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**THE LANCER**

American Business Women's Association
Camelot Chapter
Harrisburg, PA

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Welcome to tonight's meeting!**Our Hostesses:**

Anniversary Committee (Denise Shade, Kathy George, Dottie Badger and Marianne Troy)

The Menu: Stuffed Shells or Roast Turkey

The Program: Anniversary Night Program, with guest speaker Tom Russell.

Perfect Attendance 2010-2011

Alicia Heilman	1 Year
Anne-Marie Brandt	1 Year
Marianne Troy	1 Year
Diane Brokenshire	2 Years
Debra Yates	9 Years
Denise Shade	15 Years
Donna Nissel	21 Years
Dottie Badger	24 Years
Ann Cirillo	38 Years
Alta Hendricks	38 Years

In order to achieve perfect attendance, missed chapter meetings may be made up by attending meetings for other chapters, attending the Fall Frolic or either a Spring Conference or National Conference.

Special recognition goes to members missing one meeting

Kathy George
Mary Johnson
Sally Maurer
Tania Srouji

Newsletter Submission Deadline for next month is December 9. Please submit materials to Anne-Marie Brandt via email - abrandt@teambrandt.net

Upcoming Events

December 5, 2011

Camelot Board Meeting @ 6:00pm
Tania Srouji's house

December 6, 2011

Ladies Night Out @ 5:30pm
(please note change of date!)
Pizza Grille, Camp Hill

December 19, 2011

Camelot Meeting - Christmas Party
Radisson, Camp Hill
Hosted by: Maria Todaro-Dye, Alicia Heilman

From the President's Desk...

Tonight is anniversary night and what a special night it is. We belong to an elite group of ladies who have helped shape the future of some of our youth through our hard work, our fundraising and most of all our passion for a better future. We belong to a sisterhood of woman that I am proud to call my friends.

With Thanksgiving fast approaching, I would like to say that I am thankful for all of you. You have been there through thick and thin for Camelot and I know we are heading towards a bright future.

When I count my blessings I count the friendship I have made through ABWA twice.

Happy Thanksgiving and may many Blessings coming your way.

Tania Srouji, President

Executive Board Meeting - November 7, 2011

The November board meeting was held at the home of Tania Srouji. In addition to Tania, those in attendance were Kathy George, Anne Marie Brandt, Deb Yates, Alicia Heilman, Diane Brokenshire and Denise Shade.

- Deb Yates gave a presentation concerning the SBMEF scholarship program. The criteria was developed and the application completed. Diane wrote the check, \$2000 and Deb will mail. We need to have the information to National by the end of November. A \$25 check was also written for the ABWA grant program.
- Wanda Metzger resigned from the chairmanship of the Wolfgang fund raiser. Wanda has been chairing this fund raiser for 10 years. We will need someone to chair the committee for the Easter sale.
- Jen Reed resigned from the Vice-President position. Denise Shade has agreed to take that office for the remainder of this term.
- Tania is going to put together a description of all the chapter committees; this will help the membership understand the duties of all committees.
- The chapter will be receiving a survey concerning future programs and speakers.
- Rene Street issued an email today concerning the 2011-2012 National Board of Directors. They are requiring that 3 members run for district office in each election, or National will pick people to run from each district.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30.

Submitted by Denise Shade

Committee Reports

Ladies Night Out

On November 3rd a group of 11 met at the Pizza Grille - Alicia, Diane B., Ann, Marianne, Diane S., Kathy, Wanda, Dottie, Deb, Denise and Donna. *Because of schedule conflicts, next month's gathering at the Pizza Grille in Lemoyne will be held on Tuesday, December 6th at 5:30.* We will begin celebrating the holiday season with a Round-Robin Christmas gift exchange (pick a new gift or take one away from someone else). Bring a wrapped gift, \$10.00, and join in the fun. If you plan to come, please contact Diane Sherwood at dsherwood@state.pa.us, Diane Brokenshire at dianecb12@yahoo.com or Ann Cirillo at 737-7107 by Monday, December 5th so we have enough seating for everyone. Hope to see you there!

Donna Nissel

Christmas Wolfgang Candy/ Holiday Wrap Fund Raiser

Thank you to the members of Camelot and extended friends of Camelot for sales resulting in a profit of \$298.03. Profit for Easter sales was \$395.83 or a total of \$693.86 for 2011.

Wanda Metzger

Bon-Ton Community Days Booklet Sales

Thanks again to all who donated, helped to sell at the door and just support. The final totals look like this - books sold 120 X \$5.00 = \$600.00 with more to come from Bon Ton when they closed their books on the project.

