“What begins as a gathering of women with a common dream can become a powerful force for good, transforming lives, strengthening communities, and inspiring generations.”

Celebrating our 60 years of service to the Round Rock community. Marianne Reap, chaplain, will be highlighting memories of the club during our meetings. Thank you to Becky Harris and Joanne Land for helping with this information.

One of Marianne’s favorite sayings is “Don’t forget who brought you to the dance”.

So how did Round Rock Woman’s Club get here…

- The founding of the Round Rock Woman's Club was recorded as beginning in 1966 when Marge Sheffield's gathered women for the original idea of creating a neighborhood “literary club of Round Rock” (book club). Eight days later Nancy Rabb and others attending that first gathering envisioned something even greater, a service organization dedicated to improving Round Rock.

- They chartered the Round Rock Woman's Club by becoming affiliated with the General Federation of Women's Clubs with 47 original charter members, many names still recognized in Round Rock today.

Mrs. Frank Anderson
Mrs. Eugene Beck
Mrs. Harold Bredthauer
Miss Nell Marie Burkland
Mrs. Robert Burleson
Mrs. Bennie T. Bustin
Mrs. Edwin H. Carlson
Mrs. Leon Carlson
Mrs. Elmer Cottrell
Mrs. Laura Bemis-Davol
Mrs. M.O. Deison
Mrs. C.D. Fulkes
Mrs. Eugene Goodrich
Mrs. D.B. Gregg
Mrs. Robert Griffith
Mrs. Louis M. Henna
Mrs. Tom Joseph
Mrs. Alice Kavanaugh
Mrs. Russell Koontz
Mrs. Milton Krienke
Mrs. Durwood M. Lane
Mrs. J.W. Ledbetter, Sr.
Mrs. John Manley
Mrs. C.A. May
Mrs. Gaylon McGilvray
Mrs. Wilbur Myrick
Mrs. Pat Neely
Mrs. Charles Nelson
Mrs. R.B. Payne
Mrs. Raymond Pearson, Jr.
Mrs. Arnold Peterson
Miss Agnes Quick
Mrs. Eugene Quick
Mrs. Signe Quick
Mrs. Virg Rabb
Mrs. Reuben Reed
Mrs. Robert Reed
Mrs. Victor Robertson, Jr.
Mrs. James Rutland
Mrs. Gus W. Sager
Mrs. Mark Sheffield, Jr.
Miss Lorraine Voigt
Miss Xenia Voigt
Mrs. W.J. Walsh
Mrs. Norman G. Whitlow

- At the time the club was formed Round Rock had approximately 2,000 residents, today we are over 140,000 residents.

- Within 4 months, the club's first community project—placing brightly decorated trash cans throughout downtown Round Rock as part of “Clean Up week”.
    - Worked with the City to install outdoor lighting on previously unlighted streets as part of “Let’s light Round Rock UP” project
    - They created a Christmas tree ornament project for the retirement homes
    - A holiday safety campaign distributed through schools and churches.
    - A yard of the month campaign tied into cleanup of the Brushy Creek area
    - Creating Heritage Award plaques recognizing frontier-style architecture
    - Heritage Society Christmas Home Tours
    - mentored contestants in the Miss Round Rock Scholarship Pageant
    - Participation in Round Rock Public Library story times
    - Hosted Luncheons at retirement communities
    - Involved in Special Projects funding
    - Joined the Membership in the Round Rock Chamber of Commerce

This organization believed strongly and still does in the philosophy behind

"We Live Here—and Love to Give Here."