

# WPF *orum* NEWS



A Publication of the Women's Professional Forum • P.O. Box 38594, Greensboro, NC 27438 • [www.wpforum.org](http://www.wpforum.org)



Laura Burton

## Happy New Year...

Thank you for electing me to be your President for 2010. While we all face challenges during these difficult times, I am excited about what WPF accomplished in 2009 and look forward to working with you all in 2010. We have a strong Board this year with a mix of experienced and new faces and each has a vibrant commitment to our organization and to the community in which we live and work.

The New Year is a great time (in all our spare time) to reflect on the past year and to plan new endeavors for the coming months. In 2009, WPF expanded its Special Interest Group (SIG) offerings, kicked off the first annual Artista event, enjoyed a wide range of excellent speakers, and the Foundation drew very close to reaching its long-term fundraising goal. For 2010, our program committee has a great line up of speakers and topics, we will host the second-annual Artista event in support of the Foundation and its grants, we will again host small group dinners for strategic planning, and we will have a number of four-minute specials from our members (keep those suggestions flowing to Ashley Wigglesworth).

We have a lot to be proud of, but there is always room for change and improvement. I encourage you to call or email me with any suggestions you may have for our group. Your Board and I are committed to making each member feel welcome and supported by WPF, but we need the help of the membership to do so.



We have some exciting events already on the calendar for 2010. Our featured speaker for the January meeting is Professor Suzanne Reynolds from Wake Forest University School of Law. Professor

Reynolds is widely respected for her scholarship and teaching about family law and for her public service. Among her many accomplishments, she co-founded a domestic violence program that received national recognition for providing legal assistance to the poor. She will have inspirational words to share with the group.

On February 25, the Artista Women's Art Sale Benefiting Girls will take place at The Marshall Art Gallery, offering art in a variety of media and price points. Event Chairs Nancy Radtke and Denny Kelly and their committee are hard at work on your behalf. It should be a wonderful evening!

Please also consider getting involved with a Special Interest Group. There are many to choose from – Anything Goes, Bennett College Mentoring, Books & Arts, Dining Out, Golf, Mothers of Young Children, Women of Wall Street, Whine Divas -- and each welcomes new members. The SIGs are a great way to get to know your WPF sisters in a more leisurely setting than the monthly meetings. Please join one (or more); I know you'll be happy you did.

I am honored to serve and look forward to greeting the New Year with you. Happy Holidays!



### January Meeting

Wed., January 13 @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.*

# Professor Suzanne Reynolds To Speak In January

*Jeri Whitfield*

Our January program features Professor Suzanne Reynolds of Wake Forest University School of Law. Suzanne Reynolds is widely respected for her scholarship and teaching about family law and for her public service. She was a principal drafter of statutes that modernized the law of both alimony and of adoption, and she co-founded a domestic violence program that received national recognition by the ABA for providing legal assistance to the poor.

Suzanne authored a three volume treatise on North Carolina family law that has become the authoritative source for law students, lawyers, and judges, and for many years she has taught the family law portion of the bar review course. Her empirical work has focused on outcomes in high conflict custody disputes.

She was the recipient of a Distinguished Woman of the

Year award presented by Governor Hunt in 1998 and of the Gwyneth B. Davis award for Public Service presented by N.C. Association of Women Attorneys in 1996. Suzanne was a candidate for the North Carolina Supreme Court in November, 2008, narrowly losing her bid for that seat.

Before teaching, she practiced civil litigation with the law firm of Smith Moore Smith Schell and Hunter in Greensboro, NC. She and her husband, Robert (Hoppy) Elliot, who is a partner in the law firm of Elliot Pishko Morgan, have three adult children: Michael, Caroline, and Lillie.



**Suzanne Reynolds, January Meeting Speaker.**



## Become a Fan...

To keep up with all the latest skirt! events, be sure to find us on Facebook and become a fan! You'll be the first to hear about big plans coming up for skirt! Greensboro, including our second anniversary party in March and a women-in-business expo coming in April. To become a fan, click here:

<http://www.facebook.com/home.php?ref=home#/pages/skirtGreensboro/101690259266>

## WPF Special Interest Groups

Anything Goes  
Madge Megliola  
286-3441  
[madgemeg@gmail.com](mailto:madgemeg@gmail.com)

Books & Arts  
Rose Pfaff  
274-1426  
[Rosepfaff2000@yahoo.com](mailto:Rosepfaff2000@yahoo.com)

Dining Out  
Kris Landrum  
271-5243  
[KLandrum@tuggleduggins.com](mailto:KLandrum@tuggleduggins.com)

