

A monthly newsletter from the Women's Collective Giving Grantmakers Network



May 2015

## ***Women-powered philanthropy***

*Supporting the creation, development, and expansion of women's collective giving nationwide*

Dear {Contact\_First\_Name},

As our program year comes to a close many of you are marking your own end-of-the-year grant awards. Hats off to your success! Last year alone WCGN members organizations awarded more than \$8 million dollars -- grants that went directly to support those in need in our communities. Those numbers surely have grown this year. Now is a great time to hear more about tooting our own horns to ensure even more growth and impact in the future! Expect a virtual party and plenty of practical advice **May 19 from 9-10 a.m. PST / noon-1 p.m. EST** when Diane Perlmutter of Greenville Women's Giving and Leigh Hartman of the San Diego Women's Foundation share surefire ways to highlight our vital work in "**Fellowship, Fun, and Philanthropy: Celebrating Success and Tooting Our Own Horn!**" [Register now!](#)

Speaking of making a splash, we hope you read the recent conference newsletter announcing that our **Charlotte Conference keynote speaker will be Darla Moore**, an incredible woman who has broken glass ceilings with her leadership in business, philanthropy, and even golf! Read all about Darla Moore [here](#). Conference [registration](#) is now open to all so spread the word by [forwarding this flyer!](#)

Other reasons to celebrate: Virginia Mills, Chair-elect, and I are thrilled to welcome our **newly elected board members Rebekah Bonde** of Impact Austin (Austin TX) and **Dale Clifford** of Women's Giving Alliance (Jacksonville, FL). Terms for new officers and directors begin July 1.

Please also join me in welcoming the newest organization to join the WCGN family, **Women's Philanthropy at Indiana University** (Bloomington, IN), making us 40 members strong. Many of you met executive director Michele Beillette last year in St. Louis. We are thrilled

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**Merrill Lynch is a proud**

executive director Michèle Bonifat last year in St. Louis. We are thrilled to welcome this collective giving organization, part of the Indiana University Foundation and affiliated with the Women's Philanthropy Institute also at Indiana University.



Warmly,  
Laura Midgley  
WCGN Board Chair  
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supporter of the  
**Women's Collective  
Giving Grantmakers  
Network.**



## Conference News

**Registration is Open for Members and Non-members Alike!**

### WCGN's Fifth National Conference

*"Doing. Being. Leading."*

**October 15-17, 2015**

The **Ballantyne Hotel** in the Queen City of Charlotte, NC!

WCGN Board Members and 2015 conference organizers Sonja Nichols and Dianne Chipps Bailey of Women's Impact

Fund are working hard to create the most exciting WCGN conference yet.



***Read about our keynote, Darla Moore, and other speakers.***

***Help us spread the word. Post or print this one page flyer!***

***See conference FAQs here.***

***Early bird rates (\$300) for members apply through July 31!***

***Non-member registration (\$450) is open now.***

### WCGN Board of Directors 2014-2015

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***Special thanks to WCGN 2015 Conference  
sponsor [Merrill Lynch!](#)***

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Washington Women's Foundation (Seattle, WA)

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members  
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2015:*

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Impact Austin (Austin, TX)

**Dale Clifford**

Women's Giving Alliance (Jacksonville, FL)

## Monthly Programs

### Don't miss May's educational program

**Tues., May 19 from 9- 10 a.m. PST / noon - 1 p.m. EST**

#### **"Fellowship, Fun, and Philanthropy: Celebrating Success and Tooting Our Own Horn!"**

Featuring:

Diane Perlmutter, 10th Anniversary Co-Chair, [Greenville  
Women's Giving](#) (Greenville, SC)

Leigh Hartman, President, [San Diego Women's  
Foundation](#) (San Diego, CA)

Moderated by Felice Joyce, [Spirit of St. Louis Women's Fund](#)  
(St. Louis, MO)

**Register for all programs [here](#), including recorded  
past programs.**

You must register for all webinars to receive the logon  
instructions! Guests are welcome! Anyone who is a member  
of your organization can participate. You may register guests  
for webinars at this link [http://www.wcgn-  
network.org/webinarregistration](http://www.wcgn-<br/>network.org/webinarregistration).

### **Go Mobile for WCGN Webinars**

Participate in webinars by smartphone or tablet, but note  
that mobile access takes one extra step. Download the free  
OnStream Webinar App from your app store. If you plan to  
participate via mobile, please view the steps well in advance of the  
program. Here is a step-by-step [description of downloading for  
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**[A Warm Welcome to Our New Member Organization!](#)**

**Women's Philanthropy at Indiana University (Bloomington, IN),** Learn about Women's Philanthropy at Indiana University [here](#).

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