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"Create Futures by Inspiring Futures!"

Inspirations and Introspections

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"True wisdom is ageless. True idealism is ageless. Idealism must not be 'assigned' to the young or wisdom to the old. As we create our career/life journey we must embody both idealism and wisdom. We must maintain the enthusiasm and passion of the young while embodying the conviction and perseverance of those who have paved the way for us." Dr. Anne

Book Launch and Signing Announced!

Unexpected Pathways: The Journeys of Women in the Workforce will be officially launched on Thursday, June 25, 2015, with a Cocktail Launch and Signing, from 7:00 – 9:00 PM, at The Piedmont Club, BB&T Financial Center, 200 W. Second Street, 19th Floor, Winston-Salem, NC 27101. Readers are cordially invited to attend. Pre-registration is requested on or before June 22, 2015! Books will be available via pre-order and at the door. A complementary signature beverage and light appetizers are included with the registration fee of \$10 per person or \$15 at the door. Cash bar available. Fifteen percent of the event's sales will go to the National Alliance for Partnerships in Equity. Please register at: http://unexpectedpathwaysbooklaunchandsigning.eventbrite.com

Unexpected Pathways: The Journeys of Women in **the Workforce** presents stories about the career pathways of twenty-three multi-generational women diverse occupations, experiences representing backgrounds. The stories reflect the stories of many women, expressing the intimate connection between one's career pathway and life journey. **Unexpected Pathways** shares stories of determination perseverance - courage and resilience. Unexpected Pathways shares stories of greatness and fragility survival and victory! And in the context of the career-life journey, **Unexpected Pathways** shares stories of healing and love. The stories and the inspired lessons offered by the chapter authors, encourage hope and inspiration to present future. women and



Unexpected Pathways: The Journeys of Women in the Workforce is available on Amazon.com and at: https://www.createspace.com/5194061

Introducing Five of the Twenty-three Women of Unexpected Pathways!











Do we really know the women—our colleagues, our friends, our relatives—we encounter on a daily basis? Do we know their history? Do we know their hearts? Do we make assumptions based upon our own experiences and beliefs? Or, do we simply co-exist and move through our own busy lives without knowing the richness of their stories and the lessons that they may teach us? These were some of the questions that drew us to create *Unexpected Pathways*—a journey that has been ten years in the making and one that has certainly been unexpected. Let us know each other!

In this issue we are pleased to highlight five *Women of Unexpected Pathways*! Representing *The Sixth Life Decade - The Fifties*, please meet Dr. Patricia McGlynn and Tina Ketchie Stearns. Representing *The Fifth Life Decade - The Forties*, we proudly introduce Christine A. Moore. *The Fourth Life Decade - The Thirties is represented by* Molly L. Nece and representing *The Third Life Decade - The* Twenties is Gabrielle J. Jordan. The chapter authors are mentors, inventors and entrepreneurs. They are business women and trailblazers. They are leaders. They represent all women ... They are mothers, sisters, daughters, aunts and friends. They are among *The Women of Unexpected Pathways*.

The Third Life Decade - The Twenties

Gabrielle J. Jordan - Engineer: Construction Industry

Chapter: Year I, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 ... I Finally Made It at 24!

"Never give up, keep trying and working hard. Even when things are not going as planned-make a new plan, set goals and follow through. Stay focused on what is most important to YOU. Do that and you will be successful!"

The Fourth Life Decade - The Thirties

Molly L. Nece - Molly Sunshine Group: Training and Organizational Development

CEO, Transformational Speaker, Life Coach and Business Consultant

Chapter: START NOW: Four Undeniable Laws to Being What You Want to Become

"We all have been told life is full of opportunity. It is what we do today that matters tomorrow. Your pathway is unexpected, but that doesn't mean there won't be signs along the way. Keep your eyes wide open, heart pumping and mind growing. We've all won the lottery of life. It's up to us how we are going to spend it!"

The Fifth Life Decade - The Forties

Christine A. Moore - Co-owner: M&M Meetings and Event Planning

Chapter: Phenomenal? What? Who Me?!

"'No' does not always mean never, it could mean, 'Not now.""

The Sixth Life Decade - The Fifties

Dr. Patricia McGlynn - Montana State University Faculty - Contributing Author

Montana Women Magazine

Chapter: Life Through Pat's Eyes

"Never let anyone tell you that you are not worthy, not smart enough, too old or lack courage. Go for it!"

Tina Ketchie Stearns - President/Inventor: Go Free Pants

Chapter: The Universe Will Conspire to Help You When Your Purpose is Pure!

"Pay attention to what your heart and your gut are telling you to do, and have the courage to act on the things God has placed in your heart. Pray often, accept help

and support from people God will place in your life-(they are not there by accident!) and push fear behind you so nothing stops you from reaching your destiny."

(Pictured above from top left: Tina and Molly; Center: Gabrielle; Bottom: Patricia and Christine)

Please Meet the Women of Unexpected Pathways!

We are thrilled to introduce the *Unexpected Pathways* chapter authors – The *Women of Unexpected Pathways* – including: Wynne Renee Brown, MD, Lac; Mittie Denise Cannon, Ed.D.; Bonnie Dawn Clark; Linda Eisenstein; Margie Florini; Winifred Quire Giddings; Kaitlyn Green; Mary Ann Hauser; Donna Martin Hinkle, Ed.D.; Angela Lynn Jackson Howard; Kelly Abeyta Jimenez; Latoya Rochae' Johnson; Gabrielle J. Jordan; Patricia McGlynn, Ph.D.; Christine A. Moore; Molly L. Nece; Clare Novak; Marviette Usher; Victoria N. Scott; Tina Ketchie Stearns; Dana Winner, Melissa W. Wittner and Anne Sourbeer Morris, Ed.D.

In future editions of *Futures Inspired ... Inspiring Futures!*, we will introduce additional chapter authors, until then, for more information please visit: www.futuresinspired.com

It's never too late to create good memories ... It's never too late to create a good life ... It's NEVER too late to begin again! — Dr. Anne

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Anne Sourbeer Morris, educator, author and presenter.

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