

November 14, 2013

## Women In Bio *Welcome*

### Simone Fishburn Speaks with the Chemical Heritage Foundation

WIB President and Chairwoman of the Board: Simone Fishburn, Ph.D. was recently interviewed by the Chemical Heritage Foundation on her career and creating the roles she wanted. To listen to the interview, [click here](#).

### One Day Left to Apply for the 2013 Robbie Melton Women In Bio Scholarship!

Apply now for the [Robbie Melton Women In Bio Scholarship](#). The scholarship was established to advance the educational development of women in the life sciences industry by encouraging and supporting education on the business aspects of life science. It honors Women In Bio co-founder, Robbie Melton, who has dedicated her career to fostering the growth of life science entrepreneurs.

[Click here](#) to download and complete the application. The application deadline is TOMORROW November 15, 2013. The scholarship checks will be presented at the awardees' respective chapter Chapter Holiday Party or similar chapter event. [Click here](#) for more information. Thank you to our sponsors.



### WIB's Social (Media) Butterflies

WIB wants to grow our social media footprint and need our members' and supporters' help! Be sure to participate on our [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [YouTube](#) accounts and post about events and news. Thanks for helping spread the word about WIB and your chapter.

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## CHAPTER EVENTS

### Atlanta Chapter Events

#### **Professional Development Workshop for College Students at Atlanta Technical College**

On Thursday, November 14, 2013 from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. WIB-Atlanta is hosting a workshop for female students enrolled in the life sciences at Atlanta Technical College. Session topics will include background of STEM careers, CV and resume writing, interviewing skills, professional etiquette, networking and what to expect from a STEM career. [Click here](#) to register.

#### **Join WIB-Atlanta's Holiday Party & Cookie Swap**

Don't you love the holidays? It's a time for parties and sharing food, gifts and memories with your colleagues and family. WIB would like to invite everyone out to Alpharetta for a Dessert Holiday Potluck on December 8, 2013, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. EST. We will provide a spread of international vegetarian dishes. Guests are encouraged to bring a friend and dessert to share. Come meet and mingle with your fellow colleagues. Eat, drink and be merry with WIB-Atlanta! [Click here](#) to register and for more information.

#### **Opportunity to Contribute to the Sponsorship Committee**

WIB-Atlanta is looking for Sponsorship Committee members to help secure funding for WIB activities. The ideal candidate would be an engaging, charismatic person who is enthusiastic about the WIB mission and women empowerment. She would also be capable of effectively communicating and conveying her passions and energy to others. A woman who can get key people interested in our goals, incite them to contribute and negotiate sponsorship deals is important for the continuation of WIB accomplishments. Those interested in contributing to WIB-Atlanta by networking and securing funding should contact [Atlanta@womeninbio.org](mailto:Atlanta@womeninbio.org).

#### **Science Fair Judges Needed for STEM Event**

YWIB-Atlanta is continuing their relationship with the King's Ridge Christian School (KRCS) and joining them for a second STEM event on November 18, 2013. We are helping them conduct a science fair for their middle and high school students. They need a couple volunteers for 1-2 hours read preliminary one-page project proposals and provide comments. Email [Atlanta@womeninbio.org](mailto:Atlanta@womeninbio.org) to express your interests in volunteering

with the KRCS Science Fair

### **Look Out for Upcoming WIB-Atlanta Events**

WIB-Atlanta and YWIB-Atlanta have a lot of events coming up in the next few months. WIB-Atlanta is planning another book club gathering in January 2014. The YWIB team will have a booth to host a number of fun science labs for young girls at the Atlanta Science Festival on March 29, 2014. Additionally, another young maiden event at King's Ridge Christian School is scheduled for the Spring of 2014. Please contact us at [Atlanta@womeninbio.org](mailto:Atlanta@womeninbio.org) if you would like to volunteer for any programming or YWIB events.

### **Pittsburgh Chapter Events**

#### **Winter Book Discussion: Inspired Entrepreneurs**

Please join us on Thursday, November 21, 2013 from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. EST, as local author Beth Caldwell will lead a discussion of her book, "Inspired Entrepreneurs: A Collection of Female Triumphs in Business and Life," where we will share our thoughts on stories of women who took the road less taken with extraordinary results. [Click here](#) to register and for more information.

#### **Help Our Mission and Become Involved!**

Become more involved with the Pittsburgh chapter by joining one of our committees. Contact [pittsburgh@womeninbio.org](mailto:pittsburgh@womeninbio.org) to determine where your expertise will be suite our growing chapter. Committees include Communications/Marketing, Programming, Membership, and Sponsorship. Volunteer for one event, two events or events all year long! Whatever your schedule, we'd love to have you. Get involved, expand your network, and help our mission of encouraging women leadership in the life sciences industry!

