

# MAKE A LASTING CONNECTION IN 2016!



Connections Professional Networking

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Luncheon Friday, June 10, 2016



#### Please join us for a wonderful networking experience!

Petroleum Club Lunch Buffet | \$18

Please RSVP by noon Wednesday, June 8th. It is important that you let us know if you plan to attend.

You may RSVP via <u>e-mail</u> or on our <u>website</u>. Email: connectionsprofnet@gmail.com

To prevent Connections from being charged by the Petroleum Club for no-shows, if you need to cancel your RSVP please do so by 10:00 am on the Thursday prior to the meeting. We need to confirm our numbers with Petroleum Club by 11:00 am the day before.

To cancel, please send email to connectionsprofnet@gmail.com.

Connections accepts cash or checks. Please have your check made payable to Connections prior to arriving at the meeting to expedite registration.



Petroleum Club

111 Heymann Boulevard (Oil Center)

#### **Buffet lunch \$18**

Please bring cash or **preferred method of payment** check.

Meetings are being held in the lounge on the 1st floor, near the arch driveway, down the hall from the buffet.

Networking begins at 11:30 a.m. Meeting begins at 12:00 Noon.

## Featured Speaker



Liz Webb Hebert **Lafayette City-Parish Council**  Liz Webb Hebert is a native and lifelong resident of Lafayette Parish with a history of civic leadership and active public service. She is a graduate of Northwestern State University and Teurlings Catholic High School.

Liz is the Business Development/Marketing Director at Lafayette Surgical Specialty Hospital. She currently sits on the Board of Directors for the Leadership Institute of Acadiana and has served as president of her homeowners' association for the past 9 years. She has served on the board of the 705 Young Professionals and is a past president of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Acadiana.

Liz has been recently elected to serve as Lafayette City-Parish Councilwoman for District 8 and is Vice Chairman for Lafayette Parish Utility Authority

Hebert was recognized in 2013 as one of the Daily Advertiser's "Top 20 Young Professionals under 40" and is a graduate of Leadership Lafayette, Class XXIII in addition to serving as chairman of Leadership Lafayette and Junior Leadership Programs.

She is married to Aaron Hebert of Lafayette, they have two dogs Lady and Batman.

## President's Message

I would like to thank you, the Ladies of Connections, for electing me as your 2016-2017 president. I am looking forward to a successful year with Connections and all that this great club offers. I can't wait to Business topothont for us this year.

can meet one another for the purpose of sharing ideas, experiences and needs in relation to their careers; to promote professional achievements of women in the community and to provide models for

As your new president, I would like **Janice Weber**e that we have amazing ladies encourage and foster the idea of among us, and I look forward to a friendship and mentoring is ideas Professional Counselor all of you. Let's grow encourage and foster the idea of upcoming year. I challenge each of have to the tengether, and invite someone to get to know our members just a little bit our next meeting! better. I feel like we call a Mestmark Flyde, Suite D, Lafayette, La valuable to each other, if we get to know each other on a more personal level. I

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purpose of this great organization says it She practices at Acadiana Family Counseling at 105 Westmark Boulevard, Suite D in best vette, LA. Fees are charged according to a sliding fee scale. No one is denied service because of inability to pay.

Best Regards,

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Cynthia Beslin President

Thank you Karen for your wise words of wisdom and helping us better understand the various kinds of "loss" and what we can do for each other during these times.

















Bring a door prize! It's a GREAT way to promote YOUR business!!

Thank you to all of our awesome members that gave door prizes at the **April Meeting** 

Nanette Heggie - Heggie Investment Partners / Raymond James JoAnn Pugh - Community Volunteer Paige Beyt - Casselman Beyt Law Firm Jeannine Prather - Jeannine Prather **Bookkeeping Gail Wolf Rose Moss - Mary Kay Cosmetics** 

Karen Rue - Griswold Home Care



#### **NEW Connections website:**

http://www.connectionsforwomen.net/

<u>Members</u>... You can bring marketing materials, business cards and brochures/flyers to the meeting and place on the door prize table to promote your business!!

<u>Members</u>...You can email announcements, accomplishments, business tips or share good news to Rebecca Taylor and she will share on Connections Facebook page.

Send to: Stacy Delatte (contact info coming soon)

#### **MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

We have wrapped up our 2016/2017 year membership drive. Are you ready to find out who the winner is?

A recap of the rules...

The member who brings the most guests to the luncheons/referrals and they become members by the end of May will win a \$100 gift card (VISA/MASTERCARD).

Winner of the \$100 gift card will be announced at this month's meeting.

## Faith House, an organization we have donated to, has a list of immediate needs for their shelter.

**Immediate Needs**: Laundry detergent, dish washing liquid, paper plates, utensils, bowls and cups, towels and washrags, floor cleaner, brooms/mops, diapers (size 4 and 5), sanitary products, ethnic hair care products, Lysol, sheets and blankets (Twin Size)

For women moving out of the shelter, they are also seeking: Furniture (Sofas, beds, dressers, etc.) sheets/blankers, pots/dishes/utensils, kitchen tables/chairs, carseats, fans, and suitcases.

Please contact Mary Usner at (337) 234-2715 for donations or questions.

#### **Bookin' It Book Club**

We will be seeking books to be added to the library for the month of February. If you have any books you wish to add to the book club, please bring it into the next Connections meeting.

#### How does it work?

Bring in a book you would like to donate to the library. We would be seeking

professional development books. It can be one that has helped you in your career and in your work. It will be added to the library and members will be able to check out the books at meetings. The book would be due back at the next meeting. Any donations anyone would like to make to it would be great.

#### Mark Your Calendar!

#### **Connections Meeting - June 10th**

Networking and business card exchange begins at 11:30 a.m. Meeting starts promptly at 12:00 noon at the Petroleum Club.

#### **Future Connections' Meetings:**

July 8

August 12

#### MEET YOUR NEW 2016 - 2017 BOARD



### CONNECTIONS PURPOSE AS BY OUR CONNECTIONS CONSTITUTION

SECTION ONE: TO PROVIDE A PROFESSIONAL,
EDUCATIONAL AND PERSONAL SUPPORT NETWORK
FOR CAREER-ORIENTED WOMEN.

SECTION TWO: TO PROVIDE AN ARENA IN WHICH CAREER-ORIENTED WOMEN CAN MEET ONE ANOTHER.

SECTION THREE: TO PROMOTE PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS OF WOMEN IN THE COMMUNITY.

SECTION FOUR: TO PROVIDE MODELS FOR THE

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