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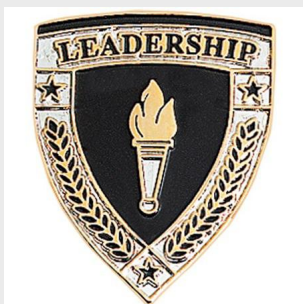
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 Explore the leader in
 YOU!**

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 for these important
 WOVI dates:**

From the Chairman of the Board, Pauline Shirley:
 Autumn is time for new leaders to "fall" in ...

Warm autumn greetings!

Fall is in the air and I love the fall. Shorter days and longer shadows; gilded leaves and golden flowers; WOVI's Leadership Summit, Awards Luncheon and Mentor Recognition Luncheon; new Leadership Teams stepping up to test and hone their leadership skills as they step up to lead their respective chapters. I won't even mention Halloween and Thanksgiving.

Are you fortunate enough to have been elected to serve the members in your chapter for the coming term? If so, your attendance at the Leadership Summit this Saturday, September 24th will give you that extra boost in preparation to serve. Janet Wilemon has put together a Leadership Summit that will drive your leadership skills anywhere you want to go.



In October, WOVI's renowned Mentor Recognition Luncheon is a must. Mary Boyd, Lynda Rhodes and Frances Pelley are immersed in making this one even better than ever. Check out the keynote speaker, none other than the esteemed Gloria Campos. Her presentation, "Woman to Woman: Beyond the Sisterhood" will enthrall, entertain and educate us one and all.

To all of the WOVI women who are going to serve in a leadership role for the first time, enjoy the journey! Anything you learn and practice in leadership will benefit you in other aspects of your lives. This time next year, you will be saying things like this, "That was awesome!" and, "Let me tell you what I gained because I served the women in my chapter!" It is an experience you will never forget and you will benefit from it for the rest of your lives.

Yes, I love fall for many reasons -- one which deserves to be mentioned is that WOVI started in the Fall, October 2001, we had our first public

**September 24 -
Leadership Summit**

**October 14 -
Mentor Recognition
Luncheon**

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meeting and many of the women who made that happen or attended are members still.

One last reminder, if you have not yet paid your dues, please do so as soon as possible. You may do so online at www.wovi.com.

My love to all of you and may fall's glorious days, weather and colors bless you all.

With warm regards,
Pauline Shirley
Co-founder and
Chairman



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News from the Management Council President, Mary Mukhtarian



Hello WOVI Family and Friends,

It's autumn, time of bountiful harvests and exciting changes. WOVI is ready with the Leadership Summit on Saturday, September 24, when all officers get a chance to hone their skills while having a great time visiting with everyone. Soon after comes the Mentor Recognition Luncheon (MRL), the one WOVI event designed to put a WOVI stamp on excellence in mentoring in other communities.

To prepare for the exciting upcoming events WOVI has been electing new chapter officers and creating a new Management Council Team for 2016-2017. Here is the new team:

President	Mary Mukhtarian
VP Admin.& Chapter Services	Rosa Holley
VP Communications	Debra Sanford
VP Finance	Heather McCameyVP
Mentoring	Danni Babik
VP Technology	Rucha Jani

The Management Council members have specialized responsibilities to facilitate the daily operation of the diverse activities of WOVI. If you ever wondered how the Annual Conference becomes a reality, announcements are sent out, the website maintained, the LeadersRings organized and effortlessly run, financial budgets created, interestRings created or the Vision newsletter issued several times a year, you only have to ask the Management Council. Any member of the Team will be available to help with the success of WOVI in the coming year.

The outstanding work done by the Management Council has consistently exceeded expectations. We cannot thank the 2015-2016 team enough for raising the bar. The team included Danni Babik, Angie De Anda, Barbara DeBord, Lisa Hill, Rosa Holley, Heather McCamey, Debra Sanford and Mary Mukhtarian. They have our eternal gratitude.

Look for other new things coming your way: Board member interviews posted on the website; a Treasury of Women of Influence, where WOVI's website is visited as a trustworthy source of pertinent information about exceptional women; and the list of outstanding WOVI women who have received awards in past years posted on the website.

WOVI is growing and evolving, and thanks to you all it is still a great place to make friends and improve our lives. I look forward to seeing all at our upcoming events.

