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Last Chance to Update Your YPC Profile!

Starting June 1st, all YPC communication will be driven by the new Web site, so it's very important to log-in and update your profile so you continue to receive YPC newsletters and event notices! Some of the features of this system include a new event management system with RSVP capabilities, an enhanced membership directory, custom member profiles, expanded committee pages, and a member benefits page (including access to member only events). It is very important for you to update your profile ASAP so you can benefit from these improvements. If you are a current, paid YPC member you should have already received an email with instructions about how to log-in. If you didn't receive one and should have, please email Mike Letsch, YPC Webmaster.

[YPC events this week]

Informational Meeting for Organizations Interested in Participating in 80/35 "Do More" Village
IMPACT DOWNTOWN
May 21

Community organizations interested in being a part of YPC's "Do More" Village at this summers 80/35 Music Festival are invited to attend and information meeting at 5:30 p.m., tomorrow night, at the Greater Des Moines Partnership, 700 Locust St., Suite 100, downtown. For more information, contact Pete Jones, Vice President of the Impact Downtown committee..

Business Etiquette with Tero International, Inc.
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
May 22

Is it possible for you to *Outclass Your Competition*? It is and it pays to know the skills that can make that happen for you. Do you handshake in a way that leads to a positive impression every time? Do you know how to network in a way that makes people want to know more about you and your organization? Do you know that your body language speaks louder than your words, especially when interacting with internationals?

Tero International's Deborah Rinner, Director of International Protocol & Corporate Etiquette Programs, will present these and many other helpful hints to make sure that you thrive, not just survive in your organization. Join us at 6:00 p.m., Thursday, May 22, at Tero International, Inc, 1840 NW 118th Street, Suite 107, Clive, IA 50325. Tero International is a corporate training company specializing in the interpersonal skills. The cost is $5 for YPC members; beverages and appetizers will be served. YPC members can log on to the YPC Web site for directions and to register for the event. Seating is limited! Contact Jenna Hogan, Vice President of Professional Development, with questions or for more information.

[YPC events coming soon]

2008 Legislative Update Lunch 'N Learn
CIVIC
May 27

Come learn about what happened during the 2008 Iowa Legislative Session. Jay Byers, Senior Vice President of Gov't Relations and Public Policy at the Partnership, will provide information and answer your questions. The event is from

noon to 1:00 p.m., in the Arthur Davis Conference Center at the Greater Des Moines Partnership. Contact Mark Cullen, Vice President of Civic, with questions or for more information.

Why YPC
MEMBERSHIP
May 28

Whether you're a new or potential YPC member, would you like to learn a little more about YPC? If you have questions about YPC, then this event is for you. During this small informational session, YPC board members will make a short presentation about what YPC does and what each of the committees do. In addition, there will be an opportunity for questions and answers from the audience. Contact Matt McQuillen, Vice President of Membership, for more information.

YPC Summer Golf Outings
SOCIAL
May 27, June 24, July 29, August 26

Looking for a great place to golf this summer? YPC is teaming up with Woodland Hills Golf Course the last Tuesday of each month this summer! Tee time is 6:30pm on May 27th, June 24th, July 29th and August 26th. To sign up, email Molly Scanlon. YPC will get the special league rate of $23.50/person (includes 9 holes and cart). This discounted rate applies to friends of YPC members as well...so reserve your spot today!

Dinner Around the World
DIVERSITY / SOCIAL
May 29

The Dinner Around the World series will make its next stop at Old Castle Restaurant, 8385 Birchwood Ct., Johnston, on May 29. The festivities will get started at 6:00 p.m., and the menu includes Cevapi (traditional Bosnian sausage with specially prepared bread), Jaeger Tenderloin (hand pounded beef tenderloin breaded and fried topped with mushroom gravy), Rjnajici (skewered beef), Sarma (meat stuffed cabbage rolls), and a variety of desserts. The cost is $10/person and reservations are needed by May 27. Contact Jessica Brown, YPC committee member, with questions or for more information.

