

Uptown News Beat

From Our President

Fall is definitely upon us. And with the seasons change we have received an abundance of rain. I am loving the **green** grass in the medians along the Loop and in the lawns across town. Hopefully Mother Nature will keep this up so that we can catch a break from these outrageous water bills.

We are only two and a half weeks away from our NBWW (National Business Women's Week™) fundraiser. As you all know, this is a very special dinner to honor local women in our community. This year we are delighted to be honoring Barbara Yarbrough as our 2012 Woman of Achievement. We will have our dinner on Monday night, the 22nd of October from 6:30 to 8:00 in the evening. We hope you all will buy a ticket and come out to support "Midland's Favorite Teacher."

We had our first evening business meeting last Wednesday at Carino's. Many of you were unable to join us but we are scheduled again for next Wednesday evening and we really need everyone to come by. This will be our last opportunity to meet as a group before NBWW, plus we still need to approve the proposed budget. Our Finance Chair Kuohui Suchecki, and her committee did an excellent job of preparing and presenting the budget but we lacked enough members to make a quorum.

The Holiday season is just around the corner. We are already making plans for our Christmas party. We plan on changing it up a little this year. We will meet again at the Grassland Estates Clubhouse, but we have some exciting surprises in store. It is sure to be a lot of fun and we hope you will all plan to attend. Details to follow in our next newsletter.

Stacy Nelson
 Uptown President
 2012—2013

National Business Women's Week

BE SURE TO GET YOUR TABLE OR TICKETS FOR OUR NATIONAL BUSINESS WOMEN'S WEEK EVENT.

Community Projects dollars and other dollars we spend are raised at this event. Flyers and Sponsor letters available on our website's calendar page.



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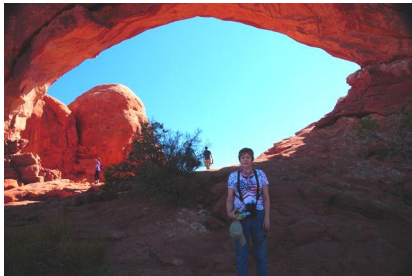
Calendar

- > Oct 10—Business Meeting 5:30-6:30 followed by a Networking Meeting from 6:30—7:30 pm at Carinos
- > Oct 22—National Business Women's Week Celebration—Petroleum Club 6:00-8:00 pm
- > Nov 14—Program Meeting—Noon—Petroleum Club - Speaker Mayor Wes Perry about the T Bar Ranch



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FABULOUS trip to Yellowstone.....Diane Browne



Classic Arch



Canyon Land



Canyon Floor

Geoff and I had a FABULOUS trip to Yellowstone in September. My sister and her husband from Silver City, NM joined us there. We both started our trips at different times and can you believe we met up with each other on the highway two different times!

First, we stopped in Moab, UT to tour the Arches and Canyonlands parks. Both were magnificent and a full moon co-operated to give us some great shots framed by the red sandstone structures. My artist juices were really getting a workout. It's fascinating to try to "see" all the faces in the mountain peaks, and we could guess where some movie makers got their sci-fi characters inspiration. Old Faithful didn't fail us, either, and our timing was such that we got to see it blow two times from different angles. The old lodge is an architectural wonder and the vista of steam rising from various geysers and fumaroles when we came into a clearing was a breathtaking sight.

The wild life just getting to the geyser basin made our trip! Buffalos stopped traffic; bald eagles had us pulling over; a red tail hawk was spotted; antelope, deer, and elk abound. I kept us on the agreed itinerary while Deb and Tom spotted the animals. After a while, we quit pointing out lone buffalo there were so many. One day, a herd was resting right next to a pull-off so we got very close pictures that included a nursing baby. To add to the attraction, a coyote loped thru the beasts, finding a snack at the edge of a waterhole filled with Canadian geese. Other times we saw trumpeter swans and cranes in water. These were interspersed on our travels to see specific geysers, waterfalls, or other natural phenomenon.

Every once in a while we would park and take a short hike to see pretty paint pots, gurgling mud pots, or cascading travertines (somewhat like cavern formations). One day was spent in Lamar Valley where we saw, of course, more buffalo herds, and one stampede just like in the movies only no Indians! A nice big gray wolf sauntered thru and crossed the road for us there. We got desperate to see a bear, though, and had to visit a Discovery Center to see them. One was having so much fun in his swimming pool; you would have thought it was a teenager in a bear suit! Nights were spent



Valley of Steam



Paint Pot



Buffal Herd

More Yellowstone

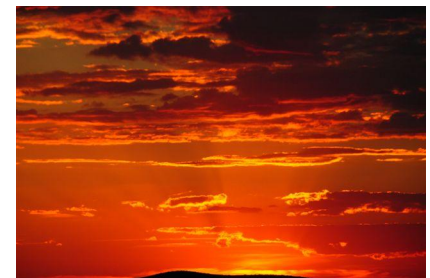
recuperating in the hot tub. It wasn't until we were leaving the area that we finally saw a moose, too.

Since we had now gotten to see everything we had come for, we were happy to head home, then a beautiful sunset lent one more burst of color to the trip.

At Right: Old Faithful



Travertines (above)
Beautiful Days End.



