



# Network News

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## Special points of interest:

- Happy Birthday  
Barbara Dankin

## Luncheon Guest Speaker

Since 2007 Diane Hett has been the Executive Director of Hope Harbour, the Columbus Alliance for Battered Women. She and her staff provide both short term evacuation services as well as long term counseling, legal guidance and life skills training for victims of domestic violence. This includes short term housing at their secure facility.



**Diane Hett— Executive Director of Hope Harbour**

Diane is a native of Columbus. She attended Huntington College and is a licensed counselor. Before joining Hope Harbour, Diane was on staff at the Pastoral Institute, counseling couples and individuals. She also helped to coordinate their suicide prevention program.

Diane has provided executive coaching for Synovus and volunteered for organizations such as House of Heroes, Relay for Life and Habitat for Humanity.

In addition to her many professional commitments, Diane is an active member of First Baptist church where she has participated in outreach programs throughout Columbus and the world.

Diane has taught Sunday School for over twenty years and has traveled to Thailand and Liberia on mission trips with fellow church members.

Diane Hett's spirit of giving is inspiring to all women. Please plan to attend the Network luncheon, [REGISTER](#) today! For more information about Hope Harbour [Click Here](#).

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## Member Spotlight

In the "Spotlight" this month is Network Member, Evelyn Tolbert, Sales Executive at BMW of Columbus. When you are ready to buy a car, Evelyn wants you to get the "Warm and Fuzzies" from your dealership. She will take question and give members tip on the best way to make the car buying experience anxiety free. Join us at the July luncheon to see Evelyn Tolbert, in the "Spotlight."



## From Our President



Pat Whipple — President

### POLITICAL PIONEER

#### Upcoming Events

- Network Luncheon  
Friday July 26th at Green Island Country Club. Networking begins at 11:30AM. Lunch and program to follow. Bring a guest!

Please be sure to register for the luncheon, to ensure that our Network event is successful for everyone! [REGISTER](#)

I recently rediscovered a great American woman who opened the door for women in politics in a meaningful way.

You may not be concerned about politics, but I think you will agree that her contributions were significant in that they have helped women attain positions of power within our government.

In July of 1984, Geraldine Ferraro was chosen as the first female Vice Presidential candidate of a major political party. Remember her? That was almost 30 years ago!

Although she and Walter Mondale later lost the election to Ronald Reagan and George

H. Bush, it was a remarkable step forward for women in American politics.

Ferraro started out as an attorney. She joined the Queen's District Attorney's office where she headed the new Special Victims Bureau that dealt with sex crimes, child abuse and domestic violence.

Ferraro was elected to the House of Representatives in 1978. Her star rose rapidly in the Democratic Party as she focused on legislation to ensure equal wages, pensions, and retirement plans for women.

So, did she open the door for more women in politics? Absolutely!

Today, women hold 20 of the 100 seats in the Senate and 78 out of the 435 in the House.

In 2008 Hillary Clinton was the first female Presidential candidate to make it to the Democratic primary and the rumors are buzzing that she will run again in 2014.

Regardless of your political views or your party affiliation, there is no doubt that Geraldine Ferraro was a pioneer for all women in politics and leadership roles.

*Pat*

## Member News and Links

**Girls Inc. Wish List!** Back to School is just around the corner and there are many young girls in need of school clothes. If you or anyone you know have gently used girls clothes, please consider **bringing them to our luncheon on July 26th**. Sizes requested are: Girls sizes 6 thru 12 and Ladies 10 thru 18, as some teenagers are in need as well. If you would prefer, new items such as socks or undergarments are also needed.

**Hope Harbour Wish List** We will be collecting items for Hope Harbour during the August luncheon. [CLICK HERE](#) to see their wish list.

**Celebration of Hope** Benefiting Hope Harbour and featuring Lucille O'Neal, author and mother of Shaquille O'Neal. Tickets and corporate sponsorships available. [CLICK HERE](#)

Be sure to [REGISTER](#) for our Network Luncheons!

Take the time to register for our luncheon; it only takes a second! Be sure to also register your guests.



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## Do You Know?

### Network Member Tana McHale

Tana McHale is the Customer Service Manager for Pratt & Whitney. She has worked in the engine center here in Columbus for 16 years. Tana and her husband Kevin live in Mid-town with their four dogs. She enjoys golf and gardening. Tana is a Board Member for Hope Harbour and Chair of Membership for Network. Get to know your fellow Network Member, Tana McHale.