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American Business Women's Association
Camelot Chapter
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Welcome to tonight's meeting!

Our Hostesses:

Anne-Marie Brandt & Abeer Srouji

The Menu: Flounder Almandine, Lemon Basil Chicken, Tossed Salad.

The Program: Lynne Edris from Coaching ADDvantages will be speaking about the "Soft Signs" of ADD.

2011-2012 Menu

November

Roast Turkey
Stuffed Shells

December

Chicken Marsala
Ham with Apple Demi

January

Lemon Basil Cod
Meat Lasagna

February

Beef Tips
Chicken Marsala

March

Teriyaki Chicken
Meat Loaf

April

Roast Sirloin
Flounder Almandine

May

Stuffed Chicken Breast
Penne Rustica

June

Roast pork
Parmesan and
Rosemary Encrusted
Cod

July

Picnic dinner

August

Pesto Cream Pasta
Ham

September

Blackened Haddock
Chicken Palermo

Upcoming Events

November 3, 2011

Ladies Night Out @ 5:30pm
Pizza Grille, Camp Hill

November 7, 2011

Camelot Board Meeting
Tania Srouji's house

November 10-11, 2011

Bon Ton Community Days

November 21, 2011

Camelot Meeting - Anniversary Night
Radisson, Camp Hill
Hosted by: Anniversary Committee

CONGRATS TO EILEEN ROYER!

The American Business Women's Association elected Eileen Royer from Ephrata, PA. to the position of District IV Vice President of ABWA during the 62nd annual conference in Irving, TX. Royer will represent thirteen states in the Northeast, extending from Maine to North Carolina and including the District of Columbia.

Ms. Royer, owner of Thomas F Royer Appraisal Service, has been a member of the Association for 15 years. A graduate of Millersville University, her career included developing and installing computer systems for the Department of the Navy, Hamilton Bank and Armstrong World Industries. For the past 20 years she has managed a residential real estate appraisal business.

"ABWA is an organization that has provided me with knowledge and skills that I can use in my business," Royer said. "In my new role, I will share experiences and encourage members to participate fully in order to achieve the greatest personal and professional growth."

Newsletter Submission Deadline for next month is November 11. Please submit materials to Anne-Marie Brandt via email - abrandt@teambrandt.net

From the President's Desk...

Fall is officially here! The leaves are changing colors, the air is getting brisk and cool, and the smell of pumpkin pie is in the air. So get your favorite sweater out and get ready for a fun filled fall.

I am so excited to see all the new members who are joining AWBA and I want to thank you for continuing to spread the word about ABWA.

I am asking our members to please take the time and log on to WIN. It is a wealth of information and a GREAT way to learn how our organization is run.

My goal is get at least 90% of our members to join WIN. If you need help, please call or email me and I will be happy to walk you through it. Enjoy this fall season and Happy Halloween!

Tania Srouji, President

Committee Reports

Ladies Night Out

It was once again a fun and lively group at the Pizza Grille on October 6th - Alicia, Diane B., Ann, Marianne, Diane S., Maria, Kathy, Sally and Donna. We will meet again next month at the Pizza Grille in Lemoyne on Thursday November 3rd at 5:30.

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 Tuesday, November 1st so we have enough seating for everyone. If you haven't been to one of our get-togethers, please join us. It's always a fun night. Don't forget - Pizza Grille is BYOB!

Executive Board Meeting - October 4, 2011

The October board meeting was held in Enola. Attending the meeting were Tania Srouji, Anne-Marie Brandt, Shelley Hoachlander, Diane Brockenshire, and Kathy George.

- Alicia received the new menu from the Radisson, will be in next Lancer.
 - Treasurer's Report was reviewed/discussed.
 - Several members attended the Fall Frolic, all with good reviews. Kudos to the Fall Frolic Committee for a wonderful event.
 - Only a small number of Bon Ton books have been sold to date. Need to sell at least 50 to qualify for in-store book sales, current sales are under 25 books. Other locations to sell books are being considered. Books must be sold prior to 11/11/11.
 - Subway Sub Orders are due 10/24/11, and will be ready for pick-up 10/27/11 at either Subway location.
 - Anne-Marie will send e-mail newsletter reminding members of fundraisers.
 - Abeer discussed the possibility of a Zumba event and spaghetti dinner (for the spring) with the Fundraising committee.
 - Wolfgang orders are due 10/17/11.
 - Deb Yates confirmed a date with the West Shore Country Club for Woman of the Year. Social hour will begin at noon on 6/3/12, with the program beginning at 1:00 pm. Deb would like to form a committee and hold a meeting prior to the regular meeting on 10/17/11.
 - Lita from Edible Arrangements will be joining ABWA.
 - Anne-Marie suggested a mentoring program for new members.
 - Next board meeting will be held 11/7/11, at 6:00 pm, in Tania's home.
 - Meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm.
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Anne-Marie Brandt

October 3

Marianne Troy

October 26

*Happy
ABWA
Anniversary*

Mary Ann Conrad

30 years

Kim Lutes

2 Years

Marianne Troy

1 year

Camelot Meeting Minutes - September 19, 2011

ABWA Camelot Chapter's Monthly meeting was held at the Radisson Hotel on September 19, 2011.

