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Letter from the President

I just returned from one of the most amazing weekends. We own a house with friends in Port Mansfield. It's a little less than two hours from our house so we spend quite a bit of time down there in the summer. The



fishing is usually good, the food and drink great, and our friends are the best! Ninety percent of the time, the weather is good but usually hot and windy.

This weekend was one that will go down in the books as nearly perfect. There was little to no wind (which is very unusual for July), the temperatures were in the high eighties and the fishing was outstanding! It's like winning the Triple Crown in horse racing or a Mega Millions lottery! These three conditions coming together at once are a rarity!

In order to get to the beach you have to take a boat, go across the bay, through the land cut, and over the jetties. Oh but once you arrive, the beach stretches for miles and there are hardly any people. I could walk forever looking for one more beautiful shell or sand dollar. It's amazing what this place does to my soul. The sun, the sound of the waves, the shells, the peace and connection I find with God on these walks on this beach...all make my heart smile.

Today as I was walking on the beach, knowing that I needed to write this letter, I started thinking what I might write about. All that came to mind was "this is my Happy Place". When I finally got in front of my computer (at midnight), I Googled "Happy Place quotes" and this is one that stood out to me, "At least five times a day, whenever you get a small window of time, treat yourself to a mental break. Distracting yourself for a few minutes a day is a great way to regroup, refocus and recharge your mental batteries."

With that, I challenge you to take a few minutes every day to regroup, refocus and recharge *your* mental batteries by taking time to go to your own "Happy Place."

All the Best. Kathryn Dirks **Casuals ETCETERA** EWI President 2016-2017

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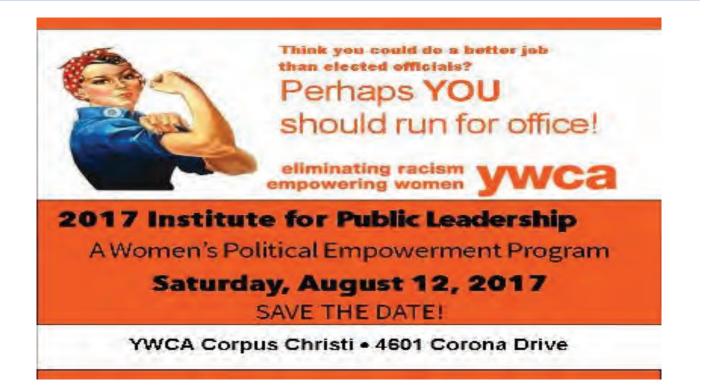
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Announcements

Mark your calendars for A Night in Old Chicago!

Our annual fundraiser will carry us back in time to 1920's Chicago. The event will be Wednesday, September 13 at The Alamo Drafthouse. Dinner, a movie, a silent auction and costume contest will be featured. Included at the end of this newsletter are details about the event and forms to donate an auction item or to be a sponsor. The event raises funds for our Reading Rally and Bobbi Sims Scholarship Fund.



July / August Birthdays

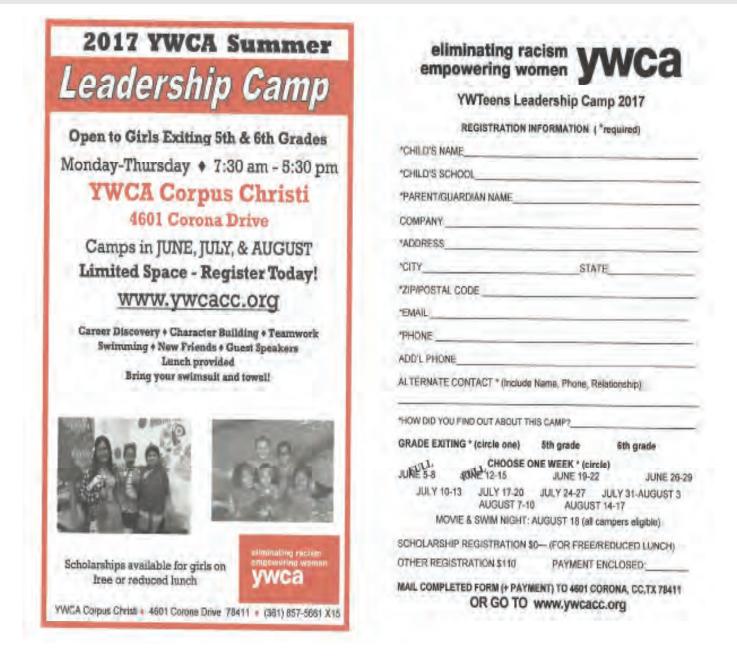
Karen Barnes	July 6
Bam Benning	July 7
Annette Berry-Cottingham	July 24
Susie Nemec Lee	July 28
Charlotte Hintz	August 1
Carla Hoffman	August 13

