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- **Minnesota Executive Program: Advanced Business Strategy & Leadership for Executives — Module I.** Host: Carlson School of Management's Executive Development Center today through Sept. 24 at the University of Minnesota. www.carlsonschool.umn.edu/edc, (612) 624-2545.

MON., SEPT. 20

- **Certified Treasury Professional Test Preparation.** Host: College of Continuing Education at the University of Minnesota, 6 to 9 p. m., Mondays through Nov. 22, 1890 Buford Ave., St. Paul. \$1,299. (612) 624-4000.
- **Mini Master of Marketing Management.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 6 to 9 p.m., Mondays through Dec. 13, Minneapolis Campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave., Minneapolis. \$1,795. (651) 962-4638, www.stthomas.edu/mgmtctr.

TUE., SEPT. 21

- **Bloomington - The 3rd Downtown.** Host: Minnesota Chapter of the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties, networking at 7:15 a.m. program at 8 a.m., Sheraton Bloomington Hotel. Panel discussion with Mark Fabel, project manager with McGough Development, and city of Bloomington officials. \$50. (952) 928-4647.
- **BlackBerry Wireless Data Breakfast.** Host: Select Communications. 7:30 to 9 a.m., Rolling Green Country Club, 400

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Evergreen Lane, Medina. Free. (763) 744-0900.

- **Preserving & Transferring Wealth.** Host: The Financial Planning Association of Minnesota. 7:30 -10 a.m., Golden Valley Country Club, Golden Valley. \$40. www.fpamn.org.
- **Entrepreneur Advisory Council Meeting.** Host: The Meridian Group, 7:30 to 11 a.m., Minneapolis Marriott Southwest (Opus), 5801 Opus Parkway, Minnetonka. \$175, reservations required. (952) 942-8560.
- **The New Leader.** Host: University of St. Thomas, five two-day sessions through Jan. 19, University of St. Thomas Minneapolis Campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave. \$2,995. (651) 962-4638, www.stthomas.edu/mgmtctr.
- **Physician Leadership College, Cohort 6.** Host: Center for Health and Medical Affairs, Thursday through Saturday through May 30, University of St. Thomas Minneapolis Campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave. \$22,000. (651) 962-4638.
- **Insurance.** Host: Financial Planning Association, 7:30 a.m., Golden Valley Country Club, 7001 Golden Valley Rd. (612) 798-4799.
- **Beating the Odds: Successful Launch Planning for New Products and Services.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., University of St. Thomas campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave., St. Paul. \$345. Call (651) 962-4638.
- **Tax Workshop for Employers.** Host: The Business Tax Education Partnership, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Ramsey County Workforce Center, North St. Paul. Free. (651) 297-2744, mdes.tax@state.mn.us.
- **Finance and Accounting to Improve Operational Performance.** Host: College of Continuing Education at the University of Minnesota, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Sept. 22. 1890 Buford Ave., St. Paul. \$750. (612) 624-4000, www.cce.umn.edu/business.
- **Check 21: Do You Know the Answers?** Host: Financial Women International, 11 to 11:30 a.m., networking, 11:30 to 1 p.m., lunch and program, Marquette Hotel, Minneapolis. \$49. 651-265-5621, www.FWImidwest.org.
- **Fall Educational Speaker Series.** Host: St. Paul Area Chamber of Commerce, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Minnesota Business Academy, 505 Wabasha St. N., St. Paul. Speaker: Tim Sheehy, president, Metro Milwaukee Association of Commerce. \$17. (651) 223-5000.
- **Communicating Health Care Benefits in the Era of Escalating Costs.** Host: IABC Minnesota. 11:30 to 1:00 p.m. International Market Square, 275 Market St., Studio 185, Minneapolis. \$40. (612) 333-4222.
- **First Step Business Consulting.** Host: WomenVenture, 5:30 p.m.,

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WomenVenture Center, 2324 University Ave., Suite 200, St. Paul. \$20. (651) 646-3808.

