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Lago Vista
Women's Club

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March is a Lucky Month

The first day of Spring is almost here! March 19, we will enjoy an almost perfect divided between daylight and nighttime, and we can look forward to daylight savings time starting on March 8. But whether the Women's Club is active in that first 50% of daylight, or planning something within the other 50%, after dark...we are always busy!

Last month's program centered on love and love songs (thank you, Nancy Moore, for an outstanding performance by a very talented group.) This month's program is one of our most popular and a wee bit girlie in nature! It's our FASHION SHOW that may well leave the fashion icons of NYC and their recently celebrated Fashion Week, shivering with envy. Chico's is once again supplying the fashion, and a bevy of talented members will be thrilling us with their modeling skills. Make sure you are there!

I was fortunate enough to participate in the Scholarship luncheon, which is traditionally the starting point for the junior and senior girls to learn about

the LVWC scholarship process. What a marvelous experience! All of you would have been so proud of our club! The professionalism, organization, commitment, and empathy demonstrated by our Scholarship Committee members were extraordinary! But then, the girls were invited to ask us questions, and we were impressed by their composure, friendliness, focus, and fearlessness. Thank you, Paula Fisher and Kay Schneider, for organizing such a memorable activity. And thanks to all the club members who graciously donated food for the luncheon.

Please take the time to read your newsletter. Here you will find important information on what is coming up, details about the Special Interest Groups, pictures of outings, and details about opportunities for YOU to get involved. And speaking of involvement...it's nomination time! Please consider how you can contribute your time, energy, and experience to furthering the mission of our club. And have fun! Fran Plemmons is the

Nominations chair, so get with her and volunteer!

Founded in 1978

I know we are all concerned about Christine Snitkin's son and are praying for his swift recovery. But while Christine is away, we need someone to volunteer to take photographs during the luncheon. This is an important task that helps chronicle our progress and provides a record of our programs and participants. You don't have to be a professional photographer like Christine, but if you enjoy taking snapshots, our Club NEEDS YOU! Shoot me an email.

See you on the 10th! Anna



Special points of interest:

- March Birthdays
- Winner of March's free Luncheon meal
- More Gala Thank Yous to dish up
- LVWC Shows Strong Growth
- LVWC Philanthropic News
- Handbags for Hope



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This Month's Luncheon & Program March 10, 2020

Chopped Power Slaw

Kale, red cabbage, carrots, brussel sprouts, dried cranberries, pumpkin seeds, and sunflower seeds.

Served with lemon poppyseed & peach habanero dressings

Baked Potatoes

With sides of beef chili, shredded cheese, sour cream, bacon bits, and red onions

Bread and Butter

Guinness Irish Cream Cake

Chocolate sponge cake with Guinness syrup & Irish cream mousse



Chico's Lakeline has once again agreed to provide us with a **style show** promoting the latest in spring styles.

Of course, our models come from our own ranks. Join us for a funfilled March celebration.





Pictures are from the North Shore Beacon and are of shows from past years.

April's Program Preview

Breast Cancer Awareness About our Presenter:

A proven leader in building long-term community partnership opportunities, Suzanne Stone brings innovative ideas to support Komen Greater CETX's mission in fighting breast cancer. Stone has gained expe-



rience in outreach and education, volunteer programs, donor development and fundraising over her professional career.

Stone earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Radio, Television and Film from Texas Christian University and is certified in nonprofit management. During her free time, she enjoys going to the beach to catch waves on her surfboard, paddle boarding and watching baseball games.

Next Month's Luncheon & Program April 14, 2020

EASTER BRUNCH

Garden Salad

Mixes greens with seasonal vegetables served with your choice of two dressings

Orange Glazed Ham

Mashed Potatoes

Glazed Carrots

Bread and Butter

Chef's Choice Dessert

Suzanne Stone

A Toast to the Ladies of the Lago Vista Women's Club!

Perhaps you've noticed the wine bar when you've gone to get your water or iced tea when we meet together at K-Oaks. With the Gala over, here is a friendly reminder that there is still a way to contribute! For a small donation to our Philanthropic Fund, you can enjoy a glass of wine during the social hour or with your meal during our monthly women's club luncheons.

This year, we are serving three red and three white wines, so please let Gladys Ables or Ro Cass know if you have a preference. Remember, your enjoyment will also help in contributing to a good cause—a win-win to toast too.

