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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: Hello VWC Members,

I hope that everyone has been able to stay cool during these hot summer months. I'm very excited about being your President. For those I haven't yet had the pleasure to meet, let me introduce myself. My name is Angela Bowens. I have been a member of the Vanderbilt Woman's Club for 12 years. I've served on the Board for 8 years. I'm married with three children. I like to watch scary movies and read books. Some members would say that I love cheeseburgers and steaks. We have planned some wonderful events this year starting with our Kendra Scott Night Tuesday, August 29, 5:00-8:00p.m. If you're a lover of jewelry, you don't want to miss out on this. If you're new to the Club or have joined and never attended a Newcomers Party, please join us on Thursday, September 7, 7:00-9:00p.m. at the Sandbergs' home where you can meet the Board and leaders of various Interest Groups and be officially welcomed to the Club. Last year, we started our Music events, and will continue, beginning Sunday afternoon, September 17, 4:00-6:30p.m. with Brews, Tunes and BBQ at the Fleetwoods' home. Please be on the lookout for our Opening Tea, **Wednesday, September 6**, 1:00-3:00p.m. at the University Residence.

Here are some FUN FACTS:

I'll see you at Kendra Scott Night,

- In Tennessee, more than 8 women may not live in the same house because that would constitute a brothel.
- Chewing gum while you cut an onion will help keep you from crying.
- A Swedish woman lost her wedding ring and found it 16 years later-growing on a carrot in her garden.
- You are born with 300 bones, but by the time you are an adult you only have 206.
- If you started with \$0.01 and doubled your money every day, it would take 27 days to become a millionaire.
- A person can live without food for about a month, but only about a week without water. If the amount of water in your body is reduced by just 1%, you'll feel thirsty. If it's reduced by 10%, you'll die.
- Months that begin on a Sunday will always have a "Friday the 13th."

Angela



Next meetings:

Tuesday, August 29, 5:00 p.m. –8:00 p.m. Kendra Scott Night Wednesday, September 6, 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Opening Tea at the University Residence **Thursday, September 7,** 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.: Newcomers' Party at the Sandberg's Sunday, September 17, 4:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.: Brews Tunes & BBQ at the Fleetwood's



What's New With Our Scholarship Student, Mason Grow?

Mason is currently majoring in Psychology and Political Science, with plans to attend law school. She has particularly enjoyed her classes in Cryptography and the Politics of Crime and Policing since starting at Vanderbilt. Over the summer she studied abroad in Copenhagen, Denmark, taking Psychology of Criminal Behavior and Positive Psychology both of which, as she says, apply to her majors and life in general. While in Denmark, Mason had the opportunity to visit Berlin, Amsterdam, London, and Edinburgh. In between classes and preparing for the LSAT, Mason is passionately involved in the Vanderbilt University Concert Choir as an Alumni Historian and Alpha Omicron Pi as the Philanthropy Chair. Additionally, she plays intramural soccer and has absolutely loved the friendships she has formed since starting at Vandy. She is excited to return to campus this fall and get started on her junior year!



Mason at Arthur's Seat in Edinburgh, Scotland!





Join Our Facebook Group

The VWC has a Facebook page that is just for members. Only VWC members can read it or post on it. With Facebook we can share posts by members about upcoming events, photos from events, and generally stay in touch with the club in between newsletters. To join the group you must have a Facebook account

click here to go to the VWC page

and request to join. Then start posting and liking! If you need help creating an account or joining the group please let me know and I'll be glad to assist.

Kelly Chambers, 409-771-5731 or kellychambers 420@yahoo.com.

Meetings for 2017—2018

Tuesday, August 29, 2017-5:00-8:00 p.m. Kendra Scott Night
Thursday, August 31, 2017-11:30 a.m. Kellie Pickler Taping (sold out!)
Wednesday, September 6, 2017-1:00-3:00 p.m. at the University Residence Opening Tea
Thursday, September 7, 2017-7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Sandbergs Newcomers Party
Sunday, September 17, 2017-4:00-7:00 p.m. at the Fleetwoods Brews Tunes and BBQ
Tuesday, October 17, 2017-10:00 a.m. at Answer Restaurant in Sylvan Park Fall Brunch
Thursday, November 16, 2017-10:00 a.m. at the Brentwood Library Fall Lecture
Thursday, December 7, 2017-11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at Old Natchez Country Club
Holiday Luncheon & Bazaar

