

43 years

Pearls from PWC

**PARKER WOMEN'S CLUB**P.O. Box 1361
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I know there are many great Artisans and small business owners in Parker! Please consider donating an item to our silent auction. Additionally, if anyone has a favorite store that you do business with, might you please ask for a donation of a gift card or item? Or, if you have something that you've purchased, but never used, or perhaps you have a little something extra in your 'gift closet' that you would like to donate? We are working on collecting items for the Silent Auction to be held in conjunction with the November Style Show. With the Holidays right around the corner from our November program, it will be a great time to do some shopping for gifts and holiday décor! Also, if we receive an abundance of gift card donations, we will be able to use those in the Winning O' The Green prizes in March! Your help in collecting donations is extremely appreciated! Please contact **Le Ann Turrentine (214-236-0360)** or **Barbara Douglas (parkerwomensclubfundraising@gmail.com)**, or **Stacy Patrick (972-442-7507)**, if you have questions, or would like someone to pick up your donation.

*Le Ann Turrentine***President's Message**

I am looking forward to our 43rd year of the **PWC**! It is an honor to be President for a second year. The Board and Activity Chairpersons have worked hard over the summer months to plan out an exciting year to come! Be sure to review the list of programs and the crafts that are scheduled for the upcoming months – it all looks to be so much fun!

You may not be able to attend everything that the **PWC** offers, however, there definitely seems to be something for everyone! I would like to invite the newer members, as well as long time members to attend some of the monthly activities – Lunch Bunch, Coffee and Crafts. You never know who you might meet, and most certainly, you will have a wonderful time! *Stacy Patrick*

Membership

Be sure to get your Membership Dues in!!

Prior to the first meeting of the year we have **73** paid members (**7** new, **66** renewing). Membership is open to current and former residents of the City of Parker. Annual dues are **\$30**, and can be paid by mail or at any general membership meeting. Don't forget to send in your updated membership form along with a check made payable to Parker Women's Club.

Remember, the **PWC** By-Laws state a Parker resident can attend only two events as an unpaid member. Additionally, the Board has voted to require membership dues be paid by November 1, for those members participating in the Activity Groups – Bridge, Bunco, etc. *Tammy Jones*

Message from the Board

Historian Needed

The appointed Board position of Historian is available! This is a great way to get to know the Club, if you are new to the **PWC**, or to Parker!! You don't have to be a professional photographer, or have special equipment! These days, our phones take great pictures!

According to the **PWC** bylaws, the responsibilities of "The Historian shall attend and take photographs at all special events of the Corporation and all meetings of the Board of Directors and the membership of the Corporation. The Historian shall create and maintain a scrapbook, recording all events of the Corporation each year. The Historian shall take possession and ensure the safekeeping of all scrapbooks of the Corporation."

The position is a non-voting board position. Once appointed, the Historian may attend the monthly BOD meetings, but is not required to do so. When unable to attend a monthly membership meeting, she will ask another member to take photographs in her absence.

If you have questions, or are interested in being the Historian for the 2016-2017 membership year, please contact **Vicky Barrera-White** (vickybw@gmail.com or [703-599-6516](tel:703-599-6516)).

Please consider joining the Board in this fun, interactive position! *Vicky Barrera-White*

Programs

Welcome back PWC members!

Please join us as we kick off a fantastic line-up of programs to both inform and entertain. We are excited to get back into the swing of things and hope you will join us on Sept 15th, 7:00 pm at the home of **Chris Lucich** (6005 Southridge Pkwy, Southridge Estates) to meet mix, mingle and begin our new year! The schedule of programs you can expect to see for this year are detailed below. We are very excited about our November Style Show Luncheon as well as our 2nd Annual St. Patrick's Day Fundraiser in March. We hope you are as excited to join us as we to begin this new year of fun and fundraising in continued support of our Parker community. Looking forward to seeing you... *Marilyn Kittrell*

