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THE PRESIDENT'S BLOG

September 14, 2009

Dear Members,

One year later.... after the demise of **Lehman Brothers Holdings, Inc.** What has essentially changed? What have we learned? What does the future hold? I am interested to hear the views of [Duncan Neiderauer, CEO of NYSE Euronext](#) when he will talk to us about his perspectives on the future.

Last week, I responded to an inquiry from **Crain's New York reporter, Miriam Kreinin Souccar**. She asked me whether the impact of the recession has set back the rise of women in the industry. Anecdotally, my observation is yes. We have experienced some setbacks. What is your take on it? Do you think women have been more disadvantaged? We did discuss that it has also created some key opportunities.

- *One area, for which the FWA has some real data, is the slow progress of increasing the number of women serving on public company Boards. I referred Miriam to [THE FWA 100SM study](#) published earlier this year.*
- *Work is underway to complete an update of the study to be published in the early part of next year. FWA is a member of the **Interorganization Network (ION)**. **Ziporah Jankowski**, co-chair of our [Directorships and Corporate Governance Committee](#) is our **ION representative**.*
- *The committee's event on [September 15](#), will explore first hand, the experiences of some women Directors. There are a few spots left for you to join this discussion.*

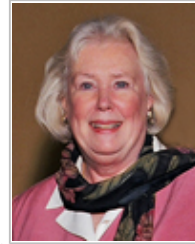
As we begin, hopefully, to emerge from this recession, who will benefit from the recovery? Is it a jobless recovery? How will NYC, home to the many of the Financial Services firms, benefit? Will New York continue to be the Financial Center that we have come to know? Sign up early for the Oct 6 event: [New York City: Taking A Pulse On Its Economy, Business and What Recovery Will Look Like](#). The [Government Affairs Committee](#) has assembled a distinguished panel to explore this timely and relevant topic.

Did you watch last week the [PBS special, Your Life, Your Money?](#) I had the opportunity to preview the broadcast at the offices of **HSBC**. I was privileged to sit besides **Karen Damley**, [Financial Literacy Committee](#) member and former co-chair, and **Rochelle Davis**, graduate of our FWA program and a **NEW** Peer trainer.

- ***Rochelle** and our own **Ann Diamond** (also there for the evening) were featured in this eye-opening film. **HSBC**, an FWA president circle sponsor, underwrote the film and many students participated in the preview.*
- ***Ann Diamond** and **Mimi Carroll** who co-chair this committee are also seeking new FWA women to get involved in giving back in this very needed and rewarding program.*

Make the most of your membership with FWA and join one of our many committees. Enjoy being part of member to member networking while implementing key programs.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Stephanie J. Hauge'.



**Stephanie Hauge FWA
President**

UPCOMING EVENTS

[FWA Annual Directors Dinner](#)
Tues – Sep 15

[Distinguished Speaker Series: Perspectives on Markets, Leadership, and the Future – Duncan Niederauer, CEO of NYSE Euronext](#)
Tues – Sep 22

[Self-defense Workshop and Network Reception](#)
Thur – Sep 24

[Transitioning from For-Profit to Non-Profit](#)
Wed – Sep 30

[NYC: Taking a Pulse On Its Economy, Business and What Recovery Will Look Like](#)
Tues – Oct 6

[Transition Tuesday: Re-emerging from Transition – A Success Story](#)
Tues – Oct 13

[After the Handshake - Networking & Shopping at Molton Brown](#)
Wed – Oct 14

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