Meeting began at 6:04 pm with invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Hostesses were Kathy George and Marianne Troy. Guests included Lita Heckler of Edible Arrangements, Christine Rigg from Mary Kay, Laura Maynard from Pet Solutions, and Leslie Moore from Well Home. Guest introductions were followed by member introductions.

BUSINESS MEETING:

- Speaker - Leslie Moore spoke about "Home Performance and Why Should You Care"
- The Meeting minutes were approved by Diane Brokenshire, second by Denise Shade.

OLD BUSINESS:

- National Conference will be held in Irving, Texas. No one from Camelot is attending.
- Fall Frolic will be held on Friday, September 23rd. Reservations are closed.
- BonTon Books can be purchased from Dottie Badger for \$5.00 each. Members are encouraged to sign up to sell. We have a minimum of 50 we need to sell, and a goal of 100.
- WIN - Tania will contact members not currently signed up on WIN. WIN is a good resource for information and learning opportunities. Anne-Marie will bring a lap top to the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Alicia received the new menu and food choices will be in the next Lancer.
 - Keystone Council will be held October 13th in Lancaster.
 - National Spring Conference will be held in Cary, NC, March 22-24, 2012. All are encouraged to attend. At least three members must attend in order to be considered for Best Practices. A top ten business woman must also be nominated in order to reach Best Practices (deadline for nominations is May 15). Tess Bockes nominated Kathy George, Deb Yates suggested Tania and/or Abeer Srouji. She also stated that being in the Top Ten is the highest honor in ABWA. Tania would like to see more representation from our chapter at the spring conference.
 - Fundraising - Abeer Srouji spoke of the Zumba Fundraiser which will take place in November and will include two zumba classes, vendors, and food, in addition to Metro Brank hosting a bake sale. A sub sale from Subway will also be held. (Six inch subs will be sold for \$5.00 each, with a profit of \$2.25 for ABWA.) Kathy will have the orders ready for pick up once a date is determined and sales are final. Members discussed possibility of a May 2012 spaghetti dinner. Kids in need of community work for school may be used for assistance. Starting next month, a fundraiser will be held every Monday night at Arooga's. ABWA will receive 10% of all sales with specified coupons. Abeer also suggested that any members whose firms would be hosting an event or open house allow ABWA to include a raffle basket to help raise money. A goal of \$5000.00 has been set for the year.
 - Programs - Abeer will be sending out a survey to see what types of speakers our members would like. We would like to cater to all ages groups and interests and is also taking suggestions for the holiday party. Five minute vocational speakers will also be brought back.
 - Sarah Clark will be sending out a mass e-mail to ensure proper e-mail addresses for members.
 - ABWA handbooks were distributed at the meeting this evening.
 - Tania encouraged the new committee chairs to meet with former chairs to obtain information.
 - Jenn Reed's baby girl, Peyton Ora, was born and weighed 8 lbs, 1 ½ oz.
 - Deb Yates is speaking at a women's event (benefitting YWCA) put together by Abeer and Tania on October 8.
 - Anne-Marie and Tania are running for Woman of the Year for the Leukemia/Lymphoma Society.
 - Deb Yates discussed Camelot Chapter hosting the Woman of the Year luncheon and Dottie Badger will co-chair with her. The event will probably take place in June and the committee will be asking for silent auction items.
 - Dottie mentioned that this will probably be the last Fall Frolic (2011). The Fall Frolic includes up to 17 chapters and the event has been falling apart over the years. There are 103 confirmed for this year, but many of the chapters are small and inactive. There has been an issue of age differences/challenges and many feel more focus should be put on the Woman of the Year luncheon instead. Fall Frolic was originated so that various chapters could get together and share information and experiences and support each other. Denise questioned if the Fall Frolic committee would be taking over Woman of the Year and where would the money go. The committee will not be taking over and the remaining funds would be divided among the active chapters. Kathy George thanks Dottie for all her work on behalf of the chapter.
 - Karina suggested a fundraiser through ABWA in order to raise money/school supplies for her school, which is in great need of materials. A review of the by-laws will be done to see what our limitations are. It was suggested that Karina plan a fundraiser and ABWA would support it. Income for ABWA has to cover chapter expenses first before putting forth money elsewhere.
 - Laura mentioned an open house at Invisible Fences on Simpson Ferry Road in Mechanicsburg on Saturday, 10 am - 2 pm, to raise money for local animal rescues.
 - An event benefitting Bark for Life will be held at Doc Holliday's on Wednesday from 5-8 pm.
 - Marianne Troy stated that she has a community bulletin board in her shop for anyone to post events.
 - Raffle & benediction held at 8:10 pm, meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm. - **Shelley Hoachlander, Secretary**
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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.