Sept 15 th Thursday 7:00 pm	<i>Summer's Over "Meet & Greet"</i> Join fellow members, friends and guests as we come together to celebrate the beginning of a fun and exciting new year for PWC .
Oct 20 th Thursday 10:30 am	<i>Autumn at the Arboretum</i> Join us for a field trip to the Dallas Arboretum to visit the Tom Thumb Pumpkin patch and over 75,000 pumpkins, gourds and squash coming together to form the nationally acclaimed Pumpkin Village.
Nov 17 th Thursday 11:00 am	<i>Fall Fashion Show / Luncheon / Silent Auction</i> Michelle Ritchie with Pappagallo's Boutique - Fairview, entertains and informs about Fall trends in fashion and how to have a little fun with Style! Luncheon and Silent Auction. This is a great time to invite friends, and to do some holiday shopping!
Dec 15 th Thursday 7:00 pm	<i>Holiday Social Fun For All</i> Take a break from the hectic pace of the holiday season! Enjoy celebrating with friends and neighbors; have some fun with our annual festive games!
Jan 19 th Thursday 7:00 pm	<i>Ring in the Spring - Decorating & More!</i> Always popular, Dianne Sheridan of Dream Petals Floral demonstrates and inspires with examples of table decorations and home decor. Purchase Raffle tickets to be the winner of one of Dianne's fun creations!
Feb 16 th Thursday 7:00 pm	<i>Whiskey you say? Whiskey Tasting</i> A new twist on our usual "Wine Tasting" event! Let's see if we can't persuade our spouses and/or guests to join us as we learn about various whiskeys led by whiskey aficionado, Phil Silvestri, President/Publisher of the Plano Profile.
Mar 16 th Thursday 6:30pm	<i>2nd Annual Winning O' The Green!</i> With last year's great success, we're doing it again! Join us for what is sure to be a bigger and better fundraiser! Win prizes while enjoying a fun-filled night of dinner, dancing and festivities! You don't have to be Irish to be lucky enough to attend this reverse raffle, which helps raise funds to support PWC projects.
Apr 20 th Thursday 11:00 am	<i>Walk on the Wild Side - In-Sync Exotics Wildlife Rescue & Education Center Field Trip</i> In nearby Wylie, is In-Sync Exotics, a non-profit organization dedicated to the rescue of neglected, abused and unwanted exotic felines. We will tour their facility and view the beautiful exotic residents as they educate and inform on the unique attributes and characteristics and the need for stronger and enforceable legislation against those who abuse exotic wild animals.
May 18 th Thursday 7:00 pm	<i>Scholarship Award(s) Presentation</i> Meet and congratulate the Parker Women's Club Scholarship recipient(s) and take part in the Installation ceremony for the 2017-2018 Board of Directors.

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Outreach

New Outreach Program

Outreach would like to add a program that would enhance the quality of life for Parker's many senior citizens, regardless of income. The leading proposal is a program modeled after Plain-O-Helpers, which provides volunteer assistance with minor home maintenance and repairs, in addition to basic assistance with computers and electronics. Outreach is currently exploring ways to secure a core group of volunteers and efficiently match volunteers with those requesting assistance. Your ideas are most welcome!

Angel Tree Update

Outreach is working with Parker PD and the Collin County Assistance Center to choose one or more Parker families as beneficiaries of PWC's Angel Tree holiday assistance program. The Angel Tree itself will be transformed from a Christmas tree to angel wings mounted on a decorative easel. The wings are currently being designed as a gift to PWC by Dark Hour, a year-round haunted house company in Plano.

Acts of Kindness

Four cards and one flower arrangement were sent out over the summer to Parker residents that had experienced an accident, surgery, passing of a beloved pet, a heart attack and hospice care. Please e-mail parkerwomenscluboutreach@gmail.com if you know of any Parker residents affected by illness or loss.

Increased Communication

Outreach would like to quickly reach out to Parker residents experiencing illness or loss and be able to communicate citywide about PWC's charitable programs. To meet these objectives, a sign-up sheet will be circulating at PWC's September general meeting, requesting that one PWC member from each Parker subdivision serve as the contact person for her neighborhood. Please consider signing up!

