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President’s Message

Well we are starting another wonderful year at the Vanderbilt Woman’s Club.

We packed a lot of events into December along with our regular interest group activities, we were busy.

Once again Peggy Curci managed a wonderful holiday luncheon with lots of new vendors and some tried and true. We had a wonderful time. Save the Date for next year’s event December 3rd 2020 - members, we want to see you all. Thank you, Peggy.

Our Cookie exchange was next with music provided by four female musicians referred by member and Vanderbilt Professor, Valerie Middleton and hosted by Ursula King. Thank you both for giving us such a special afternoon. Music, fundraising for our scholarship ($430), good company and you go home with cookies. A fine afternoon indeed.

Finally, to round out our December activities our 2nd annual Tea at Thistle Farms. Nancy Gentry, thank you for coordinating this event for us and for all your work throughout this past year with Lunch Bunch. It was wonderful to take a moment to take tea and relax with a wonderful group of Vanderbilt ladies a great way to close out our calendar year.

I’m looking forward to our annual business meeting and learning about the hidden history and African roots of Country Music by Alice Randall. Thank you, Tracy Stadnick, for coordinating this wonderful educational opportunity for us.

Please review the changes to the by-laws attached to the newsletter email. We shall be voting on these at the annual business meeting on January 27. We only revised the job descriptions and will address other areas of the by-laws next year. Comments should go to the president, Joy Allington-Baum joyallingtonbaum@gmail.com

NEXT MEETING - Details on page 13

Monday, January 27, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Annual Meeting: Alice Randall

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.
Donations to the Scholarship Fund

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

Donations since the last newsletter
Jennie Mills in memory of Virginia Holliday & Shirley Forstman
Elaina Scott in gratitude to Peggy Curci for a wonderful Holiday Lunch & Bazaar
Lynne Siesser in honor of Kathy Hood, Irma Love & Maisie Roden

Evadne Awh, Katrina Dickerson, Nancy Gentry, Rita Hall, Lael Kiesling, Suzanne Petrey, Sara Plummer, Vivian Shields, Amy Smith, Tracy Stadnick, Claire Tschudy

Cookie Exchange raised $430

Holiday Bazaar Vendors raised $1,760 so far
Elaine Blake - Dyed Scarves, James & Faye Candle Co, Joan Hornberger - Iced Almonds,
Tote Bags and Small Zippered Bags, NJS - Fashion Handbags, Sara Plummer - Jams and Jellies,
Emma Robinson - Paper Products & T-shirts, Jennifer Sanders - Kola Reina Caramels,
Kendra Scott - Jewelry, Sheree - Belle Meade Winery, Bill Siesser - Sterling Silver Rings,
VWC - Note Cards and Tribute Cards, Jane Youngman - Jewelry

Year to date:
Judy Andrews, Cheryl Baird, Elisabetha Baugh, Frannie Benner, Sharon Berenfeld,
Audrey Brown, Faye Brown, Anne Carr, Kelly Chambers, Amy Christiansen,
Janet Crowson, Peggy Curci, Rebecca DePriest, Hope Estopinal, Betsy Fleetwood,
Dot Galloway, Kathleen Garthwaite, Kay Hall, Rita Hall, Joy Hambrick, Cherie Hamilton,
Kathy Hood, Joan Hornberger, Sheila Jensen, Ursula King, Leslie Kirby,
Helen Kornblum, Anne Krimm, Jamie Ledden, Lynn Maddox, Anne Mann,
Sheila McCarty, Elaine McKenna, Jeannette McNeil, Amelia McTamaney, June Morton,
Margaret Norris, Rosann Nunnelly, Billie Patton, Billie Jean Pinson, Cami Platek,
Anne Plummer, Katherine Porter, Mary Raffety, Ebbie Redwine, Elizabeth Rich,
Roxanne Roske, Kim Ross, Elaina Scott, Mary Helen Short,
Nancy Simerly, Cristina Smith, Sandy Spitz, Mildred Tilley,
Joyce Weingartner, Grace Wernke, Faye Wyatt
Kendra Scott, VWC Board

