



together we will

IWIL CALENDAR 2007

MARCH

Date: Thursday, March 15th
Time: 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Location: Sangamo Club
Program: "Cast A Brilliant Radiance This Spring"

APRIL

Date: Thursday, April 19th
Time: Breakfast (7:30 a.m.)
Location: Sangamo Club
Program: IWIL Scholarship and GEM Awards

MAY

Date: Thursday, May 17th
Time: 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Location: TBA
Program: IWIL Annual Meeting

JUNE

Date: Thursday, June 21st
Time: Lunch (11:30 a.m.)
Location: Inn at 835
Program: "Candlelight Dinners to Twinkies: Food Writing for a Daily Newspaper" with Kathryn Rem



"Lighting the Way"

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



"LIGHTING THE WAY" RACHEL BROUGHTON IWIL PRESIDENT

By the time you read this, the undulating snow drifts will probably have disappeared but the record snowfall of this past week has left the area blanketed in a beautiful snowscape. As a child I loved *snow days*. I still do and the record snowfall this past week made the rural roads to my residence impassable so I had the gift of not one, but two *snow days*. It was impossible for me to leave or for anyone to come by so I brewed a cup of raspberry tea, switched on HGTV and pulled out a pad of paper to make my list of how to spend this precious gift of time. After listing my options I prioritized my list and began. Each evening brought a satisfied feeling of accomplishment as items crossed off the list soon outdistanced those still awaiting my attention.

When the road commissioner finally plowed my north Montgomery County road I was able to get into Springfield to the office. Later that day I did some quick shopping and was amused at the *snow days* stories that surrounded me. One lady expressed her dismay at being unable to go anywhere so she sat on the couch and zoned out. . . . Another said she cooked and cooked and has casseroles made up for the next few weeks. Yet another was thrilled to complete her bedroom redecorating project. No matter how you spent your *snow days* (if you had them) I hope you felt recharged. I hated to cancel our February meeting as I always look forward to seeing everyone as well as having had outstanding expectations of the program; however, your executive board felt it was unwise to have the meeting.

Personally, I'll be looking forward more than ever to March's "Cast A Brilliant Radiance This Spring" evening meeting that promises to be fun, informative and invigorating.

Hope to see you there!

Rachel

PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE

March's meeting at the Sangamo Club promises to be a wonderful evening of learning, networking and fun. Please help the committee by providing your ***Favorite Things*** ...your favorite place to shop- shoes, home decor, furniture, clothing, hats, furs etc...travel destinations (a wonderful week-end get away location)...a delightful Bed and Breakfast or tea room...or maybe your favorite lipstick, hair dresser, or spa. The sky is the limit so be sure to help us **spotlight your favorites** by emailing one or two favorites (and why you like it) to Becky Miller at Bethany.Miller@ms.com. This is just another fun way we can all be great resources for one another!



SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS (SIGs)

Want to network more with other IWIL members by sharing a more personal side of yourself?

Volunteers have started small special interest groups (SIGs) that meet outside the time constraints of our monthly meetings.

If you want to join or start a group, contact **Karen Westbrook** at (217) 787-1059.

Book Club

Marianne Jackson, (217) 498-8962
See the [IWIL online calendar](#) for schedule and current reading selection.

Gardening

JoAnn Abrams, (217) 546-2249
e-mail jabrams@rmc-bigcnc.com

Golf

Sharon Thornton Knop, (217) 496-3050
or
Mallorie Teubner, (217) 496-3119

Gourmet

Susan Fulks, (217) 483-2774

Hiking

Viv Bennett, (217) 622-8976
e-mail viv8976@insightbb.com

Scrapbooking

Viv Bennett, (217) 622-8976
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Support Group for Members with Aging Parents - LOVE

Marianne Jackson, (217) 498-8962

The Underwires

Mary Mann, (217) 525-3000
e-mail mary.mann@rsmi.com



<http://www.iwil.biz/JoinIWIL.htm>

FEBRUARY 2007 MEETING RECAP

SHINE YOUR LIGHT ON PHILANTHROPY

Guest Speaker, **John Kelker**

Due to the winter storm that hit Central Illinois, the IWIL February breakfast meeting scheduled for Thursday, February 15, 2007 was canceled.

