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December 2018

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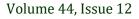
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Bring Your Jingle It's the last Social of 2018!

Join us this Wednesday, December 5th from 4-6 pm at Fratellíní's Restaurant, 8905 Louetta Road, Spring, TX.

Let's enjoy each other's company one more time this year before the Holidays are upon us.



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<u>A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THE</u> <u>CONTRIBUTORS at the first Party</u> with a Purpose on November 7th at <u>Mary Jane Petrick's home.</u> Forty-five people attended and more contributed gifts for the auction. The array of gifts was awesome and this year the contributions had great variety.



Members and their guests at the Outstanding Women Award's Luncheon on March 2, 2019 at Shirley Acres will enjoy shopping for gift cards at Chico's and Talbot's or James Avery, Brighton earrings & bracelet, an under-the-seat travel bag, Waterford vase or bookends, a buffet warmer and server tray, two tickets for Midtown Men (FACE), and so forth. As you can see, you will have fun shopping.





Watch your mailbox for the invitation to the next Party with a Purpose. Its theme will be "Let's Have a Fun Time in 2019." It will be on January 9th at Sue Mason's home. PLEASE invite a friend who is not a member. If you do, you will be in a drawing for a \$25 gift card to Perry's. If you do not receive your invitation,

please let Mary Smith know. Everyone is invited. Invitations were mailed on December 1. If you brought something to the first party, you do not need to bring another gift. Just come and socialize. We want to see you in 2019! HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE!!!



Mary Smith President

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DAYTIME LIT GROUPS CELEBRATION

Although the luncheon reservation deadline has passed, you are still welcome to join the **December Lit review, discussion, and gift exchange**. The event will be held Thursday, December 6, 2018 at Clementine's Restaurant, 6448 Cypress Creek Parkway **beginning at 11 am**.

If you want to attend, PLEASE email Annette Matthews: <u>acmmatt@msn.com</u> ASAP so she can contact you about your part in the discussion about <u>Astrophysics for</u> People in a Hurry by Neil deGrasse Tyson.



World Today Christmas Luncheon

The group is meeting on Thursday, December 13th 1:00 pm at Carrabba's. For more details, contact Marjorie Rice at:Mhkrice54@gmail.com

GOURMET HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

Speaking of holiday gatherings, Gourmet has scheduled a lovely Christmas luncheon on December 14th, from 12:30 to 3:30 pm at the "Grotto Ristorante", 9595 Six Pines Dr., in the Woodlands. The restaurant is in the Market Square, which is sure to be beautifully decorated, so you might enjoy a little shopping afterwards.

Since Gourmet was able to reserve a private room with a large capacity, **the luncheon is open to the entire branch**. The cost is \$35.00, which includes a three-course meal, non-alcoholic beverage, tax and tip. A cash bar is available featuring Mimosa's and both the red and white house wines, for \$6.00.

Because prepayment is required by the restaurant, **December 3rd is the deadline to RSVP** to Barbara Hine. Please include a check for \$35.00 made out to her.

Carpooling is available. Meet at the Kroger on Cypresswood and Champion Forest Drive at 11:45 am. If you prefer to drive, the parking garage is free, and the restaurant offers valet service.

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Join us for Daytime Bridge on Tuesday, Dec. 11th, 2018 from 9:45 am – 2:30 pm. Hostess Mary Moore says she would really love to have everyone there by 10 am at the latest.

Mary adds "I would like everyone to RSVP by Saturday Dec. 8th or sooner as we seem to fill up very fast for bridge lately. Reservations are a must! Email <u>barbarahine1@gmail.com</u>

The group plays at the Hilton Garden Inn, 7979 Willow Chase. Blvd. Plan to play until 2:30 pm so everyone can enjoy a full day of bridge. Please socialize before and after. Coffee and water available – lunch is on you.



Feel like catching a movie after the holidays? Join Screen Savors Tuesday, December 18th (note date change). Interested? Email Jane Egner at <u>twoeggsjane2@msn.com</u>

CONTACT INFORMATION UPDATES

Please send any changes of address, phone numbers, or email addresses that you would like the branch members to be aware of to Membership VP Brenda Van Derbur. She will issue cumulative updates to the yearbook/directory.

