

# KERR COUNTY WOMEN'S CHAMBER, INC.

## News & Views

### Feliz Navidad

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#### President's Message



It's that time of year again. December has come and with it all the joys of Christmas.

While we are busy shopping, visiting, and getting lost in the hustle and bustle of this time of year, let's not forget the reason for the season.

Christmas is when we celebrate the birth of the Christ child. God sent His

Son, Jesus, into the world to be born. His birth brought great joy to the world. Shepherds, wise men, and angels all shared in the excitement of knowing about this great event.

Our Christmas Luncheon is a perfect time for us to share in the excitement! I am looking so forward to all that Trish and the Ways & Means committee have planned for us.

It has been an amazing year for the Women's Chamber. We have been busy, and you should all be very proud of our accomplishments. Without all our hard work none of this could have happened. I would like to thank each and everyone of you for the work you put into making our organization great!

Remember as you leave the luncheon today, to go spread the good news!

Have a wonderful and joyful Christmas season!

Feliz Navidad,  
Tammy



#### Whats Happened!



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## Officers

Tammy Parkhurst-Rhodes	.....President
Jo Carol Smith	.....1st Vice President
Debbie Barron	.....2nd Vice President
Ann Buck	.....Secretary
Jannell Bullock	.....Treasurer

## Committee Chairs

Auditing	..... Brenda Beaty
Beautification	..... Ruth Bauer
Budget	..... Trish Wilson
By Laws	..... Pat Dye
Chaplain	..... Ginny Bull
Christmas Lighting	..... Paula Wilson
Deli Program	..... Debbie Baron
Goodwill	..... Deanna Eixman
Historian	..... Edna Vandiver
Hostess	..... Valerie Tarkenton
Membership	..... Debbie Barron
Multimedia	..... Cassie Myers
Outstanding Woman	..... Margie Jetton
Parliamentarian	..... Pat Dye
Photographer	..... Jannell Bullock
Property	..... Rose Bradshaw
Publicity	..... Bonnie Arnold
Recycling	..... Janell Bullock
Scholarships	..... Brenda Craig
Telephone	..... Amber Newberry
Ways and Means	..... Trish Wilson
Welcome/Ribbon Cuttings	.... Camber Alexander
Yearbook	..... Tara Bushnoe
Volunteers To Go	..... Mary Sue Douville



## News&Views

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[www.kerrcountywomenschamber.org](http://www.kerrcountywomenschamber.org)

Our mission is to work for the betterment of the Kerrville area community through charitable, civic, and environmental projects and programs.

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## Important Notices



- Sew Toiletry Bags for Veterans, examples & patterns are available
- Diabetic Socks for Veterans- any size, men's or women's, both needed
- CAM food bank donations- non-perishables:

Peanut butter and jelly, popcorn, snacks, juices are needed. Also, laundry soaps, toiletries, and always cash donations are accepted.

## BRING A DOOR PRIZE!







# CAM

**Christian Assistance Ministry**  
**Always appreciating your assistance**



Ruth Bauer and the Beautification Committee search and present a monthly award for the business or individual that show beauty in our community.

*Trey & Paula Thrash*

1187 Arcadia Loop



## Committee Notes

### RIBBON CUTTINGS

#### NOVEMBER :

9th Ashley Furniture  
10th Cowboys & Angels  
14th Peterson Specialty Care  
PAX Coffee Shop  
16th Baublits Jewelry  
29th So Fast Printing Anniversary  
30th Equine Rescue @ Chamber office

### MULTIMEDIA

Please submit your pictures & happenings!

We want to feature YOU!

Committee Chairs please remember to submit your happenings for the newsletter to Rose Badshaw, [rose@sofastprinting.net](mailto:rose@sofastprinting.net)

### OUTSTANDING WOMAN OF THE YEAR

PDF application on website.

## NEED NOMINATIONS

### TELEPHONE

If you are not receiving emails please contact Amber Newberry at [amber@hesterswindows.com](mailto:amber@hesterswindows.com). Reservations must be in by Thursday before meeting by request of Rails Restaurant.

### GENERAL MEETING

We have lunch at 11:30am at Rails Events Hall on 615 East Schreiner Street with the meeting starting at noon. The buffet cost is \$13.00, so make your reservation. Please remember to get your reservation for you and your guest in BEFORE noon on the Thursday before the General Meeting on the first Wednesday of each month. If you need to cancel your RSVP, please kindly notify me 24 hours before the luncheon date if you are unable to attend. Remember to try to pay by check for your lunch.

### DELI

Don't forget to bring your deli donations of non-perishables or dollars and manufacturer's coupons for the C.A.M food bank and get an extra door prize ticket for your donations! So, foods such as cereals, instant potatoes, canned goods, peanut butter, and jelly, popcorn, snacks, juices are needed. Also, laundry soaps, toiletries, and always cash donations are accepted.

