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Utah Business Women

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NEXT MEETING
Thursday, May 5, 2011
Cinco de Mayo Fiesta
4720 Rainbow Circle
6:00 p.m.
Cost: \$10.00 per person



Join us as we celebrate Cinco de Mayo and recognition of the contributions to American society by our Latino community.

Welcome our special guests Representative Mark A. Wheatley and Josie Valdez who will share with us their cultural traditions!

Guests are welcome!!!*

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Business Item: Election of 2011-2012 Officers

2010-2011 Officers Gateway League Business Women

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President's Message

Dear Fellow Gateway Leaguers -

It is truly amazing that a year has passed so quickly! A year ago, when I accepted your nomination of President, it seemed as though May was a very long, long time away, when in reality it was only a few quick months of fun endeavors with some of the most incredible women (and couple of men) on this planet.

We started the year with a terrific Planning Meeting, hosted by Paul and Shannon, in their beautiful home; our second annual Autumn Equinox was a wonderful event; then we joined the Salt Lake City club for the Downtown Rising Presentation; October found us enjoying the BPW Foundation Halloween Spaghetti Fest; November was highlighted by the Topaz Presentation of Steve Koga; our Christmas Pot Luck and Food Box Creation at the Jacobs' home was tons of fun, with a lucrative auction; we toured the Utah Food Bank in January; revised our By-laws in February; our BUNCO Fundraiser was a huge success; Kayleen Simmons provided us with information on People Helping People; Bonnie Peters shared information regarding the AG Safety Net Program; several of our members attended a couple of State Board Meetings in Fillmore and many of us enjoyed watching others of us model at the Utah BPW Foundation Fashion Show recently. All of that and our Cinco de Mayo Celebration (also hosted by the Jacobs'); our Woman of the Year Luncheon; the swearing in of New Officers for Gateway; the Komen Race with our Friends of Alice Team; and the State Convention (official call attached) are yet to come.



We also have a new pin and logo designed by Nina Heck in St. George. And even though I had nothing to do with the color choice, I embrace it 110%, isn't it great? Be sure to offer Nina thanks for her work on the pin and logo. I think they may be available at the UBW State Convention in June.

We were thrilled to have Lil Barron, UBW State President and Sally Holbrook both attend our April meeting at Anna's Restaurant. Lil has asked that we all write our story and send it to her for inclusion at the UBW State Convention. Lil's request...

We are still trying to get everyone to write their story. Kathryn Anderson is putting a book together with our stories. Please write them, especially those of you that have been with the organization for years. Your words and knowledge are so important for those of us that follow in your footsteps. I know I love hearing those stories and glean so much from them. — Lil Barron

Wow, what a year - we have been productive while having a ton of fun! Thanks to all of you for your commitment and dedication to the Utah Business Women! A special thanks to the Board that made my presidency such a breeze. Thank you to everyone for making this such a rewarding and special year for me - you are all remarkable women and I adore each of you - thank you for making me part of your lives. Congratulations on a year well done!

Barbara

Cinco de Mayo Traditions and Celebrations

Cinco de Mayo is celebrated in many different ways - and while the holiday is looked at very differently in the United States and Mexico it is a day which holds much significance for people in both nations, even if it tends to get more national attention on the northern side of the Rio Grande. The reason for this difference is that in Mexico, the day is a commemoration of Mexico's unlikely victory over a much larger French force in the Battle of Puebla on May 5th, 1862 and to this day, the holiday is typically celebrated in Puebla and in Mexico City rather than nationwide as it is here.

However, in the United States, Cinco de Mayo has been adopted as a holiday which celebrates the contributions of Mexican-Americans and other Latinos to American culture. You'll find celebrations of the holiday held all over the US, with cities large and small from coast to coast holding parades, festivals and live performances of Mexican music and other cultural events; and both countries have their own Cinco de Mayo traditions.

In Mexico, one annual tradition is re-enacting the Battle of Puebla, complete with authentic 1860s Mexican and French military uniforms, simulated gunfire and speeches. In Puebla, this re-enactment is held on the site where the battle actually took place back in 1862, where there is also a museum dedicated to the history of events behind Cinco de Mayo. In Mexico City, there is a similar re-enactment, which is a tradition in the city.

In the US and Mexico, parades are one of the most important Cinco de Mayo traditions. While you will find parades going on in both countries, there are more and larger parades in the US than in Mexico. As a matter of fact, the world's very largest Cinco de Mayo parade is an American one, Los Angeles' Festival de Fiesta Broadway.

Of course, no discussion of Cinco de Mayo would be complete without discussing Mexican food and drink - just as no Cinco de Mayo would be complete without enjoying some fare from south of the border. It is a lot easier to cook authentic Mexican recipes than it used to be, with ingredients becoming more and more widely available and many recipes are now as close as your computer's keyboard. Mexican beer and other beverages including tequila, of course, are also part of this holiday. You can be sure there will be plenty of food and beverages on hand at Gateway League's Cinco de Mayo Party on May 5th, 2011! **Linda Duffy has sent a food assignment reminder, which I will attach as a separate email.**

ROSTER UPDATE

Joylin Mitchell Reed has joined the internet world!! Please add her email address to your roster:

reedrosejoy@comcast.net

Way to go Joylin!!



- May 7 Komen Race for the Cure
- May 21 Open House for Carolyn Durand, Woman of the Year
- June 3, 4 & 5 State Convention in St. George*

***The Official Call to Convention is being sent separately. The registration form is attached.**

FRIENDS OF ALICE TEAM

This is our 14th year to have a team in place!!

Join the team by going to www.komenslc.org



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MAY BIRTHDAYS		
	8	- Carol Cook
	9	- Diane Wiley-Turner
	12	- Linda Duffy
	18	- Anne Smith
	28	- Kathy Cue

