

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Carole Dann

Well, hasn't it been an interesting year, or a portion thereof. While we lost the last 1/3 of our active year to the social distancing requirements of the Coronavirus pandemic, we had a great beginning, full of change.



After 17 years of meeting at the Lakeway Resort and Spa, due to cost, we were forced to find a new meeting location. And that turned out to be a nice change to the new Flintrock Falls Country Club Ballroom with beautiful views, an adjacent flat parking lot and delicious luncheon menus. Thank you Pam Filas and Kim Majkszak, Hospitality Chairs, for managing the complexities of that change. Entering the private gated community happened smoothly for non-resident, non-ClubCorp members thanks to Jan Rouse, our Entry Gate Czar. And, with all that is going on, there will, no doubt, be more changes to come.

Judy Baer and Dianne Haeg chaired one of the most fun kickoff-events we've ever had, and Susan Jerke and Ann McCann-- with the assistance of Marianna Jacobs and Joan Peterson-- pulled off an amazing Fashion Show at a new venue, the Sonesta Hotel Ballroom. 1st Vice President, Nancy Bain provided us with interesting speakers, including, no less than, the First Lady of Texas, Cecilia Abbott with her inspirational words. We had capacity or near-capacity attendance at all events and received so many nice and constructive comments from all of you. The wonderful plans that Dianne and Judy had for our Spring Dance, unfortunately, we were unable to enjoy, but we hope that the majority of the plans that Susan, Ann and Marianna have for the Installation Luncheon, normally held in May, might be enjoyed at a future General Meeting.

And, a big thank you goes to the rest of my fabulous Executive and Standing Board members. Every one of them has done an outstanding job, most behind the scenes and unrecognized, to make this such a successful year. I truly appreciate your service and support.

And now, I am proud to announce the results of our email, absentee-ballot election of the 2020-2021 officers:

President	Nancy Bain
1st Vice President	Sheila Niles
2nd Vice President	Sara Scarberry
Recording Secretary	<b>Diann Blevins</b>
Corresponding Secretary	Kay Threadgill
Treasurer	Kim Nearburg

These ladies will be sworn in and will take office effective June 1, 2020. They will have a whole new set of challenges to confront as we learn to gather in new and health-smart ways. Congratulations, ladies!

So, farewell to our membership of 506 women. It's been a pleasure to serve as your president during these challenging times. Thank you so much for the great attitude everyone had toward the necessary changes. Stay safe and we will see you in September.

Carole Dann, President





# Dear Carole~

In this past unusual year, your unflappable leadership has kept all of our ducks in a row!

There was a lot of swift paddling under the surface and occasional feathers flying, but you didn't *quack* under the pressure.

Things have gone swimmingly, considering all of the uncharted waters, and you leave a legacy of a job well done.

So, take flight to a well-deserved, more relaxed year ahead.

Thank you~ Your 2019/2020 Flock

#### **1st VICE PRESIDENT**



As we reflect on the year gone by, before we had even heard of Coronavirus, we had some wonderful speakers during the year. I would like to remind you of them now:

September~ Beth Rand & Sharon Knapp of Restoration Ranch November~ Texas County Commissioner, Gerald Daugherty January~ Dr. David Calvo, Orthopedic Surgeon

and accomplished physician **February**~ Mrs. Cecilia Abbott, First Lady of Texas and philanthropist

Sadly we had to miss:

March~ Kat Albert, Dir. Lake Travis Film Festival April~ Donna Overly, local author and artist

I hope this article finds you all safe and well, and looking forward to an exciting 2020-2021 year with Women's Club of Greater Lakeway. *Nancy Bain, 1st Vice President* 

#### **2nd VICE PRESIDENT**

A Fond Farewell...

The SIGs...the heart of our membership...My experiences: leadership; communication; empathy; kindness; caring;



service; fun; reading; gardening; hiking; customs; culture; travel; shopping; music; support; lessons; crafts; gourmet cuisines; money matters; compassion; wisdom; and most of all, joy in new friendships. My gratitude to each of you for the memories of this past year. Until we gather again... stay well.

