



We're a progressive leader in women's philanthropy, bringing new resources to the community and making philanthropy accessible. Through high impact grant making, we engage, develop and inspire women to effect positive change.

## Impact Austin Newsletter

### August 2008

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September 29: Member recruiting event, 6:30pm at Grape Vine Market (7936 Great Northern Blvd. 78757)

October 16: Lynne Twist talks to Impact Austin about "The Soul of Money" at 7:00pm

November 13: Member recruiting event, 6:30pm at Grape Vine Market (7936 Great Northern Blvd. 78757)

## Announcing ...

Impact Austin thanks the women below who have made the substantial commitment to help govern and run our organization this next year:

#### Board and Operations:

Rebecca Powers, president  
Meeta Kothare, vice president

#### Board of directors:

Rebecca Powers, president

## Do you want to volunteer???

One of the priorities we have set forth in our five-year vision is to include more members in meaningful volunteer opportunities across Impact Austin and then out in the community. We will create and implement a robust volunteer management program that helps us get to know each member and understand how she'd like to participate in the success of Impact Austin. For some, it means helping to get a mailing out to our members. For others, it means brainstorming about ways we can improve the retention rate of our membership. It might mean chairing the Annual Meeting Committee or creating our newsletter. We have opportunities in every shape and size. The trick is successfully matching the needs of our organization with the desires of our members. That's what we intend to do by introducing volunteer management software into our structure. We expect this investigation and implementation process to take up to three years -- and the 'experts' have confirmed our thinking.

In the meantime, we want to get YOU involved. Please make plans to attend:

**Lunch and Learn: Volunteer Opportunities in Impact Austin**

**Presented by: Rebecca Powers and Meeta Kothare**

**When: Friday September 12, 2008 11:45am - 12:45pm**

**Home of Rebecca Powers: 11107 Callanish Park Drive 78750**

**RSVP: [mkothare@impact-austin.org](mailto:mkothare@impact-austin.org) or call 335-5540**

## Exciting news ... Save the date!

**Who:** Lynne Twist, Author and Inspirational Speaker

Meeta Kothare, vice president  
 Mary Brooker, treasurer  
 Melynda Caudle, director  
 Anna Clepper, director  
 Debbie Johnson, director Valerie  
 Savage, director

#### Operations:

Betsy Blair, Grants Chair  
 Cathy Cabrera, Marketing Chair  
 Barbara Ellis, Membership  
 Development Chair  
 Dina Mavridis, Girls Giving Grants  
 Chair  
 Pam Owens, Development Chair

## Grant Reminder

We are so thrilled for our five  
 grant recipients, each of  
 whom received a \$102,000  
 grant this year:

#### Culture:

Southwest Key Programs

#### Education:

Breakthrough

#### Environment:

Ecology Action of Texas

#### Family:

Goodwill Industries

#### Health & wellness:

SafePlace

#### General Contact:

[contact@impact-austin.org](mailto:contact@impact-austin.org)



**What:** Keynote Speech to Impact Austin  
 "The Soul of Money - Transforming your Relationship  
 with Money and Life"

**When:** Thursday, October 16, 2008 at 7pm

On-line registration details coming in an email blast in  
 late August. Bring friends! Cost: \$20.00 per attendee. Each attendee  
 will receive a copy of The Soul of Money.

A personal message from Rebecca: You will not want to miss this  
 opportunity! I have read her book and heard her speak. She is witty,  
 charming, inspirational and down-to-earth. Lynne's message has  
 profoundly changed my perspective on philanthropy, and she will open  
 your eyes, too! My favorite quote from her book: "When you let go of  
 trying to get more of what you don't really need, it frees up oceans of  
 energy to make a difference with what you have. When you make a  
 difference with what you have, it expands." See you on October 16th at  
 7pm!

## Girls Giving Grants (g3) Off and Running

Coming on the heels of 2008's banner  
 year with 57 members, g3 is gearing up  
 already for another fabulous year. The  
 membership deadline is Friday,  
 September 26, 2008, at 5pm. If you  
 know of any girls who are interested in  
 joining the group, please invite them to  
 our upcoming recruiting event:



**Sunday, September 21st**  
**2:00 - 3:00pm**  
**Velocity Electronics**  
**2208 Energy Drive 78758**

We will announce the value of our grant this year on October 1, 2008,  
 and grant applications will be due by Friday, October 31, 2008. Last  
 year's president, Claire Powers, said, "Being a part of a nonprofit  
 organization comprised of only teenage girls is a very rewarding and  
 unique experience that I would not be able to find anywhere else."

Contact [dmavridis@impact-austin.org](mailto:dmavridis@impact-austin.org) with any questions.

## Ask a friend to join Impact Austin!!!

For more information about membership,  
 please contact Barbara Ellis  
 at [bellis@impact-austin.org](mailto:bellis@impact-austin.org) or visit [www.impact-austin.org](http://www.impact-austin.org)



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