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### THE GARDENING & OUTDOOR ISSUE

### PLAYING IN THE DIRT WITH ALAN CASH

### Cindy Miller

The gardening edition of our newsletter features Alan Cash. Alan has been writing the gardening column for many years. Our readers look forward to his ideas and information regarding ways to help our plants and gardens thrive.

Alan has lived most of his life in the San Antonio area. After graduation from Brackenridge High School, he attended San Antonio College for two years before earning a degree in Financial Management and Accounting from St. Mary's University. After his college graduation, he proudly served in the United States Army in the Army audit division. His military service began with basic training assignment in the Oakland Army terminal and living in San Francisco. He distinctly remembers the "clang, clang" of the street cars during his time in San Francisco. The beautiful weather and sites are also fond memories of his time in California. He finished his two-year army commitment in Seoul, Korea.

Upon leaving the army, he continued his work

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in the Army audit division as a civil servant.

A reduction in force led him to a career with

the Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

As a resident of King William, Alan was fortu-

nate enough to be able to walk to work most



Alan Cash in Front of his King William Home on Mission Street.

days. His time at HUD took him to many areas of Texas from Waco to the Valley. Working in Pharr San Juan, McAllen, and Laredo gave him the opportunity to meet very nice people. Alan tells the story of the time he returned to

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The mission of the King William Association is to promote the health and welfare of the King William neighborhood by preserving the historic and residential nature of the neighborhood and fostering educational, recreational, and cultural activities.

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### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

### Shawn Campbell

With the start of 2023, the KWA Board has five new board members. We are going to try and have in-person board meetings, although zooming will always be available if someone is sick or traveling. To that end, I wanted to remind the membership there is time set aside at the beginning of the meeting for "Citizens to be Heard." This was also available during our Zoom board meetings but not used too often this past year. If you would like to "be heard" please discuss with Executive Director Lisa Lynde for placement on the agenda. Secondly, if you haven't already done so, please renew your membership. Third, our committees continue to work to fulfill the KWA mission statement and this year I hope we will be able to have historic street signs for Nathan and Arsenal, implement a money making walking audio tour of the neighborhood, develop a homeowner's assistance fund for small repairs to preserve the historic housing stock and keep owners in their homes, and this is the year for the Holiday Home Tour. If you are intrigued with any of these projects please contact me or Lisa. Finally, I hope to have each board member do a brief article for the newsletter so we get to know them better. And, the KWA Fair work is already underway!

: FEBRUARY	EVENTS ······
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1 KWA General Membership Meeting	15 KWA Board Meeting
6 Architectural Advisory Committee Meeting	16 KWA Neighbor Night
15 Historic & Design Review Commission Meeting	20 Architectural Advisory Committee Meeting

### **BOARD BRIEFS:**

At the January 18 Board Meeting, Fair Director John Costello gave progress updates for the 2023 Fair. Henry Rosales with Americas Walking Club gave a presentation to the Board for the February 19-26, 2023 event in San Antonio. John Doski briefed the Board on the noise abatement issues from this past year. Executive Director Lisa Lynde updated the Board on employee benefits. President Shawn Campbell spoke on the various committees for the new year. Committee members from the Architectural Advisory Committee, Cultural Arts Committee, Membership Committee, and Nominating Committee, all reported active and engaged work in support of the KWA.

Tina Garza, Board Secretary



## **General Membership Meeting**

### February 1 6:30 p.m. KWA Office 122 Madison St.

The General Membership Meeting will feature Henry Rosales, President & CEO of AVA-America's Walking Club. Henry will present information about the upcoming 18th IVV Olympiad and Texas Trail Roundup from February 19-26 in San Antonio, including the King William Community Walk through the King William neighborhood!

Join us! We'll have hot beverages ready for you!



FREE and open to the public!

### **KWA NEIGHBOR NIGHT**



ALL are invited to Neighbor Night at the KWA Office!

Visit with KW neighbors and welcome new neighbors! Please bring your favorite finger food to share!

### **Thursday, February 16**

6-7:30 p.m.

