

# WPF *orum* NEWS



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Laura Burton

## Happy February...

For such a short month, February often somehow feels like one of the longest – maybe it's the gray weather and the chill in the air that has dragged on too long. Well, don't despair; WPF is here to cheer you up with great events and speakers this month.

We will kick off the month with our February meeting featuring a talk from Michelle Schneider of Habitat for Humanity, which should be both interesting and inspirational. Then, of course, there is Valentine's Day, which is either wonderful or more trouble than it's worth, depending on the year and circumstances (I am hoping for a creation from my third-grader this year!). Valentine's Day is followed directly by the WhINE Divas monthly event on February 15, timing that they swear is accidental. The Dining Out Group will dine at Imperial Koi the last Wednesday in February, so sharpen your chopsticks.

The "Don't Miss It" event of the season will be Artista from 5:30 to 8:30 on Thursday, February 25 at The Marshall Gallery in The Village at North Elm. The event will feature food, wine, music, camaraderie, and, of course, ART. The exhibit and sale will feature paintings, sculpture, pottery, jewelry, textile art, and much more by local women artists. Proceeds of the event will go to the WPF Foundation to provide grants to "nurture girls to be tomorrow's leaders", a vision we can all get behind. Tickets are available online or at this month's meeting (find tickets at [www.wpforum.org](http://www.wpforum.org), [www.greensboroskirt.com](http://www.greensboroskirt.com), or [carol4wpf@aol.com](mailto:carol4wpf@aol.com). Tickets are \$35 in advance or \$40 at the door.). Please come'—I know you'll be glad you did. There are also some volunteer opportunities still available; please contact Chairs Denny Kelly ([dkelly@bouvierkelly.com](mailto:dkelly@bouvierkelly.com)) or Nancy Radtke ([Nancy.Radtke@allentate.com](mailto:Nancy.Radtke@allentate.com)) if you are interested in volunteering during the event or during the showing through the weekend following the event.

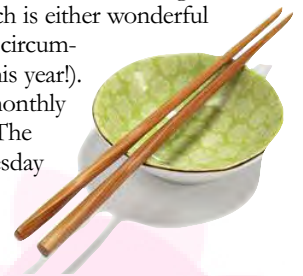
I want to take the opportunity to thank our Program Committee for asking Suzanne Reynolds to speak at our January meeting. I was inspired by her efforts to balance the various

aspects of her life. If you have ideas for programs throughout the year, please contact Judy Garner or any member of the Program Committee. I also want to thank Dee Todd and Vicki Honeycutt for acting as greeters at the January meeting and to thank Vicki for the lovely New Year's decorations for each table.

**Call for Four-Minute Special participants:** We had excellent participation last year for written and verbal Four-Minute Specials and I hope that the trend will continue this year. These are a wonderful way to get to know each other a little better and really don't take a big time commitment to prepare. I know each of our members has a stellar story to share, so please take the plunge and contact Ashley Wigglesworth ([Ashley@trifiadv.com](mailto:Ashley@trifiadv.com) or 230-0071) to volunteer to write or present your own Four-Minute Special this year.

**Wild Women of the Mountains:** Just a reminder that WPF's annual fabulous trip to Blowing Rock will take place the first weekend in March. It's a lot of fun and a great way to get to know your WPF sisters through talking, eating, drinking wine, shopping, eating, hiking, going to the spa, more talking and more eating. If you are available, I urge you to take advantage of this fun opportunity. For more information and to sign up, contact Madge Megliola ([madgemeg@gmail.com](mailto:madgemeg@gmail.com)).

Please don't hesitate to call or email me with any suggestions you may have for our membership ([laura.burton@smithmoorelaw.com](mailto:laura.burton@smithmoorelaw.com)). Have a great month! WPF



### February Meeting

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

### Cost

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

### Reservations

Please contact Carol Matznick, 605-9108 or [carol4wpf@aol.com](mailto: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 reservation is a membership requirement.*



# Meet Michelle Schneider

*Amy Kincaid, Programs*

Michelle Schneider, Director of Development for Habitat of Greensboro will be speaking to us about Habitat for Humanity, Building Houses, Strengthening Families

Michelle has been a professional fundraiser for more than 15 years, most of which has been spent at UNCG in various positions. Her undergraduate degree is in Social Work and she has a Masters of Public Affairs, both from UNCG.

She is actively involved in public education, serving on the Lindley Elementary School PTA, the Guilford Education Alliance Board of Directors and as a representative on the District

Parent Advisory Council for Title I Schools.

Michelle and her husband have two boys, Wil and Dennis. They are co-owners of Pepper Moon Catering and Spring Garden Bakery. WPF

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## Wild Woman Of The Mountain Time!!!

