



**February 2018**

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

**Susan Bryce**



January has been flying by and I want to issue a challenge for all of you for 2018. Please strive to become more involved with the Women's Club this year. We have three new Special Interest Groups: Hike and Bike, Canasta, and Social Hour. Why not try them and meet new friends?

Don't forget to mark your calendars for our annual dinner dance, Top Hats & Tiaras on Friday, February 23, 2018, at the Lakeway Resort Vista Ballroom. With our creative Chairs, Marianna Jacobs and Susan Jerke, you are bound to have a grand old time. Search for that special bling and get your reservations in right away. See attached flyer.

First Vice President, Gloria Crosthwait, has an exciting speaker lined up for the February 26, 2018, general meeting. Martha Wofford is presenting a unique presentation Dancing in the Light: Shirley MacLaine. You don't want to miss this one. Plan on attending the luncheon after the general meeting as well.

This month we start thinking about Women's Club officers for next year. The Executive Board has chosen a very capable Nominating Committee, comprised of Jackie Lloyd, Gwen Holcroft, Kendra Diamond, Paula Barcik, and Christine Wotkyns. It will be chaired by Donna Kumar, our Parliamentarian. Enclosed in this

newsletter is the Recommendation Form for you to indicate your suggestions. Return this form to any member of the Nominating Committee or bring it to the February general meeting. Don't forget that you can suggest yourself. Please note that only the Executive Board is elected by the membership and the Standing Committee Board is appointed by the incoming President with the help of your suggestions. The Nominating Committee will compile a slate of officers for the Executive Board from your recommendations. This slate will be presented in the March meeting, voted on at the April meeting, and installed in the May meeting. We need each one of you to be a part of this process. Happy Valentine's Day!

*Susan Bryce, President*

## **1st VICE PRESIDENT**



How much do you know about Shirley MacLaine? She is one of the women Martha Wofford gives seminars on called, Bad Girls You Sorta Wish You'd Known. She has a series of biographies on six women who blazed pathways in history, each one of whom she says would have been great fun to sit down and have

a glass of wine with. Martha was born and raised in the Texas Panhandle. She has lived all her life in Texas. After receiving a Bachelor of Science in 1967, Master of Arts in 1969, and Ph.D. in 1977, she was an audiologist at The University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, and taught audiology at Southwest Texas State University and at Lamar University. She was an assistant Clinical Professor at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, and Chief of Audiology and Speech Pathology at the VA Medical Center in Houston. After retiring in 2004, she now teaches seminars on different topics as a member of UT's Osher Lifelong Living Institute.

*Gloria Crosthwait, 1st Vice President*

## **2nd VICE PRESIDENT**

Hello Everyone! February means only one more month of beige grass and leafless trees. Our SIGS are all off to a great start for 2018. I hope that you have found one or more to participate in. Hike and Bike's inaugural event was held in late January. Our next new SIG will be a Canasta group beginning this month. You don't need to know how to play, they will train you. We have another new SIG beginning this month, Social Hour, chaired by Cindy Kittle. She is a busy lady and needs a strong co-Chair to help kick-off and manage this group. If you are

interested, please contact her at 512-552-9510 or email her at kittlecyn@aol.com. Also, we would love to add another book club or two to our roster, so if anyone is interested in chairing one, please contact me at caroleldann@gmail.com and we will help you get it started.

*Carole Dann, 2nd Vice President*

### **TREASURER**

I want to encourage all you ladies to take advantage of Randall's Good Neighbor Program if you have not done so already. 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!

*Kay Beasley, Treasurer*

### **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY**

Do you know someone needing a little encouragement while dealing with an illness or accident, sympathy or loss, or even recognition of an honor received? Women's Club would like to send them a card to let them know we are thinking of them. Last month the following cards were sent: Get well: Lana Brown (husband). Sympathy: Glenda Goff (mother-in-law passed away). Contact Jan Rouse at 512-796-7019 or jrouse2@austin.rr.com

*Jan Rouse, Corresponding Secretary*

### **SOCIAL**

The date for the gala, Top Hats & Tiaras is fast approaching! Make your reservations for this elegant night of fun, dancing, entertainment, and good food. The event will be February 23, at 6 p.m. at the Lakeway Resort and Spa. Reservations need to be made by February 9, 2018. Please see attached invitation.

