

Meet Mary Wilson...



The Networker

It's a well-known fact that Women's Network is a place for members to discuss, market, and network their businesses. So what happens when you retire? If you're Mary Wilson, that's when you join!

Mary, a retired elementary school teacher, has been active in the group since 1988.

"I knew I wanted to be a teacher when I was in high school, and I especially wanted to teach in a rural or small town school. My first four years were in Wall, SD; then 19 years at Piedmont School," she said. "I was awarded the 1987 Teacher of the Year by the Meade School District.

Although not in the working force, Mary isn't one to sit by and do nothing. Her hobbies include crocheting, embroidery, and a little tatting, and genealogy.

"I have printed a hard bound copy of one of my grandfather's family; and Jack (her husband) and I have done another thousand page hardbound book on his family. I am currently working on my paternal



grandmother's family, which we have known little about," she said. "Yes, we have investigated a lot of cemeteries, and have searched records in county courthouse basements and attics!"

Music has been a big part of her life since Mary was a child. She just finished 40 years as pianist/organist for the Piedmont Methodist Church.

Mary is also a 55-year member of Girl Scouts and served as Black Hills Council President for seven years.

"I have had great experiences because of Girl Scouting, including conferences, trips to Canada and Argentina, and many, many friends around the U.S. and the whole world. I'm aiming for a 60

year pin!"

Family is also important to Mary; she and Jack have been married for 53 years.

"Most of you know our oldest daughter, Kathy Paulsen, who moved to San Rafael, California, last October. We also have a son Gene in Denver; a daughter Nancy in Austin, Texas, and a son Doug who lives on the ranch here," she said. "We have eight grandchildren, and a great-grandchild on the way."

BOARD CHANGE — Keisha Freeman is leaving for Korea and has had to step down as treasurer for our organization. We wish Keisha all the best. A big thank you goes to Bernie Steichen for agreeing to fill in.

NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS



meetings. Please pick them up or arrange to have someone else do so.

REMINDER — If you don't get a reminder e-mail, or may be out of town during the RSVP time, feel free to call Brianna Hall at 484-4102 to make your reservation.

ARE YOU UP TO DATE? — Did you know the information listed on the Women's Network web site is what will be printed in the directory? Find out if your information is current by logging on to www.rcwomensnetwork.org

LITERATURE — Please feel free to place literature on the dining tables that are 3x5 or smaller. Larger pieces can be placed on the literature table at the back of the room. Thank you!

REMINDER — Please have a seat as soon as possible after checking in for the monthly meeting. This helps the catering staff serve meals faster. Thank you.

CLEAN-UP DETAIL — It is each member's responsibility to pick up leftover handouts from the literature table after

CANCELLATIONS— Please let a board member know if you have reserved and will be unable to attend the meeting. In order to cut down confusion at the check in, do not, however, offer your meal to someone else.

IT'S PERSONAL — Memberships belong to the individual, despite who pays the bill. If a member switches companies, the membership still belongs to the person, not the company.

SUNSHINE LADY — Have you heard of a Women's Network member who needs cheering up? Or someone who should be recognized? What about someone celebrating a milestone birthday or anniversary? Let our Sunshine Lady know! Jolee Wolf will send a card, but only when she knows of a reason! Contact her at jolee@rushmoremortgage.com or 393-7292.

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NEXT MEETING

September 12, 11:45 a.m.
at The Rushmore Plaza Civic Center

GREETERS

Helen Millar, Signature Homestyles;
JoAnne Schriver, Black Hills Workshop;
Darlene Kremer, Kirk Funeral Home; and
Judy Fenske, Rossum & Neal Realtors

BUSINESS TABLES

Unavailable at time of printing
*Guests are welcome to attend up to two
meetings as non-members.*
*For reservations, please call 484-4102 by
noon Friday, September 7.*

NEXT BOARD MEETING

September 19 at noon at Bully Blends

Door Prize Winners

September Spotlight: Dawn Williams

Winner of \$30 in the August 50/50 Drawing: Fran Hatfield

Helen Skogos, Mary Kay Cosmetics

* Red Tea and Fig Body Spritzer, won by Pam Snyder-Varns

Peggy Roozing, National American University

* Rose Garden Floor Therapy Set, won by Shelly Dykstra

Laura Longville, It's Not (Just) About the Money

* A Journal From China, won by Mary Roth

Jen Blake, JAB Publishing

* A Mug (2), won by Anna Vandegrift and Sande Lofberg

Darlene Kremer, Kirk Funeral Home

* Willow Tree Angel of Friendship, won by Rhonda Janis

Mary Wilson, Mela Leuca

* Apricot-Scented French-Milled Hand Soap, won by JoAnne Schriver

Betty Wooten, Stec's Advertising Specialities

* Candy Jar With Goodies, won by Debora Weinert

Fay Swenson, AVON ISR

* Naturals Peach Shower Gel, won by Betty Wooten

Deanna Forman, Jeunique International

* Aloe Vera Hand Gel, won by Mary Wilson

Dianna Fuchs & Linda Rabe, Rapid City Chamber

* Harley Davidon T-Shirt, won by Darlene Kremer

Sandi Lofberg, Aglow International

* Vanity Tray, won by Cory Tomovicle

* Ahava Hand Lotion from the Dead Sea, won by Laura Longville

Deb Worley & Deb Farrar, Ketel Thorstenson, LLP

* Ketel Thorstenson Soft Side Cooler & Genuine KTLLP Water, won by Vesta Wells Johnson

Jolee Wolf, Rushmore Mortgage

* Trisha Waldron Necklace, won by Bernadine Steichen

Sharon Faiman, Forget-Me-Not Floral

* Flower Basket Arrangement, won by Peggy Roozing

Debora Weinert, Edward Jones

* Coffee Cup with Essentials, won by Bev Drabek

Dr. Mary Roth, Wilson Park Dental

* Two Free Complimentary Oral Exams, Coffee Mug, Two Elks Theater Passes, One Alternative Fuel Coffee Gift Certificate, Chap Stick, Pen, Toothbrush, and Toothpaste, won by Deb Farrar

Anna Vandegrift, Alex Johnson Hotel

* Coffee Cup, won by Dodee Hill

Dawn Williams, Walking In Grace Inc.

* "Take A Stress Free Brake," won by Marcia Whiting

Peggy Schlechter, Tastefully Simple

* Mediterranean Herb Focaccia Bread, won by Jen Blake

* Vanilla Bean Chiller, won by Leigh Tom

Liz Benusis, Portrait Echo

* Candle, won by Michelle Kane