Any questions regarding your registration for the February meeting should be directed to our Registration Chair, **Sally Sevenser**. Contact **Sally** at (217) 753-3251 or via e-mail at ssevenser@mac.com.

Eileen Kluckman

Communications Chair

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

NEXT IWIL PROGRAM

When: Thursday, March 15, 2007
5:30 p.m.

Where: The Sangamo Club
227 East Adams Street, Springfield, Illinois

Topic: "Cast A Brilliant Radiance This Spring"

Cost: \$25

"Cast A Brilliant Radiance This Spring" at the March 15th meeting. Make sure you're ready for outdoor entertaining with the latest in landscape designs as family and friend enter your home. Dazzle them with the latest Spring interior design and Spring entertaining wouldn't be complete without impressing your guests with easy to make, beautifully designed and alluring appetizers, entrees and desserts. Don't miss your opportunity to participate in the issue of "My Favorites" which will spotlight favorite places to dine, shop, vacation, etc... For more information e-mail **Becky Miller** at Bethany.Miller@ms.com.

IWIL NEW MEMBER RECEPTION TO BE RESCHEDULED

The IWIL New Member Reception previously scheduled for Thursday, March 1st at the Inn at 835 will be postponed to a later date. Membership Chair, **Cheryl Western** and her committee are hard at work and will keep us informed regarding the new date for the reception.

IWIL SIGs

- The **IWIL Scrapbooking SIG** is looking for interested parties to attend a midnight crop on Friday, March 23rd located at Scrapbook Your Story. Contact **Viv Bennett** at (217) 622-8976 or via e-mail at viv8976@insightbb.com.
- The **IWIL Book Club** will be meeting to discuss *The Blackbird House* by Alice Hoffman on Saturday, March 31st at Java Express located at 1827 North Peoria Road (about two blocks south of Sangamon Avenue) in Springfield, Illinois from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. In April, the **IWIL Book Club** will be discussing *The Sweet Potato Queen's First Big Ass Novel: Stuff We Didn't Actually Do, But Could Have, and May Yet* by Jill Conner Browne. For more information, contact **Marianne Jackson** at (217) 498-8962.
- The **IWIL Golf SIG** is under new leadership this year. Anyone interested in hitting the greens this Spring should contact **Sharon Thornton Knop** at (217) 496-3050 or **Mallorie Teubner** at (217) 496-3119 for more information.

PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGE

VOTE AT NEXT MEETING ON MARCH 15TH

Proposal:

Under Article VII, Section 14.

SCHOLARSHIPS, we would add the words "and other approved recipients"

Why?

To include the Chrysalis Award and the option of future awards.

Action needed:

A vote, by a show of hands, will be taken at the next general meeting on **March 15th**.

If you will be unable to attend that meeting and would like to be included in the vote, please e-mail **Rachel Broughton**, rabroughton@aol.com with the words "vote yes to add wording" or "vote no to add wording" in the subject line by end of day on **March 15, 2007**.



Vote at the March 15th Meeting

IWIL NEWS



VOTE FOR YOUR 2007 - 2008 IWIL SLATE OF OFFICERS MAIL OR EMAIL YOUR VOTE BY MARCH 31ST

It is time to vote for our Illinois Women in Leadership Slate of Officers for 2007 - 2008.

The Nominating Committee, comprised of **Val Yazell**, **Rachel Broughton**, **Karen Westbrook**, **Mary Furrie**, **Kathryn Rem** and **Kathy Maslouski**, recommends the following:

President: Karen Westbrook
Immediate Past President: Rachel Broughton
Vice President: Annette Piper
Secretary: Sharon Thornton Knop
Treasurer: Sheryl Daugherty

You have two ways to vote.