Natalie's First Prom í í ...Evie

My baby girl is growing up!! Natalie's first homecoming! Tyler who asked her is a very sweet kid. They have known each other since kindergarten. Love You Natalie!! Mom



Wedding í í í íAmanda McCann

Our wedding day was God-Kissed! After having to replan the entire event on Wednesday for Saturday due to Hurricane Isaac hitting New Orleans and canceling our flights - we ended up on Lake Travis with a church venue and reception hall, along with golf and boating for family activities. It was a great celebration and several more of our friends were able to attend at the last minute! Our family is adjusting well - but wow, I had no idea a family of 5 could go through so many groceries in a month!



From the Membership Committee.....

CALLING ALL MEMBERS!!!!

BE SURE TO GET YOUR TABLE OR TICKETS FOR OUR NATIONAL BUSINESS WOMEN'S WEEK EVENT.

WE WILL BE HONORING BARBARA YARBROUGH AND ANNOUNCING OUR OWN WOMAN OF THE YEAR.

The following memberships expire at the end of October. You will be receiving an invoice shortly:

*Monica Stovall
Pam Sanchez
Carla Adams*

*Delores Schuler
Jeanette Porter*

*Thanks,
Glenda Knox,
Membership Committee Chair
2012-2013*

M D ANDERSON CANCER RESEARCH

WHY WE GIVE

Almost everyone today is touched by cancer. We all have lost someone to this terrible disease.

Since 1974, the women of BPW Texas have given to M D Anderson and have contributed more than \$1,200,000.00. We were involved in lobbying the legislature for a cancer hospital in Texas, and our State President at the time, Chloe Monroe, turned the first spade of dirt. We have donated for family surgical waiting rooms and doctors conference rooms. Our donations have bought wigs and books,

Today, donations support annual contributions to the M.D. Anderson Cancer Research Center in Houston in the form of grants for research projects. The BPW Foundation in consultation with M D. Anderson officials, recommend research projects for which financial support will be provided each year. The most recent grants were given for CXCR4, Leukemia research, Genetic testing for inherited Breast and Ovarian Cancer Syndromes, and research of an old drug for women with endometrial cancer.

M D Anderson Hospital is there for all Texans. It is a marvelous facility, covering many acres in downtown Houston and employing over 20,000 doctors, nurses, and staff.

Submitted by í í í í í ..Glenda Knox

History Of Business and Professional Women/USA The Foundation of a Legacy

While mobilizing for World War I, the U.S. Government recognized the need for a cohesive group to coordinate identification of women's available skills and experience. A Women's War Council, financed through a federal grant, was established by the War Department to organize the resources of professional women. The National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs was founded on July 15, 1919.

"BPW Goodwill Tour" of Europe initiated the founding of the International BPW Federation. With the theme, "Better Business Women for a Better Business World," National Business Women's Week was established to celebrate and dramatize the contribution of women to the country.

BPW worked to prohibit legislation or directives denying jobs to married women. BPW lobbied successfully to legislatively end the legal practice of workplace preference for unmarried persons and, in the case of married persons, preference for males.

At the advent of World War II, BPW developed a classification system for women with specialized skills critical to the effort and supported the formation of women's branches of the Armed Forces. While wage discrimination has existed in the U.S. since women and minorities first entered the paid workforce, its prevalence was not felt until the massive influx of women sought work during World War II. Immediately following the war, the Women's Pay Act of 1945 - the first ever legislation to require equal pay - was introduced in the U.S. Congress. It would take another 18 years before an equal pay bill would make it to the President's desk to be signed into law.

The establishment of "Status of Women" commissions in the U.S. in 1963 was due largely to BPW efforts. President Kennedy recognized BPW's leading role in securing passage of the Equal Pay Act by giving BPW's National President the first pen he used when signing the Act into law.

BPW tackled "comparable worth" by calling for newspapers to stop the occupational segregation in classified ads (clustering of women in a few restricted occupations of low-paying, dead-end jobs). Numerous state and municipal governments revamped their pay scales, recognizing dissimilar jobs may not be identical, but may be comprised of tasks, educational requirements, experience and other characteristics that are equivalent or comparable. In 1986, San Francisco became the first in the nation to approve a pay equity referendum, implementing \$34 million in increases for employees in female and minority-dominated jobs.

Continuing with BPW's focus on workplace issues, BPW lobbied Congress for passage of the Family and Medical Leave Act. After nearly a decade, the FMLA passes in 1993.

In October 1994, the syndicated cartoon, "Cathy," celebrated National Business Women's Week, one of BPW's Signature Events.

As you can see, BPW has paved the way for women to realize their professional goals for many years. From workplace safety, to equal opportunities in professions and education, BPW has been a key player. Our history is rich and we can be proud of our accomplishments.

Submitted by.....Patti Humphrey



Renewals for October

*Monica Stovall
Delores Schuler
Pam Sanchez
Jeanette Porter
Carla Adams*

**Please check your email for your renewal invoice/notice.
Any questions, please let me know.**

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**PLEASE REMEMBER TO RENEW YOUR
MEMBERSHIP!**



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November 6th Vote.....

Reminder Ladies:

For links to Midland or Ector County Election Information, please check out our website—www.midlandbpw.org.

Select the NEWS link and scroll to the bottom of the page and there you will find links to Midland County voter information and Ector County voter information:

Early Voting Dates

Voting Locations

And other links regarding voting and your county!



October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month



*Happy Happy
Birthday !!*

- 10/3 Nellwyn Barnett**
- 10/11 Irmalee Ingrham**
- 10/29 Ann Forest**

Fight Like A Girl

