

# Duncanville Women's Club Newsletter

## July 2025

Serving the women of the Duncanville area including DeSoto, Cedar Hill, Grand Prairie, Red Oak, Midlothian, Mansfield, Dallas, Irving, Lancaster, Ovilla, and Arlington.

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## Luncheon

**See you in September!!**

### Join Us for July Coffee – and Bring a Friend!

Our theme for the July Coffee is “Bring a Friend,” and we’d love to see some fresh faces!

If you're a DWC member who rarely attends, consider this your personal invitation to stop by. Regular attendees—why not bring along a fellow member who doesn't usually come, or a friend you'd enjoy spending more time with?

Join us on Wednesday, July 16 at 11:00 AM for a delicious brunch, good company, and lots of laughter. And don't worry—loving coffee isn't required, but we guarantee you'll find something tasty to enjoy!

As a bonus, the member who brings the most guests will win a Door Prize.

We can't wait to see you—and your friend(s)—there! —Sharon Ingram

### DWC Directory Member List Update

An updated 'Member List' is attached to this newsletter. Please take a moment to review the changes. If you notice any additional updates needed for the DWC directory, contact Linda DeCorte at [rascamuff@gmail.com](mailto:rascamuff@gmail.com) so they can be included in the 2026 revision.

## Monthly Coffee

The next DWC Coffee is scheduled for Wednesday, July 16, 2025 at 11:00 am. Join us at Duncanville Chamber of Commerce Building, 300 E. Wheatland Road, Duncanville. Our co-hostesses for the event are Sharon Campbell, Edna Bolilinger, Ms. T. and Bonnie Rea. The Board Meeting will take place at 10:00 am with the Coffee event to follow immediately at 11:00 am. If the Board Meeting is still in progress, please wait in the lobby.

## Meet Sherlock and Sadie!

**These two wonderful cats, both around six years old, belonged to Sharon McGinnis, who sadly passed away in April. Now, Sherlock and Sadie are looking for a loving new home.**



**If you or someone you know is a cat lover and interested in adopting them, please reach out to Beverly Gibson or Nancy Costa for more details. Help us spread the word to find these sweet cats a caring home!**

## Monthly Activities

### Book Club

The DWC Book Club will meet on Wednesday, July 23 at 1:00 pm at the home of Cheryl Gee, 802 Moore Street, Cedar Hill. The July book is *The Measure* by Niki Erlich. Members are welcome even if they have not read the book. Please call Cheryl at 214-675-2392 to let her know you are coming. For more information on the Book Club, please call Beverly Gibson at 313-980-1285.

### Theatre

The theatre season is over. Updates will follow later in the summer.

### Lunch Bunch

The Lunch Bunch will not be meeting in July.

### MahJongg

Linda DeCorte and Edna Bolinger will be offering Mah Jongg lessons on Tuesday, July 8 and Tuesday, July 22 at Thorntree Golf Club. Join the fun from 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm. If you'd like to participate, send Linda a note at [rascamuff@gmail.com](mailto:rascamuff@gmail.com).

### Bridge

No bridge lessons in July. Lessons resume in August.

### Day Bridge

Day Bridge will be hosted by Dana Edgin on the second Wednesday, July 9, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at Thorntree Golf Club, with lunch included as usual. Please remember to bring a debit or credit card, if you are not a member of Thorntree Golf Club, as there is no "cash drawer". If you plan to attend, please contact Dana at 972-803-5020 to RSVP as soon as possible.

Day Bridge is cancelled for Monday, July 28.

For further bridge details, reach out to Lynn Lackey at 214-802-7063.

## Activities cont'd

### Game Night

Game Night will be held on July 26 at 7:00 pm at the home of Sharon Ingram, 1111 Meadow Ridge Drive, Duncanville. Please let Sharon know if you are coming at 469-774-7997.

### Mexican Train

A new Mexican Train group has formed and will play on the third Thursday (July 17) at 1:00 pm at Thorntree. If you are interested, please call Earnie Ransom or Cindy McPherson.