### RECYCLING

Don't forget to bring your empty ink/ laser/fax cartridges. Please keep turning them in each month. Remember to bring your plastic shopping bags to each general meeting.



### VOLUNTEERS TO GO

Thank you to all of the members who continually show when called upon to do our community involved services!! **Opportunities are forthcoming!**

*This newsletter is for you, and we want to continue showing and sharing what we do personally and as an important part of our community.  
So, submit all happenings to [rose@sofastprinting.net](mailto:rose@sofastprinting.net)*

## NEWSLETTER





**We challenge you to:** *Say Thank You More ~ Hug People More  
Acknowledge One Another More ~ Live for the moment*

## CWJC Ladies





# Volunteer Opportunity

There are a lot of volunteer opportunities in the calendar , so please review and either call me at 830-370-9412 or go online to the designated program of your choice (s). I want to thank you ahead of time for your investment .

**1. Peterson Hospice** - They are looking for individuals to help with hospice patient visitation, No One Dies Alone, and Tuck In Program. There is a training involved and a short volunteer application (which will be a link on the Women's Chamber website to fill out . If you feel a tug to help please contact Rhonda Richter at 830-258-7401

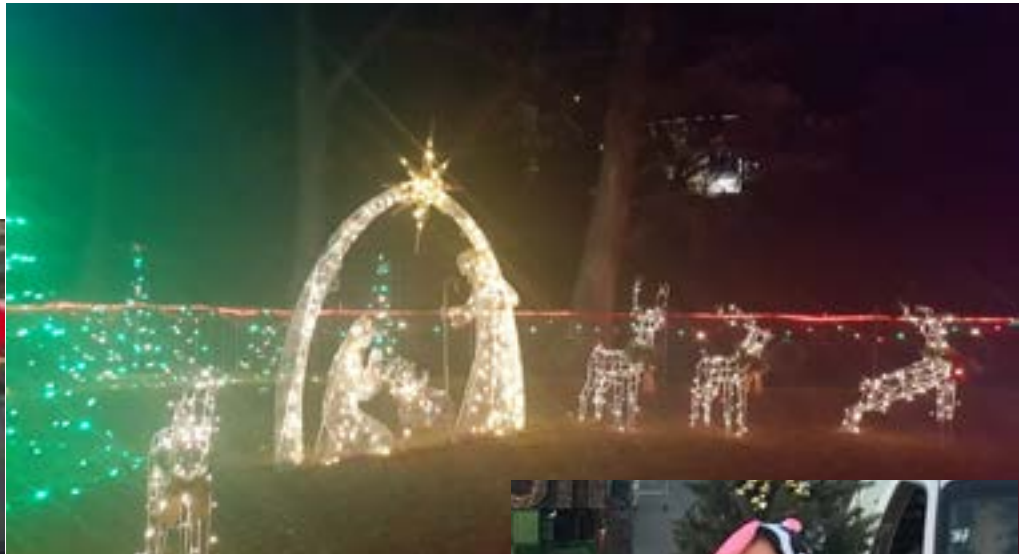
**3. ADOPT - A - HIGHWAY** - More information at next meeting as to the 2 mile stretch of highway we are responsible for .

*I want to thank each of you members for ALL your time in volunteering and reaching Kerr County Women's Chamber out into the public.*



*Marysue Dewille*  
Volunteers to Go Chairman

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## Member Moments





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# November Moments



## Words of Christmas Series - LIGHT *from Trish Wilson*

I love Christmas time when you drive around and see all the decorations on the houses and buildings throughout the city. It is comforting as the night draws in that the lights of Christmas shine bright and herald the season. When I am surrounded by the darkness and see a place lit brightly with lights, it reminds me of my place in this world. Christ calls me to be light in the darkness. To shine, when nothing around me is. To bring light in the pathway of those around me, who have spent so much time in the darkness that they are startled by the light when they see it.

I can't shine with my own power. I have to be plugged in to the ultimate power source. When I follow Christ and His plan for my life, I am energized and filled with the Holy Spirit, to shine even when I don't physically feel up to it. I am able to shine, whenever the darkness seems more ominous and overwhelming. I am able to shine, so that others when they look at my life, see the one who empowers and not my own power. I am able to be a light in the darkness, because my Jesus is the LIGHT of the world.

The interesting fact about Christmas lights is that they are connected. A string ties each individual light to the next. When I was a kid, when one light went out, they all didn't work. But with modern advances, now a string still shines, even if one light is dim. We as believers are connected. When we shine bright together, more light is seen and more darkness disappears. When one of us dims, it is up to the others, to shine and see the darkened light to bring renewal, a recharge, a re-connection to the source, so that it might shine again. And also, unlike at Christmas when you see so many lights, we as the lights of Christ should shine all day, each and every day of the year.

When you find yourself in the darkness this Christmas and see the sweet glow of lights on the horizon, remember that you are able to shine this Christmas and beyond when you plug into the eternal power source, Jesus! Shine on!





