WIB Events a Big Success at BIO 2014!

Over 200 attended WIB’s Annual Celebration on June 23, 2014, to network, enjoy the beautiful setting overlooking San Diego’s bay, and listen to keynote speaker, Annalisa Jenkins MD, share her personal story and rise to success. Elsewhere, over 50 attended the “Women In Bio-Southern California Area Professionals and Executives in the Life Science Industry” meet up event on June 24, 2014. On the following day, the “Speed Networking Session for Existing and Prospective WIB Members” also had over 100 attend. Look for a full summary of BIO 2014 in our next enewsletter!

WIB Video Library is Now Live!

Ever wished you could view other chapters’ events? Now you can! This new member-only benefit allows you to view previously recorded WIB events. Click here and log into your WIB account to access the videos in our WIB video library!

Women In Bio Partners with SmartBrief

WIB has partnered with SmartBrief to produce a weekly e-mail newsletter, WIB SmartBrief, which brings the most important and timely news stories about women in all areas of the life sciences. WIB President Simone Fishburn states, “Women In Bio is delighted to partner with SmartBrief and to bring this valuable informative resource to industry professionals and scientists across the life sciences. We are thrilled about the opportunity to shine a light on the contributions made by women in the field and the issues important to them. Advancing gender equity in the life sciences is an important part of our mission.” Learn more about WIB SmartBrief and to sign up for this free enewsletter!
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Check Out WIB's Job Board!

Women In Bio has a job board! Visit http://wibcareercenter.com to get started. The job board platform can link to your LinkedIn profile, enabling you to upload information directly to the platform from your profile. You can also see who in your network works at companies you are interested in. Whether you are a job seeker, or looking to fill a position, this is the resource for you!

WIB's Social (Media) Butterflies

Help WIB grow our social media footprint! Remember to participate on our Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn accounts, and post about events and news. Thanks for helping spread the word about WIB and your local WIB chapter!

Twitter
- WIB-National
- YWIB-National
- Atlanta
- Chicago
- Montreal
- New York
- Pittsburgh
- Research Triangle Park (RTP)
- San Francisco Bay Area

LinkedIn
- WIB-National
- YWIB-National
- Atlanta
- Greater Boston
- Chicago
- Greater Montréal
- New York
- Pittsburgh
- Research Triangle Park (RTP)
- San Francisco Bay Area
- Seattle
- Southern California
- Washington DC/Baltimore

Volunteers needed for National Committees!

The National Mentors, Advisors, and Peers program is expanding, and we need volunteers to help on the committee. Volunteer roles will include: helping to expand MAPs or MAPs-University to more chapters, establishing a virtual MAPs program, and setting up a database of topics and articles to be used during MAPs meetings. You don’t need a current
MAPs group affiliation to help! If you are interested in joining the MAPs committee, please send an email to the National MAPs Program Chair.

The Grants Procurement Committee needs volunteers to help us identify and/or apply for grants applicable to WIB. As our organization grows and expands its reach, we will become eligible for more grant opportunities – and we need your help! If you are interested in serving on this committee, please contact Jamie Strachota for more information.

Our Communications Committee, specifically for Social Media, needs volunteers to with finding and creating engaging relevant content for Facebook and/or Twitter. If interested, please contact Jamie Strachota.

CHAPTER NEWS & EVENTS

**Pittsburgh**

**WIB-Pittsburgh’s Summer Book Review Rendezvous!**

On July 9, 2014, local author Beth Caldwell will lead a discussion of her book, *Inspired Entrepreneurs: A Collection of Female Triumphs in Business and Life*, a collection of stories about women who felt trapped in their careers and used entrepreneurship to follow their passions and change the world. Read their stories, share their inspirations, and come prepared to discuss your dreams, purpose, and choices! Dinner is included in the cost of registration. Members are invited to bring a guest at the member cost.

**Mentoring Roundtable Launches WIB-Pittsburgh MAPs**

On May 18, 2014, WIB-Pittsburgh members gathered at the University of Pittsburgh’s University Club for a Mentoring Roundtable. Dr. Kacey Marra spoke about her experiences with mentoring and Babs Carryer then shared her thoughts. During the event, attendees were divided into small groups and given a chance to share their own thoughts and experiences related to mentoring. At the event, WIB-Pittsburgh announced the launch of its Mentors, Advisors, and Peers (MAPs) and MAPs-University programs. We are excited to launch MAPs in Pittsburgh, and we encourage you to contact Pittsburgh@womeninbio.org if you are interested in learning more about the program!

