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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

### Presidents Message

This is an exciting issue to write because we have so much going on right now in our organization. We have our annual banquet coming up, finalists chosen for Professional Woman of the Year, 10 amazing scholarship recipients have accepted, our facebook fan page is up and running and our picnic is today.

We are about to celebrate our 27th annual Professional Woman of the Year banquet. I am delighted to announce our amazing finalists as follow:

- Stephanie Artino, CPA/Principal .....Metcalf & Hodges**
- Audrey Borders, Owner .....Border & Sons Quality Roofing**
- Jennifer Dorr, Executive Director ....Washington Campus Compact  
(Hosted by WWU)**
- Debbie Gann, Director/Owner ..... Home Attendant Care**
- Lori Reece, Broker/Owner ..... Re/Max of Whatcom County**
- Sarah Rothenbuhler, President/Owner ..... Birch Equipment Co.**

Please take the time to congratulate these ladies. This is a huge honor just to be a finalist.

We are in need of donations for auction items for our banquet. If you would like to donate an auction item or know someone who would please fill out the auction donation form and fax to Sandy at 756-9703. You can find the auction donation form on our website at [www.wwib.org](http://www.wwib.org).

I look forward to enjoying a fun barbeque tomorrow night with you all at Melinda Shenk's house.

Enjoy,

Anny Havland

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### **TEAM - or my thoughts of who we are for each other.**

Life is amazing, in many ways. We wake up, and stress about our business day, what we need to get done, who we are frustrated with, arguing, or being mad at, and doing what it takes to be right or win at the game of business that we are all playing.

This past week, I heard news of an amazing business co-owner, 38 years old, who suddenly passed away. The sudden death was shocking and numbing and he leaves behind many that are struggling to understand.

I also heard of an old neighbor of mine in my growing up days, who's dad also passed away. This person was an amazing musician, and played with all of the famous players, Dolly Parton, Elvis Presley, Simon and Garfunkle, and the list goes on and on. And in his career, he wrote the song, and played the piano in "Bridge over Troubled Waters".

This is why I value my membership with Whatcom Women in Business. Hugh you say? I feel that the quality of life is the journey along the way, and to live each day, honoring who you are for others, honoring your gifts and making a difference for those who struggle and maybe could use a hand here and there. I find that in giving to others is really when I shine inside. I truly have realized that no argument really matters, because I don't need to be right anymore. I don't need to satisfy my ego, and when I see myself bumping up against it, that is when I know that I am in the way of making a difference.

We are coming up with honoring the Professional Women of the Year this next few months. Working hard on the banquet, and finding auction items, etc. So ladies, who are you in the matter of the world? Who are you for the team? What frustrations are you currently dealing with, or maybe even creating? Does it really matter if you did not have tomorrow to say your sorry to the person? Does being right really worth running over someone else?

Just like my friends dad who passed away this week, he wrote the song "Bridge over Troubled Waters" and the beauty in the lyrics, just know that you are the bridge for many, and honor being a true great leader.

-Becky



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## CALLING ALL MEMBERS - HELP !!!

We need donations for the upcoming auction so we'll have scholarships to help deserving women! If for the next two months we could all carry donation forms in our purses (folded is okay) and when you are shopping either for yourself or a gift, PLEASE ask for a donation! Also, if you know a business who would might like to get some exposure and free publicity by donating to our auction, PLEASE ask for a donation! PLEASE SEE ATTACHED DONATION FORMS, and fill them out before sending in the items!

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I wanted to let you know, so you can make an update on the website that I have moved to The Unity Group. Below is my updated contact info. Thank you.

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### Car Keys

#### PUT YOUR CAR KEYS BESIDE YOUR BED AT NIGHT

Tell your spouse, your children, your neighbors, your parents, your Dr.'s Office, the check out girl at the market, everyone you run across. Put your car keys beside your bed at night. If you hear a noise outside your home or someone trying to get in your house, just press the panic button for your car. The alarm will be set off, and the horn will continue to sound until either you turn it off or the car battery dies.

This tip came from a neighborhood watch Coordinator. Next time you come home for the night and you start to put your keys away, think of this: It's a security alarm system that you probably already have and requires no installation.

Test it. It will go off from most everywhere inside your house and will keep honking until your battery runs down or until you reset it with the button on the key fob chain.. It works if you park in your driveway or garage. If your car alarm goes off when someone is trying to break in your house, odds are the burglar/rapist won't stick around...

After a few seconds all the Neighbors will be looking out their windows to see who is out there and sure enough the criminal won't want that!