



## A Message of Appreciation

This is the time of year when many of us look back at the people that have had an influence on us. That's why we want to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to the members that have gone above and beyond to contribute their time and talent to the WSJC.

First of all, we want to extend our gratitude to **Fran Strebendt**, our dedicated webmaster, who has provided her expertise pro bono for over ten years to enable our on-line presence, including our website, Google Group, and Member Event Calendar. Through her continued support, she has enabled us to communicate with each other and the community regarding employment opportunities, job fairs, agency fund raisers and legislative issues. Her attention to detail and willingness to volunteer her time is one of the most important aspects of the WSJC now that we have reduced our meeting schedule. Our members consistently cite the Google Group as one of the most important features of our organization. Thank you Fran!

Our **Board of Directors** which oversee the leadership, administration, and finances of our group includes:

- Debbie Lunger, Co-chair - People's Resource Center
- Mary Zienty, Vice President - Bridge Communities
- Gail Foster, Treasurer - Poised for Success
- Donna Pocius, Secretary - YWCA
- Adela Meitz, Member at Large - College of DuPage
- Tina Bleakely, Member at Large - 360 Youth

For many years we also had a very active **Client and Professional Development Committee** which we've disbanded due to downsizing. They contributed their time and advice to the board regarding needed programs, services, and client issues. They're insights formed the foundation of the many sessions and initiatives that we provided over the last several years to address client concerns and to provide professional education for our members.

*Their members included:*

- Sarah Breithaupt, Chair
- Jill Kimak
- Gail Foster
- Carol Garcia
- Iva Stoyanova

We would not have lasted over the last ten years without the dedication of all of these members. Thank you again for your commitment to the WSJC!

Barb Tartaglione, Co-chair