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Business and Professional Women of Aurora

Join us for our holiday dinner

Thursday, December 7, 2017

Mary Ellen's home

1886 South Poplar Street

Denver, Colorado

6:00 p.m.

Please bring a dish—salad, vegetable, dessert or any dish you would think would go with a Turkey dinner.

Gift Exchange—\$15 limit

Guests are encouraged to come.



RSVP: t_mceldowney@msn.com by December 1, 2017

Letter from Cheryl, your President

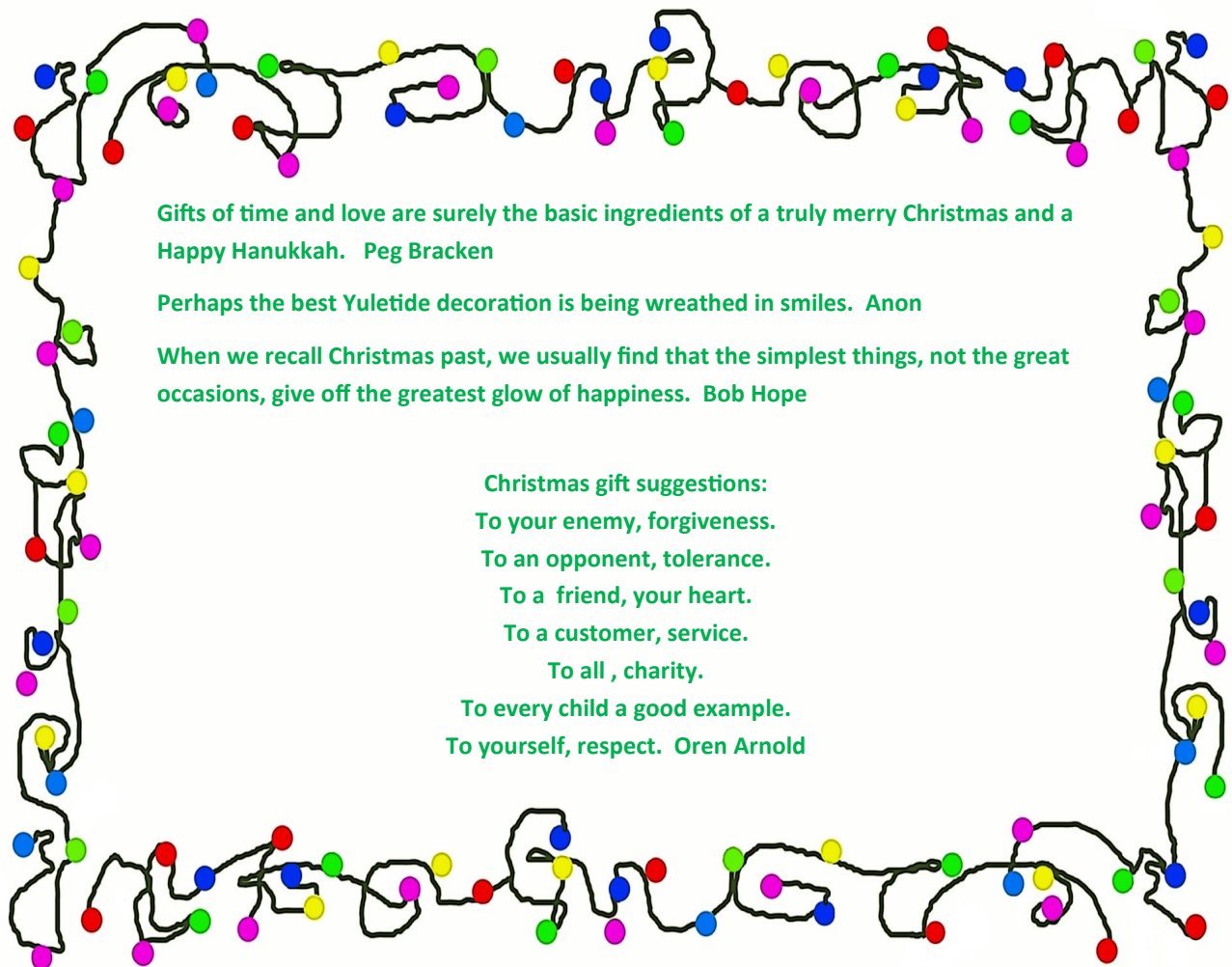
Dear Ladies,

I am grateful to and for each of you and the gifts you have brought into my life. Your trust in allowing me to be a part of your journey, your generous love, help, support, and ongoing encouragement have all helped me to build a foundation of confidence in myself to step fully onto my own path. It has been and continues to be an honor and privilege for me to be part of Aurora Business & Professional Women. You are truly a blessing in my life.