With warm regards,
Mary Mukhtarian
President
WOVI Management Council
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WOVI Moments... the Management council Catches that Dream!

WOVI Management Council recognizes Council members and all WOVI members for making this a Catch that dream Year!

Special recognition to these women who donated:

- Free binders were donated to the Council by Rosa Holley
- Office supplies donated by Cynthia Lucas
- For all the hours of meetings and planning by Council and Board members, planning a fabulous program year.
- For all the time and effort put into year end Chapter financial reports by VPs of Finance for
- Heather Mc Camey and Susan Cartmil for your hard work preparing financials.



The Council also wishes to Thank all WOVI leaders and members for a wonderful year 2015-16 leading and inspiring our WOVI members to believe, reach for and "CATCH! THAT! DREAM!"

Next month New WOVI Council members and new WOVI Chapter officers take the Leadership with the new theme of the year! Can't wait to find out. The new 2016-17 theme will be announced at the Leadership Summit!

Hot time summer in the city! WOVI Women sizzle at WOVI's LeadersRing

LeadersRing lights up summer afternoon

Saturday, July 16, WOVI leaders gathered at On the Border in Addison to break the tortilla and sharpen our leadership skills. The highlight of the day was the traditional panel of Board members telling all about the creation, origins, vision and our future of WOVI.



WOVI Board members from right to left, Martha Campbell, Pauline Shirley, founder, Mary Boyd and long time WOVI leader, Peggy Campagna.

The day started out with a fun Icebreaker and WOVI discussion cards by Rosa Holley. Members gave a quick 1-2 minute table topic on WOVI questions on Leadership, Why I joined WOVI, What WOVI Means to me and other fun questions.





**What WOVI event would be complete with out the famous WOVI Moments.
As members share in achievements and touching WOVI moments, we all
share in "Catching! That! Dream!"**



Delicious food, amazing sisterhood, dreams shared and leadership acumen grown!
Our next LeadersRing will be in January or February. But you don't have to wait
until then to work on your leadership skills! You can join us at the Leadership
Summit on Saturday September 24th. [Find out more about Leadership Summit.](#)

Seizing the moment, check out this candid moment with Pauline....

by Angie DeAnda

When mentoring is in your blood, there is no restriction as to time or place, especially following a meeting of WOVI women who are revved and ready. Such was this moment for Pauline, as she exchanged child rearing skills with the manager of On the Border after the July Leadership Ring.



Photo 1 - She gently moves in



Photo 2 - She makes sure he gets "the point"



Photo 3 - Mission accomplished

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What's Coming UP NEXT! Here are some important news for you to use!

This Saturday WOVl Leaders come together to learn tools and prepare for the new WOVl Year at the Leadership Summit



It's not too late to join your Leadership Team and broaden your skills at the [Leadership Summit](#):

September 24th, We will meet at the Hilton Garden Inn in Richardson, Texas on Saturday, September 24, with an early start time of 8:00 a.m. Plan to stay with us throughout the day until 3:00 p.m. for these and other activities:

Leadership Team training

Outstanding Member Mentor Award

Individual officer position education

President's Award (from Mary Mukhtarian on the Management Council)

Chapter goals exercise

Chairman's Award (from Pauline Shirley)

Annual Awards Luncheon

MentoRing™

Chapter of the Year

Marketing and Public Relations techniques

Outstanding Officer Awards

Announcement of the new year's theme

Outstanding Member Award

Chapter Standards reminders & More!

WOW! What a blockbuster day! Who's invited? YOU are! Anyone reading this is eligible to attend. Registration forms are available. Typically the cost is subsidized by WOVl, Inc. for chapter leadership team members, so the fee to attend is a great value for current and future leaders. We need you to be there IF---

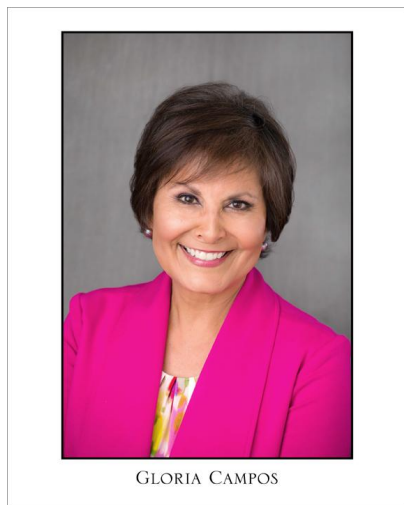
- You are a newly elected officer
- You are an outgoing officer
- You have a desire to learn more about leadership
- You have a desire to learn more about WOVl, Inc.

