

KCK Women's Chamber of Commerce
1920-1999 79 Years of Progress

THE BULLETIN

January 1999

Volume 5 Issue 1

PLEASE JOIN US FOR
THE JANUARY
LUNCHEON

CENTRAL BAPTIST
SEMINARY

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, NOON
CARPENTER WELLS HALL
DINING ROOM
714 N. 31st

Trudy Hall from the television talk show
"Ruckus" will be our speaker.

Menu includes:

Tender roast beef sliced and served with rich
brown gravy and mashed potatoes

Dinner salad and bread

Ice tea and dessert

Cost: \$8 per person

Please call your reservation in to West Branch
Library, 596-5800, before Monday, January 11.

Reservations made after the above date are not guaranteed
a lunch due to caterers deadline. So, please remember
to call in your reservation. Thanks!

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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

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| MARGARET EAGLEBURGER | 1-2 |
| STELLA M. BROWNE | 1-11 |
| CATHERINE RICE | 1-18 |
| JEAN LEWIS HAWKINS | 1-21 |
| ROSALYN BROWN | 1-31 |

DIRECTIONS TO LUNCHEON

If coming from downtown KCK, get on Minnesota Ave. Stay on Minnesota Ave heading west. Turn left at Westview Drive (You'll see the Baptist Seminary). Go to Ann, turn right. This becomes Barnett. Go up the hill. You will see a sign saying Rudd Way and a sign for Cokesberry Bookstore. Turn right. This is the parking lot. Carpenter Hall is the first building. The porch has white pillars on it.

If you are coming from West Wyandotte County, at 38 & State, turn right. The next light is Minnesota Ave. Turn left (east) on Minnesota. Turn right at the light at Westview, The next block is Ann avenue. Turn right. This becomes Barnett. Go up the hill and look for the Rudd Way and Cokesberry Bookstore sign. Turn right. This is the parking lot. Carpenter Wells Hall is the e first building. The porch has white pillars on it.

See You There!

ELIMINATE DR. WAITING-ROOM TIME



Your doctor's appointment was scheduled for 3 P.M. Now, an hour later, you're still cooling your heels in the reception area. If long doctor's office waits are making you ill, here's the solution on how to lose wait time fast:

- 1. Book Smart** - Try to book your doctor's visits for first thing in the morning or right after lunch, when physicians are less likely to be held up by other patients. And avoid "Manic Mondays" when the waiting room will be crammed with all the people who got sick over the weekend.
- 2. Less means more-** If your doctor works in a large practice, schedule for the day when the least number of physicians are working. Bigger offices often share staffs of nurses, assistants and receptionists. That means that the more doctors in the office, the more overwhelmed and backed up their staff could be.
- 3. Check up on her-** Thirty minutes to and hour before your appointment, call your doctor's assistant to see if your physician is running late. If so, ask for an estimate of what time she will be ready to see you.
- 4. Don't assume your M.D. has ESP-** Let her know how long you waited. Then if the situation doesn't improve by your next visit, consider shopping around for a new doctor who stays on schedule. It is important that you have physicians who value your time as much as they value their own.

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT...



This is the time of year when most of us are "recovering" from the stress and excitement of the holiday season, gathering statistics for year-end reports, or maybe reviewing our year's accomplishments and even admitting to a few failures that we must always remember are only "life's lessons to be learned." It is a time when each of us must reflect on our own life and take a look at where we've been, where we are, and where we want to go. It is important that we take pride in what we have done and not forget to thank those who helped us throughout the year.

In reflecting upon my past year and a half as your President, I certainly realize how much EACH OF YOU has contributed to the success of WCC programs and the growth of our organization. Your officers, board and committee chairs are grateful for your dedication and commitment to offering outstanding support within our community in so many ways. While browsing through some literature this week, I ran across a poster that said...Great opportunities are often disguised as unsolvable problems...and another whose message was...Teamwork: Coming together is a beginning, keeping together is progress, and working together is success. I firmly believe 1999 promises to offer WCC great opportunities for continuing our work in the community and because of the progress we have already made in teambuilding, we will see continued success in all we undertake.

Please know we can't accomplish this without your participation...please attend our monthly luncheons, volunteer to work on committees, and be generous with your time, talent, suggestions, and ideas that will help us continue to improve and grow.

Thanks again to each of you for all you've done with and for us in 1998 and let's work together to achieve our goal of "Weaving a Tapestry of Talent" as we kick off our new year, 1999.

Pat Gaunce



A NEW WAY TO NIX THE NICOTINE HABIT - FOR GOOD!

Want to stub out your smoking habit? Take 20 Post-It notes and write your own, personalized stop-smoking slogans on them. Here's five to get you started:

1. **MORE THAN 400,000 PEOPLE IN THE US** will die of tobacco use this year alone. Do you want to be one of them?
2. **GEE, YOUR HAIR** could smell terrific!
3. **EACH YEAR, SMOKING** kills more people than AIDS, alcohol, drug abuse, car crashes, murders, suicides and fires combined.
4. **YELLOW REALLY ISN'T YOUR BEST COLOR.** Why wear it on your teeth and fingers?
5. **WOMEN WHO SMOKE** may experience menopause one to two years sooner than those who don't.

