DECEMBER 2023 BAC NEWS

BAC NEWS

Newsletter for the Performing and Visual Arts in Central Texas







Wilson Fairchild Christmas Concert

By Linda Pfeiffer & Debra Evans

Saturday, December 16, at 7:00 p.m.

Ever sing along with a family member to a favorite song? Well, here are two cousins who grew up doing just that. **Wilson Fairchild** is a group consisting of two cousins who just happen to have famous singing dads. You will



recognize the family resemblance as you hear the flawless harmonies of Wil Reid and Langdon Reid. Their dads comprised 2 of the 4-part harmonies of the legendary **Statler Brothers**. Wil is the son of the late

Harold Reid, while Langdon is the son of Don Reid. Together with their band, they promise a fun-filled night of nothing but Christmas music and laughs with a show that has more Christmas spirit than a glass of eggnog and an ugly holiday sweater!

Wilson Fairchild will bring a sleigh full of the Christmas spirit, with Christmas songs old and new, along with plenty of heartfelt stories, moments, and laughs to put you right where you need to be for this beautiful season.

Tickets are available online or by calling the BAC at 254-675-3724. Reserved seats at tables in the TBT are \$50, \$75, & \$125 (sponsor); general admission seats are \$25.

Perhaps an early Christmas gift for that special someone? Join us and get a nice start on the holiday season.

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 Dec. 22 Jan. 1
- BAC Opens
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- BIG EVENT DATE April 6, 2024

BINGO

Tuesday, Jan. 16 - 6:30 pm Doors open - 5:45 pm

The Bosque Chorale Christmas Concert

By Kathy Harr & Donna Stevens

"It's Almost Christmas" so "It's Beginning to Look A Lot Like Christmas."

These two favorite Christmas tunes along with many of vour other favorites will be suna by the Bosque Chorale at their Christmas performance on December 7. at 7:30 in the Frazier Performance Hall.



Tap your feet and sing along with the FUN Christmas performance. Wear your Christmas colors and let's usher in this "Most Wonderful Time of the Year."

A time for refreshments will follow the concert.

Writer's Guild

By Deb Phinney

Calling all writers!! On January 9, 2024, there will be a Writer's Guild organizational meeting at 6 p.m. at the BAC. Everyone with an interest is welcome to attend regardless of where you are on the writer's journey.



As this meeting begins after hours, please enter through the back door. See you there! For more information contact Candace Ingram 254-644-0659 or Cherie Rogers 254-366-1099.





China Sale, Swap or Giveaway

By Deb Phinney

It's a new year and time to clean out the old, tired, or unneeded table decor and dishes.



On Thursday, Friday and Saturday, January 4, 5 and 6, the BAC will host the first ever **China Sale, Swap or Giveaway**. Pay \$15 to rent a table to display your wares, conduct your sales, and handle your swapping or giveaways.

This is **NOT** a garage sale, but a way to renew your dining décor. Bring table linens (table cloths, napkins, napkin rings, table runners), dinnerware, flatware, glassware (goblets, water, wine, high ball, mugs, etc.), serving pieces including platters, bowls, ice buckets, pitchers and table décor including candlesticks, vases, seasonal table decorations, ice buckets, pitchers and the like.

You will be responsible for handling your own sales with cash or checks. NO credit card access will be available. Cash or checks only.

E-mail Jan Kieta or contact Deb Phinney at the BAC with questions at 254-675-3724.

Gift Shop

By Kathy Harr

Shop the BAC gift shop for unique Christmas décor. Jo Beck has supplied us with some of her beautiful tiles, and of course, our potters and photographers have some beautiful items for sale.



In addition, there are comical dish towels, napkins and mugs with hot chocolate. Please remember to stop by to see us.

Arts of Christmas Open House & North Pole Country Store

By Deb Phinney

The BAC kicks off the Christmas holiday with the Friday, Dec. 1 open house from 6:30 to 8:30 and continues through Saturday, Dec. 2 from 9 to 5.



