

Professional Notes



Important

Dates:

- March 8, 2011 – Women's Day on the Hill
- "Break the Barriers" Forum – March 25, 2011
- Equal Pay Day – April 12, 2011
- Sterling Awards 2011 Reception – April 12, 2011

Jackson Business and Professional Women

Dr. Amy Elizer scheduled to speak at March 7, 2011 meeting

The next regular business meeting is Monday, March 7, 2011, at 6:00 p.m., at HoneyBaked Ham Café on Vann Drive. Dr. Amy Hastings Elizer, teacher on money management and nutrition for University of Tennessee Extension, will be our guest speaker. Her topic will be "Getting on Track with Your Personal Finances."

Please call HoneyBaked Ham before noon on Monday to place your meal order (664-8800).

2011 Margaret Faulkner Scholarship

Applications for the 2011 Margaret Faulkner Scholarship of \$1,000.00 are now being accepted. The scholarship is for non-traditional female students returning to college. Deadline for submitting the application for 2011 is April 22, 2011. The scholarship will be presented at the May meeting.

Applications may be brought to the regular BPW Monday meetings, Left at The Jackson Sun front desk for Jacque Hillman or mailed directly to Jacque at: 127 Fairmont Avenue, Jackson, Tennessee 38301.

Please see attached application form to this Newsletter.

Sterling Awards 2011

20 Most Influential Women of West Tennessee

The Sterling Awards 2011: 20 Most Influential Women of West Tennessee were created by the **Jackson Business and Professional Women** and **The Jackson Sun** to honor those women in the West Tennessee area who have achieved a significant level of success.

Criteria

- Nominee lives or works in West Tennessee outside Shelby County.
- Nominee is a leader in business or her profession.
- Nominee serves as a role model to other women in her profession and community.
- Nominee displays creativity and innovation and contributes these talents to the growth of her profession.
- Nominee contributes time and energy to community betterment.

Applications are due by noon, Thursday, March 10, 2011. The Board of Selectors will meet on Friday, March 11, 2011.

E-mail to: batesb@aol.com, jhillman@jacksonsun.com,

Mail to: Jackson BPW, P.O. Box 3643, Jackson, TN. 38303

Save the date for you and your guests to attend the Sterling Awards 2010 reception honoring 20 Most Influential Women of West Tennessee on Tuesday, April 12, 2011, 6 p.m.

Sterling Awards 2011 Application

Please check the category that best describes the area of business for the nominee:

- Government and Public Service**
- Small Business/Entrepreneur**
- Business and Technology**
- Service (community, non-profit)**
- Education**
- Labor/Manufacturing**
- Healthcare**
- Legal**
- Other** _____

Note: These categories are provided to indicate that the nominees reflect a wide range of careers and skills. Awards will not be given in each category.

Date: _____

Nominee's Name: _____

Company: _____

Title: _____

Business Address: _____

Home Address: _____

Business Phone: _____

Home Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Submitted By: _____

Company: _____

Home Phone: _____

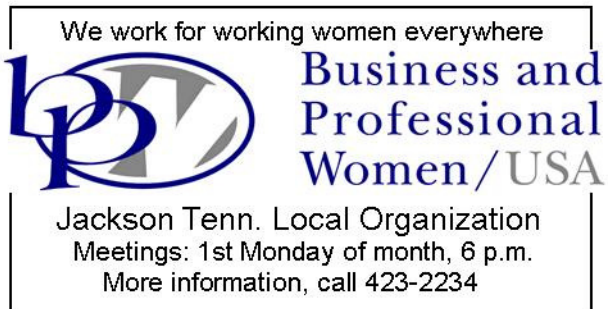
Business Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

- 1. Using the above criteria, please attach a 1-page detailed summary stating why this woman is deserving of the Sterling Awards 2011.**
- 2. If available, please attach a current resume (2 page maximum) for the nominee.**

Note: Award winners will have their single photographs taken by Jackson Sun photographers and a group photo as well, at a day and time to be determined.

Applications are due by noon, March 10, 2011.



Jackson Business and Professional Women Career Advancement Scholarship

Jackson Business and Professional Women has a \$1,000 scholarship available for the 2011-2012 semesters for a non-traditional female student, who is returning to college to advance in her education and career. This scholarship will be awarded in 2011.

The following criteria apply:

Must submit a written statement explaining her desire to continue professional development through continued education and pursuit of a degree.

Must provide a transcript of current college grades or most recent semester showing that you are in good standing with the post secondary institution.

Must provide a recommendation from a professor in the chosen major and from a financial officer of the secondary institution, or if returning to school after hiatus, may provide recommendation from employer.