Scholarship Tribute Cards
Need the perfect gift for the person who has everything? Want to honor a member of the Vanderbilt community?
You may make a donation to the Vanderbilt Woman’s Club Stapleton/Weaver Endowed Scholarship at any time of year in honor of, or in memory of, someone you know. You will be given a Tribute Card (and envelope) that you can personalize and mail or present to your honoree. The back of the card has a brief description of the Vanderbilt Woman’s Club. Vanderbilt’s Gift Processing also will acknowledge the donation. Donations may be made in any amount. Email lsiesser7@gmail.com for cards.

Save the Dates for 2020
ScholarSongs Sunday, February 23
Holiday Lunch & Bazaar Thursday, December 3

Future Meetings
Sunday, February 23, 2020 ScholarSongs, Annual Fundraiser
Friday, April 24, 2020 at 12:30 p.m. Spring Lecture Green Hills Library
Professor Cameron Gordon on Mindfulness
Thursday, April 30, 2020 at 11:30 a.m. Spring Luncheon Richland Country Club

$20,000 GOAL!
$8,604

If you donate on line and your name does not appear on our honor roll, please email lsiesser7@gmail.com
Welcome new members . . .

Stephanie DeVane

Alison Fullerton

Not pictured:
Tiffany Degrafinreid
Suzanne Torrence
Alexis Wells-Oghoghomeh

Ladies,
We are delighted to offer sponsorship tables again for the ScholarSongs Event. We have five long rectangular tables that are in front of the stage and each seat 10. We are offering each table for $1000.
We have five round tables that are in the second row from the stage and each seat 10. We are offering each round table for $850.
As a sponsor please fill your table with future members for the Vanderbilt Woman's Club or guests ready to support the Scholarship fund.
We have sold three tables so far!
Please contact Tracy Stadnick, tstadnick@comcast.net, if you are interested in being a sponsor!
We appreciate your patronage!

Mardi Gras at ScholarSongs
We could use supplies to help us decorate for ScholarSongs. Please know that we may or may not use your items and please only donate items you do not want back!
Mardi Gras beads
Masks
Feathers
Flameless candles
Gold spray paint
Donations need to be in by January 20th.
Contact Sue McDougall mcdougall.interiors@gmail.com if you need something picked up.
Thank you!

Click here to see what’s new in the picture gallery on our website
**Community Service**

First Tuesday of the month

**LP Pencil Volunteer Days**

January 7, 2020 from 9:30 – 11:30 am

www.pencilforschools.org/lppb

LP Pencil Box, 7199 Cockrill Bend Boulevard, 37209

Joan Hornberger 615-775-8039

zackapatch@gmail.com

and

**Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee**

331 Great Circle Road, Nashville, TN 37228

January 15, 2020 from 8:30 am to 11:30 am

Please email Anne Manner for instructions on registering to volunteer with our group.

secondharvestmidtn.org

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

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**Daytime Movies**

Join us Tuesday, January 28
Regal Green Hills Cinema.

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

**Note change of date**

**Loosely Bound** *(our third book group)* will now be meeting the

4th Tuesday of the month

at Elisabeth Sandberg’s home.

Next up:

January 28, 7:00 pm - *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd

February 25, 7:00 pm - *The Farm* by Joanne Ramos

Contact Elisabeth

if you’d like to be added to the email list.

elisabeth.sandberg@vanderbilt.edu

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**Think ScholarSongs** - Which friends (who are not VHC members) can I invite?

What auction items can I get from my favorite vendor, restaurant or service provider?

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**ANTIQUE STUDY GROUP**

Clock with Lynne for details

Future dates on the third Tuesday

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 615-298-5659 lsiesser7@gmail.com

Mary Helen Short 615-269-0538 maryhelenshort111111@gmail.com

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**Evening Mah Jongg**

Next game will be Monday, January 13, 2020

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Out to Lunch

The Rutledge
Thursday, January 23, 2020 at 12:30.
105 International Drive
(off of Carothers Boulevard)
Franklin, TN 37067
Please RSVP
Nancy Gentry
615-335-2895
nancy1gentry@yahoo.com

Community Explorers

Tuesday, January 21st from 11 - 12:30
Frist Museum.

