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The Vanderbilt Woman's Club brings together the women of Vanderbilt University; provides an opportunity for intellectual, cultural and social activities within the community and the University; supports and assists the mission of the University; and sponsors the Vanderbilt Woman's Club Stapleton/Weaver Endowed Scholarship through fundraising.

#### **Message from the president:**

My husband and I have three college-aged children. Over the past few years I have been on a lot of college tours. I got to where I felt like I could give the tours myself. "The food is great." "The professors are accessible." "This university will prepare you for work and life." "Our beautiful campus looks like Hogwarts." (This last one always elicited an eye-roll from my kids.) Another typical bragging point was how many student organizations the college had. "We have over 350 student clubs. All you need is five signatures and you can start a new club such as the Zombie Apocalypse Preparation Club." College kids are very creative these days.

So too with the Vanderbilt Woman's Club – we have a lot of enjoyable Interest Groups. And that is because we have a lot of creative, social members with diverse interests and lives. As we start the new year many of us will continue in Interest Groups that we have joined in the past. This fall maybe consider trying an additional Interest Group. I'd also suggest that we continue to think of new Interest Groups that would appeal to current members as well as potential members. As with the colleges, if there is a critical mass of interested women then there is a

reason to start a new Interest Group. Another twist on the groups is to think about starting an evening version of a daytime activity – an evening book club or mahjong group? New ideas keep things fresh.

I hope to see you **September 27** at our beautiful Opening Tea at the University Residence, hosted by Lydia Howarth. This lovely event allows us to reconnect after the summer, honor our Life Members, meet potential members, and sign up for established -- and maybe even some new --Interest Groups.



Next meeting: (Details are on page six) Opening Tea at the University Residence Thursday, September 27 1 - 3 pm

Welcome new member. Sue Clark



#### 2016-2017

\$25,000 needed this year

to reach \$100,000 in the endowment.

to the Stapleton/Weaver Endowed Scholarship

(donations may be sent to Lynne Siesser, 2009 Overhill Drive, Nashville, TN 37215-3414)

#### August

Amy Christiansen \* Janet Crowson \* Joan Hornberger \* Pam King Karen Leeman \* Lisa LeMaster \* Kim Ross \* Lois Scholes Kate Shaw

Academic Year to date

Sheila Jensen \* Lynne Siesser \* Tracy Stadnick \* Faye Wyatt



Kendra Scott Fund Raiser left to right Cindy Slobogin, Kendra Holroyd, Peggy Curci, Rachel Curci, Kate Shaw, Angela Bowens and Lisa LeMaster



Vendors sign up for the Holiday Lunch now!

Peggy Curci 314-369-4119 peggy@thecurcis.com

#### **Future Events 2016-2017**

Thursday, September 8, 7:00-9:00 p.m.: Newcomers Party at the Sandbergs

Tuesday, September 27, 1:00-3:00 p.m.: Opening Tea at the University Residence

A Reading from Estelle Condra

Sunday, October 9, 4:00-6:00 p.m.: Fall Music Night \* Jazz in the Garden

Thursday, October 20, 11:30 a.m.: Fall Luncheon at Arrington Vineyards

Thursday, November 17, 10:00 a.m.: Fall Lecture at Brentwood Public Library

Andrew Maraniss: Strong Inside: Perry Wallace and the Collision of Race and Sports in the South

Thursday, December 1, 11:00 a.m.: Holiday Luncheon & Bazaar at Old Natchez Country Club Larry Craig from "Project Return"

Thursday, January 19: 10:00 a.m.: Annual Meeting at Brentwood Public Library

Friday, February 17, 5:00-8:00 p.m.: ScholarSips at the Central Library

Thursday, March 30, 10:00 a.m.: Spring Lecture at Brentwood Public Library

John H. Mather, MD, FACPE: A Pathographer's Look at Six US Presidents

Thursday, April 27, 11:30 a.m.: Spring Luncheon at Richland Country Club

## **Interest Groups**

#### Contact information and details are available in the directory.

Book Group 1 \* Book Group 2 \* Tuesday Bridge \* Thursday Bridge \* Cocktail Club \* Community Explorers Community Service \* French \* German \* Gourmet Group \* Italian \* Mah Jongg \* Movies \* Out to Lunch Quilting \* Spanish \* Theater

Do you have an interest not listed? Contact: Ann Ercelawn 615-298-4766 ann.ercelawn@gmail.com



To get started, go to this link which takes you to the Vanderbilt Woman's Club Facebook page.

From there click on "Join Group" and then start communicating!

https://www.facebook.com/groups/VanderbiltWomansClub/

Remember to sign up for Interest Groups at the Opening Tea.

### **Cocktail Club**

#### Our gracious hosts will be . . .

September 17 Thackston October Stein

November 12 LeMaster/Ruhl

December Jensen

January 14 King/Middleton February 17 Scholarsips

March Huffman April Curci May Clements

June Holroyd September Riess

Lynne Siesser

615-298-5659 lsiesser7@gmail.com

#### Lunch Bunch

Thursday, September 29th
Joyce Gore 615-783-0681
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## See you at the movies

Join the group monthly on Tuesdays at
Green Hills Cinema for a movie.

