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# Crew Connect

SEPTEMBER 2011

## CREW EVENTS

CREW Lunch Ladder -  
Uptown/Southend  
9/22/2011 12:00 PM  
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Perspectives of  
Commercial Real  
Estate: A Discussion  
of Local and National  
Opportunities  
10/11/2011 11:30 AM  
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## OTHER EVENTS

North Carolina  
Governor's  
Conference for  
Women

The Charlotte Convention  
Center  
11/02/2011  
8:30 am – 5:00 pm  
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## CREW BIZ

Let it work for you! Be sure to update your information so our local 200 and national 8,000 members know who you are. Plus, the member directory is a

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Many of us just returned from attending the CREW Network National Convention. This year we had a powerful group of dynamic and interesting speakers ranging from Sheila Johnson to Andrew Ross Sorkin, author of *Too Big to Fail* ([click here for more info](#)). Thank you to CREW Charlotte Past President Stacie Jacobs of EvanScout who served as CREW Network's Auction Chair (this is a national role!). She did a terrific job, and we had our best choice of live auction and silent auction items to date! Thank you Stacie for your hard work and making your local chapter so proud! Proceeds benefit the CREW Foundation.



I now encourage you to all participate in CREW Network at the national level – increase your leadership skills and expand your network while you make a difference in CREW Network's mission to advance the success of women in commercial real estate. ***This is YOUR opportunity to better position yourself and take advantage of the power of the Network!***

Please take a moment to check out what CREW Network is undertaking in 2012 by [clicking here](#). We welcome all members to express interest in serving on a committee. Learn more about the operations of CREW Network, connect with other visionary, dynamic members, and gain the experience needed to seek future leadership positions within CREW Network.

You will need to have your bio and photo ready to attach to your application, but the application will only take a few minutes to complete. **[Please follow this link to submit your 2012 Committee Interest Form](#)** no later than Friday, September 30, 2011.

## HIGHLIGHTS

**Cindy Wolfe with Bank of the Ozarks** accepts Member to Member Business Award at the CREW Network Impact Awards on September 15th at the CREW Network National Convention in Washington, DC. There were 14

great to tool to do business locally and nationally!

## YOUR CREW PREFERENCES

On the CREW Charlotte website, set up your preferences so you can receive instant notifications of new members making deals, announcements, new business opportunities, new job opportunities, etc. Go under member resources and click on "preferences" to set up.

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## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



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nominations from across North America who submitted for the prestigious award. Congratulations Cindy!



Members of CREW Charlotte are encouraged to join the CREW Charlotte "CREW CRUISERS" 2011 Komen Race for the Cure team!!

The October 1 race date is just around the corner and we are hoping to have our biggest team ever this year. To join the CREW Cruisers, please [click here](#). Our team will then be displayed and you simply click on "Join" to continue the process, which will be straightforward from there.

If you have any questions or need help, please contact Shawn McMillan, the 2011 Queen City in Pink Co-Chair, at 704-998-2316 . We hope you will join our team as we Race for the Cure!

**Reduced Mid-year Membership Rate** - The mid-year membership rate is now \$200.00 plus the \$25.00 administrative fee. Any CREW member who sponsors a full, associate or candidate member between now and September will be entered in a drawing for an overnight stay at The Ritz Carlton Charlotte. Please [click here](#) for more information.

**CREW Lunch Ladders Are Back!!** - Beginning this month, lunch ladders will be held the 4th Thursday of every month alternating between the Uptown / South End area, and the Lake Norman area/ SouthPark area. The Lake Norman area and SouthPark area will host Lunch Ladders in August, October and December while the Uptown/South End area will host Lunch Ladders in September and November. Lunch Ladders are an opportunity for CREW members to get together on a smaller scale to network and share business leads while enjoying an a la carte lunch. If you are interested in attending future lunch ladders, please email Patty Drummond at [executive@crewcharlotte.org](mailto:executive@crewcharlotte.org).

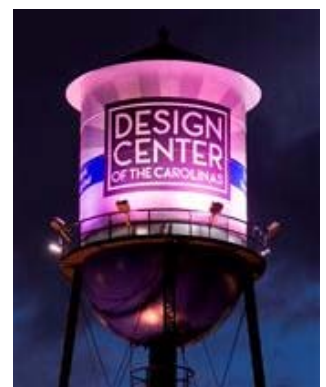
**Find us on Facebook!** - We would like to ask that all CREW members "like" the CREW Facebook page. If we get 25 likes, we can customize the link to the page so that it's [www.facebook.com/crewcharlotte](http://www.facebook.com/crewcharlotte). [Click here](#) to make that change. Also, if your company has a Facebook page, please ask the administrator to "like" us as well!