*Madge Megliola*

Our annual Wild Women of the Mountains Week-end is coming up March 5-7, 2010 in beautiful Blowing Rock, NC. Please plan to join us and enjoy wonderful food, shopping, spa-ing, hiking, comraderie and FUN for three days in our own Blue Ridge mountains. Best of all, spend time with your Sisters and relax in the warm comfort of friendship, conversation, and shared "down time"!



### Hostesses:

1. Mebane Ham (off Main St, walking distance to town)
2. Mary Magrinat (on Blue Ridge Parkway, ride to town, and what a view!)
3. Madge Megliola (on a mountain top 4 miles from town and another fab view!)
4. Additional accommodations and gathering space: Guest House at Meadowview Inn (downtown, walk to everything)

### Cost:

\$125 (includes accommodations for 2 nights, Friday night social, and Saturday night dinner)

**To register:** Send check payable to Madge Megliola and indicate your preference for accommodations. Madge will confirm your reservation and send more details. Madge Megliola, 208 Willoughby Blvd, Greensboro, NC 27408. Questions? Contact Madge at [madgemeg@gmail.com](mailto:madgemeg@gmail.com) or 286-3441. WPF

## WPF Special Interest Groups

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# Dining Out

Kris Landrum

Dining Out for the month of February will be at Imperial Koi, 1941 New Garden Road, Suite 200, Greensboro, on February 24th at 6:30. Our hostess for the month is Pat Fehlig.

Imperial Koi is a fairly new restaurant that has received great reviews. John Batchelor of the News and Record ranks it among the best of area Asian restaurants and also praises its upscale ambiance. If you've joined us before, you know that we generally rate the restaurants, so this is your chance to say what you think of Imperial Koi! Please email Pat Fehlig at

[PFehlig@triad.rr.com](mailto:PFehlig@triad.rr.com)

by 5 p.m. Monday, February 22nd, if you'd like to come so she can make the appropriate reservations.

Attached (page 4) for your review is a summary of our ratings of some of the restaurants we've visited in the past few years. Be part of this process and join us on the last Wednesday of every month. Our schedule for 2010 is on the WPF website, so plan ahead! WPF



Five Spice Honey Chicken

## Dining Out

February 24, 2010  
6:30 pm

Imperial Koi  
1941 New Garden Road  
Suite 200  
Greensboro



## You're invited!

To the 2nd Annual ARTISTA Art Exhibit & Sale



Thursday, February 25, 2010\*

in the Marshall Art Gallery at the Village at North Elm from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm.

The Women's Professional Forum (WPF), in conjunction with skirt! Magazine, will host this elegant event featuring Guilford County women artists.

### Your \$35 ticket enables you to:

- Enjoy hors d'oeuvres by Painted Plate Catering
- Drinks, wine, merriment, fellowship & fun
- To buy art featured only at this event that include an exclusive collection of paintings, photography, pottery, jewelry, sculpture and other art forms.
- To feel good that monies go toward benefiting younger girls and nurturing them to be terrific leaders.
- Chance to win cool door prizes, meet local artists and network

Save by purchasing tickets online at [www.greensboroskirt.com](http://www.greensboroskirt.com) click on shopping cart button or Artista logo. (Tickets \$40 at the door.)

Tickets are also available by emailing [Carol4wpf@aol.com](mailto:Carol4wpf@aol.com) and leaving your order and phone number.

Bring home a thing of beauty and...



...help a young woman on her path to success.

### CALLING ALL WOMEN ARTISTS IN GUILFORD COUNTY.

Show your work at the Second Annual Artista. Reservations deadline is January 15. Details of the Call for Work can be found at [wpforum.org](http://wpforum.org). Just click on the Artista logo link.

\*Proceeds from the ticketed event and sale of art will benefit the WPF Foundation, which makes grants to Guilford County organizations whose programs "nurture girls to be tomorrow's leaders."



