



THE LEAGUER

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Utah Business Women



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NEXT MEETING

Thursday, March 3, 2011
Anna's Restaurant
4700 South 900 East
6:00 p.m.

Program: PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE

Speaker: Kayleen Simmons, Executive Director and graduate of the program

People Helping People is a successful employment program, dedicated to reducing the number of children living in poverty by teaching low-income women – primarily single moms – how to earn a living wage, and build better futures for themselves and their children through long-term employment. PHP provides free employment skills training, mentoring, coaching and job referrals. PHP mentors give clients the knowledge, skills, confidence and encouragement to achieve their full potential in the workforce. (Learn more on page 3)

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President's Message

Dear Fellow Leaguers -

It has been a rather busy and productive month - what a great way to start the year. Thank you to everyone who joined us at our Annual BUNCO Fundraiser. It was very well attended and everyone seemed to have a great time. Of course, the desserts were terrific - especially the Brie de Croute that someone put in the oven and then promptly forgot about until reminded while rolling the BUNCO dice by the shout of "is something burning - it smells like something is burning?" (who would do that - me? In all fairness to me I have repeatedly warned you about letting me cook!) Amazingly it was still edible and almost entirely eaten.

Several Utah Business Women attended the Salt Lake Council of Women's Fundraiser at the Little America Hotel on Saturday and a couple of them took home some wonderful auction items - Gretta Baur managed to snag a hand-crafted chair that several people were very envious of her winning.

Please note the attached invitation to the Salt Lake Council of Women & Soroptimist International of Salt Lake celebration of the 100th Anniversary of International Women's Day on March 8th at The Gathering Place in Gardner Village. The Keynote Speaker is former Congresswoman Karen Shepherd. The Salt Lake Council of Women have partnered with Soroptimist International, YWCA and Salt Lake Community College to create a 100-Year Women's Scholarship in honor of their group reaching the 100-year mark in 2012. I was thinking it might be worth a discussion, since our Young Careerist program is no longer, about a contribution to this Scholarship program to assist a local woman in obtaining her degree. I look forward to hearing your thoughts when we meet on March 3rd.

The Legislative Session is in full swing and I'm sure you have participated in discussions on bills you are in favor of as well as those you oppose. The important thing is that the discussions take place and that we are all involved in the process, as much as possible, by sharing our thoughts and making our voices heard. I hope to see you all on March 3rd for an incredible presentation by Kayleen Simmons on People Helping People, a mentoring program for low-income women and those returning to the self-sufficiency arena. If you have items for the Gateway League March 3rd agenda please let me know.

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Barbara

**SALT LAKE COUNCIL OF WOMEN &
SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF SALT LAKE**

Invite you to join us at our

International Women's Day Luncheon

The Gathering Place in Gardner Village
1100 West 7800 South, West Jordan, Utah

Tuesday, March 8, 2011

12:00 to 1:30 PM

Cost: \$25.00 per person

Keynote Speaker Karen Shepherd

Former US Congresswoman, Former Editor, Network Magazine

Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of International Women's Day

To register, visit our web site

www.sislc.org

More about *PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE* from page 1:

In Utah, over 40,000 households live below the poverty level. Single moms make up almost half that number (Source: 2000 US Census) People Helping People helps families break the cycle of poverty for their children by teaching low-income women how to earn a living wage. ***Each single mom we help transition from welfare to adequate income saves our community between \$5,000 and \$20,000 annually.***

We are all familiar with the term “*it takes a village,*” the famous quote on raising a child. As a community it is our responsibility to be part of this village. People Helping People realizes the most influential people in a child's life are their parents. The clients we serve are the mothers in these families, single moms struggling to provide and hold their heads above financial water and to raise successful children. Through our employment program our clients learn how to succeed both in the workplace and in life. With this knowledge they are empowered to become the strength in the village surrounding their child.

When one of our clients receiving public assistance gets a job, she simultaneously starts to lose assistance dollars. We teach her how to perform well in her job and receive pay raises, and yet each time she obtains a raise, she loses more assistance money. We call this the “no-gain” period, and it can last for months and in many cases, years. Our long-term one-on-one approach helps nurture women through this challenging time. When most would much rather give up on becoming self-sufficient, we help them see the light at the end of the tunnel.

People Helping People is an employment program that helps low-income single mothers and women learn to build financial self-sufficiency by providing life skills and employment workshops and, one-on-one coaching and mentoring.



March 19	Utah Business Women Spring Board Meeting (see below)
April 9	BPW Utah Foundation Fashion Show The Wight House in Bountiful (details to follow)
April/May	Woman of the Year Open House for Carolyn Durand TBA
May 5	Cinco de Mayo Party - Shannon & Paul Jacobs' House
May 7	Komen Race for the Cure
June 3, 4 & 5	State Convention in St. George



From Utah Business Women

Spring Board Meeting

Date: Saturday, March 19, 2011

Place: Fillmore Hospital

Time: 10:00 a.m. Meeting

Lunch at noon

ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!

Utah Business Women State President, Lil Barron, has asked for all of us to write stories about the accomplishments we have enjoyed in our lives. They do not have to be all about our time in BPW but those stories would, of course, be interesting to everyone. Also, please let me know if you would be willing to share your story at State Convention.

President Lil Baron is attempting to arrange her schedule so that she can attend Gateway League's April meeting.

Barbara