

Havana Women of Today

November 2003

November 10, 2003

Upcoming Events:

November

14th and 15th - All State in Springfield at Route 66 at 6th Street at hotel and conference center. See Linda Sisson if interested

18th- Meeting/Labor of Love
At VFW at 6:30 p.m.

Hostess: Cindy Friedrich
Co-hostess: Lynnea / Stacey

29th - Lighting of the Courtyard at 7pm

December

6th - Breakfast with Santa at VFW from 8-11 a.m.

7th- Family Christmas party

Co-chair: Tammy Lowe
Co-chair: Cindy Friedrich
Co-chair: Lynnea Dowell

10th - Christmas Party/Secret Pal Gift Exchange

Hostess: Mary Layton
Co-hostess: Jeannie Burrows
Co-hostess: Linda Sisson

Labor of Love

What: Annual Labor of Love Auction

When: Tuesday November 18, 2003
6:30PM - 10PM

Where: Havana VFW

This years menu will be a **baked potato bar** complete with cheese sauce, broccoli, chili, sour cream and chives and much much more for toppings. Also will be tossed green salad and holiday desserts to include chocolate mousse, eclair dessert and caramel pecan squares.

As always, bring your crafts, baked goods, etc. Please come hungry and bring that wallet with money!! Guests are welcome too.

Your 2003 committee,
Cindy, Lynnea, Stacey

Kids Christmas Party

Sunday, December 7, 2003

3:30 - 5:30PM Paddlewheel
(bowling @ \$2.25 game)

5:30 - 7PM VFW (pizza, salad,
holiday cookies and visit from Santa)

Traditionally, Santa has gifts for children (young and old). Bring a \$5 gift with the child's name and we will have a designated drop location.

From Our President:

Hi Ladies:

Well ladies another month has passed and I am sorry I have not been able to help with Oct.-Nov projects. Work has kept me overwhelmed and we are yet to slow down. Lots and lots of grain this year. This has been the longest harvest I have had in the 8 years I have worked here.

We have some very busy times ahead and I look forward to spending time with all of you. First we have the labor of love auction.

Hopefully you all have something really good planned for the auction.

Baked goods, crafts, jewelry- Be ready to Xmas shop.

Then we will need as much help as we can get at the Breakfast w/Santa.. Also look in newsletter for info on Xmas parties for families and our secret pal exchange. Please check the dates for secret pal exchange. I hope everyone can be there but if you cannot be there please make arrangements to have your gifts present. I can pick up if you need me to. Also if you are not in the secret pal exchange you can bring a \$10.00 gift to exchange for others that are not in secret pal.

Well, I also did not get time to pick anything inspirational for you so hope you all have a great month and choose to make a new friend this month. All the upcoming activities is a great time to invite new people. See you at LABOR OF LOVE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! and lets try to out

do last year (which is going to be very difficult to do!!!!)

Love-- J

Special Thanks:

Thanks to Betsy Atwater for filling in as Secretary for Whitney at the October meeting while she was away.

Dear Friends,

It meant so much to be remembered at this time of loss. Many thanks for the calls, cards, personal visits and just taking time to give a hug and a comforting shoulder. Friends are so so special.

In appreciation,
Cindy Friedrich

From Our V.P. of Membership/Treasurer:

Dues will be due for the following members in December:

Lisa Hamor	Peggy Ogden
Denyse McCoy	Angie Ray
Angie Niederer	Terie Ray

Your invoices will be coming in the mail; please respond promptly as we will not be holding a regular December meeting.

Thanks Secret Pal:

Thanks to my Secret Pal for the cup full of candy and the little basket, bag & the card & most of ALL The BUNNY RABBIT PICTURE it is beautiful.. We were home all day so I don't know how you slipped by me.

Thanks Again! You are a true Secret Pal. See You at our Exchange in Dec.

-Terie Ray

Dearest Secret Pal:

Thanks so much for the birthday arrangement with balloons. My husband had a surprise party and my house was party central. The flowers were lovely for a long time on my table.

