

# Stonebridge Ranch Ladies Association

*Newsletter - November 2008*

*Upcoming Meeting:  
Monday, November 10th  
7:00 p.m.*

*Design Collection and Posy Lane  
Downtown McKinney on the Square  
Please join us for a fun evening and  
bring a friend if you'd like!*

*We're starting at Design Collection, 116 N. Tennessee  
(corner of Tennessee and Virginia) then going around the corner to  
Posy Lane on Louisiana.*

## A message from the President:

Hi Ladies! What a fabulous meeting we had in October! The ladies of SRLA enjoyed an evening of shopping, wine and appetizers at Nan Lee Jewelry and our fashion show partner, True Rumors. A big thank you to Nancy Slight and Justine Lord for opening their lovely stores to us. The ADORABLE Cade Ford was on-hand to put smiles on our faces as the 9year old talked about the beneficial therapies he's received from A Child Can Do All Things. And WOW, were you girls generous, raising over \$300 so more children will benefit from the treatments Cade has been receiving! Way to go!!! I am so proud to be involved in an organization like ours! November at Design Collection is always one of my favorite meetings. Lori and Pat always make us feel so welcome and give us such wonderful ideas to make the holidays so special in our homes. I'm really excited this year, as we're adding a short walk around the corner to Posy Lane. I love this store! Kerrie is fantastic, and I know you'll enjoy our visit there. We're all going to be ready to welcome the holidays after our meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup>! See you then. Blessings, Wendy  
PS Be sure you sign up for your Angel Tree angel on the 10<sup>th</sup> too, or contact Melanie Hedrick [m.hedrick@sbcglobal.net](mailto:m.hedrick@sbcglobal.net) if you won't be at the meeting but want to participate.

***"You have not lived until you have done something for someone who can never repay you"***

**Big winners!** At the monthly SRLA meetings, door prizes are given away to lucky ticket holders. This year, your chances of winning are even better because tickets will only be given to ladies who participate in donating to that month's outreach. November's outreach will be the very deserving CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) [www.casaofcollincounty.org](http://www.casaofcollincounty.org). Please bring a toy for their holiday toy drive. Also, we will be collected gently used coats for the "One Coat Drive".

## *A letter from Communities in Schools:*

Dear Jan,

I would like to take the time to thank you and the Association for the kind donation that will help our students to participate in the Breakfast Club and Self Esteem group. Your kind donation makes a difference in the lives of several learners. Our organization, Communities In Schools Dallas Region, appreciates the thoughtfulness and effort that was given to our students at Burks. We are always so grateful to all donors! Because of people like you, we are able to assist our families in many ways. Thanks for making a difference in those students at risk of failure, and helping them to stay in school, achieve academically, and become productive members of our communities.

Sincerely,

*Eva Madera*

CISDR Campus Manager  
Burks Elementary 469-742-6230

## **Save the Date!!!**

### **SRLA Fashion Show**

Save the date of March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009 for the SRLA Fashion Show featuring styles from Stonebridge's own True Rumors and benefiting My Friend's House. More details to be announced later!

### **Also about town ...**

SRLA is selling tickets for \$5 each to the Belk Charity Shopping day November 15, just in time for Christmas shopping! We need help selling them. The proceeds of each ticket sold goes directly to SRLA and our general assistance fund. The \$5 ticket allows shoppers to enter the store early on that day, 20%-50% off just about everything in the store, entry into a \$1000 shopping spree and they get their \$5 back on their first purchase! It's a win-win for everyone. Please consider buying one, or buy several and give them to friends, clients, your family!

### **St. Gabriel's 8<sup>th</sup> Holiday Boutique**

Calling all arts and crafts enthusiasts! Saint Gabriel the Archangel Catholic Community in McKinney will be holding its 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Boutique on Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup> in their spacious community center from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. All items must be handcrafted and homemade. Booth spaces are \$75/10 x 10 space, and \$50/5x10 space. Electricity and tables are extra

charge. For vendor info, contact Donna at 972-396-9255 or email [holidayboutiq@yahoo.com](mailto:holidayboutiq@yahoo.com). See website at [www.stgabriel.org/specialevents](http://www.stgabriel.org/specialevents)

### **SUMC Holiday Bazaar**

Mark your calendars now for the first annual Holiday Bazaar benefiting the Bridge Kids Children's ministry at Stonebridge Methodist Church on Saturday, **November 15**, from 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. in the Robertson Activity Center. Vendor applications are currently being accepted. For more information, contact Erin Chumley at [efchumley@yahoo.com](mailto:efchumley@yahoo.com)

### **Webb Elementary Craft Fair at McKinney North**

Also on November 15, the Webb Elementary Craft Fair at McKinney North High School from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 pm. Enjoy, food, fun and shopping. Have your picture taken with Santa. No admission fee. Bring a new toy for Santa's Helper Toy drive sponsored by WFAA channel 8. Vendor applications are currently being accepted. For more information, contact SHEILAH @ 972-542-7198 or [gsmkrogers@gmail.com](mailto:gsmkrogers@gmail.com)

### **Zin Zen Charity wine & cheese tastings**

Did you know Zin Zen has charity wine and cheese tastings on Tuesday nights? \$5 dollars of every tasting will go to the charity of the month! January '09 will be SRLA month!

### **Golf Tournament benefiting CASA**

**November 6, 7, 8, and 9** at Craig Ranch golf course. CASA needs volunteers to direct people where to park at this big event. Tournament planners are expecting anywhere from 3000 to 8000 cars. If you or someone you know would like to help out, there will be 2 shifts - 7 a.m. to 11 and 11 to 3 p.m. each day with "directing lessons" available at the beginning of each shift. There will be a police presence to help and husbands are invited to help as well. Anyone volunteering is asked to call Susie Addison, 972-569-2272 (the CASA number) to sign up for shifts!

### **Volunteer Opportunity**

The North Texas History Center in downtown McKinney is looking for volunteers to help with education programs. If you have any mornings available to work with 2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade children, please contact Kate O'Donnell at [www.northtexashistorycenter.org](http://www.northtexashistorycenter.org).

### **Let's Support the Supporters of SRLA!**

Moms Out Loud (<http://www.MomsOutLoud.com>) is a new web community for local Moms in the north Dallas area. It provides a weekly newsletter with tips on local activities for Moms and kids, and sponsors FREE events for Moms to be

able to take a break and connect with each other. In October, they launched their full website, FREE to Moms, with a directory of local Mom- and kid-businesses complete with reviews from member Moms, a searchable calendar of local events so Moms can quickly find activities they are interested in, a directory of local Mom's and women's organizations and clubs, and a discussion group area where Moms can talk with each other on parenting topics of interest. To sign up for the newsletter and early site access, please go to <http://www.MomsOutLoud.com>

Moms Out Loud's founder and "Chief Executive Mom" is Rebekah Cooksey, a Plano mother of 2 young boys (3 yrs old and 1 yr old). She recently left a corporate VP job after a stint as the president of the company's Women's Network helped her find her true passion - connecting and supporting women. You can read more about her on her blog, [www.MyKindofMom.com](http://www.MyKindofMom.com), and also in a recent Plano Star Courier spotlight on "[Momprenuers](#)."

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