



Women's Council
OF GREATER BATON ROUGE

Connecting, Promoting & Empowering Women

Special
points of
interest:

- Women's Week 2011
- Silver Magnolias
- Patrons
- Next WCGBR Council Meeting Thursday, May 12th, 11:30am

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Women's TIME

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Women's Week 2011 Speaker Announced



Past WCGBR President
and 2011 WW Luncheon
Speaker, Cookie
Tuminello

Topic: The New Leadership Paradigm

The marketplace is changing and so are the dynamics of what it means to be a woman leader in the world today. This "Leader Shift" will require not only tech savvy skills but soft skills as well to create long-term sustainable results. The good news is that women already possess these innate skills. We wrote the book on building relationships. No more hanging back and settling for mediocrity.

In this thought-provoking presentation, Cookie challenges you to tap into your wisdom and skills, unleash your potential, stay at the top of your game and be the leader you were born to be.

Cookie Tuminello, speaker, author, Leadership and Team Development Coach, is the founder and CEO of Success Source LLC. Cookie is the "go to" coach for CEO's, executives, business owners and organizational leaders who want to unleash their potential, attain big goals, and create productive, powerful and fulfilling lives. She has a proven track record of empowering teams and igniting productivity since 1999.

In her action-oriented coaching programs, workshops and trainings, Cookie provides her clients with powerful tools and tactics to engage, inspire, and energize them to attain amazing sustainable results. Cookie empowers CEO's, organizational leaders, and business owners with an occasional coddle or kick in the pants! She is a contributing author in the bestselling book, **Power & Soul** and also publishes a witty, wisdom-infused FREE monthly ezine "Team Up With Cookie," filled with success tips, tools, and *Cookieism's* to help jumpstart your success each month. She is also a column writer for **FACE Magazine** of Lafayette, the **Lafayette Business Journal**, and a frequent guest on several TV and National radio shows.

Cookie is past president of the Women's Council and currently lives in Lafayette, Louisiana. To find out more about Cookie, her programs and services, visit her website at www.CookieTuminello.com.

TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF WOMEN'S WEEK

This year's Women's Week from September 16-25 will mark a major milestone for the Council. We will celebrate our tenth event. By all measures the Week has been a great success. Each year the number of activities has grown with the participation increasing to over 3,000. Here are some of the comments from the 2009 Women's Week:

The best rainy day I ever spent!
The program was helpful and insightful.
Excellent opportunity to meet inspiring women.
Beyond excellent - it was riveting!
What a coup to have such a brilliant speaker.
Healing as I laughed.
Learned a lot in a fun and friendly way.

To celebrate the anniversary, we are looking for ideas, both large and small, to make this year's Women's Week extra special. Please submit your ideas to any Board Member.

Karen Groves, Historian

INSTALLATION OF 2011 SLATE OF OFFICERS

On February 10, the 18th slate of officers for the Women's Council of Greater Baton Rouge was installed. The Installation festivities were coordinated by Jaimie Smith, our Immediate Past President. Mrs. Doris Williams, a 2010 Silver Magnolia, spoke on "Reflections of Leadership." Our main speaker, Cookie Tuminello, Past President of the Women's Council, spoke on "Meeting the Challenges of a Dynamic and Growing Organization and conducted the Installation Ceremony. She invited members of the 2011 Executive Committee and the Board of Directors to pledge their commitment to support the Women's Council of Greater Baton Rouge and the duties of their new offices. As a symbol of that pledge, Cookie presented each lady with a gold link to remind them of the strength of our connection to one another in those efforts. Our 2010 Women's Council President, Jaimie Smith was recognized by the in-coming President Alicia Murphy and Libby Quintana with gifts made especially for her: wine goblets; bottle and glass holder handmade by Ellie Torres, with engraved plates recording the date of her Presidency; a nice bottle of red wine and 'bejeweled' bottle stoppers made by Libby Quintana. We hope they will remind her that we join in "celebrating" her accomplishments. Becky Poor accepted a check from the WCGBR as a donation to the First Methodist Church for the use of their facility.

