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THE PREZ SEZ

It has been exciting to see new faces at all our events. Introducing new people into your life broadens your perspective and brings joy, love, and laughter into your life. Welcome to all the new members who brighten our lives with their new fresh and fun ideas. I encourage you to suggest new activities, events and also improvements to our already fabulous club. I believe that the best part of a Newcomers Club is that the Officers and Board of Directors changes every year and we get new ideas and new ways of doing things.

Thank you to Jackie Leonard, my 1st Vice President, for stepping in my place at the Oct. general meeting, while I was being seen for my FINAL appointment with my Oncologist. Yipee! I'm now here to stay. I hear that David from Sister Creek Winery had a nice presentation and several bottles of wine were given away. Once again Paulette Winlett had beautiful flowers for everyone to enjoy, at the brunch table. I understand Barbara Davis and Toni Conte had the table decorated beautifully. Paulette will be sharing her vintage and antique collection for Kimono and fashions with us at our Nov. general meeting. She will also show us how to make a Williamsburg Christmas Decoration. Plan to join in on the fun.

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OUR NEXT MEETING

Monday, November 14, 2011
10:00 a.m.
St. Mark Presbyterian Church
Family Life Center
208 W. Bandera Road
Boerne, Texas

Subject of Meeting:

Paulette
Winslett to present:

Kimono Fashions
and
Xmas Floral Decorations



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!

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November 2011



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Party Bridge 9:15am FORCC	2	3	4	5 Dining Out- Bourbon St; G.Cervantes
6 CHANGE TIME 2am, 1 Hour Back	7	8	9 Heart Healthy, 1:00pm Green's, D.Sutton	10 Chix Flix,D.Tharp; Partners Bridge 5:00 FORCC	11 6:30pm Couples Canasta Cervantes,Miklas	12
13	14 9:00 Exec Brd Mtg 9:20 Board Mtg., 10:00 Gen Mtg;	15	16	17 Gadabouts-Austin; Daytime Canasta 10:00 am, FORCC in BALLROOM , M.Teare	18	19
20	21 Koffee Klatch 10:00am, P.Felton	22	23	24 	25	26
27	28 Book club Noon, M. Regan	29	30			

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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



- 1 Pauline Mitchell
Barbara Wallen
- 2 Marlene Upright
- 5 Patti Kerlin
- 6 Donna Costanza
- 9 Kerrie Williams
- 11 Amy Brundeen
- 12 Alita Apicella
Geri Cervantes
- 13 Jeri Tribo
- 14 Darlene Jackson
Leslie Young
- 16 Betty Fuqua
Vicki Holdsworth
- 19 Rita Wheeler
- 21 Nancy Cole
- 22 Sheila Gregson
Iris Johnson
Kathi Price
- 23 Janet Malone
- 24 Marion Castillon
Carolyn Parkhurst
Jane Street
- 25 Betty Poe
Connie Pula
- 26 Kitty Rowell
- 29 Joyce Finger
Kathi Shaffer
- 30 Jean Browning



HAPPY BIRTHDAY LADIES!!



Koffee Klatch

Thank you to Marcia Teter, our October Hostess, for opening her beautiful home and allowing us to experience her extraordinary antiques. It was a treat.

Our next Koffee Klatch will be on Monday, November 21st at 10:00am. Hostess: Pam Felton, 109 Well Springs, Boerne, 830-331-9233, grayrabit5@gvtc.com; Co-hostesses: Kathy Binetti, Charlene Cooper, and Toni Conte.

Directions: Coming from San Antonio on IH 10, take Exit 540 (the Home Depot exit) turn left to cross over IH 10. At the stop light turn left. (Coming from the West you will go through the stop light after the exit.) Follow the access road .7 miles to "Menger Springs" by the new ER and turn right. Continue through the gate to the first intersection and turn right on Creek Springs. At the second right, turn right on Falls Springs. Pam is at the end of the cul de sac and the beginning of Well Springs.

Everyone is welcome. You do not have to sign up. Just come and join us for a morning of fun, food and fellowship.