- **Simple Truths — In Life and in the Workplace! Host: Minnesota Concrete & Masonry Contractors Association, 7 p.m.** (networking at 6 p.m.), Park Place Double Tree Hotel, 1500 Park Place Blvd., St. Louis Park. Speaker: Gary Berg, G.L. Berg Entertainment. \$30. (952) 542-8600.
- **Financial Management (Part 6 of 8 in a series).** Host: WomenVenture, 6 to 9 p.m., WomenVenture Center, 2324 University Ave., Suite 200, St. Paul. \$65. Call (651) 646-3808 or visit www.womenventure.org.
- **Society of Human Resource Management Certification Test Preparation.** Host: College of Continuing Education at the University of Minnesota, 6 to 9 p.m., Tuesdays through Dec. 7, 1890 Buford Ave., St. Paul. \$845. (612) 624-4000, www.cce.umn.edu/ees.
- **FastTrac II.** Host: John M. Morrison Center for Entrepreneurship at the University of St. Thomas, 6 to 9 p.m., Tuesdays through Dec. 7, Minneapolis Campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave. \$650. (651) 962-4638, www.stthomas.edu/entrep.
- **Community Leadership Institute, Level 2.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 6 to 9 p.m., Tuesdays through December 14, University of St. Thomas Minneapolis Campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave., Minneapolis. \$1,250. Call (651) 962-4638 or visit www.stthomas.edu/cnm.
- **FastTrac II Information session.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 6 to 7:30 p.m., Thorton Auditorium, rm 260, University of St. Thomas Minneapolis Campus. Free. Call (651) 962-4501 or email mfgretz@stthomas.edu
- **Inventors' Network meeting, 6:59 p.m.** Vandusen Center, 1900 LaSalle Ave., Minneapolis. \$15. www.vandusencenter.com

WED., SEPT. 22

- **Food for Thought.** Host: Minneapolis Regional Chamber of Commerce, 7:30 a.m. networking, 8 a.m. program, Crowne Plaza Minneapolis, 618 Second Ave. S., Minneapolis. Speaker: Christopher Brown, CEO of SimonDelivers. \$45. (612) 370-9100.
- **Entrepreneur Advisory Council Meeting.** Host: The Meridian Group, 7:30 to 11 a.m., Minneapolis Marriott Southwest (Opus), 5801 Opus Parkway, Minnetonka. \$175. The meeting is for entrepreneurs, owners, presidents and CEOs. Reservations required. John Kurth, (952) 942-8560.
- **Managing Projects.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 8 a.m. to noon, University of St. Thomas campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave., St. Paul. \$85. Call (651) 962-4638.

- **Tenth Annual CCIM Commercial Real Estate Forecast.** Host: Minnesota-South Dakota Chapter of Certified Commercial Investment Members of the CCIM Institute, the University of St. Thomas and the Minnesota Real Estate Journal, 8 a.m. to noon, University of St. Thomas Minneapolis campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave., Thornton Auditorium. Keynote speaker: Toby Madden of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis. Other speakers: Russ McGinty, Madison Marquette; Harold Teasdale, Minnesota Brokerage; Mary Bujold, Maxfield Research; Michael Houge, Upland Real Estate Group; David Rasmussen, Collateral Mortgage; Steve Brown, United Properties; John Karver, CB Richard Ellis; Scott Moe, United Properties; James Damiani, Welsh Cos. The program will be chaired by Tim Mardell of Mardell Partners and will be moderated by Whitney Peyton of CB Richard Ellis. \$199. (952) 908-1785, www.mncar.org/ccimforecast2004.
- **Mini MBA For Technical Professionals.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 6 to 9 p.m., Wednesdays through December 15, University of St. Thomas Minneapolis Campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave., Minneapolis. \$1,695. Call (651) 962-4638 or visit www.stthomas.edu/mgmtctr.
- **Grantmakers Need to Know about Nonprofit Finances.** Host: Minnesota Council on Foundations. 8:30 a.m. to noon, Continuing Education & Conference Center, University of Minnesota, St. Paul campus. \$95. (612) 338-1989.
- **28th Annual Minnesota Planned Giving Conference.** Host: Minnesota Planned Giving Council, today and tomorrow, St. Paul RiverCentre, 175 W. Kellogg Blvd., St. Paul. (651) 917-6250, www.mnpgc.org.
- **Employee compensation.** Host: University of Minnesota College of Continuing Education, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. today and tomorrow. \$750. Continuing Education and Conference Center, 1890 Buford Ave., St. Paul, 612-624-4000, www.cce.umn.edu/business.
- **Why Care About Sustainable Architecture?** Host: Hennepin County Library, 2 to 4 p.m., Brookdale Resource Library, 6125 Shingle Creek Parkway. Free. Erin Driscoll, (651) 215-0211, www.sustainabledesignguide.umn.edu.
- **Who Wants FREE Money & Help for Their Small Business?** Teleclass on small business grants. Hosts: The American Institute of Small Business and vFinance.com, 6 p.m. \$39, \$49 day of class. www.vfinance.com/aisb, (800) 328-2906

