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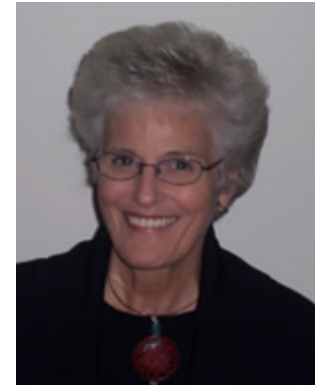
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Peachie Bailey

Whew! Summer time in Memphis, it can be miserable and makes you want to stay in the air conditioner and not come out until it cools off. The Development article this month is titled "Regret or Passion? Which Will Be Yours?" Staying in the comfort of the cool house and not being productive would be regretful for me.

This article gives us views on making a difference in our lives by looking past our limitations and many other obstacles that get in our way. We can use the information in the article to give us an opportunity to become more involved in our chapter and its success.

Our golf tournament is coming up in September and this is a wonderful opportunity for some of us to explore new experiences. If you are hesitant to ask someone to buy a tee sign or donate a door prize, stop and think about your talents and how you can use these talents to get a donation for your chapter. This year our profits from the golf tournament will be divided with 25% for BCDP and 75% for the continued



professional development of our members. Everyone enjoyed the fruits of the labors from our previous golf tournaments in April when we attended, at no cost to our firms, the Spring Conference. We can continue the professional development for our chapter through seminars, workshops and speakers with the money from the golf tournaments. For this reason it is important that each of us get involved and support the golf tournament.

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2006
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY EVENTS

July 15, 2006

8:00 a.m.
Board Meeting
Kemmons Wilson Companies

July 15, 2006

10:00 a.m.
Golf Tournament Meeting
Kemmons Wilson Companies

July 20, 2006

5:30 p.m.
Chapter Meeting
Rose Theatre
University of Memphis

**CONFERENCES/
ANNUAL MEETINGS**

**2006 LEADERSHIP
CONFERENCE & ANNUAL
MEETING**

September 14-16, 2006
Orlando, FL

JULY PROGRAM

By Janet Mitchell, Program Director

Summertime and the livin' is easy! This month at our July meeting we will have some summertime fun. We will have a combination of a concert, picnic, ice cream social, and a cake walk--all without heat and without ants.

The Peacemakers, the Memphis Police singing group that we enjoyed at the Spring Leadership Conference in April, will perform for us. This will be the perfect meeting to invite your family, friends, and colleagues to attend and enjoy a casual evening of good food, good fun, and good fellowship—with a few other surprises thrown in.

See you at the University of Memphis, Rose Theatre!

EWI[®] MISSION AND VISION

MISSION

Executive Women International[®] is an organization which brings together key individuals from diverse businesses for the purpose of:

- ❑ Promoting member firms
- ❑ Enhancing personal and professional development, and
- ❑ Encouraging community involvement

VISION

To be the Leading Connection for Business Professionals

REGRET OR PASSION? WHICH WILL BE YOURS?

BY KATHLEEN GAGE

I once attended a retreat on how to live with passion and fulfill one's life's work. The facilitator posed the question, "If money was not an issue, yet you had to work full-time, what would you do?" Answering this question was a turning point for me. Now - years later - I am doing much of what came up in my answer.

How would you answer this question? Ask yourself, "What am I good at? What do my friends say I am good at? What do I enjoy and feel passionate about? What do I think is important?" The key to your happiness may well be held in the answers.

The answers may not provide you with something you would do on a full-time basis, but it is a wonderful way to discover what will make your life more complete. The willingness to acknowledge and act on the answers may well create the opportunity to live with more passion and joy than you ever thought possible.

In the answers lie your dreams. They will provide you with a road map of where you can put your energy in order to move closer to a more fulfilling and balanced life. Perhaps for you the answers will be an indication of where you can volunteer your time. Living with passion and joy means we don't have to have a monetary gain for everything we do. Many a career has been launched through the experiences gained from volunteer efforts.

Far too many people have dreams they have given up on. We often blame others or outside circumstances for the fact we are not accomplishing all we desire. Granted, there may be some outside circumstances that create real limitations. However, in many cases we may be using imagined limitations as an excuse to not move forward. It can be easier to blame other people and situations as the reason we have not achieved our potential than to walk through the fear of the unknown.

