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XO by Saxon's is the newest offering from Saxon's Diamond Centers, but don't think of it as a third Saxon's location. XO has a personality all its own! Part accessories boutique, part fine fashion jewelry, XO by Saxon's is the go-to place for women shopping for the finishing touches to jazz up their attire, and for today's modern woman with her distinctive tastes and needs. A woman like you! Think accessories boutique. You'll find many fashion items you won't find at the Saxon's Diamond Centers, including designer purses, leather goods, and hair accessories. Come see what we have in store for you, the XO woman!



February 10, 2015

CPWN Networking Event—11:30-1:30

Location: Steele Fish Grille, 600 Boulton St. Bel Air

Sponsor: Nichole Speck, XO by Saxon's

Members: \$25 / Nonmembers: \$40 / Walk-In Fee: \$10 (subject to availability)

March 10, 2015

CPWN Meeting-11:30-1:30

Location: Waters Edge Corporate Center, 4678 Millennium Dr. Belcamp

Speakers:

Sharon Lipford, LCSW-C, Deputy Director, Harford County-Department of Community Services

Paula Nash, LCSW-C, Director of Social Work, Harford County Health Department

Topic: Depression: Causes, Triggers and Treatment

Sponsor: Melissa Scholnick, Capi Clothes

Members: \$25 / Nonmembers: \$40 / Walk-In Fee: \$10 (subject to availability)

March 24, 2015

Happy Hour Networking Event—4:00-7:00

Location: Libertore's Restaurant, 562 Baltimore Pike, Bel Air

Proceeds benefit charitable giving

In conjunction with the Women's Giving Circle

April 14, 2015

CPWN Networking Breakfast—8:00-9:30 am

Location: Richlin Ballroom, 1700 Van Bibber Rd. Edgewood

Sponsor: Wendy Wright, The Wright Fit

Members: \$25 / Nonmembers: \$40 / Walk-In Fee: \$10 (subject to availability)

Event Registrations Close on the Friday before the event at 4:00 PM.
Cancellation Policy: Please remember it is CPWN policy that change to an event registration must be made NO LATER THAN the Friday before an event. If you do not notify CPWN by this date, you will be responsible for the full registration fee.





CPWN with Habitat partners Women's Build scheduled for May 2 - 10, 2015. The location of the home is 518 N. Adams St., Havre de Grace. Karen Blandford, Executive Director from Habitat will be at the February networking meeting with more details. We have also arranged for a link on Habitat's website for sign up and a day will be designated as CPWN day during that week. More info to follow.

Items for Member News can be submitted by the 15th of each month to Carolyn Evans at: cevans321@aol.com

CPWN is growing every month! Please take a moment to meet our newest members!

Coral Landis

Employer: Allied-Phillips, Inc Position: President

Sarasimone Borchers

Employer: Safe Harbor Financial Group Position: Marketing Coordinator

Leslie Doroba

Employer: Nouveau Skin Studio Position: Owner and Esthetician

Coleen Schmitt

Employer: American Water Damage Position: Sales and Marketing Manager

Lynne Leidy

Employer: Intero Advisory Position: Community Architect

Valerie Kevs

Employer: Merle Norman Cosmetics & Spa Position: Beauty Consultant/Manager

Congratulations

Congratulations to Barbara Przbylski for being a finalist for the 2015 Athena Award! The 14th Annual

ATHENA Women's Leadership Breakfast in March 6, 2015 at the Richlin Ballroom from 8:00-9:30 AM.

In order to continue holding our top-notch events, CPWN will be raising the cost of our organization's dues and fees starting next year.

As of January 1, 2015:

Yearly Membership Fee will be \$95.00

Day Of/Walk In Registrations will be an additional \$10.00 on the event fee. Walk in registration will be subject to availability.

Guests will pay \$15.00 more than members for all events.

Thank you in advance for your continued support of CPWN.





Patty's Corner

Happenings In and Around CPWN

Dear CPWN Members:

Happy Valentine's Day!!!!

As a follow-up to our January meeting speaker, this month's topic is Social Media Marketing that can boost your bottom line.

Step 1: Build an Ark. Social media impacts all corners of the company (big or small), and should be more like air (everywhere) than like water (you have to go get it).