THUR., SEPT. 23

- **Give Me \$50 and I Will Get You More Business.** Tele-class on marketing for sub-contractors. Host: Associated Builders and Contractors, 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. \$29. www.101bizclasses.com/abcclasses.htm, (800) 328-2906.
- **Strategic Direction for Your Sales Force, 7:45 to 9:30 a.m., Chamber of Commerce Center, 401 N. Robert St., Suite 150, St.**

Paul. Speaker: Sam Zordich, Stonegate Business Consulting. \$20. (651) 223-5000, www.saintpaulchamber.com.

- **VoIP: What Is It and What Can It Do for Your Organization?** Host: Norlight Telecommunications, 7:45 to 10 a.m., Embassy Suites Minneapolis Airport, 7901 34th Ave. S., Bloomington. Speaker: Mike Ulicki, chief technology officer for Norlight Telecommunications. Maggie Muckala, (800) 327-9442, mmuckala@norlight.com.
- **Coping with Cutbacks.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 8 a.m. to noon, University of St. Thomas campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave., St. Paul. \$85. Call (651) 962-4638.
- **Objects in Mirror are Closer than They Appear.** Host: Minnesota/Upper Midwest Chapter of the Marketing Research Association, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., 5418 Wayzata Blvd., Golden Valley. \$140. Clark Kristensen, (651) 905-7893.
- **A Business Conference for Women: The Leadership Challenge--Creating Your Own Destiny.** Host: College of Saint Catherine, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., 2004 Randolph Ave., St. Paul. \$179 through Sept. 1; \$205 regular fee. Call (651) 690-6819 or visit www.skate.edu/ce
- **Covering the Economy and the Markets.** Host: Donald W. Reynolds National Center for Business Journalism, the Minnesota Newspaper Foundation and the Minnesota Journalism Center. 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Holiday Inn Metrodome, 1500 Washington Ave. S., Minneapolis. (703) 715-3332.
- **How to Get More Organized.** Host: Padgett-Thompson. Seminar registration 8:30 a.m., workshops 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Clarion Hotel, 8151 Bridge Road, Bloomington. \$169. Call 1-800-258-7246
- **Evaluating Minnesota's Conservation Improvement Program.** Host: Minnesota Environmental Initiative, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Earle Brown Heritage Center, Brooklyn Center, www.mn-ei.org.
- **Bonds and Beyond: Current Trends and Fresh Strategies for Successful Healthcare Facilities Financing, Healthcare Real Estate Insights, 10 to 11:30am.** 90-minute audio conference. Cost: \$165. 800-775-7654
- **Power Body Language — The 10-Second Connection.** Hosts: The Grapevine Network, Coldwell Banker Burnet Realty and New England Financial, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Coldwell Banker Burnet Realty office, 190 Cobblestone Lane, Burnsville. Speaker: Michael Hennessy. Free. (952) 746-5611.
- **America's Changing Economy: Trade Balances, Outsourcing and Jobs.** Host: Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs at the University of Minnesota, 11:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., Cowles Auditorium, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis. Speakers: Tim Kane, The Heritage Foundation; Robert Shapiro, Sonecon; Gene Sperling, economic adviser to Sen. Kerry; Robbin S. Johnson, Cargill; Dave Foster, District 11 Steelworkers. \$35. Cindy

Orbovich, (612) 625-2530, www.hhh.umn.edu/centers/policy-forum.