*Marianna Jacobs and Susan Jerke, Co-Chairs*

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Since the last newsletter we have added three new members. Please extend a warm welcome Patty Mitter, Paula Crawley, Donna Tagliarino, Katherine Masel, Lucy Mao, Christi Jensen, and Anne Fowler. Our membership has now grown to 537. Once again, we ask that you please advise Membership and the Webmasters of any changes to your personal information: email, address, telephone, or name, so you continue to receive timely updates on club activities, and newsletters.

*Gwen Holcroft, Membership Chair*

### **NEW MEMBER MENTORING**

We have had three Mentor orientation meetings so far. Our next orientation meeting will be January 29, 2018, at the home of Cindy Kotrady. Cindy and I are enjoying meeting our new members in small groups so we can guide them to the Special Interest Groups they might be interested in joining. Please feel free to contact me or Cindy with any questions you may have regarding our Mentor program. It is our pleasure to serve you. Shargi11@yahoo.com or clkotrady@aol.com.

*Sharon Gilmore and Cindy Kotrady, Mentors*

### **HOSPITALITY**

Mark your calendars now for the **February 26** general meeting followed by a luncheon in the Vista Ballroom of the Lakeway Resort and Spa. In addition to a delicious lunch and delightful conversation, attendees are eligible for wonderful door prizes. To make your luncheon reservation, please mail your check payable to WCGL, \$23 for members, \$28 for guests to Sheila Niles, 219 Delfino Circle, Lakeway, TX 78734. Your check must reach us by the cutoff date of February 19. Include any special dietary requirements and let us know if you are a new member. New member designation is inclusive for the WCGL calendar year June 2017- June 2018. A registration form is included with this newsletter.

*Sheila Niles and Sara Scarberry, Co-Chairs*

### **WEBMASTER**

Stay in touch with current events by accessing our website [www.LakewayWomensClub.com](http://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: [wzglwebmaster@gmail.com](mailto:wzglwebmaster@gmail.com)

*Autumn Schulze and Trista Lauritsen, Webmasters*

### **COMMUNITY LIAISON**

Take a Walk! February 1 – 14. Children or grandchildren are sure to enjoy a Valentine's Day story as they stroll the Lakeway City Hall trail. The book is called *Love Is You & Me*. See [www.lakeway-tx.gov](http://www.lakeway-tx.gov) for additional details.

On February 16-25 TexARTS presents *Smokey Joe's Café*. See [www.tex-arts.org](http://www.tex-arts.org) for more about this great show featuring Yakety Yak and Kansas City. Buy tickets online or at the box office, 2300 Lohman's Spur.

The Annual Lakeway Tea will be held on Saturday, March 3, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. at the Hills Country Club. The tea benefits Hurricane Harvey victims with support from The Lakeway Church. Contact Ann Neighbors at [anneighbors@aol.com](mailto:anneighbors@aol.com) or 512-261-1980 for details.

The Lake Travis Community Library February calendar: Sharon Moore Art Exhibit through February with Reception, Saturday, February 10, from 1 – 3 p.m. Bluegrass Musician Eddie Dickerson, Friday, February 23, at 4 p.m. [www.laketralibrary.org](http://www.laketralibrary.org).

