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Hello BPW members and friends,
December 1st we traveled on the BIG PINK Bus for a Murder Mystery
Dinner Tour.. See Pictures on page 2.

It's hard to believe that 2013 is so close.
Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas,
Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanzaa to each
and everyone and Best wishes for a very
Happy New Year

Keep a smile on your face and in your heart.

**Best
Personal
Wishes,**

Sharon



**We Wish you a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year.**

**Greater Nashville BPW Officers:
Sharon, Naomi, Pamela and Evon**



All New!
NashTrash
Murder Mystery Dinner Tour

Our Holiday Event Saturday Dec. 1st.
 "The NashTrash Murder
 Mystery Dinner Tour" was very
 well attended with 14 BPW members from
 Greater Nashville BPW AND
 Franklin, KY BPW. We had a great time and
 dinner at Monell's was
 totally awesome and completely filling



Monell's at the Manor



LITTLE DICKEY
 WIGGINS and
 WANDA MAE
 WIGGINS



TRAVIS BROOKS!!!



The Investigator.
 Who Killed
 Little Dickey???



We had a great time at Monell's.
 The food was delicious and the
 decorations were beautiful.

Our very own Pamela correctly identified the killer.

Twas the Night before Christmas Poem

Clement Clarke Moore (1779 - 1863) wrote the poem Twas the night before Christmas also called "A Visit from St. Nicholas" in 1822. It is now the tradition in many American families to read the poem every Christmas Eve. The poem has redefined our image of Christmas and Santa Claus. Prior to the creation of the story St. Nicholas, the patron saint of children, had never been associated with a sleigh or reindeers!

Clement Moore, was a reticent man and it is believed that a family friend, Miss H. Butler, sent a copy of the poem to the New York Sentinel who published the poem. The condition of publication was that the author was to remain anonymous. The first publication was December 23, 1823 and it was an immediate success. It was not until 1844 that Clement Clarke Moore claimed ownership when the work was included in a book of his poetry.

Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse.
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,
In hopes that St Nicholas soon would be there.

The children were nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads.
And mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap,
Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap.

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter,
I sprang from the bed to see what was the matter.
Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.

The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow
Gave the luster of mid-day to objects below.
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But a miniature sleigh, and eight tinny reindeer.

With a little old driver, so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St Nick.
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name!

"Now Dasher! now, Dancer! now, Prancer and Vixen!
On, Comet! On, Cupid! on, on Donner and Blitzen!
To the top of the porch! to the top of the wall!
Now dash away! Dash away! Dash away all!"

As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky.
So up to the house-top the coursers they flew,
With the sleigh full of Toys, and St Nicholas too.

And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.
As I drew in my head, and was turning around,
Down the chimney St Nicholas came with a bound.

He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot,
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot.
A bundle of Toys he had flung on his back,
And he looked like a peddler, just opening his pack.

His eyes-how they twinkled! his dimples how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry!
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
And the beard of his chin was as white as the snow.

The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath.
He had a broad face and a little round belly,
That shook when he laughed, like a bowlful of jelly!

He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf,
And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself!
A wink of his eye and a twist of his head,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,
And filled all the stockings, then turned with a jerk.
And laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose!

He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew like the down of a thistle.
But I heard him exclaim, 'ere he drove out of sight,
"Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good-night!"



