



February 2010

February Chapter Meeting

Thursday, February 25, 2010

MCM Elegante Hotel

6:00pm – Networking

6:30pm - Meeting Begins

The La Luz Lamplighter

Duck...Sheep...Rooster...Pioneers of Aviation?



Turn to page 7 to learn how a Duck, a Sheep, and a Rooster will forever be remembered at the Anderson-Abruzzo Albuquerque International Balloon Museum, which is featured in this month's "Getting To Know New Mexico" section.

ABWA Mission Statement

To bring together business women of diverse occupations and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow personally and professionally through leadership, education, networking support and national recognition.

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Woman of the Year

MyChelle Andrews

Top Ten Nominee

Margaret Speer

American Business Womens' Association
The association for all women in all occupations





PRESIDENT'S CORNER

President's Message

Dear La Luz Chapter Members,

What a year this has been so far. Snow, Snow, Snow. We still have 8 inches!

I hope you all had a wonderful Valentine's Day / President's Day weekend. Barbara and I had fun delivering flowers on Friday.

We have great speakers scheduled for the next 6 months. This month Dave Frank, Director of Sales & Marketing for Z-Coil, will be presenting "Ask and Listen not Tell and Sell" How to Effectively Reach People in the 21st Century.

Mark your calendars for April 9 and 10 for the District VI Spring Conference in Reno. We have set aside funds to help pay for registration so be sure to let me know if you are planning to attend.

Planning has also started for Fiesta. March your calendars for July 16 and 17. We would really like to have a good local turnout this year so please let me know what you would like to have at the event.

We are at the end of our 50/50 fund raiser. Please be sure to bring the tickets you have already sold to the meeting and give both the tickets and money to JoAnn. We will be drawing the winner at our meeting this month. You can sell right up to and during our meeting!!

See you soon!

In ABWA Love,

MyChelle

"Never work just for money or for power. They won't save your soul or help you sleep at night."

-Marian Wright Edelman, lawyer, educator, activist, and founder of the Children's Defense Fund

[New Mexico Flag Salute](#)

I salute the flag of the State of New Mexico and the Zia symbol of perfect friendship among united cultures.

[ABWA Proud Code of Conduct](#)

1. All members will serve as goodwill ambassadors for ABWA
2. Members will not allow their personal beliefs and convictions to interfere with the representation of ABWA's mission
3. Members will always treat their member colleagues, guests, vendors, and sponsors with honesty, respect, fairness, integrity, responsibility, kindness and in good faith
4. Members will maintain compliance with ABWA National, Chapter and Express network Bylaws
5. Members will not use their personal power to advance their personal interests
6. Members will strive for excellence in their professions by maintaining and enhancing their own business knowledge and skills, and by encouraging the professional development of other members

[Benediction](#)

Guiding Spirit, Guardian of our days
We with us as we go our separate ways
Help us to feel those thoughts that lift and bless
To know a closer bond of friendliness
To see Thy beauty, always- every day
Translated into living- this we pray.
Amen



Focus on February Chapter Meeting

La Luz Meeting Agenda February 25, 2010

- 6:00 Social, Networking, Door Prize Ticket Sales
 6:30 Call to Order & Welcome: MyChelle Andrews
 Pledge of Allegiance
 NM Flag Salute
 Mission Statement:
 6:35 Dinner – Introductions / Michelle Tabacchi
 WIN Introduction – MyChelle Andrews
 7:00 Guest Speaker – Dave Frank, Director of Sales & Marketing,
 Z-Coil, “Ask and Listen not Tell and Sell” How to Effectively
 Reach People in the 21st Century.
 7:45 Break – Sell 50/50 Tickets / Turn in money and Tickets
 to JoAnn
 7:50 Business Meeting
 50/50 Raffle
 Member of the Month – January & February
 New Member Affiliation
 Financial Report
 Secretary Report
 Correspondence
 Old Business
 Business Plan – vote

 New Business
 Spring Conference – April 9 and 10 in Reno
 Women of the Year / Top Ten
 Announcements / Reports
 Committee Chairs
 See news letter for filed reports
 Trivia Night
 Concessions update
 Membership
 SBMEF Grant Update
 Other Announcements
 8:30 Door Prizes - Jeanne
 8:45 Benediction

February Program Highlights

Presenter: Dave Frank, Director of Sales & Marketing, Z-Coil. “Ask and Listen not Tell and Sell”. How to Effectively Reach People in the 21st Century.

