

Success Connection

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Wednesday, June 3 Meeting Details

Franklin Country Club
672 East Central Street
Franklin, MA 02038
Directions below

Agenda:

6:00p Networking
6:45p Dinner

Menu:

- Marinated Flank Steak with Mushroom Demi
- Roast Herb Rubbed Pork Loin with a pan gravy
- Vegetarian meal upon special request

Dessert and coffee

Networking for Success

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June 3:

Scholarship Awards Dinner and WSN Annual Meeting

The importance of WSN's mission statement "Women Helping Women - Professionally and Personally" is most evident at our June Scholarship Dinner.

At this annual event, we are all touched by the stories from our scholarship recipients. For many of these women, life has been a struggle and the opportunity to go back to school holds the possibility of significant changes in their lives.

For more than 20 years, our scholarship program has helped to provide many women with a brighter future.

We will also be voting on the 2009/2010 slate of WSN officers (see article below).

Be sure to bring your WSN survey form! You'll have an opportunity to have your name drawn to win a shopping gift certificate! (A companion email with the survey is being sent with this newsletter).

To register for this meeting, please go to www.wsninc.org/reservation/reservation.html. The registrations deadlines are May 22 for mail-in reservations and May 26 for online reservations.

The best referral is the one you give to someone else!

Thanks to the May Raffle Donors

Thanks to the following members who donated to our raffle. Carla Cataldo, Proposals, Etc.; Suzy Ferrantino, Prospect Mortgage; Claudette Kokolski, Market America; Nancy Parchesky, Personal College Advising; Jeanne Marie Plourde, Wildtree; Liz Scully, Scully Group Websites; Ginger Stopa, Weichert Realtors; Cathy Sutton, Happy Tails Doggy Daycare; Kim Sviontek, Mary Kay; Judy Van Kooiman, Simply Fun; Martha Whyte, The Whyte Knight

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Past Chair

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Judy Alfred
Secretary

Surveys, Surveys, Surveys = Shopping, Shopping, Shopping

Rarely do we get a chance to tell people what we really think and at the same time get a chance to win some shopping money. Well, WSN is giving you the opportunity to do so with a Membership Survey, which is being sent out as a separate email at the same time as this newsletter.

Fill it out and turn it in at the June meeting to get a chance to win a gift certificate.

If you aren't able to come to the meeting, send the survey to the WSN post office box before June 1 at

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So tell us like it is. We can handle the truth.

Thanks go out to Valerie Larsen and Mónica Fernandes for the idea and motivation for the survey and Suzy Ferrantino for helping pull it together. Thank you to those who turned in your surveys at the May meeting. Congratulations to Julie Rougeau as the May meeting winner.

Please note that you do not have to be present at the meeting to win, but we do need your name to know that you turned in your survey. So those few of you who got the survey at the May meeting and needed more time to give us your thoughts, we can't wait to hear from you.

We Need Your Vote: Board for 2009-2010 to be Elected at June 3rd Meeting

By Michelle Raymond

I am so excited to announce the following ballot of WSN Board members to be voted upon at the June meeting. I want to thank all of those of you who have offered your time, talent and, most importantly, energy to help make next year not only exciting but also ensure WSN's continued success. Please note

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Directions to Franklin Country Club

FROM BOSTON: Route 128 to Route 95 South to Route 495 North. Take Exit 16 (King St). Bear right at bottom of exit and proceed to 2nd set of lights (Route 140) Take a Right at this light. Club is 1.3 miles on the right hand side.

FROM PROVIDENCE: Route 95 North to Route 495 North. Follow directions as from Boston.

FROM WORCESTER: Route 495 South. Take Exit 16 (King St).

that we are still putting together the adjunct board positions and committees so let's keep the volunteer energy going. We need a Fundraising Chair to manage and coordinate WSN fundraising activities. Please let me know at vicechair@wsninc.org how you would like to help out WSN.

<i>Nominee</i>	<i>Position/Term</i>
Michelle Raymond	- Chairperson (6/09 - 6/10)
Roxanne Richard	- Past Chairperson (6/09 - 6/10)
Sue Haley	- Secretary (6/09 - 6/11)
Stacey Pelton	- Treasurer (6/09 - 6/11)
Bev Rollins	- Events Venue Chair (6/09 - 6/11)

Adjunct Positions (in part)

Candace Sallale	- Advisory Chair
Nancy Parchesky	- Advisory Chair
Judy Alfred	- Ambassadors Coordinator
Cheryl Reed	- Raffles Coordinator

Continuing Board Members

<i>Members</i>	<i>Position/Term</i>
Amy Buliung	- Events Program Chair(6/08 - 6/10)
Suzu Ferrantino	- Membership Chair (6/08 - 6/10)
Julie Winston	- Operations Chair (6/08 - 6/10)

No vote will be required for those currently in office whose term has not yet expired and for adjunct positions. For those new to a position or term, a vote will be required.

