

- ❖ **A sign of the times?** As many of you know, NACE is just a few days away. Like last year, NACE offered a \$25 spiff to WIN (and other organizations) when a first time attendee signed up and linked to our name on the registration form. Well, this year many more people than last year—people new to NACE—signed up and linked to WIN's code. What does it mean? We can't be sure, but we'd like to think that WIN's Take Charge of Your Career message (educate, network, get involved in the industry) has resonated. At very least, we know it means that these newcomers support the advancement of women in the industry by linking to WIN. Either way, it's all good.
- ❖ **Teachers rule!** We hope all who attend NACE will be sure to stop by the WIN booth (N3340), but we hold a special place in our hearts for the technical school teachers who visit with us because they love to brag about their female students. If you are a teacher or you know a teacher who is attending, make sure to send him or her our way. We have a special NACE WIN membership offer for teachers and their star students, as well as She Knows Collision Repair pins and WIN pens to take back to class.
- ❖ **Let's party.** If you'll be at NACE, make sure to attend our Texas-theme party November 7, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Mariners A and B rooms of the Mandalay Bay.
- ❖ **Don't mess with Texas.** As you know from our last WIN Notes, our 2009 conference will be held at the Omni Parkwest in Dallas, Texas, March 22-24, 2009. Between now and then, you can bet your boots we'll continue to incorporate every dang Texas cliché we can in order to lasso as many cowgirls for our conference. But trust us, it ain't easy coming up with this stuff. So, if you have a hankering to pitch in, please send us your list of Texas-Western lingo (i.e., words, expressions, yadda, yadda) and we'll try our darndest to incorporate your suggestions (with credit to you, of course) in future updates regarding the best little conference in Texas! Please send your offerin's to info@womensindustrynetwork.com
- ❖ **WIN WIN (Women in the News)** *Angela Himegarner* of Farmers Insurance was promoted to State Claims Manager for Kansas and Iowa; Denise Caspersen of ASA, Lillian Maimone of Marco's Auto Body, and Gloria Mann of Media Matters were recognized as 2008 AkzoNobel Most Influential Women in the Collision Repair Industry, *Erin Gallant* of Fix Auto Oregon welcomed the birth of a baby daughter and future WIN member, little Karsyn Leeanne Hills; WIN board member *Jennifer Justice Haley* of Mercedes Benz of Cincinnati & West Chester Collision Centers was asked to serve on the Advisory Board of Ask Patty and is profiled on their website--www.Askpatty.com--this month; WIN board member and owner of CARSTAR Mundelein, *Jeannie Silver* wrote "Seven No-Brainers for Success," which was published in this month's Body Shop Business magazine.
- ❖ **Be seen and be heard.** Don't forget to vote on November 4, 2008!

"I think the key is for women not to set any limits."

Martina Navratilova, Tennis Champion