

From the President

Dear members and friends,

It was an absolute pleasure to listen to entrepreneur **Graziella Zanoletti** at last month's meeting. Her gentle words of faith and hope towards how a positive attitude can change the world is certainly an essential value for all leaders to adopt. Apart from running her multi million dollar Elite Rent-a car business, Graziella devotes increasingly more time to humanitarian projects. Her acts of solidarity with the Amazonian Indians in Brazil, have spread beyond to India, Vietnam and Afghanistan. To finance them, Graziella created an association called "Friends" in 2004. It's no wonder that Graziella calls herself a CIO and not a CEO.. And it was at the 2004 W.I.N. conference where... "After eighteen years of looking, I had finally found the title that suited me, **Chief Inspiration Officer.**" Brava Graziella!! I see you as a wonderful mentor for all humankind.

With the start of every new PWA year we have an influx of new faces and new members joining the group. Often they bring inspirational ideas and different energies. I would like to make mention of **Anne-Gael Chapuis..** You can read about her in the member's profile for this month and her initiative of starting up a PWA Jobseekers Group. When we met last month to discuss the possibility it became obvious to me that Anne-Gael has much experience in this field and has a very professional approach to her work. I encourage any of you who may be looking for a job to sign up with the group. The first meeting will be on Friday. I wish to thank Anne-Gael and to wish her much success.

This is the final reminder to all members to email your entries to the Membership Directors for the 2005/2006 **PWA Members' Resource Directory.** We believe in this valuable resource and it is produced for you to network. Remember that networking is about sharing – information, ideas, resources and opportunities and creating mutual beneficial outcomes.

Social Events Director, **Carol Markino** has finalised the venue for our December Holiday Party. It will be at the restaurant Colo&Sterol in Prati. See the back page for further details. Tickets will be on sale tonight, the November 30 meeting and December 7 in the bar area of the Rose Garden Palace Hotel from 6.30-8.30 p.m. The more the merrier! Invite your partners, husbands and friends along to join in this festive season celebration.

Let us welcome our guest speaker, **Grazia Cini** and I wish to thank her for travelling all the way from Florence to be with us this evening. I must make mention that Grazia has written her story but it is still waiting to be published.

I hope you will be able to attend our meeting in Italian in two weeks time. When **Alessandro Musumeci** shall talk on "How IT is changing student's life: different approaches between males and females". Until then...

With warmest regards,

Wendy Aulsebrook

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DEADLINE IS
December 7**

PWA MEETINGS

2005

**Nov 16: Near Death
Experience**

**Nov 30: Meeting in
Italian:
Information
Technology**

Dec 14: Festive Party

2006

**Jan 18: Italian arts &
literature**

**Feb 15: International
politics**

**Mar 8: International
Women's Day**

**Mar 22: Achieving
work/family/
life balance**

**Apr 19: World trade
trends**

**May 17: Women's
health**

**Jun 21: Final
Gathering
Cocktail**

November Member Profile

This month we hear from French PWA member Anne-Gael Chapuis

When and why did you join the PWA?

I joined PWA this year. I joined after attending my first meeting as I knew that I had finally found the association that I was looking for.

What do you like best about the group?

I like the way the meetings are held; a pre-meeting with free discussions with women, and a speaker's presentation that leads to interesting insights into our life.

Why have you decided to set up the PWA Job Seekers Group?

Discussing with women during PWA meetings, I found out that several of them had joined the meeting to get contacts while just settling in Rome. They were looking for positions and just did not know where to start. As I had already organised a Job Seekers Group for the French speaking Association Rome Accueil and I had working experience in several European countries, I thought that I could create such a Group for an international association like the PWA.

How would you describe yourself professionally?

After a degree in International Relations and Master Degree in International Management, I found myself working in the Conference Business 10 years ago in London and from that start, I kept on working in the field of communication and event organisations changing specialities with the countries I was moving in. I have thus acquired a large amount of various experiences which even led me to manage the communication consulting department of a small consulting firm in Paris for 4 years. An interesting experience which enlarged my skills to recruitment and Human Resources.

As a professional as well as a woman, I believe much in adapting to the environment as a major quality. I like the consulting business because I see it as an exchange of skills, mine versus the clients'.

And your plans for the future...

