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President's Letter

It has been such a prestigious honor and opportunity for me to serve as the Uptown Midland BPW President for the 2014-2015 year. As we all know the past year has been a year of transition and reflection on the where we've been and where we're headed. Without a doubt, despite some of the challenges this year, we all feel a sense of rejuvenation and can see success lying ahead in the 2015-2016.

Our mission statement says as an organization we are to equip all women for success in the workplace through education and information, and to recognize and honor the accomplishments of working women. But our mission is much more than just that, we're women helping women, which is so powerful in the world we live in. We see this not only in the volunteer work of our members within the organization, but outside of BPW. We experience this at our program meetings as we're networking and discussing life's issues. We are strong, powerful, professional, and we're women – incredible.

As many of you may know one of our largest achievements this year include our BUNCO Fundraiser – that raised nearly \$6,000 for scholarships! A HUGE thank you to Annette Dozier and her committee who planned and executed this successful BUNCO event. Not only did it generate donations, but new members! We will be starting our 2015-2016 year with 8 new members!!! Both are huge successes!

Another success for the year is our non-profit status reinstatement. This has been an on-going issue for some time, and thanks to Deborah Williams, Mona Bethany and Shirley Harris we should have that done within the next few months! Nothing like taking care of some much needed unfinished business!! Our officer team has also worked diligently over the last year to address operational issues (ie. Meeting locations, costs, times, etc.) to try and meet the growing demands of our membership. A HUGE thank you to all the officers – Evie Gandy, Marquita Potter, Shirley Harris for their hard work! Thank you to Mona Bethany and Stacy Nelson for also filling in during vacancies. We are forever grateful for your hard work and leadership!

As we move forward into the 2015-2016 year I do believe more success lies ahead. Our "theme" for the year will be "Behind every successful woman is herself," and that is so true. Despite the demands of work, home, volunteering, BPW, etc. remember yourself. We have to be proud and confident in ourselves in order to help others. I look forward to our upcoming NBWW event, community projects, and overall fellowship with so many successful women! Here's to a new year!

Stephanie Murphree President 2015-2016

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Member Payment Option

Uptown now has the ability to accept "e-checks" and/or credit cards—VISA and MASTERCARD on our website. We are using IPN (intuit network). (I had trouble using my VISA card because I was using Internet Explorer—but as soon as I used a different browser the credit card worked.) Safari or Google—on your Smart Device.

Click the PAY button on our homepage and it takes you to the "pay / sign-in" page and you don't have to sign in, you just select "Make a payment without creating an account". Next page asks Invoice # (membership, lunch, scholarships, donation, whatever you are paying for). Enter \$ amount. Select payment Method—Credit Card or Bank Account. Type in your EMAIL address (can create an account if you want). Next Enter Credit card or Bank account info. This info is not shared with Uptown. I believe you are also given the opportunity to add a comment or description. IPN will only send Uptown the description typed in the Invoice box, your name/email, amount, comment if any and date. You will receive an email from IPN about the payment you made.

Credit Card and Bank statements will show IPN/PAYMENTNETWORK and <u>not</u> Uptown BPW. It's easy to use!

We also have a QRCODE!)



Welcome New Member!!

Katie Presley UTPB 4901 E University Cell: 806.786.6906

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Birthday: April 9



Calendar of Events 7/4 Independence Day

7/11 Uptown Planning Meeting Stacy's home—5500 Hathaway Ct 10 am—1 pm Brunch—bring your favorite food or drink Only Meeting in July

7/14 Flag Day

8/12—Program Meeting— Petroleum Club - 11:45 am— 1 pm - buffet - \$25 Volume 32, Number 1 Page 3

Meeting Speakers



May 13, 2015

Evie Gandy - VP Uptown BPW, Speaker Leah Vermea-Amend —Permian Basin Community Centers for MHMR and Stephanie Murphree President—Uptown BPW

June 10, 2015

Stephanie Murphree, President, Speaker Stephen Jordan—LAN Solutions, Inc. and Evie Gandy, Vice President—Uptown BPW













Membership Renewals for August

Evie Gandy Melinda Henderson Amanda McCann Marquita Potter Melisa Wynne



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Happy Happy Birthday!!

