



February Message from MCWT's President, Adriana Karaboutis

*A heartfelt thanks ...and
a note of welcome, too!*

As we proceed into this New Year, and look forward to our 2009 goals and objectives, I'd like to extend a heartfelt "**Thank You**" to numerous MCWT volunteers for their tremendous efforts and contributions in 2008. Without the help of the people on our Events, Finance, Marketing, Membership, Operations, Partnership and Strategic Planning committees, MCWT would not be the proactive and extremely effective organization that it is today!

Our MCWT Foundation is also a strong philanthropic entity, because of the efforts of our Foundation Directors leading K-12, University, Marketing and Strategic programs consistently and actively for our 501(c) 3 philanthropic arm. Thank you to ALL of you, from the bottom of my heart.

While the names of all our volunteers are too numerous to mention in this short letter (but you know who you are!); there is one individual among us who has contributed SO significantly over the last seven years. We all would like to extend a very special thank you to her.

Rosemary Bayer is moving out of her role as President of the MCWT Foundation. I would like us to pause to thank her for her extraordinary contributions. One of the five original founders of MCWT, Rosemary has held many leadership roles in our organization. She chaired the original Technical Events committee, founded and led our original Corporate Outreach (now Partnership) committee and she was the first MCWT V.P. of Strategic Planning.

Rosemary took over as President of the MCWT Foundation in 2003 and, together with a key team, led its growth in a remarkable way.

Under Rosemary's leadership, our annual scholarships have increased from \$2000 in 2003 to over \$67,000 annually today. We have increased our number of high school Robotics teams from 1 team to 13 teams annually. We have successfully run our 4th-7th grade girls' summer camp for over six years. We now have "Camp Infinity BluePrint" plans in place to implement the camp through a variety of other sponsoring organizations. Our university programs are stretching from a single university to multiple universities in the coming year. Best Practices white papers have been distributed to numerous corporations and organizations. We have helped to attract and retain women in IT – and we have strengthened our community and corporations by doing so.

Rosemary's vision, energy and leadership were key reasons for these achievements. On behalf of all of us, I would like to extend heartfelt thanks to Rosemary for what she has done, and what she will continue to do for us. (And please, when you see Rosemary, would you thank her as well?).

And you will see her. Rosemary will continue to be an active MCWT leader, moving into a role on our Advisory Board and assisting our incoming Foundation President in transition. Among other things, she will also be a key external spokesperson for MCWT, as we grow and evolve in the future.

On behalf of our team, I am also thrilled to be welcoming **Marcy Klevorn** as the new President for the MCWT Foundation. An IT executive with Ford Motor Company, Marcy is featured in the very first article in this newsletter. I have been personally privileged to work with Marcy in the past. I know, first hand, how very talented she is! Please join me in welcoming her and assisting Marcy as she leads the MCWT Foundation to continued success.

**See you at an MCWT event very soon,
everyone!**

Adriana (Andi) Karaboutis

GREETINGS!

Here are highlights of Michigan Council of Women in Technology 1st Quarter occurrences, topics of interest, and a view of what is coming up in 2009 on the busy MCWT agenda!

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A Little Bit About Marcy Klevorn - MCWT Foundation President - 2009

Our new MCWT Foundation President, **Marcy Klevorn**, has a 26 year career at Ford Motor Company and has been Ford's global director, Information Technology (IT) Infrastructure, since May of 2006. In her current professional role (reporting to Nick Smither, Ford's CIO), Marcy oversees Ford's technical infrastructure, more than 550 data centers, web-hosting requirements, engineering, technical innovation & research and infrastructure services for the entire company.

Previously, Marcy was Ford's director, Enterprise Defragmentation, and led the strategy & implementation for data center consolidation, infrastructure coherence and overall systems management. From 2003 to 2005, Marcy moved into Ford IT as the consulting program manager for the purchasing initiative, eVEREST, leading the analysis and decision to move IT migration back to legacy systems. In 2005, she became global director, Product Lifecycle Management, and spearheaded a business process change in data and information management across product creation.

