

BAC NEWS

Newsletter for the Performing and Visual Arts in Central Texas



10th Annual Scholarship Variety Show



The Bosque Arts Center 10th Annual Scholarship Variety Show is happening on February 4 and 5. Join us for a wine reception and dinner show.

Tickets are on sale soon on January 3. To purchase tickets visit our website at bosqueartscenter.org or call 254-675-3724

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January Membership Tailgate

By Deb Phinney

Monday, January 10, you don't want to miss the Membership Tailgate party and the NCAA football championship final. With the game showing on a TV in the Atrium while tailgate food is grilling on the back patio at the Bosque Arts Center, you can cheer your favorite team. The party begins at 6 pm and the game starts at 7 pm with tickets priced at \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Be sure to bring your favorite libations as this is a BYOB event...we'll provide the ice and water! If you're looking for some fans or just a fun evening on a Monday night, come on over. We encourage you to bring your non-member friends to this event. If they sign up for a BAC membership that night, they'll receive a year-and-a-half membership for the price of one year. So bring your lawn chairs for outside seating by the fire or hang out in the Atrium to watch the game and get ready to party at the BAC Membership Tailgate.

Singing Aggies

By Deb Phinney

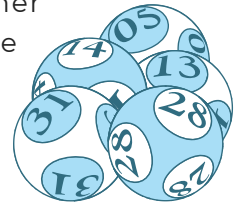
The Texas A&M Singing Cadets will once again grace the stage of Frazier Performance Hall on Thursday, January 13, at 7 p.m. If you missed them the last time they were here, you do not want to miss them again. The group, made up of 50 singers, performs old favorites along with the new. Their performance will have your toes tapping. Tickets are now on sale at \$15 each. What a great holiday gift idea.....tickets to this entertaining concert. Special thanks to Charlie Blue and Wally Penberthy for sponsoring this event.

ART PATRONS,

The Martin Grelle art talk for Art Patrons has been rescheduled for March 5.

Bingo

Could you be the lucky winner of the \$500 jackpot? The Bingo games start at 6:30 p.m. on January 18. Bring your own selection of munchies and beverages to enjoy while playing. Adam Willmann will be our caller for the evening. The best deal on Bingo cards is \$20 for three cards for each of five games (other card denominations are available). You don't want to miss this fun evening out!



Culinary Club

By Virginia Richards

You won't want to miss the January 20 meeting of the Culinary Club at 5:30 p.m. at the Bosque Arts Center. Our featured speaker will be Sidney Carlisle, a delightful personality who was a freelance food writer for magazines and newspapers. Sidney will share the interesting "in's and out's" aspects of food writing and photography. Bring an appetizer or wine if you choose; or just come enjoy both with us!

Book Club

By Judith Baker

The BAC Book Club will meet at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday January 26. We have two January selections: *The Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles and *The Joy and Light Bus Company: No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency* by Alexander McCall Smith. Please join us!

Reception for Jane Scott

Jane Scott was honored for her years of service at Bosque Arts Center at the Arts of Christmas open house Friday, December 3. John Linn, former president of the BAC Art Council and current member of the Art Council and BAC board, presented Jane with lifetime memberships in both the Arts Center and BAC Art Patrons. Current BAC president Leanne Donner and 2020 president Betty Murdoch were on hand, along with other members, directors, and old friends. Framed resolutions detailed how Jane "worked tirelessly in her capacity to advance systems, operations and communications within the organization; provided outstanding leadership and guidance to the many Board members and Officers who have served during her tenure;" and "faithfully and with honor, integrity and commitment served as Managing Director from August 2006 to November 2020."



Jim Scott, Betty Murdoch, Leanne Donner, John Linn, Jane Scott

Art Club

By Lillian Lemke Jacoway

Art Club members became a little rowdy for their annual Christmas party this year. Fun, funny, and fabulous! Linda Herzog and Carolyn Cotton display their hard-won gifts After two rounds of Chinese Christmas "steals." Each attendee contributed to the welcomed buffet lunch. Reuben provided the ham.



A drawing demonstration by Stephanie will be the treat for the Art Club's January meeting. Year 2022 already! Other 2022 wonderful

demonstrators include Cheryl Chapman, and Pat. Come join us!

