

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN NORTHWEST METRO

NEWSLETTER January 1, 2017

Mission Statement

To promote development, economic self-efficiency, community awareness, and legislative support for all women in the Northwest Metro area.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, January 4, 2017

Corona's Mexican Grill 7617 West 88th Ave. Arvada, CO 80005

(At the North end of the Mission Commons Shopping Center, NW corner of 88th and Wadsworth)

6:00 pm – Networking/Dinner

I just would like to remind everyone that our meetings begin at 6 p.m. We spend the first half hour ordering dinner and networking

6:30 pm – Meeting Begins

PROGRAM: Business Meeting and Program Planning

Flourish Achieve Reach Potential

Evie Hudak, VP of Programs, will have a fun little activity for us all to do. We are still accepting donations for Growing Home, so please bring them with you to this meeting.

OUR NEWS -- BPW NW METRO

CHAPTER CALENDAR 2017

BPW NW Metro monthly dinner meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month. Join us at 6:00p.m. at Corona's Mexican Grill, 7617 West 88th Ave, Arvada, CO 80005 (At the north end of the Mission Commons Shopping Center, NW corner of 88th and Wadsworth)

- January 4, 2017
- February 1, 2017
- March 1, 2017
- April 5, 2017
- May 3, 2017

Join us in growing stronger and intensifying our impact.

KING SOOPERS grocery certificates for BPW NW Metro fund raiser

To support our ongoing fundraising, purchase King Soopers grocery certificates through Nancy Bentzen. Tell Nancy how much money you would like on the card. Contact her via email, bentzennl@aol.com

NEWSLETTER

The BPW NW Metro Newsletter is distributed electronically a week prior to the upcoming business meeting. We welcome your input to the newsletter. Please submit articles to Cathy Futch, <u>cathy.futch@comcast.net</u>, no later than 10 days prior to the next business meeting date to ensure your announcement(s) are shared in the newsletter distribution. (Business meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday of the month).

UPCOMING EVENTS – You Need to Know

January, 2017

January 21 Women' March on Denver.

Saturday, January 21, 9:00 – 3:00 p.m. at Denver's Civic City Park.

Marching in Solidarity for Human Rights... Sponsored by Women, For Everyone! Business and Professional Women of Colorado will march in Denver, Colorado in solidarity that day, sending the message of peace, love and understanding to all that will listen. **Contact:** Megan Shellman, <u>mshellman@bpwcolorado.org</u>

February, 2017

➡ February 11 BPW Colorado Mid-Year Board of Directors and Legislative Conference Saturday, <u>February 11</u>, 9:00 am – 4:00pm, Horan & McConaty Conference Room, 1091 South Colorado Blvd., Denver, CO 80246.

The purpose of the midyear board of directors shall be to receive verbal reports of officers and committee chairs. The legislative chair shall present to the membership legislation affecting women that will be put to a vote for giving official support by BPW Colorado. BPW Cherry Creek is the host this year We look forward to seeing you!

Conference price is \$50 per person until January 28, 2017.

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Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. For registration and more information please visit www.bpwcolorado.org

Enjoy meeting and greeting fellow BPW Colorado members at a complimentary cocktail reception, Friday, February 10, at the home of Nancy Litvak, 63 So. Harrison Street, Unit C Denver, CO 80209.

FOCUS ON ISSUES

WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR ALL WOMEN – TAKE THAT NEXT STEP AND ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO JOIN US AS WE CONTINUE TO MAKE HISTORY!

CEDAW, (The United Nations Convention On The Elimination Of All Forms Of Discrimination Against Women) attention is on fire thanks to our dedicated BPW members who have diligently contacted and maintained interaction with elected officials in the City of Louisville; Erie (which is the size of a CITY, but voted to stay a TOWN when they hit that magic number); Lafayette is in our cross hairs to meet with now that they signed their resolution. Longmont's packets have been written and are in the edit stage. Check out the website <u>www.cedaw-colorado.org</u> for how many new cities we now have as well as supporting non-profit organizations.

Read all the exciting details including the visit with the U. S. Senator Cory Gardner Denver office on December 1st. Visit the Legislative News written by in the Sharon J Simmons, Business and Professional Women of Boulder-President 2016/2017 BPW Colorado Legislative Chair 2016 Email: <u>SSimmons@BPWColorado.org</u> found in the Business & Professional Women of Colorado <u>www.BPWColorado.org</u> November 2016 Volume 2016, Issue 11. Editor, Michele Guarino.

Climate Change and Sustainability is part of the Legislative News and a focus issue important to BPW. YOU ARE A PART OF THE SOLUTION!!! Laurie Dameron BPW Boulder Member Co-Chair of BPW Colorado Environment and Sustainable Development Committee Chair NFBPW Environmental and Sustainable Development Committee Email: <u>LDameron@BPWColorado.org</u>

BPW COLORADO

A lot is happening on the state level with BPW. We are more powerful because we are able to think and act locally, nationally, and internationally. You are now connected with some of the most incredible female leaders in the world through Business and Professional Women.

For meeting notices and events from the other state chapters, you are encouraged to go to the website: <u>www.BPWcolorado.org</u>

Membership Report

Membership starts with YOU! Megan Shellman, BPW Colorado VP Membership, is challenging every member: bring in at least 3 new members and we will give you a special recognition pin!

The person with the most members will receive the new BPW International scarf. The dates that will be considered are January 2016 until our General Assembly 2018. Please email me mshellman@bpwcolorado.org the name and chapter information for each member that joined at your recommendation.

NATIONAL LEVEL & INTERNATIONAL LEVEL

National Federation of Business and Professional Women Club (NFBPWC) will engage in the activities of the Commission on the Status of Women 61 (CSW61) March 13-24 in New York City. SAVE THE DATE. Registration is open until January 27th and for the Leaders Summit, which is March 10-11 – right before CSW 61.

Sign up for CSW61 if you are going to NY with us. It's going to be very exciting. It's FREE to attend the main events and Kathy Kelly *Mobile: 303-517-6399* is taking information from ladies going, so we can share quarters and fly together. BPW International will be well-represented with over 20 UN delegates, and we typically have over 100 members fly in from around the world. The highlight is our BPW International Gala dinner. Maybe a Broadway play, good food and fun. JOIN US! More information at: www.unwomen.org/en/csw/csw61-2017.

The theme is "Women's Economic Empowerment in the Changing World of Work." The review theme will be "Challenges and achievements in the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals for women and girls (agreed conclusions of the fifty-eighth session)." The emerging issue is "The empowerment of indigenous women."