

# July/August 2018

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### **GLORIA CROSTHWAIT**



I want to thank the women in the Women's Club of Greater Lakeway for the honor to serve as your 34<sup>th</sup> president. My goal is to bring us all together as one happy social club. I hope we will reach out to our many new members and make them feel that they are an important part of this club. I hope we enlarge our circles, make new friends, and join as many Special Interest Groups as your time will permit. These SIG groups are the heart of the club and offer a chance to make lasting friendships.

I want to thank the SIG's who decorated the tables at the Installation meeting. I truly appreciate the time you spent in making them so beautiful. The tables were a big hit with everyone. Another big thank you to Jaime Rubenstein and Joan Peterson for making the Installation Luncheon a success.

I am excited to present your Executive Board and Standing Committee Chairpersons.

### **Executive Board**

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Linda Buikema
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Nancy Bain
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Here is a list of important dates for the fall 2018 events. Mark your calendars.

September 24- General Meeting in the Vistas Ballroom

Sunday, October 14- Fall Kickoff Event at the Lakeway Activity Center

October 22 - Style Show in the Rio Grande Room November 26- General Meeting in the Vistas Ballroom

The General Meetings will be held at the Lakeway Resort and Spa the fourth Monday of the month with the social time at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting beginning at 10 a.m. I want to extend a special invitation to each of you to sign up for the luncheons, which follow the General Meetings. There are some great photos of past events on the website <a href="https://www.lakewaywomensclub.com">www.lakewaywomensclub.com</a>. View the Special Interest Groups, you might find yourself in some of the pictures.

If you want to be listed in the 2018 – 2019 yearbook and be eligible to attend the Style Show on October 22nd, you must renew your Women's Club membership by September 24. Make your \$40 check payable to WCGL and mail them to Gwen Holcroft, 315 Camino Arbolago, Lakeway, TX 78734.





The Women's Club float this year won first place in the Civic Organization Category. The theme was Salute to Volunteers. Juli Harrison and her committee members worked hard to create this spectacular float. Be sure to congratulate her when you see her. Dotties Follies won second place in the same category and we are very proud to have this special SIG win as well. Congratulations to Dottie Stevenson and her entire blue-haired crew. I hope you continue to enjoy your summer and be sure to mark your calendar with the Women's Club important dates. See you in September! Gloria Crosthwait. President

## 1st Vice President

Warm (an understatement) summer greeting! We have a very exciting year of speakers lined up for 2018-2019 ranging from a local TV personality to a state-level office holder, a player on the world stage, a budding Austin philanthropic organization and a British author/comedic entertainer turned Texan. So, this year we will be informed, enlightened and enjoy a chuckle along the way. Our September speaker will be announced in the next issue of this newsletter. Don't miss our first meeting on September 24 which will kick-off another fun Women's Club year. In the meantime, don't melt.

Carole Dann. 1st Vice President

## 2<sup>nd</sup> VICE PRESIDENT

Make new friends but keep the old, as the song goes. That's what the women's club is all about. Our Special Interest Groups provide the foundation for getting to know and staying involved with our fellow members. You can make lifelong friends by joining in the fun. Read through the SIGs in this newsletter and contact the chairperson listed for those groups that interest you.

We have 25 SIGs this year, with hopes of more on the way. Would you like to start up a SIG? Contact me and we'll start the process.

We are a friendly bunch, and we welcome you to join us for a year of fun! If you have any questions, do not hesitate to email, text or call me at LindaT.Buikema@gmail.com or 832-236-5110 Linda Buikema, 2nd Vice President

### **TREASURER**

As treasurer I play a key role in keeping all of our finances in order. I set up the budget and keep precise records of deposits and expenditures to make sure Women's Club stays within its means. I will oversee the banking, yearly audit, and yearly IRS filing. I will also aid in the negotiating of yearly contracts with vendors. If you have any additional questions regarding the role of the Treasurer feel free to contact me. Carrie Smith, Treasurer

#### CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Care and concern cards were sent to Joyce Christian, Linda Lauret, Judy Renneker and Kitty Lichty. Sympathy cards were sent to Kris Aitala and Diane Vercher. A thank you card was sent to Katie Levy. Please send me the names of members needing cards from the Women's Club. Contact me at 512-261-5613 or at nancy@bain.us Nancy Bain, Corresponding Secretary

## RECORDING SECRETARY

Having held the position of executive assistant to the Office Managing Partner of PricewaterhouseCoopers for over ten years, I believe that my qualifications for Recording Secretary fit well. I have been a member of the WCGL for about six years and I have chaired many functions and SIGs, including time as a Standing Board member. One of the primary functions of the Recording Secretary is taking legal, official minutes of all Board and General meetings. I look forward to working with the new Board and providing minutes of the General meetings to all the members, which will be available in the fover at the next General meeting for your review.

