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## Last Week & *The Duster Today*:

**Steve Gomez**, LCU alumnus, has been the head coach of the **Lady Chaps** basketball team for 18 years. In that time, while on his way to winning three NCAA Division II National Championships, he has posted a win-loss record of 453-128!

He has achievements beyond LCU. As an assistant coach, **Gomez** helped lead the 2018 **USA Basketball's Women's U17** team to a gold medal in the **FIBA World Cup** in Belarus.

**Coach Gomez** has led an impressive career. Exactly how has he created a women's basketball dynasty here at **Lubbock Christian University**?

### From NAIA to Division II

Transitioning from NAIA to Division II was a moment for the **Lady Chaps** basketball program. There were questions about how well the team would do, and if it would still be able to compete at a higher level.

"NAIA was supposed to be a low level, but actually the top teams at the NAIA level were just as good as anybody," said **Coach Gomez**.

The team ended up doing well in its first season, posting a record of 25-1. "We were able to make the jump pretty well," **Coach Gomez** said. "It was just a matter of there are more good teams in Division II, as opposed to a few."

### Helping Players Grow Athletically, Academically, and Spiritually

Preaching a counter-culture message of "you're not really a big deal, and neither am I" has been a key message when it comes to team building for **Coach Gomez**. The little things on and off the court are important for the **Lady Chaps** basketball program.

**Steve** is a recognized 'motivational speaker' and conveyed *why he is* during his presentation to us last week!

## We're "Ringing the Bell" Again:

**PLEASE** sign up for an hour of 'Bell Ringing' at the **J. C. Penney store Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>**. We're passing the 'Sign-up' sheet during this meeting like we did on the 2<sup>nd</sup>. We 'RING' every year & have a friendly contest to see which 'door' gets the most donations! Note that our Christmas Gathering at Debbie's is on that date, from 3:00 – 8:00. **WE NEED YOUR HELP GREATLY!**

### East Door:

1:00 – 2:00 \_\_\_\_\_

3:00 – 4:00 \_\_\_\_\_

4:00 – 5:00 \_\_\_\_\_

### South Door:

2:00 – 3:00 \_\_\_\_\_

3:00 – 4:00 \_\_\_\_\_

4:00 – 5:00 \_\_\_\_\_

### Board Meeting Matters:

Board decided to have meetings on **Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>**. Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> will be a 'Round Table' meeting.

**Debbie Conn** has recently retired and will be Chairperson for our club's "100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary" celebration! **Dianah Ascencio** will assist, and **Charles Zeeck** will be the club's 'Historian', and will obtain a 'Proclamation' from our mayor!

**Please contact Debbie if you would like to help them with this historic event coming Feb. 2022!**

**John Paul Batrice** has confirmed that **Plains Capital Bank** will have 107 flags flying around seven of their banks in Lubbock. That will provide **\$3,745** more flag income!

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## Bits & Pieces

### Cowboy's Ten Commandments posted on the wall at Cross Trails Church in Fairlie, Texas:

- (1) *Just one God!*
- (2) *Honor yer Ma & Pa.*
- (3) *No telling tales or gossipin'.*
- (4) *Git yourself to Sunday meetings.*
- (5) *Put nothin' before God!*
- (6) *No foolin' around with another fellow's gal.*
- (7) *No killin'.*
- (8) *Watch yer mouth.*
- (9) *Don't take what ain't yers.*
- (10) *Don't be hankerin' for yer buddy's stuff.*

**Now that's kinda plain an' simple don'tcha think?**

### Member Announcements:

**Debbie Conn** – save the date! Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>, Saturday! Our 'Christmas Gathering' will be at **Debby's** house: 3:00 – 8:00. **Please RSVP!**

**Carmen Vige's** son **Richard**, 53, is trying to recover from **COVID** at the **Heart Hospital** (due to overcrowding elsewhere). **Please** give **Carmen** a call & pray for **Richard!**

**John Robison** can't come to meetings, but he had a **new Grand Baby!**

### December Birthdays!

**David Campbell** – 4<sup>th</sup>

**Paul Campbell** – 8<sup>th</sup>

**Sam Cross** – 22<sup>nd</sup>

### Guests Last Week

**Jimmy Moore** introduced staff members of the Children's Home:  
**Hattie Haney** – Exec. Assistant  
**Luke Meson** – Event/Gift Coord.

## TODAY

**Thurs. Dec. 9:** Patti Mandrell, M.Ed., LPC, EAP, Co-Founder of REFUGE Services, Inc., of Lubbock.

## ALSO COMING SOON

**Thurs. Dec. 16:** Charles Perry, State Senator, Dist. 28, & practicing CPA, a legislative update for our region.

**Thurs. Dec. 23:** 'Round Table' meeting to discuss club business and 'new matters' from 'members at large'!

