



Getting to Know You

New Chaplain/Member: **PATRICE DAVIDSON**



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What motivates you? My granddaughter and boating!

Where do you feel your best? I feel my best when I am sitting in my bathtub, reading a good book! The reason is that it is peaceful, warm and I get a fresh start on the day!

Who is your Hero? My hero is our Lord first, and then Suzann Woodward. The reason for Suzann is because no matter what happens to her, her smile remains and her attitude is always UP!

What is your personal definition of what it takes to be a good business person? A good business person knows when to shut up and listen and really hear what a client is telling you, whether it is their needs or wants, good or bad.

What inspires you? Happy people. They always inspire me to be a better person and to remember we are all in the same boat, whether we are the garbage men, insurance salesman (kind of the same thing?!) or the President. Plus, they make me smile. Also, any one who holds open a door!

Why did you join HCWIB? What positions have you held (or think you might like to someday try....) I joined first to get more contacts and make my business grow (which worked). My first year at HCWIB I handled the silent auction for Hill Country family services pretty much by myself....what an experience that was! I have also been the program chairman for HCWIB.....nothing like a Karate class for a program!

If you could use three words to describe yourself, what would they be? If others (friends, family, co-workers) would describe you, what would they say? Happy, contented, honest. Can I throw in wild as a 4th word?

Tell me what you do and why you are good at it. I try and assess people's needs for insurance and write them the appropriate coverage. If I don't have what they are looking for I am SO not adverse to sending them to a qualified person who does have it. Like Carolyn Dutton for Senior Care Insurance. **Property and Casualty and Health insurance is my niche**, not senior care. I believe I am good at it because of my honesty, which is of the utmost importance. It is the reason I can sleep at night. In our office, that is our end of the day slogan – "We can sleep at night". I am so fortunate to work with wonderful people at Davison Insurance that totally believe in honesty and integrity. It may not make us rich, but we sure do sleep well!

What personal challenge in you life has helped you to become the person you are today? The passing of my first husband and the chemotherapy that I went through a few years ago. But for more recent challenges, it would be the raising of my granddaughter. The passing of my husband taught me patience and that it is OK to go fishing, the chemo taught me to be happy no matter how crappy you feel – if you put a smile on your face it makes your whole body feel better! The granddaughter has made me come full circle back to the patience and happy!

Your favorite quote: This is success. *To laugh often and much; to win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children. To leave the world a bit better, whether by a healthy child, a garden patch, or a redeemed social condition; to know even one life has breathed easier because you lived. This is to have succeeded.*



Our Next Meeting

Thursday, April 9th at Fair Oaks Ranch Country Club - 5:30 p.m.
Speaker: Bonnie Tom, Tomboy Tools

MENU: Minestrone soup, Build your own Pasta Bar, and Biscotti Torte for dessert

* Substitute Vegetarian plate only. No other options available.

Reservations are required.

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Dinner* & Social - \$17
Lunches* & Social - \$15

Sorry ... No shows and cancellations will be billed.

Notes from the President

Kathryn R. Hubbard, MD

Here we are off on another adventure of a new HCWIB year. Each year we have the challenge to make HCWIB both informative and enjoyable to its members. Each one of our members is a busy business woman with a life that is just filled to the brim with both work and social responsibilities. She simply does not have the time or energy to invest in an organization that does not fill some need that she has. And yet with a life that is already overflowing with responsibilities we have a whole group of women that have agreed to serve on the board of HCWIB and are committed to helping each of our members benefit from the club this coming year. I think we all owe a round of thanks to these women for their care and concern for our club. Some are first time board members and some have spent several years helping our club. They are the reason this club has been successful. Let's all get behind them and make this a year that we will all learn just a bit more and all be able to say at the end of the year that we know each other better and we have shared many laughs.

Our first meeting will be on April 9th at Fair Oaks Country Club. Our program will be presented by Bonnie Tom of Tomboy Tools. This will be a program where we will all learn something. Frankly, I am looking forward to even seeing a pink hammer. I am wondering if I can convince my husband to give up an inch of his garage for a new pink hammer. I am certain I am capable of learning to do a few things with my new pink hammer. I may not become a skilled carpenter but I will look good as I use my new hammer to hang a picture or fix my broken bird house. Try not to miss this fun program.

We have a new newsletter publisher, Karen Goins. She is highly skilled as a publisher but will need all our help to make our newsletter of interest. Please send her

information if you have items of interest to share regarding your business. Remember that your fellow members really would like to know you better. They would like to know a bit more about what you do every day in your office. Let's share our knowledge and our accomplishments. We are all looking forward to hearing about Lorrie Hengel's Carnegie Hall experience. That will be a great example of an accomplishment of one of our talented members.

Have a blessed month.

See you April 9th. Kathy



Front row: Gayle Eason, Lynn Pendley, Patrice Davison, Helene Bachmann. Middle row: Kathy Hubbard, Cindy Ogle, Back row: Linda Tom, Carolyn Dutson, Karen Goins, Bobbie French, Leah Coyne, Sarah Hamilton

Notes from the Chaplain

Patrice Davison - *Please join me in praying for the following:*

- * Ann Davis and husband, Oscar, need all our prayers at this time and in the future.
- * Kathy Hubbard's sister, Mary Beth Nall, has alzheimer's that is progressing. Please pray that her deterioration would lessen and that the family works together well to help her in the way she needs.
- * Gayle Eason has an 18 year old nephew who is in need of a bone marrow transplant. He had an allergic reaction to the medicine they were trying to treat him with. He is in the hospital very ill. Please pray for a donor match.
- * We also need to pray for everyone during this tax time and this economy and pray for our troops all over the world!. AMEN!



