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20/20 Vision

Mark your calendars for these important WOVI dates:

June 9th - Mix & Mingle

July 16 - LeadersRing - On the Border in Addison

September 24 - Leadership

Chairman of the Board, Pauline Shirley writes.... Continue to Catch! That! Dream!

From the Chairman of the Board: Pauline Shirley

Hello to all the wonderful WOVI women,

We're still flying high from the absolutely over the top conference held in April. If you were unable to be there,



we missed you, not to rub it in, but you truly missed a great one. WOVI continues to provide the best of the best in all that we do. Thanks to the incredible members of the Management Council for making this happen.

Many good things continue to happen in WOVI, so if you were not at the April conference, please look at all the announcements in this newsletter, so you will know what is going on - from a LeadersRing to a Mix and Mingle, to a 5KRun benefitting the North Texas Food Bank that WOVI is sponsoring and that is promoting WOVI at the same time. It really doesn't get much better than all of this... Let's not forget the Leadership Summit in September and the Mentor Recognition Luncheon coming up in October.

In addition to the 5K Run, your Board is getting creative in promoting WOVI so that more people are aware and more women join. Look for announcements about more exciting things as the year progresses. Consider how you can help make this happen and step up to participate as announcements are made. We all want to work together to make this happen.

I'm deep into Servant Leadership recently so I want to take this opportunity to remind you to be thinking how you can serve your chapter and WOVI in the future. One of my favorite statements is, "The more you give, the more you get in return." Election of chapter officers takes place in September. Be prepared to step up to Lead and Give as you Catch! That! Dream!



My love to all of you!

Warm WOVI regards, Pauline Shirley Co-founder and Chairman



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News from the Management Council President, Mary Mukhtarian



Hello Fantastic WOVI Members,

Catch! That! Dream! has been a rallying cry for all WOVI women this year, because who doesn't dream of achieving the best for herself? Well, I'm proud to say that the exceptional teamwork at WOVI made dreams come true. We were thrilled to have some of the best speakers educate and entertain us, during the outstanding Annual Conference for Women in April. We will never forget the life lessons they learned. My deepest gratitude for the dedication of all the members of the Management Council who spent countless hours perfecting every aspect of the event. Your creativity and hard work will not be forgotten!

This same team is working on the upcoming Leaders Ring in July. Tune in for details coming up. The July Leaders Ring usually offers WOVI members a free session to learn of the different leadership roles at WOVI. We hope that would answer your questions so you can step up to a leadership role in your chapter.

Plan ahead for attending the Mix & Mingle in June, the LeadersRing in July, the Leadership Summit in September and the Mentor Recognition Luncheon in October. You don't want to miss any of these events that will broaden your WOVI experience. Don't forget to attend meetings at other chapters, and take part in the WritersRing and ArtistRing, not only to learn new things and meet your friends, but also to share with others your creative skills.

One of the unique advantages of joining WOVI is the opportunity to become a Certified Mentor. I would highly recommend this certification to all, since it adds volumes to your knowledge and understanding of mentoring. Angie DeAnda and I were the latest Certified Mentors, and we felt it was worth the time and expense.

I look forward to seeing you all at WOVI events. Do you know what is the best thing about WOVI? The fabulous women members! Share your life experiences with others, and see how you motivate others to Catch! That! Dream! of theirs.

With Warm Regards,

Mary Mukhtarian President WOVI Management Council Back to top

WOVI's Annual Conference for Women ROCKS!

The 2016 Annual Conference for Women Report, by Debra Sanford

WOVI's Annual Conference for Women, was a great event! Our numbers were few, but the learning experiences were the absolute BEST! Read below and catch the vision. It

started out Saturday morning, April 23, 2016. Pauline Shirley opened up the conference with a warm WOVI welcome. The ladies quickly settled in preparing for a day of inspiration and meaningful speakers.











Morning key note speaker, Dr. Debbie Estes's message was 5-4-3-2- Wonderful!









Dr. Estes encouraged us to be present to Catch! That! Dream! Part of being present is the anticipation. Do you wake up in the morning anticipating a black and white day? Or do you wake up fully anticipating a colorful enthusiasm, like a coloring book full of bright exciting colors? (We observed as Debbie turned her black and white color book over, and it turned into a book with bright living colors!). Make someone's day! Greet people with enthusiasm, "I am so glad everyone came in today!" Go ahead and give your "shoulder partner" an "eye hug"!







Mid morning Panel Discussion delighted us, with how these women discovered and caught their lives' dream.



Frances Pelley, Panel moderator, shared this thought, she felt that the creator sends down dreams all the time. We just have to catch them and make them happen! Go for that BIG Dream!





Kathy Seei, former Mayor of Frisco said:
"Don't let anyone tell you, you can't. Always ask the second question. When she was inspired to run for office, she was concerned about being away from the family. She asked her son's opinion, and he said NO! So she asked him why? He said the mayor always visited his Social Studies class and he would be embarrassed. When she promised not to embarrass him, he was OK with it! Always ask the second question.

