Colleagues,

The Utah Women & Leadership Project (UWLP) has a number of women and leadership announcements this month:

First, we will be hosting a workshop for organizational leaders and HR professionals on February 28th (7:30-10:00am) titled “Advancing Gender Equality in the Workplace: What Works.” It will be held at Thanksgiving Point, and I will be presenting the latest research and best practices. There are limited seats with the venue and also a fee to cover the breakfast. The flyer has other details, and you can register online here.

Second, the third Utah Women’s Leadership Speaker & Dialogue Series event for this academic year is scheduled for January 30, 2018 (6:30-8:30pm) at Utah Valley University. It is an “Impact Evening for Utah Girls & Women: Mindfulness, Negative Interactions, & Leadership.” The keynote will be given by Justice Christine Durham (former Chief Justice, Utah Supreme Court), and then attendees will choose from one of three workshops:

1. Mindfulness, Embodiment and Leadership—Presence in Leading and Living (Kathie Debenham, Professor of Dance, Movement Analyst and Somatic Practitioner)
2. Understanding Women’s Negative Interactions with Each Other (Dr. Susan R. Madsen, Professor of Leadership & Ethics, Utah Women & Leadership Project Founder/Director)
3. You Don’t Have to Wait to Lead as Young Women (Heather Groom, Former Board Member, Utah State Board of Education; Former Deputy Campaign Manager for Governor Gary Herbert) will moderate and the panelists include: 1) Michelle Love-Day (Associate Director, Educational Equity, Granite School District; Former Elementary School Principal); 2) Shelly Neilson (Full-time Mom; Former Student Body President, USU; Small Business Owner); 3) Dayan Bernal (Founder & Former Executive Director of TeensAct; Analyst, Goldman Sachs); and 4) Kylie Tanner (Chief of Staff, Utah Student Organization; Assistant Clubs Coordinator, UVU).

The event is designed for women (12 years and older), and influencers (including men) are welcome to join us too! RSVP Online Now. More details are on the Utah Women & Leadership Project homepage. We plan to live stream/Facebook live the sessions.

Third, we have two new resources: 1) We have started a new initiative titled “What Can I Do?” It is a series to help Utahns in various roles know what to do to engage in efforts to strengthen the impact of Utah girls and women. For the first one, we gathered a group of 25 women CEOs and business leaders to brainstorm what could be done from their roles to help. Their ideas were captured in this two-pager titled, “What Business Leaders Can Do To Strengthen the Impact of Utah Girls and Women.” Please help distribute this to business leaders in your settings. If you want to be involved in future think tank gatherings, let us know. 2) We have just completed a new infographic on “Unpaid Care Work Among Utah Women.” It is based on data from our June 2017 snapshot. Pass it along!
Fourth, Real Women Run’s Winter Training is coming up soon. It is a full-day training featuring workshops for everyone: current candidates, future candidates looking for information on where to start, and women who want to get more involved in public service. It will be held on Saturday, January 13, 2018, 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM at Salt Lake Community College, Miller Campus, in Sandy. The general registration is $35, while the student registration is $15. You can register online here. Also, the League of Women Voters and Utah AAUW is hosting their “Annual Legislative Forum” on January 6, 2018 (9:30-11:30am) at the Girl Scouts of Utah building (see flyer for details). See other partner and collaborator events on our community calendar.

Finally, the Women’s Leadership Institute and Action Utah have partnered to offer a session titled, “Women’s Advocacy Seminar: Impact Policies that Impact Women.” It will be held on January 10 @ 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm. You can learn about community advocacy and how women can impact good legislation supporting women and family economic prosperity during the upcoming 2018 State Legislative Session.

Have a great January!

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