Beginning her career at Ford in 1983 in Telecommunication Services, Marcy held a number of IT-related positions within Ford IT and Ford Credit through 2003. Among other things, she led the Treasury Systems department, launched a comprehensive securitization system (which diversified company funding for Ford), assisted in the launch of numerous new technologies to improve Ford and supported the launch of eight new Ford Credit Service Centers – the largest system migration in Ford's history. While managing the Custom Branch and Dealer Systems department at Ford Credit, Marcy led the Compass Replacement project. This entailed rewriting one of the largest client server applications world-wide to a J2EE application.

Marcy holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan's Stephen M. Ross School of Business. She participated in the Experienced Leader Challenge (ELC) in 2001. She completed the Global Leadership Summit in March of 2008, which was championed by Ford's President and CEO, Alan Mulally.

In addition to her role in MCWT, Marcy is an enthusiastic supporter of other initiatives to improve careers at Ford. She is an executive sponsor for the Professional Women's Network (PWN), representing IT at Ford. She is also the executive sponsor of the Ford IT Diversity Action Team (ITDAT), the executive sponsor for the Executive Shadowing Program within Ford IT and the executive sponsor for the University of Michigan IT leadership program recruiting at Ford.

Marcy lives in Farmington Hills with her husband and son.

Welcome, Marcy!

MCWT Foundation 2009 Scholarship Program Deadline Approaching

The MCWT Foundation announced its 2009 University and Post-University Scholarship Programs, a new scholarship for high school students involved in the MCWTF GET-IT Program, and Laptop Awards program for women interested in pursuing technology programs at the university level in December. Here are some additional details:

- The MCWT Foundation 2009 Scholarship Program covers one high school senior, one undergraduate level and one graduate level college/university scholarship for women who are currently or will be enrolled in college/university level courses for the 2009-2010 academic year. In addition, MCWTF is offering one graduate or undergraduate level research grant, which can be applied to research materials, lab requirements, travel and presentation needs
- MCWTF is offering three laptop/printer combinations to deserving students
- New this year, any student involved in the MCWTF GET-IT Program (GET-IT stands for Girls Exploring Together: Information Technology) is eligible to apply for one new scholarship for high school seniors entering college or taking college level courses in the fall of 2009

The application deadline is **February 27, 2009**. Applications and eligibility requirements can be accessed at both the MCWT and MCWT Foundation Web sites. Winners will be announced in late March of this year.



EXCITING UPCOMING EVENTS

SPEED INTERVIEWING SESSION

A speed interviewing session will be held at Lawrence Technological University on Thursday, February 19, 2009, to support university students --- as part of the MCWT Foundation University Programs. MCWT volunteers will meet with each student for five minutes and provide feedback on her résumé and interviewing skills. **Volunteers are still needed.** University Programs is also looking for volunteers to coordinate with Michigan State University and Oakland University. Volunteers will work with each university to set up sessions for students and pass along information, such as opportunities for scholarships and internships.

- Venue – First Session: Lawrence Technological University
- Date: Thursday, February 19, 2009
- Time: 8:00 pm
- More Information: Rachel Cronover (rcronover@ltu.edu)

MCWT'S CAFÉ CONVERSATIONS

For the 4th year, MCWT will be sponsoring Café Conversations, an intellectually stimulating and high energy event on February 26, 2009. This is a revolving, roundtable event where participants have the chance to engage in multiple discussions around topics of interest to their careers, personal development, IT industry innovations and more! This event will include elegant appetizers, provocative discussions, high powered networking and a cash bar.

- Venue: MGM Grand Casino – Ignite - Detroit
- Date: Thursday, February 26, 2009
- Time: 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm
- Cost: \$25 for MCWT members & students
\$35 for non-members & guests
- Register: www.mcwt.org
- More Information: Tracy-Ann Palmer (mcwt120@yahoo.com)

MCWT'S NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION SESSION

The MCWT Membership team is kicking off quarterly New Member Orientation Sessions to welcome new MCWT members and answer questions. Each session is both informational and networking-oriented. The first one is open to any member who has joined between November 1, 2008 and March 10, 2009. Come meet other new members, and meet representatives of key MCWT Committees.

