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## Hill Country Women in Business August 2010



### Notes from the President



Due to the threat of severe thunder storms on Thurs. July 8<sup>th</sup> the board worked with the hostess, Helene Bachmann, to reach the conclusion that the summer pool party should be canceled. We do regret any inconvenience this caused to our members.

Congratulations to our member Karen Goins she was recently elected President of Austin Based - Texas Green Network, S.A. Chapter. You go girl!

Congratulations also go out to this year's Best of the Best winners. I know of several of our members who have been selected Best of the Best but, not everyone as I compile this newsletter. Congratulations to you all.

We just learned that the new second hand shop in town called Sister's Attic provides a rack for clothing you wish to donate to the CWJC. When you take in your good business clothes for these women please let them know this is whom you wish the items to be used for. The women will be able to pick out clothes, at no charge to them for use in helping them get a new start in life. We now have two places in Boerne to donate our good clothes for such a special purpose.

The board reviewed our policy for mass emailing for your business. In the past all mass emailing went through the president for approval first. This was to help cut down on junk e-mail. At the June board meeting the board voted to change this policy. It was decided that this type of mass email would no longer go through the president for approval. Members who use this method of advertising must provide an opt-in or opt-out in the email they send. This allows the receiver to stay on your list or be removed from your mass-emailing list. If you do not already have a program for this type of mailing a member suggested to start your search with Constant Contact. It is only one of many to choose from. [productnews@constant.contact.com](mailto:productnews@constant.contact.com)

Due to some confusion about costs for placing your ad in the HCWIB section of the papers, the board got a quote in writing from the Boerne Star on the cost of an ad. The cost is \$26.50 per month for the Boerne Star and \$35.00 per month for the Hill Country Weekly. Your ad will be in color in the Weekly that is why the cost is a little more. For more information from the Boerne Star contact Kolleen Roe at: [kolleen@boernestar.com](mailto:kolleen@boernestar.com)  
For more information from the Hill Country Weekly contact Marie Hicks at: [publisher@hillcountryweekly.com](mailto:publisher@hillcountryweekly.com)

Our speaker in August will be Lucy Ziegler. Lucy will speak on coping with stress. Can't we all use some of that these day's. I can't wait!

I look forward to seeing you all this month at the general meeting.  
Bobbie French  
President HCWIB

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**Member in the Spotlight**  
**Lynn Payge Hoppe**  
owner/operator of

## LP Computer Services



Your Tennessee Connection...

So what do Texas and Tennessee have to do with each other?

The HCWIB webmaster!

Lynn has been a member of HCWIB since November 2005, but was transferred with her government job to Oak Ridge, Tennessee in 2007. At the request of the board, Lynn has remained the webmaster for HCWIB.

Lynn has been working around computers since her first job 29 years ago as a computer aide with the Federal Government (long before the web existed). Lynn has programmed, done system administration, web programming and continues today as a web application developer in her Oak Ridge job.

LP Computer Services handles sites for approximately 60 small businesses and organizations around the country, including HCWIB. Lynn really specializes in simple professional designs, small web-based database applications, and maintenance of sites vice high-end graphic sites. As my husband says – even with a computer, I can't draw a straight line!

If you have any changes for your HCWIB online directory listing or have any questions about using her services, please feel free to contact her at the email below or by calling 210-568-3618. Lynn still maintains a San Antonio phone number for her Texas clients.

Lynn and Glenn have been married over 22 years and have two children – Alex, 19 soon to be a sophomore at the University of TN, and Erica, 14 who will be a high school freshman this year – a collie (Cheyenne), a retriever (Dakota) and three ragdoll cats (Phoenix, Durango, and Tahoe) round out the family. The family enjoys traveling, and during Christmas last year, Lynn finally visited her 50<sup>th</sup> state!

If you are ever in the Knoxville area, make sure to give her a call.

Lynn Payge Hoppe  
[Lynn@LPComputerServices.com](mailto:Lynn@LPComputerServices.com)  
 210-568-3618

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This space for rent .... cheap!!  
 Email [heather@tessmerlawfirm.com](mailto:heather@tessmerlawfirm.com) to learn how to have you and your business featured here!!!!

# Bon Appetit!!

JOIN US AT FAIR OAKS COUNTRY CLUB  
FOR OUR NEXT BUSINESS & NETWORKING MEETING  
5:30pm Social/6:00pm Dinner

Lucy Ziegler  
will be speaking on  
Coping with Stress

Menu:  
Mixed greens salad with a cilantro vinaigrette  
Pecan Crusted Scarlet Snapper  
Sautéed Spinach and Red bliss Mashers  
Sorbet Trio Desert

RSVP to Linda Tom at: 210-415-6703 or [lindatom99@gmail.com](mailto:lindatom99@gmail.com)

Dinner & Social \$17  
Sorry..No shows and late cancellations will be billed  
unless you email or call Linda no later than 48 hours before the meeting.  
Please call if an emergency comes up the day of the meeting.