### Quilt Group

The Quilt Group meets the 2nd Tuesday of July (July 8) from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at Corner Square Quilts, 703 Cedar St., Cedar Hill, TX. (Claudia Klipp 972-467-5077).

### Girl's Day Out

There will be no Girl's Day Out for July but will resume in September.

### Activity Group Participation Reminder

Please remember that all participants in Activity Groups must be current members of the Duncanville Women's Club.

As stated in our Bylaws:

*"A prospective member or guest may attend up to three regular club meetings or activities within one calendar year. She must join the club before attending further meetings or activities."*

If you're unsure whether someone in your Activity Group is a current member, please refer to the 2025 Directory for verification.

If they are not yet members, this is a wonderful opportunity to invite them to our July "Bring a Friend" Coffee! We're confident they'll enjoy themselves and want to become part of our wonderful community.

## **June Winners**

The June birthday winner was Vickey Dancy. She received a purse and \$10. Happy birthday, Vickey!

Since there is no luncheon in July, the birthday drawing will take place at the Coffee gathering instead. We'd love for you to join us in July if you'd like to participate!

## **July Birthdays**

1 Annette Curtis  
1 Henri Eves  
10 Sonya Penny  
17 Sondra Johnson  
20 Wilda Chancy  
20 Elaine Smiley  
26 Delores Bates  
27 Mary Jane Kohutek  
31 Edna Bolinger  
31 Judy Howard  
31 Elaine Schneider  
31 Carol Weller



## **Did you know?????**

### **Spotlight on Christmas Bazaar donations**

The Duncanville Women's Club donates proceeds from our Christmas Bazaar to several non-profit organizations. This year, we will spotlight each organization and share how your contributions are being utilized. Our next spotlight is on CASA, to which we donated \$600 in 2024.

#### **CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate)**

CASA was established in 1977 by a Seattle Superior Court judge who, concerned by the limitations of an overwhelmed child welfare system, sought a better way to advocate for abused and neglected children. Believing that more personalized attention and thorough fact-gathering would lead to better outcomes, he began appointing community volunteers to represent the best interests of children in his courtroom.

Dallas CASA was launched in 1979 as one of three pilot programs. Originally named FOCAS (Foster Child Advocate Services), it was founded by the National Council of Jewish Women with support from the Edna McConnell Clark Foundation. Their inaugural class of volunteers graduated in 1980.

Today, judges appoint Dallas CASA volunteers to represent the best interests of abused and neglected children, working to ensure they find safe, permanent homes as quickly as possible. Their mission is to give these children in protective care the opportunity to thrive and succeed. With dedicated advocates by their side, they believe the cycle of abuse and neglect can be broken.

In 2024, 1,009 dedicated Dallas CASA volunteers were appointed to advocate for 2,042 children in protective care. Since CASA advocacy began, thousands of children have found safe, permanent homes thanks to the unwavering commitment of their volunteers.

CASA volunteers serve as a beacon of hope for children navigating the uncertainty of court proceedings. As they await decisions about their future living arrangements, advocates help them access vital services to begin healing from abuse. The insights and recommendations CASA volunteers provide not only support the child's well-being but also help accelerate court decisions, leading to better outcomes. For many children in protective care, a CASA volunteer is their one constant in a time of fear and confusion—offering stability, compassion, and the potential to change a life forever.

CASA volunteers complete 30 hours of initial training, followed by 12 hours of continuing education each year. Throughout the court process, each advocate is supported by a CASA staff supervisor who offers guidance and oversight to ensure the best outcomes for the children they serve.

#### **Ongoing Fundraising Event:**

##### **Parade of Playhouses**

**June 13-June 29.**

The 30th annual Dallas CASA Parade of Playhouses opens at NorthPark Center on Friday, June 13. Raffle tickets are available now!

You can help a child victim of abuse or neglect have a safe and permanent home by purchasing raffle tickets for \$5 each or 5 for \$20 for your chance to win a custom-designed playhouse.

If you are unable to accept a playhouse, please consider making a DONATION to Dallas CASA in lieu of purchasing raffle tickets.

