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AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

June 2010

June Chapter Meeting
Thursday, June 24, 2010
MCM Elegante Hotel
6:00pm – Networking
6:30pm - Meeting Begins

The La Luz Lamplighter

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Happy Birthday La Luz!



The La Luz Chapter of the American Business Women's Association Celebrated their birthday at the May 27, 2010 Chapter Meeting. Member, Margaret Speer, was the guest speaker for the well attended event.

Woman of the Year
Barbara Torres

Top Ten Nominee
MyChelle Andrews

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



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.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

President's Message

Dear La Luz Chapter Members,

Hi Everyone,

June is our Business Associate Recognition meeting. Please invite as many business associates as you can. We will need to have their names by Monday June 21st.

Our final fund raising event for this year will be the Garage Sale at Luisa's on June 26th. If you have items to donate either coordinate drop off with Luisa (881-4847) or bring your items to the meeting on Thursday, June 24th.

We will be continuing our WIN Café during the social and dinner. We would like to get everyone signed up and complete the online survey. We will also have our La Luz survey at the meeting. If you are not able to attend the meeting, the survey will also be available on our secure website and in our WIN Library. We really need everyone's participation. If you are unable to complete the survey in person, Kathy will be calling members directly to get your responses.

Our program this month is "Homeless in Albuquerque" and will be presented by Dorothee Otero, Executive Director of the Barrett Foundation.

See you soon!

In ABWA Love,

MyChelle

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
 Be 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 June Chapter Meeting

La Luz Meeting Agenda – June 24, 2010

- 6:00 Social, Networking, Door Prize Ticket Sales
Pass out Surveys
- 6:30 Call to Order & Welcome: MyChelle Andrews
Pledge of Allegiance
NM Flag Salute
Mission Statement
- 6:35 Dinner – Introductions / Michelle Tabacchi
- 7:00 Guest Speaker – Dorothee Otero, Ex. Dir., Barrett Foundation, “Homeless in Albuquerque”
- 7:45 Break
- 7:50 Business Meeting
Member of the Month – June
New Member Affiliation
Financial Report
Secretary Report
Correspondence
Business Associate Recognition
Old Business
Fiesta July 16 and 17
New Business
Board Surprise – July 22
Survey
Open Budget Meeting – August 11
Announcements / Reports
Committee Overview
Committee Chairs
Fund Raising
Garage Sale June 26 @ Luisa’s in the NE Heights
See news letter for filed reports
Other Announcements
Thank You for Phillis
- 8:30 Door Prizes – Michelle Tabacchi
- 8:45 Benediction
Collect Surveys

June Highlights

June’s presenter is Dorothee Otero, who has been the Executive Director of the Barrett Foundation for the past 16 years. She will be speaking on “Homeless in America”. Turn to page 7 for more information on this month’s speaker.

June Chapter Meeting

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MCM Elegante Hotel
6:00pm – Networking
6:30pm – Meeting Begins*

Menu

Cold Cut Summer Buffet
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

*July 22, 2010
MCM Elegante*

Next Board Meeting

*July 8, 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/Dec/Feb	Flower Del	Thanksgiving/Christmas/ and Valentine's Day—Thanks to all!	\$275.00
Feb 25	50/50 Raffle	Congrats to Dana Roberson—She won \$510, we earned \$510!	\$510.00
May 7	Trivia Night	S-U-C-C-E-S-!! La Luz made	\$981.75
		UNM Foundation Scholarship made	\$1549.50
May 7/8	Flower Del	Mother's Day	\$300.00
Jun 26	Yard Sale	At Luisa's	
	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 June 2010



Hello La Luz!

Yard Sale—Saturday, June 26 at Luisa's. Plan to bring your items on Friday afternoon (after 4:00). We will be setting up and pricing that evening. Sale will start on Saturday at 8:00am. Please let me know if and when you can help that day. We do need workers. Remember, your castoffs will be someone else's treasures!

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

Jeanne Banks,
Fund Raising Chair



La Luz Bulletin Board

- **Yard Sale Fundraiser Items Needed**
La Luz Yard Sale coming up on June 26, 2010. Contact Luisa Gignac for info on dropping off your items and participating in the event.
- **Thursday June 22 is Business Associate Night** so invite your Co-Workers and Friends for an enjoyable and Informative meeting. **Register your guests on E-Vite or call Judi Anderson by Monday, June 21, 2010 to reserve their spot!**



Committee Square



Committee Overview of Responsibilities and Focus Areas

Here is an overview of the responsibilities for each committee. If you have experience in any of these areas or would like to gain new skills in one of these areas please sign up for a committee.