Settling in Italy has not been an easy part, as I was very surprised by the major cultural differences with France (my native country) when our languages are so close. I had to reinvent my life again here. Finally, I think I found serenity between my professional and family life in Rome. I enjoy working as consultant for associations and private companies on a part-time basis and spending time with my children after school. I thus hope that Rome will keep on giving us this opportunity.

What do you like doing in your spare time?

As I have three little children (6 years, 4 years and 16 months), I do spend a lot of my spare time with them. And As I am lucky to have a "Au Pair" at home (what a great invention this is, isn't it?), I can dedicate some of my time to "wine testing" as I took lessons on Italian wine last year (I can recommend nice typical wine bars in Rome!). And I try to go to cinema as often as possible as well as having dinners with friends.

What languages do you speak?

I am a French native speaker. I do speak English fluently as I studied and worked in Great Britain and part of my family is American. I of course have learnt Italian intensively to be able to work and have friends here. I learnt Russian when I went to work in Bielorrussia. And finally, I used to speak German until I started to learn Russian.

What are your favourite places in the "eternal city"?

I love the Palatin, the tranquility of the place and its incredible view over the forum on a sunny morning. The Trevi fountain on a cold winter night when finally there is nobody and I can admire freely this extraordinary work of arts. And in fact all the churches that I like to discover while passing by.

And finally, how has living in Rome altered your outlook or philosophy?

It seems that the beauty of the "eternal city", its incredible way to reborn from its ashes, gave me the serenity in my life that I was looking for.

Anne-Gael lives in the neighbourhood of Flaminio.

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Membership News

by Sandra Thomas

A warm welcome to our new members:

Mary Cordis, Anne-Gael Chapuis, Katherine Tsang, Linda Penzabene, Estelle Mils, Loretta Dusini, Joie Davidow and Vicki Ericks

Renewing Members:

Sonia Carrozzo, Patrizia La Via, Barbara Goldfield, Wendy Aulsebrook, Maria Pepoli, Marlene Deutsch, Tazim Hammond, Giulia Della Costa, Edith Nicoletti, Rowena Bunting, Teresa Amodio, Anne Mc Glone, Arianna Callocchia, Arianna Casali, Swee Khoo, Nathalie De Broux, Alessandra Corradini, Kristy Ekberg, Carol Bourg, Galen Montgomery, Sylvie Forcione, Sandra Thomas, Rosemary Aspinall, Anna Baldari, Linda Botha, Jacklyn Lam, Marion Graetz, Maria Alessandra Pecora.

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NEW with PWA Rome: The PWA Jobseekers Group

The PWA jobseekers Group is being created to respond to the demand of several PWA members who are looking for positions in Rome and finding it very difficult as the job market is very different from the one in the countries where they have been working before.

Our motto is "together to help each other find a job in Rome".

The group is open to professionals who are really motivated to find a position in Rome (Part-time or full-time) as each member of the group will participate pro-actively and commit in the group activities .

Therefore the group will be composed of no more than 12 persons.

The PWA jobseekers Group will make everyone find her way into the local job market, respecting everyone's choices and goals: women who know what they want to do but don't know where and how to look for it, as well as women who are willing to change career while settling in a new country.

The group will meet twice a month for 2.5 hours to discuss any member's past, present and future in terms of work.

For each meeting – scheduled with all group members to arrange everyone's agenda- there will be a specific argument to work on, along with individual and group "to do lists", such as :

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| ✍ CVs in English and Italian | work objectives and oral presentation |
| ✍ how to get contacts, | how to create networks, |
| ✍ how to deal with the internet, | how to deal with recruitment agencies, ... |

further more we will get in contact with key people in Rome who might be helpful for international jobseekers.

The PWA Job seekers Group will be chaired by Anne-Gael Chapuis, experienced professional in 4 European countries, who has first participated in such a group in France and created last year with success a Jobseekers Help Group for the French speaking community in Rome.

First meeting : November 18th 2005 : 10 – 12.30 am

Place : Rome Centre/ Piazzale Flaminio (address to be given when confirming your participation)

Cost : 10 Euros each meeting (for members only)

5 reasons to join PWA Jobseekers Group :

- 1. Each meeting will give you the motivation to go ahead with your job hunting whatever your business sector and personal situation are**
- 2. You will make sure that you have the right tools to find a Job in Rome**
- 3. You will get the opportunity to share your experiences and problems with women who understand and do not judge you**
- 4. The Group will provide you with day-to-day targets to meet to achieve your work objectives**
- 5. You will gain valuable work contacts**

And finally...you will make things happen !!!

