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Happy Valentine's Day

Email your Reservation to RSVP@wcdsm.com

With the meetings now being the **3rd WEDNESDAY of the month** the RSVP deadline has been moved up a day earlier!!!

RSVPs for the Wednesday, 2/17 meeting received **before** 5:00 p.m. on **MONDAY 2/15** will be charged \$18.00.

RSVPs received **after** 5:01 PM on 2/15 will be charged \$25.00.

Cash and checks are accepted on the day of the meeting.

Dear WDC,

I hope you can join us for the first **WEDNESDAY** member luncheon. That's right! We've switched the day! The monthly WDC luncheons have switched from the Third Thursday of month to the **Third WEDNESDAY** of the month.



We've got another big switch coming too-a **NEW Website!** We've heard your concerns, comments & constructive criticism about our current website and we agree with you. Your WDC Board spear headed by the Communications Committee is diligently working on designing a new WDC website. It's the face of the organization & we are giving it a make-over. We need your help-what don't you like about the current website? What would you like to see on the new website? If you have any suggestions, please let us know. We would love to have your feedback and welcome it!

Be sure to check out this newsletter for our exciting news about the March luncheon-it's going to be in the evening and a networking event!

I hope you are staying warm & remembering how all this snow will make spring time seem so much sweeter!

Renea Burg
 WDC 2010 President
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To pay with a credit card, please pay online via PayPal at www.wcdsm.com

If you need to cancel your reservation, please do so 48 hours in advance to avoid being billed for your lunch.

The Results are in & You want to Network!!

Instead of the normally scheduled 11:30-12:30 luncheon at the Wakonda Club on Wed. March 17th WDC is co-sponsoring with the Polk County Women Attorneys (PCWA) to host an etiquette dinner with Callista Gould (<http://www.cultureandmanners.com>) on **Thursday, March 11th** at the Noodle Zoo in the East Village.

The details on the event are still being planned but there will most likely be a cash bar cocktail hour around 5 pm or 5:30, followed by dinner. The price has not been set- we are estimating \$22.00-\$25.00.

SAVE THE DATE!!

This **Thursday 3/11** evening event is taking the place of our Wed 3/17 luncheon.

More updates about this exciting event will be sent out when the details are finalized!

Help Wanted

WDC is currently looking for a member to serve on the 2010 Board as the Community Connections

Please join us for our February Member Luncheon featuring Speaker Kathy Nesteby.

Date: WEDNESDAY, February 17, 2010
Topic: Justice for Girls

How is it that some little girls find their way into delinquency as adolescents? What makes their path different than boys? Most importantly, what can adults do about it? This talk will address the issue of young women involved in or at risk for involvement in Iowa's juvenile justice system.

RSVP today at RSVP@wcdsm.com

Check in begins at 11:15 AM
Lunch 11:30 - 12:30 PM
The Wakonda Club's dress code is business casual--no denim.

(Note: Meetings may extend beyond 12:30 PM end time. WDC recognizes that not all lunch hours are created equal! Therefore, it is great if you can stay for the entire meeting; but if you need to leave, please do not hesitate to do so.)

Women's Development Connection is privileged this month to welcome Kathy Nesteby, Coordinator of the Iowa Task Force for Young Women (formerly the Gender~Specific Services Task Force).



Kathy Nesteby has been the Coordinator of the Iowa Task Force for Young Women since November 2002. The Task Force is a progressive group of juvenile justice professionals within the state of Iowa advocating for equitable services for girls involved with or at risk for involvement with the juvenile justice system. The Task Force is responsible for planning an annual conference on girls entitled, *Whispers & Screams are Hard to Hear: Creating an Audience for Girls Voices* and works to see that all girls receive services responsive to their needs as females.

Kathy grew up in Dubuque, Iowa and received her Bachelor of Social Work degree from the accredited program at Iowa State University. She counseled trouble youth and their families for ten years; working exclusively with girls involved in the juvenile justice and human service systems immediately prior to joining the Task Force as Coordinator. Kathy authors the bimonthly Girl Connection newsletter and coordinates all other Task Force activities in addition to the *Whispers & Screams* conference.

Chair and Education & Development Chair.

The **Community Connections Chair** is responsible for philanthropic outreach including indentifying volunteer opportunities for our members, helping to raise awareness and market WDC to the community, and planning the Annual Fall Forum.

The **Education & Development Chair** is responsible for coordinating the WDC monthly luncheons which includes scheduling speakers, speaker sponsors, lunch check in table and coordinating with Wakonda Club.

If you are interested or would like more information please contact Renea Burg by email at burg.renea@wdcdsm.com or by phone at 5150in

WDC is looking for Speaker Sponsors!

The benefits of sponsoring a speaker at the business luncheons include an article in the monthly newsletter, the opportunity to share information about your business with the attendees, and you provide a thank you gift for the speaker.

Interested?

Please email Renea at burg.renea@wdcdsm.com

Welcome to our New Members who joined in December & January!

Mary Kay Beall
Sales Associate, CD Management

Judy Patterson
President, CD Management

Ingrid Wyman
Full Time MBA Student



Membership Renewal Time!

2010 is here and it's time to renew your WDC membership. Join us as we start another great year of member luncheons, networking time and the women working together who are committed to helping others grow professionally and personally.

Please mail your WDC membership application to WDC PO Box 892, Des Moines IA 503040in Or print the WDC membership [application](#) and bring it with you to the February WDC meeting!

Coming in March-A New Take on Member Spotlight!

We will be selecting a different WDC member each month to answer 5 Fun & Interesting questions. The questions will stay the same each month just answered by different members. It's another way for our members to get to know each other outside of our professional networking

If you would like to be featured in our member spotlight send us an email at contactus@wdcdsm.com.

Be sure to check out the March newsletter with our new take on the member spot light section.

Article Submissions

The WDC newsletter is a great way to tell your story, share your knowledge or talk about an event you're passionate about!

If you'd like to be included in a future issue, please email your article or entry by the 7th of the month to contactus@wdcdsm.com Items received after that deadline will be included in the next month's issue.

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