



KWN Community



December 2014

A Monthly Newsletter for members of Kenosha Women's Network

Women Supporting Women in Business

A Note from our President:

Hello and Welcome to December!

This is a very exciting month for KWN. Our Holiday Luncheon was a huge success! Thank you all for your amazing generosity in donating your time and raffle items. This event is successful every year because of our members, you! Melissa Sebetic did a great job yet again organizing the Holiday Fundraiser. We are grateful for your hard work, Melissa!

Don't forget to send in your membership renewals. Early renewals started at the November meeting. Early renewal fees are \$60 until the January meeting, and \$65 after that. All membership renewals are due by the March meeting. Contact Joanne Horner for more information about renewing your membership.

Looking forward, we will be reviewing and approving the bylaws in January. Also, keep in mind we have new board elections coming up in February. We are thankful for Melissa Sebetic who has been our Fundraising Chair for the past two years. Her term is up with the new election, and so we are actively seeking a volunteer to step in and take her position. Our organization is amazing because of your participation. My term as President will be ending as well. The past two years as President and the year as Co-President with Julie Mucha has made me into a stronger woman. I am thankful for the opportunity to give to an organization that has given so much to me. If you are interested in these, or any board position, please ask a current board member for more information. Getting involved in the board is a great way to support KWN and learn more about this phenomenal organization.

We also have the Chamber Expo, the Susan B. Anthony Award Dinner and the Business After Five events all coming up quickly in the beginning of the new year. We will begin forming committees in January. Please keep an eye on the newsletter for more information on how you can get involved in these great activities as well.

And don't forget to check the KWN website for all the forms you need for these upcoming events! There are grant nominations, scholarship applications, and award nominations forms for the Susan B. Anthony Award Dinner. You will also find a membership renewal form.

Finally, I would just like to thank Mary Radigan from Ray Radigan's for hosting our meetings for the last year. We are so appreciative to have had the opportunity to gather here. For the new year, we will have our meetings at a more centrally located spot, Agave Mexican Restaurant. We look forward to hearing your feedback on the new location, or any other input you may have. Thank you all so much for an amazing year! We can't wait to see what the new year has in store!

Laura

New meeting location!

Starting with the January meeting, KWN will meet at Agave Luna Azul, 2227 60th St, Kenosha. This is the old Bombay Louie's location, now under new ownership.

Go to: <http://www.theagavelunaazul.com>

for location and more information about the restaurant! Lunch prices and meeting times will remain the same. This is a more central location which will be convenient for members on a limited lunch schedule. It will also allow Mary Radigan to sit back and enjoy the meetings for a change!



2227 60th Street Kenosha

B2B Expo

KWN had a booth at the Chamber of Commerce's Business to Business Expo, held at the Madrigano Auditorium, Gateway Technical College, on November 19th.

Membership Renewal

It's that time of year! Don't forget to renew your membership- 2015 is going to be an awesome year for KWN. We have made a good start with a successful holiday luncheon and raffle!

Early bird membership renewal began at the November meeting but you still have a chance to renew your membership early and save. Early-bird renewal is only \$60.00. After the January meeting it goes up to \$65.00. If you wait until after the March meeting, renewal is \$75.00, the same as a new membership. Don't miss your chance to save!



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our friends at KWN!



Our Mission:
To promote and encourage the professional and personal growth of our members in a supportive environment, where women's efforts are recognized and encouraged.

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December Speakers

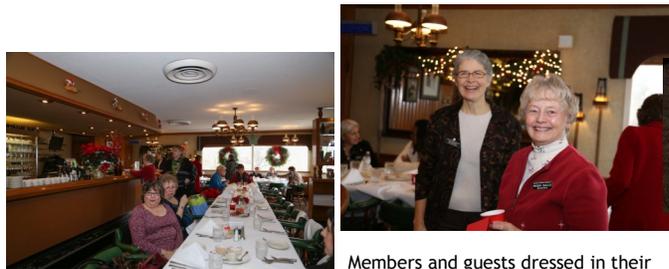
There were no speakers in December due to the Special Holiday Luncheon.

If you would like a chance to speak at one of our up-coming meetings, please contact Mary Radigan. Her phone number is: 262-694-0455. Promote your business in the 3 minute slot, or speak about an educational topic beyond just business in the 10 minute slot.

Despite a slightly lower number of attendees this year, we raised more money this year than last! 71 people enjoyed an excellent lunch, with a choice of beef, salmon or chicken. Raffle ticket sales were \$260.00 higher than last year and Roseann Shales once again sold the most tickets, earning a \$25 gift certificate to Ray Radigans.

The provisional figures show we made \$5244.90 in total profit, up from \$4918.63 last year. That's more money to go towards our mini grant programs in 2015!

The 2014 Holiday Luncheon is history! Here are a few pictures to remind you what fun you had!



Members and guests dressed in their holiday best and the restaurant was decorated with festive flair.



Our hard-working chef takes a moment to smile for the camera!



Alcohol spiked coffee drinks were a big hit!



The long tables positively groaned with around 100 raffle prizes!



Volunteers were kept busy running prizes to the lucky winners.



Thank you to our members who donated raffle prizes for the November meeting:

*Peggy Walker-Pepper the Clown *Joanna Carlberg-Joanna's Digital Images

*Joyce Erickson-Tri-County Tobacco-Free Alliance *Wendy Gauss-Pampered Chef

*Joanne Horner-Send Out Cards *Peggy Gallo-Shaklee *Mary Radigan-Ray Radigan's Restaurant

Have you considered making a donation to our monthly raffle? Get your name and business mentioned in our monthly newsletter!