Upcoming Events



Apr 7 Networking Breakfast
Sponsored by Cordillera Ranch

Apr 7 Ribbon Cutting at
McRae MD Medical Laser Spa

Apr 8 Leadership Boerne
Healthcare & Social Services
Session

Apr 9 Business Education
Council Meeting

Apr 9 Government Affairs
Council Meeting

Apr 9 Business After Hours
Mixer with Various Sponsors

Apr 10 Good Friday (2009)
Holiday - Chamber Office Closed

Apr 12 Easter Sunday

Apr 16 Candidate Forum &
Luncheon

Apr 20 Lunchbox Lesson

Apr 21 Chamber Board of
Directors Meeting (April 2009)

Apr 22 Tourism Council
Meeting (April 2009)

Apr 23 Business After Hours
Mixer (April 23 2009) Spnsrd by
STX Oncology & Hematolog



Pictured above: Leah Coyne, on the right, handing off her Presidential duties to the new President, Dr. Kathy Hubbard

Member Milestones & Invites

Guess who got PRK (similar to LASIK) surgery by Dr. Carlos Diaz in Boerne last Thursday and I loves the results? **Leigh Ann Grasso** / 830-981-4774
PS - Her eyes are healing great.

Patrice Davison invites you to call her if you want some peace of mind as it relates to having (or not having) flood insurance. 'Tis the season!



UPCOMING DOG TRAINING CLASSES



Wouldn't you like your dog to be a graduate? Well mannered, well behaved....yes, we train you also!

Classes start on Monday, April 13 at 6:30 PM for Puppies and 7:45 PM for my Basic Manners Class. The location is Cibolo Nature Center, and the cost is \$110. for a six week class.

For more information call **Marlene** at 830-981-5003 or to register at 830-249-9511. See you and your dog soon....

* **Lorrie Hengel** went to Carnegie Hall with her church to sing.

* **Sarah Hamilton** has now opened a gift shop in Access Storage selling jewelry, fun T shirts and koozies from her Boerne storage facility

* **Marie Hicks** is starting up a new newspaper! Congratulations.

Bobbie French wants to give big thanks to **Gayle Eason, Helene Bachmann, Kathy Hubbard** and **Sheri Keys** for the great lunch they provided to the *Christian Women's Job Corp* this month. The next lunch will be April 13th. **Marie Hicks, Carolyn Dutson, Sheri Keys,** and **Laurie Hengel** have signed up to provide the food for this one. We will also provide one May 11th. If you are interested in helping please contact me. *This only takes a small bit of your time and the ladies really enjoy the food and friendship.*

April Birthdays

Kathleen McBride - April 4

Linda Tom - April 6

Cynthia McMulan - April 22

Women Helping Women & Helping Others

~ Linda Tom & Sarah Hamilton

Last Month's Meeting & Minutes

Thursday, March 12, 2009 the Hill Country Women in Business (HCWIB) enjoyed a delicious meal at Fair Oaks Ranch Country Club and had a great time reviewing last year's networking and social events. Leah Coyne, president, called the meeting to order and shared a fabulous video, complete with music and photos. The official business of the night was to announce the 2009-2010 officers. Kathy Hubbard, President; Bobbie French, Vice President; Linda Tom, Secretary; and Helene Bachmann, Treasurer and Committee chairs (see below) were introduced. Other going-on's included:

- ~ Suzann Woodward shared a lovely invocation.
- ~ Guests Kathy Masterson of B Connected, Lisa Schlege of Acupuncture and Natural Healing Therapies, Becky Preble of A Direction and Sandra Montoya of Human Resource and Management Services were welcomed and shared a bit about who they are.
- ~ Leah thanked Helene Bachmann for opening her beautiful home for the transition team meeting March 5.
- ~ Shari Keyes was awarded the 2008 Woman of the Year Award; Helene Bachmann's contributions were acknowledged as well.
- ~ Volunteers were requested for the Christian Women's Job Corp luncheon March 16, 2009.
- ~ Members were reminded that dues are due.
- ~ Kathy Hubbard, thanked Leah for a fabulous year and presented her with plaque of recognition and appreciation.

HCWIB 2009-2010 Tentative Board & General Meetings

- Apr 2** 12:00 Board Meeting
9 5:30 FORCC Speaker:
Bonnie Tom, Tomboy Tools,
- May 7** 12:00 Board Meeting
14 5:30 FORCC
Social on Deck - Gayle Jones,
Pain Elimination Specialist
- June 4** 12:00 Board Meeting
11 5:30 FOCC - Water to Wine
(to be confirmed)
- July 2** 12:00 Board Meeting
9 5:30 Swim Social @
Helene Bachmann's home
- Aug 6** 12:00 Board Meeting
13 11:30 luncheon -
Dodging Duck (tentative)

* Board Meetings held at Kathy Hubbard's office - 113 Falls Court #100, Boerne, TX - Bring a lunch!

MORE TO COME.....

Board of Directors & Committee Chairs

2009-2010

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