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Menu

Salad with Ranch and Raspberry
 Vinaigrette
 Sliced Roast Beef
 Mashed Potatoes
 Snap Peas and Peppers
 Rolls & Butter
 Sherbet
 Coffee and Iced Tea

If you have special dietary requests, I will need them no later than Tuesday prior to meeting.

Thank you,

Judi Anderson, Committee Chair

Next La Luz Meeting

March 25, 2010
 MCM Elegante

Next Board Meeting

March 11, 2010
 TVC





Committee Square



| Date | Activity | Info | Results |
|--------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Oct 24 | Yard Sale | A huge success and a good time were had by all!! Thanks. | \$620.94 |
| Oct/Nov | Concessions | | \$515.09 |
| Nov 19 | 50/50 Raffle | Tickets available at the Nov meeting, Drawing at Feb Meeting | |
| Nov 24/25 | Flower Del | Thanks to all who delivered. | |
| Dec 22/23/24 | Flower Del | Thanks to all who delivered. | |
| Feb 9 | Trivia Night Meeting | Meeting to organize, discuss options and the way. | |
| Feb 11-13 | Flower Del | Valentine's Day | |
| Feb 25 | 50/50 Raffle | Drawing at the meeting! Be sure to bring the last of your tickets! | |
| Apr TBA | Yard Sale | | |
| May 8 | Flower Del | Mother's Day | |
| May/June TBD | Trivia Night | | |
| | Internet Raffle | We are going to raffle off the beautiful antique ABWA compact that Lana Hills donated to the chapter via email across the country. Only 100 tickets, \$20 each, proceeds to the UNM Scholarship | |

Fund Raising Committee Update February 2010

Hello La Luz!

50/50 Raffle—HOT! HOT! HOT! Bring your ticket stubs and money for the ones you have sold to the meeting. We draw the winner at this month's meeting! If you have run out of tickets—just take the names/contact info and the money, and we can fill out tickets at the meeting. Or call Jeanne Banks (239-2403) to get additional tickets.

Thanks to all who supported **Valentine's Day Flower Delivery**. Every little bit helps this year and your efforts are truly appreciated.

Trivia Night—Judi Anderson and Betty Jo Maes de Carter held the first

planning meeting on 9 Feb 10 at Boston's. Many preliminary ideas were determined, with details to be worked out over the next few months. These include:

- There will be a very experienced "Trivia Emcee" (Mike Foley) running the game for us (at no charge!!)
- No firm date was set—it will be in May or June, however, based on the availability of the German American Club (at no charge!) on a Sunday afternoon from 2:00-5:00.
- Goal of 100 attendees in 4 "person" teams.
- Entrance fee (\$10 per person) will go to the La Luz coffers. The Silent Auction and other games will go directly to our UNM Foundation Scholarship.
- Member involvement is

imperative. There are many ways to participate. There will be munchies-type food to be provided and different jobs to be done before and during the event

- In the near term, please be soliciting items/services for the Silent Auction.
- Future committee meetings will be held prior to our monthly meetings at the MCM Elegante.
- It will take all of us to put on a successful event.
- Meetings will be held monthly as needed.

"La Luz did shine in 2009—we will do it again in 2010!!"

Jeanne Banks,
Fund Raising Chair



Committee Square



Getting to Know February Speaker, Dave Frank

Dave Frank-Executive Director of Sales & Marketing, Z-Coil Footwear A naval officer for eight years and a Vietnam veteran, Dave has, since then, had many entrepreneurial adventures-from owning the hottest live music club in Omaha, to owning and operating a multi-store retail operation for 27 years, to selling Z-Coil(r) footwear. Along with partners Tish Mendick and Jenifer Rohde, Dave now owns three of the top Z-Coil(r) Pain Relief Footwear(r) stores in the country, located in Nebraska, Iowa and Colorado. This experience has given him unique insights into his current position as the head of Sales & Marketing for Z-Coil Corporate.

Professional Development Committee Report February 2010

The committee has added some professional development opportunities to our notebook. The majority of those identified are eligible for reimbursement from the SBMEF Skills Reimbursement program. Furthermore, some of the classes at the 2010 National Women's Leadership Conference will qualify for this reimbursement.

Remember to **bring any material you have for archiving to Ruth Roberts** or any member of the committee. The

Professional Development Committee will go through this material and prepare it for review to send to UNM research archives.