- **Untangling the Terrible Mess of Employee Leave Laws.** Host: Wessels & Pautsch, 1 to 2:30 p.m., teleconference call. \$95. Send a fax to Doris Baxter, (630) 587-8430, to reserve a space.
- **Bucking the Trend: Building High-Performing Health Care Solutions.** Host: HealthPartners, 1 to 4:30 p.m., Sheraton Bloomington Hotel, Grand Ballroom, Interstate 494 and Highway 100. Speakers: Sung Won Sohn, Wells Fargo Banks; Mary Brainerd, HealthPartners; Helen Darling, National Business Group on Health; and Brad Kimler, Fidelity Employer Services Co. Free event for health care purchasers, brokers and agents. SalesTrgRegistration@healthpartners.com, (952) 883-5200.
- **MIT Enterprise Forum Inc.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 5:30 to 9 p.m., University of St. Thomas campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave., St. Paul. \$30. Call (651) 962-4638.
- **Community Leadership Institute, Level 1.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 6 to 9 p.m., Thursdays through December 16, University of St. Thomas Minneapolis Campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave., Minneapolis. \$1,250. Call (651) 962-4638 or visit www.stthomas.edu/cnm.
- **Emerging Leaders Lunch with Leaders.** Host: TwinWest Chamber of Commerce, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Sheraton Hotel Minneapolis West, 12201 Ridgedale Drive, Minnetonka. Cost: \$20. (952) 540-0234 ext. 19.
- **Me, Myself and I: Market Yourself Like Crazy (part 1 of 3 in series "Beyond Marketing 101").** Host: WomenVenture, 6 to 8 p.m., WomenVenture Center, 2324 University Ave., Suite 200, St. Paul. \$50 for one session, \$100 for all three. It also hosts Marketing Principles. Host: WomenVenture, 6 to 9 p.m. \$65. (651) 646-3808.
- **Mini Master of Business Communication.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 6 to 9 p.m., Thursdays through December 16, University of St. Thomas Minneapolis Campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave., Minneapolis. \$1,795. Call (651) 962-4638 or visit www.stthomas.edu/mgmtctr.
- **Instructor Training Skills.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 6 to 9 p.m., today and tomorrow, Minneapolis Campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave. (651) 962-4638, www.stthomas.edu/mgmtctr.

FRI., SEPT. 24

- **How to Get Out of the Blame Game.** Host: The Council of Independent Professional Consultants, 7 to 9 a.m., Pickerman's Restaurant, Golden Hills Office Center, 701 Xenia, Golden Valley. \$15. 952-886-3307, www.cipcmn.org.
- **Entre Today: When Do I Exit to Maximize My Value?** Host:

John M. Morrison Center for Entrepreneurship, 7:30 to 9 a.m., Opus Hall, University of St. Thomas Minneapolis Campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave. Speaker: Dave Henderson, TripleTree. \$45 in advance, \$55 at the door. (651) 962-4400.

- **Success Case Evaluation: Satisfying the Training Skeptics.** Host: American Society for Training and Development Twin Cities Chapter, 7:30 to 11 a.m., Metropolitan Ballroom & Clubroom, 5418 Wayzata Blvd., Golden Valley. It also hosts Sensible Success Case Training Evaluation — Strategically Measuring the Impact of Your Company's Training Investments, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., same location. (651) 917-6248, www.astd-tcc.org.
- **Laying the Foundation for Fund Development.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., University of St. Thomas campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave., St. Paul. \$145. Call (651) 962-4638.
- **Project Management: Incorporating Creativity and Innovation.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., University of St. Thomas Minneapolis Campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave. \$375. (651) 962-4638, www.stthomas.edu/mgmtctr.
- **VIP Business Speaking Club.** Host: Spoken Impact, 7:30 to 10 a.m., Parkdale Plaza Building, 1660 S. Highway 100, St. Louis Park. This is a 9-month series that meets once a month through May 20. \$1,499, registration deadline is Sept. 17. (952) 697-3560, www.SpokenImpact.com.

