



A Message from the Board President - Elise Holliday



The Search Committee has narrowed the pool of applicants down to 2 final candidates for the Executive Director position. They will be brought in for interviews during the first part of October. We hope to announce the new Director by the end of October. The new Executive Director will have the opportunity to work alongside Marilyn Smith for 3 months in 2011 before Marilyn retires.



We are looking to make this the best auction ever! Do you have items, vacation homes, favorite restaurant certificates that you would like to donate to the auction? Contact Karen Bosley at Karenb@adwas.org or (206) 229-8643. The deadline to submit items is October 5th.

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Puget Sound Business Journal - Western WA Best Places to Work

On a sunny day in August, about 1,200 employees who work for Western Washington's Best Workplaces descended upon Safeco Field. While there, Puget Sound Business Journal presented ADWAS with an award as one of the finalists. After the awards presentation, people spent time networking with other businesses as well as having fun by pitching a fastball and running the bases.



WNBA Seattle Storm Name 2010 Women of Inspiration



July 21st marked the Women of Inspiration award evening presented by WNBA's Seattle Storm. Marilyn J. Smith was honored at a pre-game reception and at half time along with 2 other honorees -Kim Bogucki, Founder of the IF Project, and Sue Rahr, King County Sheriff. "We are proud to continue our tradition of shining the spotlight on women who have done so much for our community through their leadership and dedication to excellence," said Seattle Storm President and CEO Karen Bryant. "This night reaffirms the Storm's commitment to providing young girls and boys with inspiring role models, and demonstrating how much you can accomplish when you work hard to reach your goals."

ADWAS Staff Included in Textbook

Both of the ADWAS therapists, Sheli Barber and Dov Wills, are now featured in the recently published *Psychotherapy with Deaf Clients from Diverse Groups: Second Edition*. Working together numerous hours, Sheli and Dov produced the chapter titled, "Deaf Survivors of Sexual Assault." This book, edited by Irene W. Leigh, PhD and Professor of Psychology at Gallaudet University, is used as a textbook and reference for students becoming counselors, therapists and social workers studying at Gallaudet. Congratulations to Sheli and Dov!

Serving the Community for 25 Years!

In March 2011, ADWAS will be hosting activities to help recognize our 25th year anniversary. If you have pictures from events over the past 25 years, please contact Carol Brown at Carol@adwas.org. We would like to display them at our upcoming anniversary celebration. The date of the event will be announced later.