

The Wipette September 2011



MISSION STATEMENT

The Women of Infinite Possibilities (WIP) is dedicated to touching the lives of a thousand women in a powerful way by providing opportunities for women to build relationships, learn about and support community needs, and explore the ideas and options of their own Personal Infinite Possibilities.

Meetings

WIP generally meets on the Third Thursday of the month.

Meeting Place

Christwood Retirement Community – 100 Christwood Blvd., Covington, LA 70433 is located south (towards Madisonville) of the River Chase Target Center on Highway 21. Look for the Christwood sign on the left side of Highway 21. Christwood is located at the end of the street.

Cost

Members pay \$5 at regularly scheduled monthly meetings to cover the meeting costs. Guests are welcome to attend the first meeting for free. Please come and bring nonperishable food for the Food Bank! Annual membership is only \$30! **Contact Membership Director Cathy Reams at 985.264.0576 or by email at womeninfinitepossibilities@gmail.com**

Standard Meeting Agenda

10 a.m. - 12 noon

Snacks are provided!

10-10:30

Networking

10:30-11:00

Business Meeting and Introductions

11:00-11:45

Sponsor and Speaker presentations

11:45-12

Q & A and Networking

12 - 1p.m.

Light Lunch after most meetings

Monthly Meeting Sponsor:

Our meeting sponsor fee is \$25. The sponsor's name is included in all WIP meeting promotions and the sponsor is encouraged to place promotional materials on each chair. The sponsor also has the opportunity to tell us about her business for five minutes at the meeting! **Contact Legacy Director Becki Martin at bionicbecki@gmail.com** for details and to sign up!

Thursday, September 15 Meeting

- Abby Shields from Danielle Inn <http://www.danielleinn.net/>
- Meeting Sponsor - Dr. Bea Desper, OB/GYN www.drbea4coroner.com

UPCOMING MEETING SPEAKERS

- October 20 - Davis Brister, Merrill Lynch: "I see the rainbow, now where is the pot of gold?"
- Sponsor: Kim Mancini, Serenity

SAVE THE DATE! WIP Holiday Luncheon on Thursday, December 15 at Friend's Restaurant in Madisonville. Only \$22 for lunch! We may ask you for an extra \$5 and match your contribution and give a holiday donation to one of our Legacy Partners! More details in October! RSVP required.

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Ideas for Adventures-Tina Paretti 710.2565 tinaparetti@yahoo.com

Friday, Sept 30, 8 p.m., Cutting Edge Productions, Slidell. Tickets \$18.50

The Marvelous Wonderetts Play. www.cuttingedgetheater.com 649.3727

Sat, Oct 22, 6:30- 9:00 p.m., Jazz 'n theVines - \$10, Bring lawn chairs & picnic

Wed, Nov 9 Round Table Luncheon Margarita Bergen, Royal Sonesta Hotel

Noel Scallan 504.553.2220 Email: nscalan@royalsonestano.com Tickets-\$42, includes parking and lunch

Order your WIP T-shirt at the Welcome Table!

Fund Raising Table

WIP members are allowed to display a few items for sale at general meetings on our Fundraising Table. 10% of sales are donated to WIP for community projects. To sign up for a turn at displaying your wares on the Fundraising Table, contact **Legacy Director Becki Martin** at bionicbecki@gmail.com

Legacy "WIP gives back to the community!" Becki Martin at bionicbecki@gmail.com

Keep Mandeville Beautiful Adopt-a-Block: Saturday, September 17, 9:30 – 12:30. Come and help us register and set up for lunch at the lakefront gazebo at 9:30 a.m. We'll be making popcorn and cotton candy and serving lunch! There are over 500 volunteers so we'll be busy registering and feeding people! Wear a hat and bring sun-screen, but we'll stay clean! Contact Becki to volunteer!

The director of Keep Mandeville Beautiful is looking for volunteer PUPPETEERS to participate in environmentally themed puppet shows. Artists and craftsmen are also needed to build the two puppet stages.

Children's Advocacy Center Hope House: WIP members volunteer at events like the Mad Hatter Tea!

Covington Food Bank: Please bring at least five items for the food bank. The cupboard is bare!

Recycling: WIP educates members on recycling efforts throughout St. Tammany.

Safe Harbor: WIP contributes time and money to the domestic violence haven for families in St Tammany.

Habitat for Humanity Women Build: Saturday, October 29 in The Groves in Covington!

Members! Please pay your annual dues in August or September! Only \$30 per year!

Membership is \$30 annually and \$5 per meeting. Members are advised of additional fees for adventures and events. **Contact Membership Director Cathy Reams** at 985.264.0576 or womeninfinitepossibilities@gmail.com

Personal Empowerment Group (PEG) participation is one of your membership perks!

Are you interested in leading a PEG? **Contact Jax Frey** at 985.377.3324 or jaxart@charter.net. PEGs are small groups of WIP members who meet 3-6 weeks. It's a wonderful way to connect with other WIP members and an opportunity to learn a lot about who you are!

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Habitat for Humanity Women Build!

WIP has signed up to help build a home in The Groves in Covington on Saturday, October 29 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.!

This is the development that WIP Member Moe Clary spoke to us about a few months ago! Here's the link where you can go to donate your \$30 for the Women Build program. Once you've donated your money and indicated that you're participating in a group, Katie said that the easiest thing to do is **send her an email stating that you are volunteering for the Women Build Program and that you are a Women of Infinite Possibilities Volunteer on Saturday, October 29.** This will guarantee that you will be assigned to the WIP Women Build team! Spots are limited. Sign up today! Since it is close to Halloween, I warned Katie that some of us may be in Halloween costumes and she said that she'd expect it! Just make sure you tie back your long hair and wigs and that your costume doesn't have long-flowing sleeves!



Did you make a volunteer group for Women Build 2011?

Help your group members sign up in three easy steps!

- 1) They need to make a minimum donation of \$30 at www.active.com/donate/habitatstw2011wb
- 2) Have them go to the Volunteer Calendar page at www.habitatstw.org/sys-php/matrix/view.php and complete the express registration form.
- 3) Email volunteer@habitatstw.org with this message: Please add me to the **GROUP NAME** group volunteering on **DATE** with Women Build.

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