Monday, December 11, 2017-2:00-4:00 p.m. at the Holroyds Cookie Exchange

Thursday, January TBA, 2018-10:00 a.m. Annual Meeting

Saturday, February 24, 2018-6:00-9:00 p.m. at Vanderbilt Legends Club ScholarSips

Thursday, March 22, 2018-10:00 a.m. at Brentwood Library Spring Lecture

Thursday, May 3, 2018-11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at Richland Country Club Spring Luncheon

Saturday, June 2, 2018-10:00 a.m.-noon at the Edwards Piano in the Fairy Garden



Cocktail Club

Our gracious hosts will be

September 16

Riess

October 7

Holroyd

November 11

Slobogin

December

Waugh



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.

Tuesdays, **September 26 * October 24** at Regal Green Hills

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



Gourmet Group

New chairs for next year

Sheila Jensen

615-351-4375

sheilajensen@comcast.net

Adele Stein

615-309-6951

steinadele@hotmail.com



Joan Hornberger 615-730-5534 zackapatch@gmail.com Peggy Curci 314-369-4119 peggy@thecurcis.com 2nd Tuesday each month 10-11:30 a.m.

September 12 at Lynne's - 2009 Overhill Drive, 37215 October 10 at Peggy's - 6249 Hillsboro Pike, 37215

November 10, Friday Historic Franklin Quilt Show.

We will meet at St. Philips Catholic Center,

118 Second Ave South, Franklin. Admission is \$5



iGerman Conversation

Wednesday, October 4, 2pm to 4pm 2811 Polo Club Road.

Susanne Riess 414-241-1246 susriess@hotmail.com



Interest Groups

Contact information and details are available in the directory.

Book Group 1 * Book Group 2 * Tuesday/Thursday Bridge
Cocktail Club * Community Explorers

Community Service * French * German * Gourmet Group
Mah Jongg * Movies * Evening Movies

Out to Lunch * Quilting * Theater Do you have an interest not listed?

Contact: Joan Hornberger 615-730-5534 zackapatch@gmail.com

Send pictures of your groups to lsiesser7@gmail.com

Community Service

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

Wednesdays 9:00 - 12:00 noon September 13, October 18,

November 15

LP Pencil Box,

McCann Alternative Learning Center, 1300 56th Ave N, Nashville, TN 37209

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

Tuesday Bridge

under new management
Mary Helen Short
for the second Tuesday
615-269-0538
maryhelenshort111111@gmail.com
Carol Walter for the fourth Tuesday
615-504-8846
CJWalter34@gmail.com
Still starting at 1pm after lunch

We have a wonderful opportunity to be a part of the new syndicated lifestyle show hosted by **Kellie Pickler!** The VWC has reserved Free Tickets/Seats to be audience members during a taping for the first week of her show which will air in mid September on the CMT Network. *The tickets are sold out!*If you have a ticket and are unable to attend, please let Betsy know. The taping is scheduled for 11:30 A.M. on Thursday, August 31, 2017 at a studio on Dickerson Pike in Nashville. Since the show is so new, further details will come later, such as attire and length of taping.

Kellie Pickler is an American Country music artist and a television personality. Kellie gained fame as a contestant on the fifth season of American Idol and finished in 6th place. Show is produced by Faith Hill.

Ed: All the tickets went in the first 24 hours! To be on the wait list, please contact Betsy Fleetwood at befleet@aol.com 615-579-0903



SAVE THE DATE

VANDERBILT WOMAN'S CLUB



SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 24, 2018
6 – 9 PM
VANDERBILT LEGENDS CLUB

CELEBRATING VWC LEGENDS
ADA BELL STAPLETON AND
BLANCHE HENRY WEAVER

DINNER, DRINKS, SILENT AUCTION





Getting to know our new members

Sharon Hels I've been in Nashville for a little over



40 years--I came in January, 1976, a semester out of college, to begin a master's program at Vanderbilt in the study of religion. It soon turned into a doctoral program, which I completed, not exactly on schedule, in 1987. I grew up in Wisconsin, outside Milwaukee. Rural

Wisconsin has dairy farms, corn fields, and good public schools, among many other things.

Although I have lived for many more years in Nashville, I still consider myself a Midwesterner who has enjoyed incredible Southern hospitality.

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While I was in college in Minnesota, a little Lutheran liberal arts college called St. Olaf, I had the good fortune to spend my junior year in England. I am sure it marked me for life with a preference for black tea with milk and sugar, and a deep love for Anglican chant.