Ann Ranson, TED talk speaker, told us about over coming obstacles. She described



Victoria Chancellor, writer of paranormal romance novels, told us how she got her start when she realized the stories in her head were not there from something she read, but they were her own. They were just there. She had to write them down to get them out of her head! Then she had to sell the idea... to her husband, the publisher.



Ann Ranson, TED talk speaker, told us about over coming obstacles. She described how her mouth got away from her and ended up training for TED talks. She described herself as an opportunist. Her message is: "We all need to live with no regrets! Be open to the opportunities around you. Everything is here for a reason."



Who has a dream and is not pursuing it!? Say it out loud! Write it down.

Catch it and make it happen!

Our morning line up was topped off with, "Success is more than a Dream!" Executive Vice President at Dallas Fort Worth International Airport, Linda Valdez Thompson, explained that it takes hard work and the 4 P's to make it happen.



Discover your Strengths and find your Purpose. Take care of your health. L earn to be accountable for your actions. Ask for feedback and be willing to accept it and act on it.

Find out who your allies are.
Forge relationships with others
to build your effectiveness.
Opponents keep you sharp and
can be your devils advocate.
Learn who you can trust. Use
your allies to help with your
adversaries.

Clarify your Purpose, Ignite your Passion, Maximize your Performance, and cultivate healthy Partnerships!

Get an action plan.
Once you decide
WHAT your dream is.
WHAT is its relevance?
WHAT are you going to do
about it?



Fox News Award Winning Reporter, Clarice Tinsley WOWed the WO I Conference with her captivating personality. All were enthralled with her stories of dreamy adventures in the press.



















Clarice admonished us, "You always want to push yourself and go beyond what is being expected." She told us about the time she was invited to the White House along with 20 or more other anchor reporters around the country. She had 2 minutes with President Obama. They all had to wait for an hour and each reporter was given two minutes. When her time came, she was whisked into the Oval Office and the clock was ticking. She took a deep breath and asked him the hard question, "Mr. President, what are we doing about the lost airplane that went down in Southern Asia Pacific Ocean?.." Out of all the reporters present, it was her story was chosen to be the one broadcast! And it was picked up by stations all around the nation!









To the delight of the crowd, Clarice wanted EVERYONE to join her for a selfie photo!





Vendor Faire venue included many wonderful products for the women to peruse and explore!

The Mentor Certification class of 2016 was small, but powerful. As Mary Mukhtarian and Angela DeAnda completed the Mentor Certification, they received recognition and hugs from previous Certified Mentors. Congratulations ladies!









After a delicious lunch and wonderful inspirational morning speckers are real-up our sleeves and set to well with the afternoon educational sessions. The sessions spacked ideas to facilitate our distributed take them to new heights.



Dorly Roy, professional photographer and image consultant, took us down a path with pictures and stories, how she helped women of all types discover their vision and capture it in amazing artist



Julie Chance, coach and trainer, inspired her group on how to align a team around your own dream. Sometimes you've got to risk some public skepticism to share your dream and make it happen!

photos.

Radio host, Paula Joyce, inspired her class to see life from a spiritual perspective and how to change the way we think. Weed out the negativity and build up your positive thinking.



Motivational coach,
Nikki Nanos,
demonstrated how
humor in the
workplace can "Put
rainbows in a
monochrome world"
and improve your
workplace and
increase job satisfaction.



The Annual Conference for Women was a huge success! One amazing day jam-packed with wonderful, inspirational Women of Vision, sharing their success stories and "how to"s. The spirit was electric! The mood was elated! I just can't wait till 2017, next year, when we will have the next exciting WOVI's Annual Conference for Women adventure!

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

5K RUN/WALK & 1 Mile FUN RUN Saturday June 11th, 2016

WOVI and Univera Sponsor The 5K RUN/WALK & Mile FUN RUN



5K race starts at 8:00 am June 11, 2016 McInnish Park, 2335 Sandy Lake Park, Carrolton, TX 75006

Proceeds are matched 100% by Univera Serve First All proceeds are benefiting families served by the North Texas Food Bank



North Texas Food Bank provides access to more than 170,000 meals **Texas** each day for hungry children, seniors and families through a network of Food more than 1,000 programs and 200 Partner Agencies in their 13-county **Bank**... service area.

Register online:

http://www.getmeregistered.com/NTFB5K

\$25 per adult/\$15 youth under age 12

Register early to ensure receiving your FREE T-Shirt

Packet pickup and same day registration starts at 7:00 am and ends at 8:00 am.

Timing/Results will be posted at:

http://deltaviewtiming.com/RaceResults

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

Chasing that Dream of becoming a writer? Let those dreams take flight at the WritersRing!



Catch that Dream and make it happen at the WritersRing

Please join us at our June Meeting Monday, June 27, 2016 from 7 PM - 9 PM Panera Bread, 730 E Campbell Road, #300 Richardson, TX 75081

Please contact one of the following members for more information:

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WOVI's ArtistRing explores the beauty of our Natural World! Be there to learn the Art of Nature...