Dancing with YPC
SOCIAL
May 29

The first installment of "Dancing with YPC" will be line dancing at 7:30 p.m., May 29th, at Miss Kitty's (8800 Swanson Blvd, Clive). This is the first part of a three part dancing series that will give YPC members the opportunity to learn different dancing styles. Drink specials included will be included and you can learn how to line dance with professional instructors...then use your skills on the floor! Bring your friends for the first part of Dancing with YPC! Contact Kelly Kasparie, YPC Social Committee member, for more information or with questions.

Candidate Conversations with Congressman Boswell
CIVIC
May 30

Come meet Iowa incumbent Congressman Leonard Boswell and learn about his positions in the race for the Democratic seat in Iowa's 3rd District. The event will be held at the Greater Des Moines Partnership in the Arthur Davis Conference Room. The event will begin promptly at noon and will finish by 1:00 p.m. As a non-partisan organization, YPC has extended invitations to both the Democrat and Republican parties of Iowa inviting their respective candidates on the local, state and federal levels to discuss their issues and platforms with members of YPC. Contact Mark Cullen, Vice President of Civic, with questions or for more information. Look for more Candidate Conversation events this year before the November election! Click here to RSVP!

[YPC updates]

YPC Now Accepting Booth Applications for the "Do More Village" at 80/35 Summer Music Festival

On July 4 and 5, the Greater Des Moines Music Coalition (DMMC) will host 80/35, Des Moines' first-ever, multi-day music festival. The festival is expected to draw thousands of people from across the mid-west, many under the age of

40. As a result, the event will provide a platform for showcasing Des Moines as a forward-thinking city where young professionals can thrive. Involvement in this event is a natural fit for YPC.

YPC will join the DMMC in promoting Greater Des Moines at the music festival via the Do More Village. YPC's Do More Village will serve as the hub for showcasing all things Des Moines. This area will draw event attendees through its interactive exhibits and unique demonstrations, all provided by local groups and supported by local talent. YPC needs your help to make the Do More Village a success! Click here to learn how to apply for a booth space or to get involved.

[upcoming greater des moines partnership events]

Do More in the City Summer Intern Series Kick-Off
May 27

The Greater Des Moines Partnership and Wells Fargo have teamed up to offer a second season of "Do More in the City," a series of events for interns spending their summer in Greater Des Moines. The series contains various networking events designed to engage summer interns with business and community leaders, young professionals and other interns while incorporating exposure to many of the quality of life amenities and professional development opportunities in the region.

In collaboration with YPC, Do More in the City has a full schedule of events throughout the summer beginning with the Kick-off on Tuesday, May 27, from 5 to 7:00 p.m., at the Greater Des Moines Partnership building, featuring music by The Nadas. All YPC members are invited to attend this kick-off event with other community and business leaders to network and welcome the summer interns to Greater Des Moines.

Golden Circle Games Volunteers Needed
June 18

Mark your calendar - the Golden Circle Games are coming up June 18! As you may recall, for the past two years we've done an 80's theme and we're turning back the clock yet again, groovin' through the 70's from hippie-style bell-bottoms to mirrored disco balls. Each game will have a 70's twist while 70's tunes echo through the Midway of the Iowa State Fairgrounds complete with a hustle dance competition! With 3,000+ people at the fairgrounds for this event, one thing is certain…it's not possible without the support of fabulous volunteers, like you! If you have time to volunteer at this year's Games, please contact Rebecca Batcheller. The following shifts are available: 10 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Set-Up, 3-6:30 p.m. Various tasks, and 6:00-9:30: p.m. Various tasks. In exchange for your time, you'll receive free spectator admission to the event, a Golden Circle Games Super Groovy 70's t-shirt, as well as drink and food tickets! Click here for more information.