# 14th Annual HISTORIC FAIR HOMEOWNER FAIR Saturday, Feb 11, 2023 10:00am - 2:00pm

### TriPoint Event Center 3233 N St Mary's St, San Antonio

The Historic Homeowner Fair brings together owners and occupants of aging and historic homes with local professionals, services, and solutions for home care, maintenance, and restoration.

Visit SApreservation.com for more information!

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an office 10 years later along the border and was greeted by name. The young lady reminded him that an accountant with the last name of Cash is hard to forget.

After retiring from HUD, he spent about 10 years running a bed and breakfast first on Madison Street and later Stieren Street. Guests were asked to give him a list of food items and he would stock their pantry with items requested during their stay. He would often provide a light continental breakfast of coffee or pastries. Most of the guests who visited San Antonio were eager to start their days seeing the sites of San Antonio or trying some of the world-famous Mexican food. One of the perks of hosting guests is you meet very interesting people from around the world. One of his most interesting guests was a pilot from North Umberland, England. The pilot's wife warned Alan that her husband dressed uniquely for breakfast and sure enough he showed up with a long coat, hat, and other western accessories. They were so excited to visit neighboring Bandera to hear their beloved country western music and wanted nothing more than to square dance in Texas.

Alan currently resides on Mission Street in a house owned by his family. He was able to oversee the remodeling project and his craftsman style home has so many of the details and architectural designs our neighborhood is known for. He has siblings that live in California, and he is eager to visit them soon. Traveling by train is his favorite way to get to California, and the train stop is conveniently located near to his sister's residence.

As the neighborhood changes and new people arrive, he hopes that residents will get involved in the King William Association. According to him, getting involved gives residents pride in their community and a voice in the way we work to keep our part of the city beautiful. In addition to writing his monthly column, he has served as a former board member and treasurer in the King William Association. One of his favorite projects was the tree planting program a few years ago. The board came up with the idea, and he along with Mary Ann Ohlenbusch and others serving on the committee, helped to plant over 500 trees in the neighborhood. The trees were donated from the city nursery and later purchased with funds from the KWA and Lavaca neighborhood associations. Hundreds of Oaks, Cedar, Elm, and Sycamore trees were planted in areas "needing trees" between sidewalks and curbs with the owner's permission. The committee would maintain the trees for up to two years hoping the owners would then take over the watering duties.

Alan hopes his monthly column is a place readers can find ideas for seasonal planting and ways to care for their plants. He encourages residents to take the time to research what plants thrive in our climate. Native plants not only conserve water and money, but are also beautiful and require little maintenance

In closing, he recommends the following three, easy to grow, hard to kill, little water needed plants that can immediately add color and beauty to our yards: Lantana, Firebush, and Esparanza. Another recommendation for residents who struggle keeping their grass green with regular water restrictions, why not plant ground cover instead? Ground cover such as Asian Jasmine requires very little water yet stays green year-round with little maintenance or mowing needed.

Alan's love for "playing in the dirt" is one he shares with many residents. Readers are encouraged to contact him if they have any gardening questions or would like to share their ideas for keeping our neighborhood beautiful!

### KING WILLIAM FAIR ADMISSION ON SALE NOW



Advance General Admission is \$20 for ages 12 and up, and children 11 and under enter FREE. Buy early, the General Admission price will increase from \$20 to \$25 on Fair Day.

Advance General Admission can be purchased online ONLY at <u>https://www.kwfair.org/p/admission</u>. Fairgoers must bring their online purchase confirmation to the event as Admission wristbands will not be used this year. No exchanges or refunds, and the event is rain or shine. Day of the Fair General Admission can also be purchased at an Admission Gate for \$25.

The King William Fair is Saturday, April 29 from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.



### **CONTEMPORARY AT BLUE STAR**

#### Daniela Oliver de Portillo



INSTALLATION VIEW. IMAGE C/O CROW MUSEUM OF ASIAN ART, IMAGE CREDIT Chadwick Redmon.

Take a break from your gardening activities to visit Contemporary at Blue Star. We are blooming this month, with the recent announcement of a \$500,000 gift from the Kronkosky Charitable Foundation and the opening of the exhibition JooYoung Choi: Songs of Resilience from the Tapestry of Faith.