Roll a Post-It around each cigarette in your pack and stick one on the outside so whenever you puff, you'll have to read the reminders it's wrapped in. ***YOU CAN DO IT!***



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PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE FEBRUARY LUNCHEON

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 12:00 PM
WEST BRANCH LIBRARY
1737 N 82nd Street

GUEST SPEAKER WILL BE:

Randa Rawlins - Past President of Women's
Chamber of Kansas City, Missouri.
Randa will be speaking on her recent
trip to Africa.

MENU: Boneless Breast of Chicken with
White Wine Sauce
Caesar Salad

Seasoned Green Beans w/ Bacon & Onion
Twice Baked Potato
Rolls & Butter
Fudge Brownie, Tea
Cost: \$9.00



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to the West Branch Library, 596-5800.

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Did you know that the WCC is on the Internet??!!

www.kumc.edu/wcedc/wccchmbr.html

Teresa Garrison, Assistant Director at the KCK Public Library will give us a demonstration on how to access the website at our meeting. It is very, very cool! Teresa will provide the demonstration while we are eating.



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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

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| Nadine Dooley | 2-1 |
| Marcia Broden | 2-6 |
| Helen Viera | 2-7 |
| Anna Lu Brune | 2-19 |
| Adelaide Johnson | 2-22 |
| Meredith Roberts-Schraeder | 2-26 |

"Quote of the Month"

HUMBLE PEOPLE DON'T
THINK LESS OF
THEMSELVES- THEY JUST
THINK ABOUT
THEMSELVES LESS

THE JOYCE WILLIAMS SHELTER IS IN NEED OF OUR HELP!



Need List:

Non-perishable food items
Sheets, pillow cases, blankets, spreads
Towels
Pillows
Personal items, soap, shampoo, deodorant
Washing Powder
Games for Children
Office Supplies/Equipment
Sturdy Furniture
Clothes for women and children
Financial support for building repairs

If you are able to provide any of these items, please
contact the shelter at 321-0951, or 321-1566.

Donations may be delivered to The Friends of
Yates Center at 1219 N 13th.

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



ABOUT YOUR FEBRUARY LUNCHEON SPEAKER...

Ms. Rawlins has developed exceptional trial skills as one of the firms most active trial lawyers and was honored by receiving the prestigious Lon O. Hocker Award from the Missouri Bar in 1994 for outstanding trial advocacy as a young lawyer. She has developed special expertise in defending catastrophic injury claims and evaluating the medical portion of injury claims. Her other experience includes general tort and personal injury claims, products liability, premises liability, wrongful death and professional liability. She has also defended bad faith actions against insurers. She has presented numerous client seminars on issues such as settlement strategies and avoiding bad faith claims. She served on the faculty of the 1991 Defense Counsel Trial Academy in Boulder, Colorado, the 1993 MODL Trial Academy and speaks frequently at continuing legal education seminars. She received her J.D. from the University of Missouri in 1982 where she was a member of the Order of Barristers. She has practiced with the firm since 1985. She is a member of the Missouri Bar Association, the Kansas Bar Association, the International Association of Defense Counsel, the American Board of Trial Advocates and serves on the Board of Directors of the Missouri Organization of Defense Lawyers.



From Your President...

Loretta and I represented our organization at the installation of officers and directors of the Kansas City, Missouri Women's Chamber of Commerce on Sunday, January 17, and one of the most important things we noticed about the members of their organization was their welcoming attitude and general friendliness. When we first arrived, before anyone even knew who we were, members approached us to welcome us and thank us for coming to be a part of their celebration. We assumed they thought we were either new members or members they hadn't met before. This went on the entire time we were there...never once did we feel "outside the circle". Loretta and I agreed this is definitely something our organization needs to work on ...greeting and meeting each other... beginning with our monthly luncheons. Ask yourself how many times in the past year you walked up and introduced yourself to someone you weren't acquainted with or invited someone new to sit with your group. I think we are all guilty of not making this a regular practice. Please let this be one of your New Year's resolutions...one you'll keep. Seek out at least one "new friend" at our next event, introduce yourself, and make them feel especially welcome that day.

I was excited and flattered to be invited to submit columns for the January issue of Ingrams business magazine and Wyandotte West. Look up that issue of Ingrams and see if you agree with my observations. Editor Pat Lowry (also a Women's Chamber member) asked me to respond to the Ladies Home Journal article about opportunities for women in the Kansas City area. The following is an excerpt from the Wyandotte West column:

"This past fall members of our organization accepted leadership roles and participated in several important community endeavors such as the town meeting organized by the District Attorney's office to address concerns and develop a plan of action to solve problems resulting from juvenile truancy in our area; the sponsorship of the Kansas Farm Family breakfast and Kansas Day at the American Royal; and the first annual Hidden Treasures Trade Fair for minority and women-owned businesses as a partner with the Area Chamber. We want the community to know we are not a "meet and eat" social organization but a partnership of over 100 professionally-trained, well-informed women (and a couple of gentlemen who joined as members this year), who are enthusiastically taking active roles in a variety of endeavors and are competently making a positive difference in our community. I believe we are developing, as an organization, a clear sense of direction and well-defined goals. We have the determination and commitment to achieve these goals. As our theme for 1998-99 indicates...we are definitely "Weaving a Tapestry of Talent". Look us up on the Web...www.kumc.edu/wcedc/wccchmbr.html. Become part of our team...it is a winner!"

Just this past week I had 4 phone calls from women who are interested in becoming members of our organization...good news travels...Hope to see you at our February 10 luncheon here at West Wyandotte Library...the immediate past president of the KCMO WCC will be our speaker. Let's show her what a great group we are and come prepared to network!

