

Las Damas de Baxter

The Baxter Ladies



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*By this all men will know you
are my disciples, if you love one
another.*

John 13:35

FINANCIAL REPORT 2009

The financial report that will be at the end of this Newsletter shows a balance of \$7,076.84. On Jan. 2 the \$5,000 from the Christmas Breakfast was sent to buy uniforms and other supplies for this school year. Also this month a check for \$360.00 was sent to JMA Clinic for the Nutrition Program..

NEWS FROM BAXTER

By: Howard Norton

Baxter's 4th year students started leaving the week of Jan 17 to begin their internships in places stretching from Atlanta, Ga. to Colombia, South America. There are 3 couples and 9 singles in this program that all students must complete in their fourth year in order to graduate in December. Byron and Sandra Cana who

were supported for two years by the Kate Howard Memorial Scholarship Fund are part of this group.

We are expecting a total enrollment of 60 students when school starts on January 26. This number includes the wives of the married students. Needless to say, we are very excited about this increase in enrollment from the 46 or so we had last year.

We are looking forward to having a medical group from Virginia College of Osteopathic Medicine who will be working with the James Moody Adams Clinic January 31-February 6, 2010. They will be focusing on women's health.

Harris Goodwin was invited to tell the history of Baxter Institute at our inaugural class meeting on January 26. He has accepted and will also be our guest at the luncheon that follows in the school cafeteria.

Walter and Mary Nelle Kreidel of Franklin, TN (Harpeth Hills congregation) and former missionaries to Brazil, will teach a seminar to Baxter students and their wives on March 11-12. Walter will be teaching the male students how to establish and grow independent churches, and Mary Nelle will be teaching the

wives concerning their roles in the work of ministry.

SPRING DINNER TO BENEFIT KATE HOWARD SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Saturday, April 17 is the date set for the Spring Dinner at Maple Hill church of Christ in Lebanon, TN. The Elders at Vultee who oversee this fund say that we need to build up the scholarship fund before we use it again. During 2007 & 2008 the scholarship fund supported 1 married couple and 1 single student.

MEMORIALS

Harold Sparkman

By: Jim & Nina Holmes

Helen Pirtle

By: Jim & Helen Costello

Mary Fuller

By: Jim & Helen Costello

HONORS

Ann Moran

By: Mary Jo Whitefield
Virginia Tomlinson

Billy & Virginia Elrod

By: Anne Smith

FEBRUARY 1, 2010
AN UPDATE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF BAXTER

Greetings, Brothers and Sisters:

One month of 2010 has already passed, and we may all be wondering where it went. We have completed our first week of the new school year. It seems to me that we are off to a good start.

-1- Porfirio "Pepe" Lobo Sosa is now officially the president of Honduras, and we are thankful for the peaceful transfer of power after months of anxiety. Former president Mel Zelaya was given amnesty and allowed to move to the Dominican Republic where he was received with the honors of a head of state.

-2- Our five Cuban students are due to arrive this afternoon. We are still awaiting the arrival of a new male student from Peru. All these are included in the total enrollment of 57 resident students.

-3- Excitement is in the air on campus, especially at the Clinic, because a VCOM brigade has arrived. Part of the group was delayed until today because of the snow and ice storm on the East Coast. The brigade has about 25 workers.

-4- Married students among our recent student arrivals were happy last week to receive new kitchen utensils which Baxter bought for them while they are students here. Jane did the purchasing for the seven couples.

-5- Lenin Munguia is doing an excellent job in his teaching as he awaits final word concerning his graduate studies at Harding Graduate School of Religion in Memphis. Carlos Abraham Carbajal of the La Vega congregation is an adjunct mathematics teacher this semester.

-6- Las Lomas church leaders are anxious for us to transfer the congregation's property from the Association Amicus to the Las Lomas church. We are going to do all we can to make sure this happens in the very near future.