SUN., SEPT. 26

- **10th Annual Innovation Convergence: Building and Sustaining Innovation for Growth.** Host: Institute for International Research, today through Sept. 29, Marriott Minneapolis City Center. Speakers: Henry Chesbrough, Center for Technology Management, University of California-Berkeley; Tom Kelley, IDEO; Larry Keeley, The Doblin Group; Dr. David Cooperrider, Case Western Reserve University; Steve Denning, author; Robin Hanson, James M. Buchanan Center, George Mason University; Robert Tucker, The Innovation Resource. Conference chairperson: Joyce Wycoff, The InnovationNetwork. \$1,795-\$3,200. (888) 670-8200; www.iirusa.com/convergence

MON., SEPT. 27

- **Financial Management for Nonprofit Organizations.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mondays through Oct. 11, Minneapolis Campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave. \$350. (651) 962-4638, www.stthomas.edu/cnm.
- **Iterative Project Planning.** Host: Watermark Learning, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Edina facility. \$550. Roberta Hoffman, (952) 921-0900 ext. 208, www.watermarklearning.com.
- **Mini Master Project Management Series.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 6 to 9 p.m., Mondays through Dec. 13, 1000 LaSalle Ave., Minneapolis. \$1,795. (651) 962-4600.

- **Mini Master of Financial Management.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 6 to 9 p.m., Mondays through Dec. 13, University of St. Thomas Minneapolis Campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave. \$1,695. (651) 962-4638, www.stthomas.edu/mgmtctr.

TUE., SEPT. 28

- **Use Case Modeling.** Host: Watermark Learning, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Edina facility through Sept. 29. \$895. Roberta Hoffman, (952) 921-0900 ext. 208.
- **Understanding Demand Shifts for Grain-Based Foods.** Host: U. S. Department of Agriculture's Economic Research Service and by the Farm Foundation, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., University of Minnesota, McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. SE, Minneapolis. \$450 for individuals, \$150 for university or government employees. (612) 625-7019.
- **Combating Terrorism SBIR/STTR Research Funding Host: Minnesota Project Innovation Inc., 9 a.m. to noon.** \$95. www.mpi.org.
- **Minnetonka/Plymouth Business Council.** Host: Twin West Chamber of Commerce. Sheraton Minneapolis West, 12201 Ridgedale Drive, Minnetonka. Cost: \$12. (952) 540-0234. Ext. 11.
- **High Impact Presentations.** Host: University of Minnesota College of Continuing Education, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. \$395, and COBRA, HIPAA and Flexible Spending Accounts, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., \$395. Continuing Education and Conference Center, 1890 Buford Ave., St. Paul, 612-624-4000, www.cce.umn.edu/business.
- **How Getting Fired Could be the Best Thing that Ever Happened to You, Host: Midwest Direct Marketing Association, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.,** Millennium Hotel, 1313 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis. Speaker: business executive and author Harvey Mackay. \$90. (952) 928-4643, www.mdma.org.
- **Mini Master of Quality Management.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 6 to 9 p.m., Tuesdays through December 14, University of St. Thomas Minneapolis Campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave. \$1,695. Call (651) 962-4638 or visit www.stthomas.edu/mgmtctr.

WED., SEPT. 29

- **Board Recruitment and Orientation.** Host: Center for Nonprofit Management at the University of St. Thomas, 7:30 to 9:30 a.m., Terrence Murphy Hall, Minneapolis campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave. \$25. (651) 962-4638.
- **Writing for Results.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Minneapolis campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave. \$345. (651) 962-4600, www.stthomas.edu/mgmtctr.
- **Sales, Marketing & Publicity EXPO.** Host: Media Max, 3 to 7 p.m., Metropolitan Event Center in Golden Valley. Brad or Rick,

(952) 238-1700, www.PublicityEXPO.com.

- **Business Showcase.** Host: Twin West Chamber of Commerce. 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Four Seasons Chiropractic, 4455 N. Hwy. 169, Suite 200, Plymouth. Free. (952) 540-0234 ext. 15.