Are you always early for appointments and love to meet people? Then we want you. We are looking for members to work the check-in desk at future meetings. Please contact me if you are interested.

Thank you for all of you who have offered your assistance for next year. Keep them coming . .

From the Chair



The May meeting was one of our best attended events this season by both members and guests. Personally, I was thrilled to have my mother, mother-in-law, and two of my sisters-in-law attend. Mother's Day is such a special

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ON ROUTE 140: Club is on the Franklin-Wrentham Town Line.

day for so many of us, after all we wouldn't be here if it weren't for our Moms! However, it is a time to remember and appreciate all the important women in our lives and the many roles we play - mother, daughter, sister, in-law, aunt, grandmother, friend, colleague, and the list goes on.

Our presenter was Gail Huff, the Channel 5 newscaster, who gave us a quiz on the inception of Mother's Day and an understanding of her life as a mother, which included her children's perspective, both daughters of whom were in attendance. It was a warm and honest presentation that made me realize that no matter who you are or what you do, the story is the same when you are a mother, it can be the most rewarding and yet the most challenging of roles in one's life.

I hope you all had a wonderful Mother's Day, regardless of how you spent it.

The next meeting is our last for the 2008-2009 season where we will present the scholarships and have our annual meeting. This meeting always proves to be an emotional one as we hear from the recipients how WSN has impacted their lives in a positive way.

I have enjoyed being Chair this year and hope that I have served the membership well. The board has been fantastic at making sure that each meeting is a success. I look forward to my role next year as Past Chair and to being able to continue to contribute in a meaningful way. I know Michelle and the 2009-2010 board will do a GREAT job!

As always, your suggestions and feedback are important to us so do not hesitate to contact me or any other board member personally.

Best regards,
Roxanne
Chair, Womens' Success Network 2008-2009

**OLE! Margarita, Mambo
and Merengue Night a
LIVELY success!**

WSN ladies really know how to shake it - especially if Fitness Guru Andrea Longo is leading them with some exciting salsa

music.

At the April Time, Talent and Treasures Auction there was an opportunity to attend "Margarita, Mambo and Merengue Night" on May 1. Although the event was originally designed for 20 people, more than 35 women paid \$40 each (raising approximately \$1400 to the scholarship fund!!) and showed up for a feast of Mexican food and drink and an opportunity to learn some Latin dance steps. The party was hosted by Candace Sallale and was held at the home of Roxanne Richard.

A special thanks to Candace who organized this fun event and cooked all the delicious food - which ranged from taquitos and tacos to delicious Salsa Chicken. As her gift to the auction, Candace donated all the food and drink - and the hard work of preparing all the tasty dishes. Roxanne Richard opened up her family room for the Mexican feast and the mambo dancers. Andrea also donated her time and energy - and dance expertise - to support the auction fund. Many others stepped up to help with set up, assembling side dishes, and helping with the clean up.

The party ladies all assumed Spanish names for the night. Who would have thought that more than 30 women could dance so well - especially that little senora Lola... (Amy Buliung).

Get Ready for "Nick's at Night"

At the April Time, Talent and Treasures Auction was an opportunity to sign up for a second event, Nick's at Night. This event is on June 5th and is sponsored by Joyce Parlapiano and Donna Goulart. This is a night out in Boston, starting with a reception at Joyce's office/art gallery located at 300 Summer Street in (Fort Point) Boston and followed by a visit to Nick's Comedy Stop. There are still a few tickets left for this event - the cost is \$50 per person, which includes cocktails, delicious appetizers, and the show at Nick's. Several members are attending with their spouses or significant others, so bring yours along! Reception begins at 5:30 and the comedy show starts at 8:00.

Special Addition: While at the art gallery, there will be an "open mike" session. (Word has it that our own Candace Sallale is developing a comedy routine for this event!). Bring your jokes and funny stories and get into the action and set the mood for a hilarious night of laughter and fun!

Please contact Joyce Parlapiano at jparlapiano@highnoterealty.com to make your reservations.

Auction Follow-up:

Tax Letters for 2009 Auction are available:

If you need a tax letter to document a donation you made to the auction or for a winning bid you placed on an item, please contact Candace Sallale at csallale2@comcast.net.

Bid Sheets Available to all Donors:

If you would like to see who bid on your auction donation (and may be interested in your product or service), please request a copy of your bid sheet by contacting Beverly Rollins at bluecallalily@comcast.net.

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