

The Uptown News Beat

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Words from our President

Please don't forget to renew your membership!!

Well, February flew by. Where does it all go? We had a program and a business meeting this month and Delma Diaz with St. Joseph's Home Health Care. Delma truly is an inspiration and it just goes to show you what determination will do for you. This was a great program and we hope to see Delma again. Thank you Madam 1st VP, Stacy.

Our next meeting will be a program meeting and Stacy is already making plans for our speaker. We will have a Style Show Committee meeting soon, maybe before the program meeting. We will be taking a sneak peek at the Nicole Marie clothes and decide if these will be part of the show. Kuohui Suchecki is our chair this year and needs all the help you are willing to give.

BPWF provided a webinar in February to establish the change in the license agreement whereas each local and state organization will receive a refund of the license fees for the period October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010. The new fee for this period is now \$10 and will continue as an annual license fee for each local and state organization. This is not per person, this is for each organization. The webinar also reviewed other activities that BPWF has been involved with. The details can be seen in the attachment sent to the membership the week of February 22, 2010. If you did not get that attachment, Shirley can make it available on the website for your review.

Please help me welcome a new member to Uptown Midland, *Bronna Sanders*. I hope Bronna will join us at any and all of our future meetings, business, program and committee meetings. Bronna, your assistance will be greatly appreciated in any way you can provide it. Welcome to Uptown Midland BPW and to Midland. I hope it will be a rewarding experience and let us know what we can do for you.

Our meetings this coming month will be March 10, 2010 a program meeting and March 24, 2010 a business meeting. I hope each of you can attend. Please RSVP to Evie Adams, 2nd Vice President and Membership Chair at 570-5233 (evie.adams@bosworthco.com), or Shirley Harris, Webpage and Telephone/Email Chair at 684-4692 (shirley@tbobamthor.com). The cost of the luncheon is \$18.00 unless otherwise noted for special events. You can keep in touch with your organization by attending meetings. This way you will be a part in continuing Uptown Midland and the spirit of BPW for others in our futures.

Building Powerful Women,

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MIDLANDER TRAVELING TO HAITI

From Staff Reports - Midland Reporter Telegram

Director of Rays of Hope Children's Grief Centre Vicki Jay will be traveling to Mizak, Haiti, to serve with volunteers in Mission Global Ministries. Working directly with the children as a director for a children's camp, Jay will be part of a team consisting of other international volunteers and Haitian leaders.

"We are going to be part of a trauma team, so our goal is to give them healing and coping tools to foster an environment of healing long after we're gone," Jay said.

They will partner with Operation Safe from China and Japan and Haitian Artisans for Peace Internationally (HAPI). A medical team headed by Dr. Peter Reed, son of the Rev. Jan Reed of Midland, also will participate in the effort.

Jay will leave for Haiti on Thursday and return March 14.

"In reality I think we're going to serve them, but I believe we'll bring back lessons learned from the people and the culture," she said.



Those wishing to make donations may contribute to the costs of: - Food. With rising food prices the cost of a hot meal for children in the village has risen from \$1.50 to \$4.50. Checks may be made to HospiceMidland to contribute to the cost of food for the Haitian children. - Clothing. Rays of Hope has found T-shirts with feeling faces and French expressive words they feel would be appropriate for their efforts with the children in Haiti. A donation of \$15 would pay for a shirt for a Haitian child or family member.

Mail checks to HospiceMidland, Attention Vicki Jay, 911 West Texas Ave., Midland, 79701. Designate the item is meant for Haiti relief..

Uptown donates to Haiti / Jay Trip

Vicki Jay, along with a team from Rays of Hope are going to Haiti very soon and could use our help. They will be feeding children and setting up a grief counseling program. For those new members, Vicki was recognized as our Woman of Achievement a couple of years ago. She is an incredible lady with a lot of energy, a great smile and a deep concern for others. If you can help or know of someone that can, I know they would appreciate it. If you can't, please say a little prayer for their safe returnThanks Donette Marble.....I will ask Vicki to share her experiences at a meeting once she gets home.

