

# The Highlander

Highland Business Women's Club

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Issue

## Creating Progress



At the February meeting we learned a brief overview of ourselves. Members took the Keirsej Temberperment Sorter and "graded" their score sheet to reveal personality types. We grazed over the results. I will share in this newsletter and those coming, as well as, info on our Facebook page. The better you can understand YOU and why you do those things that might make other cringe, shake their heads or say "right on". This will aid in working on any relationship; personal or professional.

The next few months of the BW year we will be finalizing our projected goals, writing report and hopefully, installing new officers. The nominating committee will be reporting at the March meeting the slate of officers for the 2017-18 year. If you have even thought a little bit about being an officer, this is your time! Nominating committee...should be focusing on those that have ENFP as their personality type!

There are a few things coming down from State for anyone to partake = Fun Day, March 25 – Cocktails and Canvas, Equal Pay Day, April 4 – Chicago and State Convention, May 5-7 – Champaign. If you are interested in attending any of these events and are not sure how to register or get to "x" place, please contact me.

Important info from the February Board Meeting – Please take time to review:

1. REMINDER: Board Members - We will be holding board meetings for March & April AFTER the business meeting. SO if you are a board member – PLEASE be sure to stick around. Reminder: ONLY one person from each committee team is/needs to attend. It's super important for those that are voting board members. Those committees include: Finance, Legislation, Networking and Education. We can generally knock out business in 30 minutes AS long as we stay on task.
2. President note, Surveys – STILL only received seven! So I will be requesting those individuals that did not submit, please take a moment to complete and send back to me.
3. Finance committee reviewing budget to insure we are on target and amount available for scholarships.

Every possibility begins with the courage to imagine – Susie

### 2016-17 Officers

President  
Susie Dewaele

Secretary  
Donna Plocher

Treasurer  
Lisa Sauer

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## FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

The applications for the high school scholarships have been sent to Highland High School and Materi Dei High School, and will be due on March 31. If you know any high school senior ladies that would be interested in applying, please have them contact their high school guidance office.

The Lucy Staley applications can be found at the Public Library and Chamber office. They are also due on March 31. Please encourage any women you know that are back in school to apply for our scholarship. The Lucy Staley application is attached to this newsletter.



## Nominating Committee:

The Nominating Committee, consisting of Donna Plocher, Paula Redman & Joyce Zerban, will be presenting the slate of officers for 2017-2018 Year.





## March Business Meeting

The Networking Committee is happy to be hosting the March 13, 2017 meeting - and we've got a good night lined up! We will be holding our meeting in Widmer Floral's new Coffee/Wine Room in the front part of their store. For those of you who don't know where it is, it's 1619 Papin, Highland.

And, we're trying something new – there will be no meal – just desserts, wine & coffee. So you might want to grab a bite to eat before you come. Delicious desserts will be provided by committee members (of which Jenn Libbra is one – yay, chocolate!!) along with dessert wine and coffee. They have a wide selection of wine available. The committee will select a few which we will be serving (included in cost). However, if you choose, you may purchase another selection of your liking from them.

Cost will be \$5/person – which includes desserts, provided wine & coffee. We will also have water/tea available. Networking, sweets & wine will be from 6 – 6:45, with the business meeting and program starting at 7 pm.

The program “Judging Doesn't Look Good on You” will be presented by Dawn Mushill. Dawn is a keynote speaker, author, trainer, and an attitude changer! She has been a public speaker ever since people have listened. Dawn is also the current Director of the Troy Maryville Chamber of Commerce.

This would be a great meeting to bring a prospective member with you. Reservations are due to Susie by Friday, March 10. We hope to see many of you there!

Paula, Kathy, Jenn & Muriel



- ⇒ Business Meeting – Dawn Mushill - “Judging Doesn’t Look Good on You”, 03-13, 6:30P @ Widmer’s Coffee/ Wine Room
- ⇒ Board meeting to follow 2/13 business meeting
- ⇒ March 25, 3-6P, State Spring Fun Day – Cocktails & Canvas, Centralia
- ⇒ April 4th – Equal Pay Day Rally – Chicago
- ⇒ May 5-7, Annual State Convention - Champaign



# “COLLECTIONS” DEPARTMENT

March members with dues listed below, if paying by check, write 2 checks: \$35 payable to IFBWC and \$9 payable to Highland IFBW:

If you prefer to pay your state dues on line, no problem! Just follow the prompts on your electronic invoice from the state or log in to the website, and it will lead you through a series of steps. You can either pay with a credit card or thru PayPal, if you already have an account.