Come join the ArtistRing in a fun-filled trip to see the Sunshine Miniature Trees. They will offer their monthly class on Bonsai shaping and maintenance to WOVI on:

Saturday, June 4, 2016, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm at Sunshine Minature Trees, 7118 Greenville Avenue, Dallas, TX 75231.

RSVP: wovirsvp@gmail.com to reserve your seat.

Sunshine Miniature Trees is one of the oldest nurseries in TX and has been serving the needs of plant enthusiasts since 1965. Their 7,400 square foot nursery is the largest bonsai nursery in North TX.

Do you have a bonsai or have wanted one but not sure how to care for it? Come learn more about the care and maintenance of your bonsai! You may contact the group's facilitator, Angie DeAnda at 972-849-2994 to confirm the time and place of any of the events.

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What was your first Leadership position? Step up to a new Leadership Role in your Chapter!

Calling All Leaders - by Janet Wilemon

We had an interesting discussion during our introductions at the WOVI North Dallas meeting on Thursday, April 21, 2016. The question the attendees responded to was: What was your first leadership position? This was quite a powerful question! We realized WOVI has given us great



opportunities to lead and serve, and it was a powerful affirmation of the caliber and leadership expertise of the women in the room. That we had all been leaders in the past was both enlightening and interesting to see how far we had come.

Mary Mukhtarian started the earliest as she described how, at the age of 2.5 years, she began teaching her younger brother things he needed to know! Pauline got her start in PTA when her children were in elementary school. A couple of us, Lisa Hill and Janet Wilemon, started back in high school. Lisa served as a Future Business Leaders officer and Janet was secretary of the Math Club. Barbara Jackson and Jan Daniel were leaders in college clubs, Barbara as a social chair and Jan with a variety of clubs.

Debra Myrben did it all - fund-raising, planning, presentations-in early elementary choir. She collected pennies from each student, purchased a trophy for the choir director, and presented it in front of the school. Barbara DeBord actually taught math in fifth grade. She was such a math expert that the teacher let her take over for a while.

Our roots in leadership run deep and it was great to recap our experiences. You could say we were not exactly shocked that we all had led early on, but some of the topics and experiences were a little surprising!

Where did you get your start? Let us know! If you have not yet been a leader, check out WOVI, Inc. We need leaders-those with specific expertise and those willing to learn! Check with the leadership team of your favorite chapter and get started today!

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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

Hey what's up in Addison? This lunch bunch is an exciting bunch of ladies, that meet monthly for a noon meal and invigorating speakers and discussions. The Addison Chapter meets at 11:15 am on the first



Wednesday of the month at Olive Garden in Addison. Mark your calendars and join us for the next meeting in June.

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WOVI Addison

WOVI Flower Mound - Grapevine Catch the Dream with FM/GV's new location and programming!

WOVI Flower Mound - Grapevine - by Debra Sanford

WOVI Flower Mound - Grapevine, "Catch! That! Dream! with a Vision Board. Put your dream into action by clearly building an idea and picture in your mind with a Vision Board. Join us in June as we celebrate a new beginning with a new lineup of programs, speakers and a new venue. Look what's Coming Up!

June 14th Vision Boarding
July 12th Let's Get Organized
Nutrition

Aug 9th

We are so excited about our new location, right off International Parkway in Grapevine, at Fudruckers. New Time: Registration 6:00, meeting starts 6:15. We look forward to seeing you there!

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WOVI McKinney welcomes Leslie Hassler, with Your BizRules in March

WOVI McKinney - by Frances Pelley:

WOVI McKinney hosted a Mentor/Mentee group activity which included creating Vision Boards to help us Catch! That! Dream!. Melissa Hill and Lila Morisee completed theirs in record time with Lila covering both sides of her base board. They are laughing because the server pulled off the coaster which Lila incorporated into her art creation without realizing it was 'stuck" there with a purpose.



McKinney's April meeting was cancelled due to threatening tornadoes and the speaker rescheduled to June. We anticipate Judy Womack presenting a



Dream Catching inspiration for our May 31st meeting at Lone Star Cellars on the square at 5:30 pm. In addition to speakers we claim at the Conference--Dr. Deborah Estes and Kathy Seei, Marilyn Bice, Frances Pelley, Leigh Ann Kloppers and Nikki Christenson celebrated new insights and inspiration.

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WOVI North is catching its Dream!

WOVI North Dallas - by Mary Mukhtarian
The WOVI North Dallas Chapter has been pleased to invite outstanding speakers on topics ranging from Jan Daniel's "Your Talking Toes" in April, to Barbara Jackson's "Live Your Dream - It's Not Too Late" in May. There has been tremendous energy in this chapter, and the infectious enthusiasm has encouraged the speakers to want to experience it again in the future.

Looking forward, the chapter is scouting for a new location to accommodate future growth. Stay tuned for the unveiling of new plans for North Dallas.



I hope you enjoyed this issue of The Vision. A special thanks to everyone who contributed stories for this Vision. 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: <u>Vision News</u> <u>editor</u>. Next Vision submissions are due by July 1, 2016.



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