**KERR COUNTY WOMEN'S CHAMBER, INC.  
MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION FORM**

Date completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name Badge (\$10.00) \_\_\_\_\_

Name as you want it printed on badge

New Member \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal - Member since \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete this information and give to the Membership Chair with your membership dues of \$25.00 payable to KCWC. If you would like to order a name badge please include an additional \$10.00. If you wish to order a KCWC shirt, please indicate your size, S M L XL (shirt prices vary and can be paid upon pick-up)

Birth Date: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ Anniversary: \_\_\_\_\_

Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Organizations: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE INDICATE BELOW ON WHICH COMMITTEE YOU WOULD LIKE TO SERVE:**

(You may choose more than one)

\_\_\_ BEAUTIFICATION:

Selects monthly recipients of the Beautification Award, develops plans for KCWC beautification projects in our community, represents KCWC at patriotic events and ceremonies such as Veterans Day and Memorial Day.

\_\_\_ MEMBERSHIP & HOSPITALITY:

Promotes membership expansion through the encouragement of renewals and recruitment of new members. Arranges for new member name badge/t-shirts and promotes involvement of new members. Hospitality committee greets members at the door each meeting and hands out door prize tickets for attendance and wearing name badges to meetings. Also handles collection of door prizes for monthly drawings.

\_\_\_ WAYS & MEANS:

Develops and organizes events and fund raising projects other than Special Events, as approved by the membership in order to fund the KCWC community projects and Women Helping Women Scholarships Program.

\_\_\_ OUTSTANDING WOMAN AWARD:

Distributes and collects applications in July and August; arranges for Applications to be judged so winner is determined in time for presentation at the Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet in September; has a plaque prepared for presentation by KCWC President.

\_\_\_ PROPERTY:

Keep inventory of all KCWC property; be responsible for loan and return of all such property; responsible for securing and maintaining rental storage facilities.

\_\_\_ CHRISTMAS LIGHTING:

Responsible for the Christmas lighting program at Tranquility Island or any other Christmas lighting project that the Corporation may vote to sponsor; aid other organizations in promoting projects for "Christmas in the Hills"; manage and coordinate such projects as may be approved by the Board.

\_\_\_ SCHOLARSHIPS:

Distribute applications to women in the Kerr County area who wish to further their career thru education, promoting the Women Helping Women Scholarship Program. Responsible for publicity, determine worthy recipients, and make arrangements to introduce the scholarship winners at the general meeting.



- \_\_\_ GOODWILL: Responsible for sending cards to members in hospital, make monetary memorials on death of immediate family members. Announce birthdays for the month at each meeting.
- \_\_\_ VOLUNTEERS TO GO Volunteers to Go assists other civic organizations with events needing help as requested.
- \_\_\_ TELEPHONE COMMITTEE: Call board members and general members to take reservation for meetings; obtain a current membership list from the Membership Committee monthly; inform the luncheon host of total number of reservations for each meeting; provide a reservation list of members and guests to the Treasurer before each meeting; call members for special events or notices as requested by the Board.
- \_\_\_ PUBLICITY: Responsible for the releases to the news media, insuring that they are timely, accurate and in the interest of the Corporation; Present notices of all meetings and events to the news media in time for the monthly Calendar of Events, including date, time and place of meetings, the agenda and an invitation to all interested to attend. Present follow up articles to the news media; arrange for reporters and/or photographers to be present at significant Corporation events; assist all committees with publicity campaigns.
- \_\_\_ WELCOME/RIBBON CUTTING: Serve as official representative of the Corporation at special events upon request; attend all business grand openings or see that the Corporation is represented by one of our members; invite new business owners to introduce their business at general membership meeting; report new business to the Board and general membership monthly, keeping adequate records for the annual report.
- \_\_\_ YEARBOOK: Responsible for updating the membership directory and issuing changes to the membership.
- \_\_\_ NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE: Shall prepare a Newsletter for distribution at each regular meeting to include birthdays, illnesses, grand openings, new member introductions, special events (both upcoming and after the fact) and any other newsworthy items to keep membership informed. Chair to oversee the website design and maintenance.
- \_\_\_ BYLAWS: Responsible for updating the By-laws and shall be chaired by the Parliamentarian.
- \_\_\_ HOSTESS: Make arrangements for luncheons and special meetings of the Corporation; be responsible for hostesses to greet members and visitors at meetings; plan and implement decorations for regular and special meetings of the Corporation.
- \_\_\_ DELI PROGRAM: Collect food and cash donations provided by members at the monthly membership meetings. Deliver items to the designated food bank. Shop for food bank items needed using cash donations.
- \_\_\_ RECYCLING COMMITTEE: Collect ink cartridges for recycle. Deliver ink cartridges to recycling location. Funds received for the ink cartridges are given to the charity of the committee's choice.

Did a KCWC member introduce you to the organization? Yes No If so, who? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to have an ad in the yearbook? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, what size? \_\_\_\_\_





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