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# Annual Meeting

## Network for Professional and Executive Women Annual Meeting

You are cordially invited to attend  
Network for Professional and Executive Women Annual Meeting

**When:** November 18, 2010

**Networking Time:** 6:30—7:00 P.M.

**Where:** Green Island Country Club, Swan Room  
*Evening Attire*

Chef's Choice Buffet—Members \$11.00, Guests \$25.00

Please RSVP no later than November 16, 2020 via website

[www.networkforprofessionalwomen.com](http://www.networkforprofessionalwomen.com)

***Don't forget to bring canned goods to support Feeding the Valley.***





## President's Message

### Jean Richardson

behind the lines and gave me encouragement as well as support whenever I asked.

As I look back over the years I think of how far I've come since the first invitation to the Network Luncheon from Judy Talley who has encouraged me and given me much wisdom, advice, strength, as well as opinions. "Judy, I'm grateful!"

To Sommer Bundy – I pray that God will give you much wisdom, knowledge, and understanding in the upcoming year 2011. Please know that I will continue to support you as you have supported me in the past.

Thank you all for a wonderful year as I bid you farewell!

### Hello Ladies,

It's hard to believe that this year has gone by so fast. It is now time for me to bid you farewell as President for 2010. As I look back over this past year, there were challenges as well as great successes.

My ultimate goal as President was to lead by example by getting new memberships such as Chu Jarmon of Chu's Hair Salon, as well as Babbs Douglas, Director of Feeding the Valley Food Bank and also to invite professional women within our community to enhance our group. I feel that these ladies have a lot to bring to the table so I encourage you to take advantage and help me to encourage them to be actively involved in Network.

For me, one of the most important responsibilities as President was to have a group of Board Members who worked together as a team to get us to the next level. I would like to thank this year's Board Members for their continued support as we made decisions throughout the year. I would like to also thank those who stood

*Jean*



# MEMBER NEWS

## Wanda Johnson Named to Examination Development Committee for the Certification of Hospice & Palliative Care Registered Nurses



In September 2010, Wanda Johnson, Vice President of Clinical Support for Columbus Hospice, was selected by the National Board for the Certification of Hospice and Palliative Nurses (NBCHPN) to serve on the Examination Development Committee for the Certification of Hospice & Palliative Care Registered Nurses.

Wanda will work with a committee that meets twice annually in Kansas City, MO to manage the test that measures the knowledge and competency of hospice and palliative care registered nurses around the nation. This test is an example of the quality initiatives that are being implemented to ensure that hospice patients receive the best available hospice and palliative care from the most qualified staff.

During her two year term on this Board, Wanda will develop and validate questions that will appear on certification tests for hospice registered nurses. Wanda's friends and co-workers note that this is a perfect assignment for her, as her childhood aspiration was to be an English teacher!

In 2006 Columbus Hospice received the first Employer of the Year Award from the National Board for the Certification of Hospice and Palliative Nurses. This award recognized the Columbus Hospice commitment to quality for our support of the certification examinations that measure the competency of physicians, nurses, and hospice aides.

Congratulations, Wanda, for your contributions to the advancement of hospice and palliative nursing, and for your professional representation of Columbus Hospice.

## Lunch and Learn

Pat Whipple is inviting Network members to a free Lunch and Learn, sponsored by Merrill Lynch

### “Strategy for a Higher Tax Environment”

**When:** November 30, 2010

**Time:** 11:30 A.M.—1:00 P.M.

**Where:** Columbus Country Club

**Guests are welcome!**



Please send your RSVP to Pat  
at 706-494-5336 or  
[patricia\\_whipple@ml.com](mailto:patricia_whipple@ml.com)

## Are you interested in becoming more involved in Network?

Would you like to serve on a committee, or serve in any capacity? If so, contact Durona Courington at [durona@bellsouth.net](mailto:durona@bellsouth.net) or call her at 334-297-6694.

# NETWORK HAPPENINGS

## BIRTHDAYS



Judy Talley	1
Sunny Rinker	6
Becky Meeks	15

Nancy Graham	8
Lynne Taylor	16
Joy Hamilton	18



## 2010 LUNCH DATES

### *Reservations are Required*

Lunch meetings are held on the fourth Friday of each month at Green Island Country Club (except December). Lunch is served at 11:45 AM. Come early and enjoy networking beginning at 11:30 AM.

Prospective members are encouraged to attend two lunch meetings prior to applying for membership. See a Board Member or the Registration table at a luncheon to obtain an application and find out more about the qualifications for membership.

You can RSVP and register guests on our website: [www.NetworkForProfessionalWomen.com](http://www.NetworkForProfessionalWomen.com)

If you cannot locate your password, contact Kathy Reeves at:

[Kathy.reeves@springharborccrc.org](mailto:Kathy.reeves@springharborccrc.org)

### ***Mark your calendars***

**Special Date for our November  
Get Together!!**

**November 18**

### **Do you have news?**

This newsletter is for all members of Network. It is for sharing news of job promotions, job openings, calendar events, seminars, special awards, etc.

To get your news in Network Upbeat, send your articles to Pat Whipple e-mail:

[patricia\\_whipple@ml.com](mailto:patricia_whipple@ml.com), or call

(706) 494-5336

# **2011 Officers for Network for Professional and Executive Women**

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## 2010 BOARD MEETING DATES:

None for December



## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

We thank our Network Members for sharing a little about themselves this year.

We have such a diverse group of women, and it is so interesting to learn about you both personally and professionally.

An investment in knowledge pays the best interest.

*-Ben Franklin*