# WOMEN'S PROFESSIONAL EMPOWERMENT ALLIANCE 2016 CONFERENCE

Michigan Federation of Business & Professional Women's Clubs (BPW/MI)

> invites you to join it in July for an opportunity to network with business and professional women from across the United States

## What is it? Why does it exist?

WPEA stands for Women's Professional Empowerment Alliance, a conference which has been held annually since 2009. It is an opportunity for BPW members and other interested women to come together each year to share ideas and gain information about issues of concern to them.

#### When?

Thursday, July 21-Saturday, July 23, 2016

#### Where?

Wyndham Garden Hotel Detroit Metro Airport Romulus, Michigan

Doubles and queens \$89.99 + 14% tax = \$102.59Kings and handicapped \$85.99 + 14% tax = \$98.03

Reservation code: 07216976MI

Reservation deadline: Monday, June 20, 2016

Hotel contact information: (800) 996-3426 or (734) 728-2800

## **Preliminary schedule**

Thursday, July 21 7:00 p.m. Welcome; wine-and-cheese reception

> Speaker: Trisha Franzen, author of Anna Howard Shaw: The Work of Woman Suffrage

Friday, July 22 9:00 a.m. Individual development program

Greetings from EPW-USA president Liz Benham

Friday afternoon Lunch on your own

Detroit-area tours or free time

Friday evening Formal dinner; ID/YC speeches

Saturday, July 23 9:00 a.m. Issues update--ERA, equal pay/pay equity, human trafficking

Speaker from MI Lead, a Michigan coalition on women's issues

Saturday afternoon Lunch with fellow officers/members; share ideas and concerns

Share reports from lunch table discussions

"Congratulations, You're in Business. Now What?" Panel of

women business owners

Speaker on communicating effectively

Heavy hors d'oeuvres; entertainment Saturday evening

If you have any suggestions, ideas or questions, please direct them to:

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