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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE BY THE WPF FOUNDATION

Patty Aiken



Hi Everyone!

Well, we have almost made it through the first half of 2009! It's hard to believe that we are this far along in the year. I continue to be amazed by our group and our accomplishments and we all should be extremely proud. The things that we are doing to support our community and the young women in our community ARE making a difference. Our May meeting focused on the WPF Foundation and all I can say is "WOW". To hear the recipients talk about their experiences warmed our hearts and to know that we have been a part of their successes is truly our success as well. Thanks to everyone in WPF for making it happen and to our Foundation Board for managing these projects and our investment in these projects wisely.

I was reading over Brenda Morris' newsletter article from last Summer and she was defining the summer "dog days" under the ancient Greek times as a period of "stagnation or inactivity". I don't know about you, but even though our weather is beginning to get into that hot, sultry time, I am not feeling that we are in any way, shape, or form stagnant. This was evident at our meeting last week but we have some really great things coming up this Summer.

Our program for June is going to be a full agenda. Our speakers are an enlightening panel consisting of Tara Sandercock, Vice President, Grants & Initiatives with the Community Foundation, and Ann Gainey Pinto, Vice President, Community Investment with United Way. They are going to present how the effects of our economy are rolling through the nonprofit sector of our community and discuss our ability to continue to meet the critical human service needs in our community in this downturned economic environment. We believe that hearing their input will help us understand where our community needs are best served.

Katrina Solomon and Matilda Kirby-Smith are going to conduct a demonstration of our new WPF Website! You are going to really like what you see and should be impressed with our new look and design. We are providing a beta testing "window" to all members before we go live with this so be sure to come and see this first hand in June!

Another great event during our Summer months is our annual Summer Social. Brenda Madden is our gracious hostess this year and the "party" is going to be at her home on Thursday, June 18. Details are forthcoming but please mark your calendars...this event is always a great time to network with other members and just have some fun and fellowship with each other in a very relaxed venue.

Paula Pile and her membership committee are busy getting our newest members approved and ready to become involved with WPF. REMEMBER, the deadline is June 30th for all applications and sponsorship forms to be submitted.

Ok...see there? We ARE busy in the Summer! See you at the meeting. Please, again, be on time so we can get started promptly and cover our busy agenda!

June Meeting

Wed., June 10 @ 11:30am
The Painted Plate
 2001 N. Church St,
 Greensboro, NC

Cost

Active members are prepaid.
 Supporting or Emeritus
 members and Guests - \$15.00

Reservation

Please contact **Carol Matznick**
 at **605-9108** or
Carol4wpf@aol.com if:

- You are a Supporting or Emeritus member and would like to make a lunch reservation
- You would like to invite a special guest
- You are an active member and need to cancel your reservation

Cancellation of reservations is a membership requirement.

Next WPF Board Meeting

June 17, 11:30am - 1:00pm @ Mid Carolina Bank Conference Room

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The Economy and the Nonprofit

Kate Weaver, Programs

Our speakers for this month are Tara Sandercock, Vice President, Grants & Initiatives with the Community Foundation (and WPF member!) and Ann Gainey Pinto, Vice President, Community Investment with United Way. Their presentation will be about how the effects of our economy are rolling through the nonprofit sector of our community. How are we going to continue to meet the critical human service needs in our community in this environment?

This will be a another very informative meeting that we hope you'll be able to attend!! See you on June 10th.

DINING OUT IN *by Kris Landrum*



Join us for good food, good wine and good company.

The Dining Out Special Interest Group will be dining out at Rim Tapas and Fine Wine Bar on Wednesday, June 24 at 6:30 PM. Rim is located at 219-A S Elm Street, almost directly across from Triad Stage. If you haven't been to the "new" Rim in the last few months this is the time to try! Rim has a wonderful selection of tapas and small plates and a new menu under their new operating partner, Catherine Chauvin (many of you may know Catherine and she's visited WPF as a potential new member).

Rim also meets our requirements for this year as a locally owned restaurant with reasonably priced food. All selections are under \$10 or you can get three for \$20 – enough to share. They also have a wonderful selection of reasonably priced wines (look for great wines from \$5 a glass). You can order as many tapas as you like but two or three will certainly fill most of us...

