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Enterprising Newsletter

A Message from the President...

It is hard to believe that an entire year has passed since I became President of Network for Enterprising Women. I don't feel as though I accomplished all the things that I wanted to accomplish this year but am happy with what we have done. I think that the year went well but now I shall move on to do other things that I had put on hold. Change is inevitable and I really like change and the challenge that it brings. I move my furniture around a lot; I change my bedding and curtains regularly according to the season or my whim; I travel to the same local places on various roads and in various paths; I solve the same problems in different ways.

Change is good and forces us to grow and look at the same thing from different perspectives. In fact, my dissertation was centered around seeing school/classroom discipline problems in a way that makes the teacher look, not as the child with a problem, but as a problem that affects the child. My research got me to see people and situations in a completely different way than I had before and to change my method of making judgments.

Well, when all is said and done, I have enjoyed being your President and appreciate the cooperation and enthusiasm of all Network members. It's been fun and we all love fun. I will still be around doing this and that for/with you and look forward to the coming year and all that it brings. In the meantime, consider some of my favorite quotes on change:



Olga Ferris

Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future.

John F. Kennedy

...and miles to go before I sleep...

Robert Frost

NEW IN THE NEWSLETTER FOR 2018

This year each Newsletter will contain a paragraph from a booklet that was put out for the 20th Anniversary in 1998. The booklet, "N.E.W. Voices" by Jeanie Crane, is a compilation of thoughts of members at that time, and many who are still members. Jeanie asked the question: "What are some of your first experiences with Network?" Here is one written by Taylor Stephens-Parker:

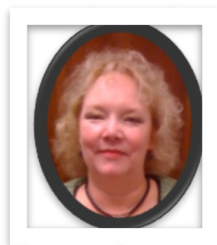
I believe I joined in early 1981, a long time ago. I'd read a little in the paper and I'd been holding on to this article for about six months, and finally, I said, "You know, I just ought to go," because I was a new graduate from UTA, just had my master's in psych and community mental health, and I was a therapist at MHMR at the new clinic. I was a single parent to three kids, just been divorced since September, and really felt the need to have some adult that I wasn't trying to help cure, just to talk to. When I went for the first time, that room was full, and I mean I was *terrified!* The first person I remember was Ann Marek. She had a very booming voice. You could hear her all the way to the front of Ol' South Pancake House, and there were a lot of people there who really *didn't* have booming voices, and really, you had a hard time hearing everything that they said, and she would stand up and say "SPEAK FROM THE DIAPHRAGM!" and I thought, "I'm not really going to do it. I'm not really an executive woman." I was terrified, anyway, because I wasn't really used to standing up and saying who I was. It was just amazing to me, that there were these people here doing such different things. And I didn't—I never even *thought* of all those different choices to myself, didn't even know that they *existed*. So for me, it was really and awakening.

January Meetings

"A Visit to the Library"

Convenor: Mary Sikes

- Jan. 5 Leslie Oliver
- Jan. 12 Bunny Gardner
- Jan 19 Manya Shorr
- Jan 26 Linda Barrett



ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, January 27, 2018

Ridglea Country Club

3700 Bernie Anderson Rd

76116

9:00 am to 11:00 am

Founders' Room

\$25 for Breakfast

RSVP: Judith Clements

817 207 9434

rjc1514@sbcglobal.net

Deadline: January 24, 2018

SOMETHING NEW AT FRIDAY MEETINGS

The January Friday meetings will host "outside" speakers for the entire month. Member, Mary Sikes, is the Community Awareness Coordinator at the Fort Worth Public Library. Mary has arranged for other staff members of the library to begin 2018 by helping us know our local library better and to use it more frequently. This is an exciting program and we should do all that we can to attend all the meetings in January.

The Holiday Party at Lois & Ed's House...



A good time was had by all.
Thanks Lois & Ed!



Membership Renewal

Membership renewal happens now for February, 2018 to January 31, 2019

Dues: \$40

Process:

1. Fill out the Membership form (attached)
2. Pay the dues as indicated.
3. Give both to the Membership Chair, Toni Allison or Treasurer, Gina Goldermann
4. If you would like the correct information in the Handbook, you need to register as soon as possible. You may do this at any of the Friday meetings, at the Annual Meeting, or via mail. The form you will out will be given to the Editor of the Handbook.



Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to take over the Network Website. It is carried by GoDaddy and is relatively easy to update monthly.

If anyone would like to write the Newsletter once or twice during the year, your help will be appreciated.

For both of these tasks, call or email Olga Ferris

817 222 1492 oferris2@gmail.com

Mid-Month Information

There will be a mini newsletter coming out in about 2 weeks. It will contain the agenda for the Annual Meeting with information that you will need to review for voting. The following will be included:

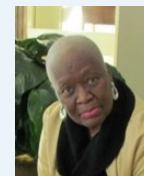
1. Minutes of the January 2017 Meeting
2. Treasurer's report
3. Budget Proposal for 2018
4. Proxy form if you are not able to come to the meeting.

WATCH FOR THIS AROUND January 15.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



Mae Hoover 4th

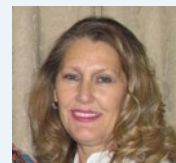


Sarah Walker 31st

Staci Burgdorf 11th



Dorothy Scherr



Brenda Williams 20th



Membership Information

Network for Enterprising Women

2018

(Please print or type)

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Company _____ Title _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Category of Business/Type of Business _____

Business Phone _____ Business FAX _____

Business E-Mail _____ Business Website _____

Home Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell _____

Home E-Mail _____ Birthday : Month _____ Day _____

Network Member since (year) _____

(Unless otherwise indicated, the information above will be printed only in the directory. Your name and work information will be on the Website: networkforenterprisingwomen.org)

Membership is from February 1, 2018 to January 31, 2019 --- \$40

After you complete this form, send or give it to the Membership Chair, Toni Allison @6216 Winifred Dr, Fort Worth, TX 76133. Need more info: ToniAllison@Outlook.com

Checks and Credit Cards are acceptable

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Paying by Credit Card:

Card Number: _____ Exp Date: ____/____ CSV _____

Billing Address (if different than above) _

House & Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

(Must Have Zip Code Number)

Signature _____