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Affinity Groups bring members together around common interests. They are led by members for members and are a great way to broaden your network, socialize, develop deeper business relationships, and simply recharge your batteries. Inforum Affinity Groups are available to all Inforum members as a benefit of membership. Non-members are welcome to attend an Affinity Group gathering as a guest prior to joining Inforum.

Affinity Groups	Description	Contact Information
Arts & Culture 	Join us to support Arts & Culture in West Michigan! Attend performances/exhibits, etc., such as the Grand Rapids Symphony, Grand Rapids Art Museum, Broadway Theatre Guild, St. Cecilia Society, Circle Theatre and the Grand Rapids Ballet.	Hillary Taatjes-Woznick 616.242.1113 Hillary@naiwwm.com Wanda Falk 616.974.2815 wanda.falk@morganstanley.com
Book Therapy 	Network and discuss ideas and perspectives with other Inforum members. "Book Therapy" offers a relaxed meeting centered on discussion of both literary and professionally-focused books. Group leaders facilitate an interactive discussion where attendees are encouraged to share their experiences and opinions on the book as well as related topics.	Christine Lindeman 616.531.4186 Christine.lindeman@thesytsmagroup.com Mary Robinson 616.459.2119 mary.w.robinson@comcast.net
Health & Wellness 	Wellness is a choice we make every day. This NEW Inforum Affinity Group will inform, encourage and support the unique health need on women in West Michigan. This group gathers quarterly on Wednesday evenings.	Marie Woodard-DeHoek 616.558.8334 mwoodard@keystonerx.com Brandi Grimmer 616.974.9792 brandig@keystonepharm.com
Ignite! 	For professionals who aspire to excellence in their personal and professional lives, this unique affinity group incorporates personal and professional development workshops, mastermind groups, and experiential exercises. Participants will gain clarity, receive feedback, uncover roadblocks, set action steps, and achieve greater success and satisfaction.	Kimberly Gleason 616.364.7459 kimberly@kimberlygleasoncoaching.com Ruth VanHoven 616.837.7880 vanhovejr2@allcom.net
Lakeshore 	Live or work in the West Michigan Lakeshore area? Join the Lakeshore Affinity Group for a cup of coffee and to make strategic connections with other Inforum members and guests who are interested in establishing and building professional relationships.	Brandy DeWilde 616.393.9425 bddewilde@comerica.com Cameron Dolbow 616.446.7176 cdolbow@rwbaird.com
Lend a Hand 	A group in which members will be involved with several volunteer activities around the greater Grand Rapids area throughout the year, gaining the opportunity to develop closer relationships with other Inforum members, meet volunteers from other organizations, and give their time and effort to worthy causes.	Angie Sanborn 616.447.3902 asanborn@ibcp.com Shelley Strobel-Erhardt 616.262.8161 strobeday@yahoo.com

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Breakfast 	Meet monthly, for networking with other Inforum members, who are interested in establishing and building professional relationships. Come as you can, the third Thursday of each month, for coffee and conversation.	Sharon Dykhous 616.974.8923 sharon.dykhous@morganstanley.com
Dinner 	Meet for dinner at a West Michigan area restaurant to network with other Inforum members. Plan to order dinner off the menu, pay your own check, and relax and enjoy!	Kathy Barry 616.827.9417 kjoanbarry@sbcglobal.net Christine Lindeman 616.531.4186 Christine.lindeman@thesytsmagroup.com
Lunch 	Meet for lunch at a West Michigan area restaurant with other Inform members. “Feed your mind, feed your stomach, and feed your network!” Plan to order lunch off the menu, pay your own check, and have fun as we build professional relationships.	Ann Callahan 616.337.2131 acallahan@acrisure.com Cameron Dolbow 616.446.7176 cdolbow@rwbaird.com
Small Business/ Entrepreneurship 	Thinking of starting a small business? Would you like your small business to grow? Check out the Entrepreneurship and Small Business Affinity Group...You'll network with successful small business owners and learn about tools and resources to grow your small business.	Kim Bode 616.299.2677 kim@834design.com Rebecca Potsma 616.235.5200 rpostma@beenegarter.com
Technology Connect 	The NEW Technology Connect Affinity Group brings together Inforum members working in technology to expand their professional knowledge and network. Whether you own a technology-related business, work in technology development, sales or marketing or are simply a self-described techie - this group is for you!	Catherine Lazarock 616.588.8501 clazarock@symplicitycom.com Becky Puckett-Wood 616.796.4928 becky.puckett-wood@experis.com
Wine Lovers 	Join a group of Inforum women in a relaxing environment, to partake in the pairing of delicious and unusual wines with various menu items. The group meets and enjoys an evening of fun, in different locations around the West Michigan area. No knowledge of wine is necessary, just the desire to relax, meet people and enjoy!	Sara Little 517.404.0028 Sara.little@plantemoran.com Layna Buthker 989.798.7105 layna.buthker@plantemoran.com
Young Professionals 	Join other young working professionals and build a network through social activities. Activities occur during the daytime and evening. This is a great opportunity to meet other women that are facing similar life situations and challenges.	Nicolette Elliott 616.559.4663 Nicolette.elliott@unitedbankofmichigan.com Erin Kelleher 616.481.8661 Erin.kelleher@plantemoran.com
“Your New Affinity Group”	Get Involved! Are you interested in starting a new Inforum Affinity Group?	Contact: cthompson@inforummichigan.org

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