



# HALF-SHELL

JUNE 2020

Volume 46, Issue 6

### Board of Directors Executive Committee

Brenda Van Derbur	President President-Elect
Gaile Howland	VP Programs
Caroline Howard	VP Programs
Sue Mason	VP Membership
Elizabeth Wilson	VP Fellowship Fund
Maybelline Carpenter	VP Fellowship Fund
Judy Wood	VP Media Communication
Betsy Calabro	Recording Secretary
Sharon Glasgow	Corresponding Secretary
Elizabeth Folk	Branch Treasurer
Martha Lozica	FF Treasurer
Mary Smith	Past President

### Appointed Officers

Jane Egner	Parliamentarian Public Policy
------------	----------------------------------

### Standing Committee Chairs

Genie Kline	Fundraising Chair
Pam Morton	Branch Hospitality
Lynn Morris	Branch Hospitality
Ann Moore	Community Outreach
Genie Kline	Publicity
Mary Moore	Directory
Lena Habiby	Historian/Archivist
Margie Poole	Newsletter
Helen Wilson	Special Branch Programs

### Table of Contents:

2	President's Messages-Happy Hour, Birthdays, new Board members
3	Membership Report, drawing winners
4	Bunco, Prime Time Lit
5	Daytime Lit

### *Updates on the Half Shell!*

*Usually, the Nutshell takes a break over the summer, but this year is different.*

*You will receive short updates - hence, Half Shell as opposed to Nutshell - for June and July and we will see what August brings us.*

*If you have something to submit, deadlines are June 16 for July and July 16 for August.*

## President's Messages

### Brenda Van Derbur

It is time again for our monthly social but as we continue to practice social distancing, we thought we might try something new. At the Texas AAUW convening in March they had a Zoom Social.

To celebrate our new Branch ZOOM membership, we are going to have OUR first ever Zoom Social THIS Wednesday, June 3 at 4:00. (Zappy Hour?) Grab your favorite drink and appetizer and join us for a little online social time. It will be wonderful to see and talk to members we have not seen in such a long time. Please come!

If you are available at that time and wish to join us, please reply to me at 281-635-474 or [brendavan@comcast.net](mailto:brendavan@comcast.net)

**Check out summer birthdays in the May issue of Nutshell.  
May, June and July are listed.**

### **Congratulations to new AAUW North Harris County Board Members.**

Their names will not be on The Nutshell Masthead until the July issue, but it is my pleasure to introduce you now to our incoming slate of officers. Thanks to outgoing members Sue Mason, Judy Wood, and Sharon Glasgow as they vacate the Membership, Communication and Corresponding Secretary positions.

President Elect  
Vice Presidents Membership  
Vice President Media and Communication  
Recording Secretary  
Corresponding Secretary

Genie Kline  
Claudia Gallagher and Betsy Calabro  
Lynn Morris  
Shelia Williams  
Sandy Darst

Final Membership Report and List of  
Drawings Winners  
By Sue Mason

Thanks to all 126 of you who have sent in your checks!

As you may remember, those who paid their dues before Mother's Day were eligible for prizes. Our winners are:

Free National Membership of \$59.00:

Anne Grace

Emily Hackler

Sue Ann Lurcott

VISA Gift Cards of \$25.00:

Sue Mason

Susan Summers

Brisket House Gift Certificate of \$25.00:

Deborah Shelley

NTV Nail Salon Gift Certificate of \$20.00:

Suzanne Beaty

Pat Bredewater

Jo Ann Shaw

La Madeleine Gift Certificate of \$10.00:

Mary Kimball

Congratulations to all of you!

### Bunco Planned for June

**Bunco Coordinator Claudia Gallagher is tentatively planning on holding an afternoon of play on Wednesday, June 24 at 3:30 pm. A minimum of 8 people is needed to play.**

**It is very important to let Claudia know you are interested in coming as she will need to be able to let people know if plans change. Contact Claudia at 832-368-0550 or [Claudiagallagher@yahoo.com](mailto:Claudiagallagher@yahoo.com).**

### Prime Time Lit Summer Calendar

Month & Date	Book Selection	Author	Discussion Leader	@Pages
June 22	The German Girl	Armando Lucas Correa	Mary Jane Petrick	384
July 27	The Last Painting of Sara de Vos	Dominic Smith	Linda Astala	304
August 24	Salvage the Bones	Jesmyn Ward	Bonnie Flynn	272

Book discussions will continue via Zoom until restaurant restrictions are lifted and social distancing is not required. If anyone would like to "host" the Zoom book discussion meetings, please contact Mary McVeigh: [mom4grandmom8@yahoo.com](mailto:mom4grandmom8@yahoo.com) or [mmcveigh@kleinisd.net](mailto:mmcveigh@kleinisd.net) or text to cell 713-504-6434.

### Daytime Lit Summer Schedule

Both groups are reading Isaac's Storm by Eric Larson for the June Zoom meeting on the 4th. Martha Lozica, native-born Galvestonian, is leading the discussion. Email Liz Wilson ([elspeth47@earthlink.net](mailto:elspeth47@earthlink.net)) or Mary Quinn ([maryquinn@yahoo.com](mailto:maryquinn@yahoo.com)) for Zoom password and/or to be added to email notices.

July's book is Blood and Money by Tommy Thompson while August will be Educated by Tara Westover. At this time, we anticipate these meetings will be Zoom-based. Discussion leaders for these books are needed!