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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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NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, March 20, 2018

10:30 a.m.

at Bellevue Library

Spring Lecture

NOTE CHANGE OF DATE AND VENUE

Details on pages 13 and 14

Lunch? Checks to 2009 Overhill Drive, Nashville, TN 37215-3414

Lecture only? Email lsiesser7@gmail.com

Our scholar, Mason will be performing with
The Vanderbilt University Concert Choir

for their **Spring Concert** on
Sunday, April 8th at 2pm.

Call Cindy if you are interested in attending.

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

Future Meetings for 2018

Thursday, May 3, 2018 - 11 a.m.- 2 p.m. *at Richland Country Club* **Spring Luncheon**
Saturday, June 2, 2018 - 10 a.m.- noon *at the Edwards* **Piano in the Fairy Garden**

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

At the Annual Meeting

Bylaws Amendment

On January 4, 2018 the Board voted to amend the bylaws to include Vanderbilt alumnae as regular members of the Vanderbilt Woman's Club. The general membership was notified of the proposed amendment by email and postal service mail two weeks prior to the Annual Meeting. Cindy Slobogin moved that this amendment be approved; Kendra Holroyd seconded the motion. Angela opened the floor for discussion. Hearing none, the motion was put to vote and carried unanimously.

Slate of Officers approved

Aileen Webb

President

Joy Allington-Baum

Vice-President/ Program Chair

Jo Ann Staples

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Sara Plummer

Recording Secretary

Liz Doyle

Corresponding Secretary

*Thank you all for
agreeing to serve*

*Thank you, **Kate Shaw**
for your service as recording
secretary from 2016-2018.
Keep warm in Edmonton.*



Aileen



Joy



Liz



Jo Ann



Sara

We welcome our Alumnae as Regular Members

Evelyn Blackmon * Betty Browning * Marsha Chisolm * Marian George * Susan Gillespie
Lauren Holroyd * Jean Litterer * Mary Raffety * Ebbie Redwine * Mary Helen Short
Jeanne Dudley Smith * Elaine Smyth * Andrewena Taylor * Laurie Todd

Have I left out anyone?

Donations to the Scholarship Fund since the last newsletter:

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

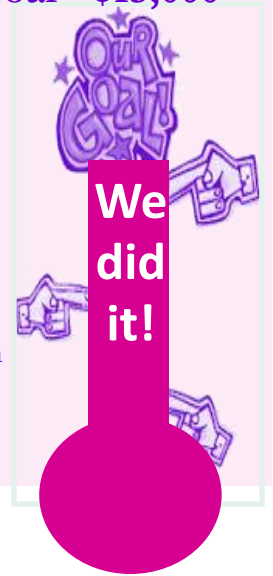
Total - \$18,727

Hope Estopinal * Valerie Middleton * Tuesday Bridge

Goal - \$15,000

Holiday Bazaar: \$2,604 from Elaine Blake, Peggy Curci, Liz Doyle, Eleanor Gregory, Joan Hornberger, Sheila Jensen, Lynne Siesser, Sara Plummer, Penny TeSelle, Cindy David, Oak & Elegance and Kendra Scott

Year to date: Becky Atack * Elisabetha Baugh * Mary Baysinger * Faye Brown
Toni Carlton * Kelly Chambers * Amy Christiansen * Janet Crowson * Dot Galloway
Katheen Garthwaite * Anne Gulley * Kay Hall * Joy Hambrick * Cherie Hamilton
Kathy Hood * Joan Hornberger * Sheila Jensen * Beth Kelso * Pam King * Lisa LeMaster
Lai-King Leong * Lynn Maddox * Anne Manner * Elaine McKenna * Inka Odom
Nancy Poblador * Anne Plummer * Anne Roos * Kim Ross * Loretta Saff * Susan Samson
Donna Session * Kate Shaw * Cindy Slobogin * Sandy Spitz * Tracy Stadnick * Mary Stinson
Laurie Todd * Marilyn Tolk * Faye Wyatt * Randi Young
Tuesday Bridge * Kendra Scott Night * Brews, Tunes & BBQ * Quilting Group
Cookie Exchange



