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Words from the President

Autumn is always a time for reflection for me. A time to look back over the beautiful and busy summer and a time to look forward toward fall activities and the upcoming holidays. This year, more than ever, we have some local events and milestones, which compel us to reflect and celebrate the past, including the 100th Anniversary of the Chamber of Commerce, as well as the 50th Anniversary of U of M Flint. Just think what these institutions have meant to our area, and the number of lives that they have affected over the past two generations! While both institutions have faced challenges in the past, and continue to tackle the less than desirable economics hanging like a gray cloud over our area, I am inspired to see the leadership, ingenuity and resolve demonstrated by both the Chamber (now known as the Genesee Regional Chamber of Commerce) and U of M Flint. It is important to remember however, that as grand as these institutions have become, both arose from the dreams and hard work from a few individuals. This begs us to reflect, what can we do today and tomorrow to make a difference for the better in our own families or our community? There is not better time than autumn to get started.

Warm regards,

~ Teri

Our Mission

The Flint Women's Forum brings together people of professional achievement and influence. Through educational programs and the exchange of ideas, experiences and resources, the members contribute to one another's professional advancement, increase the visibility of women leaders and facilitate the effectiveness of women in the community.

The Sharing Section

– *Submission Deadline is the 4th Tuesday of the Month*

- Let us expand our life ~ University of Michigan **Outreach Classes** are online and in your community! Classes include Ballroom Dancing, Introduction to Computers, Healthy Cooking, etc. For further information, call (810) 767-7030. To register online: <http://www.umf-outreach.edu/outreach/amaizing.htm>

Forum Meeting

- When:** *Tuesday, September 19 – noon*
- Where:** *The Flint Golf Club*
- Speaker:** *Mary Ellen Sheets, Founder/Owner of Two Men & A Truck*
- Theme:** *Mary Ellen will share with us how she got her business started*
- Menu:** *Baked Tilapia with wild rice & Grilled Vegetables or Cous Cous & Vegetable Stuffed Tomato with Field Green Salad*
- Cost:** *\$17.00 for members and \$19.00 for guests. It is essential that you RSVP no later than Noon on the Friday prior with Pam Bishop by phone (810) 341-6462 or via email pam.s.bishop@abc.com*

Membership

Newest members . . .

- *Lynn Barbee*, staff Assistant for Debbie Stabenow. Sponsored by *Beverly Brown*

Member News . . .

- Member Name Change – Valerie Warran is now *Valerie Bradley*
- *Ellen Brothers* is now the VP of Fund Development and Marketing with Big Brothers and Big Sisters. BBBS is located at 410 E. Second Street, Flint MI 48503. Her contact info is (p) 235.7274, (f) 235.0689, and (e) ebrothers@bigbrothersbigsistersflint.org.
- *Kaygie Goggins* is now the Marketing Director with YWCA of Greater Flint. YWCA is located at 310 E. Third Street, Flint, MI 48503. Her contact info is (p) 238-7621 x310.

Recruitment Incentive

As an incentive for membership recruitment, any member who sponsors a new member is entitled to a certificate good for one free lunch at a regular meeting. Certificates are given upon new member induction.

Birthdays – September

- Gloria Koster – September 3rd
- Rebecca Schmidt – September 5th
- Lili Donaldson – September 7th
- Dawn Reha – September 7th



Anniversaries

- Betty Huotari – 1 yr.
- Gloria Koster – 1 yr.
- Diane Hedderman – 18 yrs.

Membership Benefits

Sheree Blazejewski and Mona Henderickson, both Financial Advisors, would like to offer 401(k) analysis to help FWF members properly allocate funds within their plan. Just contact either one of us a call or fax your statement and we will be happy to look at it for you.

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Sustaining Membership

In recognition of this commitment, previous membership, and continued desire to be supportive of the Forum and its mission, we have a new category of membership: Friend of the Flint Women's Forum.

Requirements for joining this category and attendant benefits include:

1. Must have been a member in good standing of the FWF for a minimum of three years (not necessarily consecutive).
2. Must pay an annual membership fee of \$45.00.
3. Must have the ability to attend two monthly meetings per year at the member rate; additional meetings will be at the visitor rate.
4. Will be included in the member directory and identified as a 'Friend of the Flint Women's Forum.'

Website

Visit our website. www.flintwomensforum.org

Our Board Members

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Board Notes

- The Board Meetings are scheduled for the first Tuesday of the month, at the Flint Golf Club at noon.

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