



## Women You Know, Women You Want To Meet ICSW Monthly Website Feature

### Debi Durham Feature Questionnaire

#### **Job description and community involvement:**

I have the pleasure of serving as President of the Siouxland Chamber of Commerce, The Siouxland Initiative and Chamber Foundation, a position that I have held since 1995.

Currently I serve as Chair of the Iowa Chamber Alliance; Past Chair of Girl's Inc, Commissioner for the Iowa Department of Transportation, and serve as a board member of the following organizations: Siouxland Heritage Foundation, Orpheum Theatre Preservation, Siouxland Unidad Latino, Saturday in the Park, Sioux City Enterprise Board and ISU College of Design Advancement Council.

#### **Background:**

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Marketing and Management  
Missouri Southern State University

#### **What's new on my horizon?**

I seek new opportunities and approach each day with the attitude that nothing is impossible. "How hard can it be?" is a statement that I am known to say often. So I am continually learning, and God only knows what tomorrow will bring.

#### **Why I do what I do:**

That is easy...my job is to bring people together, often times from very diverse backgrounds, to do collectively what is difficult or impossible to do on an individual basis. Our community is being transformed from the inside out by people making a difference. To know that I have played a small part in this transformation is extremely gratifying.

#### **What I most wish would change for women:**

The advice I would offer is...take time for yourself without feeling guilty, and realize that each season of life brings new opportunities and challenges, but to believe that you can and deserve to have it all.

#### **"I wish I'd said that!" -please provide a brief quote that is meaningful to you:**

I could not decide between the following so I submitted both.

"God does not look at how much we do, but with how much love we do it" Mother Teresa



"Those who say it cannot be done should not interrupt the person doing it." Chinese Proverb

The woman I admire most: Margaret Thatcher

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