- Venue: TBD
- Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2009
- Time: 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm
- Cost: FREE to eligible new members
- More Information: Deb Swink (deb.swink@csileasing.com)

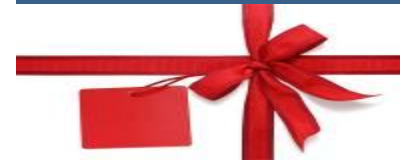
2008 MCWT MENTORING PROGRAM WRAP-UP EVENT

The MCWT Mentoring Program team will be sponsoring their Wrap-Up Event honoring this year's mentors and mentees in March. Attendance is limited to current program participants and is by invitation only.

- Venue: Automation Alley, 2675 Bellingham, Troy, Michigan
- Date: Tuesday, March 16, 2009
- Time: 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
- Cost: FREE – *by invitation only*
- More Information: Jan Rydzon (rydzonj@dteenergy.com)

ONLINE MCWT DONATIONS PROGRAM ACTIVE!

As a new tax year opens, the MCWT Foundation Board would like to remind you that all individual donations to the MCWT Foundation (a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization) are tax deductible.



You can access the online donation page at either www.mcwt.com or www.mcwff.com.



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EXCITING UPCOMING EVENTS, continued

DOES YOUR CORPORATION OFFER MATCHING FUNDS?



A number of strong MCWT partners (Microsoft, for example) offer matching funds for time volunteered in philanthropic organizations like MCWT. If your company is an MCWT sponsor or partner and offers a matching program, please contact MCWT financial leadership at:

info@mcwt.org

with details of how these funds can be obtained for the benefit of the MCWT Foundation and in recognition of YOUR volunteer efforts.

WLAM FOUNDATION FEATURES ROSEMARY BAYER

The Women Lawyers Association of Michigan (WLAM) Foundation is featuring a prominent MCWT speaker at their upcoming annual awards reception. Rosemary Bayer, outgoing MCWT Foundation President, will speak on the topic, *Riding the Technology Wave*.

- Venue The Detroit Golf Club, 17911 Hamilton Road, Detroit
- Date Thursday, March 26, 2009
- Time 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm
- Cost \$25 donation to WLAM Foundation
www.wlamfoundation.org
Payment must be received by March 19th
- More Information Debbie at WLAM – (734)762-7260

MOVING FORWARD – A PRODUCTIVE PANEL DISCUSSION

Co-sponsored with Daimler Financial Services and Women in Technology, Inc. (WITI), MCWT is proud to be involved in *Moving Forward*, a networking event focused on candid discussions of how to manage your career and evolve to the next level of personal growth and fulfillment. Successful female executives will share their advice and lessons learned as they relate to our current challenging economic environment. The female executive leaders will include the president of a major career transition company, a high-ranking state executive and 2 other women executives in the I.T. field. Stay tuned for further details!

- Venue Daimler Financial Services Headquarters
36455 Corporate Drive, Farmington Hills, Michigan
- Date Tuesday, March 31, 2009
- Time 5:30 pm – 9:00 pm
- Cost FREE for MCWT members & students
\$15 for non-members & guests
- Register www.mcwf.org
- More Information Val Nicolai (bnicolai@comcast.net)

MCWT IS A GOLD SPONSOR FOR MICWIC EVENT

We invite you to attend and participate in the 2nd Biennial Michigan Celebration of Women in Computing: to learn how and why **We Are Computing!** This event is for anyone interested in learning about the challenges and rewards of computing careers, or in advancing technology through broader representation of women.

Volunteers are needed for the Michigan Celebration of Women in Computing (MICWIC) 2009 Event. MCWT volunteers are attending on Saturday. Our session is intended for the high school girls on the topic of *Computing Career Options* and is designed to provide awareness of how critical IT skills are for a variety of professions. We would like to have 4 MCWT members at the session and for much of the day on Saturday. MCWT will have a table during the day on Saturday with materials to distribute. In addition to helping, MCWT volunteers will have a chance to network with the students and other professionals. Vibeke Sorenson, Professor and Chairperson for the Department of Media Study at the University of Buffalo, State University of New York, is the keynote speaker.

