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LOAFERS, Inc. is incorporated as a not-for-profit 501(c)3.

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# LOAF NEWSLETTER

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## February Calendar

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**Sunday Feb. 21 ..... Meet & Greet..... 1:00 pm**  
 Online via Zoom

**Saturday, March 13..... March Social..... 2:00 pm**  
 LOAF Paints the Town! Via Zoom

## February Meet-n-Greet

### Smartphones: Protecting your Privacy & other Tips/ Tricks

Statisticians estimate the number of cell phones in the world to be about 5 billion, with smartphones constituting about half of them. That's 2.5 billion smartphones in use, which means a good third of the world's population is texting, FaceTiming, sending and receiving pictures, and otherwise using their phones for more than just talking. Even if you were late coming to the smartphone party, you are most likely using that smart mobile device every day now, accumulating lots of personal data. So, you may be thinking, "how do I keep my smartphone safe and secure?" or even "How the heck do I do that?" Tune in to LOAF's February Meet-n-Greet via Zoom at 1:00 pm to learn useful information on the use of your iPhone or Android device and keeping your data safe. Zoom link will be published soon. If there is something specific you have been trying to figure out or want to learn about your smart phone, feel free to send your question to [dr.harrell13@yahoo.com](mailto:dr.harrell13@yahoo.com) and we will try to include it in our presentation.

## Reminder

### Membership Contributions Due in January

Dear Members:

Reminder, dues are due in January. Please, if you haven't already; send in your 2021 dues. \$30 Individual /\$45 Couple. Please mail your check to LOAF, P.O. Box 7207, Houston, TX 77248-7207.

Thanks!

## Happy Birthday

### February

2/1	Shirley Hoff
2/2	Pat Tiller
2/9	Mary Egert
2/10	Leslie Bryant
2/12	Sally Faulkner
2/15	Judith Tompkins
2/19	Wilma Arnold
2/19	Claire Baker
2/19	Janis Smith
2/19	Debra Wagner
2/21	Elsie Lucas
2/28	Sandra Jean Bubbert



## In Memoriam

### January

1999 - Jean Lantz  
 2000 - Betty Rudnick  
 2000 - Zarina Sufi  
 2002 - Barbara Suter  
 2003 - Gwen Parker  
 2008 - Judy Olin  
 2011 - Maribel Allport  
 2011 - Ouida Ellis  
 2015 - Bonnie Anslem  
 2016 - Marie "red" Mahoney  
 2019 - Barbara May  
 2021 - Connie Moberley

### February

1999 - Rita Massey  
 2002 - Carol Williams  
 2011 - Jennie Gates  
 2015 - Carole Weise  
 2015 - Fran McMillan  
 2016 - Lucy Watson  
 2018 - Andrea Rosen

## Survey Monkey Poll

### LOAF is Interested in What Interests You!

In our efforts to keep us all connected during this pandemic, your LOAF Board is hard at work gathering information for new and virtual activities to bring to you in 2021. We have created a poll to help us gather information regarding what is important to our membership and where individual interests lie. There are just two simple questions, and one is multiple choice! It should take less than 2 minutes of your time to respond to this poll and your responses will assist us in planning the best, most exciting activities for our Meet-n-Greets and Socials this year! Look for the Survey Monkey Poll in your inbox (or your Junk folder). If, for some reason, your poll got lost in cyberspace (yes, it happens!), use the link below to obtain access. We appreciate your input and hope to see you in a Zoom soon!

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7Z5NNQW>

## Thoughts and Prayers

Please keep the following LOAF members in mind. A card, email or phone call is always welcomed.

- Susan Fronek (she's house bound)  
4010 Feagan St #2, Houston Tx 77007  
713-861-8427
- Pam Kunkle-Moberly (condolences for loss of her wife, Connie Moberley)  
[Link to Obituary](#)  
832-275-0724, kunklepa@sbcglobal.net

If you would like to be added to this list, or know of someone who should be either added or removed from this list, send an email notification to [loafhoustontx@gmail.com](mailto:loafhoustontx@gmail.com).

## Would you like to help?

If you have 2-4 hours of free time each month and want to reach out to members, contact Roxanne Cherico @ 713.598.6875.

## Call for Volunteers

We need volunteers to serve on the many committees. Please email Lavita at [lavitasm@aol.com](mailto:lavitasm@aol.com).

## March Social

### LOAF Paints the Town!



Join us for a virtual painting event on Saturday March 13th from 2-4 pm. Even if you have never participated in a Paint Nite party before the pandemic, virtual painting parties are fun and energetic experiences. We will be painting Forest Prism, a rainbow of trees that is sure to add color to your home, OR give it as a gift to a friend! ABSOLUTELY no art experience is needed. A professional local artist will provide step-by-step instructions, so every participant will have a good time and end up with a beautiful, finished product. All supplies will be provided by LOAF, including a 16"x 20" canvas, 3 paint brushes, acrylic paints, an easel, a disposable apron, a paper plate (your palette), and a disposable cup (to rinse your brushes). All you would need to have on hand would be a creative attitude and maybe some additional paper towels! This is a first-time event for LOAF so reservations and a small refundable deposit are required. A \$10 deposit will reserve the artist and save our booking time for Zoom. The deposit only helps us reserve your spot and will be 100% refunded the day of the event. If you have questions about this event before deciding to participate, email [dr.harrell13@yahoo.com](mailto:dr.harrell13@yahoo.com). When you are ready to make a reservation, mail your check to LOAF, PO Box 7207, Houston, Texas 77248-7207. Put "LOAF Paints the Town" in the memo section and send your positive response for reservation to [dr.harrell13@yahoo.com](mailto:dr.harrell13@yahoo.com). Complete details will be provided after your reservation is received.

This event is made possible by our John Steven Kellett Foundation, Inc. grant.

## About LOAF

LOAF is a social networking and support group for lesbians fifty (50 years of age and older, and their partners, whatever their age. LOAF is incorporated without a formal membership, so we do not have dues, but instead request contributions. This allows us to avoid submitting request contributions. This allows us to avoid submitting membership rolls to the State. This money is then used to cover the cost of the newsletter, website, supplies for some of the socials, etc. **Contributions are \$30 per single and \$45 per couple.**

Please mail contributions to

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Contributions will be prorated. All participants are to renew their membership in January of each year. A lapse of 3 months will prevent individual distribution of the newsletter. We offer a trial period for distribution of the newsletter to interested prospective members for 3 months. If, after the trial period has expired, the prospective member has not become a member, distribution will be discontinued.

Any woman experiencing financial hardship may participate on scholarship, free of charge. Scholarships are confidential. Contact any officer on the Board of Directors.

The newsletter team welcomes input for publication, i.e., articles of interest, poetry, etc. Please contact any Board member or email your submission to [loafhoustonTX@gmail.com](mailto:loafhoustonTX@gmail.com).

## Membership Updates

If you have moved or experienced a phone number change and need to update your membership records, provide that change to any Board member or email your changes to [loafhoustonTX@gmail.com](mailto:loafhoustonTX@gmail.com).

## Newsletter Edits

If you have a correction or addition for our newsletter, please send an email to [loafhoustonTX@gmail.com](mailto:loafhoustonTX@gmail.com).