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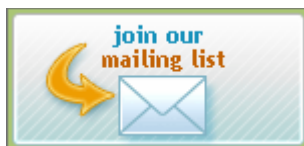
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Please visit our website:

[www.wiwomensnetwork.org](http://www.wiwomensnetwork.org)

## → Opportunities at WWN

### Board of Directors, Vice Chair/Special Events

The Wisconsin Women's Network currently has an opening for Vice Chair/Special Events on its Board of Directors. This position expires in December 2011, and may be renewed for a new two-year term. We particularly encourage applications from representatives of member organizations in WWN, but the position is also open to individual members of WWN. The Vice Chair/Special Events is responsible for the events sponsored by the Wisconsin Women's Network. This is an opportunity to see if membership on the 10-member Board of the Wisconsin Women's Network, working on issues important to women and families, is a good fit for you. Please contact [Johanna Hatch](#), administrator, for further information.

### Communications/Special Events and Program/Administration Internships

The Wisconsin Women's Network is currently seeking interns in the areas of Communications and Special Events and Program and Administration for Summer and Fall 2010. Applications will be accepted until the positions are filled. For more information or to apply, please contact [Johanna Hatch](#), administrator.

## → Events

May 12

### Wisconsin Women's Health Policy Summit, Madison

8:00 AM-5:00 PM, Alliant Energy Center Exhibition Hall. Organized by the [Wisconsin Alliance for Women's Health](#), co-sponsored by WWN. Please visit our table and join us for an afternoon session on how economic security impacts women's health. For more info and to register: [WAWH](#).

April 9-17

### The Butcher of Baraboo, Madison

Performed at TAPIT/new works, 1957 Winnebago Street. By Marisa Wegrzyn, directed by Kristin Forde. Presented by Kathie Rasmussen Women's Theatre. Six shows only: Fris & Sats at 8pm, Sat matinees at 3pm. The Baraboo butcher's husband mysteriously disappears. Everyone in her family has a theory-and a motive.



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Hilarious superficial externalities give way to dark secrets. A comedy-drama about the choices women make. Cast: Heather Abney, Stephanie Robey, Peggy Rosin, Carl Sirotzki, Sarah Whelan. For more info: [Madwomenstage.org](http://Madwomenstage.org). Reservations & contact: (608) 663-5814, tickets \$15.

#### April 14

##### Janseville LWV Lunch and Learn, Janesville

12:00 noon, M&I Bank Community Room, 100 N. Main Street.

Featuring a presentation on the [Wisconsin Elder Economic Security Initiative](#). For more info: Kay Deupree, 608-752-8342.

#### April 20

##### Equal Pay Day Observance, Green Bay

5:30 PM-8:00 PM, YWCA, 230 Madison Street. In recognition of Equal Pay Day, AAUW-GB Area Branch, the GB-DePere Business and Professional Women (BPW), the League of Women Voters of Greater Green Bay (LWVGGB) and the YWCA Green Bay - DePere are sponsoring Shape Up Your Financial Fitness, a panel discussion and social. This program is appropriate for everyone but is especially geared for women of all ages and stages of their lives and careers. Attendance is free to the public, but registration is requested. To register, contact the YWCA at 920-432-5581, by Friday, April 16.



## News and Views

### Women's Health and Reproductive Rights

#### [Juneau County DA warns districts on sex ed law](#)

A district attorney is telling Juneau County schools to abandon their sex education courses, saying a new curriculum law could lead to criminal charges against teachers for contributing to the delinquency of minors. Starting in the fall, the new law requires schools that have sex education programs to tell students how to use condoms and other contraceptives. Juneau County District Attorney Scott Southworth said such education encourages sex among children, which is illegal, and could lead to charges against teachers.

#### [Nevada's High Court to Hear 'Personhood' Appeal](#)

"Personhood," an extremist stratagem of the anti-choice movement, gets a court hearing in Nevada April 6. Republican Majority for Choice is rallying its membership against a tactic it says runs counter to the GOP's stance against big government.

#### [CO2 Releases Wary Talk of Population, Gender](#)

Population control policies have been linked to the subordination of women's rights through coercive abortions and sterilizations. But in the age of CO2 anxiety, a wary discourse is growing about the importance of reproductive rights to climate.

## Economic Equity

### [One Step Closer to Passing the Paycheck Fairness Act](#)

The Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act brought us back to where we were before a bad Supreme Court decision. Passage of the Paycheck Fairness Act will move us forward and strengthen the laws against wage discrimination. As Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro stated, the Paycheck Fairness Act is a "modern, commonsense reform," which will represent much-needed "progress" in effectively fighting wage discrimination.

### [Spain wants women's equality to be part of EU economic strategy](#)

The global economic crisis is positively impacting the role of women in the EU. Spain's Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero said Sunday that women's equality should be a part of the European Union's new 10-year plan to make the bloc's economy more competitive.

## Violence Against Women

### [U.N. Envoy Paves Diplomatic History for Women](#)

Before the late 1990s, sexual violence wasn't generally considered any kind of issue, says Anne-Marie Goetz, chief advisor of governance, peace and security for UNIFEM. Rape camps in Bosnia were "horrifying" and systematic sexual violence in Rwanda was "on a level never seen before," but indictments didn't occur until years later, she said. Neither peace agreement mentioned sexual violence.



## Job and Volunteer Opportunities

### Volunteer Opportunities

**Wisconsin Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice seeks Board/Committee members!**

Pro-Choice? Frustrated? Looking for a way to Make a Difference? The Wisconsin Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice is the place for you! Wisconsin RCRC is looking for dedicated, committed, pro-choice people of faith to join our board of directors and/or join one of our working groups. If you are passionate for social justice and women's rights; if you are frustrated at the current state of reproductive justice in Wisconsin; if your faith compels you to get involved in a meaningful way to effect change; please contact Rabbi Bonnie Margulis at [bmargulis@tds.net](mailto:bmargulis@tds.net) or Cathy Thompson at [wi\\_rcrc@yahoo.com](mailto:wi_rcrc@yahoo.com) and find out how you can become a board member and/or join one of our working groups, and become a faithful activist for reproductive justice for Wisconsin!

**Independent Living, Inc.** is looking for volunteers to help keep seniors and people with disabilities independent and in the home of their choice. We offer a wide variety of volunteer opportunities. Opportunities include:

**Chore Corps:** Help an older or disabled adult with running errands,

grocery shopping, meal preparation or light housekeeping. Flexible schedule 1-2 hours per week.

**Evening Meals on Wheels:** Deliver hot, nutritious meals to the home of frail or homebound older adults or people with disabilities. Routes start between 4:00 to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and generally take about an hour to complete. Delivering meals make a great group or family activity.

**Friendly Visiting:** Help prevent social isolation by offering weekly companionship to an older adult in their home or on an outing. Flexible schedule 1-2 hours per week.

**Kitchen Volunteers:** Assist our professional chef in preparing and packaging meals for our Evening Meals on Wheels clients.

**Reception Volunteer:** Assist with answering the telephone, greeting visitors and general office projects. 3-4 hours per week. Shifts are available at the Independent Living Headquarters, 815 Forward Drive, or The Gardens, 602 N. Segoe Road, both in Madison.

**Telephone Reassurance:** Make daily calls to provide a safety check, medication reminder or companionship for an older adult in our community. For more information, contact [Volunteer Services Program Manager](#) at 608-274-7900

**For Equality,**

Johanna Hatch, Administrator  
[Wisconsin Women's Network](#)

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