Two WIB Leaders Profiled by the Chemical Heritage Foundation

Continuing an exciting trend, National Program Chair Dawn Hocevar and National Communications Chair Sherri Oslick were interviewed recently by the Chemical Heritage Foundation. They spoke on happiness and the right path that a career requires. To hear Dawn's interview, click here. To hear Sherri’s interview, click here.

National YWIB Committee

We are happy to announce the formation of a National YWIB committee to spearhead WIB's dedicated goal of increasing the numbers of middle and high school girls who consider careers in science. YWIB partners with biotech companies and the local community to create programs that involve active hands-on experiments and the opportunity to engage with successful industry and academic career women who serve as outstanding role models. The new committee, formed in July 2013, will work closely with YWIB in each chapter to design fun events and engage with girls across the country to get them excited about science. The committee members include: Sylvia Yip (Chair), May Samaan (Vice-Chair), Sarah Ahlbrand (Program/Events), Fariha Ahmed-Qadri (Membership/Benefits), Pamela Fincher (Communications), Caroline Fragnito (Program/Events), Rachel Hardecke (Sponsorship), Melanie Peffer (Program/Events), and Jen Rice (Program/Events). More details about our committee members can be found on the YWIB page. To get involved or request more information, please connect with YWIB's Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter or contact National YWIB Committee at YWIB@womeninbio.org.

Have You Taken Advantage of the New WIB Purchasing Program Yet?

WIB has a WIB Purchasing Program, a new benefit for WIB members. We have arranged various partnerships with vendors and hope you will enjoy these discounts and that they will help you in
your businesses and professional careers.

Companies that we have partnered with to offer discounts to WIB members include:

- **Lenovo** — computer products
- **Office Max** — office products
- **Enterprise Rent-A-Car and National Car Rental** — car rental
- **Global Conferencing Solutions** — conference calls

We will be rolling out more partnerships during the year so check back often to see what additional discounts your WIB membership can do for you! Not a member? [Join now!](#)

### Purchasing Program Needs A Vice Chair. Volunteer with WIB!

Do you have negotiation skills and experience securing contracts? If so, we are in need of a Vice Chair of the National Member Benefits committee. This newly formed committee identifies, negotiates and secures partnerships with companies that offer discounts on their products to our WIB members. Our current list of partnerships can be found by [clicking here](#). If you are interested in this volunteer opportunity, please contact us at [info@womeninbio.org](mailto:info@womeninbio.org).

### Volunteers Needed for the National Mentors, Advisors, and Peers (MAPs) Committee

Mentorship is a cornerstone of WIB and a valuable part of your membership. To bring mentorship opportunities to all WIB members, the National Mentors, Advisors, and Peers program is expanding and we need volunteers to help on the committee. Roles may include helping to expand [MAPs or MAPs-University](#) to more chapters, establishing a virtual MAPs program, and populating and maintaining a database of topics and articles that could be used during MAPs meetings. Current MAPs group affiliation is not necessary. If you're interested in joining the committee, please send an email to the [National MAPs Program Chair](mailto:).

### Are You a Social (Media) Butterfly? WIB Needs Your to Help Spread the Word!

For well over a year now, Women In Bio has been working to grow our social media footprint. We have
our Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and YouTube up and running, but now need YOUR help. Even though different chapters have their own social media channels to post information about events and news, we would appreciate it if members would also post through our national outlets. This would double your exposure and allow other chapters to see what you have going on. Please take a minute and bookmark the links above and make sure you're spreading the word about WIB and your chapter.

To connect with us nationally or at the chapter level, please use the links to the right. If your chapter isn't listed below, please let us know!

### CHAPTER EVENTS

**Washington DC/Baltimore Chapter Chapter Events**

**WIB-Washington DC/Baltimore to Host Rooftop Potluck**
Come celebrate the harvest at the Women In Bio Rooftop Potluck on Thursday September 19, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. EDT! This will be an opportunity to grab a bite and mingle with talented and wonderful women while enjoying looking over the city. Water and wine will be provided so bring a dish, hors d'oeuvre, or dessert. No one will judge you if it is take-out from a favorite restaurant. We can't wait to see you! [Click here](#) to register today.