Joyce Christian, Recording Secretary

## **MEMBERSHIP**

When our membership year began on June 1st 2018, it was time to pay your \$40.00 annual dues. Thank you to all who have paid. However, we still have over 200 members who have not paid their dues. A gentle reminder—they are due now, and



must be paid before you can participate in any Special Interest Groups (SIG's), upcoming meetings, or any social events. Also, we have started working on the 2018-2019 Directory, and we encourage you to pay your dues now, if you want to be included in the printed Women's Club Directory. Please do not wait until the September meeting. Send checks for \$40.00, payable to "WCGL" to: Gwen Holcroft, 315 Camino Arbolago, Lakeway, TX 78734. www.wcglmembership@gmail.com. Our membership is now 563 members strong. This includes 19 new members and one returning member. This is a wonderful start to 2018-2019, as we all look forward to the upcoming Fall kick off and another fun year with our WC friends. Gwen Holcroft, Membership Chair

### **NEW MEMBER MENTORING**

The Mentor program allows us the special privilege of introducing our new members to the Executive Board, placing them within our Special Interest Groups (SIG's), and giving them firsthand knowledge of how our organization works and how to become involved. Kim and I are hard at work organizing a fun filled year for our new members. Sharon Gilmore and Kim Majkszak, Co-Chairs

### **HOSPITALITY**

Join us for lunch following each of our business meetings. The luncheons provide a unique opportunity to meet new members, catch up with current members, and a chance to chat with our featured monthly speakers. If you need more inspiration... consider this...you may be selected as a winner of one of our fabulous door prizes! Details to sign up for the first luncheon of the new year will be in the September newsletter. Treat yourself to lunch...you deserve it! Sheila Niles and Sara Scarberry, Co-Chairs

#### SPECIAL EVENTS

Come and Waltz Across Texas with us at the annual WCGL fall kickoff party October 14 at the Lakeway Activity Center. From 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. we will dance to the beat of the fabulous Lohman's Crossing Band and eat tasty Tex-Mex catered by Lupe Tortilla. Get your dancing boots on and be ready to learn a new line dance. It will be a fun time for all. Western wear is optional. This event fills up

quickly, so send in your reservation as soon as you can. See Link for more information. Susan Jerke and Marianna Jacobs. Co-Chairs

#### SOCIAL

The Top Hats & Tiaras gala was a wonderful evening thanks to the help and support of many of our Women's Club members. Dave Deome did a wonderful toast, Joan Peterson did a great job of taking reservations and arranging seating, the invitations and menus were designed by Trista Lauritsan, Gloria Crosthwait helped to guide our napkin crew, Carole and John Dann did an excellent job on our seating chart, Kendra Diamond, Shelley Smith, Sherry Bettis, and Janis Tonn helped decorate. Jan Rouse and Ann McCann were in charge of chair covers, and Gwen Holcroft arrived early to help us with the last minute details. We were able to teach a new line dance led by Joan Peterson, Carole Dann, and several Women's Club members. We are very grateful for the awesome ladies and their husbands who helped us clean up after the gala. We want to thank all of the Women's Club members for everything they did to make this such a special evening. It was an evening of delicious food, fun dancing, visiting with our friends, and meeting new friends. Thank you for

Susan Jerke and Marianna Jacobs, Co-Chairs

#### **HISTORIAN**

I will be available to take photos of new members after each monthly meeting. Also, I will be attending all special interest groups throughout the year to document meetings and events. Please feel free to contact me to advise me of your upcoming events. I am looking forward to sharing our memories in the annual yearbook for 2018-2019. I can be contacted at 432-889-0908 or shopannmccann@sbcglobal.net Ann McCann, Historian

## **PARLIMENTARIAN**

The Parliamentarian chairs the Nominating Committee for the election of the Executive Board. The slate as chosen by the Nominating Committee shall be presented to the membership at the March meeting with nominations also received from the floor. The election of the Officers for the coming year shall be held at the April meeting and the



installation of the new Officers shall take place at the May meeting.

Even though the year is just starting, please take the time to be considering members for the Nominating Committee and for the Executive Board. Don't forget you can include yourself. I am sure we miss out on some very qualified people just because no one has let us know they are interested.