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE NAMED

As required by the bylaws, the nominating committee is to be comprised of four members and two alternates. They are to be appointed by the nominating committee chair with approval of the Board of Directors to serve one year. Listed below are the names submitted to and approved by the Board of Directors at the November board meeting.

> Liz Wilson Brenda Van Derbur Betsy Calabro Donna McDaniel Alternates are Linda Massie and Pam Morton

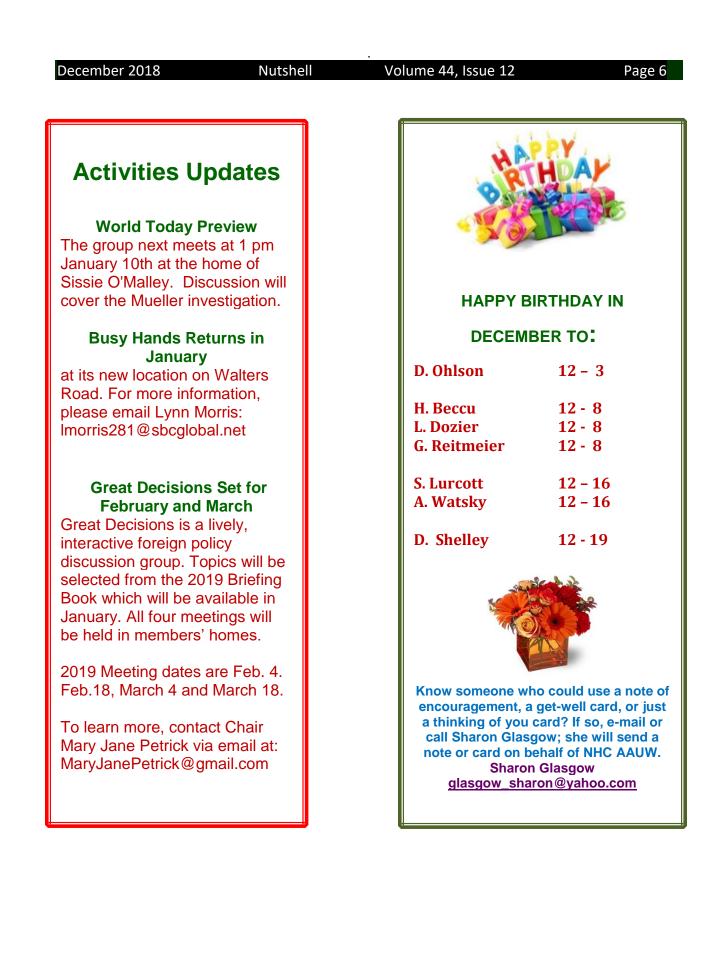
We will be considering nominations for: President-Elect Vice President Programs Vice President Fellowship Fund Branch Treasurer Fellowship Fund Treasurer

The President-Elect will serve one year as President-Elect and advance to President the following year. All other officers will serve a two-year term. Each office may be filled by an officer or co-officers, with one vote. Election will be at the April 2019 branch meeting. All members are encouraged to read the Duties of Officers starting on page 48 of the General Branch Policies in the Directory & Yearbook.

Vada Boyle, Nominating Committee Chair

President Mary Smith sent out a Letter to Contributors form for those wonderful members who are going out into the community to ask for contributions for the 2019 Outstanding Women Luncheon. It is important to remember that the second half of the letter needs to be filled out and turned in with the contribution that you collect - including gift cards.

If you did not get a copy of Mary's instructions and/or the form, please contact (Mary, who do they contact?) for a copy.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2	3	4	5 Social	6 Daytime Lit Party, Gift Exchange & Book Review	7	8 Deadline for Bridge RSVP's
9	10	11 Bridge	12	13 World Today Holiday Luncheon	14 Gourmet Christmas Luncheon	15
16	17	18 Screen Savors	19	20	21	22
23	24	25 Christmas Day	26	27	28	29
30	31 New Year's Eve					

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