Visit the special
historical quilt exhibit
throughout the building,
the Gingerbread
Construction Zone led by
our favorite Gingerbread
experts Kit and Tym Myers

from San Antonio, the Grinch and Cindy Loo Who, music by Steve Schmidt, and spiced cider and cookies each day.

Don't miss the chance to purchase one of our miniature decorated trees, or one of our sock snowmen.

For that extra touch of the holidays, purchase from our homemade candy which includes: four types of fudge, covered pretzels, homemade pralines, peanut brittle and other candy delights.



The BAC Quilt Guild, Pottery Guild and others will be on hand with representatives selling their gift items. Don't forget a stroll through the Gift Shop for other holiday ideas.

If you have kids or grandkids in elementary school, you can drop off their coloring contest by Saturday, Dec. 2.

Don't miss out on the start of the holidays at the BAC!

Tablescapes

By Deb Phinney

The 2023 Tablescapes exhibit continues through Arts of Christmas and finishes out on Dec. 2, at 5 p.m. For just \$5,



treat yourself to a look at the creative activities for this unique table top design event.











DONATIONS GENERAL BAC

In Memory of Mark Stenmark
CHS Class of 1995

In Memory of Sue Watson

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Troubadour Awards
Underwriters

Roland & Joyce Jones BAC Friend Phyllis Gamble & Mechelle Slaughter

Troubadour Table
Sponsors

Bill & Betty Murdoch Mechelle Slaughter & Phyllis Gamble

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Jim West & Wendi Taylor
Gary & Jan Beavers

Tom & Joanne Blossom Charles & Jean Davis Candace Ingram D'Ann Jackson Judy Parton

Needle Arts 4

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By Punky Penberthy

The Needlepoint Group will meet at their regular time, Monday, December 2, 10:30, and will enjoy a Christmas celebration. Please join us if you have interest in any of the needle arts...crocheting, knitting, tatting, needlepoint, etc.

Troubadour with Moe Bandy

By Debra Evans

Moe Bandy put on a fabulous show Nov. 11, at the 10th Annual Texas Troubadour Songwriter Classic in Clifton! Recently inducted into the Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame, Bandy was also honored



with the 2023 Texas Country Music Awards first-ever Moe Bandy Icon Award Nov. 12 at Billy Bob's Texas in Fort Worth. The BAC was grateful to have this country music legend judging and headlining our 10th anniversary Songwriter Classic. Mr. Bandy was entertaining in addition to being so encouraging to our finalists!

Bandy awarded young

Zac Clifton the \$1,500

Texas Troubadour, while the audience named

Zac its Popular Choice as well.







Allen's family was on hand to accept the award.

Our thanks go to our generous <u>award</u>

<u>underwriters</u> Roland & Joyce Jones (Troubadour),

underwriters Roland & Joyce Jones (Troubadour), an anonymous friend of the BAC (Song of the Year), and Phyllis Gamble & Mechelle Slaughter (People's Choice), as well as our table sponsors who make our concerts possible. Thank you to our other Troubadour finalists—Chip Boyd, Libby Mosley, Kris Tiscareno, Phillip Wildman, and Kassie Wilson—and songwriter entrants, as well as our wonderful volunteers and terrific audience members.





Quilting Workshop

By Deb Phinney

Would you like to learn how to quilt? Judith Stone, long time quilter and recognized



instructor, will be conducting a Basic Quilting Workshop on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, January 22, 23 and 24. Class will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

A sewing machine is provided or you may bring your own. Class is limited to a maximum of 7 students. Cost is \$87 per student.

A supply list will be provided upon registration. For reservations call the BAC at 254-675-3724.

MURDER at the BAC

By Deb Phinney

Oooooh Nooooo!! Another murder has occurred at the Bosque Arts Center.

On Saturday, January 27, we need your help to find the person responsible for this dastardly deed!!