Our own VWC member, Merle Born, is a docent at the Frist, and she will be our tour guide for an architectural tour of the museum.

We will also view the photography exhibit "The Nashville Flood: Ten Years Later", an exhibit commemorating the city's historic natural disaster in 2010.

The exhibit will present a broad picture of both the destruction and relief efforts from ten different neighborhoods in Davidson County.

Admission for seniors is $10.
After our tour at the Frist, we plan to walk over to Union Station for lunch.

Please email Chris Browning at mcpbrowning@aol.com if you would like to join us for the tour only, or both the tour and lunch.

Cocktail Club

Our gracious hosts
January 11  King/Middleton
February 23  ScholarSongs
March  Chambers/Sherwood
April 4   Siesser
May  Harris/Cutler
June  Allington/Baum

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

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

When scheduling an event, would you like to check that it does not conflict with the regularly-scheduled interest group meetings? The regular days are listed on page six and on the monthly calendar on page twelve in this newsletter and also in the directory.
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. Kelly will also guide you through joining our social media.

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 click on https://groupme.com/en-US/

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.

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

Project Period
slobogin@hotmail.com
Donate feminine hygiene products at this year’s meetings. This includes soap and deodorant. Donations can be left in the big pink bin at each of our events or at Cindy’s home, 1014 Greenwich Park.

Click here to read more

Interest Groups Do you have another interest not listed?

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

DAYTIME

ANTIQUES: Lynne Siesser 3rd Tuesday at 10am
615-298-5659 - lsiesser7@gmail.com
BOOK GROUP TWO: Nancy Fruetel 1st Monday 1pm
615-297-5075 - nnfruetel@msn.com
BRIDGE TUESDAY: Mary Helen Short 2nd Tuesday 1pm
615-269-0538 - maryhelenshort11111@gmail.com
BRIDGE THURSDAY: Lynne Siesser Every Thursday 1pm
615-298-5659 - lsiesser7@gmail.com
COMMUNITY EXPLORERS
Chris Browning - 205-910-0745 - cbrowning@aol.com
Frannie Benner - 404-909-9040 - mbenner@aol.com
Ebbie Redwine 225-281-3938 Redwine9@gmail.com
COMMUNITY SERVICE: 1st Tuesday 9:30am
Anne Manner - 615-289-1040 - acmanner@gmail.com
Joan Hornberger - 615-730-5534 - zackapatch@gmail.com
FRENCH: Joan Harshman 2nd Thursday 12:30pm
615-864-8885 - joan.s.harshman@gmail.com
MAH JONGG: Cindy Slobogin Every Wednesday 1pm
352-339-4822 - slobogin@hotmail.com
MOBILE GROUP: Betsy Fleetwood
615-579-0903 - befleet@aol.com
OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH: Nancy Gentry
615-335-2895 - nancylgentry@yahoo.com
QUILTING: Lynne Siesser
615-298-5659 - lsiesser7@gmail.com
VANDY LUNCH: Elisabeth Sandberg
2nd Wednesday 12:30pm
text: 617-957-2169 - elisabeth.sandberg@vanderbilt.edu