It's not too late to register! All are welcome [REGISTER HERE!](#) We will see you there. It will be a great event. You will learn a great deal and have lots of fun doing it!

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Mentor Recognition Luncheon

Mentor Recognition Luncheon (MRL)
October 14th, 2016
11:30 am - 1:30 pm



GLORIA CAMPOS

at the Hilton Garden Inn
1001 W President George Bush Tpke
Richardson, TX 75080

Gloria Campos is the Keynote Speaker for this year's Mentor Recognition Luncheon. Her topic is:
"Woman to Woman: Beyond the Sisterhood."

After a 40 year career in broadcast journalism, Gloria Campos retired as a TV news anchor for WFAA. She is one of the most recognizable news women in the Dallas/Ft. Worth area. She is also known for her passion for mentoring and love of children and families. Gloria worked tirelessly producing WFAA's weekly Wednesday's Child. Wednesday's Child report gave the DFW area a glimpse into a child's life in foster care who wanted more than anything else to be adopted. The purpose behind WFAA and Child Protective Services partnership was to spotlight children in hopes that one day a child's wish of a "forever family" would come true.

Gloria understands now more than ever that women are an important part of the nation's economy. So important are they that the economy suffers when women do not get the support and assistance they need to be productive members of the workforce. Gloria knows because she was a career woman, wife and mother working in an industry dominated early on by men.

Join us as she shares highlights and lessons learned from her wide range of experiences in **Woman to Woman: Beyond the Sisterhood**. Don't forget to invite a friend! [Register NOW!](#)

Also, it's not too late to nominate a deserving woman in your life. Do you know a deserving woman in your life? Take a couple minutes to complete the form and give her the recognition. Just go out [Mentor of the Year Nomination](#) complete the form and submit. Nominations are open till end of day Friday September 23rd. Do it now and take the time to honor a woman you think deserves to be recognized for her mentoring achievements. Then attend the Mentor Recognition Luncheon with your honoree and watch her glow as she receives her recognition. It will bless both of your lives.



Linda Valdez
Thompson, 2016
Mentor of the Year,
with her nominator,
Debra Sanford

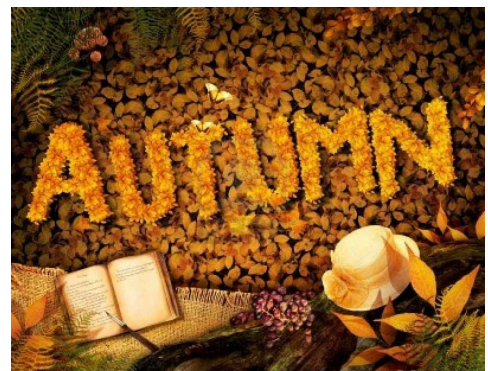
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**InterestRings! Spark your imagination and creative flow!
Look at these opportunities to stretch yourself and learn something new!**

The WritersRing encourages the writer within to Write it down. . .

By Lisa Hill

Fall is just around the corner. As thoughts flow towards cooler evenings, all things pumpkin, enjoying time with family and friends, you can just feel your writing muscle flexing as the thoughts gather in your head. Before the thoughts float away like leaves falling from the tree, it is time you to visit the WritersRing.



Our September meeting will be on Monday, September 26, 2016 at the Panera Bread, 730 E Campbell Rd Suite 300, Richardson, TX 75080 from 7 PM to 9 PM. Our Writing Topic is Delving into your inner and outer space.

We look forward to meeting you as we flex our writing muscle on Monday, September 26, 2016.

Please contact me at lisaghill@verizon.net for more information.

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WOVI Moments... WritersRing Authors get published, Catch! that Dream!



WOVI WritersRing participants catch their dreams!