La Luz Chapter received five applications for the SBMEF Grant. After evaluating all of the applications, the recommendation of the Professional Development Committee is to submit Sarina Turnbull for the SBMEF Grant. Her information is summarized below. At the February chapter meeting the chapter will vote on whether to submit her for this grant. If she is confirmed as our candidate, we will then submit the chapter recommendation to SBMEF ABWA prior to March 1, 2010. ABWA has announced that applications received by March 1, 2010 are eligible for an increase of \$500 for a total of a \$2,000 grant.



Our La Luz Chapter scholarship has been established. Tax deductible donations may be made by sending a check to:

University of New Mexico Foundation, Inc.
MSC07 4260
1 University of New Mexico
Albuquerque, NM 87131-0001

Be sure to provide the following information on your check:

La Luz Chapter, ABWA Scholarship



Calendar of Events

1. Thursday, March 11, 2010
Board Meeting
2. Thursday, March 25, 2010
Chapter Meeting
3. Tuesday, March 2, 2010
Area Council Meeting
4. Fri. & Sat., April 9 and 10, 2010
District VI Spring Conference
5. Fri. & Sat, July 16 & 17, 2010
ABWA Fiesta

Sarina Turnbull is a graduate student at New Mexico State University in Las Cruces where she is pursuing a Master of Arts degree in Curriculum and Instruction with a Secondary Language Arts Licensure. She has a GPA of 3.8 on a 4.0 scale. She expects to complete her masters in May of 2011. Her long-term goal is to work as a high school English and Communications teacher. Sarina has been recognized several times for her academic success to include: the Dean's List, Crimson Scholar, scholarships, induction into numerous honor societies, and as Miss New Mexico Academic Scholar and Community Service Recipient by the Miss America Organization. In addition to working as a DJ at an Alamogordo radio station, she is a substitute teacher with the Alamogordo Public Schools. Ms. Turnbull has volunteered for several years as a mentor to young people in an elementary school, at the Alamogordo Academy of Ballet, and as a "Big Sister" for the Big Brothers/Big Sister's Program in Otero County.

Barbara Torres, Professional
Development Committee Chair



Committee Square



Program Committee Report January 2010

Future Scheduled Speakers are as Follows:

- **March 25-** Dan Gerry, Sr. Associate, Soaring Eagle Institute, "Seeing Opportunities in Difficult Times".
- **April 22-** Lee Trussell, Director of Entrepreneurial Training, TVC, "understanding and Using the Financial Statements".
- **May 27-** Presenter: Margaret Speer, "Professional Written Communication and Email Etiquette".
- **June 24-** Presenter: *TENT* Dorothee Otero, Ex. Director, Barrett House
- **July 22-** Board Surprise- To Be Determined

Area Council Report February 2010

Area Council meetings are held on the first Tuesday of every month, in the lobby area of the Hilton Garden Inn (new location), at 6:00 pm.

The Spring Conference will be April 9 & 10th in Reno, Nevada. The District VI conference will be a great time to attend workshops, seminars, and to get to know others in our District.

The 2010 Fiesta will be July 16 & 17, 2010 at the Courtyard by Marriott. We are encouraging all of our members to attend. There will be four speakers, and a Keynote speaker during lunch; there will also be Vendors for shopping.

For a Fundraiser this month, the La Luz Chapter will be delivering Valentine flowers.

A Bowling League is being organized by the Council for this summer at Holiday Bowl. Each Chapter will need volunteers for at least three- 3 man teams to represent them; this is open to females and males team members. It will be from 6:00-8:30 every Monday, starting mid-May to August.

Concessions at the Pitt have been postponed until further notice.

A New Web Master is needed. This job is to send an email of Web Updates for our website to Robin. That's all. Please contract MyChelle. This is NOT a time consuming job.



Display at the Anderson-Abruzzo Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta depicting the balloon, piloted by Jean-Pierre Blanchard and Dr. John Jeffries, that made the first English Channel crossing on 01/07/1785. See page 7 for more details.

Member Birthdays and ABWA Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to the following La Luz members celebrating a birthday in February!

Rachel Query 2/07
Marie Gignac 2/18



The following members are celebrating Anniversaries in February!

Doris Sherman 2005





Getting to Know ...



Getting to Know ... New Mexico better

Anderson-Abruzzo Albuquerque International Balloon Museum



Exhibit showing the Double Eagle V system as it appeared on the first ever Trans-Pacific balloon flight.

