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## July 23rd – EWTG Monthly Luncheon

### Taking Yourself from Good to Great

Speaker: Anne Pritchard, Vice President of Strategic



Have you ever looked in the mirror and wondered, “where has the time gone?” Do you struggle to balance work, home, and life, while still trying to take yourself to the next level? Have you fully identified and tapped into your own personal motivators to reach your maximum potential? The July luncheon address will be a dynamic session that challenges you to identify what really drives you to succeed and guides you on how to tap into it repeatedly to achieve success, both personally and professionally.

Key areas covered will include:

- Understanding human behavior and motivation
- Identifying your unique motivators
- Learning how to tap into the motivators of others to achieve maximum performance
- Utilizing attitude as a means to excellence
- Taking your strengths to the next level
- Focusing on your high payoff activities
- Integrating your personal and professional life to achieve balance

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS



### July 9 *Austin Mini-Course*

Noon - 1:00 p.m. in the Carver Branch Library, 1161 Angelina. Speaker: Fred Burton, Stratfor, on “Ever Wonder Who Exactly is Keeping Us Safe?” For information and lunch option reservations,

contact [ewtg@ewtg.org](mailto:ewtg@ewtg.org) or call 512.248.2044.

### July 9 *Retiree Committee Meeting*

5 p.m. Summer quarterly meeting at the Daily Grill, 11506 Century Oaks Terrace, Suite 100, in The Domain, Braker Lane near MoPac, Austin. All EWTG members are welcome.

### July 10 *Houston Affiliate Meeting*

Noon - 1 p.m. in Room 2E/2F of the Elias Ramirez Building, 5425 Polk St. This is a brown bag affair, so please bring your own lunch. For information contact Sherbert Mims at 713.767.2369 or [houstonchair@ewtg.org](mailto:houstonchair@ewtg.org)

### July 10 *Dallas Affiliate Meeting (note new time and location)*

12:30 to 2 p.m., at the UT Southwestern Medical Center, Exchange Park Building, in the A-level conference room near AT&T building, 6333 Forest Park Road. RSVP to Bhavini Patel at 214.645.3050 or [dallascommunicate@ewtg.org](mailto:dallascommunicate@ewtg.org)

### July 17 *Membership Social*

5 - 8 p.m. All members are invited to enjoy an informal fun-filled evening visiting with other EWTG members at Nuevo Leon, 1501 E. 6th Street, Austin. A cash bar will be available, and free appetizers will be provided by EWTG sponsors. Please RSVP to [ewtg@ewtg.org](mailto:ewtg@ewtg.org) if you plan to attend or have questions. Don't miss it!

### July 23 *Austin Monthly Luncheon*

Austin Woman's Club, 708 San Antonio at noon. Speaker: Anne Pritchard, Strategic Solutions Group, on “Taking Yourself from Good to Great.” For information and reservations, contact [ewtg@ewtg.org](mailto:ewtg@ewtg.org) or call 512.248.2044.

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## President's Corner

### *EWTG Expenses*

Susan Durso, President

I want to respond to the comments I received on my last newsletter article about EWTG costs. I received only a few, but I want to address them because I feel sure they speak for others. One long-time member and past president voiced support for the current luncheon location. She not only addressed the charming atmo-

sphere of the Austin Woman's Club, but described the food as a "special treat." This member believes that attendance would decrease if the luncheon was moved to another site. The central location is important because moving either further north or further south would create an even greater travel distance for those state employees who work in the opposite direction, north or south of downtown. This member supported raising the non-member luncheon fee to \$25, while keeping the member fee at \$20, if necessary.

Another member, who also is an active member of our organization, pointed out that some of the organizations that I used for comparison to EWTG "cater to the business community." She noted that many in the private sector have the opportunity to write their luncheon costs off as business expenses, either through their expense accounts or on their tax returns. She thought the comparisons were not apt and felt that EWTG should charge enough to cover its expenses and no more. This respondent also expressed concerns about moving the conference to Lost Pines and the potential increased costs to members to attend.

With regard to the luncheon location and costs, the Woman's Club charges \$20 per luncheon attendee and that is what EWTG charges all members and guests. The organization pays the luncheon expense for the speaker, any speaker guest, and paid staff. For now, it is not necessary for us to raise the luncheon fee at the Woman's Club. However, I addressed the costs because I have received comments from a few members that \$20 was too much. I also anticipate that the cost of attendance at the luncheon and the cost of dues may need to rise in the future because I anticipate the organization's costs may rise in the future; so we should discuss the issue and be up front about the possibility of increases and the possibility of change.