Master detective Matt Menefee and the Chef Oz Crew from University High Culinary will be here to feed us and help solve the murder.

Tickets are \$100 per person. Call 254-675-3724 and reserve your spot.





Art Club

By Lillian Jacoway

Art club members met in November for a "creating your Christmas cards" program. These innovative works are going to be given to the retirement home residents in

Clifton.



The # 1 party of the year will be held in December!
Bring a white elephant gift and a regular gift. The funtime Chinese Christmas game will be played with both gifts. The value of \$15 per gift should be considered.

Each attendee brings a side dish or dessert of choice. Reuben Jacoway will be providing the ham.

A surprise gift for each member is coming in January!

Stacy's Corner

By Stacy Brooks

Making a Difference: Year-End Charitable Giving:

As another year comes to an end, we want to express our heartfelt gratitude to all who have generously supported the BAC in 2023. Your contributions enable us to keep our doors open, our stages lit and the magic of the arts alive in Bosque County. Your end of year support helps ensure our efforts continue. Every dollar counts and every contribution matters. A few key points to keep in mind:

- 1. Deadline: To claim a charitable deduction in the current year, get your contribution in by December 31.
- 2. Qualified Charitable Distributions: If you're required to take a distribution from your IRA, you can make a tax-free charitable contribution directly from your IRA to the BAC.

Wingate Luncheon

By Deb Phinney



Lisa Wingate is back at the Bosque Arts Center celebrating her latest book release.

Save the date of Saturday, January 13 at 11:30 for lunch with Lisa.

Come celebrate the return of our favorite author and enjoy lunch with your friends.

Reservations are required and are \$45 per person. Call the BAC at 254-675-3724 for information.

ATRIUM GALLERY IF QUILTS COULD TALK



Don't miss the inspiring collection of 35 heirloom quilts handed down

from the mid-1800s through the 20th century by the Orr Family.

This special exhibit is an authentic family historical genealogy presented through stitches.

This quilt collection is provided by Sue Goodman, Orr family member and curator of Education and Exhibits at the W.K. Gordon Museum.

The quilts will be on display through the month of December in the Atrium and Café galleries, the 2nd floor hallway, the Student gallery, and the Photography gallery.

Taekwondo

By Deb Phinney

Karate is back at the BAC! Catherine Wilkinson has started Taekwondo classes for Tuesdays and Fridays. Several classes are available in all age and experience levels.

Wilkinson has trained in Taekwondo for 23 years. She is a 5th degree black belt, Master Apprentice, and qualified instructor with Global Taekwondo Martial Arts.

Call the BAC for contact information for Wilkinson for class enrollment.

Books on the Bosque Writing Contest Winners

By Debra Evans

Congratulations to all award winners in our 2nd Annual Writing Contest and many thanks to award sponsors First Security State Bank, Douglass Ford, and Roland & Joyce Jones, who each contributed \$1,000 for cash prizes. We also want to thank Dr. Richard Rankin Russell and Matt Turnbull from Baylor and Dr. Moumin Quazi, Jeri Martin, and Dr. Jacob Brewer from Tarleton State for serving as judges in this year's contest.

BEST OF THE WEST AWARD

\$1,000 Prize sponsored by Roland & Joyce Jones: "Tess Clarion: Redwing, 1888" by Katharyn Howd Machan, ITHACA, NY

Category Awards Sponsored by First Security State Bank & Douglass Ford

1st Place \$300; 2nd Place \$200; 3rd Place \$100 SHORT STORY

1st Place: "Please" by Laura Ruth Loomis, Pittsburg, CA; **2nd Place:** "Good Neighbors" by Callum Schlumpf, Clifton; **3rd Place:** "When the hammer falls" by Keith Goedecke, Clifton; **Honorable Mention:** "Telling Whitetail Tales" by E. Brett Voss, Clifton



