



In this issue,
June 3, 2014:

- 2014-2015 Program Dates
- Dues reminder
- WCGN Board Retreat
- Job posting

May's grand finale call topped off a strong 2013-2014 program year!

Dear WCGN members,

What a grand finale for our 2013-2014 program year! We had an outstanding program covering partnerships, **thanks to Diana Katz of Giving Circle of HOPE, (Reston, VA), Sharon Mitchell of Impact 100, (Cincinnati, OH), and Mary Stevens of the Washington Women's Foundation, (Seattle, WA)**. If you missed the program you may access it through the [playback feature here](#). (If you have not yet logged on to our new website, refer to the instructions below.) Our fabulous presenters offered numerous ways to enhance your organization's effectiveness by forging community partnerships. However you listened -- either live or via our playback recording -- please let us know how we're doing by filling out a short [survey](#) about May's program, our last of the year. Your feedback is essential and helps us plan future programs that are exciting and relevant to our members.

May's grand finale call topped off a strong 2013-2014 program year!

Dear WCGN members,

What a grand finale for our 2013-2014 program year! We had an outstanding program covering partnerships, **thanks to Diana Katz of Giving Circle of HOPE, (Reston, VA), Sharon Mitchell of Impact 100, (Cincinnati, OH), and Mary Stevens of the Washington Women's Foundation, (Seattle, WA)**. If you missed the program you may access it through the [playback feature here](#). (If you have not yet logged on to our new website, refer to the instructions below.) Our fabulous presenters offered numerous ways to enhance your organization's effectiveness by forging community partnerships. However you listened -- either live or via our playback recording -- please let us know how we're doing by filling out a

short [survey](#) about May's program, our last of the year. Your feedback is essential and helps us plan future programs that are exciting and relevant to our members.

I would also like to thank the many member organizations that have already paid dues! We're consistently hearing that the new website has made online payment easy. Payment by check is still an option, however, you must [contact the treasurer](#) for the mailing address. If your organization has yet to pay, please refer to the friendly reminder that was [sent to the lead contact for your organization](#) May 15. **The dues payment deadline is June 15.** Read the [Benefits of Membership](#), [Dues Policy](#), and [FAQs](#) for complete information and please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have questions.

Like many of our member organizations, WCGN spends the summer in planning mode. The **WCGN board will meet in Chicago** this week for a three-day planning retreat to tee up our 2014-15 program year; strategize about outreach, sponsorships, and conferences; take additional steps to ensure sound policy and governance; and pass a new budget. Naturally we'll be gearing up for another informative program year built on the fabulous success of this year. Every one of our board members pays her own way to our summer planning retreats and takes time away from both family and work to make WCGN a stronger and more effective network. This year we have the added delight of arriving in Chicago just prior to Impact 100 Chicago City Chapter's Annual Grant Award Celebration, and several WCGN board are thrilled to be attending the event as guests.

WCGN needs your help! WCGN Board Member and Program Committee Chair Sue Priester needs one or two more volunteers to sit on the WCGN Monthly Program Committee that will plan our upcoming 2014-2015 programs. We need your ideas, inspiration, and leadership. If you are interested please contact Sue at spriester@charter.net. You'll have the extra bonus of working with both Sue and Board Member Dianne Bailey. The virtual committee will begin planning via email over the summer.

I am very grateful for the strong commitment of the WCGN board, the excellent program presenters from throughout the membership, and the enthusiastic participation and interest from our general member. We have a dynamic network thanks to all of you. Here's a great piece in a [Washington Post blog](#) about [Women's Impact Fund](#) (Charlotte, NC) and WCGN that captures the spirit of our work together. And keep sending us your great press! We are all proud to be part of the vibrant and growing collective giving movement.

Wishing you a wonderful summer. We'll reconvene with our first call on September 16. Stay tuned for details on our programs!

Warmly,
Laura Midgley
WCGN Board Chair
lmidgley@wcn-network.org

Host the Next WCGN Conference in Fall 2015!

If your organization is thinking about being a conference host and you'd like to find out more, please contact Laura Midgley at lmidgley@WCGN-network.org.

One of the many benefits of WCGN's new status as a 501(c)3 is our increased ability to be a supportive partner in conference planning and execution, all while embracing the local hospitality and creativity of your community and members.

JOB POSTING

[Washington Women's Foundation](#) (WWF) in Seattle, WA is seeking applicants for the job of Foundation President. The WWF President Search and Transition Committee has posted the [job description](#) for those who may be interested in applying. Feel free to pass it on to potential candidates nationwide.

If you have other relevant job postings with a national reach, please let us know and WCGN will be happy to post them in our newsletter.

New Login Instructions for the New Website:

- Your login ID is the email address where you receive WCGN emails and newsletters like this one lmidgley@wcn-network.org.
- First-time users should select "forgot password" (top right of page). You will be emailed a link to set your password.
- Return to www.wcn-network.org to log on using your email and new password.
- WCGN is all about education through connecting. Now even more -- up to 10 -- of your members can join the conversation as well as gain full access to the information on our website just by logging in.
- To view the names of people in your organization that WCGN has listed as contacts, including the name of your organization's lead or "bundle administrator", select "view profile" found in the blue logon box at the top of webpage.
- If you are the administrator, scroll down on your profile to the "bundle summary" to see all the contacts for your organization.

We encourage administrators to add more contacts since we can now accommodate up to 10 contacts per organization, up from four. More WCGN contacts add up to more learning, more connecting, and more active members of our growing collective giving community.

Requests of Our Membership

We invite you to sign up to help test our new webinar service. Test webinars will take place at various days and times between June and September. Contact us at info@wcn-network.org to be included and help us test out the new service.

Bookmark www.wcn-network.org as a favorite for all your WCGN needs.

Place WCGN's logo on your website. We ask members to put the WCGN logo on their website with a link to our home page.



Logon to [view materials](#) from the April 2014 Women's Collective Giving Leadership Forum

Thank you again to our fabulous hosts the Spirit of St. Louis Women's Fund!

2014-2015 Monthly Programs: Mark your calendars!

The May call was the last of our 2013-2014 program year. On September 16 we will begin our educational programs again with our first webinar!

Our programs will continue to be offered on the third Tuesday of the month from 9-10 am PST. **Next year's dates are September 16, October 21, November 18, (no call in December), January 20, February 17, March 17, April 21, May 19.** We will record webinars for easy viewing after the event.

Our conferences are held every 18 months, which means there is no conference during this program year. The next conference is slated for fall of 2015, date and location to be determined.

Find out more about [WCGN](#).

Contact us info@wcn-network.org

You are receiving this newsletter because WCGN Board of Directors is a member of Women's Collective Giving Grantmakers Network - WCGN and you are listed as one of ten contacts for your organization's membership in WCGN. Click [here](#) to see the many benefits of membership.

WCGN, supporting the creation, development, and expansion of women's collective giving nationwide.

[Unsubscribe](#)