Professional Development:

- ❖ Chapter Scholarships
- ❖ Chapter Newsletter
- ❖ Website Content
- ❖ Public Relations
- ❖ History / Archives
- ❖ Promote Member Professional Development
- ❖ Recommend Professional Development Activities

Programs:

- ❖ Meeting Arrangements
- ❖ Speakers / Programs
- ❖ Member Contact
- ❖ Sponsor Business Associate Event
- ❖ Sponsor Women of the Year / Top Ten Event

Fund Raising:

- ❖ Fund Raising Activities
- ❖ Sponsor Fund Raising Events

Membership:

- ❖ Roster Maintenance
- ❖ Orientation
- ❖ Goodwill Ambassador
- ❖ Sponsor Enrollment Events
- ❖ Send Flowers and Various Cards



May's Guest Speaker was none other than our own Margaret Speer (L), shown above with our President, MyChelle Andrews (R).



Calendar of Events

1. Saturday, June 26, 2010
Chapter Yard Sale
2. Thursday, July 8, 2010
Board Meeting
3. Fri. & Sat, July 16 & 17, 2010
ABWA Fiesta
4. Thursday, July 22, 2010
Chapter Meeting
5. Thu.- Sat., October 28 -30, 2010
2010 National Women's Leadership Conference

Area Council Meeting Report June 2010

The meeting started at 6:05 pm at the Garden Inn Hilton, Treasurer and Secretary Reports read and approved. The Bowling league is going well. We have 5 teams and all are from the Charter Chapter. The money raised from this activity will go to the Charter Chapter for scholarships. The league costs \$15.00 a night. Each fee is used to pay the bowling alley and the scorers. The balance of the money would be divided between the chapters participating. This means that we have bowlers out there that are not participating; and their chapters are not sharing in this fund raiser. Let's try harder next year to make this fund raiser benefit more chapters and more people have fun.. Chapters activities this month; Tierra Encantada in Santa Fe will be doing a "Relay for Life". This is a Cancer Walk and they do it every year; Charter Chapter had Jim Masica as a speaker on the importance of laughter and it's benefits; High Noon Chapter will sponsor the ABWA DAY on September 25, 2010; and La Luz had our Margaret Speer as our speaker on "Professional Communication and High-Tech Etiquette" , we also had our very successful TRIVAL NIGHT, delivered Mother's Day flowers and will have a Yard Sale , June 26, 2010. The Fiesta preparations are going well. Janis has been busy getting the decorations and bags; we are set. Vendor signup; we have a total of 14 tables including 2 sponsorships. Registration for this event also has started coming in. Please register soon before the hotel reservations fill up.

Kathy Elrick
Board Delegate



Committee Square



Getting to Know June Speaker, Dorothee K. Otero, Executive Director of the Barrett Foundation



Dorothee Otero has been the Executive Director of the Barrett Foundation for the past 16 years.

She has 34 years of management experience of which 29 years have been in non-profit management. She is a successful grant writer and trainer. Dorothee has provided classroom instruction at Webster University, UNM, Wayland Baptist University, The Art Center Design College, College of Santa Fe, and National American University on issues of non-profit management, poverty, housing, and homelessness. She has worked with diverse populations such as immigrants, refugees, elderly, gang members, incarcerated youth, mentally ill women and of course, families experiencing homelessness.

She was a certified police officer and recently retired from the New Mexico Mounted Patrol after 15 years of service. Dorothee migrated to the US in 1977 with a modest knowledge of the English language. She has two grown sons and two grand children.

Program Committee Report June 2010

Future Scheduled Speakers are as Follows:

- **June 24-** Presenter: *TENT* Dorothee Otero, Ex. Director, Barrett House
- **July 22-** Presenter: Keri Stewart-Results 4 Business Inc. "Your Future: Cluttered or Blank?"




 Submit Articles for the
 La Luz Lamplighter to:
ingamass@comcast.net

Member Birthdays and ABWA Anniversaries

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

- Anja Barnhouse-Stack 06/10
- Jeanne Banks 06/23
- Cathy Zeringue 06/28



The following members are celebrating Anniversaries in June!

- Marlene Hall 2007
- Eve Flanigan 2009





Getting to Know ...



May Member of the Month, Judi Anderson, received this honor for her outstanding work organizing the very successful Trivia Night Fund Raiser, which was held on May 7, 2010.