Questions? Contact **Sharon Brucato** (parkerwomenscluboutreach@gmail.com). *Sharon Brucato*

Treasurer Report

The balance in our treasury is now **\$15,879.94**. We have fulfilled one pending item from last year by paying **\$5,000** for 2015/2016 scholarship winners. We still have a payment pending for the addition of a handicapped ramp for the gazebo as that project is not yet complete. The annual membership drive has brought in new membership dues of **\$2,190** and contributions of **\$7,375**. *Debbie Crutcher*

Bridge Club

Bridge will remain on the fourth Tuesday each month in members' homes. Sept. 27 will be at the home of **Diane Lemon** at 10:30 a.m. Each member brings their lunch. In August, we played at **Eleanor Evans** home. Winners were: first prize **Jo Butler**-sub, second prize **Sandy Waites**. Jo and Sandy bid and made a seven bid. Bridge players are encouraged to sign up for a sub list. *Sandy Waites*

Bunco

Our Bunco Group met at **Marilyn Kittrell's** house in August. The winners were: Most Buncos - **Carol Denio**; Most Wins - **Travis Ann Dorough**; Last Bunco - **Sandy Waites**; Most Losses - **Carla Stephens**; and The Pot - **Madeliene Dickson**. Anyone who would like to be on the sub list, please contact Cindy Frost

fhsmagic@msn.com. *Cindy Frost*



CHOO CHOO CHICKS

We play the first Thursday of each month at 10 a.m. and usually go out for lunch afterwards. We played Sept. 1 at **Connie Kielman's** home. The BIG winner was Jerry Marable. *Sandy Waites*

Coffee Ladies

Welcome back Ladies to another wonderful year of Parker Women's 'Coffee Ladies'. Hope you all had a nice summer break. We are a very informal group that gathers every fourth Thursday of the month at a member's home at 10 am for coffee and a little treat. This is a great way to meet new friends and catch up with the old ones or even bring a friend! Please consider Hosting one month...it is a lot of fun and an easy way to get involved! Information to follow regarding the first 'Coffee Ladies' gettogether. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me spohl96@yahoo.com. *Susie Pohl*

Dottie Dames

The Dottie Dames Chickenfoot Dominoes Group will begin their second year on September 8th, at 9:30 am. Game starts at 10:00 am. Join us at the home of **Cindy Stachiw** (4404 Pecan Orchard Drive). Please RSVP Cindy ([972-881-2231](tel:972-881-2231)) and let her know if you are coming. Bring a Double 12 set of dominoes if you have one. All are welcome to come and learn how to play. *Pat Waggoner*

Lunch Bunch

Here are the restaurants we hope to visit this year in no particular order except for Sept. 14 when we will meet at Julia Pearl restaurant at 11:30 a.m. Each month, a monthly email will be sent for location and place. See below for planned eateries. *Sandy Waites and Cindy Frost*

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| ❖ Heritage Ranch | ❖ Dinner Table |
| ❖ Cheesecake Factory | ❖ Lita Mexican |
| ❖ Into My Garden | ❖ Yao Fuzi Cuisine |
| ❖ Spazo's | |

Young Mom's Group

Time for some fun in the fall! Come join us for the October Mom's Group Meet Up

I hope everyone is transitioning back into their school time routines nicely! Last year we welcomed many new faces to our growing group and look forward to doing the same in the year ahead! While we will enjoy structured and planned events every other month, we hope to increase the number of pop up happy hours, mom's night outs and other fun activities throughout the year. We will kick off our year as we enjoyed it last year, gathering together to enjoy some fall time fun once the back to school dust has settled! Mark your calendars for Friday October 14th from 4 pm to 6 pm. We will meet at the Parker Nature Preserve gazebo for some pumpkin decorating. Stickers and markers will be provided, just bring your own pumpkin and a spooky snack to share! RSVP via the Facebook page for **Parker Women's Club** Young Moms (melinda-marshall@hotmail.com). *Melinda Marshall*



Crafts

The **PWC** Craft Club will have a large variety of projects this year. There is something for everybody! Our first meeting, September 26th at 10am, will be a group effort to make blue tree bows to **BACK THE BLUE** to sell at Parkerfest. 50% of the proceeds from this fundraiser will be donated to a fallen officers fund. I hope we can have many hands to help and you could go home with your own bow that day!

