



APRIL 2006

NP CONNECTION

ANNUAL EVENT AT THE HYATT ON JAN-26th A BIG



NPCOS President, **Walt Thiessen**, speaking at our Annual Event.

BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS- A Mission Possible

Keynote speaker Bryan Derreberry, President of the Wichita Area Chamber of Commerce, eloquently portrayed a community that succeeds because of partnerships while speaking at our Annual Event held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel on Jan 26.

Presenting before a packed ballroom, Derreberry described partnerships that grow based on common interests and trust. These partnerships can flourish between the for-profit and non-profit community by developing personal relationships...a primary objective of the NPCOS.

According to Walter Thiessen,

Nonprofits of the Week

Wichita Child Guidance Center

Center for Health and Wellness

Senior Services, Inc.

KPTS

Keep up the good work!

Partner of the Month

BKD, LLP

recently re-elected as the Chair of the BOD for the NPCOS, “Sierra Scott’s presentation on where we [NPCOS] are today clearly established the developing partnerships occurring throughout the community, both in the nonprofit community and with for-profit businesses. It is thrilling to watch this momentum of collaboration develop.”

New members elected to the NPCOS BOD include Pat Jones, ED of Dress for Success, & Beverly White, ED of the Center for Health and Wellness.

Lunch & Learn – A Huge Response

A capacity audience filled the Wichita Art Museum on March 2 to learn how to build relationships with local foundations. 108 attendees from a diverse community of nonprofits were the guests of BKD, LLP for a lunch and learn.

According to Nancy Duling, Development Director for the Kansas Children’s Service League, “It was a very beneficial two hours; the granters really emphasized the need of the BOD to be integrally involved in the grant proposal process.”

We appreciate the partnership with BKD during this event and look forward to providing many other grant writing workshops in the future.



Speakers at the “**Lunch & Learn**” included **Susan Addlington** of the Fred C. and Mary R. Koch Foundation, **Jeff Usher** of the Kansas Health Foundation & **Carol Nazar** of the Wichita Public Library Foundation/Wichita Community Foundation.



Please join us in welcoming our newest members...

Allen, Gibbs & Houlik, L.C

Association for Honest

Attorney’s

BKD, LLP

Butler County Community College

Central Star Credit Union

Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

Global Learning Center

Medical Service Bureau

Pregnancy Crisis Center of

Wichita

Ronald Waln, Ph.D

WSU- Cooperative Education

YWCA

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**We Announce the Launch of our
Website on April 1st 2006**
www.nonprofitchamberks.org

April

6th - Committee's Volunteer Orientation.

Inter-Faith Ministries 9:00a.m to 10:00 a.m.

28th - ED Roundtable: Health Savings Accounts

Time and Location - TBA

May

24th - ED Roundtable: Building Media Relationships

1:00 p.m. at ILRC

Grant Writing - Brown Bag Lunch- TBA

June

ED Roundtable - Fund Raising Approaches - TBA

UP COMING EVENTS - 2006

July

ED Roundtable - Strategic Planning - MBO Approach - TBA

August

ED Roundtable - Health & Retirement Benefits - TBA

November

3rd - Leadership Board University Event at Marriot. Time - TBA

December

6th - Holiday Reception " Political Connections"

4:30 to 7:00 p.m



And the Director Says...

As a participant in the NPCOS, you realize how rapidly our membership is growing; over a 100% increase during the last five months. And with this growth, like in all good membership based organizations, we are only as good as our members permit us to be.

Now we are looking for a few good people to assist us in planning our activities for the upcoming two years. This is an opportunity to work with other nonprofit and for-profit executives in developing events for your peers. At present we have a most exciting list of activities planned and are hoping you might consider working with us in making each a tremendous success. Volunteers will bring to the table their skills and expertise to assist others in developing their professional services.



On April 6 from 9:00 to 10:00 A.M. we will be hosting a volunteer committee orientation at Inter-Faith Ministries located at 8th and Market. In this brief hour you will learn how several hours of your time to plan and implement a workshop or event will benefit your peers throughout the community. Does this sound like work? Maybe, BUT it will also be lots of fun and provide a terrific opportunity for you to network with other nonprofit professionals in our community.

Our theme for the year is "building partnerships". We ask that you join with us to advance our ability to exchange information and talent for the betterment of our community as a whole. We look forward to seeing on April 6...and as always, thanks for your membership.

Cheers!

Perry L. Schuckman

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