

April 2017

# *Santa Fe Woman's Club & Library Association*

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## *LUNCH MEETING*

**Monday, April 17, 2016**

This is our Annual **Baby Shower** and lunch meeting. Hand-crafted baby items made by the SFWC members and others will be on display. Diapers and other donations will be accepted at the event. La Familia Medical Center is the recipient organization and representatives will attend the event.

The following organizations are donating items to the SFWC 2017 Baby Shower and several of their members will be our guests at the lunch:

- MEG Senior Center Knitting Group
- Sewing Angels @ Santa Maria de la Paz Catholic Church
- Northern New Mexico Quilting Guild

## *MENU*

*from Betty Scott*

### ***Salad Smorgasbord***

All SFWC Members are asked to bring a salad to share. Bread and deserts will be provided by Betty, Evelyn, and Dolores. Lunch starts at noon so **please arrive by 11:45 A.M.**

Please indicate what kind of salad you will be bringing when you **RSVP to Sue Horne by April 10, 2017** or call Betty Scott.

## *From The Co-Presidents*

*Submitted by Carol Rose*

The Trivia Smackdown is Sunday, April 23rd. We need your help with this since we will be selling food and hosting the event at our Clubhouse. Please sign up at the April meeting. Of course, we encourage you to participate on a team in the trivia contest.

Plans for celebrating the Club's 125th anniversary are underway. Sunday, July 30th will be the big "kick-off" event for the year since it marks the first meeting date. We will need lots of help with advertising this open house to the public, a big banner, new brochure, history with photos on display, current projects, all aiming to honor our heritage and continue our contributions to the Santa Fe community.

Please call or email us if you can help with a new logo for our club publicity and website.

*Thank you for your participation.*

Carol Rose, Co-President  
Cindy Kane, Co-President

## *THANK YOU*

*Submitted by Kandy Frame  
Bylaws Committee Chair*

The revised BYLAWS were approved at the March 20, 2017 general meeting. Many thanks to all of you for your attention and help with this project. Reminder – the bylaws in the 2012 - 2013 "Blue" Year Book are no longer current.

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### *A LOOK BACK IN TIME*

*Submitted by Dolores Whitaker, Historian*

As I wandered through the various scrapbooks created by members of the Santa Fe Woman's Club, I found much written about the General Federation of Woman's Clubs that included Prize Documents presented to our club as well as references of an annual Convention in various New Mexico cities. I asked myself what role did this group play in the history of the Santa Fe Woman's Club and Library Association.

The General Federation of Woman's Clubs is an international women's organization dedicated to community improvement through volunteer service (noted in their history and Mission statement). It came about in 1868 when Jane Cunningham Croly, a professional New York journalist, attempted to attend a dinner at an all-male press club honoring the British novelist Charles Dickens. When she was denied admittance based upon her gender, she responded by forming a club for women. In 1890, an invitation was extended to women's clubs throughout the US to attend a ratification convention in New York City, which 63 Clubs attended and the outcome was the General Federation of Woman's Clubs.

I noted in reading the minutes of the early years of the Women of Board and Trade and Library Association that they joined this organization in 1897 and our Club also had a long history of involvement with the New Mexico Federation of Woman's Clubs. The Federation's achievements included: resolutions against child labor; support of the Juvenile Court law act; influence on the passage of the Pure Food and Drug Act; support of improvements in workplace hours, safety and inspections. This group influenced the development of over 400 free public libraries, whose support continues today.

I found the following statement on the website which I think explains how this organization may have helped all women's groups: *"The General Federation of Woman's Clubs and clubwomen are the fabric that binds not only the Federation, but the communities in which they live and work. By living the Volunteer Spirit, Woman's clubwomen transform lives each day, not simply with monetary donations, but with hands-on tangible projects that provide immediate impact."* This grassroots approach thinks locally but impacts globally and has served as a force since its formation 126 years ago. As I read the views in the Santa Fe New Mexican newspaper over the decades of coverage given our woman's clubs work and impact on Santa Fe, I believe the above quote is an accurate description of our history as well.

Our Santa Fe Woman's Club has not maintained membership in the Federation of Woman's Clubs as membership cost and fewer members presented difficulties to our club. We still support our Santa Fe community both in fund raising and by providing a Club House that is used by many groups for a variety of events in our community.

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### *LIBRARY NEWS*

*Submitted by Susan Sheldon*

The 2017 Great Santa Fe **Trivia Smackdown**, Sunday, **April 23, 2 pm**, at the Clubhouse Theater, is still registering teams of 4. Please contact [Trivia@SantaFeLibraryFriends.Org](mailto:Trivia@SantaFeLibraryFriends.Org) For more information go to the Friends website, [www.SantaFeLibraryFriends.Org](http://www.SantaFeLibraryFriends.Org).

The Club is selling refreshments, so sign-up if you want to help with that. If you'd like to be a scorekeeper, timer or greeter, contact Susan Sheldon at the Trivia email.

**Decorating and setup** is scheduled for Saturday, **April 22, 10 am**. Come and get into the spirit of this joint event with the Friends of the Santa Fe Public Library.

**April 9 - 15 is National Library Week.** Stop in and THANK all the public library staff members you see. They work extremely hard to provide the wide array of services, from books to online databases to computer skills training. Our city libraries, open daily, nights and weekends, have been understaffed so the staff deserve to know they are appreciated!

Get your game on! Your support speaks volumes!

### *COOKIES*

We need homemade cookies for the Trivia Smackdown on April 23, 2017. Please let Betty Scott know if you are willing to bake and donate cookies.

### *UPCOMING EVENTS*

Clay Fair, Saturday April 29 and Sunday April 30, 8 AM - 7 PM.

### *125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration*

A planning meeting will be held at the SFWC on April 11, 2017 at 10 AM.

### *MEETING SCHEDULE*

*Held on Third Monday of the Month at Noon  
Lunch is \$8.00 per person*

**May 15, 2017 - Michael Clark** "Container Gardening"

*No Meetings during the Summer*

**September 18, 2017 - TBD**

**October 16, 2017 - TBD**

**November 20, 2017 - TBD**

**December 2017 - TBD**

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## *BOARD OF DIRECTORS*

*As of November 2016*

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### ***Santa Fe Woman's Club NEW Website:***

<http://santafewomansclub.org/>

*Santa Fe Woman's Club FaceBook Website:*

<https://www.facebook.com/Santa-Fe-Womans-Club-and-Library-Assn-146133398749400/>

## *BOARD MEETING*

The April Board meeting was held on Tuesday, April 4, 2017.

## *SFWC Newsletter Staff*

**Christine "Chris" Durlak – Editor**

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Carol Rose - *SFWC Board Representative*