Any questions, please contact: Lenice Daudt, 830-981-5007, lenicedaudt@mac.com or Jan Wiley, 830-755-6363, ewiley1@gvtc.com

Book Club

The November book club will meet at Mary Regan's house on November 28th at 12:00 noon. The Stories of Sherlock Holmes by Arthur Conan Doyle will be discussed. Just choose the one you wish to read or read more than one if you desire. The leader will be Sheila Gregson.

Please bring a salad for 6-8 people. Mary's address is 8624 Fairway Green, Fair Oaks. Please RSVP to her at maryregan@earathlink.net or at 830-755-4366.

Hope to see you there.

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Thanksgiving in North America had originated from a mix of European and Native traditions. Typically in Europe, festivals were held before and after the harvest cycles to give thanks for a good harvest, to rejoice together after much hard work with the rest of the community. At the time, Native Americans had also celebrated the end of a harvest season. When Europeans first arrived to the Americas, they brought with them their own harvest festival traditions from Europe, celebrating their safe voyage, peace and good harvest. In the United States, the modern Thanksgiving holiday tradition traces its origins to a 1621 celebration at Plymouth in present-day Massachusetts. There is also evidence for an earlier harvest celebration on the continent by Spanish explorers in Florida during 1565, as well as thanksgiving feasts in the Virginia Colony. The initial thanksgiving observance at Virginia in 1619 was prompted by the colonists' leaders on the anniversary of the settlement. The 1621 Plymouth feast and thanksgiving was prompted by a good harvest. While initially, the Plymouth colony did not have enough food to feed half of the 102 colonists, the Wampanoag Native Americans helped the Pilgrims by providing seeds and teaching them to fish. The practice of holding an annual harvest festival like this however, did not become a regular affair in New England until the late 1660s. On December 26, 1941, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed a bill into law with Congress, making Thanksgiving a national holiday and settling it to the fourth Thursday in November.

Gadabouts

We were so sorry to cancel the SA Ghost Tour but will reschedule it for February or March when life is not so crowded and people are home.

We are really looking forward to attending A CHRISTMAS AFFAIR with the Junior League of Austin on Thursday, November 17th. The tickets are \$12 and the carfare is \$8. We will have the sign-up sheet at the November meeting. If you will not be at the meeting, you can contact Sue or Missy if you would like to go on this trip.

Sue Turquette 830-755-8481

Missy Polasek 830-755-5060

Chix Flix

Welcome Movie Goers!

We meet once a month, the second Thursday, for lunch and usually a movie that appeals to us "chix" vs. the "roosters".

Last month we saw "The Ides of March". The political storyline fits in today's news so it was a good one to see. There will be more options as the year draws to a close.

The week before we meet, I will email the group with the selections and the restaurant so I must have your address on file. I will need you to RSVP only if you will be joining us for lunch. You can also just meet us at the theatre.

Please write or call if you have any questions.

Deborah Tharp gypsydlt@live.com 830-237-1351

Wine Tasting

There will not be a Wine Tasting gathering in November.

TGIF

The next TGIF get together will be held Friday, January 27, 2012 at the home of Dianne Sutton.

Linda Estes 830.537.3379

Janet Malone 210.251.3086

Bridge

1st TUESDAY PARTY BRIDGE

This group is off to a great new year with 6 tables of players. If you are new and would still like to play, don't hesitate to call because we welcome new members.

Please call:

Sarah Garretson 830-755-8895, BEGARRE4@aol.com

Mary Ann Miklas 830-755-9132, miklas@silomcounseling.com

2nd THURSDAY PARTNERS BRIDGE

Partners Bridge will be held on **Thursday, November 10** in the Main Dining Room at Fair Oaks Ranch Country Club. We begin play promptly at **5:00 (please note time change)** and end around 9:00pm. We enjoy dinner, ordering from the Oak Leaf Lounge menu, and a short social hour. This group is made up of all levels of bridge players, we are a friendly group that enjoys playing bridge and having fun while we do it. Thanks go to Bobbie and Jim Hale for hosting in October. If you are interested in enjoying an evening of bridge, bring a partner, call [Sandra Canavan 830/981-4771](tel:8309814771) to make your reservation before November 8th. Chairperson for this group is Julia Biggins-Prushing (830/981-2442). She will be happy to answer any of your questions regarding Partners Bridge.