Let me know about events coming up in 2018. For information contact Vickie Taylor at [spellbrook@austin.rr.com](mailto:spellbrook@austin.rr.com)  
*Vickie Taylor, Community Liaison*

## SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

### BOOK CLUBS

#### “A” Book Club

A Book Club will meet on February 20, at 10 a.m. at the home of Sherry Cohen, 112 Bella Cima. Our book will be *Prayer for Owen Meany* by John Irving. Our reviewer will be Rita Richard. Our co-host will be Maggie Calbert. We are at full membership of 30 but we do have a wait list. For information please contact one of our Chairs at [virgilbev@att.net](mailto:virgilbev@att.net) or [kimber4sue@att.net](mailto:kimber4sue@att.net).  
*Beverly Gould and Kim Majkszak, Co-Chairs*

#### “B” Literates

The B Literates will be meeting at the Lake Travis Library on February 13, at 10 a.m. Carol Black will be reviewing *Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End* by Atul Gawande. The Co-Hostesses are Marie Rush and Carol Blace. For information contact Laura Harvill at [lauraaharvill@gmail.com](mailto:lauraaharvill@gmail.com). At this time, we are full.  
*Laura Harvill and Jaime Rubenstein, Co-Chairs*

#### Chatty Critics

The Chatty Critics will meet on Monday, February 5, at 1 p.m. at the home of Carolyn Thomas. Ximena Sauerman will lead the discussion of *Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis* by J.D. Vance. The Chatty Critics Book Club is currently at full membership. For information contact Jan Penley at [janlakeway@aol.com](mailto:janlakeway@aol.com).  
*Jan Penley, Chair*

#### Life Enrichment

The Life Enrichment Book Club is a unique and one of a kind club. We discuss topics that empower and encourage us, yet still educate and stimulate our minds. Our February meeting will be on Monday, February 13, at 1 p.m. at the home of Carrie Smith, 128 Vailco Drive. We will be discussing the topic, Dreams and what they mean. Please contact Donna Kumar for more information at [donnak954@aol.com](mailto:donnak954@aol.com) or 512-266-1120.  
*Donna Kumar, Chair*

#### Literary Ladies of Lakeway

The Literary Ladies Book Club will meet on Wednesday, February 14, at 11 a.m. We will meet at the home of Vicky Morris at 308 Sunfish Street, Lakeway. The book we will be discussing is *1000 White Women* by Jim Fergus. The Literary Ladies of Lakeway remains open. Contact Vicky Morris at [vickyellenmorris@hotmail.com](mailto:vickyellenmorris@hotmail.com) or 432-269-4521, or Robin Hermann at [robinhermann4@aol.com](mailto:robinhermann4@aol.com) or 512-614-2903.

*Robin Hermann and Vicky Morris, Co-Chairs*

#### NBC

The NBC Book Club meets the fourth Wednesday of the month at the Lake Travis Library. We are currently full at this time, but we are taking names for future openings.  
*Joyce Botta and Vickie Furlong, Co-Chairs*

#### The Voyagers

The Voyagers Book Club meets the fourth Friday of the month at 10 a.m. Our next meeting will be on February 23, at 10 a.m. at the home of Barbara Helmueller, 713 Mariner, Lakeway. The book we will be reviewing is *My Brilliant Friend* by Elena Ferrante. We are open to new members. Contact Pat Barton for more information at 512-436-8156 or [pbarton1223@yahoo.com](mailto:pbarton1223@yahoo.com)  
*Pat Barton, Chair*

#### Wine and Words

For more information contact Nancy Morris at [nkmorris@gmail.com](mailto:nkmorris@gmail.com) or Paula Ellis at [prellis@austin.rr.com](mailto:prellis@austin.rr.com). Wine and Words is currently closed.  
*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 information contact this year's Co-Chairs, Connie Stewart [3910via@gmail.com](mailto:3910via@gmail.com) or Betty Haley [haleypair@gmail.com](mailto:haleypair@gmail.com).  
*Betty Haley and Connie Stewart, Co-Chairs*

