

# INDEPENDENT ACHIEVERS



## SEPTEMBER 2016 NEWSLETTER

### Message from Chairperson Diane Kinnear

Welcome Back! We have a great line up for you this year, starting with **Kim Berube** on September 8<sup>th</sup>. She will be speaking on the very appropriate topic: **Being Proactive in Tough Times**.

### Upcoming Meetings and Events

8<sup>th</sup> September 2016

Luncheon will be at Glenn's Restaurant (Gasoline Alley) in the Sun Room, from 11:30am to 1:30pm.

**October speaker will be Anita Adrain on Feng Shui for Your Office.**

### IA Women's Network Meetings

IA Women's Network meetings are 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 Website, Facebook, Linked In, and Twitter. For luncheons the location will be reserved from 11:30am until 1:30pm, with the meeting beginning at 12:00, lunch being served, the presenter speaking from 12:15pm – 1:00pm. 1:00pm – 1:30pm is for networking if you can stay.

## MC of the Month

How would you like to be our MC of the Month? We want to maximize our fun, and figure we can have more fun at luncheons if we share the mic...so to speak. At the September meeting everyone who wants to be MC for October will put their names in a hat. We will draw for the position (and a secondary in case the first can't make it). Diane will provide the winner with a list of items we need to discuss at the October meeting (a week before it) and the MC can add her own flair to the luncheon, introduce our speaker, etc. What do you think? Would you like to be our MC for October? You just have to come to the September meeting. and be a member (new or from 2015/2016 year) to be eligible (a win-win!)

## Attention Gardeners!

If we have any green thumbs in the group, the Red Deer Garden Club will be having a speaker on the evening of Thursday September 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, at Kerry Wood Nature Centre 6300 45 Ave. Speaker is: Janet Melrose, Calgary's Cottage Gardener on Fall Planting for Spring Flowers and Edibles. Everyone is welcome, and there is no charge.

## Membership

Luncheons are \$25 for members and \$28 for guests. Anyone is welcome: no need for an invitation. Please register on the IA Website at: [www.independentachievers.com](http://www.independentachievers.com) and pay at the door with either cash or cheque. We have done away with the credit card system of paying for now. If you want us to bring it back, let us know. If we have enough people wanting it back, we can...but for now it is more trouble than it is worth!

**Membership dues are \$49 for 2016/2017.** Membership includes: Reduced Luncheon cost, the ability to advertise yourself and your business on the website for an entire year via the Membership Directory, Spotlight Member page, Members Upcoming Events and Ads page, plus you may find yourself in the Photo gallery! Members are eligible to participate in ongoing ideas like the MC of the Month, the share table, and any others you can come up with! We are always open to new ideas!

## 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 businesswomen, 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 25th of the month to Sereita Balkissoon [b.sereita@gmail.com](mailto:b.sereita@gmail.com)  
(We may edit to keep it concise!)

## Executive Meetings

The next executive meeting will be 15 Sep at 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.

The IA Women's Network Newsletter is published monthly September-June and distributed by email. Submissions by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month to: [b.sereita@gmail.com](mailto:b.sereita@gmail.com)

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A plan without a vision is merely passing the time  
A vision with a plan can change the world*

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