Pat Gaunce

"NOT YOUR ORDINARY COWTOWN" MERCHANDISE!

If you are interested in ordering some of that snappy "cow-wear" you've seen around town, contact the KCKS Convention & Visitors Bureau at 321-5800.

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| Denim Shirts | Adults Sizes M, L, XL | \$35.00 |
| Cow Logo on front left | Adults Sizes XXL | \$38.00 |
| T-Shirts | Kids Sizes M, L | \$7.00 |
| Cow Logo on front | Adult Sizes S, M, L, XL | \$9.00 |
| Wording on back | Adult Sizes XXL, XXXL | \$11.00 |
| Pink Cow Button | Discounts for multiple orders | \$2.00 |
| Silver Lapel Pin | Discounts for multiple orders | \$4.00 |
| Coffee Mugs | White mugs with Logo | \$5.00 |
| Watches | Black alligator leather band M & W | \$20.00 |
| Denim Ball Cap | Cow logo on front & N.Y.O.C. on back | \$12.00 |
| Golf Balls | Sleeves of three | \$6.00 |
| Yo-Yo's | | \$5.00 |

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THE MARCH LUNCHEON**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 12:00 PM

**Bethany Medical Center
Brotherson Auditorium**

51 N. 12th Street, KC, KS (off Central Ave)

Visitors parking is located directly across the
street from the main lobby of the medical center.

Please take the brown elevators to level 5.

GUEST SPEAKER WILL BE:

**Dr. Thomas Faerber M.D.,
Plastic Surgeon**

Menu: Prime Rib

Please remember to R.S.V.P. by Monday, March 8
to the West Branch Library, 596-5800.

**Hope to See You at this
"Uplifting" Event!!**

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LEADERSHIP 2000 IS CELEBRATING ITS 10TH ANNIVERSARY!

Leadership 2000 Alumni
Association Presents the
St. Paterneoski-Holiday
POLKA DANCE

Music by the
"Brian McCarty Orchestra"

Saturday, March 6, 1999
8:00 - 12:00 PM

National Guard Armory
18th & Ridge, KCKS

Contact 299-8383 or
371-3070 for more info.

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MARCH BIRTHDAYS

| | |
|-----------------------|------|
| Elizabeth Snyder | 3-1 |
| Angie Mitchell | 3-4 |
| Helen Chop | 3-4 |
| Linda Sutton | 3-6 |
| Nancy Winkler-Fortier | 3-8 |
| Zandra Trzok | 3-8 |
| Melissa Bynum | 3-9 |
| Vanoma Henchek | 3-12 |
| Rosemary Lischka | 3-16 |
| Elise Hedstrom | 3-22 |
| Sherry Cassidy | 3-26 |
| Joie Mellenbruch | 3-29 |

JOIN US FOR THE YWCA HEARTS OF GOLD AWARDS LUNCHEON

*Honoring Outstanding Women Who Live
the Mission of the YWCA*

Friday, March 5, 1999, 12: PM

Jack Reardon Civic Center

500 Minnesota Avenue

Tickets: \$35.00 per person

National Honoree: The Honorable Swanee Hunt - Former
U.S. Ambassador to Austria

Honorary Chair: Mayor/CEO Carol Marinovich

Local Honorees: Marian Washington, Ruth Margolin,
Mary Jane Myers, Pam Wiens.

Contact the YWCA at 371-1105 for more information.

STRESSED OUT:?... DON'T SPACE OUT!

You're psyched for the big meeting and ready to wow your boss with your business brilliance. But then she asks what ought to be a no-brainer question, and you blank. You can't remember any of your fabulous ideas. What gives? **Coristol**. A hormone that's released during stressful situations, blocks the brain's ability to retrieve information, temporarily rendering you a complete idiot. (Primitive man needed this hormonal help to free him of extraneous info and keep his attention focused on the danger at hand, but you usually don't need it as much 1999).

How do you prevent this? By drilling yourself beforehand on the key points you want to make. Information stored really well in the brain is not affected by coristol. If you rehearse your presentation thoroughly, you'll be able to remember is under stress. But if you try to wing it, your mind will go blank. Another reason to do your homework: Coristol is released in situations when you feel helpless. The better prepared your are, the more in control you'll feel.

From Your President...

Thanks to all of you who attended the Area Chamber's Annual Luncheon on February 2 and were there to see our very own Betty Amos be awarded the prestigious Ambassador of the Year Award. Our monthly luncheon drew over forty women (and a male guest, Carl Palermo) who really enjoyed the presentation by KCMO WCC past president Randa Rawlins who spoke about her trip to South Africa. Randa's group went there to help construct a church, even though only one of them was a construction professional. They worked long and hard each day but the rewards were in the faces of those folks whose lives they touched. Good-byes were hard and Randa was definite when she told us..."I Will Go Back!"

Our planning committee for the late summer Women's Symposium, chaired by tenacious Pat Brune is working hard to confirm a keynote speaker and firm up a date for this special event. Perhaps we will have that information ready for you before we go to print with this newsletter. Lots of exciting ideas are being tossed around on this project.

Membership chairperson Kelly Colvin has really been struggling to have your new membership directories and membership cards ready for our March meeting. Her massive task was complicated by some errors on the part of our contract print shop. This project, coupled with rehab work on her new home, beginning a Masters program at UMKC and putting the plans in motion for our April membership recognition event (and just doing the job she gets paid for at Wyandot Mental Health) has put her in the high-stress category. Kelly is a dedicated volunteer for our organization and deserves a lot of credit for her contribution of time and energy on every project she undertakes. Give her a hug the next time you see her...she can use them all!

