

# ORGANIZATION OF FACULTY WIVES & WOMEN FACULTY



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## SAVE THE DATE:

The Fall Coffee will be held on Saturday morning, September 26, 2009 at the home of Anna Melnikov! Details as to exact time, and her address, will follow.

This is the last newsletter of the 2008-2009 season. Starting in the fall, we will be issuing the thirty-fifth volume of the newsletter, which means we have been in “news” business for thirty-five years! The officers who were installed at the Fall Luncheon on May 5 will be listed on the masthead starting in September. See later for a report on the Luncheon!

## BOOK CLUB REPORT

Our first order of business was to change the “week of the month” on which we will meet. Book Club will now be meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month, instead of on the 2<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month. The time will remain as before: 7 pm. Book Club is on “summer vacation” now until our first meeting in September – Monday, September 14, 2009.

After our discussion of May’s book (*Digging to America*, by Anne Tyler), the meeting became exceptionally spirited as we discussed our selections for the 2009-2010 academic year. It may amuse you to know that our method of selection consists of writing the names of books on 3 x 5 cards and throwing them into a hat so that the suggestor is anonymous. Each member present may put in the names of two books (or none if they choose). Then, without looking, selections are pulled out the hat. At this writing, the following books have been selected.

September 14, 2009

*This I Know is True*, by Wally Lamb  
(no location as yet)

October 12, 2009

*Heart of Darkness*, by Joseph Conrad  
and  
*Catcher in the Rye*, by J.D. Salinger

November 9, 2009

*The Attack*, by Jasmina Khadra

December 2009 No book due to holidays

January 11, 2010

*The Story of Edgar Sawtelle*, by David  
Wroblewski

February 8, 2010

*Loving Frank*, by Nancy Horan

Other books under consideration but not yet  
scheduled include:

*44 Scotland Street*, by Alexander McCall  
Smith

*The Sparrow*, by Mary Doria Russell

*The Prospector*, by J.M.G. Le Clezio

*The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie  
Society*, by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie  
Barrows

*White Tiger*, by Aravind Adiga

*The Women*, by T.C. Boyle

*To Kill a Mockingbird*, by Harper Lee

*Huckleberry Finn*, by Mark Twain

Picture on the right: Development Office Personnel:  
L-R: Mary Stevenson, Elizabeth Frantz, Donald Meade,  
Melinda Carter, Karyn Ullman, and Kevin Dillon

## Picture Report on the May 2009 luncheon



Our new Executive Committee was installed at the May luncheon. L-R, Dana Davies (Secretary), Gerlind Wolinsky (Vice-President), Sharon Faro (Treasurer), Becky Hunter (Membership), Vicki Rosenstein, (President) and Donna Buja (Past President). Absent: Andrea Walters, Program Chair



Presidents Row: Donna Buja and Vicki Rosenstein (out-going and incoming Presidents of the FW&WF) flank the new UT Health Science Center President Dr. Larry Kaiser, who gave an inspiring talk about the present and future of the whole Health Sciences Center.



Mary Cole (Administration) and Anna Steinberger, Professor Emerita, Dept of OB-Gyn.



## Addendum to the June, 2009 Newsletter of the Organization of Faculty Wives and Women Faculty. UT Houston Medical School

### Another spring, another Successful FWWF Spring Luncheon.

More than 80 people attended this year's luncheon, held on May 5 at The Briar Club. Dr. Larry Kaiser, the new President of the UT Houston Health Science Center was the featured speaker. He not only provided an overview of the Science Center's many accomplishments but was willing to answer questions about his impressions of Texas, including barbecue. Dr. Giuseppe Colasurdo, Dean, described the importance of student scholarships and the school's gratitude for our Doris Simon Fund. FWWF President Donna Buja announced that this year's fundraiser, the No Go Gala, has brought in generous contributions totaling approximately \$6500 at this point. Please respond to the No Go invitation if you haven't already and help us continue building our scholarship endowment and attracting top students to our school.

Many thanks to Donna Buja for organizing the luncheon and to Cathy Weisbrodt and Harriet Schultz for their assistance. Everyone loves the "evites" Cathy creates! Much appreciation goes to Claire Lindsay and Mollie Meagher of the Medical School's Development Office for the beautiful luncheon programs and for overseeing many organizational details that helped everything run smoothly. Thanks also to UT Physicians for supplying the novel pill containers filled with....orange M & Ms. There were many hilarious guesses about what those orange things were: Viagra? Birth control pills? Blood pressure meds? Swine flu meds?

We had tremendous support from the School's administration. Special thanks to Mary Cole, the Dean's assistant, for her continuing help over many years and to Drs. Kaiser, Colasurdo, Max Buja, Stanley Schultz, Patricia Butler, and the Development Office for buying tables. Our luncheon has become quite the hot ticket!

Now it's on to a new year with President Vicki Rosenstein, Vice-President Gerlind Wolinsky, Secretary Dana Davies, Treasurer Sharon Faro, Membership Chair Becky Hunter, and Program Chair Andrea Walters. See you in September!