**TICKETS SALES AT NORTHPARK CLOSE AT 3:00 P.M. ON SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 2025.**

**WINNING TICKETS WILL BE DRAWN AT 4:00 P.M. ON JUNE 29 and winners will be notified by phone.**

Dallas CASA celebrates the 30th anniversary of Parade of Playhouses presenting imaginative children's playhouses to help child victims of abuse or neglect on June 13-29 at NorthPark Center. For this annual, fun-filled community event, generous architects, builders, organizations corporations and individuals design, build and donate extraordinary children's playhouses to raise funds so that Dallas CASA can provide more volunteer advocates to protect children, restore their childhoods and help them reach their full potential.

During the 17-day event, raffle tickets for the opportunity to win a playhouse are sold and all proceeds from underwriting and raffle ticket sales benefit the children served by Dallas CASA.

For more information about CASA go to <https://www.dallascasa.org>.

## Monthly Activity Schedule

<b>BOOK CLUB</b>	4th Wednesday, 1:00 pm ( <i>Beverly Gibson 313-980-1285</i> )
<b>BRIDGE</b>	Open Daytime Bridge 2nd Wednesday, 10:00 am and the 4th Monday, 1:00 pm ( <i>Lynn Lackey 214-802-7063</i> ) Partner's Bridge, 1st Saturday 3:00 pm — ( <i>Bettye Behrens 469-261-5347</i> )
<b>BUNCO</b>	3rd Monday, 9:30 am ( <i>Barbara McComb 214-578-0848</i> ) 1st Thursday, 9:30 am ( <i>Sandy Roiger 972-223-4086</i> ) 1st Monday, 1:00 pm ( <i>Sharon Campbell 214-912-4484</i> )
<b>GAME NIGHT</b>	4th Saturday, 7:00 pm ( <i>Barbara McComb 214-578-0848</i> )
<b>GIRLS' DAY OUT</b>	As scheduled ( <i>Eileen Sexton 214-244-3048</i> )
<b>MAH JONGG</b>	Tuesdays, 1:00 pm ( <i>Barbara Copes 214-641-4148</i> ) Wednesdays, 1:00 pm ( <i>Beverly Gibson 313-980-1285</i> ) Fridays, 1:00 p.m. ( <i>Kathy Doyle 972-298-8804</i> ) Lessons: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays 12:30 pm ( <i>Linda DeCorte 214-641-7581</i> )
<b>MEXICAN TRAIN</b>	3rd Friday 12 noon ( <i>Laurie Hale 972-679-9413</i> ) 3rd Thursday 1:00 pm ( <i>Cindy McPherson or Earnie Ransom, 214-763-7130, 972-849-9911</i> ) Last Monday 12 noon ( <i>Bettye Behrens 469-261-5347</i> )
<b>THEATRE GROUP</b>	As scheduled ( <i>Helen Beggane 972-298-6168</i> )
<b>THE LUNCH BUNCH</b>	Once a month, day and time - inviter's choice ( <i>Beverly Gibson 313-980-1285</i> )
<b>QUILT GROUP</b>	2nd Tuesday 1:00-4:00 pm, Corner Square Quilts, 703 Cedar St., Cedar Hill ( <i>Claudia Klipp 972-467-5077</i> )



## Officers

<b>President:</b>	Sharon Ingram
<b>VP - Programs:</b>	Bonnie Rea Linda Bowman
<b>2nd VP Membership:</b>	Linda DeCorte Cindy McPherson
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Lynn Lackey
<b>Recording Secretary:</b>	Cathy Walton
<b>Parliamentarian :</b>	Leilani Salisbury
<b>Activities:</b>	Earnie Ransom
<b>Christmas Charity Bazaar:</b>	Edna Bolinger and Linda DeCorte
<b>Coffee:</b>	Luclare Hamby and Betty Layton
<b>Community Service:</b>	Barbara McComb and Caroline Sheppard
<b>Communications:</b>	T. Diaz
<b>Corresponding Secretary:</b>	Beverly Gibson
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<b>Newsletter:</b>	Cindy McPherson
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