

The Hilltop Scoop

Hilltop Y's Mens's Club

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General Stuff. It was apparent that someone must have sneaked over to the Y and stolen our cathouse! But after some investigation, it appears that the house now resides happily in its summer nesting spot. **John Scott, Jim Sullivan, and Glen Davis** moved the cathouse on Tuesday, March 6. Everything went well, and **Scott** reports that just as they finished, the sun was burning the frost out of the ground, and it became muddy. A few minutes more and the job would have been frosted, er, maybe un-frosted.

Dinner Meeting, Jaconos, March 5th, 6 pm. **Gary Link** called the meeting to order about 6:15, but there wasn't much order to it. How those Y's Guys love to talk! 11 Y's Men and guest **Tina Starner**.

Tina Starner represented **Cheryl Nielsen** very well at the meeting. She presented a request from the Y for help with the "People Helping People" program, an annual campaign. We were assured that the Y would supply us with names of the children who had been helped with our donation so that we could touch base with those families. **Anne Brienza** would like some seed money to help pay for some new boats. (May we name a boat? Serendipity!)

Tina reported that the cabinets installed by the Y's Men were still up and in everyday use. The Y's Men voted to help pay for one-half of the cost of the cabinets. She brought a thank-you note from the staff of the pre-school program. She suggested that at the next work night we consider refinishing some of the furniture in the lobby, which has become ratty. (**John Scott** is looking into this project and thinks that it is more than one night's work.)

Fund Disbursement. In the general business meeting it was decided that the Y's Men would donate to the Hilltop Y and to Camp Willson. The amount of donations will be about \$5,500, and presentations will be made at the President's dinner in May. Motion by **Proper**, second by **Carmony**. Unanimous vote, Aye. (Motion made and carried to have the outgoing president fund the President/s dinner.)

President's Dinner. **President Link** asked **John Scott** if he would look into getting Hickory Hills Golf Club for the president's dinner. **Scott** to report back. (John Scott offers to pay for the President's Dinner.)

Easter Egg Hunt March 31, 9 am. **President Link** made a plea for more bodies to help with the Egg Hunt. In the past there have not been enough people to police the youngest group, and parents have moved into the area to help the little ones. Please make plans to come over for an hour and half on Saturday morning, March 31st. Coffee and donuts will be available for this event. **Gary and Rhonda Link** have been out beating the bushes for a good source of candy treats, and the treats are on the way. The Y's Men decided to concentrate our money on the outside portion of the event, and award only two prize baskets for each area this year, instead of three.

Camp Willson, April 27th and 28th. **Ron Davis** and **Anne Brienza** put their heads together and found dates for our weekend at camp in late April, when the weather will be more suitable. **Anne** wrote your editor with a proposed project. She would like the Hilltop Y's Men to convert the recently built hay feeding station into hay storage. This involves removing the mangers that are currently in the barn and running the steel the entire height of the building. About 50% of the job is inside out of the weather. She suggested we bring carpentry equipment and crowbars to aid in removing the two mangers. Let's get a crowd there this time. Good fellowship, good food, and good exercise in the fresh air. Your wives will like having you out of the house for two days. Nice vacation for them. (The Dancing Girls come on at 9 pm in the dining hall. **Anne Brienza** is going to lead them in belly dancing.)

Work Night, March 19th. Well, it was not a sellout by any means. Four workers showed up to work on chairs in the lobby and to remove the old telephone booth in the hallway. **Bryan Davis, Ron Davis, Gary Link, and John Scott** were the hardy souls.

Pinewood Derby. **Bryan Davis, James Robison, and John Scott** did the officiating at the Pinewood Derby held at Our Lady of Victory Church in Grandview. Report is that it was a long afternoon. Good work, gentlemen.

Dumpster Fire. **John Scott** reported that someone torched the dumpster at the YMCA. A new one is in place.

The Ailing List. **Joe Martin** is still under medical supervision. Hurry back, **Joe**, we miss you.

Sandy Proper came through her medical problems with her usual upbeat attitude and is doing "Great!"

June Sullivan is recovering from her ordeal.

Nancy Korte is home from the hospital and is recuperating.

Scholarship and Endowment Fund. **Bernie Marshall** wrote asking for help with funding these two projects. He would like to be able to list Hilltop Columbus on the rosters of those supporting these worthwhile programs. More on this at next meeting.

On the Calendar.

March 31, Saturday	Easter Egg Hunt
April 2, Monday	Dinner Meeting, 6 pm, Iaconnos
April 16, Monday	Work Night, TBA
April 27, 28, Friday/Saturday	Camp Willson Weekend
May 12, Saturday	President's Dinner, Hickory Hills Golf Club, 6 pm
May 14, Monday	Work Night. Last work night of the fiscal year.

Birthdays.

April 5 th	Steve Dodson
April 5 th	Bryan Davis
April 11 th	Ron Davis
April 12 th	Bob Yocom
April 22 nd	Cheryl Nielsen

The Poet Laureate's Podium

In Galahad's dream, he was right there
In front of the king, on his white mare.
The horse made a swing
And ran into the king,
It was truly a terrible knight mare.

Sally Yocom

Cutting Remarks – Our Weird Language

Is it good if a vacuum really sucks? Why is the third hand on a watch called the second hand? If a word is misspelled in the dictionary, how would we ever know? If Webster wrote the first dictionary, where did he find the words? Why do "slow down" and "slow up" mean the same thing? Why are a "wise man" and a "wise guy" opposites? If love is blind, why is lingerie so popular? How come "abbreviated" is such a long word? Christmas – At what other time of the year do you sit in front of a dead tree and eat candy out of your socks?

Harry says there was some other stuff.

(He says a lot of things, doesn't he?)



Plans for the New Hilltop YMCA just in from the Planning Committee. Y's Men have pledged \$100 million and Jill has pledged 42.58% of the total.

Good going Cheryl.

Have a great April Fool's Day.

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