[other events around town]

Ballet Des Moines Business Networking Event
May 21

Join friends and colleagues for a swanky business networking extravaganza with Ballet Des Moines on Wednesday, May 21st, from 4:45-7:45 p.m., at Ingersoll Square (MLK & Ingersoll). This event is open to all and presents an opportunity to meet the professional dancers performing in the ballet's spring show, "Elevation". The event will include appetizers provided by Gateway Market and hourly drawings for tickets to "Elevation". Any questions please contact Julie Moore at515.440.1177.

Greater Des Moines Leadership Institute's Under the Stars Wine/Ale Tasting
May 22

Join fellow leaders from the Greater Des Moines Leadership Institute, 40 Under 40, and the Young Professionals Connection for an especially festive spring evening under the stars and around the Art Center's reflecting pool for networking, music by Brian Congdon, hors d'oeuvres, and a wine/ale tasting provided by Glazer's. The event is from 5:30 p.m. -8:30 p.m., at the Des Moines Art Center, 4700 Grand Avenue. Tickets are $20 or $15 for GDMLI Alumni Association members. Click here to RSVP and pay online. Contact Rebecca Batcheller for more details by email or phone at 515.286.4980

Sunshine ProvaCouture
May 23

Don't miss this killer runway show featuring some of Iowa's brightest fashion designers while DJ DIVERSE & So Gold rock the dance floor. It will be the hottest party of the summer! This runway spectacular and dance party starts at 8:00 p.

m., May 23, at Halo Nightclub, 2060 N.W. 94th St., Des Moines. You can Buy Tickets online or click here for more information.

DMMC's Concert Corps
May 24

DMMC's next Concert Corps with Des Moines based rockers Faded Pearl is May 24th, at The Warehouse in Urbandale (3280 100th St.). Cover is $5 and there will be drink specials. Each month the DMMC helps promote a local show at venues across the Des Moines metro. Hitting different venues and multiple genres, Concert Corps hopes to get more people out to shows to support local musicians and venues.

The Iowa ONE Vote Summer '08 Kick-Off Event
May 27

The ONE campaign's Iowa Summer kick-off is May 27th at the Fourth Street Theatre at Java Joe's, Downtown. The event starts at 6:30 p.m. with a gallery reception showcasing photos from One Vote 08. At 7:30 p.m., there will be live music from Jason Walsmith and Mike Butterworth of The Nadas. Contact Libby Crimmings for more information.

West Des Moines Leadership Academy Now Accepting Applications
May 30 Deadline

The West Des Moines Leadership Academy is accepting applications to be included in its inaugural class for 2008–2009. It's a program sponsored by the West Des Moines Chamber of Commerce and a few YPC members have been instrumental in its development. Anyone interested in more information or in applying should visit click here. The application deadline is Friday, May 30.

2008 National Arts Forum Series Event in Des Moines
June 3

Des Moines is one of 11 cities across the nation (including New York, Los Angeles, Providence, Houston, Chicago, Tampa, Atlanta, Hartford, and Boston) scheduled to host two events between now and the end of the year to bring together nonprofit and private-sector professionals to examine pressing issues facing arts organizations around the country. In particular, the event looks at how both arts and business are addressing the issue of increasing diversity in this country as it relates to workforce development, leadership and management, and product offerings through a new theory being advanced by author and cultural analyst Patricia Martin. Click here for more information. Martin's theory says that the "RenGen", short for renaissance generation, is a cultural movement created by the confluence of art, education, entertainment, and business that has as its center a powerful new player: the cultural consumer. It defines a growing stratum of Americans who thrive on information and ideas to fuel their creativity and shows how it will drive the next wave of innovation.

The first Des Moines event is June 3rd, at 9:00 a.m., at the State Historical Building. Panelists are Barry Griswell, Jeff Chelesvig, and YPC's own Savan Thongvanh. The event is completely free to attend and is sponsored by MetLife.

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