Last month, we proudly announced a momentous gift of \$500,000 from the Kronkosky Charitable Foundation, the largest financial contribution in our 36-year history. This grant ensures the Contemporary will continue to grow and flourish as we engage the public in the discussion of important social and cultural issues through its thought-provoking exhibitions, educational programs, and public events for audiences of all ages.

**CULTURAL ARTS COMMITTEE** 

Coming events courtesy of the Cultural Arts Committee • All events are FREE and open to the public of all ages

#### March 9

Women's History Month: Dr. Amy M. Porter, Professor of History at Texas A&M University-S. A. where she teaches classes on early America and Texas, will talk about "Mary Maverick and Her Accounts of 19th Century S.A. & Texas" - 7 p.m. at The Mennonite Church, 1443 S. St. Mary's St.

#### April 6

Author Paul Allen will discuss his biography of Jack Kent, local cartoonist, and prolific author-illustrator of 40 children's books

#### June 8

Opening of Art Exhibit featuring artist Terry Ybanez

#### September 14

Opening of Art Exhibit featuring artist Doerte Weber

The Contemporary will use this generous contribution for the growth of its youth arts education programs, technological infrastructure, and organizational capacity. Our Student Artist Program, MOSAIC, will benefit immensely from this gift as it will be renovated and transformed into a welcoming, multi-use hub for MOSAIC and community arts education programs.

A new exhibition, JooYoung Choi: Songs of Resilience from the Tapestry of Faith, opens on February 3, 2023. Through painting, video, sculpture, animation, music, and installation art, multidisciplinary world builder JooYoung Choi documents the interconnecting narratives of a highly-structured, expansive, fictional land she has created and titled the Cosmic Womb. In her work, she explores issues of identity, belonging, trauma, and resilience through the sci-fi/fantasy genre, inspired by the media of her childhood and her ongoing research on identity and the media representation of girls, women, intersex, transgender, and non-binary people of color. JooYoung Choi: Songs of Resilience from the Tapestry of Faith was originally organized by the Crow Museum of Asian Art of The University of Texas at Dallas and curated by Jacqueline Chao.

Save the date for three new exhibitions opening on March 3: Hiromi Stringer: New reports for the Umeyama Time Teleportation Museum (UTTM); Juan de Dios Mora and Zeke Peña; and People's Homes: Emily Fitzgerald and Molly Sherman

For more information about these exhibitions and the artists, please visit the Contemporary at Blue Star's website at www.contemporarysa.org.

### Mark Your Calendars!

#### March 26

Concert in the Park featuring Mitch Webb & the Swindles

#### April 16

Concert in the Park featuring Agarita Chamber Players

#### May 21

Concert in the Park featuring Mariachi Damas de Jalisco

#### September 17

Concert in the Park featuring Dirty River Jazz Band

#### October 22

Concert in the Park featuring Youth Orchestra of S.A.

#### **November 12**

Concert in the Park TBA

### MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

## **KING WILLIAM ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM**

### $\Box {\rm SIGN}$ me up or renew my dues to be a kwa member in 2023

Dues for 2023 were payable by January 15 in order to receive complimentary King William Fair admission and be included in the printed directory. We nominate voting members in good standing to serve on the Board of Directors and nominating committee. A voting member must be current with annual dues 30 calendar days prior to any vote. The membership year runs January 1 to December 31. Dues may be paid any time but will not be prorated. The King William Association is a nonprofit 501(c)(3).

### **VOTING MEMBERS: Select a category:**

□Individual (\$30/1 vote) □Patron (\$75) □Benefactor (\$250) □Business/Organization (\$50/1 vote)
□Family (\$40/2 votes)
□Lifetime (\$1,000)

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□Individual (Free) □Family (Free) □Business/Organization (Free)

### INDIVIDUAL NAME(S):\_\_\_

(For voting business members, list the designated person and alternate who may cast a vote.)