I've begun to feel a little sad about the way the WCC fiscal year is flying by for me. Only two more regular meetings before our election and then the installation of our new officers and board. Being your President these past two years has been one of the most wonderful experiences of my life and I have made so many new friends who have enriched my life in so many ways. Working as an officer, a board member, or committee chair is a serious commitment of both time and energy but the rewards far outweigh the work you do. If you would like to submit your name for consideration as a candidate for election to one of those areas, please contact one of the members of the Nominating Committee and express your desire for consideration. They will be looking for members to fill these vacancies using the following criteria: attendance at monthly meetings and special events, participation as a volunteer on our special projects, and commitment to our mission to see that our organization continues in its role of providing strong leadership within our community. Members of the Nominating Committee are Melissa Bynum, Therese Bysel, Carol Grimsby, Carol Hanlon, Betty King, Rosemary Lischka, Jeannette Porter, Lori Steele, and Pam Weins.

See you at Bethany Hospital for our March 10 luncheon for what promises to be a very uplifting program....Dr. Nips and Tucks...excuse me, Dr. Thomas Faerber, Cosmetic Surgeon.

Pat

**Welcome to New
Women's Chamber
Members!!!**

Sherry Cassidy
Michelle Holland
Linda Huppe
Pat Huggins-Petty
Melinda Ivey-Scrivener
Darcy McGrath
Carla Pestock
Connie Perkins
Nancy Schmidt
Paige Wymore-Wynn

**PLEASE JOIN THE KANSAS CITY KANSAS
AREA CHAMBER FOR BUSINESS
AFTER HOURS**

Wednesday, March 10, 4:30 - 6:30 PM
in Providence Medical Center's newly
Renovated and Relocated:
OUTPATIENT REHABILITATION CENTER

Wyandot Medical Building East
8919 Parallel Parkway - Suite 350

Kansas City, KS
Free Parking, Visitors' Lot E

Brief Program at 5:15 PM featuring an on site
broadcast of "Between the Lines" by Kevin Kietz-
man, KCTE 1510 AM with Chad Boeger, "Afternoon
Sports Team"

*Refreshments, Door Prizes and
Fitness Tests!!*

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WEAVING A TAPESTRY OF TALENT

The Women's Chamber of Commerce of
Kansas City, Kansas invites you to a
special reception for our members and
their guests, individuals who might be
interested in membership.

Wednesday, April 14, 1999 at the
Junior League Headquarters
509 Armstrong, KCKS
5:00-8:00 PM
(convenient parking is available
across the street)

R.S.V.P. requested by April 12, to KCK
Public Library at 596-5800

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WAY TO GO!

In the Sunday, March 28 edition of
the Kansan it was announced that
the Readers Choice winners in the
following categories were...

Woman of the Year: LORETTA
MORTON
Ins. Rep of the Year: GARRY DIAL
Best Breakfast, Friendliest Service,
Best Lunch, Best Desserts, Best
Menu: LORETTA COLOMBEL
Best Jeweler: NANCY WINKLER
Best Festival/Event: WyCo Fair,
BETTY AMOS, Fair Director

WE DEFINITELY HAVE
"MEMBERS ON THE MOVE"
CONGRATULATIONS TO
EACH OF YOU !

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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

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| Terry Byard | 4-5 |
| Sharon Meyers | 4-5 |
| Loretta Morton | 4-9 |
| Jacqueline Fletcher | 4-14 |
| Margaret Littlefield | 4-14 |
| Nancy Schmidt | 4-20 |
| Cindy Brock-Korn | 4-27 |
| Joyce Abraham | 4-27 |



LET'S PARTY!

NOW THAT I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION, KELLY COLVIN HAS RECEIVED INFORMATION REGARDING THE AMERICAN ROYAL PARADE, ALREADY!! SINCE 1999 MARKS THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION IT'S GOING TO BE BIG!! THE LETTER SHE RECEIVED DESCRIBED IT AS A "GRAND AFFAIR", WITH MORE ELABORATE FLOATS AND ENTRIES. TO GO ALONG WITH THE CENTENNIAL THEME, WE WANT YOU TO BE THINKING ABOUT WHICH GREAT WOMAN FROM HISTORY YOU WOULD LIKE TO REPRESENT, MAKE, RENT OR CREATE YOUR COSTUME, AND JOIN US ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1999.

LET'S MAKE THIS YEAR'S FLOAT
THE BEST EVER!!

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Kansas City, Kansas Women's Chamber of Commerce Nominating Committee is pleased to report that the following members have consented to have their names placed in nomination for the 1999-2000 year to fill the positions listed:

OFFICERS:

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| First Vice President | Angie Mitchell |
| Second Vice President | Margaret Steele |
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| Corresponding Secretary | Pat Brune |
| Treasurer | Carol S. Waggoner |

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Elect three of the following:

Lori Trumbo, Shari Wilson, Paige Wynn, Ollie Cole, Kathy Kovac, Eloise Leslie.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Elect five of the following:

Amy Falk, Meredith Schraeder, Beth Trimmer, Tracy Talkin, Pat Rahija, Jean Lewis-Hawkins, Linda Sutton.