Scholar Sips

raised **\$8,300**
and



Bridge Extravaganza
\$851

Thank you, bridge players

Cindy Asbury * Isabelle Asbury * Tracy Barnes
Terri Baxter * Angie Bennett * Kay Bjork * Merle Born
Judy Burns * Cathy Chieng * Kay Dickson * Linda Floyd
Kathy Greene * Patricia Harris * Becky Hickson
Jeannie Horde * Sheila Jensen * Pam King
Lindsay Lawrence * Jean Litterer * Ruth Mathisen
Barbara Nash * Beatie O'Connell * Cindy Pramuk
Mary Raffety * Cemele Richardson * Susanne Riess
Maisie Roden * Susan Samson * Mary Helen Short
Lynne Siesser * Vivian Starnes * Penny TeSelle

Winners were Tracy Barnes & Terri Baxter, Penny TeSelle and Cindy & Isabelle Asbury

Old timers may recognize the cups used at the Bridge Extravaganza. They belonged to the VWC, when we still had formal coffees.



Thank you all who made ScholarSips such a success

The Committee

*Lisa LeMaster, Peggy Curci,
Cindy Slobogin, Kendra Holroyd,
Judy Isaac, Aileen Webb,
Not pictured: Angela Bowens*

Publicity

*Kelly Chambers * Nancy Dwyer
Lynne Siesser*

ScholarSips Silent Auction Donors

*Kendra Holroyd, Judy Isaac, Lisa LeMaster, Cindy Slobogin, Gourmet Dinner
Rockey Alvey, Vanderbilt University Dyer Observatory
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Vanderbilt Woman's Club Mah Jongg Group
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Thank you those who bought tickets or were guests for ScholarSips

Akram & Charlotte Aldroubi, Beverly & James Bass, Merle Born, Angela & Cliff Bowens, Chris Browning, Sue & Dan Clark, Peggy & John Curci, Andrew Daugherty & Jennifer Reinganum, Liz & Sam Doyle, Betsy & Dan Fleetwood, Carmen & Paul Gherman, Susan Gillespie, Joyce & John Gore, Matt & Debbie Gould, Nathan & Lara Green, Gregory Hersh, Kendra & Ken Holroyd, Marianne & Greg Huffman, Judy & Larry Isaac, Pam King, Ursula King & Blackford Middleton, Paula Ladd & Paula Doyle, Sue McDougall, Dottie & Stu Miller, Ebbie & Jim Redwine, Lynne Siesser, Babs Simpson, Cindy & Chris Slobogin, Jo Ann Staples, Michael Stone, Andy & MT Taylor, Mildred Tilley & Richard Stewart, Betsey Usher, Elinor Usher, Aileen & Glenn Webb, Diane Whalley

Community Service

Kathleen, our volunteer leader is presently out of town and has asked me to coordinate sign up for our next **Second Harvest Volunteer Day**. We are scheduled for the **8:30 - 11:30am** shift on **Wednesday, March 7th**. Try to arrive a little before 8:30. We will be packing and sorting in the warehouse so please wear closed-toe shoes and casual clothes. Bring a sweater in case we are assigned to a cold part of the warehouse. Leave purses and valuables locked in your trunk.

If you haven't volunteered before, you will need to fill out a volunteer registration form online at <https://www.volgistics.com/ex/portal>.

Please let me know if you will be joining the group on March 7 and spread the word to other club members.

If you can't come early or stay the whole time that is totally fine.

Second Harvest asks for a head count about a week before, so let me know as soon as you can.

The on-site cafeteria has closed, so if anyone has interest in eating together somewhere after our work is complete, please share suggestions!

Looking forward to seeing everyone!