Dottie Badger

New Members

Lita M Heckler

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Sponsored by Anne-Marie Brandt
Lita is the owner of Edible Arrangements

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Sponsored by Marianne Troy

New members will be installed at tonight's meeting.

Camelot Meeting Minutes - October 17, 2011

ABWA Camelot Chapter's Monthly meeting was held at the Radisson Hotel on October 17, 2011.

Business Meeting began at 7:30 pm, following speaker, Lynn Edris, ADD Coach.

- Introduction of guests and review of last month's minutes - motion to approve by Anne Marie Brandt, seconded by Marianne Troy.
- Fall Frolic - Dottie said all went well, wrap up meeting will be held on Tuesday, 10/25/11. It will be the last Fall Frolic. Tania thanked Dottie for all her hard work and dedication.
- Denise Shade and Anne Marie Brandt brought lap-tops to assist members to sign up on WIN.
- Menu for 2012 is printed in Lancer.
- Best Practices - Need three members to go to Spring Conference (March 22-24, 2012, in Cary, NC) and nominate a member for top ten women in business. No one from the Camelot Chapter attended the National Conference.
- Eileen Royer was voted Vice President of our district.
- Deb Yates & Tania Srouji attended Keystone Council, Deb was nominated for secretary of Keystone Council. Deb said the Council is an opportunity to exchange and share information with other chapters. Next council meeting will be November 10th at 7:00 pm.
- Abeer presented ABWA with a check in the amount of \$500.00 from Metro Bank as a newsletter sponsor. Tania thanks Abeer and Metro Bank for Donation.
- Anne Marie requested that all submissions for the next Lancer be in by 11/11/11.
- Ladies night out is the 1st Thursday of each month at the Pizza Grille in Lemoyne.
- Woman of the Year will be held Sunday, June 3, 2012, at the West Shore Country Club. Deb Yates & Dottie Badger will be co-chairing the committee, would like to have a meeting with the committee at 5:00 pm, prior to the next ABWA meeting.
- As of tonight, 10/17/11, 60 Bon-Ton Books have been sold.
- Sub orders are due on the 24th (pmt due upon pick-up), with a pick-up date of 10/27/11.
- Tania spoke about Quarter Auctions and the possibility to do one using tickets in place of quarters. A Game of Chance license will need to be purchased. Tania will look into it further.
- Laura from Invisible Fences will be published in The Burg regarding pet nutrition. Karina thanked everyone for the school supplies. Donna Nissel spoke about Odyssey to China and her granddaughter.
- Spaghetti dinner will be held in the spring, no definite date yet.
- Deb suggested anyone interested in the scholarships program to come to the next board meeting as the criteria for the scholarships will be discussed, including the timelines.
- Next board meeting will be held at 6:00 pm on 11/7/11, at Tania's House
- Tania is working on a mentoring program for new members or new members to a committee.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

- **Shelley Hoachlander, Secretary**

Wendy Hammaker

November 1

Tess Bockes

November 16

Wanda Metzger

November 22

Sally Maurer

November 28

Deb Donahue

13 years

May your stuffing be tasty
May your turkey plump,
May your potatoes and gravy
Have nary a lump.
May your yams be delicious
And your pies take the prize,
And may your Thanksgiving dinner
Stay off your thighs!
~Author Unknown

Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos to order, confusion to clarity. It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend. Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today and creates a vision for tomorrow.

~Melody Beattie



*Happy
ABWA
Anniversary*

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INVOCATION:

Lord, in the quiet of this evening hour, we come to thee for wisdom and for power, to view Thy world through only love-filled eyes; to grow in understanding; to be wise and sure to see Thy guiding light; and thus to know each other as Thou knowest us. AMEN

BENEDICTION:

O 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

Vision Statement Camelot Chapter ABWA

The vision of the Camelot Chapter within the next several years is to become the premier leading organization in the Harrisburg area to support local women by providing monthly educational programs and business networking opportunities. The chapter's goal is to help members achieve leadership skills by working as a team, attending regional and national conferences and participating in fundraising events.

ABWA Mission Statement

The mission of the American Business Women's Association is to bring together businesswomen 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.

ABWA Proud Code of Conduct

ABWA's Proud Code of Conduct was developed as a means of guiding all members in making ethical decisions. The broad statements of the code that are listed below are not expected to cover all conduct for all situations. This is why the Proud Code of Conduct was created as a living and fluid code.

1. All members will serve as goodwill ambassadors for the American Business Women's Association.
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.