## **ANTIQUES CLUB**

On Friday February 16, at 10 a.m., the Antiques Club will host Christie Gunter, owner of China Baroque. The craftsmen at China Baroque take broken china or heirloom dishes and turn them into beautiful pieces of keepsake jewelry. The meeting will be held in the home of Gloria Crosthwait. If you would like to join the Antiques Club, annual dues are \$10. Mail your check payable to Lakeway Antiques Club to Christine Wotkyns, 23 Drifting Wind Run, The Hills, 78738. For more information call Paula Barcik at 512-660-3342.  
*Paula Barcik and Genevieve Fessenden, Co-Chairs*

## **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. We close our membership in July due to the planning required but are open at the beginning of each Women's Club year (September) to new members. 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 512- 551-3533 or Laura Harvill at 214- 549-0154.

*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. We are a group of ladies who like to have fun! Dottie's Follies is open to new dancers. Contact Dottie at 512-266-6460 or donadotties@aol.com

*Dottie Stevenson, Chair*

## **EXPATS**

On February 8, we are celebrating the Chinese New Year organized by Linda Butin. On March 5, the French ladies will present a program. More information will be forthcoming. We are group of ladies who have either lived overseas or were born in other countries. We gather most months to socialize and share our experiences. If you have an interest we invite you to come and visit, we have different programs each month and always encourage new ideas for activities.

*Els Buckingham - els.buckingham@gmail.com*

*Christa Beyer - christa@christabeyer.com*

*Carol Hudson - hudsonkdg@yahoo.com*

## **GALLOPING GOURMETS**

Hello Galloping Gourmet Women! The Galloping Gourmets luncheon for February will be at Verona's

Italian Restaurant on Friday, February 2, at 11:30 a.m. Our March luncheon will be at my home, 229 Vailco Lane, for a special comfort food potluck luncheon. The date will be Friday, March 9, from 11-1:30. If you would like to attend, the price will be \$5 to cover paper goods and beverages. Wine is optional to bring if you choose. There will be follow-up details as to who will bring what and any other pertinent information. For information contact Jaime at jaimerubenstein@gmail.com.

*Jaime Rubensein, Chair*

## **GARDEN CLUB**

The Garden Club will meet FRIDAY, February 9, at the Lake Travis Community Library. Mary Kay Pope of Backbone Valley Nursery in Marble Falls will give a presentation on the care of trees and pruning. Coffee and refreshments begin at 9:30 a.m. The meeting and speaker will begin at 10 a.m. For information contact Karen Morter at kmorter3@gmail.com.

*Karen Morter, Chair*

## **KNITTING AND STITCHERY**

We meet the second Monday of every month. Our next meeting will be February 12, starting at 10 a.m. Our hostess will be Lee Westfal. Our membership is currently open to new members so if you like to knit, crochet, quilt, needlepoint, weave, or just craft, please come and join us! For further information call Phyllis Miller at 512-608-9638 or Lori Vacchiano at 203-858-5572.

*Phyllis Miller and Lori Vacchiano, Co-Chairs*

## **OPERA**

Our last Opera is *La Traviata* showing April 28, 2018. If you are interested in joining our Group or being a sub for the 2018-2019 season, please contact me. Our Opera group will be highlighted at the March General Meeting so be sure to attend for the latest information.

Ciao! 512-261-4729 or shargil1@yahoo.com.

*Sharon Gilmore, Chair*

## **LAKEWAY INVESTMENT PARTNERS**

Lakeway Investment Partners will hold its monthly meeting in the home of Denise Hanley, 105 Galaxy Street, on Tuesday, February 6, at 1:30 p.m. If you have an interest in stocks and investing, we would love for you to visit one of our meetings. For more information, please contact Vangie 512-261-4479 or Kay 512-608-6829.

