



NETWORK NEWS

Monthly Newsletter of the
DES MOINES LEADERSHIP NETWORK

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MONTHLY BUSINESS LUNCHEON

DATE: **Thursday, November 20**

TIME: **11:45 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M.**

PLACE: **The Des Moines Embassy Club, 801 Grand Avenue**
40th Floor -- Downtown Des Moines

COST: **\$20.00** cash or check payable to **Leadership Network**

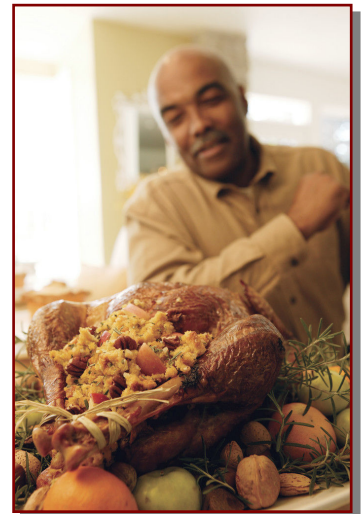
RSVP: By noon on Tuesday, November 18

- E-mail to desmoinesleaders@yahoo.com
- Contact Us page at www.dmladershipnetwork.org
- Phone Marlena at 286-4953

PRESIDENT'S NOTE

November brings us crisp mornings, Thanksgiving and football. For those who enjoy outdoor sports, it's time to bring out the cold weather coats and put the snow tires on the cars. The deer are running, pheasants flying, and the trees are full of color. It's a great time of year for outdoor activities or a picturesque view out the window.

Thanksgiving Day brings us time for food, football, and reflection. With all the negativity we are inundated with on the airwaves and in print, it's time to reflect on the good things we have in our lives -- family, friends, and health. And, as leaders, we need to be positive with our message. Good times and bad are cyclic (like the economy) and the bad times can be much more palatable when learning is involved. From lessons learned, we should be able to avoid similar mistakes in the future.



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The Leadership Network is a non-profit organization in Iowa, and each year we fund a scholarship for an AIB College of Business student and consider donations to other local charitable organizations. The benefits of joining Leadership Network include the following:

- Identify professional development opportunities
- Provide opportunities to discuss diverse opinions
- Learn from local leaders
- Develop leadership skills
- Provide coaching/mentoring opportunities
- Foster and enhance networking

If you are interested in more information about the group, contact any Board member or visit our website at www.dmlleadershipnetwork.org. You do not have to be a member of the Leadership Network to attend a time or two, as guests are always welcome.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Dennis Sensenbrenner

THE SPOTLIGHT IS ON ...

R&R Realty Group is our Spotlight Member for the November meeting. Tyler Brady will do the honors.

TRANSITIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

Past President Jim Hansen has accepted a position as Vice President of Operations for Dicon Corporation in Omaha. Randy Knudtson will be selling Jim's house – another example of successful networking through our group. Jim, don't forget your LN friends in Des Moines!

Congratulations to our members from WB Capital Management, Rachel Cropp and Amy Mitchell. West Bank was recognized as a "Community Champion" at the 2008 Economic Impact and Celebrate Business! Awards in Des Moines.

Send your professional news to desmoinesleaders@yahoo.com for publication in the December edition of **Network News**.

Leadership Network Membership Application

New Member Referred by _____ Renewing Member

Regular Member Annual Dues: \$95.00. Retirees may join for half price.

Name _____

Title _____

Company or employer _____

Street address or postal address _____

City _____ ZIP Code _____

E-mail address _____

Phone _____ Mobile #, if different _____

FAX _____

Professional certification _____

Company/employer Web address (for Leadership Network Web links)

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Preparing Tomorrow's Leadership Team Today.

Mission: To enhance the leadership experience, knowledge, growth, and commitment to ethical practices and professionalism of our members through program meetings and networking with one another.