Anne Manner
acmanner@gmail.com
615-289-1040

Second Harvest Food Bank
of Middle Tennessee
The Martin Distribution Center
[331 Great Circle Road](#)
[Nashville, TN 37228](#)
Main: [615.329.3491](#)
Direct: [615.627.1581](#)
secondharvestmidtn.org/volunteer





Cocktail Club



Our gracious hosts

March 10 *Stinson*
 April 7 *Chambers/ Sherwood*
 May 26 *Clements*

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

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, March 6
 and April 10
 at Regal Green Hills
 Betsy Fleetwood
 615-579-0903
befleet@aol.com

Quilting



Photo by Faye Wyatt

March 13 at
 Joan's house
*How to Quilt
 as You Go*

April 10
Presentation by new member, Sharon Hels

Joan Hornberger 615-730-5534
zackapatch@gmail.com
 Peggy Curci 314-369-4119
peggy@thecurcis.com

German Conversation

Wednesday,
 March 14
 at 2 pm

At Susanne's home

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



Pop-Up Group or "PUG"



Plans can be made ahead of time or at the last minute.

Movies, hikes, theater, festivals, music events, whatever – they are all game for PUG.

For more information and full instructions on being added to the Group Me list for the Pop-Up Group, contact

Kelly Chambers 409-771-5731
kellychambers420@yahoo.com



Lunch Bunch

Thursday, March 22nd
 12:30 pm

Recommendations for a restaurant anyone?

Joyce Gore 615-783-0681
joycegore0681@gmail.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 * Even-
ing Movies Out to Lunch * Quilting * Thea-
ter

New Group: Music - *Join fellow enthusiasts for music, dis-
cussions and presentations*

Do you have an interest not listed?

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

Send pictures of your groups to **lsiesser7@gmail.com** *or*
kellychambers420@yahoo.com

Community Explorers

Tuesday, March 27 from 11-1

**Cooking Lesson with Jilah Kalil of
“Cooking Up”**

Kitchen of

Ursula King,

3816 Central Avenue

37205

Lesson and Vegetarian

Lunch: \$15.

Limited to 20 women

Make check out to “Cooking Up” - mail to:

Diane Whalley

4400 Belmont Terrace, #244

Nashville, TN 37215



Cooking Up

cookingup.org

Cooking Up is home-cooking simplified. Through this hands on class, where everyone participates in the meal prep & cooking process, cooking methods are taught to simplify cooking at home. This class will focus on a seasonal lunch meal that is vegetarian, easy to prepare & very filling. We will prepare a one-pot meal with seasonal vegetables, a salad with homemade dressing & French bread. At the completion of the class everyone eats the meal together



Tuesday, April 3 from 10 - 2 am

Behind the Scenes at Gaylord Opryland Hotel

Tour followed by lunch at the **Cascades Restaurant**. Tour: \$8. Lunch: separate checks

Deadline for checks is Wednesday, March 28.

Send checks payable to:

Diane Whalley, 4400 Belmont Terrace, #244 Nashville, TN 37215

We will be met by a member of the Horticulture Staff at Opryland Hotel at the DELTA LOUNGE ENTRANCE closest to Opry Mills Parking. The tour will include the operations of the gardens, water features, and other interesting facts. Please indicate if you will be staying for lunch at Cascades Restaurant.

Info: Co-chairs Merle Born 615-414-5505 / Diane Whalley 615-337-4000

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



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

Gourmet Group

On Saturday, February 3rd, the Gourmet Group experimented with a different dining arrangement. The plan was to serve the same meal at different homes with 6 to 10 seated at each table. We are calling this alternate event, *Mirror Dinners*. This grouping provides the opportunity for more members to host a meal. The intent is to mix up the guests over time so that we get to meet more members, more personally.

At this charter event we had one table and we served Greek food:

Tzaziki, Saganaki (fried cheese)

Keftedes (meatballs)

Melizanosalata (eggplant dip)

Pastitio(ground meat and macaroni bake)
and béchamel

Horiatiki Salad

Spanikopita (spinach pie)

Pork Souvlaki (vegetable Orzo)
and Baklava.



*Clockwise: Carmen Gberman, Sandra Wallick, Dede Clements,
Linda Bengson*



Clockwise: Linda & Darrell Bengson, Gary Jensen, Chris & Cindy Slobogin



Sheila Jensen 615-351-4375

sheilajensen@comcast.net

Adele Stein 615-309-6951

steinadele@hotmail.com

Welcome New Members

Valerie Middleton

Valerie and her husband moved to Nashville 11 years ago. She has taught piano at the Blair School since 2007. Prior to Nashville they lived in Texas and have also lived in Colorado, Minnesota and Pennsylvania.

