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Next Meeting Highlights

June Meeting:

Join your fellow Chesapeake Women's Network members in June for our last luncheon and program of the year.

Location: Scossa Restaurant & Lounge

Date: June 10

Time: Noon

Cost: \$25 (includes \$5.00 to CWN)

Speaker: Barbara Viniar, President of Chesapeake College, will talk with the membership about working together as a community to create a stimulating learning environment.

Program:

The CWN scholarships will be awarded to four deserving women. You don't want to miss this meeting – it's the goal we work towards all year. This is your opportunity to welcome and congratulate the award recipients.

THE MISSION

of the Talbot Chesapeake Women's Network (CWN) is to foster personal enrichment and professional growth among women of the Mid-Shore region through an active network of collaboration, communication and support.

May CWN Event at Environmental Concern

On May 18, twenty CWN members visited Environmental Concern's Wetland Learning Center. The evening started with dinner; a tasty selection of sandwiches and fresh salads, and a choice of plain or marbled chocolate cheesecake for dessert. The atmosphere was relaxed and there was an air of cheerfulness. The smaller group was a pleasant change (not that we didn't miss the other members!). Everyone seemed to be in the mood to sit back and relax (and even kick off

their shoes). Kate Mielke entertained us with an informative power point presentation about rain gardens and rain barrels. It was Kate's enthusiasm for the subject matter that impressed the group. She has a unique teaching style that is enjoyable and instructive. Kate talked about the best location for rain gardens and the types of plants that will thrive in rain gardens. We also learned how to use rain barrels, setting them up, and using the water after it is collected.



A Note from President Kari Rider



Dear Members,
This is our last official newsletter of the year. As many of you know we take a break in the summer months and resume CWN in September. I am happy to announce that there will be two Presidents next year. Since everyone's lives are very busy we thought job-sharing would be the best thing for CWN. Two is always better than one anyway!

Mary Ellen Carter and I will share the responsibility of the President's position. We will be alternating running meetings and writing articles for the newsletter. Please feel free to contact either of us with any questions or suggestions you might have. For those of you who do not know Mary Ellen she will be a great asset to the CWN community and is the featured Spotlight for this month's Newsletter.

We are also happy to announce the return of our dear friend Marcia

Burgoon as the Vice President. She will be in charge of booking all of the 2010-2011 speakers and meeting locations. If you have any suggestions please email her at mburgoon@mris.com. Our member input is what makes this group run. I would also like to welcome Leah Lednum to the board as Treasurer, Sharon Harrington as Fundraising and Maggie Jarboe as Marketing and Publicity.

This year the board will be losing Anne Cassidy, Kathi Dulin and Suzanne Pittenger Slear. All of these ladies will be greatly missed but will remain an active part in the CWN community. We wish them the best and cannot thank them enough for all of their hard work over the years.

I hope everyone has a safe and relaxing summer. Please keep an eye out for info on our annual CWN fundraising boat cruise that will be held July 22nd at 5:30pm.

Sincerely,

Kari Rider

RISING STARS

This is your time to shine!

Have you been recently promoted or been honored in the community? Are you proud of a recent accomplishment and want to share it with other members? Our members accomplish amazing things in our community, and we want everyone to know about it!

Please send along your news to rosemary@pixelprintpost.com and we will include it in an upcoming newsletter.

Upcoming Event

JULY 22

CWN boat cruise Fundraiser Date. Departing from Easton Point at 5:30pm and returning at 7:30pm **See details on pg 4**

NO SHOW POLICY: If you make a reservation for a networking event and do not cancel within a 24 hour notice, you will be BILLED. CWN has to pay for the number of people that we reserve. Members are responsible for guests costs.

Talbot CWN website

Talbot CWN's new website can be found at www.talbotcwn.com. On our website you will find our past newsletters, our yearly meeting schedule, scholarship applications, membership applications and a members only secure site to view our membership list and member information. If you've paid your dues for this year, you will need to email me at krider@eastonclub.com to receive the password to the password protected membership list. If not, it will be sent upon payment. If you notice that your information is not current or needs an update please contact me.



Staying Connected



If you know a CWN member who is not receiving a newsletter, please e-mail Kari at krider@eastonclub.com

Quote of the Month

"At seventy, I would say the advantage is that you take life more calmly. You have that "This, too, shall pass!" - Eleanor Roosevelt

SPOTLIGHT on Mary Ellen Carter



Mary Ellen Carter has been the Chief Executive Officer and owner of Express Employment Professionals since 2006. The full service employment agency provides

high quality employment services to all sized companies. Mary Ellen and her staff at Express have placed thousands of local and national candidates into jobs all over the Delmarva Peninsula and the Washington DC area. Mary Ellen be-

lieves that it is truly a thrill to help people identify opportunities that will facilitate them reaching their fullest potential and to prove that everyone has a place in the workforce. With offices in Easton and Salisbury and the ability to recruit across the entire region, Mary Ellen and her staff are committed to becoming the premier employment agency on the Shore and have already worked with over 400 clients across the Shore. They are a certified Small Business with the minority-owned designation. She also provides high level HR consulting and training.

