

# Attaché



December 2013

## **A successful 2013 and an exciting year ahead**

As we get ready to usher in a new year, we also celebrate our most successful year yet.

In 2013, our programs and services continued to expand. We suited a total of 700 women, more than double the number of suitings done last year. In its first full year of service, our Professional Women's Group (PWG) held monthly meetings for more than a dozen active members and several dozen more attending at least once. And our Going Places Network (GPN) by Walmart program graduated 35 women who are now better prepared as they conduct their job search.



*Shelli Ryan  
Chairman of the Board*

Next year, we are excited to continue our work helping women in Southern Nevada achieve their economic independence. We plan to suit 1,000 women and offer our clients a new and improved Career Center at the boutique.

Our success this year and goals for 2014 are only achievable thanks to the financial support and donations made by you and our community partners. In the last quarter of 2013, we raised our goal of \$10,000 through events, sponsorships and individual donations. As you wrap up this year, please keep us in mind for a tax deductible year-end donation to help us start 2014.

Thank you so much for your continued support, and cheers to another great year! To stay updated on what we are doing in 2014 and what are clients are achieving, please visit our [website](#) regularly. We look forward to seeing you at the boutique or at one of our events very soon.

## **Client Spotlight**

Charity's life has significantly changed since her suiting at Dress for Success Southern Nevada just a few months ago. She is an example of a client who's come to Dress for Success with the intent to land a job in her preferred field and succeeded.

Charity did not have an easy start to her journey toward a career. It was not too long ago that she was a young, single mother with only dreams for her baby girl and herself. Charity sought assistance from Safe Nest, which helped her get back on her feet after being a victim to domestic violence and referred her to Dress for Success Southern Nevada.

The image consultant who worked with Charity could also give her insight into her desired career industry as her husband worked at a local mortuary. Following her suiting, Charity began her job search right away. During her search, Dress for Success program director, Jodi Simard set her up with a mentor who was a mortician for over 20 years and who could help Charity find the best fitting profession within a mortuary.

Shortly after, Charity was hired as a funeral director at Desert Memorial in Las Vegas. Since being hired a few short months ago, her life has dramatically changed. Charity was able get off public assistance, purchase a vehicle and provide more than ever for her young daughter.

"I am happy to be in a spot in my life where I am learning from experienced people. It satisfies me spiritually, intellectually and financially," said Charity.



## Diamond Dig - another sparkling success

On Thursday, Sept. 19, 2013, we again partnered with MJ Christensen for our second annual "Diamond Dig."

Free to attend, guests purchased "digs" or scoops from a special sand box filled with gemstones while enjoying wine and appetizers. Lucky "diggers" who found a gemstone in their scoop won a corresponding prize package, and one lucky guest won the grand prize, a diamond pendant necklace valued at over \$1,600.



This year's event raised over \$7,000 for our programs! Thank you to all who joined us, and we look forward to seeing you next fall!

## Mark your calendars



### SAVE THE DATE

Dress for Success Southern Nevada  
presents

Derby Rose Champagne  
Luncheon & Fashion Show

Friday, May 2, 2014  
11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
Location to be announced

For more information on the event and sponsorship  
opportunities, visit:  
[www.dfsforssouthernnevada.org](http://www.dfsforssouthernnevada.org)



Join Dress for Success Southern Nevada for our 2nd annual champagne luncheon gala on:

**Friday, May 2, 2014**  
**11 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

Our 2014 Derby Rose Champagne Luncheon will feature a silent auction, a three-course luncheon complete with champagne and a brand new fashion show by world-renowned hat designer, Louisa Voisine that you won't want to miss.

Sponsorship opportunities are available. To learn more, click [here](#) or email [eventinfo@dfsouthernnevada.org](mailto:eventinfo@dfsouthernnevada.org)

Get your walking shoes ready! Dress for Success Southern Nevada will hold its 3rd annual Power Walk on:

**Saturday, July 26, 2014**



In 2014, our Power Walk will be at a new location - indoors - at the **Miracle Mile Shops** on Las Vegas Boulevard. Stay tuned for more details!

## How you can help

To continue to provide our services to women in need, we depend upon your support through volunteer help, clothing donations and financial contributions.

Whether it's \$50 to suit a woman for a day or \$250 to suit a woman for a week, every dollar given makes a difference.

Please visit our [website](#) for more information on how you can make a difference, including by becoming a member of our donor program and social club, the [Little Black Dress Club](#).

And as we get ready to begin 2014, please help us raise \$10,000 to suit 100 more women by making a year end donation now.

**Donate now**



Donor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

THANK YOU  
FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

