://www.hcp4.net/parks/meyer/>



Our walk lasts one hour and we welcome all levels of walkers. Meeting days and times vary based on group availability and weather. If you haven't signed up, please contact me with your name and email address. If you know of other areas suitable for nature walking, please send me an email with that information.

Looking forward to walking with you.

Jacqueline Webster
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NEW BRIDGE GROUP

A new Party Bridge Group is forming that will meet on the **3rd Monday of the month at 10:00** at Gleannloch Farms club house, 19393 Champion Forest Dr.



If you would like to play or have questions contact Mary Kay Dryer at 281-376-5296 or marykdryer@hotmail.com.

COUPLES DINNER BRIDGE

We had a total of 7 tables playing in March with a new couple, Joyce & Neal Thompson.

Thank you to Barbara & Bob Hine for acting as the Hostess for March.

When: Saturday, April 17th





Time: 5 p.m.

Where: Spring Creek BBQ, 4220 W FM 1960

Hostess: Mary Ann & Woody Madden

Winners: 1st: Charles Woody 2nd: Angie Poncio
 3rd: Sandra Lamborn 4th: Gloria McBeth 5th: Steel Nixon 6th: Irene Zisek

Small Slam Winners: Tywla & Charles Woodycongratulations!

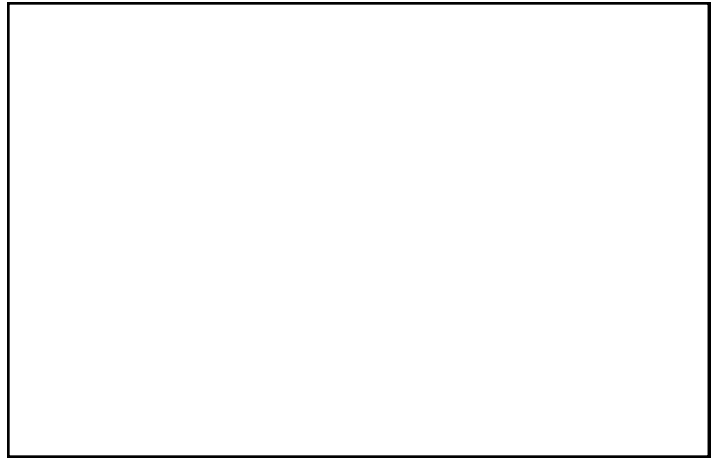





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Editor's Note

All articles for the **May** newsletter should be submitted to the editor (ahjuno@gmail.com) by the second Tuesday (**April 13th**). Deadline is April 20th.

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