A lunch option will be offered at a nearby
restaurant before the movie. Contact
Betsy to be added to an email list.

Monday, September 12 at Belcourt Theater Tour/Movie Tuesdays, October 4 \* November 1 \* December 13 at Regal Green Hills

Betsy Fleetwood 615-579-0903 befleet@aol.com

### **Gourmet Group**

December 3, 2016-Viennese Holiday at the Gherman's

January 28, 2017-Chinese New Year at the Curcis

Carmen Gherman 615-354-4421 cggherman@yahoo.com

Future Hosts: The Wallicks in March and Andrews in late Spring





## Save the Pate!

Sunday, October 9, 2016 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Please plan to join your VWC friends at our first music event of the year—
Sangria & Tapas
in the Garden.

Details and ticket purchase

Details and ticket purchase information coming soon!

## Combined Explorers and Movie Group Tour of the Belcourt Theater

Monday, September 12, 2016 2102 Belcourt Avenue, Nashville, TN 37212

Members and guests please meet in the Belcourt Theater lobby by 9:45 am, as our tour will start at 10 a.m.



The Belcourt parking lot will be free for our tour (subject to availability). We will get parking passes (while they last) on Monday morning to put on our dashboards. If the Belcourt lot is full, there is metered street parking on Belcourt Avenue and paid parking in the Sam's lot across Belcourt Avenue. CARPOOLING is encouraged.

After our free 45+ minute tour, directly across the street on 21st Avenue, Jackson's Bar and Bistro will accommodate our group for lunch. Our group will have to break up into smaller groups to find seating throughout the restaurant. Jackson's menu has brunch, lunch, and vegetarian offerings. They will try to provide separate checks.

Movie times are still TBD by the theater and showings might be too late for many in our group to stay for. Movie choices for after lunch may include *Complete Unknown*, starring Rachel Weisz, a murder mystery.

The movies and times will be set and available online at <a href="http://www.belcourt.org">http://www.belcourt.org</a> the week before our tour. Adult matinee prices are \$8.50 (\$8.00 for those over 65), and the group rate is \$7.50 for ten or more people.

If you would like to join us for this tour and lunch, please let Betsy Fleetwood know by Thursday, September 8th at befleet@aol.com or 615-579-0903.

# Calling all Quilters . . .

Tuesday, September 20 at 10 a.m.

Join us for an organizational meeting at

2009 Overhill Drive in Green Hills.

Ouestions?

Lynne Siesser 615-298-5659 lsiesser7@gmail.com

## A theater interest group

is one of two new interest group this year (along with quilting). Nashville is fortunate

to have a wealth of theater offerings, from community theater to TPAC to university productions. We are currently seeking a group coordinator.



Questions? Ann Ercelawn 615-298-4766 ann.ercelawn@gmail.com

## **Explorers Save the Date**

"Ghost Trees and Urban Legends"

Monday October 31 at 11:45 a.m.

Come and join Community Explorers. The one hour walk is part of Vandy Walks, a series offered by Health Plus and the Vanderbilt Recreation and Wellness Center. The walking tour will be presented by Steve Baskauf, Senior Lecturer in the Biological Sciences Department. The walking tour is free, and starts out at Rand Hall Terrace on campus, and then will be followed by an optional lunch at a nearby restaurant.

More details regarding parking and the optional lunch will follow.

For more information or to join the fun, contact Ebbie Redwine

eredwine9@gmail.com 225-281-3938 Judy Andrews

andrews.judy@gmail.com 615-604-9408



Wednesday, September 21 2-4 pm at the home of Susanne Riess,

2811 Polo Club Road

The group will enjoy Susanne's famous German Plum Cake a Fall specialty.

Susanne Riess 414-241-1246

susriess@hotmail.com

## |Community Service



Community Volunteers at the Pencil
Foundation: together we assist the educational needs of teachers and students in Metro schools.

Wednesday mornings: September 14, October 19, November 16 and December 14

at LP Pencil Box, McCann Alternative Learning Center, 1300 56th Ave N, Nashville, TN 37209

Kathleen Donofrio 615-383-8732 kafdonofrio@gmail.com



Please join us for the

## Vanderbilt Woman's Club Opening Tea

Tuesday, September 27, 2016 1:00-3:00 p.m.

at the

University Residence 211 Deer Park Drive Nashville

#### Hosted by Vanderbilt University First Lady Lydia Howarth

Special Guest: Estelle Condra

Help us kick off another year of friendship, fun, and philanthropy as we:

Reconnect with old friends
Meet new friends and potential members
Honor our Life Members
Meet our Stapleton/Weaver Scholarship recipient
Explore Interest Group options
Renew or initiate club membership.

\*\*Complimentary Valet Parking\*\*

Please respond by Saturday, September 17 to Angela Bowens

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