

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, JUNE 16

Gino's West at West Glen

5530 Mills Civic Parkway

Agenda

5:30 - Social hour

6:00 - Dinner

6:45 - Business

7:00 - Program

Menu

Select one:

Baked Salmon w/paprika, lemon & butter with veggie and rice/orzo OR

Small Beef Filet w/ veggie and baked potatoe OR

Grilled Italian Chicken w/ veggie and spaghetti

Includes salad, rolls, dessert (Cannolis or Tiramisu), and iced tea. Cash bar.

A gift certificate will be awarded to the member who brings the most guests!

Sign up by Monday, June 13 at <http://mwniowa.org/calendar/>. Member fee: \$2



ROWENA CROSBIE is President of Tero International. Since 1993, Tero has earned a distinguished reputation as a premier research and corporate training company and was voted best Sales and Executive Training Company in 2009 by readers of the Des Moines Business Record. Thousands of professionals are graduates of Tero's proprietary workshops. Courses addressing relevant business topics such as presentation skills, professional image, business etiquette, negotiation skills, leadership, and intercultural competence have been delivered in 10 countries and business professionals from 30 countries are numbered among Tero's graduates.

Door prizes: [Contact us](#) if you'd like to sponsor/donate a door prize for an upcoming meeting. Promote your business or other worthy cause!

Networking table: **Don't forget your business cards/brochures to share with members and guests at our monthly meetings - we'll set up a table where everyone can place their information, highlighting one business with a brief speech before the scheduled program.**

Events Calendar

2011 meeting dates: **June 16, July 21, Aug. 18, Sept. 15, Oct. 20 and Dec. 1.**



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

June 2011

Happy Summer to All!

I'm looking forward to a great meeting on June 16th at Gino's West! I hope we have a great turnout. Our speaker will be Ro Crosbie, well known for her motivational talks. She will be speaking about her career and how she came to be where she is today.

Summertime is here and we're finally able to get to the water parks, amusement parks, and really enjoy our outdoor activities! I'm looking forward to getting to Okoboji soon. Since that was a summer home for me when I was growing up, I have fond memories of the lake and all its activities. When I return every year (only for a week or two), it brings back all those great times. My plan is to treat my parents to some time there so I can "pay back" a little of what they gave me as a kid.

My granddaughter, Molly, is leaving for Spain on June 9th. She will be a Senior at Urbandale High School this fall. I'm thrilled that she will be exploring the world and utilizing her Spanish. She's inherited my desire for worldwide travel (and I couldn't be happier).

My grandson will be heading for Texas to visit his mother for the summer. I really miss him when he's gone for so long, but I count my blessings that he's here for most of the year.

June also seems to be the season of the season of dance recitals

Best regards,

Becky Patton-Quigley

Guest Policy

Invite and encourage your guests to join MWN today!

Guests may attend two meetings in a 12-month period at the member rate of \$25. Any additional programs attended during that period will be \$35. Annual dues cover a period of 12 months from your sign-up/renewal date.

Make new friends and build a strong professional network!

STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES

The steering committee met June 2 at Gateway Market. Becky Patton-Quigley, Melissa Read, Sherri Johnson, Connie Blodgett, Janet Seeberger, and Diana Dubuisson attended.

President Becky Patton-Quigley called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Secretary Secretary's report from April 7, 2011 was approved.

Treasurer The bank balance is \$2,061.09. Another reminder will be made about paying yearly dues to those who have fees due now. Diana has filed the 990 form for MWN, extending our non-profit status. Payment for the domain name will be due at the end of the month and Diana will contact Pamela Henkel to find out how to make that payment.

Programs Connie Blodgett and Sherri Johnson reported most meeting places and speakers have been scheduled for the year. The June meeting, to be held on June 16, will be held at Gino's West in the West Glen shopping center. Our speaker will be Ro Crosbie with TERO International. Our July meeting will be at Famous Dave's, August at Barratta's and September at Sam and Gabe's. The October Woman of the Year meeting will be held at Hyperion Country Club. Several other options for locations and speakers are being considered. Our speaker for September is W.E. Moranville, food critic for the Des Moines Register and author of a French Cookbook. The January membership meeting will be held at the Urbandale Golf and Country Club.