- Venue Kellogg Biological Station, Hickory Corners, Michigan
- Date Friday & Saturday, April 3-4, 2009
- Time All Day on Saturday for MCWT Volunteers
- Other fees apply: See Web site for attendance fees and scholarship opportunities
- More Information www.cse.msu.edu/micwic

MCWT EVENTS TEAM – THANK YOU & TRANSITION

The MCWT Events Team
needs volunteers!

Visit the MCWT Website
or contact Tracy-Ann
Palmer at
mcwt120@yahoo.com



Thank you,
Michelle, for
your efforts.

And
Welcome to
Events
Leadership,
Sarah!

The MCWT Events Team will be undergoing a transition this year. Co-chair, Michelle Fischer, who helped lead the team in 2008, will be moving into a new role on MCWT's Strategic Planning Team. Sarah Weslosky, active on the MCWT Advisory Board, will be moving into the role of Events Co-Chair. She will be assisting veteran Chair, Tracy-Ann Palmer.

The MCWT Events Team would like to thank Michelle for her exemplary service in 2008 and welcome Sarah. Meet both of them below!

MEET MICHELLE FISCHER, OUTGOING MCWT EVENTS CO-CHAIR

Michelle Fischer, President of Eriu Group, has over fifteen years of management consulting, sales management and marketing experience, with special focus on technology, business strategy and information technology/business alignment. Michelle's experience spans a diverse client base ranging from start-ups to Fortune 500 companies.

A graduate of the University of Michigan, Michelle began her IT career with Compsat Technology, a Michigan "Future 50" company. More recently and prior to founding Eriu, Michelle worked with Accretive Solutions, a national staffing and consulting company. The hallmark of her career is the provision of innovative solutions to identify and solve business problems across any organization – solutions which deliver additional profitability while streamlining business processes and operations. Michelle consistently concentrates on the appropriate alignment of IT and business units, portfolio management, procurement, P&L management and acquisitions. Michelle works very closely with clients to execute business and marketing strategies. She has consulted with clients in healthcare, manufacturing, engineering, banking/finance, insurance, aerospace, government and general information management.

In addition to her strong MCWT involvement, Michelle has been an active volunteer for a number of diverse non-profits and associations including Haven, Society of Information Management (SIM), The Ann Arbor Blues & Jazz Festival, the Children's Hospital and the University of Michigan Alumni Association.

MEET SARAH WESLOSKY, NEW MCWT EVENTS CO-CHAIR

Integral to the success of **Fire Ball: Igniting Women's Interest in Technology**, (our 11/200 Black Tie Fundraiser), Sarah Weslosky is the Director of Strategy/Planning, Global Purchasing and Supply Chain, in the Information Systems and Services (IS&S) organization at General Motors. While at GM, Sarah's career evolved from programmer/analyst to senior analyst before moving cross-functionally into GM's Production Control and Scheduling group in leadership roles in supply chain management. After that, she advanced into GM's Truck Purchasing as a senior buyer. From there, she moved into GM's IS&S organization and has held a number of global IT leadership positions with increasing responsibility for systems development/deployment, program management and strategic planning.

Sarah has a Bachelor of Business Administration in MIS degree from the University of Michigan and an MBA from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. She is a member of Beta Gamma Sigma and is certified as a PMP from the Project Management Institute. She is strongly supported by her husband in her career and work for MCWT, and is the proud mother of three teenage sons.

MCWT EVENT MANAGEMENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The "heart" of the professional development offered by the Michigan Council of Women in Technology is an exciting, multi-layered agenda of stimulating and worthwhile events. The MCWT Events Team is looking for project management, event management and/or experiential marketing aptitudes in its leaders and team members.

What are the benefits to you?