Our second craft meeting on October 24th will be another workshop to help the **PWC** Outreach committee. We will be making handmade cards to be used throughout the year when sending our best wishes to community members. We can all help make these cards plus you can go home with handmade cards yourself! Check out the other fun crafts we have on the books for the year and mark you calendars. All meetings will be held at my home (4704 Boulder Drive). We always have a fun time chatting and crafting. I hope to add some new faces this year!

Sept 26 Back the Blue Bows (community effort)

Oct 24 Greeting Card Workshop (community effort)

Nov 28 Mason Jar Tissue Holder



Dec 12 Homemade Sugar Scrub Bars



Jan 23 Knotted Fleece Pillow



Feb 20 Lace Dream Catcher



Mar 20 Candy Cake



Apr 24 Cake Decorating Tips & Tricks



May 15 Clothes Pin Wreath



Contributions

The Club was granted its 501(c)3 status as a tax deductible charitable organization in 2011. These tax-deductible contributions help fund community projects and activities throughout the year, such as holiday gifts for needy Parker families, college scholarships for deserving Parker High School Seniors and financial donations to the Parker Volunteer Fire Department.

Contributors to-date include:

- ❖ **Lone Star Resident** (\$1,000 or more): John & Debbie Chisolm; Mary Templeton
- ❖ **Bluebonnet Resident** (\$500 to \$999): Michael Godfrey- In Memory of Linda Godfrey; Shea Family-In Memory of Glenn Justice
- ❖ **Pecan Resident** (\$250 to \$499): Jane & Z Marshall; Rick Palmer-Innovative Auto Works
- ❖ **Mockingbird Resident** (\$100 to \$249): Patti & Joe Cordina; Kimberly Hinshaw; Phyllis Houx; Mike & Marilyn Kittrell; Ron & Andy McCollum; Keith & Lee Pettie; Don & Mary Anne Seale; The Stachiw Family; Nancy Vermeer; Jesse & Terry Wilson
- ❖ **Good Neighbor** (\$50 to \$99): Kristi Boylan; Kathy Harvey; The Kenefick Family; Fran & Hugh Lewis; Leonard & Betty Stanislav; Tom & Annette Stone
- ❖ **Friend of PWC** (\$25 to \$49): William & Jean Noland; Rita Sutaria; Vicki Thorpe
- ❖ **Anonymous Donations:** 10 donations totaling \$2,600

About PWC



The [Parker Women's Club \(PWC\)](#) was organized in August, 1973 to support the community and promote social interaction. It is made up of a diverse group of women - some have lived in Parker for over 35 years while others just a few months. All share the mutual goal of promoting a sense of ownership for our community that is based on charity, service and friendship.

General Membership meetings are usually held on the third Thursday of the month, from September through May, with meetings ranging from informational, charitable or merely social.

Fundraising events have provided the means for sponsorship of such things as the building of a gazebo located in the Parker Preserve, awarding scholarships to deserving high school seniors residing in Parker, donations to the Parker Police Department and Volunteer Fire Department, and sponsoring a family in need through the Angel Tree Program at Christmas time.

Calendar of Events

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ChooChoo Chicks	1st Thu
Dottie Dames	2nd Thu
Bridge Club	4th Tue

Bunco	2nd Tue
Membership Mtg	3rd Thu
Ladies Coffee	4th Thu

Lunch Bunch	2nd Wed
Craft Club	Monday Monthly
Young Moms	TBA

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