## LOOK OUT FOR QUEEN CITY IN PINK

Who says PINK isn't a fall color? From the catwalk to brick & mortar...PINK is the color for October! During the week of September 24th through sunrise on October 2nd, over 75 Charlotte businesses are decked out in pink to promote breast cancer awareness! Businesses will dye fountains pink, light up building, and display banners removable window films.

Don't miss these prominent business participants:

- Pink lights from Duke Energy's tower, Mercedes Benz of South Charlotte, Design Center Tower and the



**WELCOME  
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**MEMBERS ON THE MOVE**



Ann Vano announces the opening of her private law practice, Ann Vano Law. Ann serves clients in the areas of Commercial Real Estate, Small Business Law and Wills, Trusts and Estates.

Offices are located in Cornelius and Mooresville, NC

Ann can be reached at [annvanolaw@gmail.com](mailto:annvanolaw@gmail.com) and 704-360-4641. For more information please visit [www.annvanolaw.com](http://www.annvanolaw.com).

NASCAR Hall of Fame

- Pink fountains in The Town of Ayrley, The Metropolitan, and Piedmont Row
- Banners from TPM, Elliott Davis, Bank of the Ozarks and Bojangles

CREW Charlotte started the Queen City in Pink initiative in 2008 with 25 businesses.

**SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON SUMMARY**

**Time Warner Cable's Rapidly Growing Footprint in the Carolinas**

Who you missed:  
Suzanne Jacobs, Project Manager with TWC's Corporate Real Estate Division.

What you missed:  
TWC, the second largest cable company in the US, is headquartered in New York City and split into two regions, East and West. TWC is a rapidly expanding company quickly increasing its footprint in the Carolinas, including expanding jobs and real estate holdings. As the Project Manager in TWC's Real Estate Division, Suzanne has had a large impact on the growth of TWC in Charlotte, including working with CREW Charlotte's own Barbara Briccotto who designed the Center at 3140 West Arrowood Road.



What's New? - TWC is investing approximately \$100 million in a National Data Center on Arrowood Road to be completed in 2012. TWC expects to expand both its regional and corporate impact on Charlotte, including increasing its contracts with various vendors and continuing to grow its Corporate Campus.

Why:  
"This is a relationship business." - Growth is expected in Corporate real estate, strategic procurement and regions. The TWC real estate department is currently working closely with various approved companies and vendors but looking to expand with an emphasis on vendor diversity and sustainability.

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Ann is licensed in the states of North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Florida and New Jersey and was previously licensed as a CPA in New Jersey.

Ann continues to be a partner and corporate counsel for Centdev Properties, LLC that owns and operates retail properties in North Carolina.

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CREW Charlotte has eight committees. Three of these committees are directly related to outreach opportunities. We encourage all CREW members to get involved. [Click here to learn more about each of our committees.](#)



### ANNOUNCEMENTS

We Need A Few Good Women!

Cindy Wolfe of Bank of the Ozarks awarded CREW Network ...

Congrats to Marie McLucas of Primax Properties finalist in the ...

CREW Lunch Ladders - South Park, Uptown/SouthEnd and Lake Norman ...

CREW Charlotte Member Cindy Wolfe featured speaker at State of ...

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### MEMBERS MAKING DEALS

[Diane Genaro White](#)

9/13/11

Stefanie Topp of Meadows Office Furniture knows how to Connect! ...

[Amy Massey](#)

8/17/11

Thank you to Diana Palecek of Smith Moore Leatherwood for ...

[Marie McLucas](#)

8/16/11

Thanks to Wanda Townsend and Danny Merlin of Johnston Allison ...

[Marie McLucas](#)

8/16/11

Thanks to ai Design for assisting Primax with architectural design ...

**Lisa Kissler**

8/16/11

Thank you to Holly Alexander from Charlotte for using the ...

**Cindy Wolfe**

8/16/11

Thanks to CREW Charlotte member, Kim Marks, and ai Design ...

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