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**SECONDARY PHONE** (with area code): Thome Cell Work

E-MAIL ADDRESS(ES):\_\_\_\_\_

VOTING MEMBERS: Would you like your email address(es) listed in the Directory? □Yes □No

WEBSITE ADDRESS (for businesses):\_\_\_\_\_

### ARE YOU WILLING TO SERVE ON THE...

□Architectural Advisory □Board □Cultural Arts □Home Tour □King William Fair □Newsletter Committee □Other:\_\_\_\_\_

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Please fill out the KWA membership form above and mail to the KWA office. You may also drop your KWA membership form in the mail slot in the door facing Madison (not the parking lot entrance). You may also email us at info@ourkwa.org. or you may become a KWA member online by going to <u>https://www.ourkwa.org/membership-join.</u>

Renew your membership today or join King William Association for the first time! The membership year begins in January, but it is never too late to renew or join.

The more numerous and diverse our members the more powerful our voice in the effort to advance the KWA mission of preserving and protecting our historic residential environment. We encourage you to become involved in the work of KWA and to participate in KWA sponsored events that offer an opportunity to strenghten a sense of belonging by building relationships with neighbors. Your membership offers other benefits in the form of discounts on KWA merchandise and at businesses in the area.

Equally important, your membership helps support KWA programs, including the King William Fair!

Joining for the first time or renewing your membership is quick, easy and secure online by visiting our website at <u>www.ourkwa.org</u>.

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Shawn Campbell KWA Board President









# FORMULARIO PARA MEMBRESÍA DE LA ASOCIÁCIÓN

### □ FAVOR DE ACTIVAR O RENOVAR MI MEMBRESÍA DE KWA PARA EL 2023

Para recibir la entrada gratuita a King William Fair y ser incluido en el guía impreso, favor de pagar la cuota antes del 15 de enero del 2023. Solamente, se nominan miembros activos para servir en la Mesa Directiva y el comité de nominaciones. Para poder votar, el mismo debe estar al día con las cuotas anuales 30 días corridos antes de cada votación. La membresía es efectiva del 1 de enero al 31 de diciembre. La cuota se puede pagar en cualquier momento, pero no se prorrateará. La Asociación King William es una organización sin fines de lucro 501(c)(3).

### MIEMBROS CON DERECHO A VOTO: Seleccione una categoría:

□Individual (\$30/1 voto) □Patrocinador (\$75) □Benefactor (\$250) Empresa/Organización (\$50/1 voto)
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(Para los miembros empresariales con derecho a voto, indique la persona designada para votar y el respectivo suplente.)

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Por favor llene el formulario y envíelo por correo a la oficina de KWA. También puede depositarlo en la ranura de la puerta que da a Madison (no en la entrada del estacionamiento). También puede enviarla por correo electrónico a <u>info@ourkwa.org</u>, o puede activar su membresía en línea en <u>https://www.ourkwa.org/membership-join.</u>



February 2 is Ground Hog Day. Since 1887, Pennsylvania's Punxsutawney Phil has announced spring's arrival. According to tradition, if a ground hog sees its shadow on this day, there will be six more weeks of winter. If it does not, then spring is right around the corner. Only time will tell.

Valentine's Day, February 14, for many gardeners is the time to get ready for spring gardening. Perennials, plants that grow from year to year, can be trimmed to promote new growth, even if they have not frozen back. These plants found in many gardens include: Esparanza, Firebush, Lantana, Mexican Honeysuckle, Mexican Petunia, Philippine Violet, Plumbago, Shrimp, Salvias, Thryallis, and Turk's Cap. Cut them back to about six to 10 inches tall.

To encourage spring flowers, shrub roses should be cut back by about half. Climbing roses are an exception because they bloom on prior year's growth. They can be trimmed after they have finished blooming in late spring.

Mountain Laurel also bloom on prior year's growth so trim them after their spring blooming.

Nurseries will soon be getting annual bedding plants and shrubs. Early March is typically the time of our latest freezing weather, so beware of setting out tender plants too soon.

Fertilize lawns and flower beds now if it has been two to three months since the last application using an organic granular fertilizer found at many local nurseries. Organic fertilizers do not have to be watered in immediately after application. Some local nurseries to shop are:

Ever Green Garden 922 W. Hildebrand

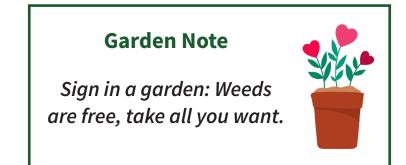
Rainbow Gardens 2585 Thousand Oaks

Fanick's Nursery 1025 Holmgreen Rd. Shades of Green 334 W. Sunset

### TIPS:

<u>Dirtdoctor.com</u> is a good website for gardening information.

