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Women Moving Forward — Appreciating the Past

Notes from the President

Dear Members,

First let me apologize for the delay in getting this newsletter out — I am the cause.

"Women moving forward— Appreciating the past" — I am living up to that slogan. As many of you know, I recently left a banking career after 35 years (I was a child banker!). I am in transition, taking a month off before I start with Wyandot Center for Community Behavioral Healthcare, Inc. The time off is wonderful but also leaving me a little disoriented. Most of us work better and are more productive with a routine and a little pressure (emphasis on "little"). I'm giving myself a little time to goof off then on to my "to do" list of home projects. I am looking forward to taking a new path and working with some great folks.

This is the month of our Installation of Officers and Directors. I hope many of you will be able to attend on Wednesday, June 11th at Johnny Carino's at the Legends from 5:00-7:00 pm. Please let Paige know if you will be attending. For those who cannot attend the luncheons, I hope you will take advantage of this evening event.

This past year went so fast and I don't expect anything different for the coming year. We made our attempt at our first Golf Tournament this year. We have lots of room for growth — learned some things and intend to enhance and improve our tournament for 2009. In our planning we discovered there are quite a few of us who would like to golf but don't know the difference between a birdie or a bogie! In the early spring we will be organizing a golf class at KCKCC (for beginners). You will hear more about this as time goes on.

Please mark your calendars for the August Meeting (we do not have meetings in

July). We will be awarding our scholarships. The recipients and representatives from their respective schools will be present. This is the "fruit of our labor" and the focus of our fund raising — so please plan to join us for this special meeting. Our thanks to Linda Sutton and Darcy McGrath for heading up this committee. The updated application is on our website. The deadline for submission is July 1, 2008.

Our website has been updated so please visit the site and let me know if you see any needed changes. Officers and Directors will be updated after Installation. We are also in search of any photos for 2007-2008 that would be appropriate for the site. Our thanks to Teresa Garrison for her time and expertise in working on our website.

Our Annual Planning Retreat will be held on Wednesday, June 18, from 4:00-6:00 at Country Club Bank Community Room at 110th & Parallel. The Officers, Directors and Committee Chairs gather to plan for the coming year. You are invited to attend or contact me with any thoughts, ideas or criticisms you may have. We want to keep our organization moving forward, make ourselves visible and valued in our community. We have a wonderful and talented group. That is validated every time I connect with one of YOU. Let yourself be heard — we want your voice, your talents and your thoughts!

Thank you all so much for all of your support and good work! Have a safe and fun filled summer.

Sincerely,

Therese Bysel

President

Save the Dates!
KCK Women's Chamber of Commerce
Calendar of Events for 2008

Membership Meetings

(Second Wednesday at 12 noon, at Reardon Convention Center, unless otherwise noted)
 Please RSVP by calling 816-512-5075 or email paige@sunflower.com. Paige will confirm. No shows will be billed.

June 11, 2008 — 5:00-7:00 pm

Installation of Officers & Directors

Johnny Carino's, Legends

August 13, 2008 — Noon

Scholarship winners with representatives from colleges present

Reardon Center

September 10, 2008 — Noon

John Cowles, attorney from U.S. Attorney's office regarding Identity Theft and Prevention

Reardon Center

October 8, 2008 — Noon

Mayor Joe Reardon, State of the City and County

Reardon Center

Board Meetings

June 18 — No morning board meeting

Planning Retreat, 4:00-6:00 pm

Country Club Bank, Community Room

110th and Parallel

Area Chamber Events

Joint Luncheon with Shawnee Chamber of Commerce, Wed., June 11, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Lake Quivira Country Club, 100 Crescent Blvd - Reservations are required by calling 913-371-3070 or e-mail chris@kckchamber.com Cost is \$25 for members and \$35 for non-members. No-shows will be billed.

Business After Hours, Wed. June 25, 5:00-7:00 p.m., Cantina #1, 1867 Village West Parkway-The KCK Chamber and Cantina# 1 at the Legends at Village West.

Last Month's Membership Meeting

The slate of Officers and Board Members was voted on and approved for the 2008-2009 year. The new Officers and Board members will be installed at the June 11 Membership Meeting. Members in attendance shared information regarding future community activities/events.

Upcoming Events

August 2, 2008, 10:00-2:00: Back to School Fair, Kansas National Guard Armory. We need assistance with staffing a booth at this event as well as assisting with distributing school supplies. For more information or to volunteer please contact Therese Bysel (913-279-7984).

Notices

We are sorry to report that Darcy McGrath's mother passed away recently. Our hearts go out to Darcy and her family as they deal with the loss of her dear mother.

Upcoming Community Events

Second Fridays 5:00—8:00 pm — "Follow the Dotte/Downtown Art Walk". Where to start? Hangers on the Hill located at 613 N. 6th Street/Kansas City, Kansas. Our exhibit features KCKCC's Art Community (students/alumni/art friends). Our show is called: "Share the Love".

June 7, 2008 — Revved to Ride! 9th Annual Caritas Celebrates at the Kansas Speedway. Special event to benefit Saint Vincent Clinic in Leavenworth and Duchesne Clinic in KCK. For more information on tickets, business sponsorship, or sponsoring a table contact Debbie at 913-772-3031.

June 19, 2008, 12:30-1:30 pm — June Brown Bag, KCKCC, Jewell Student Center, Upper Level, Room 3397. The Power of Journal Writing. A journal notebook will be provided to those register by June 10. Please call Andrea Chastain to register [913-288-7270].

July 15, 2008, 12:30-1:30 pm — July Brown Bag, KCKCC, Jewell Student Center, Upper Level, Room #3397. From Bodice-Busters to Academic Reading: It's all in the Leisure Section. Bring your lunch and hungry mind. Iced tea will be provided. No RSVP required.

Happy Birthday to our members in May!

Pat Rahija	June 3
Shaunte Abernathy	June 8
Therese Bysel	June 12
Brandi Fisher	June 16

If we have missed your birthday, please let us know so that we can update our records. Thanks

Mission:

The organization exists to foster the common good of both the community and its residents by promoting the strengths of women and their contribution in leadership roles.

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