Respectfully Submitted: The 1998-1999 Nominating Committee

Melissa Bynum, Therese Bysel, Carol Grimsby, Carol Hanlon, Betty King, Rosemary Lischka, Jeannette Porter, Lori Steele, Pam Wiens.

*Garry is a member of
ACW Women's Chamber of
Commerce*

Those who take the lead early will become the most successful.

The intensifying competition and dynamic change within the insurance and financial services marketplace are no doubt creating exciting opportunities. The convergence of insurance, personal finance and investment products and services will likely continue for several years as financial powerhouses emerge.

The recent merger of Farmers Insurance Group with Zurich Financial Services, a global provider of investment products, will assist our agents in building a distinctive professional image.

Can you produce the commissions you are worth with your present company?

Do you want the latest in technology, and assistance in building your career through public relations and marketing?

We value business development through personal, one-on-one coaching and counseling from our management and support team. Our new metro Kansas City District Office is a modern training facility for professionals seeking an opportunity to grow.

Farmers offers a multitude of insurance products. Auto, home, life, business, annuities, and long-term care. Zurich is the world's third largest provider of financial services. Would you like to associate yourself with Farmers and Zurich?

We know the insurance and financial services business is a people business. That is why we are looking for the right people. We offer an exciting career, a bright future, virtually unlimited earning potential, the best personalized training, the best products; and, the opportunity for you to *manage your business* while enjoying the satisfaction of helping others.

There has never been a better time to become a Farmers agent. We extend an invitation for you to consider a career with Farmers. To receive more information and a *personal interview*, call Garry Dial, District Manager or William Langdon, Agency Development Manager at (913) 328-1600. Learn more about our exciting future. *(All discussions and correspondence will be kept strictly confidential.)*



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AUTO • HOME • LIFE • BUSINESS • HEALTH

Garry Dial

District Manager

Ask Me About Career Opportunities

1601 Meadowlark Lane, Ste. E
Kansas City, Kansas 66102

BUS: (913) 328-1600
FAX: (913) 328-1661

Jana

From Your President...

I hope you didn't panic if you received a letter from our March speaker, Dr. Thomas Faerber, offering you a free consultation for cosmetic surgery. He really didn't single you out...thinking, "she really could use help". He asked if he could send a follow-up letter to each member attending the meeting and I saw no harm in that so, we all got one. Actually Loretta Morton, Betty Amos and I were REALLY worried until we "connected" with one another....we each got very beautiful bouquets of flowers from the good doctor. When mine arrived I remember thinking...I knew I was hitting the big 65 this fall but it must have really been obvious to him...he thinks I am a prime customer. I felt somewhat better when both WCC Vice-Presidents who are much younger got flowers too...just as a thank you for inviting him. The Bethany facility was wonderful, the food was excellent, and the program very enlightening. If you missed it...shame on you.

Planning is underway for our April membership event...please look around your office or think of friends who might be potential members and bring them along. This is a "freebie" for members and their guests and is always a very special event. If you have questions, please call Kelly Colvin at 287-0007. By the way, when you see or talk to Kelly, give her your thanks for all her work in pulling together our new membership booklets. They were handed out to those paid members who attended the March meeting. When you get yours, check the information on your page. If you have updates or corrections, Kelly will be glad to hear from you. As we add new members, we will provide you with page updates. I was browsing a report pulled together a year ago by our long range planning committee and realized we have a very low representation from the legal, construction, manufacturing, and medical professions. See if you have connections with women in those areas that you might like to invite to our April event.

Here's a thought to take with you today...quoting Groucho Marx: "Each morning when I open my eyes, I say to myself: I, not events have the power to make me happy or unhappy today. I can choose which it shall be. Yesterday is dead, tomorrow hasn't arrived yet. I have just one day... today...and I am going to be happy in it!" HAVE A GREAT DAY....I'M CHOOSING TO!

Pat Gaunce

AMERICAN ROYAL UPDATE:

At the direction of the WCC Board, Pat Gaunce and Betty Amos met with American Royal Executive Director Jim Taylor to discuss arrangements for the participation of the KCK Women's Chamber in this year's events. Although we will continue to act in a supportive role for the annual Kansas Day reception, we will no longer chair that event. We will continue to participate in the annual parade (which this year will be October 23) and will chair and sponsor the Kansas Day Farm Family Breakfast with support from the American Royal Officers and Board of Governors. We felt that it was time to see that evening event move to a higher level with great involvement statewide and that could only be accomplished by contacts made by the "power players" from Kansas who serve on the American Royal Board. A date hasn't been set as yet for Kansas Day, but Pat and Betty will be meeting with the chair of that AR Committee very soon and will keep you posted as that information becomes available. Kelly Colvin is chairing our Parade Committee this year and if you don't plan to be involved, you will be missing a really fun day! We'll also be looking for volunteers to help with the Farm Family Breakfast so let Pat know if you would be interested in participating with that committee too.

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PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE
WOMEN'S CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE ANNUAL ELEC-
TIONS BREAKFAST MEETING!

Wednesday, May 12, 8:00 AM
West Branch Library

KANSAS CITY CATERING
Breakfast Menu Includes:
Scrambled Eggs, Link Sausage
Buttermilk Biscuits, Country Gravy
Cost: \$8.00

Please R.S.V.P. to the West Wyandotte
Library by May 10, 596-5800.

