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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.

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President's Message The new academic year is in full swing and I hope you have been able to enjoy our regular activities and have been able to sample some of our new groups.

Our **Kendra Scott** fundraiser was a success and we raised more than last year. That bodes well for our scholarship efforts. **Cindy Slobogin** and I met with **Emily Song** our new student and she was so excited to be supported by VWC. Putting a face to our scholarship efforts made all of our work clearer. I hope she will be able to attend events and you will also get to know this amazing young woman.

Our **Opening Sweet Soiree** is coming **September 20th** where we get to honor our lifetime members and get to meet our newest members. Thank you, **Peggy Curci**, for organizing.

We have a wonderful opportunity to relive VWC history when the archives host an opportunity to look at 125 years of VWC history. Some of the menus and the research topics that our VWC ladies created are truly awe-inspiring. Thank you, **Nancy Dwyer**, for organizing.

Please think about who you know that would be a good fit for VWC and invite them to our Newcomers coffee. Details about how to RSVP to the various events are in this newsletter. Thank you, **Amy Smith**, for organizing.

Our fall brunch is at **Urban Grub** with an out of this world menu. Thank you, **Peggy Curci**, for organizing.

This group is a purely volunteer non-profit organization. Many Woman's Groups have not survived as long as we have and that is thanks to the volunteers who run it. Thank you, to all the ladies who have helped in the past and who are currently helping out. **How can I help?** you may be thinking, please consider how much time you could volunteer. Do you have an hour you could look at a mailing list and update it, do you have someone you could ask for an item we can auction off?

Not sure what you could do and want to help - contact me at

joyallingtonbaum@gmail.com or 214-755-5328.



Joy

NEXT MEETINGS - Details on pages 9-12

Friday, September 20, 2019 at 1 p.m.
Opening Sweet Soiree at Richland Country Club

Friday, September 27, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.
Archives Celebration at Vanderbilt Central Library

Saturday, September 28, 2019 at 10 a.m.
Newcomer Welcome Coffee 1 at Amy Smith's

Thursday, October 10, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.
Fall Lunch at Urban Grub

The Vanderbilt Woman's Club acknowledges the late Margaret Branscomb, wife of Chancellor Harvie Branscomb, for the major plantings of the magnolia trees on campus and honors her in the naming of the newsletter.

VANDERBILT
WOMAN'S CLUB

Donations to the Scholarship Fund since the last newsletter:

Donations may be sent to 2009 Overhill Drive, Nashville, TN 37215-3414

Judy Andrews, Elisabetha Baugh, Sharon Berenfeld, Faye Brown, Anne Carr,
Kelly Chambers, Janet Crowson, Hope Estopinal, Betsy Fleetwood, Kathy Hood,
Joan Hornberger, Anne Krimm, Anne Manner, Amelia McTamane, Margaret Norris,
Billie Patton, Billie Jean Pinson, Anne Plummer, Mary Raffety, Ebbie Redwine,
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Joyce Weingartner, Grace Wernke, Faye Wyatt

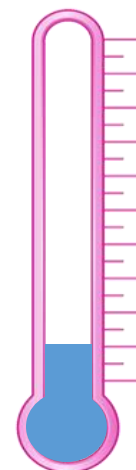
Kendra Scott raised \$414.17!

Year to date:

Audrey Brown, Cami Platek, Mary Raffety, Elizabeth Rich
VWC Board

[click here to make your donation by credit card](#)

**\$20,000
GOAL!**



\$3,099

Have you paid your membership dues for 2019/2020?

[click here to pay by credit card](#)

[click here to download the form if paying by check](#)

*If you are attending the Opening Sweet Soiree on
September 20, bring your check and form with you.*

*New members, if you joined the Vanderbilt Woman's Club after
January, 2019, your dues are good through September, 2020.*

Deadline for membership dues is October 16, 2019



Our scholar, Emily Song

In Memoriam
Jane Jones

Future Meetings

Saturday, October 19 at 10 a.m. Newcomer Welcome Coffee at Allington-Baum's

Thursday, October 24, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. Fall Lecture at the Green Hills Library

Presenting: Mr. Henry Hicks III,

The CEO of the National Museum of African American Music

Thursday, November 14, 2019 at 7 p.m. Newcomers at the Sandbergs

Thursday, December 5, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. Holiday Luncheon & Bazaar at Old Natchez Country Club

Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at 2 p.m. Cookie Exchange at the King's

Thursday, January, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Annual Business Meeting

February, 2020 ScholarSongs, Annual Fundraiser

Friday, April 24, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Spring Lecture at the Green Hills Library

Welcome new members



JoAnne Berns

I came to Nashville to attend college at Vanderbilt in the early 2000's. Little did I know I'd meet my future husband at a Halloween party just a few months after coming to town! It turned out we

were both from the same part of New York and the rest is history. We live in Green Hills and have two small children, a boy and a girl, that keep us on our toes. I also work as a pediatric speech-language pathologist. I don't have much time for hobbies these days but I do enjoy trying new restaurants and watching movies when I can. A good friend of mine recently joined and I decided to follow her lead. I always enjoy an opportunity to meet other Vanderbilt ladies.

Margaret Hansen

Lina Keefe

Leslie Kirby

Dr. Marilyn Labovitz

Billie Jean Pinson

I came to Nashville from Columbia, SC as a 17 year old college freshman and have never left.

I love so many things about Nashville- the growth, the vitality - but probably most of all our beautiful parks, especially the Warner parks where I spend as much time as possible walking and decompressing. Nashvillans are for the most part dear people - Two of whom who are Frannie and Cindy, whose good times led me to this fine club!

Love books - and have many favorite authors - Jeffrey Archer from way back with *Prodigal Daughter*, *Kane and Abel*, *Where the Crow Flies* and so many others! Pat Conroy and Anne Rivers Siddons write of my loved homelands of South and North Carolina's!

In addition to walking, love golfing especially when I can walk the course and love the walking course at my Florida home.

Sorry, no superpowers, but looking for some to help me heal over losing my precious husband to a sudden stroke this past March.

This is all probably more than you wanted to know!

Cristina Villarreal Smith is a Vandy alumna from the class of 2010. She lives in south Nashville with her husband and two young daughters, and loves exploring the city's different parks and hiking trails. She also enjoys trying restaurants around town, especially those with an Asian flare. She works for an educational consulting non-profit that happens to be made up entirely of Vandy women grads! She was introduced to the club by the newcomer chair, Amy Smith, who also happens to be her fabulous mother in law! She is excited to make new friends and enjoy all the club has to offer.

Stephanie Ward

Meredyth Wegener

Welcome back



Vivian Shields

I'm a 'new member' again! Justin and I moved from Pensacola, FL to Nashville in 2009 and we live across from fab neighbors Cindy and Chris Slobogin in Abbottsford.

We are late 60's, retired, and love to travel and drink cocktails/wine!

I play bridge, golf a little, and we

travel often. The bucket list items covered this year are Africa, Indian Ocean, Singapore, Japan, and Antarctica. I cook a lot - sending meals to our 2 daughters/3 grandsons - the reasons why we live in Nashville! Favorite restaurants - Cork and Cow, Char, any sushi! Looking forward to making new friendships

Susan James

Beverly Moran

Who do you want to invite to a newcomers coffee and to join the Vanderbilt Woman's Club?

The Vanderbilt Woman's Club supports the community.



Daytime Movies

Hi, Ladies

And Welcome! to all of our new movie members-

Our September offering will be "Downton Abbey, The Movie" showing at 1:00 pm at the Regal Green Hills Cinema on Tuesday, September 24th. If you'd like to pre-purchase your ticket I have seat E-10 to get a row started.

Also for fun if you'd like, please wear your pearls and fascinators. Let's make the Dowager Countess of Grantham, Maggie Smith proud!

FYI- NBC will air a Downton Abbey Special on September 19th.

For those of you who'd like to meet at 11:30 am for lunch we'll be at Emmy Squared next to the cinema. The restaurant requests a bit of time for large groups.

Please let me know by Monday, September 22 if you'll be joining us for the movie/ lunch and movie/or just lunch?

