

## Calendar

- **December 12th**

Christmas Party at  
Grassland Clubhouse  
6 pm w/ Silent Auction  
benefitting MD Ander-  
son Cancer Research  
(map on calendar page  
of our website)

- **December 25**

**Merry Christmas!**

- **January 11**

Program Meeting—  
Noon—Petroleum  
Club

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## President's Letter

This is the last newsletter for 2011. What a wonderful job Shirley has done. I hope you have all enjoyed them as much as I do. Thank you Shirley again and again for all your hard work.

The November program was wonderful. Great information and so inspiring. Thanks again Bronna for doing this job. Looking forward to the next program in January.

November was a busy month. My two grandsons that live here in Midland, both play GMFL and both of their teams went to the Super Bowl+ The youngest, Chase, played for the Freshman Colts and they won. Nicolas, who is a 6<sup>th</sup> grader, played for the Varsity Colts and they lost by 2 points.

We then traveled to San Antonio for Hannah's 10<sup>th</sup> birthday, but also because my daughter in law, Nicole,

and her sister, Samantha, ran in the San Antonio Rock & Roll Marathon, benefitting Breast Cancer Research. They only ran a ½ marathon, 13.1 miles. They finished in 2 hrs 24 minutes. I think that is pretty awesome.

Then of course we had Thanksgiving. I fed 16 people at my house on Thanksgiving Day. What a fun time we had.

And the SHOPPING!!!! Midnight shopping, 4AM shopping. Long lines, crazy, crazy, crazy!!!! And did I get finished with my gifts, NO, but I am on my way and at the very least I got some ideas.

I have my tree and decorations up and I do love seeing them every day.

I hope all of you will be at the Christmas party, on Monday Dec 12, We always have a great time. Remember to bring your



spouse or boyfriend and also anyone else you would like to introduce to BPW.

We will also have our silent auction for M D Anderson Cancer Research.

I wish all of you a wonderful holiday season. Remember to Take Time+for yourself. Relax and enjoy the fun.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND  
HAPPY NEW YEAR.

*Glenda Knox*  
President 2011-2012

## Take Time.....



College  
Graduation

Congratulations.....

CONGRATULATIONS

to Carla Adams who graduates  
December 17th with a Bachelor's  
in Business!!



Artwork.....Diane Browne



The attached picture is a copy of a  
winter scene piece of my artwork  
that can be viewed in the Museum of  
the SouthWest's Christmas at the  
Mansion this year!!

NEW  
JOB—  
Kellie

I have taken a new position with a company named Insignia  
Hospitality as their regional sales director ...so I am  
no longer at the Residence Inn ..the company owns the Holiday  
Inn Express here and they will be building the new Spring Hill  
suites next to the new Mercedes Benz dealership í

I have also started on the piece for Midland Lifestyle Maga-  
zine ...instead of focusing just on National Business Women's  
Week I am doing an article on everything we do ...so please if  
anyone has any comments or suggestions let me know !! Thank  
you !!!

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# Happy Happy Birthday !!!



Dec 5 Bronna Sanders  
 Cotton, Bledsoe, Tighe & Dawson, P.C.  
 Bronna joined Uptown March 2010. She immediately jumped in with both feet!! She is currently Uptown's Vice President in charge of Programs (let her know what you might want to see or hear!) She also

served as Secretary last year. Bronna is also an avid drag racer!!

Dec 9 Robin Reece  
 CASA of West Texas. Robin joined Uptown May 2011.

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Uptown-Midland-Business-Professional-Women/139047102860088>

## REMINDER:

Please sign on to Facebook and search for our Uptown Midland Business and Professional Women's page. Then, click on LIKE at the top of the page. (Or copy link above to your web browser.

I would like to put a picture of all the members in our album on our Facebook page. This page is only open to members. If you would like to have your picture in our member album, please forward it to me.

Thanks!

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Merry Christmas!!



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Shirley Harris and **Gone Crazee.....**



Where has the year gotten off to? It has absolutely flown by.

I skipped the black Friday and cyber Monday this year. Instead Rachel and I drove to Killeen to visit Alice and Matthew and use their home as a base for shopping!! On Tuesday after Matthew left for school the 3 of us drove to Round Rock and shopped the mall (boosting the economy) and then went to the IKEA store there. Got back late that evening. The next day Alice had to take a friend of theirs to the Austin airport so we hit a couple of stores in the Austin area.

On Thursday Rachel and I drove down to San Marcos and hit the outlets there and got a few things and got back to Killeen very late. Got caught and snarled up in the Austin traffic both ways. (I couldn't live where I had to drive in that kind of traffic everyday.)

On Friday we got up and left for Fredericksburg and shopped a bit in the cold drizzle. I asked one of the store owners where the sun was at and they were wondering the same thing. Since it was tree lighting / Christmas parade

evening (no rooms) we decided to head home. So we drove home on Friday and that made for a long day. All in all we put just shy of 1,000 miles on the toy. What a week!! It was fun though and it was great to see Alice and Matthew!!

Then, my sister Teresa came to town on Sat. On Sun. we got up and the 2 of us put up the garland and tree and got them all decked out in their Christmas finery-that was an all day affair. On Mon. she took our mother for a test and then we all went to the doctor on Thurs.. Also while here she did some mending (zippers, re-sew seams etc.) and I did the hand work on quite a few of our Mother's outfits but we got them all in good repair. She is good for another 100,000 miles. (ha..ha..).

Most important of all though we got in some good visiting!! I dropped her off at the airport at 5:50 this morning and she will be back in Tucson this afternoon!

**MERRY CHRISTMAS** and **HAPPY NEW YEAR** to each of you!!