Prior to opening Express, Mary Ellen

worked as the worldwide Chief Human Resources Officer for Covington & Burling, a large international law firm with over 800 attorneys in Washington DC. She was previously the Director of Administration for a Columbia, SC company and before that was the firm-wide Director of HR for Barnes & Thornburg in Indianapolis, IN. She began her career after graduating from The University of Alabama and attended graduate school at Trinity College.

At the University of Alabama, she was a member of the NCAA National Championship gymnastics team and was fortunate
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Scholarship News

We had a number of deserving candidates for this year's scholarship. But the committee was able to narrow their selection to four outstanding women to receive scholarship money.

Our first recipient is Cadman Deveric. Cadman is working towards her teacher's certificate for pre - K through 8th grade at Chesapeake College. She works part-time for one of our members Kären Baker, in addition, she has two young children and has been very active in their activities ranging from PTA Vice President to Outdoor Activities Coordinator for her sons' Cub Scout Pack.

Our second recipient is Vickie

Sharp. Vickie was one of our scholarship recipients last year, but returned the money when one of her children had a serious accident and she had to withdraw from school to care for him. Her son is now doing better and she is back in school working towards her Associate's Degree in accounting at Chesapeake College.

Our third recipient is Rachel Rosebrock. Rachel is pursuing a Bachelor's Degree in Business from University of Phoenix. She keeps busy with her three children and working at a Pregnancy Crisis and Women's Resource Center, where she has risen from a volunteer to the Director.

Our final recipient is Kimberly McGrath. Kimberly is a full time Nursing student at Chesapeake College. She stays busy volunteering for Habitat for Humanity, The Samaritan Group and other organizations. In addition, Kimberly is kept busy with her three children and a nephew that is in her custody.

Congratulations to all of our winners. The CWN Board of Directors, the Scholarship Committee and I know that each of these women will go far in their chosen profession. All four winners have stated how much they want to give back to their communities, and we are all confident that they will.

CWN SCHOLARSHIP CHECK CHALLENGE We have twice as many applicants as we did last year and only the same amount of money as last year. The CWN board thought it would be a great idea to have a Scholarship Check Challenge: We are proposing that everyone donate \$50.00 to the scholarship fund. If you haven't made your 2010 donation to the \$50.00 Check Challenge, plan on doing that at our next event. Remember, every dollar counts towards changing a woman's life through education! Even if you cannot donate \$50.00 a five or ten dollar donation will help make a difference. If you cannot attend the next meeting you can mail your check to P.O. Box 62 in Easton. Keep in mind that all donations are tax deductible and help keep CWN an active part of the community by giving back.

Welcome New Member

MARY ANN HENKER

Owner

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Membership dues for this year are \$50.00. Please

pay at the next meeting or mail them to CWN

PO Box 62 Easton, MD 21601. If you are a new

member and need a membership application please

contact or see Sabine Simonson.

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enough to attend the University on a full athletic scholarship. Since then, she has coached gymnastics and enjoys coaching other local youth sports teams.

Like many others, Mary Ellen & her husband Scott moved to Easton after deciding that they wanted to raise their children on the beautiful Eastern Shore of Maryland and escape the chaotic life in Washington DC. They spent significant time on the Shore and chose to make it home. In the community, she is a proud Board member of CWN, a Board member of the Talbot Chamber of Commerce, member of the Queen Anne's and Wicomico Chambers of Commerce, a LEADS group member, Board member of the Eastern Shore and Upper Shore chapters of SHRM, and an ambassador for the Children's Miracle Network. She was a Committee Chairperson for Project Idlewild and together, with her committee, directed the efforts of recruiting over 1500 volunteers to build the park.

Mary Ellen and her husband are most proud of their three children, Sammy who is 8 and twins, Benjamin and Mary Claire, who are 5.

MANY THANKS to Mary Taylor and Venture Title Company in Easton for providing our CWN Board with such a nice meeting place each month.

CWN July Cruise

Brought to you by
DOCKSIDE EXPRESS
Cruises & Tours

Thursday, July 22nd
\$35 each

Departing from Easton Point at 5:30 pm
Returning at 7:30 pm

*Please bring an hors d'oeuvre to share-
beverages available for purchase*

Please pay in advance to reserve your spot by sending a check made payable to: CWN, P.O. Box 62, Easton, MD 21601



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