THUR., SEPT. 30

- **Building a Major League Team.** Host: St. Paul Area Chamber of Commerce, 7:45 to 9:30 a.m., Chamber of Commerce Center, 401 N. Robert St., Suite 150, St. Paul. Speaker: Danita Bye, Sales Growth Specialists. \$20. (651) 223-5000, www.saintpaulchamber.com.
- **College of St. Catherine Retreat.** Host: College of St. Catherine's Leadership Institute, through Oct. 2. This retreat starts an 8-month program designed for women leaders. \$1,900 for the program completed with a professional development certificate, \$2,300 for the graduate credit option. (651) 690-8607.

FRI., OCT. 1

- **Government Grants and Contracts.** Host: University of St. Thomas, 8 to 11:30 a.m., Minneapolis Campus, 1000 LaSalle Ave. \$85. It also hosts Realistic Budgeting, noon to 4 p.m., Minneapolis Campus. \$85. (651) 962-4638, www.stthomas.edu/cnm.
- **Breakthrough Business Success.** Host: Professional Sales Association. 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m., Clarion Hotel, 8151 Bridge Road, Bloomington. \$10 to \$25. (651) 398-7912, www.psamn.org.
- **Impacts on Market Trends.** Host: Twin Cities Chapter of the Society for Marketing Professional Services, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. (networking at 11:30 a.m.), St. Anthony Main Events Center, 219 S. E. Main St., Minneapolis. \$50 in advance; \$65 at the door. Register by Sept. 28: (763) 398-0838; www.smps-tc.org.
- **The Best Place to Start, 6 to 7 p.m.** Free. Cash Flow Lab, 6 to 9 p.m. \$25. Financial Management (Part 6 of 8 in a series), 6 to 9 p.m., Normandale Community College, 9700 France Ave. S., Bloomington. \$70. Call (651) 646-3808 or visit www.womenventure.org.

NETWORKING

MON., SEPT. 20

- **Master Networkers.** Roseville chapter, 11:30 a.m. at Red Lobster, 2330 Prior Ave. N., Pete, (651) 487-1847.
- **Grapevine Network Minnetonka Carlson, 4:30 to 5:45 p.m., Carlson Center, 601 Carlson Parkway, Suite 1050, Minnetonka.** Call (952) 746-5611.
- **Free Thought Toastmasters, 6 p.m., Muffaletta Cafe, 2260 Como Ave., St. Paul.** George, (651) 635-5945.

- **Toastmasters Minneapolis Club No. 75**, 6:15 to 8:15 p.m., Oak Grill Restaurant, Marshall Field's, 700 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis. Call William Wright at (612) 871-4616.

TUE., SEPT. 21

- **Business Networking International of Woodbury, 7:15 to 8:45 a.m., Awada's Woodbury Grille.** Leanne Schmiesing, (651) 271-3263.
- **Bloomington Noon Rotary, 12:15 p.m., Ramada Inn Airport and Thunderbird Convention Center, 2300 E. American Blvd.** Diann Kirby, (952) 563-8818.
- **Grapevine Network Bloomington Creekside group, 8:30 to 9:45 a.m., Creekside Community Center, 9801 Penn Ave. S., Room 110.** Bloomington Hall group, 8 to 9:15 a.m. at Knights of Columbus Hall, 1114 W. 79th St. Burnsville Eagles group, 8 to 9:15 a.m. at Eagle Trace Building (by Goodyear), 12002 County Road 11. Eden Prairie group, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at M & I Bank, 11455 Viking Dr. Elk River/Big Lake group, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., Riverview Community Bank, 9040 Quaday Ave. N.E., Otsego (Hwy. 101 and Hwy. 39, next to Blackwoods Restaurant). Maple Grove group, 8:15 to 9:30 a.m. at Maple Grove Community Center, 12951 Weaver Lake Rd. Maplewood group, 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. at Keystone Computer Solutions Inc., 2399 Ariel St. N., Suite A. Mendota Heights group, 8:45 to 9:30 a.m. at Paychex Building, 1210 Northland Dr., Suite 100. (952) 746-5611 for all groups.
- **Master Networkers.** Maple Grove chapter, 11:30 a.m. at Angeno's, 13588 80th Circle. Ridgedale chapter, 11:30 a.m., Martha's Vineyard in the St. Louis Park Holiday Inn, I394 and Hopkins Crossroads. Pete, (651) 487-1847.
- **Lakers Toastmasters Meeting — 6 to 7:15 p.m., Good Shepard Church, 4801 France Ave. S., Room 132, Minneapolis.** Contact Mike at (952) 224-2930.
- **Diversified Business Professionals, 7:30 to 9 a.m., Hometown Buffet, Coon Rapids.** Jeff, (763) 755-1845.
- **Aim to Succeed — Women's Business Group Plymouth group, 8 to 9:30 a.m., 701 Carlson Parkway, Minnetonka.** Call (763) 323-7551 or visit www.aimnetworking.com.
- **Toastmasters Thriftbuilder Club, noon to 1p.m., 801 Marquette Avenue South, TCF Third Floor Boardroom, Minneapolis.** Free. Rosie, (612) 661-8376.