*Vangie Williams and Kay Muessig, Co-Chairs*

## **OUT AND ABOUT**

Our next trip will be to Wimberley on February 21. Information and sign up details will be sent to members about a month ahead. If you are interested in joining the

Out and About group, please send a \$5 check made out to Out and About to Sara Scarberry at 103 Glenfiddich, Ln, Austin, TX 78738. For information contact Robin Hermann at 512-614-2903 or robinhermann4@aol.com, or Pam Filas at 512-660-8638 or pamfilas@yahoo.com. *Robin Hermann and Pam Filas, Co-Chairs*

### **PURSUING POETRY**

Pursuing Poetry meets in members' homes at 10 a.m. on the first Tuesday of each month to read aloud poetry chosen by one of our members. This is not a poetry writing club, but rather a poetry reading club. Pursuing Poetry will meet at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, February 6, at the home of Mary Anne Courtney, 3 Muirfield Greens Ln., The Hills. Please RSVP to Carol Davis at 512-215-9754 or caroldavis860@gmail.com. Pursuing Poetry is open to new members. *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 hospital in Lakeway. If you can cut, glue, and color then you are qualified to help. We meet the third Wednesday of each month from September until May from 1 p.m. until 2 p.m. Please contact Donna Kumar at donnak954@aol.com or 512-266-1120. Every time you give of yourself to those in need, your heart overflows from the very kind deed. *Donna Kumar, Chair*

### **SING ALONG**

We started rehearsals on Thursday, January 11, in preparation for our 3-day Spring show that is scheduled for April 26, 27, and 28, at the Activity Center. We meet each Thursday at 3 p.m. If you are interested in joining Sing Along please contact Joann Anderson at 512-261-3313 to set up an audition. *Joann Anderson, Chair*

### **SINGLE FRIENDS OF LAKEWAY**

Single Friends is a fun group of single ladies that get together for fun activities. We always have a Thanksgiving and Christmas celebration and various other activities throughout the year. Information on specific activities is emailed directly to members. To join and get on our email list, or for information contact Sue Block at 949-350-1492 or sue42block@gmail.com. or Maggie Calbert at 512-626-2933 or maggiejc@gmail.com. *Maggie Calbert and Sue Block Co-Chairs*

### **HIKE AND BIKE**

The Hike and Bike group is at maximum capacity of 50 members and we have started a wait list. We do offer available slots to ladies on the wait list if the outing does not fill up with members. To get on the Hike and Bike wait list, send an email to Lynne at groupexpedition@gmail.com. *Lynne LeMon, Chair*

### **CANASTA**

Learn how to play Canasta! This is a brand-new group that will begin meeting in February on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, at 1 p.m., in the Waterfall Room at The Hills Country Club, 26 Club Estates Parkway, The Hills. The first training meeting is Tuesday, February 13, at 2 p.m. Please note this first meeting will be at 2 p.m. All future meetings will be at 1 p.m. You do not need to know how to play Canasta. We will teach you the Lakeway version of Hand and Foot Canasta. Training will take place from February through May. Also, you do not need to be a member of The Hills Country Club. Just tell the gate guard that you are playing Canasta at the Country Club. If you are interested, please contact me at 512-565-6347. *Jane Blackburn, Chair*

### **SOCIAL HOUR**

Welcome to the Social Hour SIG! We will meet in a warm and welcoming environment at a local restaurant to mix and mingle, get to know each other better, and build friendships. Join us the fourth Tuesday of the month from 4 p.m. to 5:30 pm, at locations that will be confirmed through the newsletter and website. Our first event will take place on Tuesday, February 27, at the Travis Restaurant at Lakeway Resort. Join us between 4 p.m. and 5:30 pm for friendship, an excellent appetizer menu, and gorgeous views of Lake Travis. Schedule: February 27; Travis Restaurant at Lakeway Resort, March 27; The Grove at Lakeway, April 24; Canyon Grille at Rough Hollow, May 29; Meridian 98 at the Sonesta Hotel, Bee Cave. Please sign up at the Women's Club meeting or email Cindy Kittle at kittlecyn@gmail.com. *Cindy Kittle, Chair*

### **BULLETIN BOARD NEWSLETTER**

*Carrie Smith, Newsletter*