Couples Canasta

Our November hosts/hostesses will be Mary Ann and Mike Miklas, 830-755-9132, mmiklas@satx.rr.com, and Geri and Frank Cervantes, 210-698-7908, justgeri-now@yahoo.com. Please contact one of the above couples to sign up to play. Our evening play is on Nov. 11th and we begin at 6:30 pm. Bring a yummy appetizer to share. Our hosts will provide drinks and dessert.

If you have general questions regarding couples canasta, you may call Gail Fiel, 830-755-4457 or email me at dgfiel@gvtc.com. I will be handling all questions or comments about canasta since Sandy will be out for at least six weeks. You can send cards to her hubby, and he will make sure they get to her.

Heart Healthy- Improving Your Health Support Group

We will meet on Wednesday, November 9th at the Green's new restaurant at the Alon Shopping Center on NW Military Road and Wurzbach, at 1:00 pm for lunch. Email Diane at dia2nesutton@gmail.com for more details.

Diane Sutton **Phone:** (210)823-2007

Daytime Canasta
THIRD THURSDAY—
NOVEMBER 17

WE WELCOME NEW PLAYERS!

Ladies Daytime Canasta will be held **Thursday, November 17th**, 10am-3pm *in the Ballroom* at Fair Oaks Country Club. Please arrive at least fifteen minutes early to sign-in, pay for your lunch, and get some water, coffee or tea so we can begin to play on time. There are only two acceptable methods of payment for lunch: *cash or Fair Oaks Country Club Membership Number*. Lunch is mandatory for all attendees. **The cost of lunch is \$17.00.**

Contact our November hostess, Margaret Teare, 830.755.4494 or tteare@aol.com, by November 10th to reserve your place. If you have any special dietary restrictions, please tell the hostess at that time. It is difficult for the wonderful staff to make changes at the last minute.

If you wish to learn Canasta or just freshen up your skills, advise the hostess when you make your reservations. We'll place you with an experienced player!

PLEASE NOTE: *If you must cancel your reservation, contact the hostess for the month. You will be responsible for the cost of the lunch if your cancellation is received within 24 hours of playing.*

You may call the hostess of the month anytime up to the day before playing if you would like to play, and we will try to accommodate you if at all possible. There are often cancellations.

Judie Sendelbach 830.537.3991 bjsend@gvtc.com

Jean Browning 830.368.4188
jean.browning@yahoo.com

NO ONE DIETS ON THANKSGIVING

What we're really talking about is a wonderful day set aside on the fourth Thursday of November when no one diets. I mean, why else would they call it Thanksgiving?



Erma Bombeck

Dining Out News

This past month we got to taste a little bit of history at The Lodge in San Antonio. The food was good but even better was the dessert afterwards at the home of Barbara & Patrick Davis. The view from their Crown Ridge home overlooked all of San Antonio. Thanks to our hosts for this very memorable evening!

November's Dining Out will be hosted by Geri & Frank Cervantes. Dinner will be Saturday, November 5 at Bourbon Street Restaurant in Leon Springs and then on to the Cervantes home for games and billiards. Contact Geri at 210-698-7902 for further details.

If you'd like to host December's Dine Out, please contact Kathy Giardinelli at 830-336-2020 or email kathygiar@yahoo.com or Carlene Oakes at 830-755-5130 or email foakes@yahoo.com.

Sharing and Caring

We have our "Gadabouts", but we also have "Galavanters" who love to get up and go!! To mention some we have Gloria Wheeler who went home to Canada to see her father and for a gathering of the clan for a wedding. Missy Polasek traipsed all over the East Coast and we hope the leaves were beautiful.

This space is for sharing, but if you do not send me the info, we cannot help you with the rough passages, and cannot help you celebrate the good stuff.

Writer sends a huge "shout out" to all of you who sent cards, emails, flowers, and lovely thoughts. Keep 'em coming!

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CHAIRPERSONS NEEDED FOR 2011-2012
PLEASE VOLUNTEER!

- Publicity
- April Style Show

Volunteers are not paid --
not because they are worthless,
but because they are priceless.

~ Unknown