Limitations appear in many ways. Experience. Money. Time. Education. You name it, it is bound to be there. One of the greatest limitations is that of the mind. Determine which obstacles are real and which ones are imagined. Which excuses have been used over and over so that you will not have to face the fear of the unknown? Once you identify your real and imagined limitations, you will be able to work with them and move forward.

Granted, there is a lot that can dampen our spirits if we allow it. However, there are many opportunities to achieve your dreams if you are willing to step outside of your comfort zone, put effort into your vision and move forward little by little.

In order to break through your boundaries you must first realize what they are. Knowing what they are allows you to take action. Look for others who may have had similar roadblocks. Find out what they did to move forward. In their strategy may be your formula for success.

Are you secretly wishing you would do something with your life other than what you are doing, but fear holds you back? If you ask most people what their greatest regret is, more times than not they will say it is what they didn't do rather than what they did.

One of the greatest gifts we can give to others and ourselves is to unlock the talents we have been blessed with and to have the courage to use them. Ask yourself, "How well do I use my gifts to contribute to the well-being of myself and others?"

Will your life be filled with regrets or will it be filled with passion?

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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To meet the goals set for this year's tournament we have to work to make this the best golf tournament yet. If each member solicits one tee sign (\$100) and one door prize at a value of \$100 we will reach these goals. If you have any unique ideas to make the day more enjoyable for the players, please share your thoughts.

Ladies, the golf tournament is a win win situation for our chapter because it does not cost us money to host the tournament. The funds from the two previous golf tournaments have been in excess of \$14,000. We can do it again this year and set a record. Passion for our chapter and teamwork is what makes it all work; so get involved and reach new personal goals, you may be surprised what you can do!

59th Leadership Conference and Annual Meeting

Ladies, it is time again for our annual Executive Women International LCAM to be held at Walt Disney's Contemporary Hotel in Lake Buena Vista, Florida September 14-16, 2006. As the brochure states, "Come Make Some Magic."

The annual leadership conference adds a new perspective to your individual participation in EWI. The professional development, available through the various Modules, is designed to further you both personally and professionally. Additionally, there are the Career Track development sessions with this year's sessions showcasing the topics of Management and Quality Service. The wonderful group of speakers that participate throughout LCAM make the experience even more enjoyable. The delegate session gives you a unique insight into how the whole organization works. There is a tremendous array of tours that are available for your entertainment and enjoyment as well as "The Spirit of Aloha Dinner Show" to be held on Friday evening.

All in all, the LCAM experience creates a sense of excitement, provides you an educational opportunity and gives a renewed enthusiasm for your local EWI endeavors. The opportunity to meet representatives of other chapters along with the fellowship with our group from Memphis make the LCAM experience a fun and happy memory to treasure always. Take the time to visit the corporate website at www.executivewomen.org for all the details of this wonderful experience.

HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW “ROBERT?” **(ROBERT’S RULES OF ORDER, THAT IS)**

By Martha Pallesen, Parliamentary Advisor

REFRESHER ITEMS

Quorum: A quorum, as stated in EWI’s Bylaws, constitutes a majority (or 51%) of its members present and in good standing.

Lay on the Table: To “Lay on the Table” or “to table” a motion means to **temporarily** delay action on it because of more **urgent** business. An example would be for the assembly to lay pending business on the table to allow a special speaker more time. This motion may not be used as a substitute for the motions to Postpone Indefinitely or to Postpone to a Certain Time.

Postpone Indefinitely: This is a motion used to reject or kill a main motion for the remainder of the session. This subsidiary motion must be seconded, is debatable (debate can go into the merits of the main motion to which it is applied) and unamendable, and requires a majority to be adopted.

Postpone to a Certain Time (or Definitely): A motion used to delay action on a motion to a specific time. A question cannot be postponed beyond the next regular meeting. The subsidiary motion must be seconded. It can be debated, but debate cannot go into the main question.

POSTINGS

Company: **Destination King**
Major: Business Service - General
Minor: Events Planning

Company: **Cargill**
Major: Food Industry
Minor: Food Service Management

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