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A message from your president...

We are all familiar with the saying "To err is human." Well your president is admitting to being human. Despite numerous edits of the club directory, I still incorrectly listed two committee chairs. My apologies to Sylvia Proud and Nancy Lescarbeau who should have been listed respectively as chair of the Woman of Achievement and Public Relations committee. For those of you who have already received your directories please make the correction and I will correct the remainder of the printed editions.

October promises to be a busy month for the club with our Meet and Greet scheduled for October 11, and our Woman of Achievement dinner scheduled for October 25. Deborah Felix, our Membership Chair, needs to hear from you **ASAP** as to whether you are coming and the number of guests you are bringing. She would also appreciate some help getting the room set up for the event. Deborah can be reached at 413-662-5598(W) or at D.Felix@mcla.edu. Our guest speakers for the night will be Laura Bauver, Maria Coviello, and Rosemary Roper. So come on out and share some light refreshments with some old friends and meet some potential new ones.

This year, the club will honor a phenomenal woman, Sally Goodrich, as our Woman of Achievement. On September 11, 2001, her oldest son, Peter was killed on board United Flight 175, the 2nd plane to hit the World

Trade Center. The Goodrich family chose to establish the Peter M. Goodrich Foundation in his memory and Sally is its director along with being the current Title 1 Director of the North Adams Public Schools. The Foundation has already built a school for girls in Logar, Afghanistan and a well and reservoir in Kunar. It is also currently funding tuition for 2 students (one at Berkshire School in Sheffield and one at Slippery Rock University in Pennsylvania). If ever a woman exemplified all that the Woman of Achievement award is all about, it is Sally Goodrich. I look forward to seeing everyone there.

Elizabeth Manns
President



OCTOBER MEETING

Date: October 25, 2006
Location: Williams Inn
Program: "Woman of Achievement"
Sally Goodrich

Menu: Caesar Salad
1. Roast Beef au jus
2. Poached Salmon
3. Grilled Vegetables with
Fingerling Potatoes
Dessert – Apple Crisp with
Ice Cream
Coffee, Tea
Cost: \$30.00

Hostesses: Allyn Basel
802-694-1466
Carol Kondel
413-743-7885

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 DATES

October 11 – "Meet and Greet"
October 21 – Fall Board Meeting
October 25 – General Meeting
"Woman of Achievement"
October 31 – Halloween

*****ATTENTION*****

On Wednesday, Oct. 11, NBBPW's "Meet and Greet" will take place at the Williams Inn. This is a wonderful way to promote BPW and increase our membership! Make plans to attend and network with the guests. Laura Bauver, Rosemary Roper and Maria Coviello will be the speakers. Chairman of this event is Deb Felix.hope to see you all there!

IMPORTANT WEBSITES!!

www.bpw/usa.org
www.bpw/ma.org
www.northernberkshirebpw.org

Don't forget to turn
BACK your clocks on
October 29th!

FYI

BPW/USA Career Center

This online job service has been created especially for working women and employers with the information to recruit them.

Job seekers:

- may browse job opportunities across a broad range of functions and industries
- may have résumés noticed by persons in their fields
- may search the only job board highlighting the cutting edge practices of both women and veteran-friendly employers and find companies offering the benefits that matter most
- may access BPW/USA's host of career services at no cost

Employers:

- can cut through the clutter of job boards and target recruiting to reach qualified professionals
- can search the résumé database to contact candidates proactively
- can receive automatic e-mail notification whenever a candidate matches criteria
- can highlight the employer's unique benefits that support women and veteran-friendly workplaces

Career success can start at:

<http://careers.bpwusa.org>

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October Birthday

Karen Kettles

Pay Equity Facts...

1. Over a lifetime, a woman will make between \$700,000 and \$2 million less than a man with the same education and experience.
2. In 2005, women made an average of 77 cents for every dollar a man made for the same work.
3. African American and Latina women experience a greater disparity in wages: 66 and 55 cents respectively.

Instant Comfort

Little things that calm you down and lift you up!

- *Changing into your PJ's after a long day*
- *Hugs*
- *A napping dog or cat*
- *Checking things off of your to-do list*
- *A quiet morning to yourself*
- *The saying "Everything happens for a reason"*
- *A baby's infectious giggle*