

MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
OF  
LEA COUNTY WOMEN'S NETWORK  
April 16, 2010

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Lea County Women's Network was held on Friday, April 16, at the Hobbs Municipal Schools Training and Fine Arts Facility.

Meeting was called to order by President, Cortney Whitley at 12:16 p.m.

Prayer was led by Sharon Clark and the Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Cortney Whitley:

LCWN lunch was provided by the Country Corral Tea Room was courtesy of Chaparral Builders, Kline Security, Kirkmeyer Electric and Leaco.

The minutes of March meeting were reviewed. A correction was requested to strike the words, "a 1 mile bike" and replace with "one mile fun-run." A motion was made to approve the minutes with corrections by Kathy Summers and seconded by Suzanne. Motion carried.

Guests included: Jeana Washington, guest of Denise Slater, Amanda Scroggin, guest of Dee Dutton, Megan Cox Taylor and Jeannie Anderson, guests of Kim Whitley, Our Special Invitation Guest nominated by Brenda Henning was Belinda Irwin, owner of Native Desert & Design.

Cortney reminded members use RSVP for meetings and events.

Committee Reports were made from the Scholarship Committee on behalf of Corinne DiBlasi. The scholarship application deadline is June 1<sup>st</sup>. The scholarship application can be downloaded from all the scholarship pages as well as the homepage of the LCWN web site. Request was made to ask New Mexico Junior College and University of the Southwest to link to the LCWN scholarship application from the institution sites. Charlotte Smith will follow up on this request.

The next committee report was from Charlotte Smith, Electronic Communications Chair. She demonstrated how the members could update their profiles, and encouraged members to use the Register button on invitation emails to RSVP for events. Members were also reminded how to use the email center and were shown the expanded pages supporting the scholarship program.

Mikal Fonseca gave an update on the annual Wine Tasting and Silent Auction scholarship fund raiser by. Tickets are selling well with only a few left as of the luncheon date. A final committee meeting will be held before the fund raiser. Members were reminded that all money from sold tickets should be turned in immediately. All auction items should be sent to Cortney or Mikal. As an additional way to raise scholarship funds wine glasses with the LCWN logo will be available for purchase during the wine tasting.

Kim Whitley introduced the guest speaker, Tyson Ledgerwood, the Elementary Fine Arts Coordinator for Hobbs Municipal Schools. Tyson explained the purpose of the new Fine Arts and Training Facility which also houses Visual Arts coordinator. He then presented an video overview of the Elementary Fine Arts program at Hobbs Municipal Schools. Some of the highlights were the Discovery Violin Program for 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade taught by Dr. Wong of the NMJC and Margaret Whitley and the Artist in Residence Program. Members also saw Hobbs elementary students participate in a virtual field trip of the Great Barrier Reef using the video conferencing system. Tyson announced the Annual Arts Show would be May 8. In addition to the video presentation, Tyson took the members through a tour of the four main areas of the HHS Fine Arts web pages, Visual Arts, Theatre, Music and Dance. The site also includes e-portfolios for students Kindergarten – College.

At the conclusion of the Tyson's presentation LCWN members were invited to tour the facility.

Member announcements:

- Suzanne announced the Rotary Club International Fundraiser Tickets are now available. Winners will be given vouchers so that they can choose their own cruise.
- Lindsey Oldfield announced the Healthy Woman Exp will be on Wednesday, April 28 at the Lea County Event Center. Ali Vincent, the season five winner for The Biggest Loser will be the keynote speaker.
- Elite Home Healthcare has opened a café/dining area in their building on Dal Paso. April 30 a "Rocking Chair Gang" breakfast for area senior citizens will be hosed complete with a live remote. The breakfast will be hosted monthly.

This month's door prizes were donated by Healthy Woman and Lea Community Federal Credit Union. Winners were C.C. Nelson and Wendy Tippy..

The next meeting will be May 20. It is an evening meeting at the Black Gold Restaurant.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 pm.

**Signature on file**

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Cortney Whitley, President

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Charlotte Smith, Acting Secretary