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The "Women In Business Marketplace" event was held Saturday, October 10 from 8am-12pm at the Cathedral Square in Downtown Mobile.

"Giving Back: Good for the heart and the bottom line"

As we enter the Season of Thanksgiving this is a good time to reflect on those who have given to us and on those who need our help.



At the next [Quarterly Quorum](#) on November 4, you can hear Angela Weil talk about how giving back to the community can even be as good for your bottom line as it is for your heart.

On December 4 at the Women's Business Center [Holiday Dinner](#) and Silent Auction, you can give back by bringing donations for McKemmie Place where women who have no home to call their own are cared for.

The Women's Business Center has recently been the beneficiary of two wonderful local organizations who have been giving back to our community for many years. The J. L. Bedsole Foundation and the Sybil H. Smith Charitable Trust have both contributed significant grants to help us in our work of economic empowerment of women in this community. To them we say a heartfelt "Thank You".

And to you we say "join us" by supporting the work we do to improve the lives of women and

We had 15 vendors that participated and we ended up with beautiful sunshine all morning for the event. [See more pictures...](#)

For more information on next year's Marketplace, contact [Gaye Butler](#) at 660-2725.

**Save the date!
Holiday Dinner &
Silent Auction
Thursday, December
3, 2009
Bienville Club**

Make your [reservation](#) by November 26 and save!!!! \$40/person, \$75/couple, Table for 10 \$380. After November 26, \$45/person, \$80/couple
Advance Reservations Required

Need more info? Want to give to the Silent Auction? Contact Gaye Butler at gbutler@womenbiz.biz

families in southern Alabama.

Kathryn Cariglino, Founder and Executive Director
Women's Business Center, Inc.
www.womenbiz.biz



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Client Spotlight:

Cooper Gyan, Inc.

**Women's Business Center,
Inc. Shining Star Award
Winner 2009
Traci C. Gyan Cooper Gyan,
Inc.**



Founded in July 2001, Cooper Gyan, Inc., a full service public relations, marketing and advertising agency, caters to the Southeastern business community. With services that manage an organization's internal and external communications, the agency's clientele includes such companies as the Alabama State Port Authority, Cornerstone Investment Management and Consulting, and the Dearborn YMCA.

At the Women's Business Center Traci received training, networking opportunities, and counseling needed to help the transition from employee to employer.

[Read more...](#)

Traci Gyan
Cooper Gyan, Inc.

**Partner
Spotlight
Sybil H.
Smith
Charitable
Trust**

Our partners are the life blood of the Women's Business Center, Inc. Without their commitment of resources, dollars, and in kind services, we would not exist.

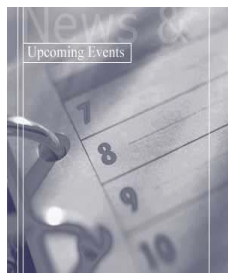
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**Support our
work - become
a
Women's
Business
Center Alliance
member
TODAY!**



**Join Us ...
'Taste of the
Alliance'**

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**October - December
Quarterly Calendar
Now Available
Online**

For a full description of each workshop, fees, times and dates, please [click here](#) to download our Quarterly training calendar.

To register or obtain more information on any of our events, call the Women's Business Center at 251-660-2725 or email info@womenbiz.biz.

Please pre-register as events are subject to cancellation for lack of registration.

WBC Bizmobile Project

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Sylvia Browder is Project Director of the Women's Business Center Bizmobile Project serving Washington, Clarke, Monroe, Escambia and Conecuh Counties. Join her for Coffee with Sylvia when the Bizmobile visits your county.

On the road with the Bizmobile

**Do you want to
start a business
or are you a
small business**



WBCA members are invited to join other Alliance members in a friendly and relaxing atmosphere.

House wine will be served at a discounted rate of \$4 per glass. Bring plenty of business cards to share!

Taste! Wine Bar
2524 Old Shell Mobile, AL
36607
Every third Thursday
5:00 - 6:30

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owner in need of technical assistance?