Pittsburgh Mentoring Roundtable Event, May 18, 2014

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**RTP**

**Join Us for Our Summer Book Club!**

Looking for some good summer reading? Then join us for our Summer Book Club series! Our book club will meet at Koinonia Coffeehouse to discuss the following books:

- **July 10:** "Quiet: The Power of Introverts in a World That Can’t Stop Talking," by Susan Cain
- **August 7:** "Bend, Not Break: A Life in Two Worlds," by Ping

**WIB-RTP YWIB Event – A Visit to Biogen Idec!**
Young Women In Bio (YWIB) events are dedicated to inspiring girls in their biotechnology education and career choices. We encourage girls’ curiosity in biotechnology while nurturing a business and entrepreneurial spirit. Our visit to Biogen Idec on July 17, 2014, will include exposure to many different female life science professionals, their careers and experiences, an in-depth look at a bioscience organization. We’ll also have a hands-on activity.

First WIB-RTP Book Club Series Event Brings Lively Discussion, Reflection

On June 19, 2014, WIB-RTP members met at Koinonia Coffeehouse for the first book club series event of the summer - a lively discussion of the featured book, How Will You Measure Your Life, by Clayton M. Christensen. In his book, Christensen dispenses valuable business and personal anecdotes that illustrate the value in finding meaning and happiness in life. His book tackles these big questions: How can I be sure that I will be successful and happy in my career? How can I be sure that my relationships with spouse, children, extended family and close friends become an enduring source of happiness? And how can I be sure that I live a life of integrity – and stay out of jail?

Atlanta

WIB-Atlanta Book Club Discusses Biography of Maria Sibylla Merian

Join us on July 10, 2014, for the next WIB-Atlanta book club meeting! We will discuss Chrysalis: Maria Sibylla Merian and the Secrets of Metamorphosis, a biography of the extraordinary Eighteenth Century woman entomologist, botanist, and artist. Maria Sibylla Merian was an exemplar that showed other women that they could follow their dreams at a time when pursuing careers in science was forbidden for women. Her story brings perspective on how one can carve out a career during challenging times.

Interested in Joining a MAPs Group? Complete Our Questionnaire!

WIB-Atlanta is launching MAPs and MAPs-University Groups! MAPs (Mentors, Advisors and Peers) Groups are informal meetings of six to ten women who share an interest in discussing topics of common professional interest. WIB-Atlanta is also bringing MAPs to local colleges and universities: MAPs-U Groups will be established in various campuses across Metro-Atlanta, serving the students and post-docs and helping them in their career decisions. Interested in joining a MAPs Group? Complete this questionnaire. Interested in joining a MAPs-University group instead? Then complete this questionnaire.

WIB-Atlanta’s Fun Fall Events

Everyone enjoys a happy hour! Please join us at Eclipse di Luna this August! September will feature a “Dress for Success” workshop and suit drive. And that’s not all! We have been working with Georgia Bio to create the workshop “Paths to Success: Lean In Stories from Female Leaders in Bio.” This event will feature a number of prominent women from different career paths as they discuss their individual journeys. Look for more information on these high caliber events over the coming weeks!

WIB-Atlanta Programs to Watch for in 2014!

Visit the Planned Events tab on the WIB-Atlanta website to see the slate of events our chapter has planned for this year and mark your calendars! Hopefully, early notice will help you plan your schedule so you can attend our offerings over the coming months!

Southern California

WIB-Southern California Golf Happy Hour!

We want our members to confidently utilize all available business tools to engage clients, bond with colleagues and managers, and conduct & close business transactions. In that spirit, we have arranged this event with High Heel Golfer, a company dedicated to “introducing, instructing, educating, and empowering upwardly mobile women to use golf for business” on July 15, 2014. Our event will be held at the beautiful Coronado Golf Course, and include a one hour long putting and full swing lesson from PGA instructors, golf clubs (if needed), a business and golf etiquette discussion, and networking time. Take advantage of this opportunity to be outdoors, active, social, and educated!
WIB-Southern California Presents: “The Do’s and Don’ts of IP Strategies”

Developing and maintaining an effective intellectual property (IP) strategy is a challenging but essential step in preparing to take an innovation to market. On August 13, 2014, we will hear from two exceptional women lawyers about what kind of IP protection to pursue based on your innovation, how to protect your business from the ground up and handle litigation risks, and how to ensure your company policies are in sync with your IP strategy.

Greater Boston

WIB-Greater Boston Presents: Building a Positive On-line Brand Using Social Media Tools

Join WIB-Greater Boston for lunch as we learn how to build and develop a professional online personal brand using sites like LinkedIn, Twitter, Facebook, and blogs. Ms. Lauren Celano, Founder and CEO of Propel Careers, will discuss the importance of highlighting your background and experiences, as well as ways to develop thought leadership to complement your resume and identify new career opportunities. Propel Careers will also provide insight on how companies utilize these tools to identify talent.

