



MMN – Monday, June 1, 2010

Mission: The purpose of the Democratic Women's Caucus is to fund, inspire, recruit, support, and train progressive, pro-choice women to increase the numbers of women in the electoral process and in elected and appointed positions

Dear Lisa,

Monday, June 1st

THE PO BOX:

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IN THIS ISSUE:

- **SPONSOR** needed by **tomorrow** for Equality Day Picnic!
- Tix available Friday for the Women's Equality Day Family Picnic on August 22!
- See you this FRIDAY our monthly breakfast, Village Deli, 7:30am!
- Reserve your spot: Women in Politics and the Media lunch on June 18!
- Indiana Federation of Democratic Women training on June 19...
- Calendar notes: Changed July DWCaucus breakfast date
- City of Bloomington holding Neighborhood Leadership Classes...



PICNIC SPONSOR NEEDED BY WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2!!!

Tickets for the Women's Equality Day picnic are being printed tomorrow, and the DWC is calling out for a major sponsor, at the \$500 level, to be printed on the tickets and all promotional materials! See the article below and please, if you are able to sponsor at this level, email Dorothy

Granger (dorothyg@mail.com) or Julie Thomas (drjuliethomas@gmail.com). We need you – and other sponsors, of course – and thank you, in advance!

BREAKFAST FRIDAY: ANATOMY OF AN ELECTION

The program for our monthly breakfast at the Village Deli (this Friday, June 4, 7:30am) will feature Steering Committee member Julie Thomas along with Rita Drescher; they will facilitate a discussion on the "Anatomy of an Election" as the DWC strives to find ideas to improve the electoral process to help our endorsed women. Please bring your experiences from the May primary election as well as your ideas as to how we as a community can support and improve the process for all voters. See you Friday!!

WOMEN IN POLITICS AND THE MEDIA ON JUNE 18 – RESERVE NOW!

The luncheon event with Mary Dieter as our featured speaker has been rescheduled for June 18 at 11:30am at Affairs of the Sun on 4th Street, across from WFHB and the John Waldron Art Center. Mary Dieter is a name familiar to many of us who read her daily columns in the Louisville *Courier Journal* for many years. Mary was more recently communications and press secretary for Governor Frank O'Bannon and covered that incredibly difficult job after he died in office in 2003. Mary is the President of MED Communications LLC, which focuses on writing and editing consultancy in the Indy area. She and her husband, Tim McClure, recently published a crime novel set in Indianapolis, titled The McNaughton Rule.

Lunch is \$15; please email Regina at regina.moore@gmail.com to make your reservations – and do bring a friend and introduce her to the Caucus! If you can't make breakfast meetings, this is the place to be!
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JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY EVENT!

Be sure to mark your calendars to attend the DWC picnic on **Sunday, August 22nd**, to celebrate Women's Equality Day! We are planning a fabulous afternoon with food, friends, and even a cake walk!

The planning committee for the picnic will meet on Saturday morning, May 29th, at the Farmers' Market at 10am on the Showers Building steps. For further information on volunteering with this event, please contact Dorothy Granger (dorothyg@mail.com).

TRAINING FOR DEMOCRAT WOMEN ON JUNE 19!



The Indiana Federation of Democratic Women will sponsor and subsidize 'Public Speaking for Candidates' on June 19 in Fishers. Dr. Laurel Vartabedian, the workshop leader, earned a Ph.D. in Mass Communication, with an emphasis in Political Rhetoric, at the University of Oklahoma. After teaching public speaking, persuasion, oral interpretation and rhetorical analysis at Amarillo College, Laurel joined the faculty of Western Carolina University, where she was

Associate Professor of Communication. She now resides in St. Joseph, Mo., where her husband, Dr. Bob Vartabedian, is president of Western Missouri State University. In addition, Laurel and her co-author, Bill Evans, have had two musicals produced in New York: AN AMERICAN STORY in 2000 and

Time: Saturday, June 19, 2010 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Host: Barbara McKinney (from Madison, IN)

Contact Phone: 812-265-5979

Location: The Public Library (Fishers, IN) 5 Municipal Drive Fishers, IN 47038

PLANNING AHEAD...

Due to the July 4 holiday weekend, we will have our Friday morning breakfast on July 9. Be sure to plan to attend!

CITY OFFERS NEIGHBORHOOD LEADERSHIP CLASSES

The City of Bloomington Housing and Neighborhood Development (HAND) department will be offering its next Neighborhood Leadership Series class on Thursday, June 10, from 7 to 9 p.m. This Series includes free classes offered quarterly to enhance leadership skills, share best practices and provide interaction between City departments and neighborhoods. The June 10 class will explore the Planning Department and the fundamentals of what neighborhood leaders should know about working with the City on land-use issues.

The class also will feature Jan Sorby from Bryan Park, Jack Baker from McDoel Gardens and Patrick Murray from Prospect Hill in a "Round Table Discussion with Proven Neighborhood Leaders in the Area of Land Use," aimed at educating neighborhoods about the planning process and how to address land use in the neighborhood.

This session will help neighbors learn how to work productively with City departments and the City Council. Through interactive discussions, participants will come away with effective techniques for approaching issues in their neighborhoods. To register, contact Vickie Provine at provinev@bloomington.in.gov or call 349-3505. Read more about the class on the HAND Web site, <http://bloomington.in.gov/hand>.