Pictured left-right: Linda Fike, Theo Boyd, Callum Schlumpf, Candace Ingram, Matt Turnbull, Dr. Richard Rankin Russell

POETRY

1st Place: "Tess Clarion: Redwing, 1888" by Katharyn Howd Machan, ITHACA, NY; **2nd Place**: "In the Desert" by Candace Smith Ingram, Clifton; **3rd Place**: "Fall in Circles" by Linda Fyke, Clifton; **Honorable Mention**: "Yearning to Breathe Free" by Kathryn Jones, Walnut Springs

ESSAY

Ist Place: "To My Dad" by Randall Madden, Sparta, TN; 2nd Place: "The Shelter of Place" by Kathryn Jones, Walnut Springs; 3rd Place: "In the Room" by Theo Boyd, Whitney; Honorable Mention: "Baby; Both Plural and Singular" by Candace Smith Ingram, Clifton

<u>High School Prose Award \$100 Prize:</u> "Beyond the Myth" by Johanna Freiss, Clifton

<u>High School Poetry Award \$100 Prize:</u> "Song of the Eclipse" by William Goolsby, Clifton

Quilt Guild

By Linda Pfeiffer

The quilt guild will not meet in December. We will instead celebrate the season with a gathering at the home of Cheryll Lundberg.



We look forward to being back in the BAC in January. For any quilting questions please contact 254 675-3724

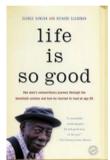
Book Club

The book club will not meet in December.

The next meeting will be January 31, at 10 a.m. at the BAC.

The January selection will be *Life is So Good* by George Dawson & Richard Glaubman.

Join the fun!



Culinary Club

By Virginia Richards



The Culinary Club enjoyed a great Thanksgiving dinner in November.

Our esteemed dishwashers (pictured) were Larry Tigner, Rick Martell,

and Nancy Bratcher.

Photography Guild

By Vickie Mitchell

The Photography
Guild will not meet in
December. Please
take the time to visit
our current exhibit in



the photography room on the second

Merry Christmas to you all!

FUN TIMES

























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Art Council

By Karen Cornett



The Art Council is busy working on the Art Patron dinner. It will once again be at Olaf's on December 9 at 7 p.m. Olaf will be serving a small house salad, with surf and turf as the main course. The sides will be mashed potatoes and zucchini with yellow squash. For dessert, he is serving apple cinnamon cobbler with ice cream. Art Patrons need to make their reservations by December 1. Brian Barrett will be there to entertain.

The Art Council is in the beginning stages of preparing for next year's Art Classic. It was a huge success this year and we hope next year will be the same. We are also making plans for the upcoming Art Talk at the beginning of next year. We hope to bring you fun and educational experiences.

December Events		
Dec. 1	Arts of Christmas	6:30p
Dec. 2	Arts of Christmas	9a
Dec. 4	Needle Arts	10:30a
Dec. 5	Art Club	10a
Dec. 5	Quilt Guild	7 p
Dec. 7	Bosque Chorale Christmas Concert	7:30p
Dec. 16	Wilson Fairchild Christmas Concert	7 p
Dec. 22-29	BAC Closed	-
Dec. 19	Photography Guild	2p
Dec. 22-29	BAC Closed	-
Early January Events		
Jan. 1	BAC CLOSED	-
Jan. 2	Art Club	10a
Jan. 2	Quilt Guild	7 p
Jan. 3-5	China Swap & Sale	-
Jan. 13	Lisa Wingate Luncheon	11a
Weekly Events		
Monday	Yoga	12:10p
Tuesday	Taekwondo	6р
Wednesday	Yoga	12:10p
	Dance	4:30p
Thursday	Dance	4:30p
Friday	Yoga	12:10p
	Taekwondo	4:30p
Piano lessons by appointment		

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Overnight accommodations for BAC events can be made at various hotels and B&Bs in Clifton. Check our website for further information.

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