For more information, contact the scholarship committee chairman, Jacque Hillman, at 731-394-2894.

Jackson BPW Career Advancement Scholarship Application Form

Name: Last _____ First _____ MI _____

Permanent address: _____

City: _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Work phone: _____ Home: _____

Email _____

Are you currently enrolled in school? Yes _____ No _____

If not enrolled, are you currently accepted into school for the fall semester or a start date no later than January 2012?

Yes _____ Enclose copy of acceptance letter.

No _____ Copy of acceptance letter must be sent to BPW prior to funds being issued.

I will be attending school:

Full-time _____

Part-time _____ List number of credit hours.

Type of degree or certificate program (Check one only).

____ Associate's degree

____ Bachelor's degree

____ Master's degree

____ Certificate program for person with a degree (e.g. teacher's certificate)

____ Certificate program that does not require degree (e.g. nurse practitioner)

Field of study/major: _____

Starting date of classes: _____

What is the purpose of this education? (Check one only)

____ Career advancement (seeking progression within your current field of work).

____ Enter or re-enter job market (have been absent from, or never in, the job market).

____ New career field (returning to school to change your career).

Institution:

Type of institution (must be an accredited college or university in the U.S.)

____ Vocational/technical college.

____ Community/2-year college

____ 4-year public college/university

____ 4-year private college/university

Institution name (Do not abbreviate): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Educational Record:

Institution	Location	Dates	Major Field	Degree/Cert /Yr

Career Objective Essay

Discuss your specific, short-term goals and how this scholarship will help you accomplish these goals and make a difference in your professional career. Attach your essay to your application.

Certification:

I hereby certify that the information provided in this application packet is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

I understand that all applications will be held confidential and that no application material will be returned.

I understand that Jackson Business and Professional Women will notify scholarship recipients by phone. If I am not a scholarship recipient, I understand that I will be notified only if I provide a valid email address.

Signature (required) _____

Date: _____

Release of information:

If selected to receive a Jackson BPW Career Advancement Scholarship, I give Jackson BPW permission to release my name for promotional purposes.

Signature required): _____

Date: _____

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- B for Business – the next breakfast will be March 10, 2011 at the Jackson Chamber of Commerce. Meeting time is 7:45 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. The topic will be **“Technology on a Shoestring Budget”** – *Maximize the Use of Technology for Your Business on a Budget* – Myk Robinson, owner of Kingdom Computer Solutions.
- **SAVE THE DATE** – **March 8, 2011**, Women’s Day on the Hill in Nashville. Please note this date has changed.
- **SAVE THE DATE** – April 12, 2011, Equal Pay Day!!!
- **Quarterly Chamber Membership Breakfast + CapitolTALK**, Friday, March 11, 2011, DoubleTree Hotel, 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. The breakfast will be held in conjunction with CapitolTALK, a chamber forum that offers an update on the state legislature from Senator Lowe Finney, Representative Jimmy Eldridge and Representative Johnny Shaw.
- You are cordially invited to a reception for long-time BPW member Wilma Rosamond Craig Utley to celebrate her 90th birthday on Sunday, March 13, 2011, at 2:00 p.m., Hope Hall of Northside United Methodist Church, 2571 North Highland Avenue, Jackson, TN. Hosted by Richard and Becky Utley and Jackie Utley and Lynn Williams. The courtesy of a response would be appreciated at 731-668-5409 or JUtleyMail@aol.com. To send a birthday greeting on her actual March 11 birthday, send to: Ms. Wilma Utley, 2617 North Highland Avenue, Jackson, TN 38305.
- **“Break the Barriers” Forum, March 25, 2011. Learn about Women in Non-Traditional and Women in Green Jobs. Sponsored by Business & Professional Women of Tennessee and the Tennessee Technology Centers. For more information, contact Linda Higgins at ljhiggins@charter.net or 731-427-6681 or Carolyn Beverly at carolyn.beverly@ttcwhiteville.edu or 731-254-8521.**
- If you are interested in serving as a BPW officer for 2011-2012, please contact Beth Bates. She will be appointing a nominating committee next Monday to fill in the blanks. Current openings – President, 1st VP (membership), 2nd VP (Issues Management-Programs, Secretary, Treasurer.



Spotlight on “new” member Pamela Sweat

Jackson Business & Professional Women would like to welcome “new” member, Pamela Sweat. Pamela is a student at West Tennessee Business College and the niece of our First Vice-President Carol Turpen. You can send her a snail mail greeting to 210 Margin Avenue, Bells, Tennessee 38006 or you can e-mail her at 09Pam@live.com.

Welcome back Pamela!!