The Bizmobile will be in your city:

Bizmobile in Conecuh County

Date: October 7, 2009

Time: 10am - 2pm

Location: Evergreen (1st Wednesday)

Download flyer: [Evergreen](#)

Bizmobile in Clarke County

Date: September 24, 2009

Time: 10am - 2pm

Location: Thomasville (4th Thursday).

Download flyer: [Thomasville](#)

Bizmobile in Escambia County

Date: October 21, 2009 Atmore

Date: October 8, 2009 Brewton

Time: 10am - 2pm

Location:

Escambia County Industrial Development Authority (3rd Wednesday) and Brewton Area Chamber (2nd Thursday)

Download flyer: [Atmore](#) - [Brewton](#)

Bizmobile in Monroe County

Date: October 28, 2009

Time: 10am - 2pm

Location:

Monroeville Area Chamber of Commerce (4th Wednesday) Download flyer: [Monroeville](#)

Bizmobile in Washington County

Date: October 14, 2009

Time: 10am - 2pm

Location: Chatom

Download flyer: [Chatom](#)

For more Information on these events or services of the WBC, call 251-660-2725 or toll-free 800-378-7461 or email LaToya Brooks at info@womenbiz.biz.

Bizmobile Project training and coaching to improve your business

Join expert Business Coach & Consultant, Lakesha Womack, for all workshops.

Do you want to meet with Lakesha one-on-one? Call our office at 251-660-2725 to schedule a one-on-one confidential appointment.

Download Lakesha's upcoming workshops from October thru December 2009: [Atmore](#) - [Brewton](#) - [Evergreen](#) - [Monroeville](#)

WBC of Southern Alabama

Sherman Blosser,
Project Director
Women's Business
Center of Southern
Alabama



The Women's Business Center of Southern Alabama (SAL) project supports entrepreneurial women as they start and grow their businesses in Mobile and Baldwin Counties.

Join Us at... Success Circles



Success Circles are monthly roundtable discussions and mentoring groups for

business women.

For a full description of each workshop, fees, times and dates, please [click here](#) to download our Quarterly calendar.

If you are interested in starting a Success Circle in your community please email sblosser@womenbiz.biz.

Success Circle - West Mobile

Legacy Financial Planning, LLC
5901 Airport Blvd, Suite 208, Mobile
Facilitator: Dr. Diana Sturm
Sponsor: Legacy Financial Planning, LLC
Meets every 1st Tuesday 8-9 am

Success Circle - Daphne

Bryant Bank
1801 US Highway 98, Daphne
Facilitator: Beth Dotson, Huntington Learning Center
Sponsor: Bryant Bank
Meets every 4th Tuesday 12-1 pm

Success Circle - Fairhope

Homestead Village
924 Plantation Road, Fairhope
Facilitator: Sherman Blosser, Women's Business Center of Southern Alabama
Sponsor: Homestead Village
Meets every 3rd Wednesday 12-1 pm

Success Circle - Saraland

Microtel Inns & Suites, North Mobile
1124 Shelton Beach Road, Saraland

Facilitator: Angela Weil

Sponsor: North Mobile Microtel Inns
& Suites

Meets every 3rd Thursday 9-10 am

Community Events & News

[Job Search Strategies for Today's Economy -
Seminar Series for Local Job-Seekers](#)

[The Zonta Club of Mobile is hosting the 3rd
Annual Pampered Shopping Event on November
21st to benefit area women's charities.](#)

Women who own small businesses will be able to use a new online U.S. Small Business Administration training course to learn how to identify and take advantage of federal contracting opportunities. For more information, visit www.sba.gov/fedcontractingtraining.

Mobile Roundtable & Networking Dinner

Local area WBEs, corporate members, and guests are invited to participate in an a la carte dinner and roundtable discussion regarding WBEC South regional events, activities, and interests.

DATE: Wednesday, November 11th

TIME: 6:00-8:00pm

LOCATION: Bienville Club

107 St. Francis St., #3208
Mobile, AL 36602
RSVP: Contact Jenny at
jennifer@wbecsouth.org,
504.680.6473.

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support of our mission. If you know
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To your business success,

Women's Business Center Staff



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