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The Home of RARE Everyday Heroes

VOLUNTEER TO BE A SCHOLARSHIP JUDGE

Volunteers are needed to judge both **RARE Everyday Hero** essays and **Winning Futures** Scholarship essays as well as interview scholarship candidates. Judging opportunities will be in January, February and March. Volunteers will have the option to read essays at the **Winning Futures'** office located in Warren or at their preferred location. Each judge will receive approximately 20 essays to read and score, with a step-by-step scoring outline.

*If you are interested in learning more or becoming a judge, contact Taquaryl Franklin by [e-mail](#) or phone at **586-698-4387** by January 25th.*

WINNING FUTURES TO CO-HOST MARKETING SEMINAR JAN. 16



On January 16th, from noon to 2 p.m., **Winning Futures, Buz.FM, Inc.** and **Elite Success Partners** will host an important business-building seminar at **Davenport University**. There, **Stephen Sadler**, President of **Buz.FM, Inc.** and author of *Exposure to Closure*, will share his unique ideas about digital marketing techniques and how to "BEE Ever Present" when someone is searching for you online. As an



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One-time and short-term volunteer mentors are needed at Harper Woods High School. Click [here](#) or contact Taquaryl Franklin by phone at **586-698-4387 to volunteer today!**

Sam Cupp Impact Award Winners

In honor of our amazing founder, **Sam Cupp, Winning Futures** will honor **T. Michael Ansley**, President/CEO of **Diversified Restaurant Holdings, Inc.** and **Linda Orlans**, CEO of **eTitle Agency** with the first Sam Cupp Impact Awards. This award recognizes Ansley's and Orlans' success in both business and in their charitable endeavors.

MICHAEL ANSLEY



In 1999, **Michael Ansley** opened his first **Buffalo Wild Wing (BWW)** location in Sterling Heights, and has since opened a new **BWW** restaurant in Michigan every year. In the spring of 2004, the company opened its first Florida location and continues to grow in that market. In 2008, the company opened its first **Bagger Dave's**, a full-service restaurant and bar in Berkley. More locations are planned for the future. He also serves on the

Board of Directors of the **Michigan Restaurant Association**.

LINDA ORLANS

As a dedicated attorney, entrepreneur, public speaker and community leader, **Linda Orlans** approaches her roles with energy and a desire to deliver as much value as she can to others. A lifelong resident of Michigan, she has launched and grown a successful enterprise of companies that reaches several states: **Orlans Associates, PC; eTitle Agency, Inc.; Orlans Moran, PLLC; Gross Polowy Orlans, LLC; and Atlantic Law Group, LLC.**



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- \$25.00 – At the door. Cash Only.

Proceeds from this event to be presented to **Winning Futures**. Lunch and networking will begin at 12:00 p.m. Presentations will begin at 12:30 p.m. Please RSVP by calling **Gary Gozdor** at **248-371-1655 x 106**. **Davenport University** is located at 27650 Dequindre Road, Warren, Michigan 48092.

BOARD MEMBER HIGHLIGHT



Winning Futures welcomed **Navia McCloud** onto its Board of Directors in December, 2012. As the Director of Marketing and Business

Development for **O'Keefe**, McCloud is responsible for introducing mid-sized companies, creditors and lenders to the organization. Her ability, knowledge and prior experience in providing financial services to commercial real estate developers gives a unique perspective and understanding to potential clients.

During her 10 years with **Huntington National Bank**, McCloud served as a Vice President of Commercial Real Estate, providing financial services to commercial real estate developers.

McCloud earned her Bachelor of Science in Finance from **St. Louis**

Ansley and Orlans will receive their awards at a special reception preceding the Corks and Forks wine tasting event on February 9, 2013. The reception begins at 5:00 p.m. Tickets are \$150 which includes admittance to the Corks and Forks VIP Pre-Party as well as general admission to the event. Click [here](#) for event details and to buy tickets today.

Corks & Forks Moves to February



Winning Futures' most elegant annual event – the Corks & Forks charity wine tasting – is moving to February! Set to take place on Saturday, February 9, Corks and Forks will again host friends and supporters at **The Reserve at Big Rock Chop House** in Birmingham, Michigan. Guests will enjoy a selection of over 40 wines and martinis as well as a strolling dinner. A silent auction will also take place.

VIP guests will have the added bonus of attending a pre-party to sample a collection of unique wines and martinis along with hors d'oeuvres.

*The event begins at 7:00 p.m., with the VIP party preceding it 6:00 p.m. Tickets are just \$75 apiece, while VIP tickets are \$125. \$150 tickets for the 5:00 p.m. Sam Cupp Impact Award Reception that includes admittance to the VIP party and the main event are also available. Please note that guests must be 21 or older to attend. For more information and to reserve tickets, click [here](#) or call **586-294-8449**.*

Are you interested in attending this event for free? Volunteer wine pourers are needed to assist with serving at sampling tables. No wine knowledge is required to take part. Pourers can serve anytime from 6:00–10:00 p.m. Click [here](#) or call 586-294-8449 to take part in this great networking opportunity!

International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Confederation (IWIRC), the Turnaround Management Association (TMA), and is on the Board of Visitors for the College of Fine, Performing & Communication Arts at Wayne State University.

SPONSOR HIGHLIGHT



For more than 35 years, **Great Expressions Dental Centers** (GEDC) has been exceeding

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Alumni Corner: Rosa Majeed

Q: When did you graduate from high school and **Winning Futures**?

A: I graduated from **Warren Mott High School** in 2012.

Q: What did you do after high school?

A: I went to **Macomb Community College** to receive more education on becoming an Emergency Medical Tech (EMT). I am taking the national registry for EMT in a couple weeks. I want to further my education so I can help people.



Q: Who was your facilitator and mentor?

A: My facilitator was [**Winning Futures**' Program Director] **Laurie Tarter** and my amazing mentor was **Carol Visconti**!

Q: Do you still keep in touch with your mentor?

A: Yes, I do... I email her once in a while.

Q: Do you have anything you would like to say about your experience in the **Winning Futures** program?

A: I am so happy I was a part of the **Winning Futures** program. It not only showed me how to set my life up for success, I got to get to know the most amazing people, from **Laurie Tarter** who was so positive and energetic, to **Carol Visconti** who made my day by telling me I was good enough and having my back all the way. This program is not a class or an hour to waste away; **Winning Futures** made me change how I felt about myself and I believe with all my heart that it has changed my life for the better.

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