While we are discussing the cost of the luncheon, I would like to stress the importance of letting us know if you will be able to attend. We must pay at a minimum for the number of reservations we submit by 10 a.m. on Monday before the luncheon and the Woman's Club prepares 10 percent more to ensure that there will be enough food for everyone. If more show up, we run out of food, which is embarrassing for us and the Club, and it is also unfair to those who responded but arrived closer to noon. If those who make reservations do not show up, then we must pay for the lunches anyway. Therefore, please make every effort to let us know you are coming and if you have indicated you are coming, please make every effort to be there or send someone in your stead.

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**President's Corner:** *Continued from page 2*

As far as the venue change for the conference, the impetus for change was created when we learned that new management at the Renaissance—it was recently purchased by the Marriott Corporation—intended for us to share the space with a co-ed group of 600 to which the hotel had promised the ballroom. What we once considered a parking problem would become a parking nightmare. When we were accustomed to having the hotel practically to ourselves, we would now be shoe-horned into the downstairs without the luxury of multiple bathrooms. No other workable days were available for our conference at the Renaissance. So, the Facilities Chair, Linda Daylamani, did a yeoman's job in locating possible sites—few in the area can accommodate our conference format and size. Lost Pines offered not only the most for the money, but offered solutions for many of our past issues, such as parking, exhibit space, and a larger ballroom facility.

The annual conference serves in part as a fund raiser for our organization. The event not only fulfills our mission of providing professional development opportunities to our members and others interested in serving state government, but it also serves to raise funds to cover EWTG's annual operating expenses such as the Executive Director's salary, website, newsletter, and telephone. The Board is keenly aware of the impact of increasing costs on its members. We want to meet our goals without making participation more difficult for our members and guests. Any increase in fees on the part of the organization is the direct result of increased costs.

I did a little research and determined that the distance to Lost Pines is not significantly greater than the distance to the Renaissance for many who live in the Austin area. From southwest Austin, the drive is approximately 10 miles farther to Lost Pines, but the traffic is much lighter out 71 than down MoPac to 183. For those in Onion Creek, the trip is 4 miles longer to Lost Pines, but again, the traffic will be much lighter. From 100 E. Main in Pflugerville, the drive to Lost Pines is 30 miles and takes approximately 29 minutes. From the same point in Pflugerville to the Renaissance the drive is 11 miles and takes approximately 20 minutes. Other than those who will be driving from 183 North, most will not drive much farther to Lost Pines and most can enjoy lighter traffic either by using a toll road or because the majority of cars are traveling in the opposite direction.

In the May President's Corner, I talked about the concept of investing in yourself. Invest in your own professional development. Invest in your career. Many of our members do not have their dues paid by their employers and some do not have their conference fees paid by their employers. Many of our members also pay to participate in other professional organizations without reimbursement or expense accounts. Nonetheless, as women in the work place, staying in touch with others in our fields and keeping abreast of emerging issues that affect our careers are too important to our success for us to rely on someone else to fund our participation. I hope you will continue to view participation in EWTG and attendance at the annual conference as a part of your career investment strategy.

**Pritchard:** *Continued from page 1*

Our July Luncheon Speaker is Anne Pritchard, Vice President of Strategic Solutions Group, an Organizational Development firm based in Waco, Texas. With over twelve years of training and facilitation experience, Anne works with private, public, and non-profit organizations around the country to help organizations maximize their productivity and profitability by hiring, developing, and retaining the right people.

Previously, Anne was the Director of Training and Development for one of the nation's most prestigious country clubs and resorts, where she led the Training and Development for over 1,000 employees. She has also been a Corporate Trainer at one of Fortune Magazine's top rated Mutual Fund Companies.

Make your reservations for July 23<sup>rd</sup> for a very interesting and informative presentation. Reservations can be made by emailing [ewtg@ewtg.org](mailto:ewtg@ewtg.org) or calling 512.248.2044. EWTG luncheons are \$20 and are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month from 11:45 to 1 p.m. at the Austin Woman's Club, located at 708 San Antonio Street.

## **Houston Affiliates Staff EWTG Booth at TPEA Conference in Houston**

We'd like to thank Glenda Wall, Rosa Broussard, Karen Morse and Terry Boyce for staffing our EWTG booth at the Texas Public Employees Association (TPEA) Conference held at the J.W. Marriott Hotel in Houston on June 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. Each worked a morning or evening shift, except for Rosa, who worked each day. All did an excellent job generating interest in our organization. These members came up with creative ways of giving out door prizes and gave away all but the kitchen sink. Men and women alike were standing in line for one of our door prizes. We appreciate you and applaud your effort and hard work Glenda, Rosa, Karen and Terry. EWTG women always rise to the occasion!