Sheila A. Niles, 2nd Vice President



#### TREASURER

I want to encourage all of you ladies to take advantage of **Randall's Good Neighbor Program**. It is easy to do and costs you absolutely nothing. You simply stop by the customer service desk and fill out the Good Neighbor Program form. Select Women's Club of Greater Lakeway as your organization and each time you use your Randall's card, the club will receive 1% of your purchase. Our organization number is 7785. This added revenue helps us keep our budget on track and dues from increasing. *Carrie Smith, Treasurer* 

#### **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

Know that it has been my privilege to serve as Corresponding Secretary, sharing care & concern on behalf of our members. Please be safe and have a wonderful summer. Sherry Bettis, Corresponding Secretary



#### **RECORDING SECRETARY**



As I have recorded the minutes from all of the General Meetings and Board Meetings this year, it has come to my attention at each and every meeting what an amazing group of talented and

dedicated ladies we have in Women's Club and how fortunate we are to live in this community. The women who serve on the Board and who lead our SIGs generously give of their time, energy, and talents—quite often behind the scenes—to make Women's Club a group where we can gather with old friends, make new friends, and share interests and experiences with others in our community. I feel privileged to work with these ladies, and I want to thank you for the opportunity to serve on your Board this year.

Sara Scarberry, Recording Secretary

#### MEMBERSHIP

We close out the Women's Club 2019-2020 year with 506 active members, and despite the crazy upheaval in our world, we welcomed 67 members to our group. Dues renewals for the upcoming



2020-2021 year remain at \$40, and will be due June 1, 2020. For your convenience, a *New & Returning Member Application Form* is attached to this newsletter. Now is the time to make any updates to your personal information, which will be used for the master roster, SIG groups, as well as the print and web site directories. Please send your check and completed form to the new Membership Chair, Sherry Todd Smith, as the form directs.

It has been a pleasure for me to work with all of you over the past few years, and I have so enjoyed welcoming and meeting all of our new members. I look forward to seeing all of you at future events— Enjoy your summer, be safe, and stay well. *Gwen Holcroft, Membership Chair* 

#### **NEW MEMBER MENTORS**



We have enjoyed welcoming so many New Members this year (67 since June 2019) and hope we have made you know how happy we are that you joined us.

We feel fortunate to have hosted three New Member social gatherings, and, of course, are deeply saddened that our last event planned for April had to be canceled. We hope we have helped you with new acquaintances and the information you need to become active and to enjoy the conviviality that our Club offers. We pray for your good health and look forward to seeing y'all in September and beyond. *Jan Rouse and Toni Tabb, Co-Chairs* 

#### HOSPITALITY

Although disappointed that our year was short, Pam and I thoroughly enjoyed our time as your Hospitality hostesses. We had a



great time choosing new menu items and working with our new venue. It was a challenging year but also a lot of fun. We hope you weren't disappointed. We both look forward to joining you in welcoming our new Hospitality chairs in September. *Kim Majkszak and Pam Filas, Co-Chairs* 

#### SOCIAL



We were two women walking into our dream of dancing in the moonlight. We got great music for the dance that never happened by crashing a wedding party and tripping over the bride. We found a beautiful moon, but it never rose, and great

candle centerpieces were never lit. We had some lovely tastings of food that was never served. Along the way we met gracious, helpful people who validated our plans. We became good friends. We will all dance again!

Stay safe everyone and be happy. *Dianne Haeg and Judy Baer, Co-Chairs* 

#### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### A Poem~

We started the year with Puttin' on the Ritz A beautiful fashion show with so much glitz The dancers and singers entertained royally as we sat To each of them we say thanks and tip our hat

The room was decorated in red, black, silver & bling Thanks to our WC ladies who helped with everything The music was synchronized perfectly too Our models sashayed in fancy dresses and shoes

The models were stylish, glamorous and chic On the stage not one was a tiny bit meek Our Emcee, oh yes, was so very funny Her quips and descriptions were right on the money

Hours were spent visiting businesses and shops Our fabulous door prizes were over the top It turned out to be such a marvelous day That's how our ladies do it in greater Lakeway

Our year was cut short but one to remember We look forward to resumed festivities in September Get ready for an event very Southern style You'll want to come and stay a long while

Thank you for allowing us to do Special Events!



Susan Jerke and Ann McCann, Co-Chairs and Marianna Jacobs (silent chair)

HISTORIAN Sherry Todd Smith





PARLIAMENTARIAN Gloria Crosthwait

WEBMASTER Stay in touch with current events via our website http:// www.LakewayWomensClub. com and connect with other members using our online directory. The directory includes street and email addresses and phone numbers and is password protected. *Autumn Schulze* and Rosie Babin, Co-Chairs



#### **COMMUNITY LIAISON**

It has been a real joy curating events throughout the year that happened in our wonderful little town of Lakeway. Currently there are no events planned for May or this summer. It is my hope that some of the events that were cancelled



this spring will be rescheduled very soon... I wish each and every one of you a happy, safe summer. See you in September! *Paula Barcik, Community Liaison* 

#### **DIRECTORY/YEARBOOK**



So many of you carry your Directory/Yearbook with you just to get members' addresses and phone numbers, but there is so much more. Did you realize that you can find the following: List of Past Presidents, History and Founders, Executive and Standing Committees,