Susan Bryce, Parliamentarian

### **WEBMASTER**

Stay in touch with current events by accessing our website www.LakewayWomensClub.com and connect with other members using our online directory. The online directory now includes email addresses for members who choose to opt in to publishing their email in our password-protected directory. You can opt in by going to the Membership tab on the website, clicking Directory, and filling out the online form. Your email will only be published by your request, by opting in. If you have a headshot you would like to include in the online directory, or if you have any questions about navigating the website, send us an email at wcglwebmaster@gmail.com

Autumn Schulze and Trista Lauritsen, Webmasters

### **COMMUNITY LIAISON**

Lots of Happenings here at Lakeway!

## www.laketraviscommunitylibrary.org

Friday August 3 at 4:30 p.m. Musicians Woodshed Sessions. Students from The Musicians Woodshed will perform live music. Each performance can range in style from country to pop and beyond. Monday August 13 at 10:30 a.m. Cyber Security Learn how to keep yourself and your personal information safe with Tech Coach Bryan Smith. www.lakeway-texas.gov

Big Band Bash at The Lakeway Activity Center second Monday of every Month, doors open at 7:30 p.m.

Volunteer and Service opportunities.

www.tex-arts.org

Playing in August is "The American Trailer Park" musical.

Have fun and get involved!

For information contact Sherry Bettis at sherry.bettis@yahoo.com Sherry Bettis, Community Liaison

### SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

#### BOOK CLUBS

### "A" Book Club

The A Book Club will have their first meeting on Sept 18. Jan Rouse will host and Julia Youngblood will review the book, News of the World. Nancy Hughes will

Jane Blackburn, Chair

### "B" Literates

The first meeting of B Lits will be Tuesday September 11 at 10 a.m. We will meet at the Lakeway library. The book we will be reviewing is The Unlikely Pilgramage of Harold Fry by Joyce Rachel.

Jaime Rubenstein and Faith Stevens, Co-Chairs

#### **Chatty Critics**

Chatty Critics will meet on Monday September 10 at 1 p.m. at Jan Penley's home, 25 Muirfield Greens Lane, to discuss America's First Daughter by Stephanie Dray and Laura Kamoie. Jan will lead the discussion. Note: this is a date change due to the Labor Day holiday.

Kitty Lichty, Chair

### Life Enrichment

The Life Enrichment Book Club is a very unique club in that we discuss topics that empower and encourage us, yet still educate and stimulate our minds and thoughts. We will not be reading books this year, but discussing topics of interest to the group and having open panel discussions about the various topics. We will be talking about topics such as women and friendships, self esteem, art, exercise and health, etc. We meet the second Monday of each month from September until May in various homes from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Please contact Donna Kumar if you are interested in joining our fun group. We currently have a few spots available. Contact info is donnak954@aol.com or 512-266-1120. Always Be A First Rate Version Of Yourself. Donna Kumar, Chair

## **Literary Ladies of Lakeway**

The Literary Ladies of Lakeway added a few new members at the May general meeting so we are now at full membership for this SIG. This book club meets in members' homes on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month, typically around the lunch hour. We are meeting this summer in a more casual, summery way by meeting more casually, outdoors in the evenings with a bit of wine served! At the May meeting, we took suggestions for the 2018-2019 reading list. Our summer reading will include A Moveable Feast by Ernest Hemingway, News



of the World by Paulette Jiles, and Some Bright Morning I'll Fly Away, by Alice Anderson. At our September meeting we will be signing up for host locations and assistance with food for the 2018-2019 meetings. New SIG chairs are: Kimberly Lenz at <a href="mailto:lenzfamily@sbcglobal.net">lenzfamily@sbcglobal.net</a> or 713-562-6580 and Beth Olszewski at cliffandbetho@gmail.com or 630-404-

Kimberly Lenz and Beth Olszewski, Co-Chairs

### **NBC**

The NBC Book Club will reconvene on September 26. We will meet at 3:30 p.m. in the Lake Travis Community Library. Our book for September is *Alexander Hamilton* by Ron Chernow. We have no openings at this time, but are taking names for future openings.