WED., SEPT. 22

- **Minneapolis South Rotary Club, 7:15 a.m., American Indian OIC, 1845 E. Franklin Ave.** Tie Oei, (651) 747-1037.

- **a.m. espresso...**A Networking Event. Host: St. Paul Area Chamber of Commerce, 7:30 to 9 a.m., Park Square Theatre, 20 W. Seventh Place, Historic Hamm Building, St. Paul. Free. (651) 223-5000, www.saintpaulchamber.com.
- **Aim to Succeed — Women's Business Group Bloomington2 group, 12 to 1:30 p.m.** at Associated Bank, 7760 France Ave. S., Suite 220, Edina. St. Paul group, 7:30 to 9 a.m., The Gathering, 656 Selby Ave., St. Paul. (763) 323-7551, www.aimnetworking.com.
- **Master Networkers.** Shoreview chapter, 7:45 a.m. at McGuire's in the Holiday Inn St. Paul N., 1201 W. County Road E. St. Paul chapter, 11:30 a.m. at Dixie's on Grand Ave. Pete, (651) 487-1847.
- **Grapevine Network Bloomington Wells Fargo group, 7:30 to 8:45 a.m.** at 3601 Minnesota Drive, Suite 100. Brooklyn Center group, 7:30 to 8:45 a.m., 6th floor conference room, 5701 Shingle Creek Parkway. Edina group, 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., Administaff Office, 3600 Minnesota Dr., Suite 70. Plymouth group, 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., Plymouth Ice Arena, 3650 Plymouth Blvd. Call (952) 746-5611 for all groups.
- **Advantage Networking on Grand, 11:30 a.m.** to 1 p.m., Sidney's Restaurant at 917 Grand Ave., St. Paul. Call John at (651) 442-0465.
- **Business Builders, 7 to 8:30 a.m.** at Old Country Buffet, 9 East Street, Richfield. Call Anne, (763) 476-6033.
- **Synergy Networking Group, 11:30 a.m.** to 12:30 p.m., 3600 Minnesota Drive, Room 80A, Edina. (952) 831-6214.

THUR., SEPT. 23

- **PRSA Alive After 5! Host: Minnesota chapter of the Public Relations Society of America, 5:30 to 7:30, Chang O'Hara's, 498 Selby Ave., St. Paul.** \$5, appetizers and cash bar. Wendy Burt, (651) 296-6043.
- **Metro SpeakEasy Toastmasters, 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.** at 100 Washington Square Building, downtown Minneapolis. Todd, (763) 522-6365, www.speakeasytoastmasters.org.
- **Eden Prairie Business-2-Business Networking, 7:30 to 8:30 a.m., Flagship Corporate Center, 775 Prairie Center Dr., Suite 400.** \$8 per month. Cynthia Theisen, (952) 942-2847.
- **Executive Connections Business Network, 9 to 10 a.m., Associated Bank Building, 5353 Wayzata Blvd., 2nd Floor Conference Room, St. Louis Park.** Dominic DesMarais, (952) 548-3708.
- **Marsh Winds Toastmasters, 9:15 to 10:30 a.m., Minnetonka United Methodist Church.** Call Ann Cathcart at (952) 474-9800 or email clrpath@aol.com.