Golf  
Judy Piper  
286-9788  
[jrpiper@uncg.edu](mailto:jrpiper@uncg.edu)

WhINE Divas  
Sandy Doyle-Jones  
282-3412  
[sdoylejones@bellsouth.net](mailto:sdoylejones@bellsouth.net)

Donna Reichmann  
323-1463  
[youcanleadtoo@aol.com](mailto:youcanleadtoo@aol.com)

Women of Wall Street  
Peggy Ward  
834-6950  
[Peggy.Ward@ubs.com](mailto:Peggy.Ward@ubs.com)

Working Mothers of Young Children  
Laura Burton  
378-5566  
[Laura.burton@smithmoorelaw.com](mailto:Laura.burton@smithmoorelaw.com)





Wild Women  
Of the Mountains  
Week-end  
March 5-7, 2010  
Blowing Rock, NC

# Be a real “Wild Woman” with your WPF Sisters and have a Week-End to Remember!

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 January Meeting Schedule

- 11:40 - 12:00 - Buffet line open
- 12:00 - 12:15 - “Welcome”
- 12:15 - 12:45 - Program
- 12:45 - 1:00 - Announcements

2009 WPF  
Board Members

**President WPF/  
Foundation Board Liaison**  
Laura Burton  
378-5566  
Laura.Burton@smithmoorelaw.com

President-elect  
Dee Todd  
334-7686  
dstood@ncat.edu

**First Vice President**  
Nancy Radtke  
510-1864  
Nancy.Radtke@allentate.com

**Second Vice President/  
Holiday Bazaar Coordinator**  
Lynn Ritchie  
931-1055  
LRApp@bellsouth.net

**Secretary**  
Cindy Farrand  
832-6505  
Cindy.Farrand@mosescone.com

**Treasurer**  
Kris Landrum  
271-5243  
klandrum@tuggleduggins.com

**Membership Committee Chair**  
Paula Pile  
273-3116  
imagolady@aol.com

**Directors at Large/Summer Social &  
Small Group Dinners**  
Teresa Vincent  
574-4313  
Thvincent01@aol.com

Rhonda Joyce  
379-7783  
rjoyce@midcarolinabank.com

**Past President/  
Nominating Committee Chair**  
Patty Aiken  
294-0081 xt 301  
Patty.aiken@homeinstead.com

**WPF Foundation President**  
Melanie Tuttle  
370-8808  
Mtuttle@sbaal.com

**Executive Assistant**  
Carol Matznick  
605-9108  
Carol4wpf@aol.com

2009 WPF Foundation  
Board of Directors

**President**  
Melanie Tuttle  
370-8808  
Mtuttle@sbaal.com

**Vice President**  
Sandy Doyle-Jones  
282-3412  
sdoylejones@bellsouth.net

**Treasurer**  
Pat Price  
294-4494  
pprice@brccpa.com

**Recording Secretary**  
Jeri Whitfield  
378-5270  
jeri.whitfield@smithmoorelaw.com

**Corresponding Secretary**  
Gloria Thompson  
288-8119  
gloriathompson@triad.rr.com

**Past President**  
Maureen Hartigan  
852-5660  
mfthartigan@triad.rr.com

**Directors**  
Darlene Ball  
299-3730  
darleneball@triad.rr.com

Linda Carlisle  
668-7919  
Carlisle.linda@gmail.com

Beverley Gass  
334-4822 xt 2434  
abgass@triad.rr.com

Denny Kelly  
275-7000  
dkelly@bouvierkelly.com

Meryl Mullane  
545-8838  
meryl@mullanepr.com

Nancy Radtke  
510-1864  
Nancy.Radtke@allentate.com

Tara Sandercock  
379-9100  
tsandercock@cfgg.org

Paula Sinozich  
333-7907  
psinozich@connorslegal.com

Ruth Wooten  
664-0444  
Rwooten3@triad.rr.com

# WOMEN OF WALL STREET

*Peggy Ward, WOW Chair*

The purpose of the club is to LEARN and HAVE FUN! It is basically a comfortable forum to learn about the financial markets and investment strategies with other professional women. We have a dinner meeting once a quarter to keep it fun as well as an annual trip to New York City.

We open the club for membership once a year in January and welcome anyone who has an interest to join.

Contact Peggy Ward at UBS Financial Services at 834-6950.





# 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 [Carol4wpcf@aol.com](mailto:Carol4wpcf@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

January 13 - Next Meeting

January 22 - February Newsletter deadline