Judi Anderson (L) and friends enjoying the view while sightseeing near Mexican Hat, Utah in April 2008

Getting to Know ... May Member of the Month, Judi Anderson

I have been a member of ABWA since 2001. I joined the year New Mexico had the National Conference here in Albuquerque. I have been friends with BettyJo Maes de Carter for a while and knew she was a member of La Luz, She invited me to the conference to have lunch with Janet Reno! Little did I know that it would be such a life changing lunch! Janet spoke and then we heard a presentation about ABWA. I signed up at the luncheon along with Janet Reno.

For about a year I attended La Luz meetings to "check them out" before joining this chapter. I treasure the friends I have made not only in the chapter but also throughout the ABWA family. I have served as Professional Development chair, Meetings and program chair, Vice president and president of La Luz chapter. I have been Woman of the Year and Top Ten candidate. I look forward to many more years with La Luz.

My husband Ted and I have lived in Albuquerque for sixteen years. I believe that you can "live" many places in your lifetime. Some places are o.k. But others just fill your soul. New Mexico is one place that has filled our souls. We love the people, history, and climate.

I love to hike, four-wheel and Kayak. My passion for history has led me to explore many unknown towns and Indian ruins throughout the southwest.

I also like to dance. BettyJo, Inga and I are members of the loosely organized New Mexico Posse Dancers. Ten years ago the three of us, our husbands and one other couple put on a dance for BettyJo's birthday. It was such a success that it turned into an annual event now known as The Wild West Vintage Cowboy Ball! That ball led to learning some old time dance routines and being asked to perform at different venues. We have danced for the Duke of Albuquerque Spain and at different festivals through out New Mexico.

Ted and I both drive Smart Cars. Mine is Red and his is Yellow. I have a vanity plate that says; SMAHTCA. Yep! Just how I talk. People are pretty surprised to see how much room the cars have.

I design, create and teach Jewelry making under my Ca*Be*Ju business name. Everyone always asks how I named my business. Ca*Be*Ju stands for Cathy, Beth and Judi. Cathy is my best friend and Beth is my daughter. I am also an independent BeautiControl consultant. I also have a "day" job with Z-Coil Pain Relief Footwear as an Inside Sales Rep. Busy? You bet, but loving every minute



Judi Anderson (Center Front), along with members of the New Mexico Posse Dancers

La Luz – May, 2010 Meeting Minutes

ABWA La Luz Chapter Meeting Minutes
May 27, 2010

Meeting Start Time: 6:35 a.m.

Attendees: 16

Guests: 3

6:35 p.m. - President, Mychelle Andrews opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and the New Mexico Flag Salute.

6:40 Introductions / Michelle Tabacchi

7:05 Judi introduced the guest speaker

7:00 Guest Speaker – Margaret Speer, “Professional Correspondence and High-Tech Etiquette”

7:45 LaLuz Happy 43rd Birthday Celebration (5/19/67) – Celebrated with Cake

7:50 Business Meeting

- Member of the Month for May is Judi Anderson for taking over the fundraising project of Trivia Night in support of Jeanne’s personal obligations.
- No new members this week.
- Financial Report - Posted on our website. No issues found.
- Secretary Report – Minutes are approved as printed.
- Correspondence – Marlene read thank you from Mauldin’s Flowers for Mother’s Day flower deliveries.

Old Business

- Fiesta July 16 and 17 – Judi and Betty Jo will create 3 baskets for the Fiesta event to meet our chapter obligation. Marlene committed to donate one basket from Pharmaca.
- Chapter will reimburse half of your attendance fee.

New Business

- Business Associate Month is June. This is the meeting where we have the opportunity to honor a business associate.
- Submit your candidate by writing in their name on the e-vite. They’ll receive a certificate and a gift (mug). We’ll also award the scholarship of \$2,000 at that meeting. Marlene will create the certificates.
- Officer Elections finalized. Luisa contacted members to request participation for committees and officer positions.
- Barbara Torres moved that we accept the current officer slate and keep incumbents in office. It was unanimously approved.

Announcements / Reports

- Judi – Committee Announcements: Woman of the Year trophy awarded to Barbara Torres.
- A-1 Trophy has graciously offered to engrave all future trophy’s and help us with rewards.
- Marlene will contact Margaret and ask her to send a card. His mother and sister were both involved in ABWA.

Committee Chairs Meeting is June 24th.

-Fundraiser Garage Sale is June 26th. Location: Luisa’s home in Northeast Heights.

-Volunteers: Jeanne, Louisa, Mychelle, Michelle, Judi.

-Small donations for the sale may be delivered at the next meeting. Please don’t bring large items to the meeting. Deliver large items to Louisa’s prior to the sale.

-Judi reported on the Trivia Night Fundraiser held in May.

Ninety-four people attended a successful event.

The committee will meet June 23, to review the event.