**Please join WIB-Washington DC/Baltimore and WIT for a panel discussion on Women in Executive Leadership**
On October 2, 2013 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. EDT, please join WIB-Washington DC/Baltimore and Women In Technology for a panel discussion at Johns Hopkins University, Montgomery County. The Fall Leadership event will bring together a panel of leaders in the biotechnology and technology industry who will speak to a woman's perspective on recognizing and nurturing leadership qualities for success. At the end of this panel discussion, we hope attendees will take away lessons on self-awareness, vision, effective communication and lessons learned in overcoming personal and professional challenges in the road to a successful executive career. [Click here](#) to register and for more information.
**Dress for Success and Networking with WIB-Washington DC/Baltimore**

Join us on October 18, 2013 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. EDT in Bethesda as a Macy's stylist will present on dressing for success along with other vendors such as makeup, accessories, etc. The members can learn dress for success, network with other members, and shop for discount. Refreshments will be provided. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

**WIB-Washington DC/Baltimore MAPs-University Program Needs Mentors for Graduate Student Groups!**

Mentor, advisor, and peers groups are being formed at local universities (MAPs-University). MAPs-University groups meet on a monthly basis at the University of Maryland- College Park and/or Johns Hopkins-Montgomery County campus. At each meeting, different mentors speak about a topic of their choice and hold a Q&A session. Topics can include career planning, networking, work/life balance, resume building, or another topic of choice. Your experience, expertise, and career advice will be invaluable to women in graduate school as they embark on their careers. If interested, please fill out this [mentor questionnaire](#). For more information, please contact the MAPs committee at [DC.Baltimore@womeninbio.org](mailto:DC.Baltimore@womeninbio.org).

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**Atlanta Chapter Events**

**Welcome to Atlanta Rooftop Happy Hour!**

We welcome you to join the WIB-Atlanta on September 19, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. on the rooftop patio at Shout in Midtown Atlanta. Come enjoy a happy hour, wonderful company, and the chance to learn more about WIB-Atlanta! [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

**Need Sponsorship and Program Volunteers - Become Part of the WIB-Atlanta Chapter Team!**

We are looking for volunteers to help with our sponsorship and program committees. If you are interested in helping with our chapter, please contact [Atlanta@womeninbio.org](mailto:Atlanta@womeninbio.org). Not only do you help make WIB-Atlanta a successful chapter, but you also get to work side-by-side with women leaders in the industry who also share a passion of giving back. Contact us today!

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**Greater Boston Chapter Events**

**WIB-Greater Boston Holding YWIB Event at Biogen, Idec**
Join WIB-Greater Boston on September 24, 2013 from 3:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. EDT at Biogen Idec for an exciting Young Women In Bio (YWIB) event. These events include exposure to many different female science professionals, their careers and experiences in and out of the lab; an in-depth look at a bioscience organization; and activities which include a tour of the facility, a hands-on experiment and a pizza party! The events are open to girls in seventh or eighth grade. Click here to register and for more information.

**WIB-Greater Boston’s End of Summer Barbeque and Networking Event**

WIB-Greater Boston's summer networking event and barbeque was held on August 28, 2013 and included approximately 30 people. Attendees represented women from many different disciplines within biotechnology including researchers, business development, human resources, communications, and law.

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**San Francisco Bay Area Events**

**Young Women In Bio at Joint BioEnergy Institute**

The DOE Joint BioEnergy Institute in Emeryville, CA invites SF Bay area middle and high school girls (6-12th grade) for an exciting afternoon learning how to make biofuels from plant biomass, the future energy source of your cars. The event will be held on Thursday, September 26, 2013 from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. PDT. Immediately following check-in, we will have pizza dinner with students, JBEI scientists and participating members from WIB. The event will include presentations, lab tour and casual discussions with JBEI women scientists and wrap up with your feedback. Click here for more information and to register.

**WIB-San Francisco Bay Area Presents the "Pivotal Changes" Panel**

There are "Pivotal Changes" we as women must master at the early, middle and senior stages of our careers. The strategies we need to advance from one level to another involve a paradigm shift in thinking. On October 29, 2013 starting at 5:30 p.m. PST at Amgen's South San Francisco office, a panel of senior level women will guide us in navigating these Pivotal Changes, leveraging their professional experiences to help women at any stage make the most of their career. Our speakers are Lyn Christensen, Linkages Group; Gerry Hansen, Hansen Coaching and Consulting; and Deanna Kosaraju, Founder and CEO of Global Tech Women. Click here to register and for more information.
WIB-San Francisco Bay Area’s Meet the Experts: Negotiating Through Career Goals, Leveraging Skills for a Win/Win Situation

Please join us for WIB-San Francisco Bay Area’s "Negotiating Through Career Goals, Leveraging Skills for a Win/Win Situation," the third and final Meet the Experts event in our 2013 Entrepreneur Series. Linda Amuso-Radford, Barbara Preston, and Dorian Hirth will serve on a moderated panel discussing essential negotiation skills in the work environment to create a win/win situation, especially as they relate to career changes. Learn how best to market your personal brand and articulate your achieved goals as you move on to new opportunities. The event will take place at Nektar in San Francisco on Thursday, November 7, 2013 from 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. PST. Click here to register and for more information.