When I came to Vanderbilt at age 21, I quickly fell in love with Nashville and decided to stay here year round. That meant part-time work to support myself while working on my degree. I was a disaster as a waitress, not much use as a secretary, and passable in retail sales. I did enjoy my brief stint as a baker. But as alternative avenues of employment faded, it seemed to be teaching or nothing for me. I student-taught English at the University School in the late 70s, where the path narrowed even further as I gathered that I lacked the mental and physical stamina to teach teenagers absolutely anything.

When I finished my degree, I found a job at the United Methodist Board of Higher Education and Ministry, which is located across 21st Street from the Divinity School. Although not a Methodist, once again I enjoyed amazing hospitality and was allowed to edit a venerable theological journal, the *Methodist Quarterly Review*. I worked happily among the Methodists for 10 years, until 1999.

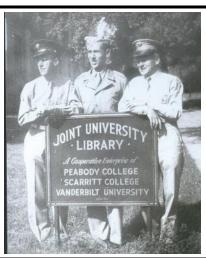
In 1991, I married Brad Reed, a Nashville native who had attended Vanderbilt Law School and stayed on to teach contracts (I think) for several years, ending up practicing at Bass, Berry & Sims. Along the way, while working at the Board, I managed to teach a few Hebrew Bible classes at the Divinity School and the College.

Eventually, my interest and expertise in Hebrew Bible trailed away, and I began voice and art lessons. I now have a church gig at St. Paul's Episcopal in Franklin, singing alto in the choir, and a fledgling art practice, having earned a B.F.A. in Fine Arts at Watkins in 2011. I remain interested in and deeply committed to interfaith dialogue, particularly Jewish-Christian dialogue.

Thus overeducated and underemployed, as usual, I have a few favorite occupations these days. Brad passed away in 2016, and the process of rebuilding from a long, wonderful marriage has taken me in some new directions. I still enjoy the fabric dyeing and quilting I have been doing for several years now, and I've started painting icons in the traditional style. The practice of Pilates has been sustaining for me in the past several years, as is time spent on the lake in Northern Wisconsin during the summer. Lately, I've begun tutoring English at the Nashville Adult Literacy Council office in Antioch. This is tremendously satisfying.

My secret indulgence, I suppose, is that I love political conversation as long as it is not competitive or disrespectful. I also buy way too many books. And I mean way, way too many.

I wouldn't call myself a foodie or any sort of gourmet cook. But I am totally dedicated to home cooking, slow cooking, whatever you want to call it, and I can usually spot a good recipe when I see one. I make French bread all year round and German stollen at Christmastime. Good coffee is an absolute must. I cherish my mother's handwritten recipes for family favorites, some of which she taped to the inside of a kitchen cupboard door for handy reference. But--if I had to eat only one kind of cuisine for the rest of my life, it would be Italian.



Down Memory Lane

Peter Slobogin
(Father of Chris)

At work here during WWII. We can only guess what plans were devised on this campus.

Getting to know our new members

Helen Kornblum



was born in Rhode Island and grew up in Hartford, Connecticut, where she graduated from Trinity College, majoring in intercultural studies. Afterward she moved to Washington, DC, earning an MS in Slavic Linguistics from

Georgetown University. In between there were two semesters of study in Moscow and St. Petersburg (then Leningrad) which led to human rights-related work at the Helsinki Commission in the US Congress followed by positions at Helsinki Watch and Time Magazine in New York City. Helen speaks Russian, Ukrainian, German and French.

In 1987, Helen married her husband John and left for Europe as John carried on with his career as a US Foreign Service Officer. In Brussels, John worked as the deputy chief of mission at the US delegation to NATO, later serving as US Ambassador to the OSCE in Vienna (1992-94) and to Germany from 1997-2001.

Helen and John have two sons, Alexander and Stephen, and it was their decisions to attend Vanderbilt that brought the family to Nashville and ultimately led to their buying a house in 12South in 2013. John and Helen still spend some time in Berlin, Germany, where John is a political consultant and commentator. Helen has worked as an election observer for the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, traveling four times to Ukraine in 2014-15 and to Yaroslavl, Russia, in 2016. Helen loves birdwatching at Radnor Lake and has sung for many years in a multi-cultural choir based in Berlin. She and her husband also love bluegrass and can often be found at the Station Inn.