Maureen Hartigan is the hostess for June. Please e-mail her by the end of the day on Monday, June 22 if you'd like to attend. Her e-mail is mfthartigan@triad.rr.com and her phone number is 336-852-7344

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO THE WPF SUMMER SOCIAL

Ashley Wigglesworth

WHEN: June 18, 2009

TIME: 6:00 – 8:00 PM

WHERE: Brenda Madden's home
3208 Timbroak Ct in Greensboro

Brenda's lovely home is located at 3208 Timbroak Court, Greensboro 27410 (right off New Garden, close to Brassfield). We will have delicious food catered by Maria's and cool, refreshing beverages (yes, that includes wine!). Please RSVP to Ashley Wigglesworth at Ashley@trifiadv.com. Food, drink and good friends – what more could you want?! Put it on your calendar and we hope to see you there!

The WPF Foundation Celebrates 25 Years

by Denny Kelly

The May meeting activities were a fitting anniversary celebration for WPF's Philanthropic outreach arm: the WPF Foundation. From the beautiful birdhouse centerpieces provided by new member Lise Cook to the potted herbs presented to our mother/mentor/friend guests, from Melanie's history quiz to recommitting ourselves to the Foundation's goal for the future, we applauded how far we've come.

We were also reminded how fortunate we are to have had the opportunity to serve in leadership roles ourselves—and how important it is to help create opportunity for the girls who will lead the future.

The highlight of the program was the announcement of this year's selected grant recipients:

- **Girl Scout Gold Award Scholarship - \$1,000**
Winner, Lindsay Miller, has served as Vice President of her school's Beta Club, captain of the Varsity Soccer Team and National Honor Society. Her interests include art, photography, running and reading. For her Gold Award project, Lindsay designed and planted a memorial garden at Sherwood Forest Elementary School, including teaching students more about butterflies. She will surely be among our next generation of leaders.
- **Scholarships for Girls to attend NCCJ's Anytown - \$2,000**
Anytown is the flagship program of the National Conference for Community and Justice (NCCJ) of the Piedmont Triad. It is a resident youth leadership program for high school juniors and seniors that returning delegates say "changes lives." Its impact is based on the community building interactions of the deliberately diverse delegates during the one-week program in the mountains. "Respect for each other" and "standing up for what you believe in" are qualities we need in our future leaders.
- **Youth Leadership Development Program for Girls in the Foster Care System - \$5,000**
This is the second year that the Foundation has funded this program. Last year, we provided the start up funding to initiate the program and it was so successful that it was selected again. Kelly Graves, PhD, Associate Director of the Center for Youth, Family and Community Partnerships at UNCG and Princess Black, a Southeast Guilford High School student who is the program's Youth Leader, described its amazing impact. Girls ages 11-14 who are in the foster care system have had little opportunity to recognize their own talents or to talk about the future with their peers. In its second year, last year's "graduates" will become the peer leaders for the new students, an empowering exchange for both groups.
- In addition, we honored the memory of WPFer Margaret Ann (Peggy) Wilkes through the ongoing Endowed Program at UNCG. Every year, the faculty awards up to \$1,500 in scholarships and a Senior Award of up to \$500 to nurture talented students in Peggy's field of fashion and design.

Many thanks to the Grant Selection Committee of Beverley Gass, Co-Chair; Sue Kennedy, Co-Chair and Darlene Leonard, Meryl Mullane, Tara Sandercock, Faye Schoffner, Michele Smith, Laura Barrier, Jeri Whitfield and Beverly Williams.

We celebrated the new grant recipients by renewing our commitment to achieve the goal of \$200,000. We can do that by:

- Raising \$25,000 by December 2009.
- Fulfilling the second year of our two year pledges.
- Pledging (or donating now) for 2009 if you haven't already.
- Increasing the number of WPF members who donate to the Foundation

Here's to all of you who believe in nurturing girls to be tomorrow's leader!

Thank you for your continuing support of your WPF Foundation.

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