

JANUARY MEETING

Date: January 24, 2007
Location: Williams Inn
Program: Scholarship Award,
Member of the Year,
Young Careerist Program

Menu: Soup de jour
Choice of:
1. Grilled Pork Chop with mushrooms
2. Chicken Parmesan over pasta
3. Pasta Marinara

Desert: Bread Pudding with Cherries

Coffee, Tea

Cost: \$20.00

Hostesses: Officers
Reservations: Dorothy Ransford
413-663-6514
Patti Troumpe
413-663-8127

Please remember: Reservations are due by the Friday before the meeting. If you haven't been called, call one of the hostesses above. **Also, you are responsible for reservations made and not honored.** We must pay for meals ordered.

Networking – 6:00

Meeting opens – 6:30

Dinner – 6:45

Guests are welcome!

IMPORTANT WEBSITES!!

www.bpw/usa.org

www.bpw/ma.org

www.northernberkshirebpw.org

IMPORTANT DATES

January 15 – Martin Luther King Day
January 24 – General Meeting
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No January Birthdays

Condolences...

On December 26th, Kristen Whitfield's father passed away. She was with him in Florida at the time. Condolences may be sent to Kristen at her mailing address as follows:

Kristen Whitfield

PO Box 202

South Orleans, MA 02662

OF INTEREST.....

Issues Management / Programs

With the new year just beginning, locals have great programming opportunities; the [resources you need are at your fingertips!](#) Visit the Member Tools & Resources Section of the Member Center at www.bpwusa.org for programming guides, manuals and toolkits for successful programs you can implement locally.

Programming Ideas:

- January: Celebrate Martin Luther King Day with an assessment of diversity in your LO. Reach out to new groups; perhaps it's a great time to host an Individual Development workshop!
- February is both BPW Foundation month and Heart Health month – take the opportunity to remind your members why supporting the BPW Foundation is so important. Put the spotlight on women and heart health: request AHA materials and/or attend P&A Conference to lobby the Women for HEART bill.
- March is Women's History month, with limitless opportunities to celebrate the achievements of women in your community
- April is Equal Pay Day – perfect for having an Unhappy Hour event to point out the wage gap.

Need help putting your plans together? Want to share a great program idea that's been successful for your local, district or region? E-mail

tami@simmsteam.com and the Issues Management Committee will take it

from there! The entire committee wishes you a great year of GREAT programs!!!

BPW Members Stuff Backpacks for Afghan Schools

BPW members contributed to 50 well-stuffed backpacks of school supplies for Afghani school children. Earlier this year, BPW members were alerted to send school supplies in an earlier HQ News. The supplies already donated are deeply appreciated and help alleviate some of the need of school children. Supplies are always needed. There are at least 1,000 children per school. If any BPW/LO or BPW member wishes to take on this project, you can send donations directly to:

**TRAVIS BUNT
209TH RCAG NORTH / US
NAVY
MAZAR-E SHARIF
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Requested items include: pencils, crayons, markers, chalk, notepads, drawing paper, art supplies and simple school-bags to hold notepads and pencils.

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Where's the snow?