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www.wiwomensnetwork.org

→ Events from Our Members

November 18

WWBIC 2009 Annual Luncheon, Milwaukee

11:00 AM-1:30 PM, Harley-Davidson Museum, 400 West Canal Street.

Keynote by photographer Chris Jordan. Information: Patricia Bobber, Event Coordinator, 414-263-5450 Ext. 113.

November 24

Webinar on The Role of Wisconsin Nonprofits in the 2010 Census

1:00-2:00 PM

Speakers from the [Leadership Conference on Civil Rights](#) Education Fund, the [Nonprofit Voter Engagement Network](#), the [Wisconsin Nonprofits Association](#), and local Wisconsin nonprofits will discuss the latest developments in the Census affecting your nonprofit and community.

This webinar is co-sponsored by [League of Women Voters of Wisconsin](#) Education Fund and the We Count! Wisconsin 2010 Census Project.

[Register here](#)

Through December 4

Artful Women 2009

23rd Annual Art Show and Sale

Skylight Lounge Gallery (C2-5), University of Wisconsin Hospitals
600 Highland Ave., Madison

Artful Women showcases the talents of Wisconsin women artists and is presented by the Wisconsin Women's Network. For more info: contact WWN at 608-255-9809 or by [email](#).

[For a complete events calendar, click here.](#)

→ News

[WI Elder Economic Security Initiative](#)

[Opinion: Social Security is not enough for seniors](#)

Although Social Security was never intended to be the only source of income for seniors, the frightening fact is that one in five Wisconsin seniors is relying solely on Social Security benefits, and no matter how frugal they may be, there is not enough to meet even basic needs.

["The 2009 Elder Economic Security Standard Index for Wisconsin,"](#)

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developed at the University of Massachusetts, looks at the basic cost of living for individuals and couples. The county-by-county study concludes that a large percentage of older people cannot afford to live in Wisconsin.

Women's Health and Reproductive Rights

[Report: Program Helps Women Get Cancer Screenings; Wisconsin Well Woman Program Helps Cover Screening Costs](#)

A state program affiliated with The National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program is ensuring that many low-income women or women without insurance can get the help they need. The Wisconsin Well Woman Program is supporting people both emotionally and financially. It helps cover screening costs and its changing lives. Eligibility for the program is based on age and insurance status and includes high-deductible plans.

[YouTube: Protesting Birth Control in Wausau, WI](#)

Women's Economic Issues

[The Shriver Report A Woman's Nation Changes Everything](#)

This report describes how a woman's nation changes everything about how we live and work today. Now for the first time in our nation's history, women are half of all U.S. workers and mothers are the primary breadwinners or co-breadwinners in nearly two-thirds of American families. This is a dramatic shift from just a generation ago (in 1967 women made up only one-third of all workers). It changes how women spend their days and has a ripple effect that reverberates throughout our nation. It fundamentally changes how we all work and live, not just women but also their families, their co-workers, their bosses, their faith institutions, and their communities.

[50 years later, a group that helps women get into science has grown stronger](#)

In 1959, a small group of about 20 high school girls met with women researchers at UW-Madison to learn about science careers. Fifty years later, the program is still going strong. Now called Expanding Your Horizons, it has grown and evolved over the years. The conference celebrated its 50th anniversary November 7 at UW-Madison. One major change is that it's no longer such a challenge to find women scientists to serve as role models. At the conference, more than 100 professional women demonstrated science, give lab tours, and talked to about 350 girls from across south-central Wisconsin.

[Blog: Economic Empowerment of Girls and Women](#)

In tough economic times, how do you inspire people to give? The Washington Area Women's Foundation put together a two-minute YouTube video entitled, "[Be That Woman](#)." Simple, straightforward, yet powerful, the animated short shows how programs that provide childcare, training, education, and other services create a safety net for women in need. Financial support for these programs ensures that no woman will fall through the

cracks.

[Pathways to Prosperity in the Americas Women Entrepreneurs Conference](#)

"Pathways to Prosperity can and will help spread the benefits of economic engagement and trade to women, rural farmers and small businesses, Afro-descendents, indigenous communities, and others too often left on the sidelines of progress."

- Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton

[Women in the Military](#)

[Female Vets Lack Safe Place for Homecoming](#)

The return from military life is notoriously difficult, particularly for women suffering a delayed reaction to trauma and the aftermath of sexual assault.



Job and Volunteer Opportunities

[Job Opportunities](#)

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[Opening at Disability Rights Wisconsin](#)

Opening for an Attorney in Madison office of award winning statewide disability rights agency to focus on corrections work, legal representation, and systems advocacy. Litigation experience preferred. For detailed Position Announcement, salary range, and application requirements, visit [Disability Rights Wisconsin](#) or call 608-267-0214. Deadline: 12/4/09. Members of racial/ethnic minority groups and persons with disabilities strongly encouraged to apply. EOE/AA.

[Volunteer Opportunities](#)

Posted: 7/1/09

[Independent Living](#)

Activity: Independent Living, Inc. is looking for volunteers to help keep seniors and people with disabilities independent and in the home of their choice. We offer a wide variety of volunteer opportunities. Opportunities include:

Chore Corps: Help an older or disabled adult with running errands, grocery shopping, meal preparation or light housekeeping. Flexible schedule 1-2 hours per week.

Evening Meals on Wheels: Deliver hot, nutritious meals to the home of frail or homebound older adults or people with disabilities. Routes start between 4:00 to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and generally take about an hour to complete. Delivering meals make a great group or family activity.

Friendly Visiting: Help prevent social isolation by offering weekly companionship to an older adult in their home or on an outing. Flexible schedule 1-2 hours per week.

Kitchen Volunteers: Assist our professional chef in preparing and packaging meals for our Evening Meals on Wheels clients.

Reception Volunteer: Assist with answering the telephone, greeting visitors and general office projects. 3-4 hours per week. Shifts are

available at the Independent Living Headquarters, 815 Forward Drive, or The Gardens, 602 N. Segoe Road, both in Madison.
Telephone Reassurance: Make daily calls to provide a safety check, medication reminder or companionship for an older adult in our community.

For more information: [Teri Barr](#), Volunteer Services Program Manager at 608-274-7900

For Fairness,

Judy Karofsky, Interim Administrator
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