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Welcome to our December New Members

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- * Cindy Elliot – Fanio Services
- * Carol Thompson - Fired Up and Fabulous

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Happy Holidays!

Happy Holidays to St. Margaret's House and the YWCA of North Central Indiana

Despite snowy conditions, many of us it made it to our charity breakfast at The Landing on December 7. We presented St. Margaret's House and the YWCA each with checks for \$1000 to assist with the services they provide to abused and underserved women in our community. Many members also brought bags of gifts, from basketballs to snuggly robes, to share with the agencies' clients and their children.



2010 in Review: A Message from Hope

During this blessed holiday season, as we reflect back upon the year, the WBOM board and I have been so blessed with the gift of your membership and the sharing of your unique talents. We had a wonderful year in 2010 with many changes. We moved from Ruth's Chris to Bonefish Grill for our monthly meetings and we ushered in our new Board.

We have had many new members join and many more who have expressed interest. We offered wonderful and dynamic, well-attended educational

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 WBOM is proud to support these local
 organizations helping women and
 children in our community:

* YWCA - www.ywancanin.org
 * St. Margaret's House
 - <http://www.stmargarethouse.org/>

WBOM is a member of the Chamber
 of Commerce of St. Joseph County -
<http://www.sjchamber.org/>

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programs. We participated in YWCA and St. Margaret's House functions such as run, jane, run, Walk a Mile in her Shoes, and a variety of volunteer opportunities. All of these things are gifts back to other women in the community.

I am so blessed to have been a part of such a wonderful organization with great programs, wonderful and dedicated Board members and committee volunteers, and the involvement with our designated charities and Chamber affiliations.

There are many new and exciting things on the horizon for 2011 and we are excited about all the upcoming speakers and programs we have in store for you! May your Holidays be filled with joy and we wish you all the success for what 2011 has in store for you. Happy Holidays!

Respectfully Submitted,
[Hope L. Nutting](#), President

Join Us in January!

Wendy Angst from the Mendoza School of Business at the University of Notre Dame will present our program, "The Act of Balance." As women we have an increasingly prominent role in the work place. We are starting more companies and managing more people than ever before! However, these increased responsibilities do not magically lessen the other responsibilities we shoulder and we are faced with the constant dilemma of how to do it all and be it all while keeping smiles on our faces! Wendy's discussion will focus on the definition of success and how to plan and manage the direction and timing of that success based on your life needs.

To attend, you must RSVP and pay in advance using PayPal by Thursday, January 6th. Click [HERE](#) to RSVP.

January Luncheon Menu

Regular:

Fire roasted chicken topped with chevre goat cheese, wilted spinach, artichokes and a lemon basil sauce,

salad, bread, dessert

Vegetarian:

Asparagus Salad - Farmed greens, pecan-dusted goat cheese, green beans, fennel, tomatoes, citrus herb vinaigrette, salad, bread, dessert

What's a Virtual Assistant and How Can I Get Organized this Holiday?

WBOM member, Mary Jo Smith of Alliance Virtual Assistant Solutions, shares tips on the WBOM blog on how VAs can impact our business. Click [HERE](#) to read it.

You'll also find past blog entries by: Kim Brewer of Wingenuity, Karen Barnett of Olee Kids/Valley Screen; Pam Proctor of At Home Realty; Rita Miller of Kruggel, Lawton and Company; and Wendy Taddeucci of Simply Organized.

Contact [Evie Kirkwood](#), if you would like to write an entry for the WBOM blog, 500 words or less with five helpful tips on a topic of your choice.

Get Networking with WBOM! Do's and Dont's

DO e-mail [Pam Proctor](#) with your business anniversary date, and you'll be mentioned in the newsletter. Being recognized in the newsletter is free advertising for your business ---when does "free" ever happen?

DON'T send mass emails to WBOM members, unless you have each member's consent.

DO write an entry for the WBOM blog. (See info above.)

DO come to lunch! Since the number one way to generate business is networking face-to-face, join us at our lunch meetings (arrive between 11:30 and noon) to network with other members. Feel free to put your marketing info on the marketing table.

DON'T put your marketing info on our luncheon

tables. From time to time we put WBOM-related info on the table, and we don't want to bury our tables in paper!

It's Cold Outside: Walk a Mile in Her Shoes!

Every day women in need walk to St. Margaret's House in South Bend for a hot meal and assistance. On February 20th, join fellow WBOM members as we "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes" to raise money for St. Margaret's House. Bring friends and family to walk too. Every WBOM member that signs up will receive a pair of pink mittens. Our goal is 30 participants raising \$3,000. More info at the January meeting.

Welcome December's Newest Members

Welcome new member, Patty Eycleshymer from Backyards Furniture and Embellishments on Lincolnway in Mishawaka, offering upscale outdoor furniture and décor for yard and home. They also offer a design center and specialize in finding interesting and unique items for all seasons. Find out more at www.indianabackyards.com or phone Patty at 574-968-7087.

Welcome new member, Cindy Elliot of Fanio Services based in North Liberty. They specialize in hauling asphalt, stone, sand and topsoil. They also offer snowplowing! You can contact Cindy at 574-233-3236.

Welcome new member, Carol Thompson of Fired Up and Fabulous in Granger. Carol specializes in executive coaching and development. She assists businesses and individuals with strategies for success. She has been a 1099 contractor since 1993 and has successfully built not only her business but assisted many others in building theirs. You can visit Carol online at www.firedupandfabulous.com or contact her at (574) 273-6510 or email thompsoncj@hotmail.com.

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