Plenty of parking in the garage behind the cinema or the restaurant has valet service.

looking forward to seeing all of you,

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

Cindy Slobogin
615-292-2214
slobogin@hotmail.com

**Future daytime movie
Tuesday, October 22**

Community Service



Kathleen Donofrio, Ebbie Redwine, Dede Clements, Anne Manner, Pat Holdridge

Joan Hornberger 615-775-8039

zackapatch@gmail.com

Anne Manner 615-289-1040

acmanner@gmail.com

Linda Nicholas, Mildred Tilley, Tracy Stadnick, LP Pencil Interim Volunteer Co-ordinator-Sarah Finney, Chris Browning, Joan Hornberger

Mark your calendar for the first Tuesday of the month.

Next LP Pencil Volunteer Day

Tuesday October 1st from 9:30 –11:30 am

Come to assist in sorting and bundling donated school supplies for the LP Pencil "Store" for teachers. It is always a fun time while we work.

www.pencilforschools.org/lppb

**LP Pencil Box,
7199 Cockrill Bend Boulevard, Nashville 37209**



Loosely Bound

book group will meet

3rd Wednesday

of every month at **7:00 pm.**

Please email

Elisabeth Sandberg

elisabeth.sandberg@vanderbilt.edu

if you are interested in joining.

VANDY LUNCH BUNCH

will meet 2nd Wednesday of
every month,
12:30-1:20 p.m.
starting **October 9.**

(There was insufficient interest for Sept.)

Location for October will be

**Crab Fever,
1907 West End Avenue**



RSVP to

Elisabeth Sandberg by October. 6

Elisabeth Sandberg

Text: 617-957-2169

elisabeth.sandberg@vanderbilt.edu

[Click here to see what's new in the picture gallery on our website](#)

Out to Lunch

**Blue Fin Sushi and
Thai restaurant,**

210 Franklin Road. in Brentwood

12:30 on Thursday, September 19th.

*It is in the Kroger Shopping center and parking is free.
Please RSVP to me if you are planning to join us.*

Nancy Gentry 615-335-2895

nancy1gentry@yahoo.com

Save the date:

Thursday, October 24 after the lecture.



Cocktail Club

Our gracious hosts

October 12 *Bengson*

November 9 *LeMaster/ Rubl*

December 7 *Smith*

January *King/ Middleton*

February *ScholarSongs*

March *Chambers/ Sherwood*

April 4 *Siesser*

May *Harris/ Cutler*

June *Collins*



*Bring your spouse/partner; bring a friend or come alone
to meet friends from other departments*

Lynne Siesser

lsiesser7@gmail.com

615-298-5659

Communications Gurus

*Thank you for keeping us all informed.
Please send all photos or items you want to share to*

Kelly Chambers

kellychambers420@yahoo.com

Text: 409-771-5731

she will disseminate all information.

The Team

Kelly Chambers – Coordinator

Lisa LeMaster - Website

Lynne Siesser - Magnolia News

Pop-Up Group or PUG

is a loosely formed group of VWC members with diverse interests and sometimes flexible schedules who want to meet up with other members for fun outside of regularly scheduled club events. Movies, hikes, lectures, theater, festivals, music events, whatever – they are all game for **PUG**. For more information on being added to the **Group Me list** for the **Pop-Up Group**, click on

<https://groupme.com/en-US/> or contact

Kelly Chambers at **409-771-5731** or

kellychambers420@yahoo.com for full instructions.

Stay Connected

Join our VWC Facebook group to keep up with happenings in the club throughout the year. It's a closed group so only VWC members may post information or see posts.

You do need a Facebook account to join.

For more information contact Kelly at **kellychambers420@yahoo.com**.

Here is the link: **<https://www.facebook.com/groups/VanderbiltWomansClub/>**



Interest Groups

Contact information and details of all interest groups are available in the directory.

Antiques * Book Group 1 * Book Group 2 * Book Group 3 (*Loosely Bound*) * Tuesday/Thursday Bridge * Cocktails
Community Explorers * Community Service * French * Girls Night Out * Gourmet Group
Mah Jongg (*afternoon & evening*) * Movies (*afternoon & evening*) * Music * Out to Lunch * Pop-Up Group * Quilting
Vandy Lunch Bunch

Do you have another interest not listed?

Ebbie Redwine 225-281-3938 eRedwine9@gmail.com

Community Explorers

Join us **Thursday, October 17th**,
for a beautiful fall scenic drive to **Leiper's Fork** about a 30-40 minute drive from Green Hills.

We will leave Nashville at 10:00 and start with a guided tour (\$10) of
Leiper's Fork (Bourbon) Distillery at 10:45.