#### **Pittsburgh's Social Media Presence**

Did you know that the Pittsburgh chapter has a social media presence? Check out our [Facebook](#) page and be sure to join our [LinkedIn](#) group to make the most of your membership. This is the best way to stay informed of upcoming events, the latest news in the industry and accomplishments of fellow members. It also is a great way to reinforce all of the networking connections you make at each WIB event! Additionally, you can follow the chapter via Twitter. Connect to our feed [@WIBPittsburgh](#) today for interesting tidbits about the industry, our community, and our chapter.

### **Montréal Chapter Events**

**Joignez-vous à Femmes en Bio pour un séminaire interactif sur les méthodes d'amélioration en approche stratégique**

**Join WIB-Greater Montreal for an interactive learning event: Improving your strategic thinking skill**

Vous êtes conviés à un évènement fort intéressant, interactif et pédagogique intitulé: "Comment améliorer son approche stratégique" par le chapitre montréalais de Femmes en Bio. Cet évènement aura lieu le 26 novembre, 2013 de 17h30 à 20h, à Sanofi Aventis de Laval. Sans approche stratégique, les entreprises, autant petites que grandes, ne peuvent subsister. En effet, les entreprises qui favorisent une approche stratégique à travers toutes les strates connaîtront un essor, malgré les turbulences du marché. [Veuillez cliquer sur le lien ci-dessous pour de plus amples informations et pour vous inscrire.](#)

The Greater Montreal Chapter of Women In Bio invites you to participate in an exciting and interactive learning event, "Improving Your Strategic Thinking Skill", from 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 26, 2013 at the offices of Sanofi, in Laval's biotechnology metropolis. If leaders at the various levels of big and small organizations can't think strategically today, they may not have a business tomorrow...The organizations which create a culture of learning strategic thinking at all levels will increase their chances to thrive in today's turbulent economic times. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

### **Le groupe régionale Femmes en Bio du Grand Montréal: 5 à 7 des fêtes et réseautage**

Le groupe régionale Femmes en Bio du Grand Montréal vous invite à célébrer la saison des fêtes à notre prochaine soirée de réseautage. L'évènement se tiendra lundi le 9 décembre, de 18h00 à 20h00, au Whisky Café (5800, boulevard Saint-Laurent, Montréal (QC) H2T 1T3). Venez savourez de délicieux canapés tout en renouant avec des anciens et nouveaux amis du secteur des biosciences de Montréal. Venez célébrer le temps des fêtes avec Femmes en bio! Veuillez [cliquer sur le lien](#) ci-dessous pour vous enregistrer

### **WIB-Greater Montreal Chapter: Holiday Happy Hour and Networking**

The WIB-Greater Montreal Chapter invites you to ring-in the festive season at its Holiday Happy Hour and Networking on Monday December 9 2013, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at the Whisky Cafe. Enjoy delicious canapés as you mingle with old and new friends from Montréal's bioscience sector. Come share in the holiday cheer as WIB celebrates the spirit of the season! [Please click here](#) for more information and to register.

### **Femmes en bio du Grand Montréal reçoit ses membres pour une rencontre d'accueil matinale**

Femmes en bio du Grand Montréal a conclu sa série de petits déjeuners en organisant une rencontre d'accueil le mardi 8 octobre 2013, au cabinet d'avocats Bereskin & Parr au centre-ville de Montréal. Nous avons débuté la rencontre avec du café, des bagels et des pâtisseries pour ensuite nous présenter à tour de rôle. Quelques membres ont présenté de courts exposés sur leurs parcours professionnels. Une discussion très animée et du réseautage fructueux s'ensuivirent. Nous avons saisi l'occasion pour faire de nouvelles connaissances, recruter de nouveaux bénévoles et créer de nouvelles relations

### **Join WIB-Greater Montreal for an interactive learning event: Improving your strategic thinking skill**

WIB-Greater Montreal concluded its 2013 Executive Breakfast Series by hosting a Member Meet'n'Greet on Tuesday October 8, 2013. Held in the downtown offices of law firm Bereskin & Parr, we started the morning with coffee, bagels and pastries before sitting down to introduce ourselves. Local WIB-Greater Montreal members made short presentations about their careers and companies and we concluded with more coffee and one-to-one networking. We left with new acquaintances, new volunteers and new professional connections. Nothing beats the energy and enthusiasm of a

professionnelles. Rien ne vaut l'énergie et l'enthousiasme des membres de Femmes en bio du Grand Montréal, autant au féminin qu'au masculin, même tôt le matin! Nous remercions chaleureusement les participants à cette série et nos hôtes Bereskin & Parr et Corealis Pharma.

group of WIB women (and men), even early in the morning! We thank all attendees as well as our series sponsors Bereskin & Parr and Corealis Pharma.