Step 2: Listen and Compare

It's an old social media strategy chestnut by now, but "listen" is still good advice that's often ignored. The reality is that your customers (and competitors) will give you a good guide to where and how you should be active in social media.

Step 3: What's the Point?

Yes, you can use social media to help accomplish several business objectives. But **the best social media strategies are those that focus (at least initially) on a more narrow rationale** for social. What do you primarily want to use social for? Awareness? Sales? Loyalty and retention? Pick one. Stay focused!

Step 4: Select Success Metrics

How are you going to determine whether this is actually making a difference in your business? WILL YOU MEASURE ROI~~~~

Step 5: Analyze Your Audiences

With whom will you be interacting in social media? **What are the demographic and psychographic characteristics of your current or prospective customers?** How does that impact what you can and should attempt in social media?

Step 6: What's Your One Thing? Are your product features and benefits enough to create a passion-worthy stir? Is your customer service top-notch?

There is tons of information out there – just use a Google search!!!!! Do your homework and Success is Around the Corner!!!

Sincerely,

Patty Desiderio

P.S. Next month's topic – DRESS for Success!

CPWN is seeking an event planner to assist with all aspects of planning and implementing its 20th anniversary celebration in 2016. The appointed must be a CPWN member in good standing.

Please send resume, celebration ideas, references, and costs for service, to: CPWN 20th Anniversary Committee, Barbara Pryzbylski, Chair, at rebarb1434@aol.com, no later than March 13, 2015. The Committee reserves the right to make additional inquiries to RFP responders prior to making a decision. Although cost is most important, the committee will also place heavy consideration upon experience.

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2013-2014 CPWN Sponsorship Guidelines

Regular Monthly Meetings

- Must be a member in good standing (annual dues paid, no outstanding invoices).
- Your sponsorship may be used to promote the business that employs you or that you own (in whole or in part) <u>and</u> that is the business you are registered with in CPWN's records.
- Sponsorships fee is \$150 (unless designated a special event) and includes 1 event registration (please do not register for the event, as your 1 event registration is done automatically).
- Sponsorship fee is to be paid in advance of the sponsored event.
- You need to provide a door prize.
- You have exclusive use of table tops to put marketing material, promotional items, etc. Please arrive early to distribute the material.
- You have 5 minutes to speak/present. Please do not go over this time limit.
- Sponsors are featured in CPWN's newsletter. Please provide us with 250-300 words about your company. Someone from the newsletter committee will contact you the month prior to the event.
- All sponsorships are subject to approval of the Board of Directors of CPWN.
- Sponsorship guidelines are subject to change by the Board of Directors of CPWN.
- All meeting locations, speakers, etc., are subject to change by the Board of Directors of CPWN.
- No co-sponsorships are available.

Happy Hours

- Must be a member in good standing (annual dues paid, no outstanding invoices).
- Your sponsorship may be used to promote the business that employs you or that you own (in whole or in part) <u>and</u> that is the business you are registered with in CPWN's records.
- Sponsorships fee is \$50 and includes 1 event registration (**please** do not register for the event, as your 1 event registration is done automatically).
- Sponsorship fee is to be paid in advance of the sponsored event.
- You have exclusive use of table tops to put marketing material, promotional items, etc. Please arrive early to distribute the material. You may put up a banner advertising your business.
- You have 5 minutes to speak/present. Please do not go over this time limit.
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Contact: Kelly Bedsaul KellyB@wcscpa.com, to arrange your sponsorship. Sponsorships are offered on a first come-first served basis.



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Membership Dues: \$95

CPWN Member Benefits

- Monthly meetings to network and promote your service or product.
- ◆ Advertising in our online membership directory with website and e-mail links.
- Varying meeting dates, times, and locations to meet your busy schedule.
- ◆ Topical speakers on issues pertaining to women and business.
- ◆ Opportunities for women to support and mentor each other in both business and personal aspects of our lives.
- Special events & Meeting Sponsorship
- ◆ A monthly newsletter with calendar of events, networking tips, member updates, and articles of interest

CPWN's Membership Policy

- Membership with CPWN is by individual and not by company.
- It is not transferable.
- When a member leaves, transfers or changes employment, the member carries her membership to her new place of employment, or it may simply lapse.
- ◆ An unexpired membership is not transferred to the member's replacement at her prior employment.

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