



## MMN – Monday, October 26, 2009

*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*

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### **DWC CANDIDATE 101 CIRCUIT TRAINING ON NOVEMBER 8TH SIGN UP NOW!!**

The DWC is committed to helping women prepare for campaigns, and to help those who are interested in helping women's campaigns get connected to them. We all have the responsibility, by virtue of our DWC membership, to inspire, recruit and support women. This is one way to do that, encouraging, giving feedback and learning to assess those qualities that help develop this type of leadership.

In order to help women who are interested in running for office in the next year or the next, we'll be having a 'Candidate 101' session on Sunday November 8<sup>th</sup>. We'll start at 1 pm and end about 3:30 pm. The circuit training session will enable participants to have one on one help from women in the caucus on issues that were requested at the last forum and lunch.

We'll be doing more in depth message development (like what do you do after you complete the message box?), viability and how it's determined, budgeting, campaign plans, developing a campaign team and finding the right people to help campaigns, fundraising, and a bit about the campaign 'necessities.'

If you are interested in attending the November 8<sup>th</sup> session, please email [regina.moore@gmail.com](mailto:regina.moore@gmail.com) for more details.

A future session will be held on public speaking, PR, and Targeting voters.

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### **BREAKFAST MEETING – NOVEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>**

Village Deli at 7:30 am. Lorraine Merriman Farrell and Jan Ellis will report on their trip to Washington, DC to participate in lobbying for health care reform. They'll talk about who they visited, and how they fared as 'lobbyists' for this important issue. Plan to come to hear their 'inside story!'

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**DWC ANNUAL MEETING DECEMBER MEETING TO BE HELD AT DECEMBER BREAKFAST** According to the DWC bylaws, this year we'll elect several members of the steering committee along with the Vice Chair and Treasurer. A nominating committee is being formed, and if you have an interest in serving, please email [regina.moore@gmail.com](mailto:regina.moore@gmail.com). Regina, as chair, will be asking two steering committee members and three members at large to serve on a committee to make recommendations to the membership for those seats that are up for election this year. Also if you are interested in serving on the steering committee (for a two year term) please talk to any steering committee member or Regina. Your interest is vital to the continuation of the DWC.

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### **DWC TO HOLD FUNDRAISING EVENT IN MARCH 2010– PLEASE HELP!!!**

It's not too early to be thinking about how we're going to raise funds next year.

Lu Cregar is heading the committee for the March Fundraiser – an essential event in helping to fund our women candidates this year. We're looking at a number of options and would love to have your help in putting together an exciting event. Send a note to Lu at [lcregar@gmail.com](mailto:lcregar@gmail.com) to help. She'll let you know when the meetings will be held, and if you've never served on a committee with Lu you'll have a great time! She's a marvel at organization and fun to work with!!

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### **DWCaucus TO HOLD EVENT TO CELEBRATE WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH**

DWCaucus to hold March event to celebrate Women's History Month! The DWCaucus plans to have a Fundraising event in March celebrating Women's History Month. The Caucus wants to start planning now! We are going to have a committee of 7 to plan the event with 4 from the Steering Committee and 3 from the membership. Folks are needed to help with Publicity, Graphic Design, Program, Communications, and Volunteers. If you would like to join Lu Cregar in planning this annual event please email her at [lcregar@gmail.com](mailto:lcregar@gmail.com)

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MEMBERS AT BREAKFAST MEETINGS**

Due to the increasing number of interesting and important announcements that members want to make at the Friday Breakfast meetings, we're asking you to please send in any informational announcements you might have so that they may be included in an announcement sheet that we will have printed for each Friday's breakfast. These have proved to be effective in the past because every one gets every detail (with contact information) of your announcement. Please include all information about your event and send it to [DWCannouncements@gmail.com](mailto:DWCannouncements@gmail.com) Announcements should to be sent by noon the day before the DWC breakfast meeting. We'll also use them, if possible, in the Monday Morning News. THANKS!

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### **SUSAN AND JILL INVITE YOU TO BREAKFAST, TOO!**

The City-County Citizens' Breakfasts on the 2nd Thursday's of each month are co-facilitated by County Councilmember, Jill Lesh and City Councilmember, Susan Sandberg. On November 12, the guest will be Gregg Zody talking about the County Comprehensive Land Use Plan. All interested citizens are welcome at the Village Deli, 7:30 a.m., Thursday, November 12 for this discussion on planning and zoning. City-County Citizens' Breakfast meetings are live and lively community chats over coffee and giant pancakes - better than blogging!

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Along the way, Leslie takes a hard look at what the election will mean for women now and in the future, and also at what leaders might emerge in 2012, and beyond.

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