

Insurance Women of San Antonio
General Assembly Meeting #780
The Bright Shawl
September 23, 2010

President, Debbie Tomasini, called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM on Thursday, September 23, 2010.

President, Debbie Tomasini, announced that Jean Schriever will be acting as Parliamentarian today.

Chaplain, Shannon Schonefeld, gave the invocation.

1st Vice President, April Massey, welcomed our guests. She announced the September birthdays, which were sponsored by McClelland & Hine.

President, Debbie Tomasini, announced that the August General Assembly minutes were posted on the IWSA website. There were no changes or additions and the minutes were approved as posted.

2nd Vice President, Sue Finke, reminded everyone about Las Vegas Casino Night at the Double Tree Hotel on Friday, October 1st. She said that we still need Texas Hold 'Em players. A big **THANK YOU** to all of the sponsors for the event including:

Ace – TGA Ins Managers, Myron Steves, McClelland & Hine, Texas Security General

King – Gerloff

Jack – Enterprise Rent-A-Car, Union Standard, Tom Hotaling Ins Agency

Blackjack – Standard Funding, Grona Boles Martin Bloxsom Ins, Catto & Catto, Billy Greaves Ins, MacKenzie Restoration

Slot Machines – TAGA, McClelland & Hine Specialty, MacKenzie Restoration

Roulette – Enterprise Rent-A-Car

Poker Table – TGA Insurance Managers

Craps Table – ServePro NE SA

Texas Hold 'Em – Blackmon Mooring

Raffle Prizes – Ramsgate Managing Ins, Crown Capital, McClelland & Hine

Silent Auction – All About Hair with Nancy Ayala, Sue Finke, Jackie McLeod, Candy Price, MacKenzie Restoration, Double Tree Hotel

Casino Prizes – TAGA, One Beacon Government Risks, Wash Tub, Hartland, Casino Fun

Door Prizes – Computer Nerdz!, Hartford, CNA, SerPro NW, MacKenzie Restoration, Wash Tub

Ticket Printing – TGA Ins Managers

Chocolates – MacKenzie Restoration

Menu items include salad, brisket, chicken, potatoes, green bean casserole, pecan pie, apple pie & peach cobbler. We are selling raffle tickets for a Coach purse (at FIWT convention) for \$2 each or 6 for \$10.

Candy Price advised that the Board has been discussing ideas to increase membership. We want to make it a better club for existing members and attract new members. Please take a couple of minutes to complete the short survey on the tables. Also, if you're interested in being part of the Membership Forum, contact Candy Price.

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President Elect, Shirley Heskew, read a thank you letter from one of the scholarship winners (Victor Camino).

President, Debbie Tomasini, advised that the Treasurer's report for August was read at the September Board meeting and will be filed subject to audit.

1st Vice President, April Massey, welcomed new IWSA member Sharnel Morgan from McCorkle Commercial Insurance.

President, Debbie Tomasini, announced that the Community Service project this year is ALS and her friend Mark Speikerman and his wife Melissa attended the luncheon. Community Service Chair, Adeina Anderson, introduced the guest speaker – Steven Morris from The ALS Association South Texas. Steven talked about Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) often referred to as “Lou Gehrig’s Disease.” ALS is a progressive neurodegenerative disease that affects nerve cells in the brain and the spinal cord. People are usually diagnosed between the ages of 40-70, the military are twice as likely to be diagnosed with this disease, and there are currently 30,000 diagnosed in the US. Doctors give people 2-5 years once diagnosed. Mark also shared a very touching story of how ALS has affected him and his family. IWSA will have a team participating in the Walk to Defeat ALS on October 23rd. You can visit www.walktodefeatals.org or contact Julia Dyer at The ALS Association for additional information. IWSA presented a \$1,500 check to The ALS Association South Texas and a \$500 check to Mark & Melissa Speikerman.

Website Chair, Deni Townsend, reminded everyone to become a fan of IWSA on Facebook.

Old Business

None

New Business

FIWT Convention – If you are attending the FIWT Convention and would like to purchase a pair of the Groovy Flipflops for \$2, contact Susan Hancock.

Acting Parliamentarian, Jean Schriever, advised that we were in order.

Raffle Prizes were drawn and all proceeds will go to The ALS Association South Texas.

Door Prizes were drawn. Prizes were sponsored by Blackmon Mooring, ServePro NE SA, MacKenzie Restoration, Gerloff, McCorkle Commercial Ins, and McClelland & Hine.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dana Wilder-Lowrey
2010-2011 Recording Secretary