1. You meet even more terrific people
2. You exercise your project management experience and talents in a new and different setting
3. You interface with high level speakers, executives and sponsors who are frequently involved with our events
4. You develop a stronger network of people, resources and skills related to event marketing, regional marketing, technology marketing, etc.

With your help, 2009's calendar will be even better than ever!

Please contact Tracy-Ann Palmer, MCWT Events Co-Chairperson, at mcwt120@yahoo.com to become part of this high energy team. You can also visit our Web site at www.mcwt.org to update your membership and/or to volunteer.

MCWT PARTNERSHIP NEWS

PROFILING NEW MCWT PARTNERS

As a result of an extraordinary year in 2008, MCWT enjoyed a substantial increase in the number of new partners and sponsors contributing to our mission and our Foundation. Our newest Diamond partner is **EDS, an HP Company**.

EDS, an HP Company, made contributions throughout 2008 that have reached in excess of \$25,000, including contributions to the 2008 Summer Golf Fundraiser and as a distinguished sponsor of MCWT's November Fireball at the Sapphire Level. Additionally, in order to realize a perfect implementation of the Fireball, EDS contributed significant in-kind services to ensure the event's success. Look for an in-depth profile of EDS, an HP Company (as well as several other major partners/sponsors) in our next **MCWT Happenings** newsletter.



SEEKING ADDITIONAL MCWT PARTNERS

Traditionally, MCWT partners have been large Fortune 500 manufacturers, IT hardware/software vendors, telecommunications vendors and information technology consulting and staffing companies. This year, the MCWT Partnership Team (led by Chris Rydzewski, Jill Maiorano and Carey Pachla) is vigorously seeking to expand the MCWT partnership roster with targeted campaigns to recruit companies of all sizes from the legal, banking/finance, healthcare, and government/ education vertical sectors, among others.

Partnership benefits are numerous: Ongoing recognition (and brand extension) on the MCWT Web site and through press releases/marketing; special opportunities to sponsor MCWT outreach and events; discounts for company members to attend MCWT events and strong networking/business development opportunities. As an example, MCWT's last major event was a unique chance for its partners and sponsors to meet each other and contribute back to the community. It raised over \$180,000 for the MCWT Foundation and its mission to strengthen our corporations by bridging the gender diversity gap and encourage girls and women to enter and stay in the technology field.

If you or your organization would like to realize the strong benefits of becoming an MCWT partner, please contact Chris Rydzewski, MCWT Partnership Chair, at (248)514-0306 or at chris_rydzewski@compuware.com.

Our newest
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MCWT PARTNERSHIP NEWS, continued



JOB BOARD POSTINGS COMING

Please anticipate that the MCWT Job Board will be active on the MCWT Web site by April, 2009. Through that Job Board, all MCWT partners can post exclusive openings and career opportunities to which they would like to attract qualified professionals.

THANK YOU TO NEW & VETERAN MCWT PARTNERS IN 2008

In 2008, MCWT was proud to welcome many new partners including:

Analysts International	Dell Computers	Software AG
Bearing Point	EMC	Symantec
Booz & Co.	IBM	TPI
CAP Gemini	i2 Technologies	Valassis
CDW Berbee	Gartner	Verizon Wireless
Covisint	Logicalis	Vision IT
CSC	SAP	

Additionally, MCWT continues to gain more support from long-standing partners, without whom the organization could not function, and whose generosity has been so appreciated over the years including:

Accretive Solutions	CIBER	Jawood Management
AMI Strategies	Deloitte	Lawrence Tech
Arzika LLC (FORMERLY PALMER NATIONAL)	EDS, an HP Co.	Microsoft
AT&T	FastSwitch	Suntel
Blue Cross/Blue Shield	Ford Motor Co.	Sun Microsystems
Cisco	4Gen Consulting	Walsh College
CA (formerly Computer Associates)	General Motors	Wipro
Compuware	GMAC	...and MORE!!!

A SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT FROM WALSH COLLEGE AND A THANK YOU!