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Ro Cass (512) 461-3739 ro@theasses.com





LVWC Scholarship Luncheon Provides both Food for Lunch & Though

The Lago Vista Women's Club (LVWC) Scholarship Committee hosted a special luncheon for Junior and Senior girls from Lago Vista High School in the school's Media and Academic Center on Wednesday, February 12, 2020. Over 100 young ladies attended to dine and to learn about the scholarships the Lago Vista Women's Club offers. Club members provided food for a self-serve buffet. Anna Johndrow, the club President, opened the event with words of welcome. The committee members, made up of Paula Fisher (Chairperson), Kay Schneider, Donna Nash, Peg Olson, Laura Alcorta, and Anna, explained the history of the LVWC, the background and descrip-

tions of the scholarship process, and informed the audience of their own experiences and backgrounds.

High School officials attending the luncheon included the Principal Heather Stoner, Counselors Elanna Hylander and Meghin Huerta, and Assistant Principal Stu Taylor.

Since the first year of the program, the club has awarded over 200 scholarships, totaling more than \$470,000. The monetary grants have contributed to the making of doctors, attorneys, educators, personal trainers, nurses, clergy, actors, and women in other worthwhile professions. Application for a scholarship is open to any female

rolled her entire senior year at Lago Vista High School and will be attending as a full-time student (12 hours or more) in an accredited institution of higher learning. The deadline for applications is March 12, 2020.



More photos of the luncheon on page 8

Our Growing Numbers by Fran Plemmons

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Our Lago Vista Women's Club is growing, and we are so excited to welcome so many new members. There is some information that needs to be addressed to make sure

we all understand the operation of the club.

Our 2020-2021 membership year begins on June 1, 2020. All dues from 2019-2020 expire May 31, 2020, no matter what date they were paid. New members that paid dues from February-April were charged \$12.50 due to the short period covered by their yearly dues. They will pay \$25 starting June 1 to continue their membership through May 2021.

We value your membership and appreciate your involvement with the fellowship of the women of Lago Vista, Jonestown, Point Venture, and others from the North Shore. If you have questions or concerns, you may contact me at 512-547-9135 or at franfrog19@gmail.com.

Thank You Take Two! More thanks to hand out for our 2020 Gala event: photographer, Christine Snitkin, and lighting technician, Kay Schneider

Philanthropic Committee Already in Motion for 2020 Grants!

The Philanthropic Committee got a head start on providing grants this year when we donated to the new culinary class for disabled children at the Lago Vista Middle School. The personalized thank you cards we received from those

Community GRANTS

students were sincere and heartwarming.

Our committee will be partnering with Candlelight Ranch to provide helping hands to cook and clean up for several of their Military Family days. All women's club ladies who have a heart for our military are welcome to sign up and join us. The dates for this project will be forthcoming.

Lastly, our committee is in the process of informing the North Shore non-profits that grant applications are now available on our LVWC website. We will be accepting applications until March 27 at 5 pm. Please join us at our May 12th lunch for the presentation of the

grant checks to these worthy community programs.

We appreciate your generosity in raising the funds that will be distributed for scholarships and community grants this year. You ladies really do shine!

Laurie Engels Chairwoman Philanthropic Committee

Obrigada, Gracias, and A Huge Thank You Brunch for the Gala Gals!

A beautiful Valentine appreciation breakfast was hosted by Patty Nixa to thank the "Gala Gals," for their months of work planning, organizing, and decorating for the 2020 Gala, "A Night at the Copacabana."

before trying to answer 25 Gala Trivia Questions. Everyone went home with a commemorative Gala keyring and a heart-shaped cupcake.







GALA GALS THANK YOU BRUNCH

More photos of the luncheon on page 8

Guests enjoyed breakfast quiche, fruit, and pastries

Lucky March LVWC Birthâavs

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Cindy Henning	2	Paula Bledsoe	13	Robyn Burkhart	22
Christy Ordener	3	Marilea Pannell	14	Ginger Halsted	23
Elizabeth Goldsby	6	Christine Snitkin	14	Ruth Swanson	25
Diane Zaydel	6	Theresa Weber	14	Janice Giovannetti	27
Paisley Irwin-Patrick	10	Cherry Barefoot	15	Elaine Hughes	27
Barbara Salter	10	Patricia Sabre-Marroquin	17	Carolyn Baranowski-Ris	i 28
Beverly Selph	10	Sylvia Valls	20	Jean Dunham	29
Peg Olson	12	Estela Dela-Fuente	21	Belinda German	31

March 2020 SIG Preview Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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8	9 *Bunco 1:45 - 4:00	10*Musical Notes 11:30 *LVWC Luncheon	11 *Hand & Foot 1:00-4:00	12	13 _{*Learning} Bridge 10:00-12:00	14
15	*Wine Tasting Around/ World 4:00- 6:00	17 *Literary Club 12:30-3:00	18 *Mah Jongg 1:00-4:00	19	20*Learning Bridge 10:00-12:00 *Party Bridge 1:00 - 4:00	21
22	23 Chef's Hat 11:00-2:00	24*Chef's Hat (Take Two) 1:00-2:00 *Lunch & A Movie *Firearms Group 9:00-10:30 *TED Talks 12:00-2:00	25 *Hand & Foot 1:00-4:00	26	27 *Learning Bridge 10:00-12:00 *Artistic Divas 1:00-3:00	28
29	30	31				