Remember to RSVP for upcoming events.

Michelle Hall

has lived in Nashville for 4 years. She moved here from Cincinnati, Ohio and before that lived in Atlanta, Georgia. She graduated from Miami University of Ohio with a B.S. in Economics then went on to get a MBA in Finance from Loyola College in Baltimore. She has worked in public relations and marketing yet most enjoyed owning a wedding floral business in Atlanta.

Michelle's hobbies include her Great Pyrenees and they volunteer as a pet therapy team.

Her favorite secret indulgence are Krispy Kreme donuts, Yum! And favorite drink is a Dirty Martini with blue cheese olives.



Welcome also, Vicki Lane who has joined since the last newsletter.

Book Group 1 announces their reading list.....

Vanderbilt Woman's Club Book Group One 2017-2018

Note: We meet the second Sunday of the month, from 2:30 till 4, except in May when we meet on the 1st. We do not meet in December, January, and August

September 10, 2017

Hostess: Margaret Norris, 500 Elmington Ave., Apt 115, 615-269-6941

Leader/Book: Mary Raffety/Born a Crime: Stories from a South African Childhood, by Trevor Noah

October 8, 2017

Sheila Jensen, 2102 25th Ave. South, 615-385-9486 Hostess: Leader/Book: Anne Plummer/Lucky Boy, by Shanthi Sekaran

November 12, 2017

Anne Plummer, 2616 Essex Place, 615-297-1858 Hostess:

Leader/Book: Kitty Porter/Sing for your Life: A Story of Race, Music, and Family, by Daniel Bergner

February 11, 2018

Ann Ercelawn, 3611 Saratoga Dr., 615-298-4766 Hostess:

Leader/Book: Ann Ercelawn/The Secret History of Wonder Woman, by Jill Lepore

March 11, 2018

Hope Estopinal, 101 The Commons Drive, 615-385-2199 Hostess: Becky Atack/A Gentleman in Moscow, by Amor Towles Leader/Book:

April 8, 2018

Hostess: Joan Harshman, 500 Elmington Ave. Apt 426, 615-292-2260

Leader/Book: Margaret Norris/The Girls of Atomic City: The Untold Story of the Women

Who Helped Win World War II, by Denise Kierman

May 6, 2018

Penny TeSelle, 500 Elmington Ave., Apt 227, 615-297-2629 Hostess:

Leader/Book: Mary Claire Bradshaw/The Wright Brothers, by David McCullough

June 10, 2018

Hostess: Byrd Helguera, 2309 Sterling Road, 615-269-0789

Byrd Helguera/Ten Restaurants that Changed America, by Paul Freedman Leader/Book:

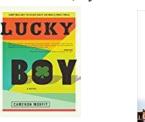
July 8, 2018

Hostess: Hope Estopinal, 101 The Commons Drive, 615-385-2199

Leader/Book: Hope Estopinal/Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis,

by J. D. Vance

615-297-1858 anne.plummer44@gmail.com **Anne Plummer** mraff77777@comcast.net Mary Raffety 615-352-7140



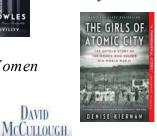
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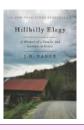


SING FOR

YOUR LIFE







Community Explorers: Save the dates

September 12, October 3, and November 14.

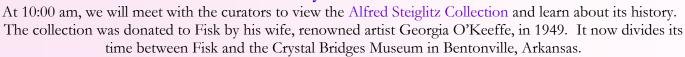
Our first Community Explorers on Tuesday, September 12

will be to the

Carl Van Vechten Gallery

on the campus of

Fisk University.



The cost is \$6 and will be collected at the door.

For more info:

Merle Born <u>615-292-4757</u> <u>merleborn@gmail.com</u> Diane Whalley <u>615-337-4000</u> <u>rdw6949@aol.com</u>



Join the Vanderbilt Woman's Club for an afternoon of backyard fun!
We will feature local craft beer provided by **Jackalope Brewing Company**,
music by Nashville singer-songwriter **Jacob Reynolds**,

and

BBQ with traditional fixin's.

Please bring your own lawn chair and join hosts

Dan & Betsy Fleetwood

Sunday, September 17th

from 4:00 - 6:30pm at their home in Brentwood - rain or shine!

Cost per person is \$35.

The address is:

9142 Saddlebow Dr. Brentwood, TN 37027

Proceeds to benefit the Stapleton-Weaver Scholarship Fund.