Committee Chairs, General Meeting dates and speakers, Special Events dates and locations, Special Interest Groups, Constitution, By-Laws, Standing Rules, and local advertisers. *Susan Bryce, Chair* 

#### 4th OF JULY FLOAT/ PARADE

Hopefully by the time that the 4th of July arrives, we will all be well and the City of Lakeway will be ready to have a parade! IF that happens, we have to plan ahead. So, we now have a theme for this year's parade:



"Salute their Service, Honor their Hope!" In addition to our search for golf carts and convertibles for the parade, we are also searching for members who have been in the military, or are nurses or first responders. If you would be willing to participate, please contact us at diannblevins@aol.com. Diann Blevins and Lee Westphal, Co-Chairs

# COMMUNICATIONS

(Email blasts)

Kay Beasley





NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Gina Molitor

## **SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS**

 $\sim$  All SIG meetings and events under the umbrella of Women's Club are currently suspended due to the Coronavirus. Your chairs will contact you once activities are safe to resume  $\sim$ 

#### ~ BOOK CLUBS ~

#### "A" Book Club

Meets the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 10 a.m. We rotate our monthly meetings between members' homes. Please call Jane at 512-565-6347 for details. *Jane Blackburn and Maggie Calbert, Co-Chairs* 

#### "B" Literates

We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Contact faithstevens@gmail.com Faith Stevens and Liz Mason, Co-Chairs

#### **Chatty Critics**

The Chatty Critics book group meets the 1st Monday of the month at 1 p.m. at members' homes. Contact: sampsonstephanie5@gmail.com *Stephanie Sampson, Chair* 

#### Life Enrichment Book Club

We have round-table discussions on different topics of interest each month. We meet the 2nd Monday of each month from 1-2:30 p.m. in various homes. For more information please contact donnak954@ aol.com or 512-266-1120. Donna Kumar, Chair

#### **Literary Ladies of Lakeway**

The Literary Ladies of Lakeway meet in members' homes on the 2nd Wednesday of the month from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. For information contact: Kimberly at lenzfamily@sbcglobal.net or Beth at cliffandbe-tho@gmail.com.

Kimberly Lenz and Beth Olszewski, Co-Chairs

#### **Voyagers Book Club**

We announce our meeting times, locations and book selections to our members each month via email. Visitors are always welcome once we resume meeting. Please contact me at 512-775-5933 or kathylwilson@gmail.com *Kathy Wilson, Chair* 

#### Wine and Words

We announce our meeting times, locations and book selections to our members each month via email. Please join us. To do so, contact Robin at 760-707-3801 or at robinhermann4@aol.com *Robin Hermann, Chair* 

#### World of Books

Members gather the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. at members' homes. Contact Sherrie at sherrie@kelisatexas.com

Sherrie Smith and Margot Odom, Co-Chairs

#### CANASTA

We meet the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at the Lakeway Activity Center from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Contact Beverly at 512-970-3244 or virgilbev@att.net *Beverly Gould, Chair* 

#### **DINNER CLUB**

We are a group of couples who meet in members' homes in pairings of three couples. One couple serves as host and is responsible for the entree. The two guest couples bring hor d'oeuvres and dessert and libations of their choice. Our regular membership is currently closed, however there is a substitute group. Substitutes are called if there are couples who cannot attend a scheduled dinner. If you are interested in joining the sub group, please contact Pat at youngerpat@aol.com or Laura at lauraaharvill@gmail.com

Pat Younger and Laura Harvill, Co-Chairs

#### **DOTTIE'S FOLLIES**

Dottie's Follies is a dance group that performs for special occasions. This group will one day again be open to ladies who desire to learn dance routines and perform publicly, while improving their mental and physical fitness levels. It's also open to those who just like to have fun! Contact Dottie at 512-266-6460 or donadotties@aol.com Dottie Stevenson, Chair

#### EXPATS

We are a group who have either lived abroad or were born in another country. Members gather on the 1st Monday of the month at 10 a.m. Please contact Christa at 512-964-0330 or at christa@christabeyer.com for more information.

