# INDEPENDENT ACHIEVERS



## **MAY 2016 NEWSLETTER**

#### Message from Chairperson Diane Kinnear

Hello Ladies! I thoroughly enjoyed Marsha Jeffers' presentation last month on "Getting Out of Your Own Way!" She was a phenomenal speaker, and if you missed it I highly recommend attending one of her workshops! The West Point Place served up some fabulous food for us as well! I look forward to going back there again this month!





# IA Women's Network Meetings

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



#### **Upcoming Meetings and Events**

12 May 2016 at West Point Place Grill: 6852 - 66 St. Red Deer

Elections followed by a Fun Networking Activity!

Elections will be so well-organized they won't take long, and we should have plenty of time for networking, eating, and having a great time!

### May Elections!

Elections are this month, so please call 403-346-9163 or e-mail Diane (<a href="mailto:counselor.diane.kinnear@gmail.com">counselor.diane.kinnear@gmail.com</a>) ASAP with your choice of any of the seven executive positions! Several people already have, but all seven are considered open until the meeting when we vote in the new executive! If two people offer to do the same job we have time to negotiate whether they will work together, or decide to take on a different position! We are hoping to have them all filled, so please let us know which ones you are willing to let your name stand for! Thank you in advance!

### **New Website Page!**

We have added a new page for you to advertise upcoming events! Classified page is still there to advertise your business in general...this is just an extra! E-mail your submission to Diane, and we will get it approved ASAP, and add it on there for you!

#### **Welcome New Members!!**

Everyone please give a warm welcome to:

Carolyn Bondy of



Check out her website if you're interested in beautiful plants and flowers! http://www.gablehousefarmandgardens.ca/

**Tracy Duval**: She is a 911 operator and one of the organizers for the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Regional Board.

Warm welcome to these fabulous ladies!

#### Membership

Membership is reduced to only \$20.00 for the 2015-2016 year. Membership in IA Women's Network is quite a deal considering that events will be less expensive, we will stand out and be heard by all of these other fabulous business women during our monthly events, we have the opportunity to make a difference in our community together by Adopting A Family (and other similar charitable acts as put forward by our members). You can advertise in this Newsletter, and let's not forget the website. We are allowed to put our bios on there, along with our pictures and contact information for the world to see. We have a "Classifieds" Section where you can post your business ads, and a new "Upcoming Member Events" page. We feature a different member each month in the Spotlight (usually someone who has positively enhanced the group recently). If you have written an article, or have read a great one lately, we can post it under the Articles section... And we are always looking for more pictures to showcase on the website, so please send us yours!

#### 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 successes or upcoming events. We want to hear about anything going on in the Red Deer area for business women, and we definitely want to cheer you on as you continue to succeed with all of your personal 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 15th of the month to Sereita Balkissoon <a href="mailto:b.sereita@gmail.com">b.sereita@gmail.com</a> (We may edit to keep it concise!)

#### Thank You!

Thank You Marsha Jeffers for taking the time to speak with us!!! We totally appreciated the subject and your exceptional speaking skills!

Thank You to Carlos Sanchez for being so helpful with setting up the room and creating such amazing food!

Thank You to everyone for your participation in the "Get Out of Your Own Way!" Luncheon!

#### **Executive Meetings**

The next executive meeting is Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon, and will be held at the Old Court House (4836 Ross St.) Suite 104. All group members are welcome to attend Please ask Diane Kinnear for an Agenda.

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