EVENING/WEEKEND

BOOK GROUP ONE: 2nd Sunday 2:30pm
Ann Erceawn - 615-298-4766 - ann.erceawn@gmail.com
Kitty Porter - 615-406-4352 - kitty.porter@gmail.com
COCKTAIL CLUB: Lynne Siesser
615-298-5659 - lsiesser7@gmail.com
GIRLS NIGHT OUT:
Amy Smith - 720-939-0135 - amysmith.rn@gmail.com
Cindy Slobogin - 352-339-4822 - slobogin@hotmail.com
GOURMET GROUP
Sheila Jensen - 615-351-4375 shelaljensen@comcast.net
Adle Stein - 615-309-6915 steinadene@hotmail.com
LOOSELY BOUND: Elisabeth Sandberg 4th Tuesday 7pm
text: 617-957-2169 elisabeth.sandberg@vanderbilt.edu
MAH JONGG - EVENING: 1st Monday 7pm
Cindy Slobogin - 352-339-4822 - slobogin@hotmail.com
MOVIES - EVENING:
Cindy Slobogin - 352-339-4822 - slobogin@hotmail.com
Betsy Fleetwood - 615-579-0903 - befleet@aol.com
MUSIC GROUP: Sue McDougall
615-974-5121 mcdougall.interiors@gmail.com

Look for us as vanderbiltwomansclub or search for @vanderbiltwomansclub

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Gourmet Group celebrates Diwali

On Saturday, October 26th, the Gourmet Group celebrated Diwali at the home of Gary and Sheila Jensen. Sarah and Terry Calvani gifted us with a Pimm's Cup welcoming cocktail. Decorations included a sand ragnoli and oil lamps. Special thanks to Joyce Gore helping with the menu and saree/sari/shari attire. Attendees were Dede Clements, Sharon Hels, Sarah and Terry Calvani, Carmen and Paul Gherman, Merri and Neil Labowitz, Adele and Rick Stein, and hosts.

Appetizers:
- Somasas:
  - Meenaskaki Vada:
  - Lamb kabob:
  - Dede: Mint & Onion Chutney

Dinner
- Chicken Tikka Marsala:
- Carrot Pilau:
- Coconut Shrimp

Dessert:
- Semolina and Almond Halva

Cookbooks:
- The Gateway to Indian Cooking 660 Curries by Raghavan Iyer
- The Complete Indian Cookbook by Mridula Baljekar
- Currie Favors by Maya Kaimal MacMillan

Quote from the New York Times:
Diwali, which honors the triumph of good over evil, is not the only significant Indian holiday. But it does have the most name recognition in America. And even though it is technically a Hindu festival, it has become more of a cultural event.

“It’s a symbolic holiday that unites us as a diaspora,” said Mr. Krishnamoorthi, and that invites others to share and celebrate, often over food.
Holiday Lunch and Bazaar

Sara Plummer

Molly Stein & Deb Brodsky

Carol Winfree & Susan Winchester

Elizabeth Sandberg & Julianna Salyer at Kendra Scott

Molly Stein & Deb Brodsky

Cindy David

Jane Youngman & Marianne Huffman

Iuka Odom

Elaine Blake & Mary Jane Dewey

Peggy Curci & Jennifer Sanders

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Those who attended the **Cookie Exchange** were entertained by **Lila Meretzky**, university composition major, **Madison and Lilly McCoy**, pianists and songwriters and **Carissa Shuxteau**, pianist and cellist.

Lila is organizing a concert of contemporary female composers at **7pm** at the **Wondry** (*Vanderbilt engineering building*) on **Sunday, January 26**.
The Gourmet Group celebrated the holidays at the home of Adele and Rick Stein. We brought our favorite side dishes and Adele prepared a peach flavored brisket. It was attended by Jan Goddard, Judy Andrews, Susan Gillespie, Molly Stein, Debbie Brodsky, Ebbie and Jim Redwine, Sheila and Gary Jensen, and Adele and Rick.

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Tea at Thistle Farms

In attendance:

Margaret Norris
Joy Allington-Baum,
Ursula King and guest - Ann Olsen,
Margaret Nora,
Peggy Curci and daughter,
Ann Krimm,
Elisabeth Sandberg and daughter,
Jan Goddard and daughter,
Tommye Elrod and daughter,
Laura Klepper, Joyce Gore,
Inka Odom, Susan Allison,
Meredith DeVault, Amy Smith,
Nancy Gentry, Molly Stein,
Deb Brodsky and family

Celebrating the Holidays

Good Food, Good Company and Good Fun
January 2020

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**Deadline for reservations for the Annual Meeting**

