



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.

President's Scribbles

Hello Ladies:

As we quickly approach our June meeting, I can hardly believe it has been a year already! While I have enjoyed every minute of it, I am looking forward to having my office at home back.

I recently listened to a UBS corporate conference call for women regarding a national networking organization called "All Bar None". This is a networking organization for all women and it is primarily in very large cities. The purpose is to network, mentor and share ideas with women in all facets of the workplace. It sounds like a very difficult purpose to achieve and there seems to be much confusion as to how it all works and yet we have it right here in Flint, Michigan. I feel very fortunate to have such a professional group of women to network and share ideas with.



I am proud to have served as the President for the past year and look forward to whatever else I can do for the Flint Women's Forum. I hope you will all consider what talents you have and consider offering it to this organization to keep it thriving!

Best wishes,

~ Sheree W. Blazejewski

The Sharing Section

- Hey there Walkers/Donors! **Relay For Life 2005** will take place at Riverview Park Flushing on June 17 - 18th 2005. The Butterfly Release has been moved Back to Friday Night (Butterflies and Luminaries are still \$10/ea). Tax Deductible Donations can be sent to me @: Colleen Stephenson, 1359 Flushing Road, Flushing, MI 48433. Please make the checks payable to the "American Cancer Society for the Relay for Life". More information is available online at http://www.cancer.org/docroot/gi/gi_1.asp.
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- The YWCA will host it's **8th Annual Golf Classic** on Monday, July 25, 2005 at Davison Country Club. Anyone interested in participating as a team foursome or a sponsor, please contact Ellen Brothers at (810) 238-7621, ext. 310 or ellenbrothers@ywcaflint.org. Proceeds benefit YWCA services including Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault services, the Child Development Center, Racial Justice programs, and the Health and Fitness Center.
 - If you need a student for an Internship or can spend some time with a student who would be "**Job Shadowing**", please contact: Janet Roberts - Technology Coordinator @ GASC Technology Center by phone (810) 760-1444 Ext. 201 or email roberjan@gasc.flint.k12.mi.us. Or contact Jeff Newcombe - Computer Hardware Tech. Instructor @ GASC Technology Center by phone (810) 760-1444 Ext. 128 or email newcojef@gasc.flint.k12.mi.us.
 - **The "Distinguished Leadership Award"**, established in 2005, is the highest award bestowed upon the recipient by the Michigan Chamber Foundation's Leadership Michigan Program. (You do not need to be a Leadership Michigan Alumni or a member of the Chamber to be nominated.) This premier award will honor individuals who have demonstrated excellence in leadership and exemplify the goals and aspirations of Leadership Michigan. Nominators must address four areas for the nominee including Leadership Qualities, Achievement, Vision, and Developing Others.

The submission deadline is Aug. 10. The selected nominee will be honored at Leadership Michigan's Annual Leadership Dinner on Thursday, Oct. 20, 2005 at the Henry Ford Eagle Tavern in Greenfield Village. For more information on the annual leadership dinner, you can visit www.michamber.com. The nomination form should be available on-line soon.
 - The **Annual Girl Scouts Fair Winds Council Golf Classic FORE! The Girls** on Monday, June 20 at the Flint Elks Club #222 in Grand Blanc. It is an 18-hole scramble with a shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. The \$120 Golfer Fee includes lunch, 18 holes of golf w/cart, banquet, winning team prizes, special event prizes, and a silent auction. Hole sponsorships are also available. For more information, contact Beverly Brown at 760-1444, ext. 177.
 - The long awaited **bd's Mongolian Barbeque** restaurant has opened for business. The hours are Sunday – Thursday 11:00 a.m. – 10: 00 p.m. and Friday & Saturday 11:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.
 - **Standard Federal Bank** is changing its name to **LaSalle Bank Midwest** later this year. There are no other changes taking place – our headquarters will remain in Troy, MI, all people and policies will remain unchanged. LaSalle Bank, our sister bank headquarters in Chicago, operating in 23 states.
 - Flint Area Chamber of Commerce is accepting applications from WOMEN business owners to participate in the **Athena Powerlink Program**. The Women's Business Council runs this program. It is designed to assist the business owner in taking their company to the next level. It is not for "start up" businesses and certain criteria must be met. Call Kramer Ruth Kramer at (810) 232-7101 for more information.
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- Planned Parenthood of East Central Michigan, Inc. is offering *sexuality education* for significant (m) others & growing up daughters. There is a program for pre-teen ages 9-13 and another for 14 –18. The classes are ongoing – please call (810) 238-3631, ext. 332 to register.
- 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>
- Get support for your business – whether your business is existing or just in your head! Contact the *Small Business & Technology Development Center* at (810) 767-6494 for individual assistance and workshops. This center is operated through the University Outreach, University of Michigan – Flint.

Membership

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.

Please welcome our newest member . . .

Kathryn Sharbaugh with Flint Institute of Arts Sponsored by Sheree Blazejewski

**Anniversaries
Kathy Condon – 3 yrs.**



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. **We now have monthly newsletters posted on-line.** We want to know what you think. www.flintwomensforum.org

Forum Meeting

- When:** Tuesday, June 21– noon
- Where:** Flint Golf Club
- Speaker:** Betty Huotari, owner of Logical Placements located in Fenton
- Theme:** Betty works with individuals and businesses on getting organized. You can take a sneak peak by logging onto: logicalplacement.com
- Menu:** Salad Trio-Chicken Salad, Fruit Salad, and Tuna Salad
- Cost:** \$17.00 for members and \$19.00 for guests. It is essential that you RSVP to Ellen Brothers at (810) 238-7621, ext. 310.



Standing List

Betty Bennett	Jamie Cowan	Michele Nichols
Pam Bishop	Sara Jo Gallock	Lois Revenaugh
Sheree Blazejewski	Diana Hedderman	Janette Sullivant
Ellen Brothers	Teri Irland-Munley	Adrienne Wells
Sherry Collins	Jenean Kleinedler	

RSVP to FWF Luncheons

Members who are not on the standing list need to **RSVP by calling Ellen Brothers at (810) 238-7621, ext. 310 before the Friday before the luncheon meeting.** If she is unavailable, please leave her a voicemail with your name, the name(s) of any guests, and luncheon selections (if applicable).

Members who are on the standing list do not need to RSVP unless they cannot attend. **Cancel by calling Ellen Brothers at (810) 238-7621, ext. 310 before the Friday before the luncheon meeting.** Members on the standing list will be charged for missed meetings, if a cancellation is not received timely.

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