8:30 Door Prizes – Michelle Tabacchi

8:45 Benediction






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When:

Friday, July 16, 2010
 6:00 pm Registration
 7:00 pm Reception

Saturday, July 17, 2010
 9:00 am Sessions
 Noon Lunch
 1:00 pm Sessions
 7:00 pm Dinner
 8:00 pm Entertainment

Registration: Debbie Reynolds
 Nmfiesta@msn.com

Cost: \$95 per person




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



American Business Women's Association Summer Bowling League Is Now Forming

Wanted:

3 person teams

Any combination of men and women

Starting Date is
 May 17, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.
 Monday Nights
 Cost: \$16.00/person

Location: Holiday Bowl on Lomas
 All pin money goes towards ABWA Education Funds

Call and Reserve a spot for Your Team

Contact

Debbie Reynolds

H: 884-3136

W: 761-7054

Anne Baca

H: 281-5704

W: 243-5263



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Event Agenda

July 16, Friday	6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Registration
	6:00 pm – 10:00 pm	Social Hour & Pasta Bar & Entertainment Jewelry / Perfume Swap
July 17, Saturday	8:00 am – 8:45 am	Registration / Breakfast Coffee & Danish
	8:45 am – 11:45 am	Seminars, Shopping
	11:45 am – 2:00 pm	Lunch – Guest Speakers – Candidates – DVP
	2:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Seminars, Shopping
	7:30 pm – 10:00 pm	Dinner/Fun

Full registration is \$95 a person. Additional information can be found by clicking on the Fiesta link at <http://www.abwa-laluz-abq.org/current-events.html>, and then follow the link for New Mexico Fiesta 2010.

The hotel is \$79 plus tax a night. Room rates are valid until June 21, 2010. More hotel information can be found by calling 1-877-905-4496.

The conference features seminars by:

Seminar 1 - Tracie K. O'Geary

Performance Accelerator / Facilitator with Fortitude

Topic: Professional Presentations

Seminar 2 - Dan Gerry

Soaring Eagles Institute

Topic: Discovering Your Passions and Strengths

Guest Speakers Katie Snapp

Beter-Leadership.com

Topic: Women's Leadership Skills

Deb Schadaram - District VI Vice-President

Seminar 3 - Will Reichard

Social Media

Seminar 4 -Jennifer Cole

Cole Financial Consulting Company

Topic: Money Mindfulness, Habits and Attitudes



**NEW MEXICO FIESTA
2010**

Registration

Deadline for Registration July 1, 2010

Name: _____
 Street: _____
 City: _____
 State: _____ Zip: _____
 Contact Phone: _____
 Email: _____

Registration for all activities is \$95.00. For planning purposes, please check each activity you will be attending:

- Friday Night Pasta Bar & Social Hour &
 Entertainment - Jewelry / Perfume Swap
 Saturday Seminars to include Lunch
 Saturday Night Dinner and Entertainment
 Will you be bringing a guest for Saturday Evening? Fee is \$35.00

Please indicate any special dietary needs (please explain):

Please make check payable to ABWA ABQ Fiesta 2010. Send this form and payment by July 1, 2010 to:

NM Fiesta Registration
 Debbie Reynolds
 2408 Alvarado Dr NE
 Albuquerque, NM 87110

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

- Submit application to Barbara Torres 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. rationale 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

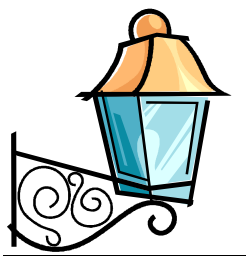
1. Submit application within 90 days of attending the course. Include:
 - c. course description
 - d. rationale for attendance
 - e. verification of the institution's or organization's credentials

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.



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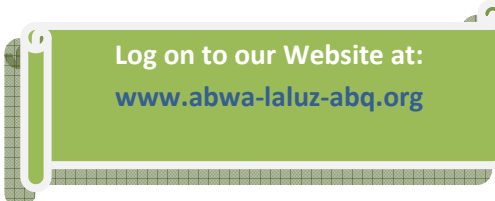
Committee Chairs

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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?  
Send your articles, pictures, or ideas to Inga Mass at [ingamass@comcast.net](mailto:ingamass@comcast.net)



**ABWA – Albuquerque and Santa Fe Chapters Meeting Nights and 2009-2010 Presidents**

|                             | Meeting Night                                     | President        | Phone | E-Mail                                                                 |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 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     | Yolanda Arrey    |       | <a href="mailto:y.arrey@att.net">y.arrey@att.net</a>                   |
| La Luz Chapter              | 11:30<br>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.