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From the Chair

Fall and cold weather have arrived and the air is full of election chatter. The 2006 elections may be over by press time but the issues remain. October's CWIT meeting described some relevant and timely issues facing our region presented by a dynamic panel of legislative experts. Funding for highway infrastructure and port terminal development are important to all of us in the business of international trade. These projects impact our quality of life and our economy and must be addressed proactively by current and future legislators. Even after the election, we should stay attuned to these issues. Project Vote Smart referenced in this issue's "Check-It-Out" is a great way to research the candidates and elected officials. Also, look for future CWIT programs to address relevant and timely business and trade-related topics.

Don't miss the opportunity to socialize with your fellow CWIT members at our December 5th members-only event. This is a benefit of membership that you won't want to miss. If you haven't submitted your 2006 application for membership, join now for 2006-2007 and you'll also receive our new membership directory, hot off the press.

Pam Everitt, SCSPA, Chair

Mark Your Calendar

January 9, 2007 - The Charleston Women in International Trade meets.
Speaker: John Warner, Founder, and Publisher of Swamp Fox. Topic:
"Economic Outlook for 2007". Luncheon starts at 11:45 am, location TBA
Cost: \$20 members/\$25 non-members.

February 13, 2007 - The Charleston Women in International Trade meets.
Speaker: Lynn Anne Christensen, Financial Advisor, Merrill Lynch.
Topic: workshop entitled "Educating Women on the Importance of Retirement Plan-
ning". Luncheon starts at 11:45 am, location TBA. Cost: \$20 members/\$25 non-
members.

Please RSVP via email: cwit@scspa.com.

Jacky Sassard, SCSPA, Programs

Check It Out!



Project Vote Smart (PVS) is a non-profit, non-partisan research organization that collects and distributes information on candidates for public office in the United States. It covers candidates and elected officials in five basic areas: background information, issue positions, voting records, campaign finances, and interest group ratings. Check it out at <http://www.vote-smart.org/index.htm>.

English Struth, SCSPA, Communications

Jackie is in need of volunteers to work on the bid for the 2008 Spring Board meeting of OWIT, if interested please contact Jackie Adamson for more details. Jackies' e-mail is jadamson@roanoketrade.com.

Jackie Adamson, Roanoke Trade, OWIT Representative

make-up application tips
hair care consultations
Charleston Women in International Trade
 invite you to a
Membership Appreciation Social
 Tuesday, December 5th, 2006, 5:30 - 7:30 pm
Indulgence Salon
 1136 Hungryneck Blvd. Suite 1
 Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina
skin care consultations
mini manicures
Heavy Gourmet hors d'oeuvres and Cocktails
Casual Attire
color and styling tips
RSVP by November 21
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Featured Company: Charming Inns



Charming Inns, Inc. is made up of seven estates including the only AAA 5 diamond in Charleston the Wentworth Mansion, Circa 1886, John Rutledge House Inn, Fulton Lane Inn, Kings Courtyard Inn, Victoria House Inn, and Claussen's Inn located in Columbia, SC. As a small lodging establishment, Charming Inns, Inc. is able to cater to their business partners in a unique way. They have the ability to lower their rates considerably during the week in order to offer a quality and luxurious experience.



The Wentworth Mansion was recently ranked 54th of the top 100 hotels in the nation selected by Travel & Leisure's 2006 World's Best Awards reader's survey and was also named the best hotel in the city of Charleston. The November 2006 issue of the Conde Nast Traveler Reader's Choice Awards ranks the Wentworth Mansion 6th out of 100 top places to stay in the US. Followed close behind is another Charming Inns, Inc. property the John Rutledge House in at 26th. Also in the running were 51st ranked Charleston Place, 83rd ranked Harbor View Inn and in 88th the Planters Inn.

Circa 1886, named for the year the Wentworth Mansion was built, is home to some of Charleston's finest fare. You can take a closer look by visiting www.circa1886.com. Also, for additional information on the inns visit www.charminginns.com or contact Sally Davis, Director of Corporate Sales: (843) 722-8680 or Sally@charminginns.com.

Renee Mangham, Landmark Enterprises, Publicity

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Featured Member: Andrea Jones

Title: Trade Program Specialist, Robert Bosch Corporation North America/ 6 Years

Background

I started my career with Robert Bosch in August 2000 in the International Trade Department handling document retention. I was later given the opportunity to learn other aspects within ITR relating to importing, auditing, the Foreign Trade Zone and NAFTA. For the past 5 years I have worked in the NAFTA area, which more recently has become the Trade Programs Group. I, along with my co-workers, manage the trade agreements for the RBNA OEM Division for Bosch and will be acquiring the responsibility for other RBNA Divisions in the near future. The trade agreements include NAFTA, UAFTA, UCFTA as well as various other trade programs.

My husband and I, along with our two girls, one dog and four cats currently reside in North Charleston. I love spending time with my family and in my free time, I enjoy playing sports and picking up a good book to read.



Recent Accomplishments

Recently, I have written procedures for my department, along with updating the Solicitation Packets that are sent to the suppliers of Robert Bosch. I have managed to complete a semester of college and have aspirations to eventually complete my degree in Business.

Affiliations

CWIT – member, Treasurer, Finance; First Baptist Church of Goose Creek - Preschool Director, Children's Ministry Council; active with March of Dimes

Charlotte Ross, OOCL, Membership

Past Event: Sponsor Appreciation Social

Our Sponsor Appreciation Social at the Harbormaster's House overlooking the Charleston Harbor was a great success. We enjoyed a beautiful view of the harbor along with delicious LowCountry Frogmore Stew thanks to Ben Moise.

Make sure to mark your calendar for our Membership Appreciation Social on December 5th!



Renee Mangham, Landmark Enterprises, Publicity

Other News...

We are very proud to mention that Lynn Ann Christiansen is currently serving as President of the Susan G Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, Lowcountry Affiliate. She is happy to share information about the Komen Foundation and the Race for the Cure.

There were almost 6,000 participants in the Race for the Cure this year and raised over \$400,000. 75% of the money raised will stay in the Lowcountry (12 county area) to be distributed to non-profits that are doing breast cancer education, screening, and treatment. The remaining 25% goes to the national office where it is distributed to scientists around the country for research. Examples of the local grants are projects such as funding mammograms for women who don't have health insurance (make too much



money to qualify for Medicaid but not enough to afford health insurance and don't fit the profile for some of the state and national programs out there), helping women pay for some of the treatments that insurance doesn't cover, they have helped fund a nurse navigator program at Roper-this position helps a women from her diagnosis through all the treatments helping her navigate her treatment and after-care options.

A lot of the grantees do educational programs to women on the importance of doing self breast exams and getting a mammogram and why. Visit www.komenlowcountry.org if you would like more info on the grants or the Susan G Komen Foundation in general.



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