A long handled screwdriver will slide easily into moist soil. If it does not go down about six inches, it is time to water.



### **REASONS FOR NOT TOPPING CRAPEMYRTLES**

### Greg Grant, Tyler Morning Telegraph

And so, it begins: Crapemyrtle butchering season. The only pruning crapemyrtles ever need (if at all) is thinning the trunks as they are developing to the desired permanent number, removing suckers as they sprout at the base, and cutting out dead wood and crossing or rubbing branches. That's it. As with all trees in our landscapes, they should never be topped or heavily pruned. Here's why.

**1. Pruning crapemyrtles late in the year decreases cold hardiness.** Let's not soon forget the freeze damage inflicted on many crapemyrtles in the past.

2. Topping crapemyrtles causes them to sucker more at the base leading to more work to remove the unwanted sprouts. The ultimate goal is to have a permanent number of trunks (odd numbers like 3, 5 or 7 look best) with no more topping.

**3. Hack jobs on crapemyrtles costs money.** Crews don't cut and haul crapemyrtle branches for free and the fuel used for the equipment isn't cheap or environmentally friendly. I suspect crapemyrtle bark scale is spread tree to tree and neighborhood to neighborhood by pruning equipment and trailers as well.

**4. Cutting and hauling crapemyrtles is lots of work.** I've had shoulder surgery, two neck surgeries, back surgery, and four hip surgeries. I'm certainly not looking for things to bend over and pick up!

**5.** If your crapemyrtle grows too big for the space you have it in, then you have the wrong cultivar and should remove it entirely instead of chopping on it annually. Some are bushes and some are trees. They range in ultimate heights from 3-30 feet. Plant varieties accordingly.

6. Topping crapemyrtles produces a plethora of new shoots and narrow crotch angles for pesky crapemyrtle bark scale to hide and overwinter in. Crapemyrtle bark scale also likes to feed on new growth and callus tissue induced by pruning.



7. Crapemyrtles have some of the most beautiful trunks and branching structure of any ornamental tree that we grow. A crapemyrtle never pruned will always be prettier than one that is maimed. The standard aesthetic rule of thumb is two-thirds upper branches and one-third lower trunks. Topping produces the opposite.

8. Cutting crapemyrtles back severely produces long sappy growth that flops and droops when they bloom. It also delays the bloom time.

**9. Topping crapemyrtles isn't recommended by any expert** or gardening publication in the world, with all agreeing that it's bad for the tree and unattractive.

**10. If your crapemyrtle has been horribly scarred by "crape murder," cut it to the ground in early spring** and watch how fast it grows back. Wait one year then select the number of permanent trunks you want.

### **MEMBERSHIP HAS ITS REWARDS!**

### SHOW YOUR KWA MEMBERSHIP CARD AND GET REWARDED!

Being a member of the oldest historic district in Texas has its rewards! When you become a member of the King William Association you are awarded with an official King William Membership Card to use at various businesses to receive discounts! Members will soon receive their 2023 Membership Card to use at the locations listed below. Thanks to our members for helping the King William Association preserve the historic nature of the King William neighborhood and thanks to our Business Sponsors who reward our members for their support!

<u>Blue Star Contemporary Art Museum:</u> \$10 off BSC's Friends & Family Annual Membership

Caliente Hot Glass: 10% off gallery pieces

Energy X Fitness: 10% off all products & services

Halcyon Coffee, Bar, Lounge: 10% off total purchase

Iron Clad Metal Roofing: Deductible discounts available

MBS Fitness, Yoga, & Pilates: 10% off membership

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF CONFETTI**

Pharm Table: 10% off total purchase (excluding Happy Hour)

San Antonio BCycle: 20% off total purchase

San Antonio's Gourmet Olive Oils: 10% off total purchase

SANA Wellness & Health: 10% off total purchase

Sexology Institute and Boutique: 10% off total purchase

Small Planet eBikes: 10% off Bicycle Tune Up

South Alamode Panini & Gelato Company: 15% off total purchase

Stella Public House: 10% off total purchase

Sweat Equity Infrared Saunas: 10% off total purchase

The Guenther House River Mill Store: 15% off total purchase





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Confetti may be small, but using it can have big consequences. Traditional confetti—the kind you'll find at most stores and online—is made of polyvinyl chloride (PVC) and other plastics. According to experts, it can take 1,000 years to break down, meaning that quick burst of fun can leave an impact on the planet for a really long time.