Joyce Botta and Vicki Furlong, Co-Chair

### The Voyagers

The first meeting of the Voyagers Book Club for this year will be held at the home of Barbara Helmueller on Friday September 28 at 10 a.m. We will be discussing the book, *All the King's Men* by Robert Penn Warren. We have recently added 5 new members to our club but visitors are welcome! Please contact me at kathylwilson@gmail.com with any questions. *Kathy Wilson and Dabney Roe, Co-Chairs* 

#### Wine and Words

Our May meeting will be on May 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Doris Burson. Our book is *The Women in the Castle* by Jessica Shattuck which is a historical fiction set during World War II. For more information contact Nancy Morris at nkmorris@gmail.com or Paula Ellis at prellis@austin.rr.com. Wine and Words is currently full. *Paula Ellis and Nancy Morris, Co-Chairs* 

#### **World of Books**

The World of Books meets the first Wednesday of every month at 10 a.m. in members' homes. We are currently full and not accepting new members. For more information, please contact Denise Hanley at <a href="mailto:denisehanley@mac.com">denisehanley@mac.com</a> or <a href="mailto:lynnmcintire@gmail.com">lynnmcintire@gmail.com</a>.

Denise Hanley and Lynn McIntire, Co-Chairs

### **ANTIQUES CLUB**

Whether you're a collector of fine antiques or just have a love for historical things, the Antiques Club is for you. Please join us September 21 in the Tuscan Village Clubhouse at 111 Medici for a short meeting followed by tours of two private homes within walking distance, one home is filled with early Americana antiques and the other with an

exquisite collection of antique perfume bottles. As an extra treat, Christie Gunter with China Baroque will attend the meeting with a selection of her antique/repurposed jewelry for sale.

Antiques Club meets the third Friday of each month at 10 a.m. usually in members' homes. Dues of \$10 are payable to Antiques Club. Mail your check to Jane Mullkoff 108-1 Rivalto Circle, Lakeway, TX 78734. Call 832-603-2273 for more information. Pattie McKelvy and Karen Leffler, co-chairs

#### **CANASTA**

The Canasta group is booming this summer! We had seven tables last time. We are meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of the month this summer. We are closed now, however Jan Rouse and I are giving instruction sessions to beginners in July. Check with us if you are interested. We need subs. If interested in the beginner classes, call Jane Blackburn at 512-565-6347.

Jane Blackburn, Chair

#### **DINNER CLUB**

We are a group of couples who meet in members' homes in small pre-selected groups of three couples in January, February and March. One couple serves as host and has the responsibility of the entree. The two guest couples bring either hors d'oeuvres or dessert and whatever alcoholic drink they want. There is a sub group also. This group does not host and is called if there are couples who cannot attend a selected dinner. We close our membership in July due to the planning required. This is a great way to meet new couples and form lasting friendships. If you are interested in joining this group, please contact Pat Younger at <a href="mailto:youngerpat@aol.com">youngerpat@aol.com</a> or Laura Harvill at <a href="mailto:lauraaharvill@gmail.com">lauraaharvill@gmail.com</a> Pat Younger and Laura Harvill, Co-Chairs

### **DOTTIE'S FOLLIES**

Dottie's Follies is a dance group that performs for special occasions. This group is open to ladies who have a desire to learn dance routines and perform while improving their fitness and mental level. This group is for ladies who like to have fun! Contact Dottie at 512-266-6460 or donadotties@aol.com

Dottie Stevenson, Chair

### **EXPATS**

We are looking forward to the coming year and anticipate many exciting activities. We will discuss



our plans at the first meeting which will be October 1. Hoping that you are all having a wonderful summer and looking forward to seeing everyone soon. Contact Murielle Hodgson at Murielle1086@gmail.com or Margaret Miller-Seveny@aol.com

Murielle Hodgson and Margaret Miller, Co-Chairs

## **GALLOPING GOURMETS**

Galloping Gourmet has dedicated the month of May to our service men and women of Lakeway. On May 11 from 11-1:30, we hosted an Italian themed luncheon at The Lakeway Activity Center. Frank Cavitt was our entertainment. Thank you all for a wonderful year.