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THANKS TO KCKPL LIBRARY AS-
SISTANT DIRECTOR (AND WCC
MEMBER) TERESA GARRISON
OUR WEBSITE IS NOW LINKED TO
THE KANSAS CHAMBER OF COM-
MERCE AND INDUSTRY (AT THEIR
REQUEST I MIGHT ADD). LOOK IT
UP AT [http://](http://www.kansaschamber.org/links.htm)

[www.kansaschamber.org/
links.htm](http://www.kansaschamber.org/links.htm). ALSO, IN CASE
YOU MIGHT HAVE FORGOT-
TEN, OUR WEBSITE AD-
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[www.kumc.edu/wcedc/wcc-
chmbr.html](http://www.kumc.edu/wcedc/wcc-chmbr.html). AREN'T WE LUCKY
TO HAVE TERESA ON BOARD TO
HELP KEEP US NOT ONLY VISI-
BLE TO THE METRO COMMUNITY
BUT WORLDWIDE ON THE WEB!

To submit newsletter information or suggestions, please contact
Margaret Steele at Kansas Gas Service, 599-8925; Fax: 599-8979, or
by Internet: MSteele@ONEOK.COM

May Birthdays

| | |
|----------------|------|
| Carol Grimsby | 5-10 |
| Pat Monteleone | 5-10 |
| Adrienne Kyger | 5-15 |
| Marian Stump | 5-16 |
| Carla Pestock | 5-17 |
| Jean Hite | 5-20 |
| Mary Barbero | 5-21 |
| Betty King | 5-27 |

SHOULD YOU RAISE OR LOWER YOUR SALARY EXPECTATIONS?

*FIND OUT WHAT YOUR INDUSTRY PEERS ARE MAKING.

Web sites like The Riley Guide (www.dbm.com/jobguide) offer link to salary surveys and raise statistics. You can also check newspaper job listings to compare what employers in your field are offering.

***KNOW WHAT A "NORMAL" RAISE** at your company is. The average annual raise nationwide is now 4 to 4.5%, but your particular employer may be giving much more or less. Ask a human resources officer in your company what the average raise is for a person at your level. It shouldn't be top secret information.

***DETERMINE YOUR WORTH.** If you're going to be rewarded at a higher rate, you have to show your boss that you're making less than people in similar positions, yet you're producing more. If your boss won't budge, see if he or she will supplement your salary with other benefits, such as more vacation days.

Kathleen Hirce

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Kansas City, Kansas Women's Chamber of Commerce Nominating Committee is pleased to report that the following members have consented to have their names placed in nomination for the 1999-2000 year to fill the positions listed:

OFFICERS:

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| President | Loretta Morton |
| First Vice President | Angie Mitchell |
| Second Vice President | Margaret Steele |
| Recording Secretary | Jan Pack |
| Corresponding Secretary | Pat Brune |
| Treasurer | Carol S. Waggoner |

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Elect three of the following:

Lori Trumbo, Shari Wilson, Paige Wynn, Ollie Cole, Kathy Kovac, Eloise Leslie.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Elect five of the following:

Amy Falk, Meredith Schraeder, Beth Trimmer, Tracy Talkin, Pat Rahija, Jean Lewis-Hawkins, Linda Sutton.

Respectfully Submitted: The 1998-1999 Nominating Committee

Melissa Bynum, Therese Bysel, Carol Grimsby, Carol Hanlon, Betty King, Rosemary Lischka, Jeannette Porter, Lori Steele, Pam Wiens.

Kathy Kovac**Board of Director**

Since joining the Women's Chamber just a few years ago, I have met many wonderful people and have had so many enjoyable experiences. The picnic/auction to raise funds for scholarships held at Wyandotte County Park is a particular favorite of mine. I attended the Citizen's Police Academy after learning about its benefit to the community at a Chamber luncheon. Now a graduate, I assist the Academy as a role player. I am currently Chairperson of the Women's Chamber By-Laws/Resolutions Committee. I would like to become even more active in the Chamber; and I feel that as a Board member, I would have an excellent opportunity to do just that.

I am a life-long resident of Kansas City, Kansas. Born Kathy Dumovich, I graduated from St. John the Baptist, Bishop Ward High School, Donnelly College, and Ottawa University. I am a 25-year employee of the Unified Government where I spent the majority of this time in the Finance Department. The future of Kansas City, Kansas is obviously very important to be; and I feel that the Women's Chamber plays a vital part in promoting its future.

Eloise M. Leslie**Board of Director**

I have been a member of the Women's Chamber for several years. However, I have been actively involved for only two years. Election to the Board of Directors of the KCK Women's Chamber of Commerce will afford me the opportunity to be an active participant, make a meaningful contribution to this great organization, and glean valuable information from such a diverse group of ladies.

As a board member, I will give of my time, talents and service; whatever is needed to uphold the already established honor and integrity of the Kansas City, Kansas Women's Chamber of Commerce.

Lori Trumbo**Board of Director**

Just like most women I know, my time and energy are limited and I have become more particular about how I manage these personal resources. Over the years, the Women's Chamber has consistently proven to be an excellent forum for both personal and professional growth. The Women's Chamber has activity pursue expanded membership, increased community partnerships, enhanced community visibility and education commitments that make it a valuable organization to be a part of. I am very interested in continuing to build this momentum and move in directions that continue to raise the standards of excellence for our community.