The Anderson-Abruzzo Albuquerque International Balloon Museum is a destination unto itself here in the Albuquerque area featuring artifacts covering almost 230 years of the evolution of ballooning.

Start your tour at the exhibit depicting the very first “manned” balloon flight in which a duck, a sheep and rooster were the very first passengers. This historic flight took place on September 19, 1783 at Louis XVI’s Palace of Versailles. And end at the exhibits showcasing modern achievements by New Mexico residents Ben Abruzzo and Maxie Anderson, including the first Atlantic Ocean and Pacific Ocean crossings.

Though the museum displays cover the history of hot air ballooning, the facility also includes educational exhibits where visitors can try their hand at the Balloon Flight Simulator, Basket Making, Knotting, Designing a Hot Air Balloon and even testing Bernoulli’s Principle of Lift. Also at the museum are four exhibition halls that educate the public on the field of aviation. “Children of War, Voices for Peace. Japanese and American Perspectives” is currently on display through the end of April showcasing fugos – Japanese made balloon bombs they used during World War II. This is a must see!

Getting to Know ... Your La Luz Treasurer, JoAnn Torres

Hi, I’m JoAnn Torres and I am serving this term as the La Luz Chapter Treasurer. I joined ABWA/La Luz in January of 2009, so I am a very new member. I am greatly enjoying being a member of La Luz and have met so many wonderful women while learning at the same time.

I was born and raised in Southern California, in the Los Angeles area and am the oldest of five children. My parents were both originally from Santa Fe and I have quite the extended

The museum is open daily 9am-5pm, Closed Mondays.

For general information, call 311 or 505-768-6020.

9201 Balloon Museum Drive NE
Albuquerque, NM 87113
www.cabq.gov/balloon

The Balloon Flight Simulator is just one of many “hands on” learning stations at the Anderson-Abruzzo Albuquerque International Balloon Museum.



family in Santa Fe and Northern New Mexico. Both my brothers and one sister still live in California and my other sister lives in Memphis. I am a proud aunt to five nephews between the ages of 14 and 21 years old.

I attended Loyola Marymount University and lived in the South Bay area (Redondo Beach) for a few years after graduation, working as Office Manager for the California office of a satellite engineering company. After 2 years, I decided to move to Washington DC after vacationing in the area. I landed in Gaithersburg, MD for 5 years, working for the same satellite engineering company and then working 1 year as IT/Help Desk support for a law firm in the District. Although it was very exciting being in the nation’s capital, I was a little homesick for the West, so I packed up to move back to L.A. While enroute, I stopped to visit my parents in Santa Fe and decided to live in New Mexico for one year – that was 19 years ago, and New Mexico is very definitely now home and a great place to live.

I am currently a contractor to the Department of Energy at Kirtland AFB, working on two foreign projects and am responsible for budget analysis and operational support on those projects. I am very, very fortunate as I love my job and consider myself lucky to do so. In addition to work and I am working toward a Certificate in Project Management, taking three on-line classes this semester. I should finish the Certificate by the end of 2011. My ultimate goal is to work for myself and ABWA is an essential step in this goal, as I am learning skills I will need when that time comes. The best part of being a La Luz Chapter member, for me, is the support and enthusiasm I receive from other members, and that I am making new friends and learning new things. I look forward to continuing as a La Luz member for a long time.

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

La Luz 2009-2010 Executive Board Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2010

Attendees: MyChelle Andrews, Margaret Spper, Kathy Elrick, Marlene Hall, Michelle Tabacchi, JoAnne Torres, Sharon Winings, Judi Anderson, Inga Mass.

Meeting Began at: 5:30 PM

>Addition of Topics to Agenda

- Meeting cancellation procedures.
- Review of February Meeting agenda.

>January Board Meeting Minutes-No Changes.

- Marlene emailed ABWA headquarters that January meeting was cancelled.

>January Treasurer Report - JoAnne received the concessions check.

>Member of the Month-This person is chosen for their ABWA contributions. Will recognize person chosen for January and February Member of the Month at February meeting. Reinstating recognition for outside accomplishments of members at meetings was discussed.