Confetti isn't just polluting the environment—it's also harming wildlife. Animals may be attracted to the shine that comes off the plastic pieces and wind up eating it. It can also end up in rivers and **10 kwa newsletter** 

oceans, putting fish and other marine life at risk. According to National Geographic, when these little pieces of plastic collect in an animal's stomach, it can cause them to die of starvation.

So every time someone is using traditional confetti at an event, they're really just throwing microplastics into the environment.

Unlike traditional confetti cannons, the Wildflower Seed Paper Cannon leaves no plastic waste behind. Instead, it "pops" out seed paper can-

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF CONFETTI**

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nons that grow into beautiful wildflowers that can benefit the pollinators in your area. Each includes three different types: Black-eyed Susans, cockscomb, and sesame flowers.

Or, if you'd rather make your own eco-friendly confetti, a DIY project to try is using something you already have in your backyard: leaves.

Leaf confetti is super easy to make, inexpensive, and totally planet-friendly. If you have a big event coming up, you could even invite some friends over to help speed up the process.

#### How to Make DIY Confetti Using Leaves

What You'll Need: Leaves Hole punch

Threw plastic confetti into the air, releasing microplastics



Punches out biodegradable confetti made from leaves

#### Instructions:

1. Collect your leaves off the ground. Try to find many different colors.

- 2. Use a hole punch to punch confetti out of your leaves.
  - 3. Collect your confetti in a container.
  - 4. Use it whenever the opportunity strikes!

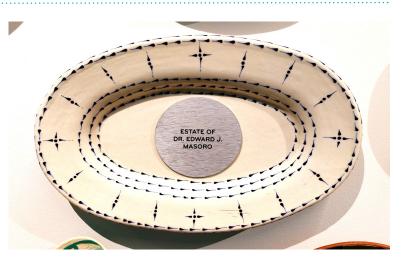
### **ED MASORO'S LEGACY**

#### Bill Cogburn

He was a quiet modest man, a bit on the shy side. Never made splashy headlines, but in the field of medicine, he was a giant. During his lifetime, Dr. Edward Masoro became a world renowned pioneer in research of the biology of ageing. He created the scientific framework and laid the foundation that has enabled UT Health Science San Antonio to become internationally recognized as a center of excellence for ageing research and training.

Ed and his wife Bobbie were among the intrepid pioneers who were brave enough to put their money and hearts into a neglected, rundown neighborhood called King William. They bought and meticulously restored the Herman Schuchard House at 221 E. Guenther in 1973. As Ed gained recognition for his contribution to the science of Ageing Studies, he was in demand to lecture in cities all over the world. Bobbie often accompanied him on many of these trips.

In 1996, Ed semi-retired and they sold their house in King William and indulging Bobbie's dream, moved to Charleston SC, "South of Broad." After a few years in Charleston, Bobbie's health began to deteriorate so they moved back to King William to be among friends and familiar health facilities. All the while, Ed continued to keep an office at the UT Health Science Center. It is a cruel irony that with Ed's lifelong study of diseases relating to ageing that his wife would succumb to Alzheimer's. Bobbie died in 2016; Ed, four years later in 2020.



Recently, Roz and I were among Ed's friends and colleagues who were invited to the opening of the new Campus of Grace – Meals on Wheels just off Nacogdoches and Loop 410 where they will soon be preparing and delivering 10,000 meals a day. Looking to the future, their facilities have the capacity to prepare three times that many.

When we arrived at the center, the first thing we saw was prominent lettering on one of the new building announcing that it was the Ed & Bobbie Masoro Alzheimer's Center. Families who have a member suffering from dementia can take them to this facility for the day to enjoy companionship, participate in activities and have a nutritious meal.

Ed Masoro's will provided the funding to build this center to honor his dear wife, Bobbie, and also as a gift to the citizens of San Antonio.

