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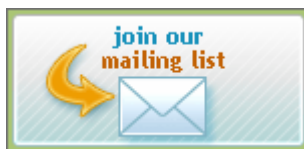
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Please visit our updated website:

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→ From Our Members

[Article: Rates of sexually transmitted diseases among teens reaching epidemic levels](#)

Meghan Benson, an educator with [Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin](#), is among a growing number of local advocates, educators and medical professionals convinced that the best way to fight the spread of STDs is to talk about them and to teach kids to use protections like condoms.

Invitation: Grand opening of [Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin's](#) new South Madison family planning and community education center.

Saturday, January 23, 2010

4:00PM- 6:00PM

2222 South Park Street

Villager Mall at the Urban League building

Lots of parking available

Open to all friends of Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin

Light hors d'oeuvres and beverages

Special guest: Congresswoman Tammy Baldwin

For more information contact: Lori Greenberg at 608-256-7549 ext. 2137

→ News and Views

[WI Elder Economic Security Initiative](#)

The 2009 Elder Economic Security Standard Index for Wisconsin," developed at the University of Massachusetts, looks at the basic cost of living for individuals and couples. The county-by-county study concludes that a large percentage of older people cannot afford to live in Wisconsin.

[Things to Know About Senior Housing in 2010](#)

The nation's growing population of older adults will get some much-needed help for their housing needs in 2010. This may be very welcome news since seniors won't see an automatic cost of living increase in their Social Security checks for the first time since 1975.

[Women's Health and Reproductive Rights](#)

[Personal Health: Options for Bone Loss, but No Magic Pill](#)

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Osteoporosis is a disease that develops over the course of many decades, and the drugs thus far licensed to limit its consequences are far from perfect. Although all have been shown to reduce the risk of osteoporotic fractures, none come even close to preventing them entirely.

Women's Economic Issues

[Women in the workforce: Female power](#)

Across the rich world more women are working than ever before. Coping with this change will be one of the great challenges of the coming decades.

[Wisconsin Jobs Continue to Slump](#)

Wisconsin lost 8,600 jobs between October and November 2009, bringing the total loss in employment since the start of the recession to 163,800 jobs-- a 5.7 percent loss. Wisconsin's male workers have borne the brunt of job loss this recession, not surprising given their concentration in industries that have been hardest hit (i.e. manufacturing and construction). In 2007 Quarter 4, average unemployment rates for Wisconsin women (4.4 percent) and men (4.7 percent) were roughly equal. By 2009 Quarter 3, the gender gap had widened significantly, with average unemployment rates in Wisconsin rising to 7.1 percent for women and 10.2 percent for men.

[Women start businesses despite recession](#)

Many entrepreneurs say it's important to follow your gut and passion

[Article: Have a Nice Midlife Crisis](#)

A new age group is entering midlife-and some members are tackling it differently than those in generations past.

Women in the Military

[U.S. military drops ban on soldiers getting pregnant](#)

The U.S. military has dropped a controversial rule that called for punishing soldiers in northern Iraq for becoming pregnant or impregnating another soldier.



Job and Volunteer Opportunities

Job Opportunities

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[2010 Census](#)

The U.S. Census Bureau recently announced that 48,000 people are being recruited across the State of Wisconsin to work as Census Takers for the [2010 Census](#) between December, 2009, and June, 2010. Tests for the positions, which pay between \$11.50 and \$15 per hour, are taking place through January at locations throughout the state. Testing times and locations across Wisconsin are available by calling, toll free, 1-866-861-2010. More information about the positions, including application forms and a practice

test, are available at the [2010 Census website](#) or [press release](#).

Volunteer Opportunities

[Independent Living, Inc.](#) is looking for volunteers to help keep seniors and people with disabilities independent and in the home of their choice. We offer a wide variety of volunteer opportunities. Opportunities include:

Chore Corps: Help an older or disabled adult with running errands, grocery shopping, meal preparation or light housekeeping. Flexible schedule 1-2 hours per week.

Evening Meals on Wheels: Deliver hot, nutritious meals to the home of frail or homebound older adults or people with disabilities. Routes start between 4:00 to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and generally take about an hour to complete. Delivering meals make a great group or family activity.

Friendly Visiting: Help prevent social isolation by offering weekly companionship to an older adult in their home or on an outing. Flexible schedule 1-2 hours per week.

Kitchen Volunteers: Assist our professional chef in preparing and packaging meals for our Evening Meals on Wheels clients.

Reception Volunteer: Assist with answering the telephone, greeting visitors and general office projects. 3-4 hours per week. Shifts are available at the Independent Living Headquarters, 815 Forward Drive, or The Gardens, 602 N. Segoe Road, both in Madison.

Telephone Reassurance: Make daily calls to provide a safety check, medication reminder or companionship for an older adult in our community. For more information, contact [Volunteer Services Program Manager](#) at 608-274-7900

Free Caregiver Training Series

[Catholic Charities Aging Services](#) is offering free comprehensive caregiver training throughout 2010 to teach caregivers practical skills that make them better caregivers. The hands-on training includes falls prevention, lifting and positioning, skin care, medication safety, toileting and dressing, bathing and shower safety, and dealing with incontinence and much more. Jean Mueller, a registered nurse and member of the Dane County Caregiver Alliance, teaches the workshops and has more than 30 years of caregiving experience, both professionally and personally.

Saturdays, Feb. 20, 27, March 6 and 13 · 9am - 1pm
Meriter Health Services, 2180 W. Beltline Highway, Madison
Get details and [registration information here](#) or contact Diane Walder at (608) 442-7249.

For Fairness,

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