**Friday, January 10, 2020**

tstadnick@comcast.net

*Please indicate if you will be staying for lunch.*
Vanderbilt Woman’s Club Annual Meeting

Professor Alice Randall presents
“Black Country Music: Stars in an Overcast Sky”

Monday, January 27, 2020
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Board of Trust Room
Vanderbilt Student Life Center
310 25th Ave. S., Nashville, TN, 37240

Paid parking is available in 2525 Garage at:
2525 West End Ave.
Nashville, TN 37203

“From Lil Hardin to Lil Nas X - the hidden history and African roots of Country Music.”

An Introduction to the ten great Black Country Music artists and a behind the scenes look at Music Row and the Ken Burns documentary “Country Music”.

RSVP by Friday, January 10, 2020
To Tracy Stadnick: tstadnick@comcast.net
Please indicate if you will be staying for lunch

Thank you Doug Christiansen, Ph.D., Vice Provost for University Enrollment Affairs, Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid and his office for sponsoring our meeting on campus.
Save the date –

your invitation will be coming soon

Please join us for Scholar Songs!
We almost have enough for our endowment for a Second Scholarship!!

Your ticket includes: appetizers, 2 drinks, buffet dinner and dessert and music by Mockingbird Musicians!

PLEASE JOIN US
SUNDAY FEBRUARY 23RD 5~8PM

Scholar Songs Mardi Gras
Vanderbilt Woman's Club

BENEFITING THE STAPLETON/WEAVER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

THE LOVELESS BARN ~ 8400 HIGHWAY 100

TICKETS $75 ~ RSVP BY FEBRUARY 6TH

THE EVENING INCLUDES DINNER & SILENT AUCTION
FEATURING MUSIC BY THE MOCKINGBIRD MUSICIANS
DRESS ~ PARTY CASUAL WITH BLING!
Dear ScholarSongs Donor,

The Vanderbilt Woman’s Club is a historic woman’s organization of Vanderbilt University celebrating its 126th year. The Club provides an opportunity for intellectual, cultural, social, and philanthropic activities within the community while supporting and assisting the mission of Vanderbilt University. The Club proudly sponsors the Stapleton/Weaver Scholarship through fundraising efforts.

Each year the club hosts a fundraising event. This year’s event called ScholarSongs, will take place the evening of February 23rd at The Loveless Barn from 5 to 8 pm. Our members and guests look forward to our unique silent auction which greatly contributes to the scholarship.

We are seeking donations of locally made items, gift cards, tour tickets, event tickets and memberships for our auction this year. We would be grateful for any contribution. We would like to include your silent auction donation in our listing which will be publicized in the Vanderbilt community.

Vanderbilt University’s 501(c)3 number is 62-0476822.

Thank you for helping us continue the Stapleton/Weaver Scholarship.

Sincerely,

Tracy Stadnick
Vanderbilt Woman’s Club
ScholarSongs Auction Chair
tstadnick@comcast.net
615-604-4513

Joy Allington-Baum
Vanderbilt Woman’s Club
President
joyallingtonbaum@gmail.com
214-755-5328

Vanderbilt University *Vanderbilt Woman’s Club
Box 2, 2301 Vanderbilt Place, Nashville, TN 37235

The IRS 501 (c) 3 letter and the tax exempt form are available from Tracy Stadnick and Frannie Benner if you need them when soliciting items.
tstadnick@comcast.net 615-604-4513 (c) or mfbenner@aol.com 404-909-9040 (c)
Scholar Songs Auction Event

Event: _______________________________________________________ 

Offered by: ________________________________________________ 

Contact Name: ____________________________________________ 
Contact Address: ____________________________________________ 
Contact Phone: ____________________________________________ 
Contact email: ______________________________________________

Value: ____________________________________________________ 
Minimum Bid: _______________________________________________

Description: ________________________________________________ 
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Time: ____________________________________________________ 

Location for event: _________________________________________ 
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Number of Guests: _______________________

Cost per Guest: __________________________