- 1.) You may cut out this ballot and snail mail to:

IWIL Nominating Committee
3105 Spring Mill Drive
Springfield, IL 62704

OR

- 2.) E-mail info@iwil.biz

Type the word "**VOTE**" in the subject heading and in the body of the message say "**I accept (OR do not accept) the 2007-2008 Slate of Officers printed in the March 2007 IWIL Newsletter.**"

Whichever method you chose to respond, your reply needs to be received by **March 31st** in order to be counted.

The results of the vote will be announced at the May Annual Meeting.

Exercise your right as a member and vote today!

_____ I accept the 2007-2008 Slate of Officers.

_____ I do not accept the 2007-2008 Slate of Officers.



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EXECUTIVE BOARD

President: **Rachel Broughton**
Vice President: **Karen Westbrook**
Secretary: **Ann Londrigan**
Treasurer: **Annette Piper**
Past President: **Val Yazell**

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Eileen Kluckman

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Gay Davidson &

JoDeen Roley

Hospitality Co-Chairs:

Sheryl Daugherty &

Carla Mayernick

Membership:

Cheryl Western

Mentoring:

Connie Anderson DiCenso

Program Co-Chairs:

Theresa Boley &

Jackie Newman

Public Relations:

Linda Waldron

Registration/Nametags:

Sally Sevenser

Scholarship:

Sharon Thornton Knop

Website:

Mallorie Wamsley Teubner

Send your **IWIL news** to our
Communications Chair,
Eileen Kluckman at info@iwil.biz!

SOMETHING TO TALK ABOUT

IWIL WELCOMES ITS NEWEST MEMBERS

Susan Davsko, Executive Assistant, **JILG, Inc.**

Sherry Feagans, Owner, **J. Gooch & Associates**

Joy Gilliland, Loan Originator, **National City Mortgage**

Ellen Legg, Regional Director, **American Cancer Society**

Kris Salter, Owner, **KSID Interiors**

Gail Chevalier Zini, Owner/Broker, **Snelling-Chevalier Real Estate, Inc.**

IWIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

• **Pat Hughes** has accepted the position of **Vice President of Resource Development** with the **United Way of Southwestern Indiana** in Evansville, IN. Evansville is a community about twice the size of Springfield and their United Way has currently raised over \$5.5M. Pat is extremely excited and feels this is a good move for her both professionally and personally. In a number of ways this is a homecoming as she'll be living in her home state for the first time in over 20 years. This is also within the general area where she raised her children (Henderson, KY is just 10-15 minutes away from her new office); and she'll be geographically much closer to her sons. Pat is excited about this new opportunity but she will miss this great community, all the wonderful volunteers and colleagues who she has had the opportunity to work with and the many friends she's made during the past 8 ½ years. Springfield has become home and only a great opportunity like this could have pulled her away!

• **Friends of Rochester Public Library** is holding its annual book sale on Saturday, March 3rd from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Come early and enjoy choosing from a wide selection of every type of book imaginable. There will be children's books, DVDs, CDs, audiobooks, cookbooks, fiction, non-fiction and more. Loads of hardbound and paperback books will be available. They'll even bag 'em and carry them out for you! The library prides themselves in having a well organized display area in spite of the fact that they have thousands of books to sort through in order to make it easy for shoppers. The Rochester Public Library is located on Route 29 in Rochester, IL.

• **Prairie Center** is looking for donations of larger sized women's shoes. These shoes will be used for the "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes®: The Men's March to Stop Rape, Sexual Assault & Gender Violence." Walk a Mile in Her Shoes® is an opportunity for men to educate the community about a very serious subject and to rally the community to take action to prevent sexual violence. Men participating in this event are encouraged to wear the shoes during the march. This event is scheduled for April 21st in downtown Springfield. Shoes can be dropped off at the Student Life Office as they are coordinating the efforts of this event here at LLCC. Questions can be directed to **Amee Lee** at (217) 786-2241 or Amee.Lee@LLCC.edu.