- Cindy Friedrich

Thank you so much for the Halloween house. I enjoyed the candles and the beauty of the house.

Thanks for everything. Sincerely,

-Shannon Lynn

Thanks to my secret pal. I really love the scarecrow towels and potholders. The Halloween decoration was very nice also. Thanks again whoever you are!

-Rendy Stephens

I wanted to thank my secret Pal for my birthday Halloween pumpkin plaque, pilgrim and card. Also for my anniversary card and plate magnet. Also I received a goodie bag, hot pad and hand towels for Halloween, they were a nice surprise.

-Angie Niederer

Please send Secret Pal Thank You's to me at dwwillett@casscomm.com or call me at 543-2817.

OCTOBER Meeting

Minutes:

President Jeannie Burrows called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on October 21st at the fire station. The following members were in attendance: Betsy Atwater, Paula Bare, Jeannie Burrows, Donna Carr, Cindy Friedrich, Lisa Hamor, Karen Irons, Tami Lowe, Shannon Lynn, Jody Meyer, Angie Niederer, Terie Ray, Shelly Sarff, Terri Geier-Sarnes, Susan Showalter, Linda Sisson, Rendy Stephens and Denyse McCoy. The pledge of allegiance was lead by Jody and Linda gave our devotion.

The Secretary's report was presented as printed in the November newsletter. Motion made by Donna C. to approve the minutes as written and Terie seconded.

Treasurer's report was presented. Savings acct balance of \$2,355.09 and checking account balance of \$2,091.12. Motion made by Cindy to approve the report and Shannon seconded.

Vice President of Programs Shannon presented old and new business as follows:

Fall Fund Raiser: Krispy Kreme reported by Jeannie. All were sold with a profit of \$1200.00 The top seller was Shannon who received a Krispy Kreme sweatshirt for all her hard work. Way to Go Shannon! Jeannie suggested a \$50 gift certificate be given to Farm Safety for their assistance in this project. A motion was made by Donna C. and seconded by Lisa H.

Family Outing (project chaired by Mary and Val) We had a handful of members present but thought it was due to beautiful weather so many members probably just worked outside at home.

Trick or Treat at Junior High (project chaired by Tami & Lynnea) Cindy decorated the door with a Western theme "HWT corral". Candy to Shannon by 10/30

and those helping to pass out candy to wear overalls and bandanas.

Labor of Love is set for Nov 18th. Chiring this year are Cindy, Stacey and Lynnea. It will be held at the VFW. Everyone is to donate an item: baked goods, crafts, store bought items for those with time challenges or those who are creatively challenged. ☺

Courtyard of Lights reported by Jody Meyer. Last Saturday's work day had only Jody, Lynnea, Cindy and Linda in attendance. 2 figures need to be welded and 2 need re-strung. Another workday is set for 10/25 and decorating begins on 11/1 and 11/8. "Hundreds of things need done". We will be un-decorating on Saturday, 11/3/04 at 9:00 a.m.

Breakfast with Santa will be on 12/6/03 from 8 - 11 a.m. This event needs everyone's participation. Rick Lowe will be Santa. Betsy, Stacey and Shannon are organizing the event. Whitney and Jeannie will face paint; Cindy will make the cookies for the "decorate a cookie" table. Rick Burrows will help with making pancakes. Shannon will be in charge of ordering food and preparing the treat bags.

Family Christmas Party Tentatively set for 12/7. Tami, Cindy and Lynnea will co-chair. See newsletter for more information.

Christmas for the Elderly Donna, Peggy and Lynnea will chair this project.

Girls night out will be in January and is chaired by Whitney, Tami and Peggy.

Announcements

We will be donating \$25.00 to Project Thanksgiving this year.

Cargill's Food Drive is coming up. Watch for details from Jeannie.

50/50 drawing - not held.

Monthly Winner was Betsy. Lynnea was drawn first but was absent at the time so another name was drawn. You must be present to win.