Pittsburgh Chapter Events

Join WIB-Pittsburgh for Creating Your Path: Success through Entrepreneurship

Join us from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. EDT on September 26, 2013 at Pepper Hamilton LLP for our professional development event. Experienced entrepreneur panelists will discuss their journeys and answer questions about their paths and lessons learned along the way. This discussion will be followed by a reception and networking. Click here to register and for more information.

Dress-Up for Success!

Halloween is just around the corner and so is the Pittsburgh chapter's annual party. Stay tuned for more details.

Help Our Mission and Become Involved!

Become more involved with the Pittsburgh chapter by joining one of our committees. Contact pittsburgh@womeninbio.org to determine where your expertise will be suite our growing chapter. Committees include Communications/Marketing, Programming, Membership, and Sponsorship. Volunteer for one event, two events or events all year long! Whatever your schedule, we'd love to have you. Get involved, expand your network, and help our mission of encouraging
women leadership in the life sciences industry!

**Pittsburgh’s Social Media Presence**
Did you know that the Pittsburgh chapter has a social media presence? Check out our [Facebook](#) page and be sure to join our [LinkedIn](#) group to make the most of your membership. This is the best way to stay informed of upcoming events, the latest news in the industry and accomplishments of fellow members. It also is a great way to reinforce all of the networking connections you make at each WIB event! Additionally, you can follow the chapter via Twitter. Connect to our feed [@WIBPittsburgh](#) today for interesting tidbits about the industry, our community, and our chapter.

**RTP Chapter Events**

**WIB-RTP's Educational Event: "IMPACT: The Art and Science of Making a Difference"**
Join WIB-RTP's Fall Educational Event on October 7, 2013 from 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. EDT at GlaxoSmithKline in RTP. Learn what IMPACT is, and how you can develop the skills and attitudes to make a real difference. [Click here](#) to register and for more information.

**Young Women In Bio at Biogen Idec**
Calling 5th and 6th grade girls to an exciting Young Women in Bio event hosted by Biogen Idec on October 16th, 2013 from 3:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. The workshop will close with a pizza party! [Click here](#) to register your daughter today.

**WIB-RTP Fall Networking Mixer**
Join WIB-RTP's for a fall social and networking mixer on November 7, 2013 from 5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. EDT at First Flight Venture Center in RTP. We will have a coaching session on networking: how to start and end the conversation, how to read body language, how to discover a common ground and interests. [Click here](#) to register today.

**Southern California Chapter Events**

**Join WIB-Southern California for "Personalized Medicine: Targeted research or ethical nightmare?"**
Please join us on October 15, 2013 from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. PDT for breakfast as a panel of the some of the brightest women researchers discuss cutting edge research in personalized medicine from discovery through commercialized patient care. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

**Communicate More Effectively and Achieve Better Results in Your Workplace**
Are you wondering how you can get better results in your workplace? We all know men and women
communicate differently. Sometimes understanding what these differences are and how to adjust for them can dramatically change your position and results. Please join us on November 6, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. PDT at Hera Hub for this wonderful program. Click here to register and for more information.

**Chicago Chapter Events**

**Volunteers Needed for YWIB Event!**
The Young Women In Bio committee of WIB-Chicago Chapter is hosting a Girls 4 Science event on the morning of October 12, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at the Willis Tower. Girls 4 Science is a nonprofit organization dedicated to exposing girls in Chicago ages 10-18 years old to science, technology, engineering and math. This event will focus on mentorship and will serve to introduce the girls to professionals who can offer guidance regarding careers in biology and provide a friendly ear. We are in need of volunteer mentors for the event. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the Chicago chapter.

**Other Interests**

**Women's Business Development Center in Chicago is Hosting their 27th Annual Entrepreneurial Women's Conference**
The Women's Business Development Center is hosting its [27th Annual Entrepreneurial Woman's Conference](#), Women's Business and Buyers Mart on September 26, 2013 at McCormick Place, Lakeside Center, Chicago, IL. This day-long event brings together over 200 government and corporate entities seeking women owned businesses to work with. Click here for more info and to register.

**WIB Discount for Chief Medical Officer Summit in SF**
The Chief Medical Officer (CMO) Summit for Emerging Life Science Companies is also on the West Coast! The CMO Summit West will take place in San Francisco on November 4-5, 2013 at the Marines' Memorial Club & Hotel. WIB members receive 50% off when you use the code "WIB" during registration.

**The 9th Annual Burrill Personalized Medicine Meeting in SF**
The age of personalized medicine has arrived. New drugs and diagnostics for identifying patients most likely benefit are revolutionizing healthcare. The rapidly expanding knowledge of genetics and molecular biology is creating a stronger platform for us to move ahead into a future of precision medicine. WIB members can receive a discounted registration of $495.00 from a total value of $695.00 by entering WIB while registering for this meeting in SF. Register here.