## **Southern California Chapter Events**

### **Join WIB-Southern California for a Holiday Party**

It's that time of the year! Mingle with industry colleagues and enjoy the breathtaking views atop the exclusive University Club, Symphony Towers on December 4, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. PST. We encourage you to share the spirit of giving back. Attendees will have the opportunity to do donate gently used professional clothing to two Women's Shelters: Laura's House in Ladera Ranch; and Brother Beano's in Oceanside. In addition, there will be a silent auction filled with incredible items for you to share with family and friends. We look forward to seeing you for libations and refreshments. Please [click here](#) to register.

## **San Francisco Bay Area Chapter Events**

### **Come Celebrate the Holidays and WIB – San Francisco Bay Area's Successful Second Year!**

Join us for holiday revelry and to celebrate WIB's second successful year in the Bay Area with two of our favorite things – wine and chocolate! We're having a party in San Francisco at the Dogpatch WineWorks – a working winery and tasting collective in the heart of the city on December 4, 2013 from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. PDT. We'll be pairing wine with a sampling of fine chocolates from artisanal chocolatier Poco Dulce as well as a selection of charcuterie, cheeses, grilled veggies and other hors d'oeuvres. This event will also be the finale of our fabulous auction, so come prepared to bid on some great items and support Women In Bio! [Click here](#) to register.

### **Join WIB-San Francisco Bay Area for Speed Networking in the East Bay**

Come meet new friends and colleagues for a productive, supportive and fun, Speed Networking at Children's Hospital and Research Institute on January 7, 2014, 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. PST. Make new connections and speak about why you do what you do, your aspirations and struggles. Bring your business cards! [Click here](#) to register and for more information.

### **WIB-San Francisco Bay Area Partners with Dress for Success Non-Profit**

WIB-San Francisco Bay Area partnered with Dress for Success, an international not-for-profit that provides disadvantaged women with the clothing and counseling necessary to launch a career. Attendees at the Pivotal Changes event collected appropriate business clothing for the drive. The event organizers and Dress for

Success would like to thank everyone who donated so generously.

## **RTP Chapter Events**

### **[A Different Kind of Networking: A Joint Event with Georgia Bio](#)**

Two dynamic life science organizations, WIB-RTP and GWIS, will come together for a Holiday Party at North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences on December 9, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. It's that time of the year to unwind, have a warm drink and celebrate! [Click here](#) to register and for more information.

### **[WIB-RTP's Fall Networking Mixer Recap](#)**

WIB-RTP's Fall networking mixer created a lot of discussions and momentum amongst more than 80 women and men professionals, executives, and entrepreneurs on November 7, 2013 at the First Flight Venture Center in RTP. The event kicked off with hors d'oeuvres and welcoming remarks from WIB-RTP Chapter Vice-Chair and HealthSpan DX senior scientist Natalia Mitin. Natalia introduced sponsors Ronda Closner, Entrepreneur in Residence at First Flight Venture, and Laura Kiefer, NK Patent Law.

## **Washington DC/Baltimore Chapter Chapter Events**

### **[Join WIB-Washington DC/Baltimore for Our Annual Holiday Gala](#)**

Jingle, mingle and mix during the WIB-Washington DC/Baltimore Chapter Holiday Gala on Wednesday, December 18 at 6:00 p.m. EST. We'll be hosting at the Omni Shoreham hotel in Washington, DC with special guest speaker [Rachel King](#). Hors d'oeuvre and cocktails will be served. [Click here](#) to register and for more information

### **[MAPS University program kickstarts fall semester](#)**

The WIB MAPs-University Program kicked off their second meeting at Johns Hopkins University in Montgomery County. Priyanka Oberoi, WIB's National Vice Chair of MAPS (Mentors, Advisors and Peers), led an interactive presentation on networking as a graduate student. Dr. Fatemah Tavakkoli, Oncology Clinical Development Fellow at MedImmune, then led a conversation on being a clinical scientist. Both discussions provided insight into the benefits of volunteering and interning. If you are interested in attending, sponsoring or being a mentor for this program please contact [DC.Baltimore@womeninbio.org](mailto:DC.Baltimore@womeninbio.org).

## **Chicago Chapter Events**

### **[Save the Date for WIB-Chicago's 3rd Annual Networking on the Northshore](#)**

Women In Bio Chicago is hosting an evening of networking and cocktails on the Northshore to celebrate the holiday season and WIB-Chicago's third year! on Thursday, December 5, 2013. Visit

[womeninbio.org](http://womeninbio.org) soon for registration information.

### **Help WIB-Chicago Meet Its 2013 Sponsorship Goals!**

WIB-Chicago's valuable programming and networking events are made possible by our wonderful sponsors. As the year comes to a close, help us meet our 2013 sponsorship goals! Stay tuned for information on our "Keep on Supporting," "Charity Starts At Home," and "Opening New Horizons" campaigns. If your organization would like to renew its sponsorship or learn more about the benefits of sponsoring WIB-Chicago, contact [chicagosponsorship@womeninbio.org](mailto:chicagosponsorship@womeninbio.org).