REMINDER: I will be handling the administrative piece of membership this year – since I am unable to attend our meetings, Lisa Sauer and/or Paula Redman will be collecting the checks for me at the meetings, and I will pick them up from the Chamber or Lisa’s office for processing. Or, you can mail your checks to me, Kathy Eller, 300 Jackson Lane, Trenton, IL 62293. Or, if you want personalized service, I would be happy to pick up your checks. Give me a call (920-0660), to arrange a time that is mutually convenient.

March dues include: Eunice Hediger, Janet Nicolaidis, Marlene Scholl, Nancy Hediger and Jennifer Libbra

Highland IFBW  
Business Meeting Minutes  
Louis Latzer Community Room  
February 13, 2017

Dinner was catered by Urban Farmhouse, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

President Dewaele called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m. with a Welcome and the Collect at the Latzer Library.

Member introductions were made for the returning members.

Program: President Dewaele presented the Keirseley Temperament Sorter. Each member scored their individual results, using their tests completed before arriving at the meeting. Susie spoke about discovering our own personality types and how interacting in a more understanding way with others can benefit each person at home, in the workplace, and in our organization.

Business meeting: The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m.

Minutes: Dr. Pam G. motioned to approve all pending minutes. Lisa S. seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Correspondence: The only piece of mail was a yellow card placed in the mailbox by the post office. The secretary will address this issue further.

Treasurer's Report: No report.

Foundation: Scholarships will be due at the end of March. The paperwork will be sent to H.H.S. tomorrow, February 14.

Scholarships are available for high school students and for older adults returning to school.

Education: The Speak Off is Monday, April 10.

Centralia has two candidates. Our group has one, possibly two.

Additionally, we have one or two high school candidates.

Legislation: Bob Daiber, Madison County Superintendent of Schools, will be running for Governor of Illinois. Chris Kennedy, Robert Kennedy's son, a Chicago non-profit businessman, has also announced his run for Governor. The School Board election is forthcoming. Stay informed

Choices: The Reality Store date for next fall will be coming soon.

Courtesy: Our next program will be on March 10, 2017 at 6 p.m. It is entitled, "Judging Doesn't Look Good on You", and will be presented by Dawn Michelle, a published author and fabulous singer.

Newsletter: Articles are due to Jen by the 25th of each month.

Old Business: The Nominating Committee is working on securing officers. Please consider the possibilities if you are invited to assume an office.

Surveys: Several surveys were not returned. Please return them as soon as possible.

Filling Positions at the State Level: The State President from Centralia wants to fill positions at the State Level. Interested individuals may speak with Susie Dewaele for more details.

State Fun Day: Upcoming event this March!

OWWI: Candidate due soon if anyone wants to submit an entry.

Lisa Sauer presented our Membership Spotlight this evening. She sees her State Farm insurance customers as part of her own family. She genuinely cares about helping her clients have the right coverage to meet their needs and to cover those unexpected times.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna Plocher  
IFBW Secretary

# HIGHLAND BW – Mid Year Survey 2016/2017

You may return via email if you do not mind that your remarks will be public. However, if you prefer that your comments are confidential – please print out and mail to me: Susie Dewaele, 39 Stone Drive, Highland, IL 62249.

It is a good idea to evaluate how the first six months of the year have been to determine if there are any changes that should be implemented. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

1. How many of the past five LO meetings did you attend? Business meetings were held July – November.
2. Are meals necessary for you to attend a meeting? Yes or No
3. If yes, to question #2 – what cost range should we try to target?
4. How important is the location of the meeting space to you?
5. Holding meetings at various locations thought the year confusing? Yes or No
6. What is the #1 reason why you JOINED the club?
7. What do you feel that our club could do better?
8. What program topics would you like for us to hold?



Spring the season  
for rebirth, renewal  
and regrowth.