Newsletter/Web Site The steering

committee is still dividing the duties previously performed by Pamela Henkel. Connie will update the meeting and menu information for the meeting invitation. Melissa will write and submit the steering committee meeting minutes. Casey Polk will continue to write thank you notes to speakers and guests. Becky will write the President's letter for the newsletter and attempt to publish the newsletter as well as email members and guests with links to rsvp for meetings. Melissa and Becky will get together on Sunday to compose the newsletter. At the very least, an email with the meeting information will be sent.

Old Business

The committee is still asking for any volunteers to assist with the duties of publicity/newsletter.

New Business: Tbecky will ask the members at the June meeting to begin to nominate candidates for Woman of the Year. The nomination form can be found on the website. This will also be mentioned at the July meeting. Deadline for nominations will be the August meeting on August 18th, 2011. The steering committee will review nominations and select the Woman of the Year at the September steering committee meeting. The woman selected will be notified in September to allow time to scheule the October meeting.

Next meeting: The next steering committee meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. July 7th at Gateway Market. Please feel free to attend.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Submitted by Melissa Read, vice president and acting secretary.

Annual Dues

Thank you to all members who have renewed their annual dues! If you have not renewed and your dues are set to expire soon, we'll send you a link to renew online - or you may pay cash/check at a meeting or by mail (no cash).

2011 Steering Committee

President/Past President: Becky Patton-Quigley

Vice President, Acting Secretary: Melissa Read

Treasurer: Diana Dubuisson

Secretary: Open

Programs: Sherri Johnson, Connie Blodgett

Publicity: Pamela Henkel

At-Large: Casey Polk, Janet Seeberger, Donna Drees-Haman

May Speaker Summary

Planning a Summer Getaway?

Our May Meeting Speaker Gave Great Advice on How to Pack for Travel

Thank you to our May MWN guest speaker, Susan Dunn, of Travel and Transport. With years of experience as a travel agent, and as a very well traveled lady herself, Susan gave us great advice on how to pack for that perfect vacation.

A few of her suggestions included:

- wear your jeans, do not pack them,
- pack at least one change of clothes in your travel companion's bag, and vice versa in case lost luggage,
- pack your swim suit in your carry-on bag,
- and be sure to wrap your clothes in plastic bags.

She provided us with a great glimpse of Costa Rica as an up and coming location for warm weather travel and a beautiful destination.

Our thanks to our speaker for also providing a gift of a suitcase scale to use to make sure that bags are not over the weight limit. What a great gift!

Congratulations to Sharon Wolf who will be using the scale very soon on her planned vacation.

Learning how to pack truly ignited the travel bug in all of us.

May Speaker Info

Susan utilizes her more than 30 years of experience in the travel industry by managing the Ames and Urbandale offices of Travel and Transport Vacations. Her experience, as well as her agents, enhances the planning of dream vacations for their clients.

An East Coast native, Susan lived in New Jersey, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Michigan, and Illinois before settling her family in Clive, Iowa.

She and her husband of 31 years maintain a second home in South Carolina to indulge their love of the beach and ocean. They have 2 sons, ages 23 and 26.

Susan is an extremely active community volunteer. In addition to her Clive Chamber Board or Director position, she has served as the President of both the Clive Country Club Home Owners Association and Walnut Creek Little League. She is actively involved in the Urbandale and West Des Moines Chambers as well. Susan and her friends volunteer regularly with Living History Farms, The Downtown DSM Art Festival, Komen Race for a Cure, and Habitat for Humanity.

Her passion for travel is contagious as well as her enthusiastic "yes"



Members:

Please submit your ad or announcement to admin@mwniowa.org by the first Thursday of each month.