Wishing you and yours a safe and happy Christmas season.

With gratitude,

Cheryl



Gifts of time and love are surely the basic ingredients of a truly merry Christmas and a Happy Hanukkah. Peg Bracken

Perhaps the best Yuletide decoration is being wreathed in smiles. Anon

When we recall Christmas past, we usually find that the simplest things, not the great occasions, give off the greatest glow of happiness. Bob Hope

Christmas gift suggestions:
To your enemy, forgiveness.
To an opponent, tolerance.
To a friend, your heart.
To a customer, service.
To all, charity.
To every child a good example.
To yourself, respect. Oren Arnold

Business and Professional Women - Aurora

Minutes of the November 2, 2017 Business Meeting

President Cheryl Rotkovich called the regular meeting of the Aurora Business Women to order at 6:03 p.m. at Mimi's at Alameda Blvd and I-225. Present: Cheryl Rotkovich, Teresa McElDowney, Debbie Gilliard, Cheryle Derman, Mary Ellen Lewis, Kay O'Connell, and Deb Fischer, BPW-CO President; and speaker Miranda Markel. Quorum was established.

Welcome, Pledge, Introductions: Cheryl welcomed members, guest and our speaker.

Minutes & 50-50: The minutes of the October Candidates' Forum non-meeting were published in our November newsletter and were accepted as published. Cheryl and Debbie thanked members for making this event a success.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report with the November 1 balance will be filed for audit.

Correspondence/Newsletter: Information for the December newsletter should be sent to Mary Ellen by November 15.

VP-Membership: No report

VP-Programs: Our December meeting will be a potluck and \$15 gift exchange at Mary Ellen Lewis's home.

BPW-CO Strategy Team: Cheryl reported that the State Strategy team will not meet until January.

Old Business: Cheryl and Debbie thanked members for Candidates Night treats, timekeeping, and moderating. The event went very well and continues to be shown on Channel 8 until election day.

New Business: BPW-CO Survey: Please complete the survey if you have not yet done so.

State Activities: Deb Fisher reported that she is hosting a wine tasting on Nov. 4 to benefit CWF. So far 41 have signed up for that. On December 19, 4-7 pm, all BPW-CO members are invited to attend a holiday gathering. This event is for members and guests, but not spouses. Information is available on the website www.BPWColorado.org.

By-Laws: Deb reported that BPW Aurora's bylaws have been approved. Kay will send copies to all Aurora members.

Mid-Year Legislative Conference: February 10, 2018 at the New York Life Insurance Building. BPW-Denver will host. An "un-affle" is again being planned for this event. Rhonda Fields will give a presentation on the legislative process, part 2. There will be a Friday night social event prior to the conference.

Annual Meeting: BPW Northwest Metro will plan this. It will be at Red Rocks Community College on June 9, 2018.

Speaker Miranda Markel shared with us her career path to employment with Hitachi Corporation. Hitachi is a Japanese company that operates world-wide with a number of products and processes. In her present role she has traveled to Thailand and other countries. Miranda shared her professional experiences with Hitachi and the differences she has experienced with Japanese corporate culture and United States/American corporate culture. Of special interest was that in Japanese culture, the planning is for 50 years out; in the U.S., planning is usually 5-10 years out. Her presentation taught us much about corporate cultures. She pointed out that Hitachi's values are harmony, sincerity and pioneering spirit.

Adjournment: Teresa won the 50-50 of \$8 this evening. Following the recitation of the Collect, meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Kay O'Connell, Recording Secretary