Then we can dine at one of three nice lunch options (your choice) -

'1892 Restaurant', 'Country Boy Restaurant' or Puckett's

Afterwards, we can tour the little art studios, gift, and antique shops.

This trip is limited to 30 participants.

Please contact **Chris Browning**
at mcpbrowning@aol.com

if you would like to attend.

Leipersforkdistillery.com

1892leipersfork.com

puckettsofleipersfork.com



Music Group

Sue McDougall

615-974-5121

mcdougall.interiors@gmail.com



The Pickin' Party

Warner Park Equestrian Center

2500 Old Hickory Boulevard

next to the Steeplechase grounds

Friday, September 13 (Gates open 6:45)
Bluegrass Music at 7p.m.

*Get tickets on line for \$20 in advance
includes 4 beers, water and soft drinks.
\$25 at the door, cash or check only.*

There will be food trucks and plan to bring your lawn chairs.
Let Ebbie know if you are coming so she will meet you at will call.

eredwine@gmail.com

or text **225-281-3938**

Courtyard Concert (free)

Robinson Courtyard

Downtown Public Library

615 Church Street

Tuesday, September 17

Riders in the Sky 11:45a.m.-1p.m.

Bring your lunch.

Parking garage is on 6th Avenue.

Courtyard Concert Series:

Kieran Kane and Rayna Gellert 9/24

MTSU Chinese Music Ensemble 10/1

The WannaBeatles 10/8



ANTIQUE

STUDY GROUP

Organizational meeting:

Bill Siesser on English Silver

Tuesday, September 17 at 10 a.m. at the Siessers

Future dates on the third Tuesday

October 15 - Collecting Art

January 21 - Antiques Road Show

February 18 - Estate Jewelry

March 17 - Antique/Vintage Baby Dolls

April 21 - American Brilliant Period Cut Glass

May 19 - Incorporating Antiques in Design

Lynne Siesser (Co-chair needed)

615-298-5659 lsiesser7@gmail.com



Gourmet Group October 26th: Diwali

Hindu Festival of Lights

Sheila Jensen 615-351-4375 sheilajensen@comcast.net

Adele Stein 615-309-6951 steinadele@hotmail.com

When choosing dates, would
you like to check the calendar
each month to avoid clashing
with other groups already
scheduled?

[Click here to see what's new in the picture gallery on our website](#)

September 2019

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
15	16	17 Antiques 10am Music Group 10:45am	18 Mah Jongg 1pm Loosely Bound 7pm	19 Lunch 12:30pm Bridge 1pm	20 Opening Sweet Soiree 1pm	21 Deadline to RSVP for Newcomer Coffee ★
22 Deadline to RSVP for Archives ★	23 Evening Movies	24 Movies 1pm	25 Mah Jongg 1pm	26 Explorers 9:30am Bridge 1pm	27 VWC Archives Central Library 1:30pm	28 Newcomer Welcome Coffee 10am
29	30 Rosh Hashanah 					

October 2019

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
		1 LP Pencil 9:30am Deadline for Fall Brunch ★	2 Mah Jongg 1pm	3 Bridge 1pm Mah Jongg 7pm	4	5
6	7 Book Group 1	8 Bridge 1pm	9 Yom Kippur Mah Jongg 1pm V Lunch 12:30pm 	10 Fall Brunch 10am French 12:30pm Bridge 1pm	11	12 Cocktails 6pm Deadline to RSVP for Newcomer ★ Coffee
13 Book Group 2	14	15 Antiques 10am	16 Mah Jongg 1pm Loosely Bound 7pm	17 Explorers 10am	18	19 Newcomer Welcome Coffee 10am
20	21	22 Movies	23 Mah Jongg 1pm	24 Fall Lecture 11am Bridge 1pm Lunch 12:30pm	25	26 Gourmet
27	28	29	30 Mah Jongg 1pm	31 Halloween Bridge 1pm 		



Vanderbilt Woman's Club Opening Sweet Soiree

Friday September 20, 2019

1 to 3 pm

**Richland Country Club
One Club Drive
Nashville TN 37215**

**Members are invited to join the club in honoring life members,
reconnecting with old friends, sign up for interest groups
and enjoy sweet treats and sips.**

Please RSVP to
Lynne Siesser
lsiesser7@gmail.com
[615-298-5659](tel:615-298-5659)

Reservation Deadline is September 10, 2019



*Please join us as we celebrate completing the cataloging of over 100 years of the
Vanderbilt Woman's Club archives.*

Pictures from a bygone era, event ephemera, meeting minutes,
ledger books and more will be on display.
Peak into the lives of VWC women across the decades!