Carol Hudson, Christa Beyer and Els Buckingham, Co-Chairs

#### THE GALLOPING GOURMETS

#### "A toast to that invincible bunch...the ladies who lunch."

For the 2019-2020 year we salute the following women who created wonderful lunch experiences: Rene Picanso, Faith Stevens, Lorraine Dantone, Sara Scarberry, Shelly Smith, Janis Tonn, Robin Hermann and Diane Vercher. A special shoutout to Rita Richard and Sue Pfeffer for their tireless efforts in constructing the April luncheon as well as the end-of-the-year Community Celebration, both of which never happened. Elizabeth and I thank everyone for your support and participation.Best wishes~ Contact Elizabeth at etjosey@aol.com or Judy at judithCbaer@gmail.com Judy Baer and Elizabeth Toler, Co-Chairs

#### GARDEN CLUB

We are one of the largest SIGs in Women's Club. We meet the 2nd Friday of the month in various homes or at venues. We are not all hard-core gardeners, but we share an interest in gardening. If you would like to join us, please contact Faith Stevens, faithstevens@gmail.com or (512) 970-3930 Sue Pfeffer, Chair

#### HIKE & BIKE

Do you enjoy hiking or bicycling? To join or to inquire about Hike & Bike, send a message to groupexpedition@gmail.com.

From August 2019 to March 2020, Hike & Bike's 57 members enjoyed NINE hike outings! Our destinations included Austin's Sculpture Falls while autumn leaves were at their magnificent peak; Little Fern Trail along a bustling creek in River Place; guided tours through spectacular Longhorn Caverns near Burnet and Natural Bridge Caverns near Wimberley; three separate outings to everpopular Enchanted Rock State Natural Area (each time on different trails), as well as hikes at Lakeway's Canyonlands and Hamilton Greenbelt trails. We are looking forward to next year and invite you to join us!

Lynne LeMon, Chair

#### KNITTING AND STITCHERY

We meet the 2nd Monday of every month at 10 a.m. If you like to knit, crochet, quilt, needlepoint, weave, or just craft, please come and join us! For further information, please contact Phyllis at pmiller888@aol.com or 512-608-9638; Lori at lori. vacchiano1@gmail.com or 203-858-5572. Phyllis Miller and Lori Vacchiano, Co-Chairs

#### LAKEWAY INVESTMENT PARTNERS

Lakeway Investment Partners meets on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. If you have an interest in stocks or investing, please join us! Contact Kay at kaymuessig@gmail.com, or Genevieve at fessendeng@gmail.com.

Kay Muessig and Genevieve Fessenden, Co-Chairs

#### **OUT AND ABOUT**

We are a group of ladies who love to explore Texas. We take four trips a year, usually by bus, and visit surrounding towns and attend events, explore, have lunch and return, typically in the same day. Our bus rides are entertaining and a great opportunity for members to get to know one another. If you have any questions, please contact our communications coordinator, Linda Bruning at 785-215-2374 or linda.bruning7@gmail.com. *Robin Hermann and Renee Picanso, Co-Chairs* 

#### **PURSUING POETRY**

We meet in members' homes at 10 a.m. on the 1st Tuesday of the month. *Carol Davis and Karen Bruck, Co-Chairs* 

#### **RETIREMENT HOME CRAFTS**

Please join us in this community outreach to our elderly population as we do simple crafts with the residents of Arbor Terrace Lakeway (next door to Baylor Scott & White hospital). We meet the 3rd Wednesday of each month from September until May from 1-2 p.m. at the facility. If you can cut, color, and glue, you are qualified. Please contact Donna for more information at donnak954@aol. com or 512-266-1120. Donna Kumar, Chair

# SING ALONG

After 3 months of rehearsals, the Sing Alongers were disappointed that we had to cancel our 2020 Spring dinner/show because of the Coronavirus. We will be back with this same show next Spring on April 23rd & 24th, 2021. Rehearsals for our Christmas show that is scheduled for December 6th will start in September. For more information contact Joann at 512-261-3313 or yakjim@aol.com *Joann Anderson, Chair* 

#### SINGLE FRIENDS OF LAKEWAY

We are a group of single ladies who gather several times a year to socialize and share a meal or enjoy an activity together. We usually meet once during the summer, during the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons and other times throughout the year. We would love to have you join us. Contact Jackie at jkl4242@gmail.com Jackie Lloyd, Chair

#### **SOCIAL HOUR**

Join us for casual get-togethers and stay connected! We meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month from 4:30 until 6:30 p.m. at local restaurants. We limit our reservations to the first forty who register each month upon receiving their emailed invitation. For more information email Shelley at:

AgeNoMore01@aol.com or at 512-608-9264 Shelley Smith and Sara Scarberry, Co-Chairs

#### **OUR WOMEN'S CLUB WEBSITE LINKS:**

Home Page: https://www.lakewaywomensclub.com

Membership Directory w/ photos, phone numbers, addresses and opted-in email addresses (password protected; see printed Yearbook and Directory for password\*): https://www.lakewaywomensclub.com/directory

\*Our directory is password protected for privacy. It is not to be used for personal marketing purposes.

Individual Special Interest Group (SIG) info: https://www.lakewaywomensclub.com/sig-news