Chicago

WIB-Chicago Book Club Reviews The Confidence Code

Join WIB-Chicago on July 17, 2014 for a lively discussion of our featured book, The Confidence Code: The Science and Art of Self-Assurance—What Women Should Know, by Katty Kay and Claire Shipman. Join the conversation about how confidence impacts our leadership, success, and fulfillment, and discuss what tools are necessary to achieve personal and professional goals. Bring a copy of the book—and your ideas—and we'll provide questions to start the discussion.

WIB-Chicago Invites You to Its Third Annual “Metro Meet & Mingle!”

Please join us on August 14, 2014, for our third annual “Metro Meet & Mingle,” a summer networking event held concurrently Downtown and on the Northshore. Pick the location most convenient for you! We welcome WIB-Chicago members and friends, as well as those new to WIB, to meet and mingle over cocktails and light appetizers, and enjoy the company of other professionals in the life sciences. We look forward to seeing you!

Call for Volunteers for MAPS program

WIB-Chicago seeks volunteers interested in participating in to help organize MAPs (Mentors, Advisors, Peers) groups in the Chicagoland area. MAPs groups have informal meetings of six to ten women who have an interest in discussing topics of common professional interest. The program strives to bring together people of different career stages, paths, and backgrounds in a professional yet social atmosphere – group mentoring at its best! This is a great way to get involved in WIB-Chicago and meet other dynamic women in the local life sciences community. Interested? Contact Chicago@womeninbio.org for more information.

WIB-Chicago Member Spotlight: C. Zoe Hoeppner, Ph.D.

Zoe describes herself as a “collector and connector” who enjoys “learning new things and making new connections across disciplines and industries.” Her passion serves her well as Assistant Director, External Relations at Northwestern University and as a Technical Consultant at PreScouter. Currently, she serves as chair of the WIB National Membership Committee while remaining active in WIB-Chicago. Zoe recently described her professional journey with the Institute for International Research USA.

San Francisco Bay Area

Chocolate and Talk a Lot!

Join us on July 17, 2014, for our WIB summer social - and tantalize your taste buds with an evening of networking, spirits, and chocolate tasting! The Chocolate Garage will provide a special event for WIB members featuring a chocolate tasting where chocolates carefully chosen from around the world will be paired with scotch, wine, sauternes, and beer for an unforgettabley delicious experience. Light snacks will be provided. Bring business cards and a bright smile!
WIB-San Francisco Bay Area Creates a MAPs Program

Our chapter offers a Mentors, Advisors and Peers (MAPs) program – a unique initiative available free of cost to members living in the Bay Area. During a MAPs meeting, six to ten women meet informally to discuss topics of common professional interest, or individuals are matched with mentors. This is a great opportunity to meet, connect, and learn from women with experience in the Biotech world! Discussion topics include career planning, transitioning careers, work/family balance, managing a team or department, leading or running a company, entrepreneurship, raising capital, and promoting women at work. Interested? To become a WIB member, learn more about the MAPs program, or enroll in the SF-chapter MAPs program, contact us!

WIB - San Francisco Bay Area “Summer in SF” Speed Networking Event

The San Francisco Bay Area Chapter gathered for some “Summer in SF” Speed Networking on June 25, 2014. Over 35 enthusiastic women took part in the event organized at UC San Francisco Mission bay campus. The evening started with lively conversations among participants over appetizers and wine. Maya Benbarak of Stanford University made opening remarks in support of the forum that WIB provides for collaboration among women in life sciences. Through a series of sequential six minute interactions, participants rotated through the event space and had the opportunity to network with each of the other participants. Special thanks to all volunteers, attendees, service staff, and UCSF for making this event a great success!

“Summer in SF” Speed Networking Event, June 25, 2014

Seattle Metro

WIB-Seattle Metro Event – Networking with Ease!

Ever wonder how to end a conversation with someone, or how to carry a plate of food and a drink at a networking event? Does the prospect of walking into a room full of strangers send shivers up your spine? You’re not alone. Networking is vital to our professional success, yet most people struggle with how to do it. Come join us on July 30, 2014, for a presentation by business etiquette consultant, columnist, and President of Clise Etiquette, Arden Clise, on key techniques to help your comfort, confidence, and conversation skills.

Washington DC/Baltimore

WIB-DC/Baltimore Presents a Summer Happy Hour!

Meet old friends and make new ones at an informal social on July 31, 2014! Women In Bio will provide the light fare and your first beverage of choice. Stick around for the raffle drawing! Numbers are limited, but walk-ins will accepted until our capacity is reached.

Save The Date! Join Us for An End of Summer Rooftop Potluck!

