

# Professional Notes



## Important

### Dates:

- October meeting, November 5, 2012 – West Tennessee Business College – South Annex
- October 22, 2012 thru October 26, 2012 – National Business Women's Week – Brown Bag Lunches
- October 26, 2012 – Ghost Walking Tour

*Jackson Area Business and Professional Women*

## Greg Slack to speak at November 5 meeting

The next regular business meeting is Monday, November 5, 2012, at 5:30 p.m., at **West Tennessee Business College, South Annex**. We will network and have dinner (for those of you who would like to eat) from 5:30 – 6:00 p.m. Greg Slack will be our speaker. His presentation will be on personal safety and self defense. Please plan to attend the meeting and bring a friend (or two).

West Tennessee Business College has graciously allowed us to bring food into this building. If you would like to bring in your dinner, please feel free to do so.

### Sam Bomar 2013 Scholarship Fund Requirements

The application and requirements for the 2013 Sam Bomar Memorial Scholarship are now posted at [www.sambomar.com](http://www.sambomar.com). The scholarship, a fund of West Tennessee Healthcare Foundation, was set up in memory of Samuel David Bomar (2/27/1992 – 5/4/2010). The Sam Bomar Scholarship Fund has granted scholarships and community service awards to 16 students.

One \$1000 scholarship will be awarded to a senior graduating from Madison Academic High School and one \$1000 scholarship will be awarded to a senior graduating from another high school located in Madison County, Tennessee. Primary consideration is given to students who have been involved in community oriented and service based groups and activities: church, scouts, theater, speech, debate, creative arts, volunteer work – not just students who hold memberships in a lot of clubs. Sam was involved with Madison's theater department and was on the debate team and the baseball team. He was also a student leader with Fellowship Bible Church's youth program and was a volunteer counselor at Lakeshore United Methodist Camp for three years.

The annual 5K Run/Walk to benefit the scholarship fund, will be held on Saturday, November 10, at Pringles Park. Registration is from 7 – 7:30 a.m., and the 5K will begin at 8:00. Pre-registration is available at [www.sambomar.com](http://www.sambomar.com) and is encouraged.

The 5K was planned to coincide with Veterans Day because Sam was first and foremost a patriot. Sam was an Eagle Scout, and he loved his country. After the 5K and prior to the presentation of the medals, there will be a short patriotic program to honor our veterans. Sam's Scout Troop 115 and Troop 6 will be assisting. All veterans are invited to participate in the 5K and/or to attend the program so that all can say "thank you" for your service.

**JACKSON BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL WOMEN**  
is pleased to present

**THE BROWN BAG LUNCHES**

- Monday, October 22      “The School House Door: Bullies Welcome (but not their behavior)”  
presented by Debra Owen, Attorney, Jackson, Shields, Yeiser, Holt,  
Cordova, Tennessee
- Tuesday, October 23      “The Amber Alert Program – Things You May Not Know About It”  
presented by Cathy Ferguson, Special Agent, Tennessee Bureau of  
Investigation
- Wednesday, October 24      “Voting History of Madison County” presented by Linda Higgins, Madison  
County Historian
- Thursday, October 25      “Car Buying Made Simple” presented by Deborah O’Bryant, Honda Sales  
Consultant, Victory Honda, Jackson
- Friday, October 26      “Sex and the Single Pistil” presented by Carol Reese, UT Extension  
Ornamental Specialist

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WHAT:                      This event is in celebration of National Business Women’s Week, October  
22-26, 2012.

Bring your lunch. Beverages will be provided by Middlebrooks & Gray,  
P.A.

WHERE:                    Jackson-Madison County Library Program Center  
433 E. Lafayette, Jackson, Tennessee

WHEN:                    12:00 to 1:00 p.m. on the dates indicated.

WHO:                      EVERYONE is invited to attend! There is no fee.

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Contact Mary Jo Middlebrooks for additional information, 731-423-2234.



Established in 1956, Business and Professional Women's (BPW) Foundation became the first foundation dedicated to conducting research and providing information solely about working women. Today, BPW Foundation is transforming workplaces by focusing on issues that impact working women, families and employers.

## **Vision**

To partner to create successful workplaces for women, their families and employers.

## **BPW Foundation Mission**

To empower working women to achieve their full potential and to partner with employers to build successful workplaces through education, research, knowledge and policy.

## **History**

The legacy of Business and Professional Women began in 1919. While the organization has transformed over time, the legacy and vision of Working Women Helping Women Work remains intact.

## **Engage**

BPW Foundation supporters, [Legacy Partners](#) and grassroots activists are committed to our mission. Join us by [engaging in our activities and programs](#). Use our grassroots tools to impact your community. Sign up to become engaged and take an active role.

You can also show your support for women veterans and military spouses by becoming a mentor through our [Joining Forces Mentoring Plus™](#) effort.

BPW Foundation is transforming today's workplace. Your participation is essential to provide information and resolution to the problems facing the workplace and workforce. [Sign me up!](#)

Jackson Area Local organization is a Legacy Organization and part of the BPW Foundation family, here is a link to the BPW Foundation grassroots toolkits, as a member may find useful:

<http://www.bpwfoundation.org/index.php/support/info/engage/>

Deborah L. Frett, Chief Executive Officer for the Business and Professional Women's Foundation sends her sincerest thanks for your continued support of the Business Foundation's mission.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- B for Business – the next breakfast will be November 8, 2012, at the Jackson Chamber of Commerce. Meeting time is 7:45 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. The topic will be “**Stop, Look & Listen: Delivering Service with a Smile**” – *Joel Newman, West Tennessee Business Resource Center*
- Save the date – Jackson Area BPW Brown Bag Lunches – October 22-26, 2012, Jackson-Madison County Library Program Room, E. Lafayette, Jackson, TN.
- Save the date – October 26, 2012 – Ghost Walking Tour. Beginning at Riverside Cemetery at 5:30 p.m., dinner at The Baker's Rack at 6:00 p.m., continuing the tour at 7:00 p.m. Contact Middlebrooks & Gray, P.A. for more information.
- Uncle Al's Pecans order forms are due at the November 5 meeting. All orders **must be turned in no later than November 5 with the order money**. If you cannot be at the meeting but have an order, please e-mail Pat Wisniowski at [nsmom7262@yahoo.com](mailto:nsmom7262@yahoo.com) and I will make arrangements with you to get your order form and money. Thanks.



### Spotlight on member Debbie O'Bryant

Jackson Area Business & Professional Women would like to congratulate member Debbie O'Bryant (in advance). Debbie is on track to receive an award from Honda Motor Corporation, Council of Sales Leadership. She will be recognized for having reached her new car sales goal and having a near perfect customer service score. She will be the sole winner this year from the Victory Honda store here in Jackson. Debbie has only 2 more new cars to sell (by the end of this year) to reach her goal.

**Congratulations Debbie, on a job well done!!!**

*Congratulations!*

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