Lisa Hill contracted to publish her children's book, "Bluebonnets Egg Adventure", and is adding the finishing touches with illustrations. Watch Amazon for her first book.

Debra Sanford's husband, inspired by WritersRing, was able to find a publisher and released his first book: [The Clan, The Book of Jasher, Part One](#), by Bill W. Sanford, is now available on Amazon and Barnes and Nobles.com.

WOVI's ArtistRing Unleashing the Artist within!

by Angie DeAnda

Inside everyone there lurks the dream of unleashing the artist within.



Too Engaged to Say CHEESE! From left to right: Angie DeAnda, Rosa Holley, Rachelle Maniago, Karla Marie. With back to camera are Francesca Han (guest) and Dee Mays. Picture was taken by guest, Soheyla Rousta

The WOVI ArtistRing brings visionary women together to exchange artistic ideas and information. As a group, we inspire, nurture, and empower creative expression in each other and encourage one another to **"Catch That Artistic Dream."**

In June, after the business meeting, we enjoyed a quick pizza before indulging our creative spirit in a dichroic pendant project.

ArtistRing is just one of the benefits you may enjoy as a WOVI member. Your participation is FREE! You don't want to miss these creative and inspiring meetings! Remember, ArtistRing is now open to all forms of art not just visual!

Say "CHEESE PIZZA" see picture to the right. From left to right: Dee Mays, Francesca Han (guest), Rachelle Maniago, Karla Marie, Rosa Holley, Angie De Anda. Photo taken by guest, Soheyla Rousta.



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Chapter Corner ... what's happening in your corner?

See what other Women of Vision are doing in their worlds . . . have some time? Get out and visit another chapter!

WOVI Addison members enjoy a fascinating self discovery workshop

WOVI Addison met last September 7th and explored the uniqueness of each individual's personality with Linda Mercier.



There are thousands of personality typologies, many are helpful. In September, the Addison chapter had its own Linda Mercier teach about the Enneagram system, that provides a map for each woman to discover her own path.

Linda got the ladies involved with this fascinating workshop format. Each woman came away with a self

discovery of something new. How fun it was to have our own, active WOVI Addison member, leader and Certified Mentor share her very special skills with us.



Linda Mercier

*The next WOVI Addison meeting will be October 5th. We meet for lunch at **Olive Garden**, 4240 Beltline Road @ Midway Addison, TX 75001. Be there at 11:15 am to 1:15 pm.*

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WOVI Flower Mound - Grapevine hit the Road in September, October is going to be good eats!

WOVI Flower Mound - Grapevine - by Debra Sanford

WOVI Flower Mound has a new member!



Rucha Jani

Welcome Rucha Jani. Rucha joined in September. She will be taking a role on the Management Council as VP Technology. Rucha is an IT Professional, currently working in claims. She has been with BSNF Railroad since 2011. We are so excited to see WOVI Flower Mound grow!

For September, FM was displaced by our facility for another event, so what did we do? Well, we hit the road and visited WOVI North Dallas. It was a warm reception seeing our good sisters in North Dallas. We learned about the Amazing Women of the Suffrage movement and the creation of the Women's League of Voters.

Next month, on October 11, we are back in Flower Mound at La Madeleine with Wellness educator, Foodie, ALMA HALL, for a night of Nutrition and Cooking tips for Professional Women on the GO!

"Who wouldn't want to come home to a healthy meal already prepared and waiting? Join Alma Hall a nationally recognized expert on healthy cooking, as she teaches us how to creates delectable and nutritious crock pot meals that are perfect for busy cooks. Alma Hall is a Wellness Educator, Sales and Marketing professional, Bilingual Speaker, Author and all around Foodie.

Alma has been a spokesperson on weight loss, cooking, fitness and health, on all mainstream media channels--both locally and nationally. On shows like Good Morning Texas, Women's World Magazine and National radio. She belongs to the [International Health & Wellness Chamber of Commerce](#) and the Health Resources organization. In her spare time you can find her in her own family garden with her green garden boots and floppy hat playing in the dirt in her organic garden and coming up with new ways to cook.

It's no Trick... But it will be a great TREAT! Come on along and take your WOVI sisters on the road! Join us on October 11th. We meet on the second Tuesday of the month at la Madeleine, in Flower Mound on the corner of 1171 and 2499.



