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ABWA Honors

Diane Pfalzgraf
2012 Chapter Business Woman of the Year & 2013 Top Ten Candidate

Christine Bucher
2012 Chapter Woman of the Year

Chapter Member Birthdays

Cyndi Stout, February 2
Linda Compton, February 12
Yvonne Roberts, February 18

ABWA Anniversaries

Erica Froehner, 02/01/2010
Patrice Christian, 02/01/2005
Alice Adamscheck, 02/16/1962

ABWA Pikes Peak Chapter Website

www.ABWA-PikesPeak.org

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www.abwa.org

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February 21st Meeting

Mary Sullivan ~ "Delegate to Grow"



Time: 6:00 p.m. Registration & Networking
6:30 p.m. Dinner & Program

Location: The Clarion Hotel
314 West Bijou

Menu & Cost: Chicken Fried Steak
\$16.00 Members / \$18.00 Guests
Cost Includes dinner and program



Whether you are too busy or not busy enough...you must Delegate to Grow.

The key to successful delegation is:

- Communication
- Documentation
- Verification

You will leave this session with:

- An understanding of how to hire and use an assistant to grow your business
- The knowledge on how to delegate more effectively to your current staff

RSVP: To advise of guests or to cancel your February 21st reservation, please contact Diane Pfalzgraf at (719) 591-2404 or via email at diane@pcisys.net. You can also use the "Contact the Chapter" link on our website: www.ABWA-PikesPeak.org. Unless other arrangements have been confirmed, all Pikes Peak Chapter members are on the Standing Reservation List and the cost of the dinner will be billed to members not canceling their reservation by noon, Thursday, February 16th.

RSVP for Guests: To meet hotel dinner reservation deadlines, pre-paid guest reservations are REQUIRED no later than noon, Thursday, February 16th.

Register On-Line: Members and guests can securely register on-line on the chapter's website by clicking on "Register for Events."

Pikes Peak Chapter News

Letter from the President

"The purpose of life is a life of purpose."

Robert Byrne (b. 1928); American chess champion

Dear Members and Guests,

While watching the Winter X Games in Aspen, I saw banners, ribbons and signs with the name of "Sarah", and many athletes talked about Sarah Burke during their interviews. "Celebrate Sarah" - then I heard the story.



Sarah Burke recently died at the age of 29 after a training accident. She was a Canadian freeskiier who lived with purpose and passion. As a teenager she competed with the boys because there were no divisions for girls. She was a pioneer in the sport of women's halfpipe and slope style skiing and successfully lobbied to have halfpipe skiing added to the 2014 Winter Olympics. She proved that women were good in the sport. A 4-time X Games gold medalist, she was a gold medal hopeful for the 2014 Winter Olympics Games in Russia.

Sarah fought through a broken back and numerous injuries to become the best female freestyle skier, and some say that she defines the sport. She loved what she did, and she had a passion for promoting women in the sport of skiing. That's living a life of purpose! It's so sad to lose someone, and yet her fellow athletes are asking that we celebrate Sarah by doing as she would have done, and push past whatever limits you set for yourself yesterday.

Our purpose as an organization is to provide opportunities to help ourselves and other women grow personally and professionally. That is the purpose we as ABWA members have in common. We promote women in business, one step at a time! In addition to what we learn from our speakers, each of us has something to share that moves someone else farther along. We don't need to be talented athletes or high profile personalities to have a positive impact on someone else!

What limits have you set for yourself, and how can you push past them? That's a tough question! Be involved with Pikes Peak Chapter and use the opportunities

that it gives us as a resource to pursue our purpose! We are stronger together. We can push past our limits, one step at a time. The February meeting is the perfect time to take the next step!

Best regards,

Patrice

Patrice Christian, President

There's No Such Thing as a Free Lunch!



Or is there?

Look for the poster at the February meeting for details about how you can win a "free lunch."

Coming Up ~ March 20th

Monthly chapter meeting with guest speaker Kelly Ikenberry *"Jump, Juggle and Jive! The real life of a businesswoman and how to thrive, not just survive."*

Pikes Peak Chapter News

Thank you!!

Our thanks to the sponsoring businesses for their contributions to the success of the Pikes Peak Chapter's 50th Anniversary Celebration:

- Bambino's Italian Eatery & Sports Bar
- Borriello Brothers Real New York Pizza
- Brewer's Republic
- Clarion Hotel
- Il Vicino
- Jimmy John's Gourmet Sandwiches
- Jose Muldoon's
- Josh and John's
- Judge Baldwin's at the Hilton Antlers
- Kimball's Peak Three Theatre
- Olive Branch
- Phantom Canyon Brewing Company
- Springs Orleans



Mission of ABWA

The mission of the American Business Women's Association is to bring together women of diverse occupations and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow personally and professionally through leadership, education, networking, support and national recognition.

ABWA is dedicated to women's education, achievements and successes. More than 500,000 women have used ABWA's resources to achieve their highest personal and professional potential. Contact Diane Pflanzgraf at diane@pcisys.net or (719) 591-2404 for information about becoming an ABWA member.

Minutes - January 17th

The regular monthly meeting of the Pikes Peak Chapter - American Business Women's Association was called to order at 6:30 PM, January 17, 2012 at the Clarion Hotel, 314 West Bijou, Colorado Springs, Colorado. The President, Vice President, and Secretary were present. A quorum was present. Total in attendance was 19.

The Minutes of the December 13, 2011 meeting were approved as presented.

The total balance available in all accounts on January 17, 2012 is \$1,642.13, of this amount, \$1037.79 is in the General Fund; \$75.00 is in the Professional Development Fund; \$416.95 is in the PAID Account; \$25.00 is in the Cash Account; and \$87.39 is in the Raffle Account.

Member recognition

ABWA Anniversary: Michelle Egbert (9 years).

Perfect Attendance:

Heather Quinn Nelson (3 years)
 Patrice Christian (6 years)
 Mary Ann Kiskadden (7 years)
 Diane Pflanzgraf (23 years)
 Jan Roettjer (24 years).

Chapter Honors:

Christine Bucher was named 2012 Chapter Woman of the Year.
 Diane Pflanzgraf was named 2012 Chapter Business Woman of the Year and 2013 Top Ten Candidate.

Program: Tamara Kleinberg, Chief Imaginator - Imaginibbles, presented "The 2% Difference".

The meeting adjourned at 7:56 PM.

Michelle Egbert, Secretary



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ABWA's Proud Code of Conduct

1. All members will serve as goodwill ambassadors for the American Business Women's Association.
2. Members will not allow their personal beliefs and convictions to interfere with the representation of ABWA's mission.
3. Members will always treat their member colleagues, guests, vendors and sponsors with honesty, respect, fairness, integrity, responsibility, kindness and in good faith.
4. Members will maintain compliance with ABWA National, Chapter and Express Network Bylaws.
5. Members will not use their personal power to advance their personal interests.
6. Members will strive for excellence in their professions by maintaining and enhancing their own business knowledge and skills, and by encouraging the professional development of other

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