Jaime Rubenstein, Chair

## **GARDEN CLUB**

The Lakeway Garden Club Board has worked hard this summer to find fun and interesting programs for members to enjoy in 2018-2019. Our "Kick Off" meeting is September 13 at 9:30 a.m. Our other meetings will be October 11, and November 8 at 9:30 a.m.; December 13 at 11:30 a.m.; January 11, February 8, and March 8 at 9:30 a.m. April 11 at 8 a.m. and May 9 TBD. We are always accepting new members and would love to have you join us! Our dues are \$10 for the year, and we can accept your checks at our first meeting in September. If you love to garden, or even if you don't really garden, you will have fun and learn a lot! For information contact Diann Blevins at diannblevins@aol.com Diann Blevins, Chairman

#### HIKE AND BIKE

We are accepting new members! The 2018-2019 slate of events includes a botanical garden walk, guided cave tours, trail hiking and back by popular demand, bicycling San Antonio's Mission Trail. Curious? Click here for more information: https://www.lakewavwomensclub.com/hike-andbike To join, send a message to group expedition@gmail.com. Our outings vary with the seasons – afternoons in winter; mornings on warm weather days. Lynne LeMon, Chair

## KNITTING AND STITCHERY

We meet the second Monday of every month. Our membership is currently open to new members. If you like to knit, crochet, quilt, needlepoint, weave or just craft...Please come and join us!

Our next meeting is August 13 starting at 10 a.m. Hostess: Phyllis Miller

For further information call Phyllis Miller 512-608-9638 or Lori Vacchiano at 203-858-5572.

Keep Crafting!

Phyllis Miller and Lori Vacchiano, Co-Chairs

### LAKEWAY INVESTMENT PARTNERS

Lakeway Investment Partners will meet at the home of Denese Todd at 440 Seawind on Tuesday August 7 at 1:30 p.m. If you have an interest in stocks or investing, please join us to learn more. For further information, please contact Vangie Williams at (512) 261-4729 or Kay Muessig at (512) 608-6829

Vangie Williams and Kay Muessig, Co-Chairs

### **OUT AND ABOUT**

The Out and About team is currently planning the 2018-2019 schedule of excursions. On December 6, we will be traveling to Fredericksburg. We will also be going to Schulenburg on February 7. Two other tentative trips currently being planned are Waco and our final trip will be to Tito's Distillery in Dripping Springs. If you are interested in continuing your membership next year, please mail an \$8 check made out to Out and About to Claudia Lindenberg, 602 Robin Dale Lane, Lakeway, Texas 78734. Also include your cell phone number and a current email address so we can contact you. We are looking forward to seeing old members as well as new members on our future excursions. For additional information contact Robin Hermann at robinhermann4@aol.com or Amy Mathews at niftyfifty6102@gmail.com

Robin Herman and Amy Mathews, Co-Chairs

## PURSUING POETRY

Pursuing Poetry will resume regular meetings in September. We meet in members' homes at 10 am on the first Tuesday of the month. We are open to new members. For more information, contact Carol Davis at caroldavis860@gmail.com or 512-215-9754.

Carol Davis, Chair

## RETIREMENT HOME CRAFT

Please join us in this community outreach to our elderly population as we do simple crafts each month with the residents at The Harbor, which is located next door to the Baylor, Scott, and White



Hospital in Lakeway. If you can cut, color, and glue, then you are qualified to help. We meet the third Wednesday of each month from 1p.m. until 2p.m. from September until May. Please contact Donna Kumar for more information at <a href="donnak954@aol.com">donnak954@aol.com</a> or 512-266-1120. Each time you give of yourself to those in need, your heart will overflow from such a kind deed. Donna Kumar, Chair

### SING ALONG

After another very successful Spring show, the Sing Alongers are taking a break for the Summer. We will start again in early September with rehearsals preparing for our Christmas show that will be held on the first Sunday in December. We meet each Thursday at the Activity Center at 3 p.m. till 4:30 p.m. For more information contact Joann Anderson at 512-261-3313 *Joann Anderson, Chair* 

### SINGLE FRIENDS OF LAKEWAY

The Single Friends of Lakeway will meet at 827 Ray's, Wednesday, September 19 at 5 p.m. for a Meet & Greet. Looking forward to a great year and meeting our new members and seeing all of our past friends after a busy summer. Contact Maggie Calbert at 512-626-2933 or maggiejc@gmail.com. *Maggie Calbert, Chair* 

### **SOCIAL HOUR**

Join us for a casual get together and stay connected to Lakeway Women's Club members & friends! We will meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. at local restaurants. Our locations will be confirmed through the newsletter and website. We are limiting our reservations to the first 40 that register each month upon receiving their invitation. Our next get together will be at Cafe Blue in the Hillcounty Galleria on Wednesday, September 26. For more information contact Shelly at 512-608-9264 or email <a href="LakewaySocial@yahoo.com">LakewaySocial@yahoo.com</a> Shelly Smith and Sara Scarberry, Co-Chairs

### **BULLETIN BOARD NEWSLETTER**

Juli Harrison, Newsletter