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ABW Day

WHAT CAN WE SAY BUT.....THIS YEAR'S EVENT WAS A RESOUNDING SUCCESS! We SOLD OUT every seat in the house! Next year, get your tickets early or you'll miss out. Dawn Ahner gave a wonderful presentation. The new location at the Grand Sierra was great. We raised more money for education and special programs than ever before and 27 people walked out of there with a fabulous gift basket. WOW!! An awful lot of work was done by ABWA Members from both Chapters and that is the reason for the success! THANK YOU TO EVERYONE ON THE COMMITTEE and thank you to all who attended. Think about helping next year. We'll be getting started very soon, and it is a lot of fun!!!

What to look forward to at October's meeting:

IMPORTANT MESSAGE!!!!

Jan Petersen, our guest speaker, has over fifteen years as a Human Resources Director in NV and CA and five years as a Corporate Sales Director. **She co-owns Employee Success** and has perfected delivery of human resources services to small and medium sized businesses that don't have the resources for an in-house human resources employee.

Monthly Meetings...Mark your Calendars!

We meet at Remedee's Restaurant located at Renown Medical Center. While we usually meet on the 4th Wednesday's of the month at 11:30-1pm. DUE TO THE THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS, WE WILL MOVE OUR MEETING TO THE **THIRD WEDNESDAY** OF THOSE MONTHS ONLY!!!

In November, another exciting program:

PLEASE NOTE DATES BELOW!!

Cheri S. Hill is **President and CEO of Sage International, Inc.** She is co-author of *Incorporate & Grow Rich!*; creator of the educational series: *After the "Inc." Dries...!*; and host of the highly acclaimed, *SageAdvisers® Teleseminar Series*. For over 15 years, she has taught thousands of entrepreneurs, sole-proprietors, investors and professionals how to properly structure their business and personal assets to safely grow, protect and leverage their hard-earned wealth. Her memberships include: The National Speakers Association; Toastmasters International; eWomen Network; and The Asset Protection Society.

Be sure to read this month's "Member Spotlight" on the next page.
Marcy Benner, our Treasurer, has just opened her very own Insurance Company
READ ALL ABOUT IT!

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!!!

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!

OUR MISSION STATEMENT
To bring together businesswomen of diverse occupations and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow personally and professionally through leadership, education, networking support and national recognition.

******TALK ABOUT EXCITING....******

Even though the vote was taken over a month ago, the Woman of the Year committee decided to announce the lucky Honoree at the ABW Day luncheon! *Drum Roll Please.....*

TINA SMITH

Sr. Vice President with First Wallstreet Advisors and former Express Treasurer was honored as the 2008-2009 Woman of the Year. Besides being a successful business woman who is very involved in her community, Tina is a native Reno-ite. Tina has had a very challenging year –she worked through one the difficult financial situation while successfully battling breast cancer! **CONGRATULATIONS TINA!!!!**

CALENDAR

Next ABWA Monthly Meetings

Wednesday, **October 22**
Remedee's
at Renown Medical Center

Wednesday, **November 19**
Remedee's
at Renown Medical Center

Wednesday December 17
Remedee's
at Renown Medical Center

National Membership Dues

Please make sure that you send in your national dues on time so that there is no gap in your membership. National will send you a letter before your renewal date. Please help us by getting that sent in as soon as possible. Thank you!

Fall MEMBERSHIP Drive

Every Fall and Spring, National Headquarters holds a Membership Drive. Help us reach our NEW members goal by inviting your friends who you think would be a good candidate for membership.

Newsletter

Have information that you would like included in the newsletter? Email it to dfrombola@yahoo.com. All articles and submissions must be received the Friday before our monthly luncheons. You may view the current newsletter and all future newsletters on our new website at www.abwa-reno.com.

October/November Anniversaries:

Kristy Hawke
Melodi Fullmer
Iris Iles

Would you like to be spotlighted in our next newsletter?

You could be
featured here next month!

Contact Debbie Frombola at
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Member Spotlight

MARCY BENNER

As a child, her mother opened her own insurance agency in California when she was 10 years old, Marcy Benner grew up learning the commercial insurance business at a young age.

She spent her school day afternoons and summers working in the business through high school and most importantly learned the soft side of the business: to care about each and every customer because they are the most important part of the business.

Today Marcy has launched her own insurance agency in Reno, specializing in health insurance for individuals and groups and all lines of insurance for small businesses from 1 owner up to 50 employees.

After earning a bachelor's degree at Whitworth College in 1998, she embarked on her insurance career, obtaining licenses for property, casualty, and health insurance in 1999.

Since her move to Reno four years ago, Marcy has worked at larger insurance agencies and learned a great deal about the needs of larger accounts and how the large agencies run. She has spent the past couple of years focusing on health insurance because she is very passionate about it's importance. Marcy is the owner of Benner Insurance Brokerage, LLC and her goal is to provide a rewarding experience for her customers based on trust. Each customer gets all the time and focus they need to make sure they have the best insurance at the

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1. All members will serve as goodwill ambassadors for the American Business Women's Association.
2. Members will not allow their personal beliefs and convictions to interfere with the representation of ABWA's mission.
3. Members will always treat their member colleagues, guests, vendors and sponsors with honesty, respect, fairness, integrity, responsibility, kindness and in good faith.
4. Members will maintain compliance with ABWA National, Chapter and Express Network Bylaws.
5. Members will not use their personal power to advance their personal interests.
6. Members will strive for excellence in their professions by maintaining and enhancing their own business knowledge and skills, and by encouraging the professional development of other members.