As a citizen and employee in Wyandotte County, I believe that I must play a part in making this a better place to live and raise my family. I've always believed the saying; "If you're not a part of the solution then you must be a part of the problem." The Women's Chamber has offered me many opportunities to meet other professionals with the same commitment and creative ideas for solving problems to make this a better place to live and work.

Shari L. Wilson**Board of Director**

I am interested in being elected to the Women's Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors because of the opportunity to be involved in projects that are important to the community. I enjoy the Women's Chamber because of its diverse membership. Since I work out of my home, attending Women's Chamber events provides a networking opportunity unmatched by many other organizations. I would like to be more active in the organization.

I work for an environmental education association that serves the State of Kansas. As a result, I travel frequently and work with schools, businesses, agencies, and individuals who are interested in promoting effective environmental education which encourages lifelong learning skills. The part of my job that I love the most is building partnerships. My husband and I live in the Muncie area of KCK, and we are both heavily involved in the community.

Paige Wymore-Wynn**Board of Director**

I am excited about the opportunity to work with the Women's Chamber because of the diversity and wealth of knowledge this group possesses. I am a hands-on type of person who want to further the growth and involvement of the chamber. I believe we are one of the well-kept secrets of Wyandotte County with so much to offer and I look forward to being one of the cheerleaders that promotes our strengths!

I am a "transplanted" Wyandotte County resident. For years, I worked here and volunteered as a Special Olympics coach with Central Middle School, a clerk at the Franklin Center, Class X of L2000 and now, thankfully, I live here. I continue to work with various metro organizations and each time I'm given the opportunity, I tell my peers of the great things happening in Kansas City, Kansas.

Amy Falk**Nominating Committee**

As an outgoing board member and committee chairperson, I have thoroughly enjoyed my involvement with the Women's Chamber and wish to continue this involvement. Having served in these positions, I have seen the importance of good leadership offered through the officers and the board. I feel that the Nominating Committee is an important committee because it works to insure that the quality of leadership needed for continuation and growth that is in place.

Linda Sutton**Nominating Committee**

I would like to be a part of the Nominating Committee so that I can become more active with the Women's Chamber.

I am an employee of Kansas City, Kansas Community College, married and we have a 12-year old son. This past January, I ran my first marathon with the Leukemia Society Team in Training.

Tracy J. Talkin**Nominating Committee**

Now that I have three sons who will be growing up in this community, I have a greater interest in who will be represents our community and it's best interest. If elected to the Nominating Committee, I will give careful consideration to who I select to represent the Women's Chamber.

I have been a member of KCK WCC for 6 years, and the last 2 years, I've served as the Farm Family Host, which was a very rewarding experience. Through by involvement with Leadership 2000 (Class XI), I learned more about our community and it's leaders. I would like to see the Women's Chamber become more involved in the community and influencing the decisions being made.

Beth Trimmer**Nominating Committee**

I am interested in being on the Nominating Committee as I can offer my assistance in choosing the future leadership of the Kansas City, Kansas Women's Chamber of Commerce. My participation in many different organizations allows me to see different women in leadership roles outside of Women's Chamber. If elected I would do my best to assist in choosing leadership that will be represent the Women's Chamber.

I would like to share the other organizations that I am involved in: KCK Chamber staff, KCK Chamber Ambassador's Club staff, Leadership 2000 Class XIII, Junior League of Wyandotte & Johnson Counties.

From Your President...

In an effort to "introduce" you to the candidates who have been nominated for the Board and Nominating Committee positions, we asked them to respond to the following questions:

- (1) Why are you interested in being elected to the respective position you are nominated for?
- (2) Is there other information about yourself or comments you would like to share with our members?

The Nominating Committee's task in selecting candidates is a very difficult one. They review attendance records, committee work, and general support of our organization before making their choices. However, at the election, you will be given the opportunity to nominate a candidate(s) from the floor, but only if you have received approval from that member prior to their nomination. They must also be current in their dues. If you have a question about their status, you may call Nominating Chair Therese Bysel as she has been provided with a list of current members as of 4/15/99 by Membership Chair Kelly Colvin. Responding to the question of being allowed to vote on an "absentee" ballot, our Parliamentarian confirmed that our by-laws state clearly that members in good standing must be PRESENT to vote. It would be necessary to amend our by-laws to allow that privilege in future elections.

Betty Amos is chair the Installation dinner assisted by Melissa Bynum and Therese Bysel. It will be held on June 9 at James P. Davis Hall in the Wyandotte County Lake Park. This is always a very special event so mark your calendar now.

The weather was awful and the band canceled at 2:30 that day, but our membership event at the Junior League Headquarters was successful in spite of it... thanks to a deliciously delightful array of finger foods and wine provided by Carol Grimsby's Metropolitan Catering and some great door prizes donated by committee members Olie Cole (BPU), Linda Hohman (Armour-Swift/Eckrich), and Therese Bysel/Carol Waggoner (First Community Bank). Also, we were all pleased to be able to surprise one of our favorite WCC mentors, Judy Lillig, with a life membership award (in the form of a travel alarm clock, instead of a more traditional plaque). Judy is one of those special people who is quick to volunteer but last to want recognition for her efforts. No one is more deserving of this honor! Welcome to two new members who came, checks in hand, to join us that night...Charlene Caro and Pat Roland. We also had several other guests who are potential members. Our membership roster has reached 112 paid members, 23 of whom are new since July 1998. WOW! Thanks to Kelly Colvin and her committee for a fine event and for their hard work this year.

