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Happy New Year!

It's hard to believe that Spa Day is almost here, but March 20 is closer than you think. The Spa Day committee is already hard at work on this year's event, which will serve as our primary fundraising event for 2004.

Details about Spa Day are included on the back of the newsletter. Remember, we need EVERYONE in Quota to be involved: whether you buy a package or a service for yourself or others, or if you sell a package (or packages), or if you come to the event to help, we need EVERYONE to make this event a success. We have the opportunity to raise more than \$5,000 for our community service projects with Spa Day, so please plan to participate.

We will need donations of some type of snack or item for children for the babysitting room to be brought to the February meeting. More on this at the January meeting and in the February newsletter.

Thanks for everything you all have done to make 2003 a great year for Quota. I know 2004 will be fantastic, due to all of you!

— President Michelle

Dates to remember

Jan. 28, 5 p.m. Holiday Inn,
Regular dinner meeting
Installation of new members!
BRING A FRIEND...

Remember that guests are always welcome to come to our meetings or community service projects. If you are bringing a friend(s) to the monthly dinner meeting, just please make sure and add their reservation to yours when you are contacted by the reservation committee. First-time visitors will be our guests for dinner.

From the Mentoring Committee...

The mentoring committee is already looking ahead to the spring with a number of events. Any Quotarian can participate in any or all mentoring events.

Events being planned include a Big Brothers-Big Sisters (at the children's request) bowling at the Elks night in late March or early April (after Spa Day). The committee is shooting for a Monday evening.

Quotarians will be asked to bring items for this bowling event (snacks, drinks, small prizes). More on this closer to the date.

The mentoring committee also is planning to continue the walking business tours some time in May. Some possible tour sites include The Flower Gallery with Becky Farren; Don White's office; S&T; IUP; The Indiana Gazette.

In June, the children will help with the June Jamboree and Stand For Children activities.

Shannon Clausen has volunteered to be the mentoring committee's photographer and this will lead to scrapbooking activity for the participants.

Other suggestions included VIP passes for behind the scene participation in Ground Hog Day; working to help with the Love Basket Project; holiday dinners; an outdoor experience of canoeing and kayaking in the Saltsburg waters; another etiquette dinner; a self defense class; one on one mentoring; visit to a recording studio or radio station; go caroling at a nursing home; have sponsored career days; career dressing tips; mock interviews, marriage prep and

planning classes; tour IUP; do a survey to identify each child's interest and split up the group so that each person gets to see what they are interested in and then get back together and have the children tell each other about what they liked.

Look for mention of Quota and the mentoring program in an upcoming issue of *The Indiana Gazette's* women in business section.

THANK YOU!

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Festival of Lights night and the Salvation Army bellringing program. Despite the cold, I think everyone had a great time while helping out two very worthy causes in Indiana.

January meeting

Hostess for January are Paula Mardis, Nancy Sherry and Megan White.

Committee chairs will be asked to do a brief update-orientation for our new members, who will be installed at the meeting. Starting in January, we will have the entrees and alternate selections served buffet style, but we will still be served our beverages at the table.

Yearbook updates...

New yearbook pages will be coming out in January. Binders (if you don't have them already) are available for sale for \$5 at the dinner meetings. As you have changes to your personal information, please let Michelle know and it will be published in the newsletter. (mfryling@iup.edu) or call 724-357-2303 (work). New pages will come out in January and in August.

QQP AWARDS will be given out at the January meeting... thanks to Jenn and her committee for continuing this fun tradition.

Happy Birthday to...

Jan. 19 Kathy Honacki
Jan. 26 Tina Semon
Jan. 27 Michelle Fryling