For info and questions email: ldart@yahoo.com



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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Bosque Art Center members,

This time of year, we gather with family and friends to celebrate and say goodbye to another year. Nostalgia, hope, and excitement fill our days ahead. One of my favorite reads is "YES, VIRGINIA, THERE IS A SANTA CLAUS". You ask why I would mention this . . . because it speaks to imagination, poetry, romance and "supernal beauty and glory beyond." What better description of all the arts? The Bosque Arts Center brings these things to life right in our hometown.

I ask that you consider an end-of-year donation to the Bosque Arts Center to continue all that we bring to the arts and the community. You can donate on our website – www.bosqueartscenter.org or use the enclosed envelope for your donation. Any questions you may have, feel free to contact the BAC offices (254-675-3724).

Here's to a very Merry Christmas and the Happiest of New Years to one and all.

Leanne Donner,
President
Bosque Arts Center

In 1897, a child asks a trusted newspaper about the existence of Santa Claus and an anonymous editor answers. Eight-year-old Virginia O'Hanlon wrote a letter to the editor of New York's sun, and the quick response was printed as an unsigned editorial Sept. 21, 1897. The work of veteran newsman Francis Pharcellus Church has since become history's most reprinted newspaper editorial, appearing in part or whole in dozens of languages in books, movies, and other editorials, and on posters and stamps. The letter is below:

DEAR EDITOR: I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, 'If you see it in the sun it's so.' Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?

VIRGINIA O'HANLON.
115 WEST NINETY-FIFTH STREET.

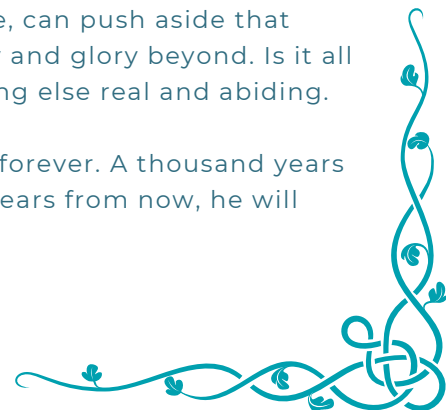
VIRGINIA, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, VIRGINIA, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no VIRGINIAS. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, VIRGINIA, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.



Troubadour Concert Series

By Linda Pfeiffer

Remember the songs “Little Brown Jug,” “In the Mood” and “Chattanooga Choo Choo”? Songs that were made popular by the Glenn Miller Band in the 1930s and 40s. Some of us heard them as young adults, others as children and still others of us as a more recent revival of the music has arisen. The Glenn Miller Orchestra has continued since the original was formed in the late 1930s. A new group of musicians are busily keeping the swing style music of the 1930s and 40s alive.

Enjoy this concert in the Frazier Performance Hall in February. Prepare to listen, enjoy, hum along and share remembrances with others while listening to this great orchestra.

Tickets available in late January 2022. Tickets to this concert just might make that search for a Valentine’s gift for that special one in your life an easy and unique gift. For questions concerning this concert please contact the BAC office at 254-675-3724 or visit our website at www.BosqueArtsCenter.org

Greene-Grelle Workshop

By Punky Penberthy

Photos from the 30th Annual Greene-Grelle Workshop which was the best yet.



Beads and Bling: It’s a Mardi Gras Thing!

By Lorana Rush

Mark your calendars for a very special event featuring live zydeco music of N’Awlins Gumbo Kings on February 12, 2022. TBT will host this Mardi Gras Ball complete with Gumbo, dessert, BYOB and a Mardi Gras Mask/Costume Contest. Dancing will be a requirement! Break out your

creativity, beads, and all the green, purple and gold you can find and laissez les bons



temps rouler! Reserve your tickets at www.bosqueartscenter.org or by calling 254-675-3724.

Wedding Oak Winery Dinner

We still have seats remaining in the dinner and wine-tasting with Wedding Oak Winery. Enjoy a multiple course dinner at the BAC prepared by a professional chef. Each course will be paired with a wine specially selected from Wedding Oak Winery. Representatives from the winery including the winemaker will be present to describe the selections and answer questions.

Call the BAC at 254.675.3724 to make your reservations at \$100 per person. Reservations can be made until Thursday, January 13.

Quilt Guild

By Linda Pfeiffer

The Quilt Guild participated in the Arts of Christmas held December 3 and 4 at the BAC. Santa was available on Friday the 3rd while the Grinch and Cindy Lu Who visited the BAC on the 4th. Children enjoyed both visits as well as putting together a kit making a Norwegian flag offered by the Guild. Our booth enjoyed a steady stream of visitors both from Clifton and from out of town. We thank all of those who stopped by to say 'Hello' and we hope to see you again.