- **Uptown Rotary, 7:30 to 8:30 a.m., Minikahda Club, 3205 Excelsior Blvd., Minneapolis.** Call Jeff, (952) 838-7006.
- **Business Networking International of Minnetonka and St. Louis Park - Power Networkers chapter, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Holiday Inn West.** Lunch is \$12.50. Call Tara Roman at (612) 618-3599.
- **Code of Ethics, 1:30 to 5 p.m., Rochester Golf & Country Club, 3100 W. Country Club Rd., Rochester.** Host: The Financial Planning Association. \$40. Call (612) 789-4799.
- **NAWBO Connection Event.** Host: National Women Business Owners Minnesota Chapter, 4:30 to 7 p.m., Bandana Conference Center in St. Paul. www.nawbo-mn.org.
- **Trends: Embracing Paradox.** Host: Association for Women in Communications, 6 to 9 p.m., Escape Ultra Lounge in downtown Minneapolis' Block E. Speaker: Trend expert Robyn Waters. \$55. Wendy Huckaby, (651) 696-0078, www.awctwincities.com.

FRI., SEPT. 24

- **Super Speakers Toastmasters, 7 to 8 a.m., Superval headquarters in Eden Prairie.** Free. (952) 294-0527.
- **Grapevine Network Bloomington Northland group, 7:30 to 8:45 a.m.** at Minnesota Center Building, 7760 France Ave. S., Suite 220, Bloomington. Call (952) 746-5611.
- **Master Networkers Bloomington chapter, 7:30 a.m., Webster's Cafe, 7900 Xerxes Ave. S.** (651) 487-1847.
- **Rotary Club of Minneapolis, noon to 1:30 p.m., 50th floor, IDS Tower in Minneapolis.** (612) 673-0166.

MON. SEPT. 27

- **Master Networkers.** Roseville chapter, 11:30 a.m. at Red Lobster, 2330 Prior Ave. N., Pete, (651) 487-1847.
- **Grapevine Network Minnetonka Carlson, 4:30 to 5:45 p.m., Carlson Center, 601 Carlson Parkway, Suite 1050, Minnetonka.** Call (952) 746-5611.
- **Toastmasters Minneapolis Club No. 75, 6:15 to 8:15 p.m., Oak Grill Restaurant, Marshall Field's, 700 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis.** Call William Wright at (612) 871-4616.

TUE., SEPT. 28

- **Business Networking International of Woodbury, 7:15 to 8:45 a.m., Awada's Woodbury Grille.** Leanne Schmiesing, (651) 271-3263.

- **Diversified Business Professionals, 7:30 to 9 a.m., Hometown Buffet, Coon Rapids.** Jeff, (763) 755-1845.
- **Business Break — Casual Lead Exchange at Its Best.** Host: St. Paul Area Chamber of Commerce, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Pazzaluna, 360 Saint Peter St. \$23, includes lunch. (651) 223-5000, www.saintpaulchamber.com.
- **Toastmasters Thriftbuilder Club, noon to 1 p.m., 801 Marquette Avenue South, TCF Third Floor Boardroom, Minneapolis.** Free. Rosie, (612) 661-8376.
- **Bloomington Noon Rotary, 12:15 p.m., Ramada Inn Airport and Thunderbird Convention Center, 2300 E. American Blvd.** Diann Kirby, (952) 563-8818.
- **Master Networkers.** Maple Grove chapter, 11:30 a.m. at Angeno's, 13588 80th Circle. Ridgedale chapter, 11:30 a.m., Martha's Vineyard in the St. Louis Park Holiday Inn, I394 and Hopkins Crossroads. Pete, (651) 487-1847.
- **Art of Convening Series.** Host: Heartland, teletraining meets 7 to 9 p.m. for one Tuesday a month through Jan. 25. \$350. Call (952) 925-5995.

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