Please join WIB-DC/Baltimore for an evening of fun during our annual rooftop potluck! This event is a great time to network with WIB members and other life science professionals. The event will take place on Wednesday, September 24 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Finnegan's rooftop deck, located at 901 New York Avenue, NW. This event will be generously hosted by Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner, LLP, an intellectual property law firm with headquarters in Washington DC.

Volunteers Needed for the WIB-DC/Baltimore Programs Committee

Are you interested in planning events, organizing, and networking? Consider volunteering with our Programs committee and working with amazing Women In Bio members! We are gearing up for an exciting fall schedule of educational, networking, and professional development events. Please email dc.baltimore@womeninbio.com if you are interested.

Vice-Chair Position Open on DC/Baltimore MAPs Committee

We are looking to fill a Vice-Chair position for the DC/Baltimore Mentors, Advisors, and Peers (MAPs) program. The Vice-Chair will oversee local mentorship groups for WIB members and work closely with the MAPs Chair to expand our MAPs program, increase member involvement, and spearhead new initiatives in this successful program. If you are interested in
WIB-DC/Baltimore Kicks Off Summer with Two May Events

On May 1, 2014, a festive group of WIB members turned out for margaritas and appetizers at Guapos at the Rio in Gaithersburg. A beautiful late spring day was perfect for networking and celebrating with old and new friends! Two weeks later, on May 17, 2014, several members of our chapter fundraised and participated in the 5k walk to support the National Kidney Foundation. Our team enjoyed friendly conversation while walking from the National Mall to the Capitol. Many thanks to all who donated and participated!

"WIB rocks!" - A member of WIB-DC/Baltimore's team at the National Kidney Foundation 5K walk

Metro New York

Dr. Amy Amsten Speaks to Women In Bio-Metro New York

Dr. Amy Amsten, Yale professor of neurobiology, shared her insights and findings about stress and its effect on brain circuitry to a full house at our networking event on June 11, 2014. According to Dr. Amsten, in an increasingly complex world driven by the Internet, connected devices, and a trend towards information "overload," individuals are often operating at full mental "capacity" in everyday life. The stress response, and particularly chronic stress, appears to impede functions such as learning, focus, and memory. Dr. Amsten suggests that taking steps to reduce daily stress has shown to be extremely beneficial, such as taking yoga classes, exercising regularly, eating a healthy diet, and getting adequate amounts of sleep.
Save The Date! - Networking Event: A Stress Buster!

We hope you'll join us at our next stress-reducing networking event on Wednesday, July 23 at 6:30 p.m. located at SoulCycle’s West Village Studio B, 126 Leroy Street, between Hudson and Greenwich. It’s sure to be an evening of pedaling fun and great networking. Details to follow shortly.

Greater Montréal

La soirée printanière de 2014 de Femmes en Bio-Grand Montréal

Femmes en bio-Grand Montréal a accueilli l’arrivée du printemps lors d’une élégante soirée avec cocktails et hors-d’œuvre. Cette soirée a été marquée par l’intervention de femmes influentes dans le secteur des sciences de la vie à Montréal. Les présentations ont été suivies par une rencontre de réseautage animée, qui s’est poursuivie tard dans la soirée. Nous tenons à remercier les intervenants pour leurs présentations instructives et à EY pour avoir généreusement accueilli cet événement!

WIB-Greater Montreal’s Spring Soiree 2014

WIB-Greater Montreal welcomed the onset of spring with an elegant evening of cocktails, hors d’oeuvres, and spotlights given by influential women in Montreal’s life sciences sector. The talks were followed by lively networking that continued well into the evening. We would like to thank the speakers for their enlightening presentations and EY for so generously hosting this event!

WIB-Greater Montreal’s Mentorship Mini Program, May, 2014

Nous sommes heureuses de faire part que la série d’ateliers en 3 parties sur la transition de l’université vers l’industrie des Femmes en Bio (WIB) du Grand Montréal a reçu des critiques élogieuses des étudiants participants! Les participants ont eu droit à des séminaires interactifs abordant divers thèmes sur la façon de décrocher un emploi dans le marché actuel, ainsi qu’a une rotation auprès de plusieurs professionnels représentant une variété de carrières. Nous tenons à remercier tous les intervenants pour leurs enseignements instructifs et à EY pour leur généreuse accueil.

We are pleased to announce that WIB-Greater Montreal’s 3-part workshop series on the transition from academia to industry received rave reviews from the student participants! The “mentees” benefitted from carefully crafted and interactive seminars which covered various topics on how to land a job in the present market, plus a very popular station rotation with professionals representing a variety of bio-related careers. We would like to extend our gratitude to
carrières liées à la biologie. Nous tenons à remercier les mentors pour avoir généreusement donné de leur temps et à Bereskin et Parr pour nous avoir permis d’utiliser leurs salles de conférences.

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