Walsh College is a long-time substantial partner to MCWT and the MCWT Foundation. The Great Lakes Region's workers in transition have an opportunity to attend free "Take Charge" educational workshops offered by Walsh College in this first quarter of 2009. The workshops (running from January through the end of March) range from one-day to six-week sessions. Space is limited and registration is required. Please visit the Walsh College Web site at www.walshcollege.edu/takecharge to register; or contact takecharge@walshcollege.edu for further information.

Secondly, Michelle Pallas, Vice President of Strategy for MCWT, would like to extend a sincere "thank you" to Walsh for providing Cindy Wells as a resource to help MCWT outline a joint Board Policy Manual that will encompass key operational processes and policies governing both the MCWT Association and the MCWT Foundation. This Policy Manual is an important pre-requisite for ongoing growth in both of our organizations, and will form the basis of MCWT's evolution from 2009 onward. Additionally, in order to qualify for additional sources of funding (from grants, as an example), operational documents like this manual are vital. Special thanks, individually, should go to Dr. Livermore and Dr. Barbara Ciamarito, who are strong supporters of MCWT and this project.

Cindy Wells is working on the Board Policy Manual project for her last class requirement for her degree from Walsh College. Cindy is employed as a Senior Solutions Analyst with Ascension Health Information Services. She has certifications as a RHIA, and PMP, and is a graduate student in the Master of Science in Information Systems Project at Walsh.

Thank you to
all of our
partners



MCWT BLOG & RSS FEEDS LAUNCHED THIS QUARTER



The MCWT December 2008 newsletter announced the launch of our enhanced MCWT and MCWT Foundation Web sites, featuring increase self-service benefits and access for both our membership and partners, as well as a new "look and feel".

This quarter, we have further improved the Web sites in two key ways:

- Both Web sites now feature an RSS newsfeed which is focused on information technology in general and technology news of particular relevance to women and girls
- The MCWT Foundation Web site has a new interactive "blog" with which we are experimenting to engender increased dialogue with our community and feedback from our membership

If you have questions, comments or an interest in further improving MCWT's external message and interaction, please contact Kathleen Norton-Schock, Vice President of Marketing for MCWT at kathleen@midwesttechnologyleaders.com or (248) 335-4445 or Heather Monaghan, Social Media "Marketeer" for MCWT at heathermonaghan@gmail.com.

MCWT MEMBERSHIP UP IN 2008 – MEMBERS FIND SUBSTANTIAL BENEFITS

Deb Swink, Co-Chair of MCWT's Membership Committee has GOOD NEWS to report! The number of new MCWT members increased by 68% in 2008, with an overall net growth of over 40% in total memberships. In informal polling, new and veteran members cite a number of benefits that they are enjoying:

- Mentoring
- Technology and career education/events
- Career opportunities
- Unparalleled personal development
- Leadership development through interaction with top level executives
- Casual & formal networking meetings (including "members-only" events)
- MCWT Happenings – our periodic newsletter
- Opportunity to make a difference through the MCWT Foundation
- LinkedIn Membership group and discussion area
- Facebook Membership group and discussion area
- ...and more....

Additionally, an overwhelming message that all our members have shared is that those who have substantially contributed by volunteering on one of committees obtain an even greater degree of benefit! (T.E.A.M. – As Deb likes to say: "Together, Everyone Achieves More!"). The Membership Committee has the following outstanding volunteer needs for which talented members are encouraged to apply:

1. Management of Membership Website content
2. Lapsed member follow-up
3. New member promotions
4. New member quarterly event coordination
5. New member event hostesses
6. Corporate awareness sessions (to recruit new corporations and new individual members in cooperation with our Partnership team)
7. Industry conference participation
8. Recruitment of University students (the next generation of MCWT enthusiasts!)

If you are interested, please contact Deb Swink at deb.swink@csileasing.com or visit the [MCWT Website](#), and go to the Volunteer tab to review all volunteer opportunities at MCWT!