-7- We have opened the discussion about enlarging the Clinic's driveway exit. This would allow Marco to enter the Clinic grounds through the Clinic gate and exit the Clinic through Baxter's main gate. He would no longer have to back the bus into the busy avenue and block traffic when leaving campus.

-8- We had visits recently from Tom Poteet and Vaughn Sullivan of the Memorial Road and Del City, Oklahoma churches, respectively, and from about six or seven brothers connected to TORCH.

-9- The Lord willing, Jane and I will arrive in Arkansas Thursday, February 4, for fundraising and three speaking opportunities: Freed Hardeman University's Sunday night lecture, Affirming the Faith Seminar in Oklahoma City, and the West Side Church of Christ in Norman, OK. We are still working on the itinerary. The best way to reach us in Searcy is at 501.305.1305 or by cell phone at 501.278.6586.

--- Grace and peace to all of you,

Howard Norton

From the Chairman of the Board....

The last half of 2009 was an eventful and memorable time in the mission we share in Honduras. With those challenges now behind us, we anticipate 2010. We are grateful for all who participate in the work in various ways, and remind you that we are currently scheduling groups for 2010.

All but two board members were able to attend the December board meeting and graduation. We are all encouraged by the addition of Dr. Bob Stephens to the board. Bob, from Vienna, WV, previously served as President of Ohio Valley University and now chairs a non-profit foundation. At the meeting, the board approved the construction a president's house on campus. In the past two months, we have raised about 60% of the funds needed. If you or your congregation would like to help with this project, you may send funds to Westover Hills Church of Christ at the address in the header, and mark your check for this project.

Howard has begun his work ambitiously. New initiatives and learning opportunities will be announced throughout this year. The strategic planning initiative which was begun in 2009 will be completed, providing a renewed vision, mission, and strategic plan.

The 25% increase in student count is welcome news, but more students require more funds. If you already support our work, thank you! If you are not yet involved with the work, please consider supporting this important effort as we prepare ministers to take the gospel into all of Latin America. More information is available on the website at www.baxterinstitute.edu. --Bob Young

2009 Financial Statement Baxter Ladies

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Balance January 1,2009		\$ 2,616.76
Deposits from Activities		<u>28.860.00</u>
Total Funds Available		<u>\$31.476.76</u>
Disbursements: Baxter Institute:		
Supplies for 2009 School Year	4,000.00	
Toward Extra Salary Expenses	1,000.00	
Student Support	3,000.00	
For the Library: In Memory of Helen Brandon	100.00	
For Baxter Institute & JMA Clinic	7,000.00	
Kate Howard Memorial Scholarship Fund	4,000.00	
Supplies for Baxter Students		
<i>Gifts for Graduates, Gifts for Ladies, & Gifts for Children</i>		
<i>(\$320.00 of this for the Children's Party given by Maple Hill Church of Christ)</i>	561.92	
Nutrition Program	360.00	
Postage, Supplies, and Fund Raising Expenses	1,066.00	
Pecans for Resale(Fund Raising)	3,312.00	
Total Disbursements		\$24,399.92
Balance on December 31, 2009		<u>7.076.84</u>
		<u>\$31.476.76</u>

Prepared by: Helen Jones Costello, Treasurer

2009 Major Fund Raising Events

January	Phantom Tea	\$ 622.00
April 25	Dinner at Maple Hill Church of Christ	3,440.00
July 18	Brunch at Vultee Church of Christ	2,719.00
September 19	Dinner at Brentwood Hills Church of Christ	6,957.00
December 12	Breakfast at Vultee Church of Christ	5,000.00
Additional Funds from:		
	Arrington Ladies Crafts & Baked Goods Project	199.00
	Profit from the Pecan Sale	* 3,841.00

* NOTE: We did not show a profit from the Pecan/Walnut Sale in 2008 since all of the money did not come in by the end of the year; therefore, this amount covers some of the profit for 2008 Sale.

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HONOR GIFT

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 Friendship **Other** _____

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