

KWN Community

June 2017
Kenosha Women's
Network

A Monthly Newsletter for members of Kenosha Women's Network

Women Supporting Women in Business

A Note from our President:

Hello KWN Members!

This is a great month to be a KWN member: it is Mini-Grant Time! All the applications have been received. The committee is working to select this year's recipients, who will be announced at our June Luncheon. The June and July meetings are perfect to bring guests because we see how our hard work and efforts throughout the year pay off. Thank you for your commitment to KWN and your generosity which allow us the opportunity to touch those in need in our community.

All year, we work hard to raise funds so that we can give back to Kenosha County non-profit organizations benefiting women and children. The fundraisers we have pulled off this past year include Quarter Auctions (Spring and Fall), our 2016 Holiday Luncheon

We had our Spring Quarter Auction on May 6th at the Kenosha Moose Lodge. Even though the turn-out was smaller than previously, we were still able to make over \$1,000 to go toward our Mini-Grant Program. Patti Mason, our Vice President, is already planning the Fall Quarter Auction, so that it will be even better! Please start thinking about how you will be able to help make it a success!

Finally, I would like to announce that we have a new Secretary, Christine King! I believe she will be a fantastic addition for our Board of Officers and our Executive Committee. Thank you, Christine, for stepping in to this position!

See you at our next meeting June 9th!
Joanne

June Meeting:

Friday, June 9, 2017
11:30AM to 1:00PM at
Victoria's Catering, 2319 63rd
St, Kenosha
RSVP by Wednesday, June 7,
9pm to
rsvp@kenoshawomensnetwork.org
and put "attending" in the
subject line.
The meeting fee is:
\$12.00 with Reservation,
\$15.00 at the door.

Our Mission:

*To promote and encourage
the professional and
personal growth of our
members in a supportive
environment, where
women's efforts are
recognized and encouraged.*

KWN Welcomes:

Katie Hulse, Chiropractor
Genesis Chiropractic

We're Glad You're Here!

KWN Meeting Guidelines

If you are new to KWN, here is how our monthly meetings work. Members begin to arrive at Victoria's at 11:30. The first half hour is an opportunity to network with other members as they arrive and promote your business. The meeting starts at noon and runs until 1pm. Food is served at noon and we conduct KWN business and listen to speakers while we eat. There is a break for dessert, then raffle prizes are drawn towards the end of the meeting. We need to leave the restaurant by about 1:30 to allow Vicki and her staff to set up for other events. We hope you can join us for the full 1½ hours but if you come late, please be courteous to the other members and find your seat quietly. We hope you will enjoy listening to the speakers and being a part of KWN!

Mini-Grants

The mini-grant committee is meeting next week to decide who will receive money this year! Thank you to all who volunteered to sit on the committee and to Laura Cox and Joyce Erickson for chairing. Eleven applications were received this year. Make sure you attend the June meeting to find out which non-profit organizations will be receiving the grants, and come in July to see the grants handed out. Representatives of the organizations will be on hand to receive the checks and tell you about the projects they will finance! It is always an inspiring event!

Board Members:

President:

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Patty Mason
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Christine King
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Christa Boudreau
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Where the Past meets the Present

by: Christine King, KWN Secretary

On Monday, May 22nd, members of the current board spent a wonderful couple of hours having lunch with six former KWN presidents. We reminisced about the past and looked forward to the next chapters! The wealth of experience represented by those ladies was truly awe inspiring! We heard some great stories of the past and some ideas that could be revisited.

When KWN was formed in 1980, there was a greater focus on Women's Empowerment. Women in business have come a long way and we may forget that much remains to be done. As we looked toward the future, reigniting our focus as women supporting women in Kenosha, the ideas were invigorating. Suggested speaker topics included Developing your "Elevator Speech", Dressing for Success, Article Reviews. A more business-oriented focus should increase membership and reinforce our positive reputation in Kenosha County. Topics like seating, location, and timing of our meeting were also discussed. We would like to encourage people to arrive at 11:30am so they can spend the first half hour networking before our meeting starts at noon.

As a group, the executive board needs to hear from you how you see us forging our future together and what part you want to play in it. Would you be interested in activities outside of the monthly meetings? A book club? Political forums? A bowling team? We welcome all constructive ideas and solutions.



June Speakers:

Dr Kallie Madison, DC, from Bedogne Chiropractic will be speaking in the 10 Minute slot. Angie Richter with Advocare will be the 3 minute speaker.

If you would like a chance to speak at one of our up-coming meetings, please contact Patty Mason at 847-379-5490 or e-mail her at: vice-president@kenoshawomensnetwork.org.

Promote your business in the 3 minute slot, or speak about an educational topic beyond just business in the 10 minute slot.



Pictured, left to right: Past Presidents, Suzanna Fry, Bev Jambois, Roseanne Shales, Joyce Erickson, Laura Cox, Amanda Blommel and current president, Joanne Horner.

Food allergies are never fun and can be life-threatening! If you have any such allergies, please mention them when you RSVP to: rsvp@kenoshawomensnetwork.org. We'll do our best to make sure you stay safe!

Thank you to our members who donated raffle prizes for Our May Meeting!

*Peggy Walker –Pepper the Clown

*Cindy Grube -Kemper Center

*Mary Modder -SE WI Labor Times

*Vicki Rothwell– Victoria's Catering

*Peggy Gallo -Shaklee

Have you considered making a donation to our monthly raffle? Get your name and business mentioned in our monthly newsletter!