Thank you Ed for your generosity!

### NANCY BUSCH PRICE 1933-2022



Maybe once in a lifetime we hope to be lucky enough to know a larger than life person up close. Nancy Busch Price was so spectacular that the world feels substantially dimmer now after her passing on November 27, 2022.

Born on December 16, 1933 in Buffalo, New York, to Edna and Arthur Busch, Nancy was her parents' late-in-life child who lit up the world from the beginning. She attended Marywood Catholic school through 8th grade and Evanston Township High School in Evanston, Illinois, where her keen mind and unquenchable spirit developed while riding a tricycle down a flight of steps, sneaking around with her high school boyfriend John Price, and honing her strong sense of social justice and her talent for mathematics and accounting.

Upon high school graduation, Nancy attended Colorado College and then transferred to Northwestern University, from which she graduated in 1956. Smart as a whip, she was able to knit during lectures and still retain all the material from her classes while earning a degree in Economics.

Nancy married John Price in Holland and traveled throughout Europe on their extended honeymoon. They then lived in Colorado Springs, Riverside, Knoxville, and Amarillo, Texas. After the arrival of their four children Christopher, Rebecca, Scott, and Jennifer, they settled in San Antonio in 1965 where Nancy lived ever since.

Nancy not only reared all the children and the various family pets, but she also was a continuously active member of Delta Gamma sorority alumnae and the League of Women Voters for her entire life. She was a volunteer at her children's schools, Cub Scout den mother for Chris and Scott, and sewed costumes for Becky's synchronized swimming events and doll clothes for Jennifer's stuffed animals. She knitted scores of hats, sweaters, and afghans for everyone in the family.

Unlike many busy women of the 1960s and later who took advantage of convenience foods, Nancy was a consummate chef who lovingly prepared gourmet dishes and exquisite desserts from scratch, making each meal a joyful family affair and serving dinner by candlelight every night. She hosted countless dinners and parties at which all family and friends were welcome; a Thanksgiving dinner of 30 or more people was typical.

Like her sister, one of the few female medical doctors of her generation, Nancy, too, was a trailblazer. In 1970, Nancy and John began a self-storage business at the beginning of the industry. They managed up to 13 separate facilities, and Nancy did the accounting for all of them up to the last weeks of her life. She was a savvy businesswoman whose work ethic sustained her long after a typical retirement age.

Nancy's home was the center of numerous celebrations during the King William Fair, where visitors enjoyed the band playing on her front porch. Her family volunteered to manage the Add Up Dart booth at NIOSA for over 50 years. She read widely, was always ready to discuss politics, loved camping and the symphony, enjoyed the family cabin on the Guadalupe River, and traveled to destinations including Peru, Syria, Indonesia, Turkey, Malawi, South Africa, and Canada well into her 80s. She hosted dozens of foreign students in her home for months at a time and maintained lifelong friends all over the world. One of those students was Craig Humphreys, who came from South Africa with the American Field Service program in 1975-76 and became a member of the family.

Nancy's infectious laugh and genuine interest in people and the world made everyone feel as though anything was possible. Called Mom by many, many dear friends in addition to her own children, she was the matriarch who inspired us all, and we are deeply blessed to have had her in our lives.

Nancy is survived by her children Becky Hammond and husband Kris, Scott Emerson-Price and wife Carrie, Jennifer Price and wife Melinda, daughter-in-law Nancy Nobles Price, and Craig Webster-Humphreys and wife Kerry. She doted on her nine grandchildren: Walker Hammond, Nigel Hammond, Carl Emerson-Price, Blake Emerson-Price, Anna Naim, Emma Price, Liam Price, Sydney Humphreys, and Simon Humphreys. She is also survived by three great-grandchildren, Lucas Hammond, Jolene Emerson-Price, and Adalyn Emerson-Price, along with a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, close friends, and honorary children and grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her sister Grace Blech, and her son Christopher Knox Price. In honoring her life and legacy, the family asks that donations be made to the ACLU, Texas Public Radio, KLRN, or Planned Parenthood in lieu of flowers. Most of all, we hope all are inspired to live by her example of carpe diem, spiritedness, lifelong learning, laughter, and love.