December Highlights in US Women's History

- **Dec 1, 1955** - Rosa Parks refuses to give up her seat on a bus to a white person; her arrest sparks the modern civil rights movement in the US
- **Dec 5, 1935** - Mary McLeod Bethune creates the National Council of Negro Women
- **Dec 7, 1941** - Capt. Annie Fox receives the first Purple Heart awarded to a woman for her service while under attack at Pearl Harbor
- **Dec 10, 1938** - Pearl S. Buck receives the Nobel Prize for Literature for "The Good Earth"
- **Dec 10, 1869** - Wyoming is the first territory to give women the right to vote
- **Dec 13, 1993** - Susan A. Maxman becomes first woman president of the American Institute of Architects in its 135 year history
- **Dec 14, 1961** - President's Commission on the Status of Women is established to examine discrimination against women and ways to eliminate it
- **Dec 14, 1985** - Wilma Mankiller is sworn in as principal chief of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma - the first woman in modern history to lead a major Native American tribe
- **Dec 17, 1993** - Judith Rodin is named president of Univ. of Pennsylvania, the first woman to head an Ivy League institution
- **Dec 28, 1967** - Muriel Siebert becomes the first woman to own a seat on the NY Stock Exchange



Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you,
Happy Birthday BPW Members, Happy Birthday to you.



Happy Birthday

- **Dec 3, 1842 (1911)** - Ellen Swallow Richards, first woman to graduate from MIT, 1873; recognized as the creator of the fields of ecology and home economics; cofounder of Association of Collegiate Alumnae which became the American Association of University Women
- **Dec 6, 1927 (2002)** - Patsy Mink, first Japanese-American Congresswoman (D-HI); wrote the Women's Educational Equity Act; played a key role in the enactment of Title IX which was renamed posthumously as the "Patsy Takemoto Mink Equal Opportunity in Education Act"
- **Dec 9, 1906 (1992)** - Rear Admiral Grace Murray Hopper, pioneering computer scientist who invented the compiler and co-invented COBOL, computer programming languages
- **Dec 10, 1830 (1886)** - Emily Dickinson, one of America's most famous and prolific poets
- **Dec 14, 1897 (1995)** - Margaret Chase Smith, first woman elected to both houses of Congress (R-ME), serving 8 years in the House of Representatives and 24 in the Senate; first in Senate to challenge Senator Joseph McCarthy's anti-communist crusade
- **Dec 16, 1901 (1978)** - Margaret Mead, renowned cultural anthropologist, author, lecturer
- **Dec 21, 1959 (1998)** - Florence Griffith Joyner, "Flo-Jo," Olympic track and field champion, won 3 gold medals and 1 silver at 1988 Summer games, called "World's Fastest Woman"
- **Dec 22, 1912 (2007)** - "Lady Bird" Taylor Johnson, First Lady, 1963-1969; advocate for civil rights, National Chair of Head Start, led "Beautification" efforts across the country involving environmentalism, conservation, and anti-pollution
- **Dec 23, 1867 (1919)** - Sarah "Madam C.J." Walker, entrepreneur and philanthropist; first woman and first African American woman self-made millionaire; revolutionized hair care and cosmetics industry in early 20th century
- **Dec 25, 1821 (1912)** - Clara Barton, founder and president of American Red Cross, 1881-1904
- **Dec 26, 1954 (2006)** - Susan Butcher, sled dog racer; 4-time winner of the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race

Happy Birthday



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**December
Greater Nashville
BPW
Membership:**

Susan Jakoblew	1/08
Evon Wood	1/26
Margaret Heath	1/31
Peggy Fite	2/13
Miguel Carrillo	9/29
Sharon Taylor-Carrillo	11/13
Ann Lay	11/15
Naomi Drake	11/25
Pamela Atkins	11/30

The 2012-13 BPW year we will meet at the Watkins College on Rosa Parks Blvd in Metro Center. Meetings and/or Activities will be held every month. Please mark your calendar now and make plans to attend something each month.

BPW Foundation Donations:

Just a reminder that if you do NOT wear your BPW pin AND your name tag to the meeting, we will gladly accept your \$1.00 donation to Foundation (for each)

Also, if your phone rings during a meeting we will gladly stop and accept your \$5.00 donation to the Foundation.

Our Foundation Donations goal is \$25.00 per member this 2012-13 year.

Let's continue to support the BPW Foundation which helps women continue their education across the United States.
Thank you.



We are collecting the can pull tabs to donate to the Ronald McDonald House.



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