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A Letter from the President

January, 2010

Dear CWC Members,

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had enjoyable holidays, and is enjoying getting back to work this month (or not!).

Let's take a moment to look back on 2009. CWC began the year with our always successful Capitol Happenings. We enjoyed a mid-April tax refund lunch at Carbone's. In May, we had a "meet and greet" at Dulce in Hartford. June brought us to a fascinating tour of famous women at Cedar Hill Cemetery. Golf lessons got us outside again in June and July at Blue Fox Run in Avon. Another members only cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at JMichaels in September. Our Signature Event featuring Coach Chris Dailey from the UCONN Women's Basketball program was a very entertaining and inspiring evening (note to self: never wear flats when introducing a '6" woman!). A tour of the brand new apartments at Common Ground was the highlight of our October event and we capped off the year last month at The Town and County Club for our Annual Holiday Party.

In addition to amazing programs, CWC has been led by three amazing women who are leaving our Board of Directors after many, many years of tireless service. On behalf of the entire Board, I wish to thank Anne Elvgren, Anne Noble and Barbara Wagner for their tremendous efforts to help mold CWC into the organization that exists today. They will truly be missed.

New to our Board will be Sandra Johnson, Gayle Russell and Barbara Taylor, all active CWC members since 2005-2006. They are excited to join our board and we are thrilled to have them!

Looking forward and following tradition, our first event in 2010 will be Capitol Happenings. February brings "Ace of Cakes" to Hartford with Creative Cakes. Cake and champagne anyone? In March we will tour the Connecticut Historical Society. In April, we plan another members only luncheon to kick back, chat and catch up with each other.

How do we keep up with all these events, learn about ways to get involved and reach out to new members? Visit our new, expanded website regularly at www.cwcouncil.org.

Before closing, let me recognize the 18 remarkable women of achievement who volunteer significant time each month to serve as your Board of Directors. A very heartfelt thank you goes out to Mary Zeman, our wonderful, enthusiastic Executive Director who pulls everything together and makes it happen.

I am excited about our upcoming year and I thank you for your support and involvement with CWC. It's a pleasure to serve as President of such a wonderful group of successful women leaders.

Very Truly Yours,

Sheila S. Moses