

2007/2008 Calendar of Events

## **SEPTEMBER**

**September 19, 2007 - Kick-Off Event** @ **the Artisan Cellar Wine, Cheese, Gourmet Market.** The evening begins at 5:30pm with Refreshments and Networking. The Artisan Cellar will feature a survey of red and white wines from a variety of producers that are great for quaffing before dinner, as well as wines that are food friendly with a variety of courses. Join us to kick-off a new year at our annual wine pairing event.

# **OCTOBER**

October 17, 2007 - Work/Life Balance Workshop @ Merrill Lynch. The evening begins at 5:30pm, as we welcome author/speaker/entrepreneur Debbie Lessin who will address the timely topic of life balance. Debbie's *Life is a Balancing Act* is an interactive workshop which provides practical advice on how to make balance a regular part of your busy day-to-day life. Not only will you examine the many things competing for your time and energy but you'll establish a personal action plan to implement your goals and priorities. The workshop will open your eyes, touch your heart and even make you laugh!

## **NOVEMBER**

### November 14, 2007 - Physical & Nutritional Wellness (Members Only) @

Lakeshore Athletic Club with Health and Fitness Expert - Sergio Rojas, CSCS. Sergio will discuss the importance of physical and nutritional wellness. Sergio is the Director of Personal Training at Lakeshore Athletic clubs and owner of ExecuFit Corporate Wellness -Chicago. He has become one of the most indemand fitness trainers, educators, and motivational speakers in Chicago and throughout the U.S. As a motivational speaker, Sergio speaks to schools, corporations, organizations, and clubs. His lectures and workshops include functional fitness, wellness, stress management, nutrition, weight loss, meditation, yoga, Qi-gong, and more.

## **DECEMBER**

**December 12, 2007 -** <u>The Real Estate Landscape amidst the Subprime Issue</u> @ Capital IQ. Please join Chicago Financial Women for a discussion about the Real Estate market in wake of the subprime fallout. There will be a panel of speakers representing different areas of the real estate market to provide us with a picture of the present real estate landscape and projections of the future. Featured panelists include\_Denise Olsen, Managing Director of GEM Realty Capital, Inc., Robert Fornatto President of City Suburban Mortgage and Steve Nasralla, a Top Performing Residential Realtor at RE/MAX.

### **JANUARY**

January 10, 2008 - <u>The World of Alternative Investments</u>.Please join Chicago Financial Women, along with Sidley Austin, LLP (host) and 100 Women in Hedge Funds for a round robin with small tables hosted by women leaders speaking about the many different career options in the hedge fund industry. Over the course of the evening, you will spend approximately ten minutes visiting at six tables, each hosted by one of our featured speakers. Check our website for the list of featured guests.

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January 23, 2008 - <u>Holiday Gathering</u> (Members Only) @The Aria Bar. Please join us to celebrate the New Year at our 2nd Annual Holiday Party! An evening filled with fine food and drinks, along with a chance to meet new friends and reconnect with old friends of the organization. Wine and appetizers will be served.

## **FEBRUARY**

### February 20, 2008 - Professional Networking Roundtable @ Merrill Lynch

We will be hosting a Professional Networking Roundtable event. The event will consist of 20 minute rotations moderated by a Chicago Financial Women senior member representing the technology, accounting, trading, banking side of finance, and other areas of financial services. Participants will be able to explore each others job roles in detail and give or receive advice on career development through their experiences.

## MARCH

# March 19, 2008 - Spring Into Color Event @ The Buckingham Party Room

Come out of hibernation to join us for a fun filled evening hosted by Bobbi Brown & Chicago Financial Women where all the must have color and treatments for Spring will be revealed! Bobbi Brown consultants will share make-up tips and other beauty secrets throughout the evening. Plus, you can sign-up to get your make-up done at no additional cost! Products will be available for purchase at the time of the event.

#### APRIL

**April 30, 2008 - <u>Techniques for Effectively Branding Yourself</u> @ Merrill Lynch.** Please join us as we welcome Jeannie Walters, Executive Vice President of Vox, Inc., who will provide insight as to how to brand yourself from a professional presence. This includes what you wear to how you market yourself to effectively align yourself with a company's strategy.

## MAY

May 19, 2008 - <u>"My Last Supper" with Melanie Dunea</u> Please us for an evening with Melanie Dunea who will share with us her stories on how she created her most recent book "My Last Supper". Melanie's work appears regularly in *Vanity Fair, Newsweek, Entertainment Weekly, Town & Country, Gourmet, People, New York* and *InStyle*. Her most recent book "My Last Supper" is based upon a game chefs have been playing among themselves for decades, if not centuries, but it had always been kept within the profession until now. Melanie came up with the ingenious idea to ask fifty of the world's famous chefs to let her in on this insider's game and tell her what their final meals would be.

### JUNE 18<sup>th</sup>

**Please join us for our <u>2nd Annual Meeting</u> as Chicago Financial Women!** During this meeting, we will be holding open board elections and discussing the year in review. Following the business portion of the meeting, we will move the networking and end of year celebration to the bar on the first floor of 1 N. Wacker...simply called "One North"....and the first round of drinks is on us!

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