Cultural Corner

This November, our focus is on the 'inusuale'; art to discover with strange bents both here and in the Capital cities. It seems that shows need to develop an'angle' in order to stand out in the crowded art scene that is Italy.

Roma opens with a show by Burri at the *Scuderie del Quirinale*. Burri basically made huge conceptual works starting with the burning of burlap bags, then moving to the burning of plastic (his Crater series, which does, in fact, resemble the moon face if it were made of plastic), and more. For those who can't get enough of his talent, his native city of *Città di Castello (Umbria)* has two huge exhibit spaces dedicated wholly to his work.

Torino offers us a white world, perhaps in anticipation of the Winter Olympics with the show, *Il Bianco e altro e comunque Arte* at Palazzo Cavour. Contemporary artists working with light, or white, materials will be showing their stuff 'til 22 January.

And, while we're on the subject of all things wintry, in London's *Tate Modern* Grand Turbine Hall you can catch the closest thing to an indoor *Iceberg* by the renowned Rachel Whiteread. Made from 14000 pieces of Styrofoam, it won't melt down 'til 2 April.

Although it may not be open just yet, an amazing discovery of a villa

filled with fantastical animals and multi-colored frescoes has been uncovered (from the detritus of Pompeii in 79 a.d., of all things!) in *Positano*, under the *Chiesa dell'Assunta*. Another reason to spend a few days in that wonderful city.

And while we're in the south, an interesting exhibit *Visionari Primitivi Eccentrici* takes on the artist's pathos at the *Galleria Civica di Palazzo Loffredo di Potenza*.

Paris' *Grand Palais* has taken a fabulously interesting step toward showing museums or artworks in photographs. In fact, the celebrated photographer Gérard Rondeau brings us a unique black & white perspective with artworks wrapped up, visitors covering bits and pieces of things, workers in t-shirts holding artworks showing figures in all their refinery. If nothing else, I'm getting the catalog.

And finally, I offer you *War is Over* in Bergamo's *GAMEC* featuring works from 1945 – 2005 of some of the most well-known artists including Picasso, Warhol and Cattelan ('til 26 February).

Lisa R. Tucci, Art&Media Communications



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About Tonight's Guest Speaker "Out of body and near death experience" Grazia Cini

My personal and spiritual life became deeper with experience that have deeply changed as the time went by my personality and my attitudes towards my life and its values.

In 1973 I fell from a horse and went into a coma that lasted for 7 days. In a state of coma I have lived an out of body experience and a near death experience. This experience has deeply changed the way I now spend my earthly life.

I experienced the re-entering of my body similar to that of re-entering a prison. It took me years of suffering, of studying, of reading, and of meeting with illuminated people in order to accept again to live, and learning again to love my own body and my own life.

I literally went around the world to seek the answers to my many questions and I have met many spiritually illuminated persons. My journey in India gave me the gift of learning how to meditate. While in Peru I learnt about energies and how to use them in my daily life. My meeting with Dr. Brian Weiss, a best seller author, has led me to explore further about reincarnation.

All those events have convinced me that it is necessary to share with love our deep knowledge of our personal experiences. I felt the need to bring testimony to as many people as possible. This is why I have accepted RAI's invitations to participate in their TV programs. The same reasons bring me to accept the PWA invitation. I will be happy to tell the PWA members my story and my feelings about those events.

About November 30 Meeting in Italian

"How IT is changing student's life: different approaches between males and females"

Alessandro Musumeci, among many roles is the counsellor for IT to the Minister of Education, Letizia Moratti. Since 1991, he has written and published some 400 articles for IT related magazines.

PWA HOLIDAY PARTY

Wednesday 14th December, 2005

7.30 p.m.

Il Ristorante Colo&Sterol

Via Ulpiano, 59 (Via Cavour) Rome

www.colosterol.it

The menu includes canapè misti, mignon assortiti, crostata di frutta and a pasta dello chef, prosecco, fruit juices and water.

Members 10.00 Euro

Non-members 15.00 Euro

ONLY advance sales of tickets. NO tickets will be sold at the door. Contact Carol Markino on 338 3242925