March 2020 SIG At-A-Glance

March 2 — Cooking Pot

10:30 to 2:00 Info at sign-up table

March 4 — Mah Jongg

1:00 to 4:00 Primrose Room

March 6—Learning Bridge

10:00 to 12:00 Bluebonnet Room

Party Bridge

1:00 to 4:00 Bluebonnet Room

March 9 - Bunco

1:45 to 4:00 Bluebonnet Room March 10 — Musical Notes

11:30 Johnson Room

LVWC Luncheon K-Oaks

March 11 - Hand and Foot

1:00 to 4:00 Sunflower Room (K-Oaks)

March 13 -Learning Bridge

10:00 to 12:00 Bluebonnet Room

March 16—Wine Tasting **Around/World**

4:00-6:00 Sign-up required

March 17—Literary Club

12:30 to 3:00 Bluebonnet Room March 18-Mah Jongg

1:00 to 4:00 Primrose Room

March 20-Learning Bridge

10:00 to 12:00 Bluebonnet Room

Party Bridge

1:00 to 4:00 Bluebonnet Room

March 23 - Chef's Hat

11:00 to 2:00 Info at sign-up table

March 24 — Chef's Hat

11:00 to 2:00 Info at sign-up table

Lunch & A Movie

Info at sign-up table

March 24 (Continued)

Firearms Group

9:00 to 10:30 Bluebonnet Room

TED Talks

12:00 to 2:00 Lago Vista Library

March 25-Hand and Foot

1:00 to 4:00

Sunflower Room (K-Oaks)

March 27 - Learning Bridge

10:00 to 12:00 Bluebonnet Room

Artistic Divas

1:00 to 3:00 Cordovan Art Studio (Cedar Park) **Ceramic Painting**



March 2020 Special Interest Group

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"field trip" to Cordovan Art School and Pottery Parlor in Cedar Park where we will pick out a ceramic piece and paint it. We

will leave our piec-

es there to be fired

and glazed and the pieces will be returned at the April luncheon.

Date: March 27, 2020 **Time:** 1:00-3:00

Place: Cordovan Art School & Pottery Parlor - We will be carpooling to Cedar Park. If you are interested in attending, sign up at the March luncheon or contact Mindy Hensen.

Cost of the activity: \$20 Deposit

This will go towards activity costs which include:\$6 for the paint and then you pay

for the piece you choose to paint. (Prices range from \$9 to over \$75.)



~Also from the Artistic Divas~

January's Perpetual Calendar activity has been rescheduled!

New Date: Friday, May 1, 2020

Time: 2:00-4:00 pm

Place: Lago Vista Cordovan Art Studio, 20308 Dawn Drive in Lago Vista.

We have a few openings for this **class.** If you are interested in attending, sign up at the March or April luncheon or

contact Mindy Hensen.





Care Group

We are a group of Compassionate, Attentive, Reassuring and Encouraging ladies ready to hear from you! CARE members are here to provide cheer and encouragement to all club members.

Please let us know if you or a member you know is ill, in the hospital, facing an upcoming surgery, or going through a difficult time. We will make phone calls, home visits if desired, provide a grocery service, and library book check out service for members that are ill or homebound.

If you need a ride to the monthly luncheons let us know. We are here for you!

Email us at: lvwccaregroup@gmail.com Christy Ordener 432-349-5492 Trish Aikman 512-786-9615



The Chef's Hat

The Chef's Hat has great news! Due to popular demand and the desire for more personalized classes, the group is now offering two cooking classes every month. Each class size will be limited to 8 participants per class in order to have a more "one-on-one" experience - and so it's not so crowded in the kitchen.

Dates: 4th Monday and Tuesday of eve-

ry month.

Time: 11:00 - 2:00 Cost: \$20 at sign-up

Visit us at the SIG table at the next lunch-

eon to sign-up.



Firearms Group

The votes are in and the new name for our Firearms special interest group is....Steel Magnolias!! Quite fitting for this group of strong and smart ladies!

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 24th

Time: 9:00 am

Place: Primrose Room (LV Activity Center.)

All are welcome to attend!



Hand and Foot

Time: The second and fourth Wednes-

days of each month

Time: 1:00 pm

Place: Sunflower Room (K-Oaks)

Hand and Foot is an easy game and beginners are always welcome. Bring a beverage and come and play! Last month we had three tables of card players. We'd love to include you in our fun this next month.

Bonnie Rupprecht and Gladys Ables are moderators.



