

### May Meeting

Wednesday, May 6, 2015

#### Election of 2015-2016 Officers/ Annual Business Meeting

**Program:** How do I assert myself?  
How do I ask for and get what I want?  
How do I earn the respect of my colleagues and peers?

**Speaker:** Molly Anderson, executive director of Leadership Niagara will share tips and tricks leaders, particularly women, need to navigate the changing occupational landscape.

**Menu:** Filet Mignon, Shrimp Scampi, Portobello Mushroom Stack

**Cost:** \$30 per member  
\$35 per guest

*\*\*Non members are required to pre-pay  
RSVP by Friday 5/1*

**PLEASE NOTE:**

*Checks payable to  
"NYS Women Inc., BNC"*

### How to Register

**Register online at:**

[www.bncwomeninc.org](http://www.bncwomeninc.org)

**or contact:**

Kathy Cerullo at 675-6075 or  
[kathyc3112000@gmail.com](mailto:kathyc3112000@gmail.com)

**Registration Deadline:** *May 1, 2015*



#### President's Message Fran Vaughn

When I joined the Buffalo Niagara Chapter of New York State Women, Inc., I had already attended many networking events. I was essentially "interviewing" professional groups and trying to make a deliberate decision comparing the professionalism, educational quality and the collegiality of the members. As a generally social person, it was fun to attend many events but as a professional who must also balance work and play efficiently in order to make a living, I had to choose no more than two (or maybe three) networking groups that were going to provide the most value to me. How does one measure that value? And what should matter most?

I think that the answers to those questions are definitely personal, depending on where you are in your work/life cycle they may also change from time to time. So attending and "trying out" the group, getting to know the personalities of the members and immersing myself in the organization's activities was the best way for me to decide whether any of the groups that I was going to select would provide the benefits I was seeking. I did join one group which I left after one season because the fit didn't work, sometimes the schedule just doesn't fit.

Each person's reasons for belonging to a networking group are different. For me, as a sole proprietor it gives me a sounding board for the world, so I'm not shut up in my office without another person's perspective on life (I call this the "office water cooler"). It also was a way for me to get the word out about my new business, and let people know I was trying to grow. For others it might be about finding other people with whom they can discuss business practices (I call this the instant board room). I've also found it a great way to find friendships.

However you find your membership in NYSW, Inc.-BNC is benefiting you I'm glad so many of you come month after month to join in fellowship, professionalism and great education. The number of women who regularly participate in BNC activities is truly amazing. ■

## MAY PROGRAM

### MOLLY ANDERSON, LN '09 - '14 Executive Director, Leadership Niagara



Molly Anderson joined Leadership Niagara as executive director in 2009 and embarked on the transformation and rebranding of New York's longest running community leadership development organization. Within the first year of her leadership, the organization adopted a bold new mission, vision, core values, strategies, bylaws, logo and virtual office and by year two instituted graduate-level leadership and organizational development, an emphasis on transformation and innovation, coaching and mentoring program, and an experience known by LN graduates as "one year that will change your life." She brought a regional and binational focus, aligning sessions with the region's priorities for economic development and initiated joint sessions and collaboration with Leadership Niagara Ontario and Leadership Buffalo. Leadership Niagara's program and alumni capacity has more than doubled in the past year and she has secured funding to sustain the organization's LYNC program to 400 high school students over the next five years. Leadership Niagara Class of 2014 is the largest and first bi-national class in the organization's thirty year history comprised of members from Niagara, Buffalo, and Ontario, Canada. ■

**MAY**  
**\$ MONEY MINUTE \$**  
*– Amy Jo Lauber*

*“Money is a good servant but a bad master.”*  
*– Aristodemus*

*As a financial planner, I strive to help people remember not to let the money be the master of them but, rather, for them to be the master, to take control and their rightful place at the helm of their lives, directing money to do the jobs required of it.*

*What thoughts have prevented you from taking control of your money and are you ready to let them go?*

**NYS Business Women, Inc.**

**Buffalo Niagara Chapter**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**As of April 18, 2015**

<b>Other Current Assets</b>	
Room Deposit	200.00
Undeposited Funds	400.00
<b>Total Other Current Assets</b>	<u>600.00</u>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<u>14,041.70</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><b>14,041.70</b></u>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
<b>Liabilities</b>	
<b>Current Liabilities</b>	
Accounts Payable	126.59
Accounts Payable	<u>126.59</u>
<b>Total Accounts Payable</b>	<u>126.59</u>
<b>Other Current Liabilities</b>	
Accrued Expenses	500.00
Due To Member - Reimbursement	<u>-500.00</u>
<b>Total Other Current Liabilities</b>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<u>126.59</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>126.59</u>
<b>Equity</b>	
Net Assets	9,816.06
Retained Earnings	1,474.84
Temporarily Rest. Net Assets	1,893.13
Net Income	<u>731.08</u>
<b>Total Equity</b>	<u>13,915.11</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<u><b>14,041.70</b></u>

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**PROFIT & LOSS**  
**Through April 18, 2015**

<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
<b>Income</b>	
Dues Revenue	400.00
Woman Business Showcase	<u>2,172.14</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<u>2,572.14</u>
<b>Expense</b>	
Membership Supplies	53.30
Newsline Printing	334.08
Woman Business Showcase Exp	<u>2,214.50</u>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<u>2,601.88</u>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<u>-29.74</u>
<b>Net Income</b>	<u><u><b>-29.74</b></u></u>

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**2015-2016 Slate of Officers**

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