Please participate in the election breakfast on May 12. The women you elect will be leading our organization into the New Millennium. Questions? Call me.

Pat Gaunce.

•••••
• We are saddened by the
• passing of one of our
• long-time members,
• Margaret Eagleburger.
• As Margaret's health
• began to fail, she still
• wanted to attend our
• events so her husband
• accompanied her. Mar-
• garet's unfailing loyalty
• to the KCKWCC was
• without question.

• SHE WILL BE
• MISSED!
•••••

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CHAMBER MEMBERS!

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BUILDING BRIDGES TO THE NEW MILLENNIUM!

*The Women's Chamber of
Commerce of Kansas City, KS
Invites Members and Guests
to the 79th Annual
Installation of Officers.*

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 1999

**JAMES P. DAVIS HALL AT
WYANDOTTE COUNTY LAKE PARK**

*Enter park at 91st & Leavenworth
Road - East side of lake.*

Social Hour: 6:00 PM

Dinner: 7:00 PM

Cost: \$20 per person

Please R.S.V.P. BY June 4, 596-5800.

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IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!

**YES! It's time to renew
your investment in the
Women's Chamber. You'll
find a membership form
enclosed in the newsletter.
Please, please remember
to fill it out and send it in
along with your
investment by
6-30-99.**

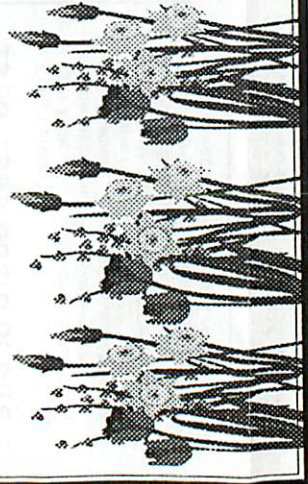


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June Birthdays

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| Pat Rajiha | 6-3 |
| Janet Parker | 6-4 |
| Pam Wiens | 6-5 |
| Therese Bysel | 6-12 |
| Kathy Kovac | 6-26 |



THE KANSAS CITY, KANSAS
AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
IS GEARING UP FOR ITS ANNUAL
GOLF TOURNAMENT!

SUNFLOWER HILLS GOLF COURSE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14

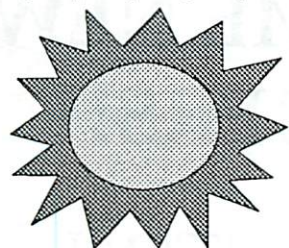
SHOT GUN START: 1:00 PM



CONTACT THE AREA CHAMBER OFFICE
AT 371-3070 AND ASK FOR KRISTY.

WHAT TO SAY TO AN INTERVIEWER IF...

- You were fired from your last job - Avoid blaming someone else-like your former boss-for your dismissal. Instead, offer one truthful reason for your termination that doesn't undermine your qualifications. Say something like "a new management team came in and got rid of the old guard". Then change the topic.
- You've been at your present company a short time - Make it clear that you are not a job-hopper. Explain that you've always wanted to work at the interviewer's company and couldn't pass up a possible chance to do so.
- You quit your last job - Explain that you had decided to hunt for your dream job, but couldn't do so from your old office. You had felt uncomfortable and time-restricted, so you eventually left your company. Avoid offering personal excuses, such as a family illness, or having to quit. Interviewers look down on employees who let emotional issues interfere with their work.



DAY OF CARING...YOUR CHANCE TO SHINE!

What did you do last June 26th?? Don't remember? Most people don't. But you can make this June 26th a memorable one, and lots of folks will remember you. How? Get involved in the 1999 Day of Caring...an opportunity for your employees to volunteer and make a real difference on our community.

Day of Caring is a United Way sponsored, metropolitan-wide community service effort that more than 4,000 volunteers from business, labor groups and federal agencies will engage in volunteer projects at 200 different nonprofit agencies in the Kansas City area. By getting your organization involved in this special event, you will get first-hand experience at area health and human service agencies. You will see how real and pressing the needs in our community are and you'll also get a better understanding of how charitable donations are used. You'll also get to know your co-workers better as fellow employees come together to serve humankind.

For more information, contact Jean Nelson,
at the Wyandotte County United Way Office, 371-3674.

TWO MINUTE QUESTION: How Am I Doing?

Take a moment for a quick mental check-in. It pays off!

No matter how busy your day is, you always find time to call in to your boss, your husband and your best friend, but what about yourself? We get so busy reacting to our watches that we sometimes forget to see how we feel. Take a minute in the morning, in the car, waiting for an elevator to ask yourself: What do I need right now? Am I run down? What will make me happy today? Do this every day and you'll find you have more clarity and self-confidence.

* **ANTSY FOR A DIET TIP?** *

* Why can some people stuff themselves
* without gaining an ounce, while others put
* on the pounds just by blinking at a Mars
* bar? To find out, researchers had volun-
* teers gorge on 1,000 extra calories a day-
* pizza, sausage, you name it-while getting
* minimal or no exercise. Some put on 15
* pounds; others only three. Why? The re-
* sults, published in the journal *Science*,
* showed that one of the secrets to staying
* slimmer was fidgeting.

* You don't have to move like a wind-up
* toy to fidget productively. Pace while on
* the phone. Just sitting up burns more
* calories than lying down.

**WELCOME NEW
MEMBERS!**

**MARY BENTON -
MEDICAL LODGE**

**TERRI WILLIAMS -
SECURITY BANK**

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