Uptown's Executive Board voted last week for Uptown Midland BPW to donate \$100 to Hospice/Midland. Several members have contributed to this cause also.

Style Show—Advertising

We will be having a 2 page ad in the MRT on April 11 for the Style Show.
Business card ads are \$75.
If you wish to have your business card in that ad, please let me or Laura know before 4-1-10.

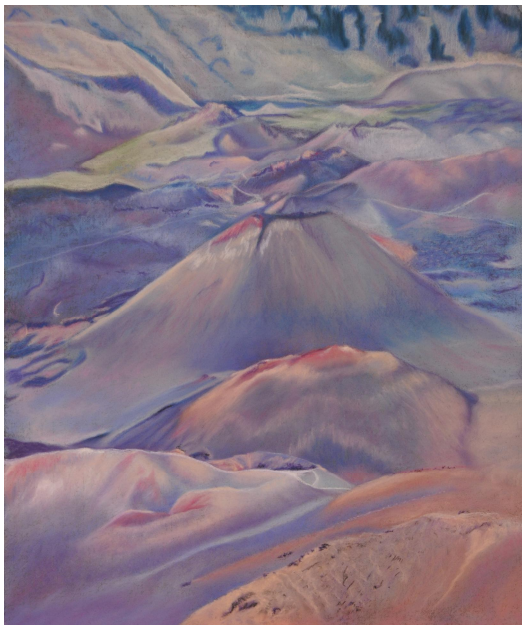
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Art Show.....Diane Browne



I just learned that my Hawaiian volcano picture %Waiting to Flow+was accepted in the Odessa Art Association show!

A free and open to the public reception is scheduled this Friday, March 5 at 7pm. The event is held at the Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd in Odessa with awards presented at 7:30pm. The show will hang through Tuesday, April 6 at 5pm.

Also coming up, Midland Palette Club is raising funds with a spring art show and sale. Admission is free, but a portion of the sales goes to the club. The opening reception with for this event is Friday, April 16 and the sale continues Saturday the 17th from 9am-4pm. This is a great opportunity for stocking up on gifts as over 30 local artists have entries. The club is located at 907 W. Wadley.

...MEMBER HAPPENINGS...

RENEWALS: Sheila Warren
Patti Humphrey:
Peggy Driver

RENEWALS for February:
Tiffany Blakely
Cynthia Maes
Nancy Plunk

RENEWALS for April
Ann Forest
Debrah Gann
Kuohui Suchecki

Please check your e-mail for your Renewal Invoice/Notice. Any questions, please let me know. Thanks Shirley—shirley@tbobamthor.com

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Shirley Harris and Gone Crazee....

Hello to everyone!!

Wow have we had some rain or what????

I bet that will make for some awesome wildflowers this spring in the Hill Country. I feel a trip coming on.

Yep—we'll have to load up the motorcycle and head that way. Should be gorgeous!!



Happy Birthday

- 3/3 Martha Adams
- 3/5 Laura Gonzales
- 3/10 Kimberly Duncan
- 3/11 Jeanne Larance
- 3/15 Cecily Shull
- 3/21 Sheila Warren

Women in History

- 3/3 Jean Harlow 1911-1937
Movie Star. Called the "Blonde Bombshell"
- 3/5 Geraldyn "Jerrie" Cobb 1931-
First woman trained to be a U.S. Astronaut, record-setting aviator
- 3/10 Hallie Quinn Brown 1850-1949
President Nat. Assn. of Colored Women
- 3/11 Liza Nicholson 1849-1896
First woman newspaper publisher in South
- 3/15 Alice Fletcher 1838-1923
Ethnologist, lobbied Congress for Indian reform bill
- 3/21 Phyllis McGinley 1905-1978
Poet, Author, rec'd the first Pulitzer Prize for light verse