

Dear FWA Member,

As your president and president elect, we have worked together over this wet spring to ensure an effective transition between a successful, if challenging 08-09 and the exciting and equally challenging year ahead. The early Memorial Day holiday may have crept up on you, so here's an early alert that your membership renewal for the new fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009 will be due before you know it.*

The good news is that membership fees for regular members have not increased for the last four years, and will be maintained at the same rate for the coming fiscal year. Meanwhile, the rationale for renewal gets stronger every year.

Renew by June 30 for the chance to be included in the Annual Meeting raffle of two free FWA events (not including International Conference). Your timely renewal helps our cash flow planning for program enhancements.

FWA members enjoy special members-only privileges:

- Access to our worldwide network of professionals
- Free monthly events: Transition Tuesdays and Technology Thursdays – which this year enjoyed record-breaking participation
- Discounted registration fees for events, including the International Conference.
- Active participation in committees with priceless visibility to leaders across sectors.
- Peer Advisory Circles, launching June 09, and offering sustained peer to peer support focused on specific constituent groups within our membership
- Opportunities to serve on nonprofit Boards
- Access to information about corporate Board opportunities through our ION membership
- Listing in the FWA online membership directory with opportunity to expand on your experiences and competencies in a profile shaped to your specifications.
- A variety of online membership directory search and print options, including a
- B2B directory signaling renewed FWA support of members who run their own businesses.
- Confidential access to employment listings
- Online bulletin board
- Automatic membership in **The International Alliance for Women** and the **New York Women's Agenda**

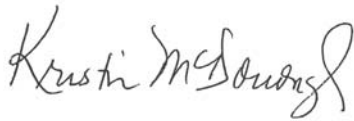
By renewing your membership you continue to

- Meet other professionals in your industry as well as financial professionals in other sectors. Critical at every stage of your career, effective networking helps you navigate your personal and professional life especially during these challenging economic times. Your FWA membership is a key investment in yourself and your future.
- Talk with experts about today's events and tomorrow's emerging issues. Social concerns, technology, financial and political issues – explore these topics and more in engaging, enlightening discussions that keep you consistently ahead of the curve.
- Broaden your horizons. International travel, meetings with government and industry leaders, and ongoing dialogue with influential experts provide a fresh perspective on the incredible changes and the pace of change in our world today.

- Give back to the community. Participate in mentoring programs, scholarship fundraising initiatives and, financial literacy training, and see your involvement pay lasting dividends for others.
- Get professional advice and counsel from other members. The relationships you have and will continue to form in the FWA give you a professional head start with support, industry insight, career advice and more.
- Gain off-the-job training for on-the-job skills. Try on different roles on one of the FWA's committees if you haven't done so in the past. Hone your skills in a supportive environment, then leverage your new talents to expand professional options.

*Members who have not renewed by **July 15th** will lose access to the website and membership privileges.

Cordially,



Kristin McDonough
FWA President 2008-2009



Stephanie Hauge
FWA President 2009-2010

Annual Dues:

For **full members**, in July of each year, when the FWA fiscal year begins, annual membership dues of \$295 are due.

For **associate members**, annual dues for associate members are \$150 *for a maximum of three years*, after which associates may be graduated to full membership status.

For **retired members**, annual dues are \$150.

Those full members who both live and work 100 miles from New York City pay the **non-resident** dues of \$170.