

IA Women's Network

September 2015 Newsletter



Jo-Ann, Diane, and Dena at September 2014's Golfing Expedition & Jo-Ann Grimwood one of IA's Founders

Incoming Chair's Message from Diane

Before Jo-Ann passed away I made a promise to her that I would do anything I could to help IA continue and succeed. In light of the current Chair's decision to step down I have opted to give leadership a shot. I promise to do everything I can in order to assist our wonderful group. I love IA and look forward to the challenge, but also am hoping that I can ask for advice from the members! We all have amazing ideas, and we are all successful business women. Please share your abilities and ideas with us, and we will share ours with you. We will all benefit from our relationships!

IA Women's Network Meetings

IA Women's Network meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of every month except July and August. Meetings are held in various different locations to suit the needs of any particular month, and will be listed here in the newsletter and on the Website, Facebook, and Linked In. For luncheons the location will be reserved from 11:30 until 1:30, with the meeting beginning at 12:00, lunch being served, and the speaker from 12:15-12:45 (up to 1:00 pm). For evening sessions we may vary the timings.

Upcoming Meetings and Local Events

September 10, 2015 – 11:30 welcome, 12:00 meeting starts, 12:15-12:45(or 1:00) speaker

We are excited to announce that we have Sam Rattai as our speaker for September on the topic of **Small Business Advertising**. What we are hoping is that you, the members, will offer your best advertising tips, too! (E-mail ahead please, to Sam Rattai at:

sr2smart4u2@gmail.com) and then we can supplement the meeting with a compiled list of your contacts and ideas for advertising! The meeting will take place at the ABC Country Restaurant, in the front (smaller) room. Please let us know of any food allergies, and we will take care of you (no nuts (except us!) is a general policy).

October 8, 2015 – Evening workshop

Jo and Joe (speakers from the spring) are coming back...with the course that will help us learn all the **Secrets about Linked In! See the advertisement on IA Website, Facebook, and Linked In! (coming soon!)**. This was an idea suggested last year, and the group seemed very interested. It will be a members only event, since IA is planning to subsidize the costs. We are still debating how much we should subsidize, but are looking at a cost per person of about \$100.00 (normally it would be \$450.00 for two people to take this course!) Please let us know if you believe it should be less than this amount and we will discuss it.

Reminder

Membership is due for September \$40.00 for the 2015-2016 year.

Input for the Newsletter

We are looking for input into this newsletter to make it meaningful to everyone. Please submit any interesting info or helpful hints or tips regarding small business success or upcoming events in which others may want to partake. We want to hear about anything going on in the Red Deer area, and we definitely want to cheer you on as you continue to succeed with your endeavours! Small, tasteful ads for your business are welcome, with the understanding that should the newsletter become too long then some ads may be saved for the next month's newsletter. Submit by the 25th of the month to Diane Kinnear: counselor.diane.kinnear@gmail.com We may edit to keep it concise!

Resignations

Dena has decided that the Chair position is too demanding, and is resigning her position. She has graciously offered to assist the new Board members to afford a smooth transition. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Dena for the past two years of hard work she has donated to our club. Thank you Dena!!!

Sherry has opted to step down from the Treasurer's position. A new treasurer is needed. Would this be an area in which you could assist us? Sherry assures me that it is an easy position to fill! Thank you Sherry for your many years of dedication to the IA Board!

New Executive Board Members

Welcome Sam Rattai and Brittany Stelmack to the Executive Board!!! We are looking forward to a lot of fun and exciting events (and casual meetings) this year with you on board! Anyone else is also welcome to join the board...or the executive meetings, in fact, even if you're not a board member! The more the merrier! The next meeting will be listed at the bottom of the newsletter each month.

Gift Bags

Please bring a small advertising gift to be included in a gift bag to be given to all current members and new joining members. This item can include a gadget with your name etc., or a gift certificate, token gift, etc. Bring 20 please, and we will make up enough to last us a month or two!

Executive Meetings

The next executive meeting is September 3rd at 10 am, and will be held at Tim Horton's on 22nd St. and 30th Ave. All group members are welcome to attend. Please ask Diane Kinnear for an Agenda.

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...It's funny, the harder I work, the luckier I seem to be...

Author Unknown