Valerie's hobbies are reading, walking and going to the movies. She enjoys spending time with family and traveling when her schedule allows. Her adult children live in Nashville and she has one "granddog".



Mary Fran Benner (Frannie)

My husband, Kim, and I moved to Nashville from San Miguel de Allende, MX in the summer of 2015. We had decided to move to San Miguel in 2004 and enjoyed living there full time for twelve years. During that time, I taught ESL at the girls' orphanage, served on (as well as chaired) various committees for fundraisers for Patronato Pro Ninos (an organization which provides free medical and dental care for children whose families cannot afford those services) and was President of the San Miguel Garden Club for two years. I played bridge, Mah Jongg and golf during that time plus enjoyed exploring various areas of Mexico with my husband, friends and our Golden Retriever.

Several years before living in Mexico, Kim was promoted to his company's top position in Japan and we moved to Tokyo. We lived in Tokyo for one year before moving to Singapore (Kim as General Manager of Asia). While living in Tokyo, I joined the Women's Group of the Tokyo American Club and taught English to Japanese children whose families had repatriated to Japan after living in English-speaking

countries. While living in Singapore, Kim also had offices in Hong Kong and Kuala Lumpur and business in Sydney so I had the opportunity to travel with him often, a wonderful perk.

The experiences living in Asia piqued our interest for living in other cultures, and soon resulted in our decision to move to San Miguel. After nearly fourteen years living outside the US, we decided it was time to move closer to our children and grandchildren. After numerous trips to the southeast, we realized that Nashville's energy and natural beauty appealed to us more than any place we had explored.

I graduated from Marymount College in Tarrytown, New York, majoring in English and Education. I then taught elementary education for twenty-three years (Brooklyn, NY, Knoxville, TN and Atlanta, GA). While in Knoxville, I served as a liaison between Knox County Schools and the University of Tennessee Department of Education for elementary education, and mentored numerous student teachers during my teaching career.

At this point in my life, I enjoy daily walks and working out, playing bridge, Mah Jongg, Rummikub (most games), reading, movies, most sports (love attending my grandsons' various sporting events) and most recently, taking care of our new Golden Retriever puppy (Pax).

My drink of choice for early mornings is coffee made from freshly ground beans, and I enjoy a glass or two of wine many evenings. I enjoy most food but salads loaded with tasty ingredients are at the top of my list.

My favorite color of nail polish (at the moment) is OPI's "In the Cable Car-Pool Line".

March



**CUMBERLAND
RIVER COMPACT**
OUR WATER. OUR FUTURE.



2018

Jed Grubbs



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
April 1 Easter	2	April 3 Explorers to Opryland 10am	4	March 1 Board 9am Bridge 1pm	2	3
4	5 Book Group Two 1pm	6 Movies	7 Second Harvest 8am Mah Jongg 1pm	8 French 12:30pm Bridge 1pm	9	10 Cocktails 6pm
11 Book Group One 2:30pm	12	13 Quilting 10am Bridge 1pm	14 Mah Jongg 1pm German 2pm Box lunch deadline ★	15 Bridge 1pm	16	17
18	19	20 Spring Lecture 10:30am	21 Mah Jongg 1pm	22 Lunch Bunch 12:30pm Bridge 1pm	23	24
25	26	27 Cooking Up 11am	28 Mah Jongg 1pm Opryland deadline ★	29	30	31

NOTES

Reservations for the Box Lunches and Spring Lecture
by March 14

Lecture & Lunch? Mail to 2009 Overhill Drive, Nashville, TN 37215-3414

Lecture only? Email lsiesser7@gmail.com



Vanderbilt Woman's Club Spring Luncheon

Thursday May 3, 2018

11:30 am – 2:00 pm

Richland Country Club

One Club Drive

Nashville TN 37215

Our Luncheon Menu: The Ladies Tee Buffet

Chef's Soup Du Jour

Garden Salad with Assorted Dressings; Seasonal Fresh Fruit Salad

Tomato, Cucumber and Red Onion Salad; Broccoli Nut Salad

Fresh Mozzarella, Tomato, Asparagus and Basil Platter

Bowls of Chunky Chicken Salad and Tuna Salad

Grilled Chicken Strips; Assorted Fresh Breads

Pastry Chef's Selection of Assorted Cakes and Pies

Please send your reservation along with cash or check made payable to **Vanderbilt Woman's Club:**

Peggy Curci 6249 Hillsboro Pike, Nashville, TN 37215

or click on our Eventbrite link to make your reservation with credit card.