Mark Your Catendars!

EWI Board Meeting Wednesday, July 26, 2017 Noon, CC Yacht Club

EWI General Meeting Wednesday, August 2, 2017 11:30 a.m., Citrus Bayfront Bistro 100 N. Shoreline Blvd. in the Art Center of Corpus Christi

Reading Rally! Saturday, October 21, 2017 YWCA Corpus Christi



Reading Rally Save the Date October 21, 2017!!

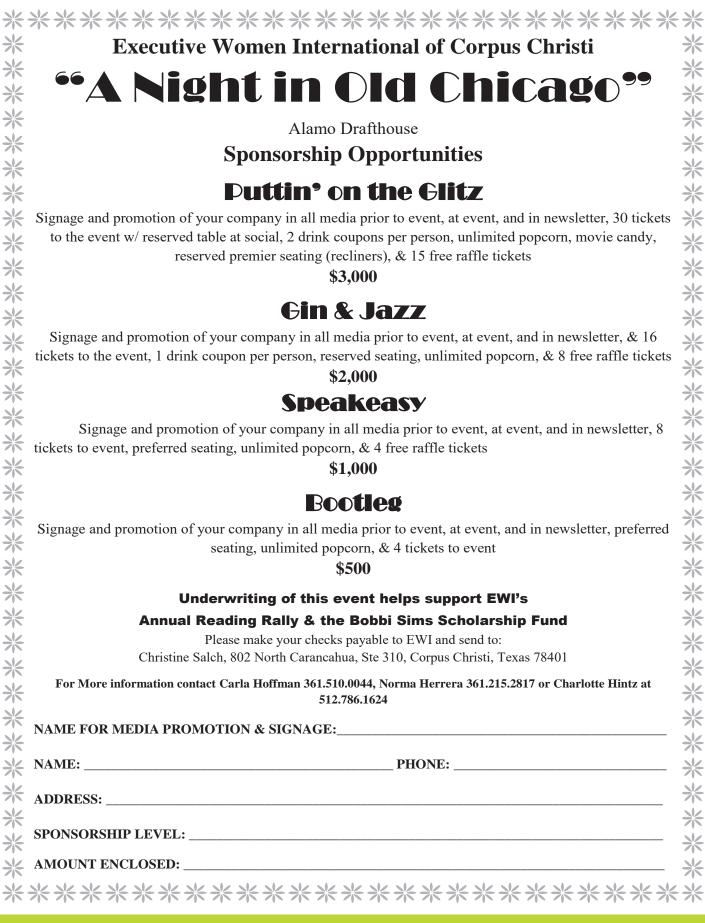
The EWI annual Reading Rally will be held Saturday, October 21 at the YWCA.

Plans are being made now and if you want to help, contact Gracie Martin at 884-6396, gmartin@ensemblegroup.net.

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AN ight in Old CHICAGO Wednesday, September 13, 2017 Benefiting EWI's Annual Reading Rally and the Bobbi Sims Scholarship Fund The Alamo Drafthouse Dinner * Drinks * Silent / Live Auction * Raffle \$75.00 per person presale, \$80.00 per person at the door Sponsorships available Prizes for best costume representing the Roaring 20's or Characters from CHICAGO!! 6-Spm Social 8-10pm Movie Send checks payable to EWI: Christine Salch, 802 North Carancahua, Ste 310, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401 For more information or reservations call Carla Hoffman 361.510.0044, Norma Herrera 361.215.2817, or Charlotte Hintz at 512.786.1624 *Costumes encouraged, but not mandatory to attend*



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