



*Women's Festival of Ionia County*  
*presents*

## *Girls' Night Out*

Firstbank-West Michigan sponsors speaker at 2nd Annual

### **Judy Emmons to speak at Girls Night Out**

When the Girls Night Out Committee brainstormed who might speak at the 2nd Girls Night Out, a unanimous ballot was cast for Judy Emmons who had represented the 70th District in Lansing for six years.

Judy has been a friend to the Women's Festival of Ionia County since its inception and a supporter of community organizations, constituent needs, and special events. What better way to inspire women of all ages than to have Judy share the joys and the wisdoms she gained serving as a state legislator.

Her topic, "Women in Leadership at All Levels" will allow Judy to encourage women of all ages to get involved in politics. "Back to the Venus/Mars battle, women do bring a different perspective and a unique approach to dealing with issues, solving problems and reaching consensus."



"Women are involved, very involved in leadership roles already," Judy notes. "I want to especially recommend that our young women take an active role at all levels of government. It's rewarding. It's a wonderful way to get to know the people who do so much in their communities for all the right reasons."

Those who already know Judy know there will be lots of humor and good reasons to smile during her presentation. She does entertainment just as well as she does the serious stuff. Since her son's kindergarten year, Judy has evolved as a storyteller; she plays the organ and has been known to sing with her sisters when rehearsal time is plentiful.

You are invited to come enjoy Judy Emmon's brief presentation at Girls Night Out on Thursday, April 30. Doors open at 5:30 at the Royal Heritage and Judy will speak at 7 p.m. Her presentation is courtesy of Firstbank-West Michigan.

Just so you know what Judy's up to these days, in addition to being a wife, mother, grandmother and dairy farmer, she was recently appointed to the Montcalm Area ISD Board of Directors and is exploring future government service as Secretary of State.

Her background is rich in service on the local level and includes Central Montcalm Board of Education and boards of directors for Michigan Farm Bureau, Michigan Farm Bureau Insurance, Central Montcalm Foundation, and Montcalm Conservation District.

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