7/6 Emily Weinberg

7/12 Delores Schuler

7/20 Lesley Donnell



Planning Meeting 7/11

Hello FABULOUS Uptown BPW Ladies!!

We are kicking off the 2015-2016 year with a *BANG*! New members, new leadership, and NBWW – what could be more exciting?!? Maybe mimosa's at Stacy's?!? © Some things are better than others, let's face it. Nonetheless, I want to personally invite ALL of YOU to join us on July 11th from 10am-1pm for our annual Uptown BPW Planning meeting. This will be the ONLY meeting we have in July, so please make plans to attend. We will have a "potluck" brunch so feel free to bring your favorite dish or drink! If you would please be sure and rsvp to Shirley@tbobamthor.com by July 8th.

Uptown BPW Planning Meeting
July 11th
10am-1pm
Stacy Nelson's Home – 5500 Hathaway Court
*Potluck Brunch – bring your favorite dish or drink!
RSVP due by July 8th to Shirley@tbobamthor.com



Let us know what you are bringing:

For those new members who are curious what we do at this meeting here's a tidbit of info: Discuss 2015-2016 goals, Set Calendar and Deadlines, Discuss Committee Sign-ups, Community Projects and Events! Oh – and we have a whole lot of fun!!! We hope to see you there...

Stephanie Murphree

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Nick's Graduation.....Evie Gandy





Congratulations US NAVY CORPSMAN Graduate NICK ADAMS!!!

We are so proud of Nick, June 29, 2015 was a remarkable and special day for him and our family. Nick graduated as a US NAVY CORPSMAN!!!

We drove to San Antonio where Nick has been stationed at Fort Sam Houston Base for four months. He looked so handsome in his Whites, this is the uniform they graduated in this summer. The Blues is the uniform he graduated in back in March 13, 2015 which are for winter. There are so many details to the Navy that we are still learning about, and there is so much pride in learning something new about our country and military. Nick is super excited to come home for 10 days, he will get to spend time with family and friends this 4th of July. Nick will be stationed in Norfolk, Virginia where he will be stationed on base and work at the hospital for two years. We will miss Nick tremendously, but are so proud of Nick for all his accomplishments which I'm sure the US NAVY is proud to have an amazing and Godly man who loves GOD and his country, especially when Nick serves wholeheartedly. We can't wait to see what GOD has in store for Nick in his future with the US NAVY. We also want to wish Altman, Nick's room mate on base a blessed stay as he will be stationed in Italy. HOOYAH!! GO NAVY

"We can do all things through CHRIST who gives us strength" Philippians 4:13







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In the United States, **Flag Day** is celebrated on June 14. It commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States, which happened on that day in 1777 by resolution of the Second Continental Congress. The United States Army also celebrates the Army Birthday on this date; Congress adopted "the American continental army" after reaching a consensus position in the Committee of the Whole on June 14, 1775.

In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation that officially established June 14 as Flag Day; in August 1949, National Flag Day was established by an Act of Congress. Flag Day is not an official federal holiday. Title 36 of the United States Code, Subtitle I, Part A, CHAPTER 1, § 110^[4] is the official statute on Flag Day; however, it is at the President's discretion to officially proclaim the observance.

Gone Crazee.....Shirley Harris

Talk about a walk down nostalgia lane!! I decided to do some serious closet cleaning, junk tossing this 3 day weekend. WOW!! Stuff I had not seen in years.

In the garage, I came across a box with some of the girls clothes in it. Now I thought I had gotten rid of them years ago. Anyway, the surprise...... must have been about a dozen pairs of button fly Levis in it. From size 5s (Rachel's when she was 5) all the way to Lynn's when she was in high school!! Also found either Alice's or Lynn's Levi denim jacket—in a closet. Oh the stories they could tell.......Probably a good thing they can't talk.

Been cleaning and folding and packing them up this weekend.

Also gathered up canning jars and assorted kitchen items. Will get them boxed up and ready to be go.

Sure gather up lots of "stuff" when you've lived in the same house for 25+ years. Time to clear some of it out!!

