



Women's Council
OF GREATER BATON ROUGE

Connecting, Promoting & Empowering Women

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Editor

Women's TIME

March, 2011

President's Message

I look forward to serving as your President of the Women's Council this year. It will be my pleasure to work with so many intelligent, dynamic, energetic and committed women. The Women's Council has come a long way over the years. We will continue to grow and expand opportunities for our membership as well as the community. 2011 will be our 10-year anniversary for our Signature Event -- Women's Week -- "Women! A Week-long Celebration!" It will prove to be one of the best yet! I encourage our past patrons, activity sponsors, members and community participants to join us for another ten days of fabulous activities and events.

During our monthly meetings, we will now have a speaker who will bring new, insightful information and additional resources to the group. I encourage you to attend the meetings each month as they are a great opportunity to network, meet new and old friends and take away valuable tidbits to expand both your business and personal awareness.

We participate in many community activities throughout the year. I would like to encourage more members to participate in these worthy community events with us. Please visit our website and/or attend our meetings to learn more about the things that we do in the community.

As your new Women's Council President, I am committed to furthering our mission of empowering, connecting and promoting women in the Baton Rouge Community and providing valuable information and resources to our members to enhance their knowledge, strengthen their skills and promote continued leadership. Diane Mariechild, once said, "A woman is the full circle. Within her is the power to create, nurture and transform."

Please join the Women's Council of Greater Baton Rouge and me in making a difference in the Capital Area.

In peace and unity,



Alicia Murphy

President
Women's Council of Greater Baton Rouge

2010 WOMEN'S WEEK PATRONS

We would like to thank all our sponsors for their help in making Women's Week possible.
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2011 WOMEN'S WEEK PATRONS

Each year businesses and individuals join us in bringing our exciting program, **"Women! A Week Long Celebration!!"** to the community.

Would you like to be a part of Women's Week 2011 by becoming a 2011 Patron?
Here are the available Patron Levels:

Diamond Patron \$10,000

Sapphire Patron \$5,000

Platinum Patron \$2,500

Gold Patron \$1,000

Silver Patron \$500

Bronze Patron \$250

Friend \$100

Gal Pal \$45

*check our [website](#) for details about benefits for each level.

For more information on becoming a Patron or supporting Women's Week contact Erica Malone at bookbooglar@yahoo.com

To download a packet click [here](#).

Silver Magnolia Award Nominations



The Women’s Council of Greater Baton Rouge (WCGBR) invites its members to nominate women in our community for recognition as a 2011 Silver Magnolia. The Silver Magnolia Award acknowledges the leadership of women whose dedication and service to mankind should be recognized. This award commemorates women over the age of seventy who have played a significant role in Louisiana’s history and whose life and service is news-worthy and note-worthy. Eligible nominees must live in the Greater Baton Rouge area.

Nominations for the 2011 Silver Magnolias will be accepted through March 31, 2011. Silver Magnolia nomination packets are available [here](#).

The Silver Magnolia Award was established in 2004 by the Women’s Council of Greater Baton Rouge to recognize hard-working women in Baton Rouge and surrounding areas. Moreover, it celebrates women who are committed to helping others and who have made meaningful contributions to our community.

Complete and submit your entry for your Silver Magnolia today. Please direct questions to Patsy Wilkerson, Committee Chair at 225-252-2061 or patsywilkerson6060@att.net.

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HELP WANTED:

WCGBR Wants Your Recipes for our WCGBR Cookbook!

Women’s Council of Greater Baton Rouge is in the process of putting together a cookbook fundraiser. In order for this idea to succeed, we need recipes. Please feel free to submit your personal recipes to us and we will publish them! We are looking for a variety of recipes including appetizers, main dishes, desserts and drinks.

You can submit your recipe two ways:
By email:
wcgbrcookbook@yahoo.com

By mail: P. O. Box 14123, Baton Rouge, LA 70898

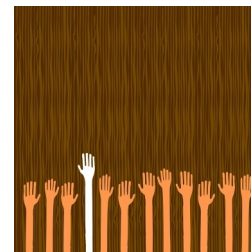
If you’re interested in joining our committee, call Eilleen Thompson at (225) 218-0075.

Habitat for Humanity Women Build

WC will be seeking volunteers to help build a home for a woman and her family. We would like to see WC put together a “TEAM” to help do this and think it

would be a fun and good experience.

If you need help with a committee and want to place an ad, contact Erica Malone at: bookbooglar@yahoo.com



Like to help us out???
We’d love to have you!

Another Year to Get Closer to a Cure

By Libby Quintana – WC Race for the Cure Team Chair

On Saturday, February 19, 2011, members of the Women's Council of Greater Baton Rouge, their family and friends participated in the Komen Race for the Cure, Baton Rouge. Our number of walkers, runners and booth support this year was 22 total. Our team donation goal was \$1500. We raised \$350 in registration fees, and \$1220 in donations. Making our total contribution the Komen Race for the Cure \$1570.



The Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure® Series, the largest series of 5K runs/fitness walks in the world, raises significant funds and awareness for the fight against breast cancer, celebrates breast cancer survivorship and honors those who have lost their battle with the disease.

The Women's Council T-shirts this year were violet and donned the names of several beloved friends and family that were currently battling breast cancer, survived the fight or lost their courageous struggle with the disease. We honor them always.

Our booth had a couple of extra features to help us raise donations. Brenda Conrad-Jackson created a tabletop mini car race. Although a hit with the kids, the adults seemed to have just as much fun playing with us. Everyone got Silly Bands for just joining in and the winners received 'Pink' prizes, jump ropes, puzzles, kites and more. And we made more donations! Always a good point. Jessica, Brenda Macon's daughter, brought her face paints and covered our ladies with a pink breast cancer awareness ribbons on their cheeks. We offered face painting to passers by. Maybe next year we can manage the pink ribbon on one cheek and the Women's Council logo on the other. Imagine!!!

As an added bonus, we promoted the Women's Council and the Women's MarketPlace from our booth, encouraged membership and invited passers by to join us for the upcoming meetings. Several ladies gave us their contact information to find out more about Women's Council and the Women's MarketPlace. We could not miss this opportunity to spread the word about WCGBR.

A thank you to everyone that contributed in a variety of ways toward the success of this event. A big thank you to ALL that came out for the day- walkers, runners and supporters!

Next Marketplace Meeting

At MarketPlace we plan to have a speaker each month that will deliver helpful information for discussion that will contribute to creating stronger and more savvy business women. We will also, periodically, have activities that will explore our creative sides and add to the fun of supporting one another.

Our March topic will be the "Social Network - Is it a Good Option for Marketing and Promoting Your Business." The next MarketPlace meeting will be March 24, 6p-7:30p at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Tara Blvd. & Old Hammond Hwy. Dinner will be prepared by Jennifer Davis and available for \$5. Please confirm attendance at rsvp4mp@gmail.com or call Libby Quintana at (225)287-9997 or libby.quintana@yahoo.com.