The Literary Club

Date: Tuesday, March 17, 2020

Time: 12:30-3:00

Place: Bluebonnet Room **Book:** GRANDMA GATEWOOD'S

WALK by Ben Montgomery

In 1954, Grandma Gatewood went for a walk. Without saying goodbye or giving notice of where she was going, she left her farm in Ohio and 11 children and hiked the Appalachian Trail.

This New York Times bestseller is the inspiring story of determination, natural survival skills, and courage from the eyes of a woman in her 60's who saved the Appalachian Trail.

Come along with Granny Gatewood and us as the Literary Group travels from Georgia to Maine with this remarkable woman.



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April 8 — Hand & Foot

1:00 to 4:00 Sunflower Room (K-Oaks)

April 1 — Mah Jongg

1:00 to 4:00 Primrose Room

April 3 — Learning Bridge

10:00 to 12:00 Bluebonnet Room **Party Bridge** 1:00 to 4:00 Bluebonnet Room

April 6 — Cooking Pot

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April 13 — Bunco

1:45 to 4:00 Bluebonnet Room

April 14 — Musical Notes

11:30 Johnson Room **LVWC Luncheon** K-Oaks Congratulations

RUTH LLOYD

Winner of the FREE MEAL At our March 2020 LVWC Luncheon!

Want to see your name in print? Specifically, in our newsletter? Send your questions, suggestions, editorials, and ideas to Tamra Flournoy at:

LagoVistaWCNewsLetter@gmail.com

(All articles must be approved before publication)

We're on the Web!

www.lvwomensclub.com



Want to help make our showcase float for Lago Vista's Fourth of July Celebration Parade? Contact Anna Jondrow or

Contact Anna Jondrow or Tamra Flournoy today!







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No sleeping people were hurt or otherwise research done for this editorial



If, like me, you have trouble adjusting to Daylight Savings Time—and by that, I mean spending the next two or three months playing catch up after the clocks "Spring Forward," but never noticing the extra hour when the clocks "fall back"-then you may be happy to know that you will not be the only one sleeping through the next few luncheons. Of course, it doesn't help when the White House dictates when we rise in the morning, either.

Once, when I was young, I asked my mother why we observed DST-such a preposterous notion—and she informed me that it was to help the farmers. This turns out to be a myth. Farmers actually have cause to hate DST, because the livestock have no respect for the clock, and it totally messes up their morning schedules. The idea to play with the clocks was first suggested by none other than Benjamin Franklin as a way to save candles. I liked Mr. Franklin before I



heard this fact. Now? Well, I still admire him, but consider the possibility that he thought of this after playing with lightning. But I do cut him some slack-after all, jet lag had not been invented yet.

Daylight Savings Time is supposed

to help save energy by getting people home earlier and using fewer lights because it is still daylight. However, as Indiana discovered, that savings is lost in the energy used to air-condition homes earlier. Also, somehow more petroleum is used during DST. So, the studies on this subject are many and varied—enough so that they seem to cancel each other



Perhaps, like me, you remember during the oil embargo of the 1970s when DST became standard time to save this hypothetical energy. During the winter of 1972-1973, many children traveling to school in the "artificially dark morning" were killed in traffic accidents because they were not seen.

New studies warn of the many health problems that can accompany those who struggle with the clock changes. They range from: An increased risk of heart attacks and ischaemic strokes, an increase in epileptic seizures, depression, suicide, and higher stress levels because it "misaligns our biological clocks for eight months of the year." All of these lead to more accidents on the road and in the workplace.

I mention all of this so I can tell you that I have realized something as horrifying as it is startling. I call it DST Calcification Syndrome. (Don't try to look for this on the internet because I just made it up.) I will present my ideas and conclusions through a series of pictures.

> The first pictures show a series of adults and children so tired from DST that they fall asleep along with images representing others who did the same thing and the calcification fate that may have befallen them.

> There may be more reasons for this serious health risk, but—as I am not a medical doctor or a scientist—I am just calling it as I see it.

The last two series of pictures (shown on the next page) show the progression of the illness and several examples of those who may have succumbed to previous out-

MEETINGS

LVWC is a 501 (c) (3) Non- \cdot LVWC Executive Profit Organization. All meetings are open to everyone.

Committee Meeting First Tuesday of the month K-Oaks Club House-9:30 am Sunflower Room

 LVWC Luncheons 2nd Tuesday of the month K-Oaks Clubhouse-11:00 am breaks. It is clear something must be done-even if it is to ignore DST altogether, and just get up an hour later or better yet, whenever we feel like it. (Hopefully, employers, schools, doctors and the like will accommodate us.) If all else fails, we can add as much movement to our routine as possible to stave off the calcification process until such time as DST no longer haunts our lives.