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

Reservation Deadline is April 26, 2018

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Spring Luncheon May 3, 2018

Regular Member \$33 _____

Life Member \$28 _____

Name: _____

Contact: _____

*Continuing with our educational series:
'Important Things in Every Woman's Life',
The Vanderbilt Woman's Club Spring Lecture will discuss:*

Water in Every Woman's Everyday Life

Please join us for
Vanderbilt Woman's Club: Spring Lecture
10:30am, Tuesday, March 20, 2018
Bellevue Library
Meeting Room Main Level
720 Baugh Road, Nashville, TN 37221

Please stay for lunch (\$15) after the lecture.
See the reservation and payment information on the next page.
Reserve and pay by March 14, 2018.
Send your RSVP to Lynne Siesser
2009 Overhill Drive, Nashville, TN 37215-3414



Come hear Jed Grubbs, Master of Urban and Regional Planning, discuss many of the aspects of water in our daily lives. Jed is Program Manager of Watershed Planning and Restoration at Cumberland River Compact. Jed is a Tennessee native. He has a Master of Urban and Regional Planning from Virginia Tech. His special areas of interest include: Watershed Planning, Stream Adoptions, Recreation in the Basin, and GIS and Mapping.

Lecturer: Jed Grubbs
 Cumberland River Compact
 10:30 a.m., Tuesday March 20, 2018
 Bellevue Public Library Meeting Room, 720 Baugh Road, Nashville, TN 37221

This lecture is open to the public at no charge.
 If you would like to reserve a box lunch to enjoy after the lecture, please indicate your choices below.
 Make your check payable to Vanderbilt Woman's Club.

Mail your selection and check for **\$15** to:
 Lynne Siesser, 2009 Overhill Drive, Nashville, TN 37215-3414

Due Date for registration and payment: March 14, 2018

Lunch payments are non-refundable

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

____ I am attending only the lecture. (email lsiesser7@gmail.com)

____ I am attending the lecture and the lunch. (check and choice to 2009 Overhill Drive, Nashville, TN 37215-3414)

PLEASE CHOOSE ONE FROM EACH COLUMN:

Signature Sandwich	Signature Side	Cookie
BOULDER VEGGIE	FRESH FRUIT	Chocolate Chip
CLASSIC TURKEY & CHEDDAR Sharp Vermont white Cheddar, bacon, tomato, onion, mayo, lettuce, mustard on artisan multigrain	MEDITERRANEAN SALAD	Chocolate Walnut Blondie
EGG SALAD & BACON	PASTA SALAD	Oatmeal Raisin
FRESH MOZZARELLA Fresh mozzarella, tomato, black olive tapenade, basil pesto, artichoke spread on Artisan Farm bread	CHICKEN PASTA	Peanut Butter Chocolate
GOURMET PB&A Peanut butter, honey cinnamon, cream cheese, green apple slices on signature cranberry pecan bread	POTATO SALAD	Fudgy Brownie
HAM & CHEDDAR	ROASTED CORN & BLACK BEAN SALAD	
IROQUOIS Almond-tarragon chicken salad, lettuce, tomato on signature cranberry pecan bread		
PREMIUM ROAST BEEF		
SAN FRANCISCAN Chicken breast, avocado, onion, tomato, greens, sundried tomato aioli on sourdough		
T.A.B Green apple slices, bacon, bleu cheese, pesto mayo, sundried tomato aioli on artisan multigrain		
TURKEY WITH ROASTED RED PEPPERS		
TURKEY AND BACON		