>Area Council Report - Kathy

- Location changed to the Hilton Garden Inn, the first Tuesday of the month at 6p. Meeting in the lobby.
- Mychelle to contact Santa Fe chapter to ask them to join the meeting.
- Spring Conference: April 9 & 10 in Reno, Nevada.
- Fiesta, July 16 & 17 at the Courtyard by Marriott. Encourage our local members to attend.
- Four speakers and keynote speaker during lunch as well as vendors for shopping. Fee \$95.
- Bowling league this summer, each chapter needs 3, three-person teams. This is elective. Held at the Holiday Bowl. 6-8:30p.m., starting in mid-May.
- Concessions at the pit postponed until further notice.

>January Meeting cancellation procedures discussed:

- Method of communicating meeting cancellation discussed.
- Judi to send thank you note to hotel for not charging for meeting cancellation.
- Board Surprise meeting will include a presentation to make up for missed meeting.
- Judi to meet with Carmen to discuss process of gathering contact information for guests who RSVP to meetings in case of cancellation.

>Mid-year review of goals: MyChelle

- Business Plan, Goals. Reviewed Mychelle's hardcopy. Mychelle to present our achievements per the Business plan at our March Meeting.
- Mychelle will print goals and email to board for review and comments prior to the next Board Meeting.

>Website Updates: A new Webmaster is needed. Not a time consuming job. Contact Mychelle.

- Mychelle sent a couple updates to Robin who manages our website: Reno District Conference and National Conference. Inga to resend info.

Executive Board Meeting Minutes (Cont.)

-Spring Conference: Information will be sent as it is finalized. It is April 9 & 10 in Reno, Nevada. This is a District conference. Location is the Grand Sierra Resort. Registration is \$249 if registered by March 3rd. Chapter can sponsor up to 6 people to attend: Four to District and Two to National. Chapter pays for Woman of the Year and Top Ten Candidate.

>Fund Raising Committee Report: Judi

-Trivia Night committee met. Date not yet finalized. Planning on a Sunday afternoon in April/May, pending site availability. Location will hold up to 200 people.

- Committee will meet monthly, as needed.
 - Judi distributed proposal for Trivia Night-Expecting 100 to attend.
Distribution of proceeds discussed. Committee has requested \$200 from chapter for expenses.
 - Asking every member to get a Silent Auction item of \$25 value or more. Donations may be delivered at the April meeting prior to the event.
 - Door fee proceeds to La Luz chapter: \$10/person
 - Silent Auction proceeds to Scholarship.
 - Quarter game proceeds to Scholarship. Chapter to provide start-up quarters for game to be repaid from proceeds.
 - Sign up sheets for responsibilities and what to bring will be presented during event overview at the March meeting.
 - Presentation of Trivia Night at March meeting discussed. Will include participation by table with door prizes for the winners to build enthusiasm for the event.
 - Mychelle requested at least one question include ABWA trivia.
- 50/50 raffle will be held at the February meeting. Bring ticket sales \$ To the meeting.

>Program Committee Report : Judi

- Meal for February – Sliced Roast Beef
- Mychelle needs a projector to do the WIN presentation during dinner.
- Woman of the Year / Top Ten Candidate: Judi will ask for a committee to choose the candidates at the February meeting. Also, ask for people to submit names. Applications are on WIN. Margaret will get the applications for the committee.
- This will be under New Business for the February meeting agenda.

>Membership Committee Report: Sharon

- Chapter Cards for Sympathy, Birthday, etc.-Group is meeting on Monday 2/16 at the IHOP on Menaul at 5:20p
- Sharon has proposed to take the membership list and add a column: "Preferred method of contact" to the chart. The Birthday listed is the person's birthday (not ABWA anniversary date)so the chapter acknowledges their personable birthday.
- Sharon revising format to include more info. Mychelle and Inga noted that current Format is efficient for mass emails and using Outlook. Requested Sharon retain the ability to do mail merge and emails from the format.
- Margaret volunteered to do the cards that need to be mailed.
- Sharon will do the emails that need to go out.

>Suggestions for Spring Enrollment event discussed.

- Make it an open house, open-door event and invite other chapters.
- Plan social time in the beginning of the gathering.
- Make it fun and not so formal to showcase talents and interests of the members.
- Meeting at Roadrunner Food Bank proposed by Judi. Inga will get location info. and forward to Sharon.
- Event announcement needs to be distributed by Kathy at Area Council.
- Sharon will decide type of communication after Monday meeting. 2/16.

