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17th Annual Women's Economic Opportunity Conference
Save the Date: Saturday, October 19, 2013, at the Vermont Technical College in Randolph Center

Always fabulous and free, this day-long conference draws hundreds of Vermonters for workshops and discussion groups that provide important tools to support women at all stages of professional and personal development. With nearly two dozen workshops on the day's agenda, this year's offerings will appeal to a wide range of interests, with a particular focus on developing critical social media skills. The keynote speaker is Patty Stonesifer, the founding CEO of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and President and CEO of Martha's Table, a nonprofit organization committed to breaking the cycle of poverty in the Nation's Capital. Her down-to-earth nature and compelling life story are sure to engage and enthrall her audience, just as our keynote speakers have done in the past. In the interest of making the conference accessible to all, there is no charge for registration or for pre-arranged child care. More details and registration will follow – stay tuned to VIEW.

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The Vermont Commission on Women was [in the New York Times last week](#) and other media outlets recently speaking about the new Act 31 equal pay law and the recent Equal Pay court case decision. [Read more on our website.](#)

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Financial Literacy Program for Vermont Elementary Schools
Deadline: June 30, 2013

For the past three years, the State Treasurer's Office has offered the [Reading is an Investment](#) program to elementary schools. The program emphasizes the importance of reading and teaching young children about money and basic financial information. The [Reading is an Investment](#) program takes a two-prong approach to promoting financial literacy - class or library instruction and personal reading. Each fall, participating elementary schools receive two or three new hardback books. Lesson plans and activities are included with the books to teach money concepts. To sign up, school staff submits following information to [Lisa Helme](#): school name; number of students in grades K-6th grades; school contact name, job title, phone & email; and mailing address for the school. [Learn more](#), contact [Lisa Helme](#), State Treasurer's Office at 802-828-3706

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Info Sessions on Women's Leadership Circles in Bennington County
June 25 and July 1

The Women's Leadership Circle of Vermont is a six-month, intensive leadership program for a group of ten to twelve women in leadership who live or work in a given county. This fall we are coming to Bennington County! Unlike other programs, this has been designed specifically for professional women in this community as a way to bring leadership training to you and to create long-lasting supportive relationships. Program outcomes:
Increased self-awareness of one's strengths, weaknesses, needs, values and motivation.
Greater understanding of the link between personal well-being and leadership and ability to take

action in support of one's well-being.

Introduction to a variety of leadership tools and concepts to increase leadership effectiveness.

Increased sense of connection and support by engaging in a peer network.

Please sign up at the specific link below OR by emailing [Katelyn](#) with date and time of the session you want to attend.

June 25th, 12:30 to 1:30 at Manchester Chamber of Commerce:

<http://wlcinfosession1.eventbrite.com>

June 25th, 3:00 to 4:00 at Bennington Free Library: <http://wlcinfosession2.eventbrite.com>

July 1st webinar, 11:00 to 12:00: <http://wlcinfosession3.eventbrite.com>

For more information about the full program, please go to: watershedcoachingllc.com/circles.htm or contact Kerry Secrest at (802) 451-0842 or Kerry@watershedcoachingllc.com Program begins October 17. Applications and early registration discount due July 1. Scholarships are available. The WLC is a collaboration of the Snelling Center for Government and Watershed Coaching, LLC.

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Governor's Early Childhood Summit and Pre-Summit Focus Sessions

The Governor's Early Childhood Summit will take place Tuesday, October 29th, at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Montpelier. Save the Date and stay tuned to VIEW for more information.

Pre-Summit focus sessions intended to provide Vermonters with an opportunity to share their perspectives and ideas on a range of topics will take place around the state: The ideas and recommendations that emerge from the focus sessions will feed into the Early Childhood Framework, which will be one of the concrete outcomes of the Summit. This Framework will be a set of shared agreements on many aspects of Vermont's early childhood system. The Framework will build on what we know is working well for Vermont's young children and their families and outline what needs to change in order to realize the promise of every Vermont child. This notice is also a save the date – registration information will be available soon - stay tuned to VIEW!

Tuesday, July 30th in Middlebury

Topic: Creating a comprehensive and connected range of services and supports for young children and their families and ensuring access and equity to those services and supports (housing, transportation, food, employment, medical care, mental health care, substance abuse counseling, etc.)

Wednesday, July 31st in Montpelier

Topic: Building a systems-wide structure for intentional collaboration, communication and aligned practice among diverse partners

Monday, August 12th in Brattleboro

Topic: Promoting a holistic, shared and consistent approach to pedagogy and practice from infancy through third grade

Tuesday, August 13th in White River Junction

Topic: Valuing and engaging families as decision makers (for their families, in policy development, in programming, for the system)

Wednesday, September 4th in Rutland

Topic: Developing a competent workforce across disciplines that is built upon a shared foundation (knowledge and skills)

Tuesday, September 10th, Burlington

Topic: Ensuring a sustainable and accountable early childhood financing structure

Thursday, September 12th, Morrisville

Topic: Building and sustaining child-centered communities where there exists public engagement and public will in actively promoting and supporting the vision to realize the promise of every Vermont child

Saturday, September 28th (9:30 AM -12:30 PM)

Location: Randolph

Topic: At the beginning of the session, participants will determine which of the 7 topics listed above will be discussed.

Pre-Summit Focus Group with Parents

Thursday, September 26th, Randolph, 7:00-8:30 PM

In addition to the focus session on family engagement, this focus group with parents/caregivers (anyone who is caring for a young child) will focus on what is working well for Vermont's children, what could be improved and how. Snacks will be provided.

Vermont Women's Business Center's Business Wisdom Circle

Tuesday, June 25th 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Quarry Grill & Tavern, 210 North Main St., Barre

As women business owners, we tend to have a special relationship with our businesses. You might experience your business as a kind of "living home" for both your financial goals and your personal expression. Matters of safety and security are interwoven in the meaning your business has for you. But we rarely look directly at the myriad issues of how we keep our businesses safe and how we look to them to help us feel secure. It's a tender conversation. And an important one. And way bigger than insurance and good internet passwords (though they are a part of it, too). Join and learn more. Cost is \$10.00. For more information contact: Maureen Dougherty, info@vwbc.org, 802-479-9813

Vermont Works for Women's FRESH Food program announced the Berry Project, a summer youth employment program in partnership with the city of Winooski producing two berry products: 100% fruit smoothies made with local berries, and a natural peanut butter bar made with Vermont honey! Find them at these farmers markets starting June 16 - August 22:

Sundays @ Winooski Farmers Market, 10:00 - 2:00

Tuesdays @ Catamount Races in Williston, 5:30 - 7:30

Thursdays @ New North End Farmers Market, 3:00 - 6:30

Vermont Public Television

June 25: Tuesday at 10 p.m., "Frontline" reports that for women who pick and process the food we eat every day, getting sexually assaulted, and even raped, is sometimes part of the job. This investigation is the result of a year-long effort by correspondent Lowell Bergman, the Investigative Reporting Program at UC Berkeley and the Center for Investigative Reporting.

June 29: Saturday at 10 p.m. on VPT World, "America Reframed: La Americana" tells of Carmen, who makes the dangerous, illegal journey from Bolivia to the U.S., where she hopes to earn enough to pay her sick daughter's medical bills. After six years of separation, Congress proposes legislation that could allow Carmen and her daughter to be reunited.

More channel information is at <http://www.vpt.org/watch/tv-schedules?td=default>

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