*We especially encourage our long-time members to attend to help us with photo identification.
Spouses and partners welcome.*

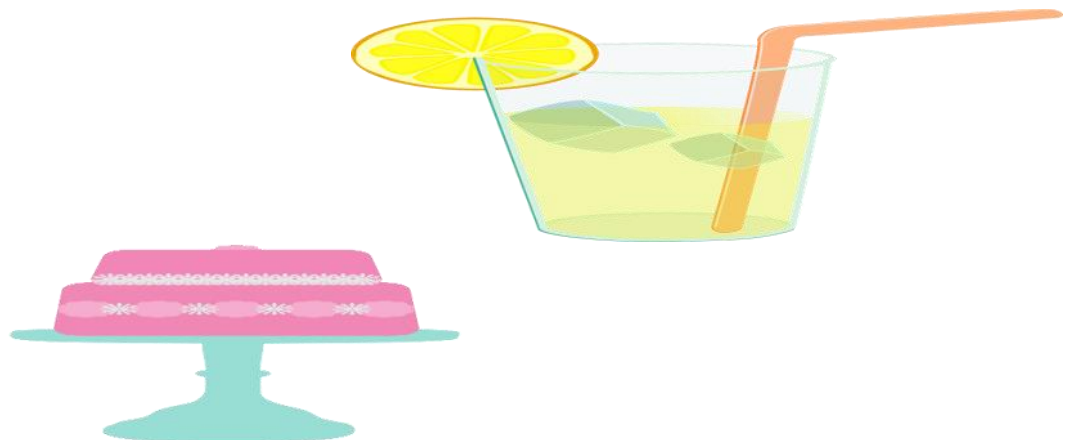
Friday, September 27th
1:30 p.m.

Vanderbilt University Central Library
419 21st Ave South

Special Collections (located on the second floor)
Cake and lemonade will be served

Convenient paid parking located across from the library in the Wesley Place Garage.
The garage is located behind Bruegger's Bagels at the corner of 21st Avenue South and Scarritt Place.

RSVP by Sunday, September 22nd: to Joy Allington-Baum at either
Joyallingtonbaum@gmail.com or 214-755-5328.





Join us at our new Newcomer Coffees this year!
Feel free to bring a friend as a potential member!

Share your love of our Vanderbilt Woman's Club and help us welcome our newest members at these two upcoming events. We would love to see you!

*note change of location for Newcomer Coffees

1st Newcomer Coffee,

Saturday, September 28, 10 am

Amy Smith's home
2152 Golf Club Lane
amyjsmith.rn@gmail.com
720-939-0135
RSVP by September 21

2nd Newcomer Coffee,

Saturday, October 19, 10 am

Joy Allington-Baum's home
5724 Stoneway Trail
joyallingtonbaum@gmail.com
214- 755-5328
RSVP by October 12

Hope to see you there!



Vanderbilt Woman's Club

2019 Fall Brunch

Thursday October 10, 2019
10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Urban Grub

2506 12th Ave S, Nashville, TN 37203

Our Brunch Buffet Features:

House Salad
Freshly made biscuits and muffins with homemade butter and jam
Summer Strata with roasted summer vegetables and green pea puree
Mixed summer berries, yogurt and Dukah
Salmon Hash with fingerling potatoes, peppers and spring onions
Applewood Smoked Bacon
24 Hour Raised Brioche Donuts
Sauces: Strawberry Coulis, Salted Caramel and Dark Chocolate

Cost: \$30.00

Please send your reservation along with cash or check made payable to
Vanderbilt Woman's Club to: Peggy Curci, 6249 Hillsboro Pike, Nashville, TN 37215
To make your reservation on line and pay by credit card:

<https://vanderbiltwomansclub.eventbrite.com/>

Reservation Deadline is October 1, 2019

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Peggy Curci, 6249 Hillsboro Pike, Nashville, TN 37215

Name: _____

Contact: _____