>Professional Development Committee Report: Mychelle for Barbara

- Barbara will submit a report to Inga on SBMEF update for newsletter. SBMEF scholarship application deadline, 2/12/10.

Executive Board Meeting Minutes (Cont.)

- JoAnn to write an article for March newsletter.

➤ Next Board Meeting – March 11, 2010

>Chapter Meetings: Board reviewed agenda for Feb. 25 meeting.

- February Meeting: Mychelle will do presentation on WIN during dinner (needs screen).
- Drawing for 50/50 will be done in the middle of the meeting. Will do it first under Business Meeting.
- Business: Adding Woman of the Year and Conference
- Sharon's committee presentation added to meeting
- Will have a second table for JoAnne to take money and one for Sharon to get member information.
- Jeanne to handle 50/50 tickets.
- Michelle to sell door prize tickets.
- March Meeting: "March Madness" meeting will be presentation on Trivia with sign-up sheets and prizes.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45p



Mark your Calendar for the 2010 Conferences!

For exhibit information contact:

District II The Woodlands, TX March 19-20, 2010

Regina Landreneau 281-518-4303 regland@att.net
Janet Petrey 281-356-6273 jepetry@aol.com

District VI Reno, NV April 9-10, 2010

Conny Loftus 775-815-1936 conny@loftusmarketing.com

District III Itasca, IL April 16-17, 2010

Cindi Rozycki 847-337-7984 d3abwa@yahoo.com

District V Indianapolis, IN April 30–May 1, 2010

Carol King 317-509-4525 carolking9@aol.com

District IV Annapolis, MD May 14-15, 2010

Christina Gorman 443-867-7542 chris_gorman2002@yahoo.com

District I Naples, FL May 21-22, 2010

Nina DiSessa-Christensen 239-580-7306 nina.christensen@hilton.com

2010 National Women's Leadership Conference

Chattanooga, TN October 28-30, 2010

Cynthia Bell 816-361-6621 x 258 cbell@abwa.org

American Business Women's Association
9100 Ward Parkway
Kansas City, MO 64114
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*Where do we go
from here?
I'm headed to
Reno, Nevada
on April 9-10
for the District VI
Conference.*

I'm looking forward to joining ABWA members for a weekend of networking, professional development and furthering my ABWA knowledge base.

A couple of important dates to remember:

- ✓ Early registration deadline is **March 3***
- ✓ Housing forms due to the hotel by **March 9***

I hope not only to see you there, but have the opportunity to personally welcome you!

*Safe Travels,
Debbie Shadaram, District VI Vice President*



American Business Women's Association Housing Application
2010 ABWA District VI Conference in Reno, Nevada

April 9-10, 2010

The deadline to make reservations for ABWA rooms is **Tuesday, March 9, 2010**. After this date, rooms and group rates are subject to availability. To reserve your room, return this form and 1 night guarantee on a credit card to the hotel's reservation department.

Headquarters Hotel:

Grand Sierra Resort
 2500 East 2nd Street
 Reno, NV 89595
 775-789-2000 Main
 1-800-648-5080 (Reservations)
 775-789-2130 Fax
<http://www.grandsierraresort.com>

Airport Transportation:

Free hotel shuttle service every 30 minutes
 Just look for the Grand Sierra Shuttle van

Room Tax: 13%

Check-in time: 3 pm

Check-out time: 11 am

Parking: Self parking – Free for hotel guests

Amenities: In each of the newly renovated rooms you can expect to find: internet access, voice mail, 2 phone lines, a workstation with a spacious desk, 27-inch color TV, butler pantry with coffee maker and gourmet coffee, iron and ironing board, hairdryer and a microwave and refrigerator.

Check preferred accommodations (price does not include tax):

- Single (One person/one bed) \$90 Luxury Summit Rooms
 Double (Two people/two beds) \$90 Luxury Summit Rooms
 Triple (Three people/two beds) \$110 Luxury Summit Rooms
 Quad (Four people/two beds) \$130 Luxury Summit Rooms
 Non-Smoking (All Luxury Summit Rooms are non-smoking only)

Confirmation to be sent to (please print):

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime phone: _____ Evening phone: _____

Fax Number: _____ Email: _____

Sharing room with:

2. _____ 3. _____

4. _____

Special needs: _____

Arrival date: _____ Time: _____ Departure date: _____

Please check one:

Please charge to my

Diner's Club Visa Discover MasterCard American Express

Account No.: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Signature: _____ Security Code: _____

Reservation code: American Business Women's Association

Deposit is fully refundable if cancellation is received 48 hours prior to arrival.