[Come and find us on LinkedIn!](#)



LinkedIn Group for Active MCWT Members Going Strong

Numbering over 125 people, and administered by Kathleen Norton-Schock (Vice President, Marketing) and Deb Swink (Director and Co-Chair MCWT Membership) the MCWT LinkedIn Group brings distinct benefits to its members. It is a mark of distinction and community involvement; comprises another way to network with your fellow MCWT members; and features an active on-line discussion component. If you are already involved in LinkedIn, we hope you will see the career advantages of belonging to this group.

If you would like to join, you must be an MCWT member in good standing (dues paid up!).

Go to www.linkedin.com and visit this link:

<http://www.linkedin.com/groupsDirectory?results=&sjk=1219591447099>

Or go to the upper right hand boxes on LinkedIn; choose Groups; type in "MCWT"; and you will be directed to the group. Please enter your request, and if you are a current MCWT member, you should be accepted within 5-7 business days. Then you can proudly display the MCWT logo on your professional profile!

MCWT MENTORING PROGRAM

Janet Rydzon and Becky Killarney are happy to report that the **2008 MCWT Mentoring Program** is going strong! It's been our most successful so far. From the emails we've received, mentors and mentees are finding their relationships especially valuable during these difficult times in SE Michigan.

The **2009 MCWT Mentoring Program** will kick off in May, with invitations going out in March.

MCWT welcomes current 2008 participants, as well as new mentors and mentees. In order to participate, mentees must be MCWT members.

So if you are not a member and would like to join this great program, be sure to go to www.mcwt.org register for membership. We solicit mentors and mentees from the contact information provided to MCWT. So please update your contact and membership information on the MCWT Web site, as well.



MCWT 2009 Events/and MCWT Foundation Schedule – Mark Your Calendars (And Check the Web sites, TOO!)

The MCWT Event Calendar is always open to change (and periodic email blasts will herald new events, along with Web site updates to keep you informed of upcoming events).

The 2009 schedule includes the following (still subject to some change):

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION OR CONSTITUENCY</u>
January 26	Volunteer Recognition Event	Iroquois Club - COMPLETED!
February	Robotics Team Award Winners Announced	MCWT Foundation H.S. Girls
February 19	Speed Interviewing Session	Lawrence Technological University
February 26	MCWT Café Conversations	MGM Grand Casino – Ignite
March 10	New Member Orientation Session	TBD
March 16	Mentoring Program Wrap-Up Event	Automation Alley
March 26	WLAM Foundation – Guest Speaker Rosemary Bayer	Detroit Golf Club
March 31	Moving Forward: A Productive Panel Discussion	Daimler Financial Services HQ
April 4	MICWIC 2009	Kellogg Biological Station
April	Robofest World Finals	TBD
May	Partner Recognition/Scholarship Awards Event	Birmingham Country Club
June	GET-IT Team Celebration	GET-IT Team members
July	Camp Infinity for 4th through 7th grade girls	MCWT volunteers and camp-goers
July	MCWT Invitation Golf Outing/Fundraiser	TBD
August	GET-IT (Adult Team) Kick-Off	TBD
September	EduTec Event II – with community partner	TBD
November	High School Website Design Finals (kicked off in Sept.)	MCWT volunteers and H.S. girls
November	MCWT “FireBall” – Black Tie Gala	TBD

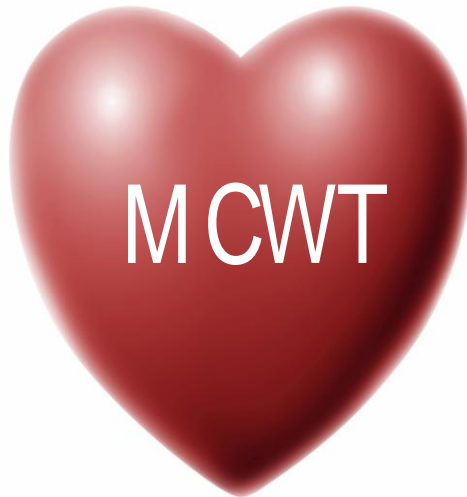
**Thank you for reading
our first 2009 MCWT
Newsletter of the year!**

If you have any comments or questions, please contact:

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MCWT Marketing/
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Siver!**