Jane Walstedt: And I think because of the time I’m going to ask Cynthia to give us closing remarks. Cynthia.

Cynthia Dawkins: Thank you, Jane. On behalf of the Women’s Bureau, I’d like to thank our three presenters--Ann vom Eigen, Donna Wood, and Laurie Anne Maggiano--for speaking on the call today on “Achieving and Maintaining the Dream of Homeownership.” You provided us with a wealth of information on buying a home, including pre-purchase counseling and government programs that enable purchase of a home, tax incentives for first-time homebuyers, and the tax benefits of different financing options, and keeping your home once you own it.

On a personal note, I can remember when my husband and I first started thinking about buying a home. We were so afraid to make that move. I was more concerned about being able to handle the mortgage. One of the loan officers at my credit union years ago told me not to worry, that as you continue to work, your rising salary will for the most part help you to acquire not only one house, but probably one or two in your lifetime. We did eventually own a second home. My point to you today is to emphasize the fact that life will present its challenges, but as you continue to move forward, your financial situation will eventually change. What’s happening today will most likely be different tomorrow.

numerous publications, fact sheets, additional Web sites that can help you with achieving and maintaining your dream of homeownership.

This concludes WiSeUp’s teleconference call. We’d like to thank all our listeners and especially our WiSeUp participants, experts, service providers, and replicating organizations for participating. A transcript and audio recording of the call will be posted to the WiSeUp Web site.

If you’d like to provide feedback or if you have suggestions for topics for future calls, you may email me at Dawkins.Cynthia@dol.gov. We hope you’ll join us for the next WiSeUp teleconference call on Friday, July 31. Thank you.