Checks can be made payable to the Vanderbilt Woman's Club and mailed to Betsy at the address above until September 10, 2017.

Eventbrite reservations will be taken to pay by credit card

Click her to make your reservation



Jackalope Brewing Company has graciously agreed to supply three of their popular offerings – Thunder Ann American Pale Ale, Casper Goose and Rompo Red Rye Ale.

Casper Goose is Jackalope's fall seasonal craft brew.

Wine will also be available.

Our musical guest will be **Jacob Reynolds**, a local artist described as having a soulful pop sound. In 2015 he recorded an album of original songs titled "Victim Of A Small Town". He currently has a featured slot Wednesday afternoons at Tin Roof on Broadway. Please see below for more information about Jacob:



Jacob Reynolds

Although he was born into an artistic family, becoming a musician was not Jacob's original plan. Baseball was his first passion. He was an All-American and was drafted by the Cleveland Indians in 1998 soon after graduating high school. During the off-season and in his spare time, he began learning how to play the guitar and writing songs to keep himself occupied. Although his baseball career was sidelined and eventually ended due to injuries, it didn't take much time for Jacob to realize playing music was more than a hobby - it was his calling. He moved to Nashville in 2005, immersed himself in the musical culture that is steeped in the city, and hasn't looked back since.



JOIN US for A KENDRA GIVES BACK PARTY BENEFITTING THE VANDERBILT WOMAN'S CLUB

> enjoy sips, sweets and jewels AUGUST 29TH | 5PM - 8PM

KENDRA SCOTT AT THE HILL CENTER 4025 Hillsboro Pike Suite 505, Nashville, TN 37215

20% of the proceeds benefit The Vanderbilt Woman's Club



Please join us for an evening of shopping, champagne, and giving.

Merchandise includes the new fall line!

A portion of the proceeds from our purchases at Kendra Scott Jewelry the night of August 29th will go directly to the Vanderbilt Woman's Club Stapleton/Weaver endowed scholarship.

Come enjoy some summer fun with your friends from the VWC!



Please join us for

Vanderbilt Woman's Club Opening Garden Tea

Wednesday, September 6, 2017 1:00 to 3:00pm

At the University Residence
211 Deer Park Drive
Nashville

Hosted by Vanderbilt University First Lady Lydia Howarth

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 Monday August 21, 2017 to Aileen Webb midura.ling@gmail.com or 615-289-8057



NEWCOMERS AND OPENING TEA

READY TO SPREAD THE FUN!

WE ARE ENCOURAGING MEMBERS TO BRING A FRIEND

WHO WOULD ENJOY THE VWC EVENTS

TO THE NEWCOMERS EVENT AND/OR THE OPENING TEA.

PLEASE RSVP FOR THE NEWCOMERS EVENT AT JOYALLINGTONBAUM@GMAIL.COM

SEPTEMBER 7 TH

AT ELISABETH SANDBERG'S HOME 6412 ARDEN COURT, BRENTWOOD FROM 7:00-9:00 P.M.

QUESTIONS CALL JOY AT (214) 755-5328

PLEASE RSVP TO AILEEN WEBB
FOR THE OPENING TEA AT
MIDURA.LING@GMAIL.COM

MORE DETAILS ON PAGE 12



September 2017

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
*	August 21 Deadline for Opening Tea reservations	August 29 Kendra Scott Night 5-8pm		August 31 Kellie Pickler Taping 11:30am	1	2
3	4 HAPPY LABOR DAY	5	6 Mah Jongg 1-3pm Opening Tea 1-3pm	7 VWC Board 9am Bridge 1-4pm Newcomers' Party 7-9pm	8	9
10 Book Group 1 2:30-4pm Deadline for BBQ reservations	11 Book Group 2 1-2:30pm	12 Explorers Quilting 10-11:30am Bridge 1-3:30pm	13 Mah Jongg 1pm Pencil Project 9am	14 French 12:30-1:30pm Bridge 1-4pm	15	16 Cocktails 6pm at the Riess'
17 Brews Tunes & BBQ 4-7pm	18	19	20 Mah Jongg 1-3pm	21 Bridge 1-4pm	22	23
24	25	26 Bridge 1-3:30pm Movies	27 Mah Jongg 1-3pm	28 Bridge 1-4pm	29	30

Notes

Remember to RSVP for Opening Tea by August 21 and the Music Event by September 10