We enjoyed a Christmas party at the home of Cheryll Lundberg rather than a meeting for the month of December. Thank you Cheryll for opening your home to us.

The Guild looks forward to the year 2022 with new members and new adventures and opportunities.

For questions concerning quilting or membership please contact the BAC office at 254 675-3724.

Thank You, Arts of Christmas Decorators

We want to give a Big Thank You to the Christmas decorating group.



Names of helpers are Nancy Simpson, Linda Pfeiffer, Karen Hughes, Karen Cornett, Jimmie Hughes,

Don Boysen, Stephen Cariotis, Cindy Upton, Bonnie Reese and Betty

Murdoch. Special Thanks to

Linda Herzog for the loan of a Christmas Tree.



Chorale Seeks Singers for Spring Concert

By Bryan Davis

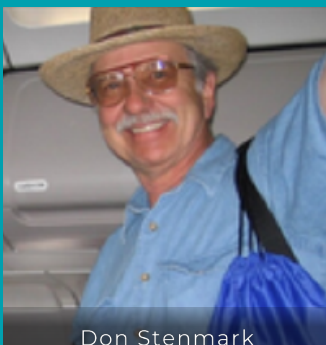
The Bosque Chorale welcomes singers for its spring 2022 concert with rehearsals set to begin Tuesday, January 11. Civic Music Association President Donna Jarman said David Anavitarte will return to serve as director for the concert, which will include "an eclectic night of fun music and familiar songs." The concert will be presented April 14, 2022, and approximate cost for music is \$35. Rehearsals are held each Tuesday in Frazier Performance Hall. The Chorale is fresh off its sold-out



December 9th concert featuring selections from "Handel's Messiah." For more information, please contact Jarman or the BAC.

IN MEMORIAM

Don Stenmark



Don Stenmark

Our condolences go to the family of Don Stenmark, a long-time member of the BAC with his wife, Dawn. Through their business, the Cliffview Resort, the Stenmarks have

been frequent contributors to the Big Event fundraiser over the years. Don was affectionately known for his love of playing bridge, building model rockets with his children, and showing people how to butter corn on the cob.

ATRIUM GALLERY

KIMBERLEY SMITH



Award-winning graphic designer and former publisher of *Bosque Living Magazine* Kimberley Smith is our January Atrium

Gallery featured artist. She has pursued pottery as her second passion for the past three decades. With a very successful 40+ year career in graphic design and publishing, Smith incorporates her innate sense of color, balance, design, and detail into her pieces. While most of her pieces are functional tableware, she has also studied sculpting and enjoys creating whimsical characters as well as wildlife figurines. You can usually find her working in her studio on her Bosque County farm or teaching hand building classes at area locations.

You may see Smith's unique display in the Atrium gallery 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily and other times during BAC events. Don't miss Kimberley Smith's exhibit during the month of January in the Atrium Gallery.

Last Month Memories



Jane's Reception



Chorale



Tablescapes



Whiskey & Cigars



Culinary Club



Tablescapes

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JANUARY EVENTS

Jan 4	10 am	Art Club
Jan 4	7 pm	Quilt Guild
Jan 10	6 pm	January Membership Tailgate
Jan 13	7 pm	Texas A&M Singing Cadets
Jan 18	2 pm	Photography Guild
Jan 18	6:30 pm	Bingo
Jan 20	5:30 pm	Culinary Club
Jan 21	-	Wedding Oak Winery Dinner
Jan 26	10 am	Book Club

EARLY FEBRUARY EVENTS

Feb 1	10 am	Art Club
Feb 1	7 pm	Quilt Guild
Feb 4&5	6 pm	Scholarship Variety Show
Feb 12	-	TBT Mardi Gras Event
Feb 15	2 pm	Photography Guild
-	-	Art Patron Dinner Rescheduled to March 5
Feb 23	10 am	Book Club

WEEKLY EVENTS

Monday	Yoga: 12:10 pm
Tuesday	Karate: 4:40 pm, Guitar: by appointment, Chorale Rehearsal: 7 pm (starting Jan 11)
Wednesday	Yoga: 12:10 pm
Thursday	Karate: 4:40 pm
Friday	Yoga: 12:10 pm

Piano lessons by appointment

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