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EVENT OF THE MONTH

Women in Philanthropy

Women Business Exchange // While networking with other female professionals, hear Alice Cunningham, owner of Olympic Hot Tub, speak about the rising influence of women in corporate charitable endowments. *Networking: 7–8 a.m.; breakfast and lecture: 8–9 a.m.; Washington Athletic Club, 1325 Sixth Ave.; 206.382.1234; \$25 in advance, \$29 at the door; wbex.org.*

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Developing a Cyber Incident Response Plan

WSA // David Matthews, Seattle's deputy chief information security officer, will discuss the Department of Homeland Security's accepted protocol for handling disasters. Learn how to standardize your company's emergency response to comply with government standards. *6–8 p.m.; Seattle University, Engineering Building, 901 12th Ave., Room #400; 206.448.3033; free for members, \$20 nonmembers; wsa.org.*

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Seduced by Success: How the Best Companies Survive the 9 Traps of Winning
University of Washington Business School // Hear Bob Herbold, former COO of Microsoft and managing director of the Herbold Group,

talk about the consequences of being blinded by success and the importance of change. *12:30–1:30 p.m.; Bank of America Executive Education Center, UW campus; 206.543.1573; free, but advance registration is requested; bschool.washington.edu.*

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Business Expo

Bellevue Chamber of Commerce // Network and expand your business's customer base. Brad Worthley, business consultant and behavior change specialist, will speak at the luncheon, bringing his 30 years of business experience to the table. *11 a.m.–7 p.m.; lunch, noon–1:30 p.m.; Meydenbauer Center, 11100 NE Sixth St., Bellevue; 425.213.1201; expo only: \$5 or free with coupon; lunch: \$30 members, \$40 nonmembers; bellevuechamber.org.*

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Starting Your Own Business

Bellevue Community College, Continuing Education // Learn what it takes to start your own business, including advice about licenses, taxes, marketing, management, financing and formation of a business plan. *1–4 p.m.; BCC North Campus, 10700 Northrup Way, Bellevue; 425.564.2263; \$59, or \$289 for series of seven classes; gotobcc.com.*

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CEO Lunch Series

University of Washington Business School // Hear Dan Fulton, CEO of Weyerhaeuser Real Estate Co., speak at the second installment of this four-part CEO lunch series. *Noon–1:30 p.m.; Columbia Tower Club, Columbia Center, 701 Fifth Ave.; 206.543.1573; \$32 UW Alumni Association members, \$40 nonmembers; bschool.washington.edu.*

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2007 Industry Achievement Awards

WSA // Recently voted "best schmooze event," this ceremony has been described as "The Academy Awards" for tech companies. The keynote speaker will be Robbie Bach, president of Microsoft's entertainment and devices division; KIRO's Dave Ross will be master of ceremonies. *5–9 p.m.; Westin Hotel, 1900 Fifth Ave.; 206.448.3033; single seats: \$220; tables of 10: \$2,200; wsa.org.*

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Flight to Financial Freedom

State of Mind Seminars // This event is designed to change the way you think about money, the economy, investing and your job, and to help you build your own fortune. *8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.; Washington National Golf Club, 14330 SE Husky Way, Auburn; 866.735.6332; \$249; stateofmindseminars.com.*

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Business Connections

Kirkland Chamber of Commerce // This structured networking event offers attendees the opportunity to give a one- to two-minute presentation, hand out business cards and socialize during breakfast. Some lucky guests will win door prizes. *7:15 a.m.; Lake Washington Technical College, 11605 132nd Ave., Room E-144, NE, Kirkland; 425.822.7066; \$12 members, \$15 nonmembers, \$10 for display table (members only); kirklandchamber.org.*

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Business After Hours

Seattle Chamber of Commerce // This month's "After Hours" has a twist: Join Seattle chamber members in the luxury suites overlooking Safeco Field. Tour the stadium, enter prize drawings and meet the Mariner Moose. *5:30–7:30 p.m.; Safeco Field; 206.389.7215; \$12 in advance, \$18 after March 26; www.seattlechamber.com.*

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Negotiation Secrets—Five Ways to Improve Your Bottom Line

AeA // Dispute resolution specialist Jeanette Nyden, visiting professor at Pacific Lutheran University's MBA program, will give a keynote address to help you brush up on the fundamentals of negotiating. *8–11:30 a.m.; Lincoln Executive Center II, 14432 SE Eastgate Way, Suite 400, Bellevue; 425.497.1707; \$245 members, \$325 nonmembers; aeanaet.org.*

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Networking Breakfast

Renton Chamber of Commerce // Bring your business card and elevator speech, and make connections at this fast-paced networking event. *7:30–9 a.m.; Chateau at Valley Center, 4450 Davis Ave. S, Renton; 425.226.4560; \$15 members, \$30 nonmembers; gorenton.com.*