## Important Dates To Remember

February 10 - Next Meeting

February 26 - February Newsletter deadline

# WPF Dining Out Restaurant Ratings

WPF DINING OUT RATINGS*								
Restaurant	Date	Quality	Variety	Presentation	Service	Value	Atmosphere	Comments
223 Elm Street	08/31/05	4.73	4.73	4.67	4.53	4.26	4.36	Wonderful; Excellent; Creative menu; Superb food; OK, but expensive; Lovely atmosphere
Café Pasta	01/25/06	3.88	4.25	3.25	3.88	3.88	4.25	Great dinner; Didn't get service expected
Phoenix Asian Cuisine	05/31/06	4.54	4.62	4.12	2.88	4.35	3.65	Too noisy & uncomfortable chairs; Didn't handle large group well; Wonderful experience; Great food
	01/28/09	4.75	4.63	4.75	4.13	4.5	4	
Green Valley Grill	07/26/06	4.63	4.88	4.75	4.75	4.38	4.63	Very noisy; great food and service; loved it
Bert's Seafood Grill	08/30/06	4.83	5	4.58	4.67	4.46	4.46	Really good; Loved it; Excellent; Great service; A terrific place, a bit noisy, but otherwise comfortable
	07/30/08	4.9	4.9	4.6	4.7	4.6	4.3	
1618 Seafood Grill	09/27/06	5	4.86	5	5	4.71	4.57	Best we have ever had; Lovely; Would recommend to anyone; Great presentation; A little noisy
	09/26/07	4.9	4.6	4.9	5	4.9	4.8	Early bird is fabulous value; Great;
	05/27/09	4.7	4.4	4.75	4.6	4.6	4.7	Outstanding; Very enjoyable
Tara Thai	10/25/06	5	5	4.5	4	5	3.5	Excellent food-under new management
Undercurrent	01/31/07	4.92	4.46	4.85	3.77	4.23	4.69	Very good; Limited vegetarian options; Excellent food; Service is a bit slow; Lovely menu; Wine expensive
Bravol	02/28/07	3.5	4.09	4.14	3	3.82	4.05	Enjoyed the meal; Thought the vegetables and fish tasted the same & were over peppered; Server not "menu aware"; Beautiful environment
Southern Lights	06/28/06	4.63	4.5	4.13	3.5	4.5	3	Service slower than usual/Furn Mkt
	03/28/07	4.71	5	4.71	4.14	4.86	4	Great food, terrific value on early bird; Love this place, always exceptional; A bit noisy but otherwise nice atmosphere;
P.F. Chang's	04/25/07	4.63	4.88	4.63	4.5	4.5	3.75	Enjoyable; Great food; Excellent; Too noisy
Salvino Cucina Italiana	02/27/08	5	4.92	4.67	4.67	4.75	4.042	Excellent scallops; fabulous food; Best Italian in Greensboro; Great!
Sushi Republic	03/26/08	4.58	4	4.71	4.29	4.43	4	Delightful, food delicious and complex, Servers prompt, attentive & gracious; Atmosphere very minimalistic; much variety; a fun place
Amalfi Harbor	06/25/08	4	4.4	4	4.4	4.4	3.4	Not the fanciest place, but great food and excellent service; an old favorite.
Riva's Trattoria	08/27/08	3.85	3.92	3.85	4.77	4.62	4.46	Very friendly place, good service; excellent Good food & value; loud.
Taste of Thai	10/29/08	4.6	4.4	4.2	3.4	4.8	4.2	Good, reasonable, different place; great food; run by wonderful, friendly people
Liberty Oak	03/25/09	4.79	4.75	4.71	4.13	4.38	4.38	Excellent; awesome; fabulous; very good, but noisy; need more vegetarian options
Black Pearl Oyster Bar	04/29/09	3.67	4	3.67	2.87	3.8	3.53	Music too loud; service terrible; fun, but overall middle of road; great outdoor setting; Live music awesome
Gullah Gullah	07/29/09	5	4.71	4.86	4.71	4.5	4.43	Great choice, experience, restaurant; delicious dinner; terrific; great food; food not what you can get just anywhere
MIX	08/26/09	4.46	4.3	4.77	4.33	4.54	4.15	Like the décor, but a little dark; very different & fun; loved it! Great value if watch for weekday specials
Biancas'	10/28/09	4.1	4.36	3.82	4.27	4.36	3.73	Great restaurant for relaxing; like the restaurant, but not for large group

\*Ratings are on a scale of 1 to 5 with 5 representing the highest rating.

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# RAIN OR SHINE Thursday, February 25 Will Be A Beautiful Evening At ARTISTA

*Denny Kelly*

Seventy-five artists are preparing their pieces for show or sale at ARTISTA 2010! Paintings, pottery, jewelry, photography and sculpture in a broad price range; live music; imaginative hors d'oeuvres; door prizes and much more will make it a very special event. Best of all, the proceeds go to support your WPF Foundation's grants for the next generation of women's leadership. These photos are just a sample of some of the work you'll see.

## Save By Buying Your Tickets In Advance

Click on the Artista logo at [www.wpforum.org](http://www.wpforum.org); email [carol4wpf@aol.com](mailto:carol4wpf@aol.com); [www.greensboroskirt.com](http://www.greensboroskirt.com) or call Carol at 605-9108. Advance tickets are \$35. Tickets at the door are \$40.

## Volunteers Needed

Artista organizers welcome volunteers. Please contact Nancy Radtke ([nancy.radtke@allentate.com](mailto:nancy.radtke@allentate.com)) or Denny Kelly ([dkelly@bouvierkelly.com](mailto:dkelly@bouvierkelly.com)) if you can help before, after or the day of the event.

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