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Hello everyone!

I hope you all enjoy this months newsletter, page 3 features our brand new “Career Corner”. Check out the article on “So I’ve joined a networking group, now what?”.

Thank you to everyone who came to the King Putt Mini Golf & Pizza Party event! It was a blast and everyone had fun! New families came and we probably had about 20 families show up in total. This was definitely one of our most popular events to date. Parents had a chance to mingle while the kids played mini golf. Afterwards we all had pizza and the kids watched a 30 minute magician show.

Unfortunately due to my pregnancy I will not be scheduling any events in February but I will resume event planning in late March with a lunch outing and Easter egg decorating event. If you have any ideas for an event please feel free to email me! See you all in March!!!

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So I've Joined a Networking Group, Now What?

So, you've joined a Networking Group and don't know what to "do with it". What's next?

Time passes, you've not done anything with the contacts you've made nor followed up with people you had intended to contact. Can you think about why this is happening and how you might break this pattern?

Networking Groups and Networking Meetings are great if you use them as they are meant to be used, and if you make the most of the opportunities and people involved. To assure you do this, think about what you bring to the network. In other words, what might others get out of you and/or your business? How might you be able to help them either professionally or even personally? Change your thinking from a "I" and "me" perspective to a "you" and "other" mind-set.

* Follow-up with people to see what you might offer them and how you might be able to do something for them. Give and you will get later is what we say here at Living Careers, particularly right now in today's economy. Many people and companies are in need . . . in need of help, ideas, investors, creativity, pro-bono assistance, restructuring, self-care, and the list goes on and on.

* Contact people you've met before too much time passes. Don't let them forget who you are.

* Set goals for yourself as you set to attend a Networking Meeting. What do you hope to do or accomplish with participating in such a meeting or event?

* Stay Open and Take Notes

* Have FUN!...remember Networking is meant to be enjoyable, while inducing change and triggering new ideas

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