Professional Development Opportunities Check List

La Luz Business Skills Tuition Reimbursement

Qualification

- Max of 1 per fiscal year one half (1/2) of the tuition up \$80
- Female US Citizen
- Must be a member of La Luz ABWA
- Enhances Life Skills and / or Career Skills

Process

1. Submit application to Judi Anderson at least 2 weeks prior to the registration deadline. Email to TorresBW@aol.com or snail mail to: PO Box 478, Tijeras, NM 87059-0478. Include:
 - a. course description
 - b. rational for attendance
 - c. date, time and location of class
2. Professional Development committee will vote on approval, requires a majority vote
3. Applicant will be notified of approval
4. After attending the class:
 - a. submit a written report for publication in the newsletter
 - b. receipt

SBMEF Business Skills Tuition Reimbursement

Qualification

- Max Per fiscal year one half (1/2) of the tuition up \$500
- Minimum per reimbursement \$50
- Must attend a licensed, accredited or state-approved institution in the United States or its possessions, territories, or districts
- Female US Citizen
- Does not need to be a member of ABWA

Process

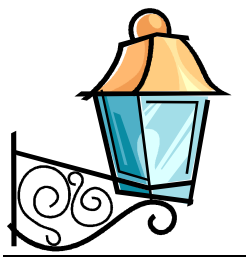
1. Submit application within 90 days of attending the course. Include:
 - c. course description
 - d. rational for attendance
 - e. verification of the institution's or organization's credentials

Outright Grants Program Qualifications

- Max Per fiscal year \$1,500
- Funds are to be used only for tuition, books and fees.
- Female US Citizen
- Must be at least at the sophomore level in college (completed 45 credit hours) applying for funds to be used the following year.
- Does not need to be a member of ABWA
- Have a 2.5 or better GPA on a 4.0 scale
- Must be seeking a baccalaureate degree or higher

Process

1. Complete the candidate information section of the SBMEF application in full.
2. Provide official transcripts of grades from all colleges attended.
3. Write a one-page biographical summary
4. Submit three current letters of reference from persons other than relatives.



ABWA Executive Director

Carolyn Bufton Elman

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 64114-0728
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 Member Services: (800) 228-0007
 Website: www.abwa.org



ABWA 2008-2009 National Officers

President – Casey Coven
 Vice President – Pam Carvell
 Secretary/Treasurer – Lynn Drowne
 District VI Vice President - Deb Shadaram

La Luz 2009-2010 Officers and Committee Chairs

Executive Board

President – MyChelle Andrews
 Vice President – Michelle Tabacchi
 Secretary – Marlene Hall
 Treasurer – JoAnn Torres
 Board Delegate – Kathy Elrick

Committee Chairs

Professional Development Committee Chair –
 Barbara Torres
 Program Committee Chair – Judi Anderson
 Fund Raising Committee Chair – Jeanne Banks
 Membership Committee Chair –
 Sharon Winings

La Luz Lamplighter Editor

Inga Mass
 6111 Dungan NE.
 Albuquerque, NM 87109
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Do you have an idea or story for the Lamplighter?  
 Do you have accomplishments you would like to share with other chapter members?  
 Do you have pictures or an event to share with the Chapter?

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**ABWA – Albuquerque and Santa Fe Chapters Meeting Nights and 2008/2009 Presidents**

|                             | Meeting Night                                          | President        | Phone | E-Mail                                                                 |
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| Albuquerque Charter Chapter | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday<br>MCM Elegante                | Lorraine Garcia  |       | <a href="mailto:lgarcia@isaalb.com">lgarcia@isaalb.com</a>             |
| High Noon Chapter           | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday<br>Shoneys/Louisiana<br>11:30 | Yolanda Arrey    |       | <a href="mailto:y.arrey@att.net">y.arrey@att.net</a>                   |
| La Luz Chapter              | 4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday<br>MCM Elegante               | MyChelle Andrews |       | <a href="mailto:mkandrews@cabq.gov">mkandrews@cabq.gov</a>             |
| Tierra Encantada Chapter    | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday<br>Santa Fe                    | Colleen Herrera  |       | <a href="mailto:colleenherrera@gmail.com">colleenherrera@gmail.com</a> |

All Meetings in the evening unless noted otherwise.