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WOVI Moments... Creating a Vision, catching that dream!

WOVI McKinney members: Deb Boring and Kim have just returned from a unique experience in New Mexico. Kim had a dream, she created a vision and then made it happen. She CAUGHT! THAT! DREAM!

WOVI McKinney telling stories with awesome speakers and starting their own WritersRing!

WOVI McKinney - by Frances Pelley:

WOVI McKinney has been hustling and bustling with the Fall weather.

McKinney has their own WritersRing! They met on Sept 7th at Reba's Ranch House. Inspiring writers, sharing and inspiring others to write it down and leaving their legacy for generations to come. The meeting was amazing and so well attended--finding our creative soul within--and holding ourselves accountable to let the inspiration flow onto paper.



WOVI McKinney invites everyone to take a road trip and join us on Tuesday, September 27th at 5:30, Lone Star Cellars, McKinney.

Come hear Diana Richards, with "Set-Backs, Set-Ups and Givers Gain". Diana Richards is a wife & mother of 2 young children, a Health & Wellness Ambassador with Plexus Worldwide, the Public Relations Coordinator for The Matthew 18 Group ministry here in McKinney and an Advocate for Food Allergy & Anaphylaxis and Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome (EDS). She will show us how she has turned struggles into successes. Disability does not have to mean a life void of possibility. It simply takes changing our mindset and checking our compass often.



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WOVI Moments... Catching that Dream Job!

WOVI Member, Barbara DeBorde gets a new job and will return to WOVI this fall!

WOVI North Dallas in new Meeting Location with new members and Leadership Team

WOVI North Dallas - by Mary Mukhtarian

WOVI North Dallas is on a roll! We are thrilled to have two additional new members join us. Edith Chima found us on Meet Up and came to see us, and Yolanda Childs came as a guest of Janet Wilemon's and joined North Dallas. A very warm welcome to both new members. This brings to 4 the number of new members North Dallas has had this quarter.

Another thrill is that North Dallas elected a new team of officers for the year 2016-2017. The officers are the following:

President : Lisa Hill
 1st Vice President: Mary Mukhtarian
 VP Communications: Sandra K. Samuel
 2nd Vice President: Pauline Shirley
 VP Mentoring: Danni Babik
 VP Member Services: Janet Wilemon
 VP Administration: Cynthia Lucas

Congratulations to the new team that got elected during the September meeting. Our speaker was the President of the Dallas League of Women Voters with the timely speech about political elections. We were honored to have with us also Deb Sanford and Rosa Holley from the Flower Mound-Grapevine chapter, who enriched our meeting with their presence, and even brought a guest with them. Thank you for your visit Deb and Rosa!

We will see everyone again on Saturday September 24 at the Leadership Summit. Meanwhile, please know that our new meeting location is Romano's Macaroni Grill, 4535 BeltLine Road, Addison, TX 75001, and our next meeting is on October 20, 2016. The meeting begins at 6:30 PM. Please plan to arrive around 6 PM for registration and social time. Cost is \$23 for members and first time guests. \$33 for returning guests. Please visit [WOVI North Dallas](#) for more information and to register. See you there!!!

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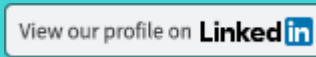
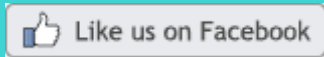
I hope you enjoyed this issue of The Vision. A special thanks to everyone who contributed stories for this Vision. Your contributions make the Dream come true. This past year with the Theme: "Catch! That! Dream!" Has brought amazing stories and visions of future success to all of us. The collective vision of WOVI is the inspiration. Thank you for a great year! Next year and issues will focus on the new theme. Until then... Women of Vision... Catch! That! Dream! Remember, every great dream begins with a dreamer...reach for the stars! We can change the world!

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DREAMER.
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 HARRIET TUBMAN

Debra Sanford
 Vision Newsletter Editor in Chief and
 VP Communications,
 WOVl Management Council
 WOVl Inc.



Do you have a knack for writing? Would you like to be a contributing writer to the Vision? Share it with us! Let us know what's happening in your corner. Email your interest or stories to: [Vision News editor](#). Next Vision submissions are due by November 1, 2016.



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