The Women's Council of Greater Baton Rouge 2011 Slate of Officers includes:

Executive Board

Alicia Murphy - President	Cassandra D. Wall - Secretary
Judith Sinclair - Vice President	Sarah Hardy - Assistant Treasurer
Helen Graf - Treasurer	Jaimie Smith - Immediate Past President
Karen H. Groves, CFP - Historian	

Board of Directors

Brenda Jackson-Conrad
Eilleen Brisco Thompson
Erica Malone
Janel Chapman
Libby Quintana
Lisa Devlin
Lois C Folse
Maureen Corcoran
Nancy Hammatt

2011 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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Nancy Hammatt

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 Magnolias Announced



2011 Silver Magnolias

We are pleased to announce that eight amazing women have been selected as our Silver Magnolias for 2011. These ladies have been accepted for their outstanding contributions, dedication and leadership which have made a tremendous impact on our citizens and our community over the years.

The 2011 Silver Magnolia's will be recognized at the Silver Magnolia Tea, Friday, June 3, from 1:00pm-3:00pm at the Women's Club, 259 East Blvd., Baton Rouge. Elizabeth Dent will be our Mistress of Ceremonies. Friends, family and associates are welcome to join the celebration. We especially encourage all of the Women's Council members to attend to hear heart-felt, inspiring stories that could truly make a difference in your lives. Tickets for the Tea are \$15 and can be requested by contacting (225) 302-8018 or emailing info@wcgbr.com. Please leave your name, phone number and the number of tickets you are requesting. Someone from the Silver Magnolias Steering Committee will get back to you promptly.

Seats are limited, so purchase your tickets today.

Everyone is welcome.

A special recognition to the ladies that, through their personal nominations, shared the life stories of the 2011 Silver Magnolias. Thank you for introducing us to these very deserving, and quite remarkable women.

- 2011 Silver Magnolias
- Irma Stewart Allen
- Frances Brumfield Bennett
- Gloria Graham
- Lydia Diane Grant
- Kay McNeal
- Jessie Rushing
- Leatha Slaughter Kay
- Rose Knowles White

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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

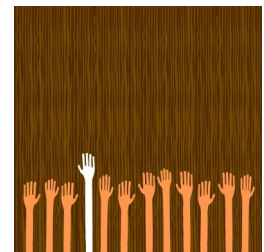
If you're interested in joining our committee, call Eileen Thompson at (225) 218-0075.

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!

Tea for Two May 12th, 2011



The Women's Council of Greater Baton Rouge
Cordially invites you and your guest(s) to join us for

Tea for Two
At Our
Annual Spring Open House

Get to know our members
Learn what the Women's Council does for the
Community of Greater Baton Rouge

Thursday, May 12, 2011
Noon - 1:00 pm, NETWORKING 11:30-nOON
First United Methodist Church
Parish Hall
930 North Blvd.

Guests attend for free. Members to bring APPETIZER OR DESSERT or can DONATE \$5.

RSVP by May 6, 2011 TO WCGBR.09@YAHOO.COM OR CALL 302-8018 EXT. 1

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 May topic will be "Setting goals and creating Dream/Vision Boards." The next MarketPlace meeting will be **May, 26th 6:00PM-7:30PM** at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Tara Blvd. & Old Hammond Hwy. Refreshments will be served. Come join us!

Please confirm attendance at rsvp4mp@gmail.com or call Libby Quintana at (225)287-9997 or libby.quintana@yahoo.com.

Member Announcements

You are invited: Women's Week Steering Committee Meetings

Everyone is welcome to attend our meetings held the third Saturday of the month at La Madeleine's on Jefferson Highway at Old Hammond. Meetings begin at 9AM-11AM. If you'd like to order breakfast, please arrive by 8:30Am. We meet in the private room.

We are really gearing up now and need help on all of our committees: Patrons, Publicity, Luncheon, Program Books, and Activity Sponsors. Folks are encouraged to come see how this all comes together and to get involved!

In the meantime, I can use some help with contacting new and prospective Activity Sponsor.

If you have any questions, please give me a call at 225-938-7944.

Thanks,
Lois Folse
Activity Committee Chair

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We will be having Walk With Me 2011 on Saturday, May 21st, 2011 @ Galvez Plaza in Downtown Baton Rouge. The Walk will start @ 9:00 AM, with registration beginning @ 8:00 AM. It will be a fun-filled morning for friends and families! Will you join me in walking with a child or adult with disabilities? PLEASE consider forming a Team to help raise funds for this worthy cause~ For more information call Melinda Priest Sykes @ 225.635.9088 or 225.245.1525, or msykes@laeasterseals.com.