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## Birthday Wishes

Natalie Johnson ..... August 1  
Shirley Wilson ..... August 1  
Kathy Masterson ..... August 3  
Kat Jacoby ..... August 19  
Jackie Crouch ..... August 20  
Karen Daly ..... August 24  
Dawn Fradkin ..... August 30

## Chaplain Chimes

*My only news from members is that Sharon Tschirhart, currently still at Health/South RIOSA, is showing improvement daily...little steps and gradual. I know Sharon covets our prayers and those of her many friends. Let's be intentional about "praying her well" throughout each day.*

## CWJC

Marie Hicks needs volunteers to provide food for the CWJC on August 24th .... Please contact Marie if you are interested in providing a dish .... [publisher@hillcountryweekly.com](mailto:publisher@hillcountryweekly.com); 830-816-5008.

Did you know that the Christian Job Corps supplies outfits for the graduates and is able to do this through your donations? If you have anything you don't need, please take it to Hill Country Family Services and let them know it is a donation for the Christian Job Corps. Your donation will be placed aside for use by the CJC. Please, only

business clothes in excellent condition. This month's winner is Christina Hallum. Family Services is located at 118 Advogt ... on the north side of town. (Sue McCrary is our monthly newsletter winner).

Christian Job Corps  
216 W. Highland Street  
830-331-9916  
(In Jasik Hall on the grounds of the Benedictine Convent)

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## Meeting Minutes - July 8, 2010

Meeting was cancelled .....

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## Hill Country Women in Business Officers

### HCWIB Officers and Committee Chairs 2010 / 2011

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## Member to Member News

**ACCESS STORAGE IS SERVING THE COMMUNITY** Access Storage is happy to offer an office warehouse to Watermark Church who is hosting their 2<sup>nd</sup> annual FREECYCLE! This is a FREE Garage Sale! It will be held in the Main Plaza Square from 9 am to 12:00 noon and items are absolutely FREE! Last year went very smoothly and families in need were blessed with clothing, household items, furniture, children's toys, and more. Access Storage is proud to offer the use of a warehouse as a drop off location for items. Just come to the office and we will assist with that. In addition, the storage truck will be at Champion High School every Sunday during church service 9:30- 11:30 from July 11 – August 1<sup>st</sup>. [www.accessstorageboerne.com](http://www.accessstorageboerne.com).

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### MS. FIX IT YOURSELF Minor Home Repair Classes for Women

Do you have “honey-do’s” to be done around the house and don’t have a “honey” to do it for you? Bonnie Tom with Tomboy Tools will teach you how to do those minor repairs without the expense of hiring a professional at professional prices! These classes empower women in their pursuit of hands-on education as do-it-yourselfers using the proper tools. Handouts are also provided.

Registration required through ClubEd for all classes.

Monday, August 30, 2010 6:00-8:30 p.m. at Boerne Community Center  
 Plumbing (toilets and faucets) and Caulking

This class will cover minor plumbing repairs such as leaking toilets and dripping faucets. You will see how to dismantle the toilet and install new toilet parts. You will each take apart a vanity and kitchen faucet to replace the faucet cartridge, o-ring, or other parts.

Caulking is another major task that you will learn to do and actually practice. Whether it be caulk in your shower, around the bathtub, along your kitchen counters, around your window sills, along crown moulding, or along your baseboards, you can DO IT YOURSELF and save money by not having to pay a repairman, wait for your husband, and also save valuable energy resources involving cooling and heating your home.

For more information about this class and other upcoming classes, please contact Bonnie Tom at (210) 382-9375.

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Shutter-Happy Photography has moved to a new studio- 11 Upper Balcones Rd (just behind Starbucks). And we'd like to invite everyone to our grand opening...

Thursday, August 26th  
 Ribbon cutting at 1:30  
 Open house following, until 8:30

We'll be serving snacks and drinks. We'll be giving away gifts, balloons, and t-shirts. And we'll have free fun in our photo booth.

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## Chamber Events

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| Aug 3  | <b>Networking Breakfast (Aug 2010) Texas Heritage Bank Sponsor</b>             |
| Aug 3  | <b>Ribbon Cutting for Parties By Design</b>                                    |
| Aug 4  | <b>Ambassador</b>                                                              |
| Aug 5  | <b>Business Education Council Meeting</b>                                      |
| Aug 5  | <b>Government Affairs Council</b>                                              |
| Aug 6  | <b>New Member Orientation - The Information Speedway</b>                       |
| Aug 6  | <b>Ribbon Cutting for Fair Oaks Ranch Fitness Center</b>                       |
| Aug 10 | <b>Ribbon Cutting for U.S. Lawns</b>                                           |
| Aug 11 | <b>Hill Country Leadership Summit</b>                                          |
| Aug 12 | <b>Business After Hours Mixer Kendall County Fair Association(Aug 12 2010)</b> |
| Aug 16 | <b>Lunchbox Lesson (Aug 2010) Insurance 101 for Small Business Owners</b>      |
| Aug 16 | <b>Leadership Boerne Council</b>                                               |
| Aug 17 | <b>Board of Directors Meeting</b>                                              |
| Aug 17 | <b><u>Ribbon Cutting for Hill Country Pregnancy Care Center</u></b>            |
| Aug 19 | <b>Ribbon Cutting for Privilege Creek Estates</b>                              |
| Aug 19 | <b>Ribbon Cutting for Advanced Computer Repair</b>                             |
| Aug 26 | <b>Ribbon Cutting for Shutter-Happy Photography</b>                            |
| Aug 26 | <b>Business After Hours Mixer Humana Market POINT (Aug 26 2010)</b>            |
| Aug 31 | <b>Ribbon Cutting for Design to Order</b>                                      |

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