

DFW MID-CITIES KIWI CLUB

SEPTEMBER 2009 NEWSLETTER

I'm sure you have all been wondering if we still have a President and Club and what is going on.

To start with, "yes" to all of your questions and my only excuse is that "time flies" and a very busy spring and summer have kept me completely busy.

For those of you who attended the luncheon at the AA Training and Conference Center with our National Board, I am sure you all will agree that we had a great lunch and truly had a good time meeting with our National Board and all the Dallas and Fort Worth Kiwis. If memory serves me correctly, we had 35 Kiwis in attendance, which I consider a big turnout.

OCTOBER 21 MEETING

With Thanksgiving and Christmas just around the corner, we will be holding our next "event" at the Decorator's Warehouse located at 3708 Pioneer Parkway, Arlington. Lunch will be at the Rose Garden Tea Room located inside the Decorator's Warehouse. Let's plan on meeting at the Tea Room at 11:30am. I can say without hesitation that the beautifully decorated Christmas Trees, as well as Halloween and Thanksgiving decorations alone are well worth a trip. Just remember to bring your charge cards, because it is very hard to resist all of the tempting decorations, and now they even have a jewelry boutique within this new expanded area.

Please R.S.V.P. to **Mary Ann Judge** by October 18. Her phone number is and e-mail address is 817-465-1197 and jjimai@tx.rr.com. And write_October 21 on your calendars!

CHIT CHAT

I am as guilty as the next one for not always conveying any news, but I will try to include as much as I know.

First of all, congratulations to **Mary Ann** and **John Judge** on their 40th Wedding Anniversary, which was celebrated on September 7.

I also send along congratulations to **Stevie Dwyer** on the wedding for her son last spring in Dallas.

Speaking of weddings, I am happy to report that our daughter, **Meredith**, got married to **Mark O'Meara** on June 27th in Park City, Utah.

Judy Knipstein just returned from a fabulous Alaskan cruise and then traveled back out to Sonoma Valley for a visit with her son, Brad. Speaking of **Judy's** son, I am happy to report that he has recently become engaged, with a wedding in about 18 months. Congratulations to you, **Judy**.

Of course we went to Park City Utah for **Meredith's** wedding, then back to Arlington for a couple of weeks, then up to Indianapolis for the U.S. Senior Open Golf Championship, then down to Orlando for a week at Disney World with our daughter, new son-in-law and grandson. Once we got back to Arlington, we pretty much just rested up.

I am so sorry to report that **Shirley Kinman** has had some heart problems. She has had a cardiac cath and is waiting to see when or if she will need further surgery. Be assured we will all be keeping tabs on **Shirley** and will follow her progress and keep her in our thoughts.

Unhappily this thing with heart problems seems to have hit close to home for me. After returning from Florida, my husband **Pete** had a doctor's appointment to see if his diagnosed Angina was improving with medication. When it was determined that the medication was not working, his doctor ordered a cardiac catheterization. Unfortunately, the results of the cardiac cath indicated that he would be needing heart bypass surgery. Surgery is scheduled for October 6, with a recuperation period estimated to be 4-6 weeks before he could drive, and full recovery, before he can do anything strenuous, i.e., playing golf to be 3 months.

I guess that will excuse me a little bit from my negligence in not being really "on top" of my Kiwi duties.

This about sums it all up for me as of today. I look forward to seeing you October 21 at the Decorators Warehouse.

Respectfully submitted

Helen

Hilda Barron, President

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