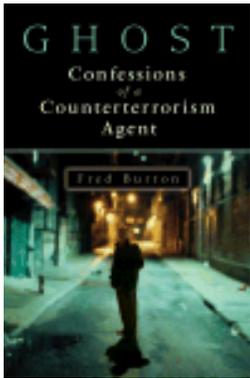
## Ever Wonder Who Exactly is Keeping Us Safe?

Wednesday, July 9, 2008 – EWTG Mini-Course

Every day, we are bombarded by news about trouble on our southern border, or various factions in the Middle East fighting once again. We know what our brave men and women are doing abroad, but do we really know who is keeping us safe at home and how “they” are doing it?

Come to the July 9<sup>th</sup> EWTG mini-course to meet one of our country’s original antiterrorism experts, Fred Burton, and hear him discuss behind-the-scenes security measures at work all around us.

Fred works for Stratfor (Stratfor.com), a “private intelligence” agency headquartered here in Austin, advising individuals, private companies and government agencies on antiterrorism tactics and border security. Fred has published a new book, *GHOST: Confessions of a Counterterrorism Agent*, detailing his experiences, which will be available for purchase at the conclusion of the mini-course. This excerpt from his book is about his first day as an agent:



*“I step to my desk. Around it, in every nook and cranny, tan burn bags are stacked and double stacked...More burn bags slump against a series of five paint-flecked, industrial gray file cabinets. I wonder what those contain. I glance over at Not Bond. He waves at me and points to my chair. Dutifully, I sit in it. He’s jabbering a mile a minute. Words spill out of his mouth, but I can’t understand what he’s saying. He seems to have his own language. I hear him use Fullback, POTUS, Eagle 1, LIMDIS, and NODIS all in the same series of sentences”*

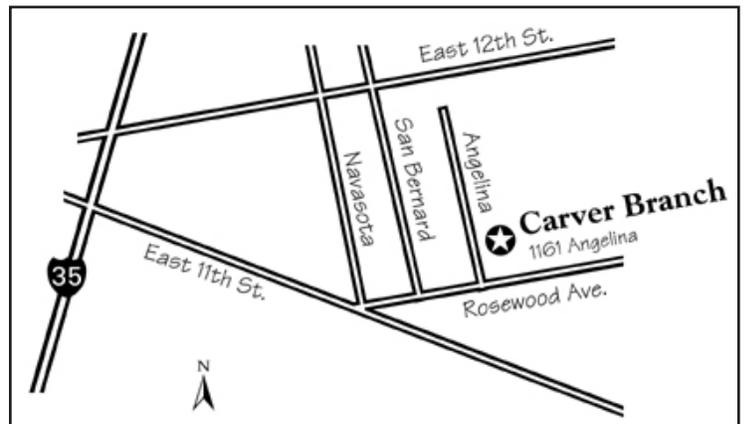
*I try not to stare by keeping my eyes on the file cabinets. It takes me a minute to realize that stacked around us are piles of plastic explosives, some of which are labeled in Russian Cyrillic.*

*Not Bond lights another cigarette and sticks another phone in his ear. I wonder if smoking around stuff that blows up is all that wise of an idea.”*

The mini-course will be held at the Carver Branch Library, 1161 Angelina (see map).

To help you make the most of your lunchtime, EWTG will again have Mangia pizza, fresh green salad, and cookies for \$6 per person or \$3 for salad only, or you can bring your own lunch. Bottled water is also available for \$1. Pizza will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 12 noon. The program begins at noon and ends by 1 p.m.

For information and reservations, contact EWTG by email at [ewtg@ewtg.org](mailto:ewtg@ewtg.org) or by telephone at 512.248.2044. Please state whether you want to purchase pizza and/or salad when you make your reservation.



## 2008 EWTG Austin Board Meetings

The 2008 EWTG Board holds its monthly meetings at the Carver Library, Austin, Texas, on the third Wednesday of each month from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The agenda for each meeting will be posted on the EWTG website by noon on the Monday before the meeting.

The agenda for each meeting will be posted on the EWTG website by noon on the Monday before the meeting. Additionally, once we have the capability to create a members-only area on the website, copies of approved minutes will be posted following the meeting at which the minutes are approved. Until the members-only area is available on the website, you may request copies of approved board meeting minutes directly from Michele Schwartz, the Executive Director, at [ewtg@ewtg.org](mailto:ewtg@ewtg.org) or 512.248.2044.

## Membership Director – Carol Lauder

The 2008 Membership Director is Carol Lauder. In the past Carol chaired the silent auction conference committee, presented at the annual conference and at a mini-course, and did a workshop for the Executive Success Teams. Carol works for the Texas Comptroller's Office as a Grant Project Manager responsible for providing grant money to Law Enforcement agencies to enforce the laws concerning minor's access to tobacco. She is a certified professional facilitator and earned her BBA in Accounting from the University of Texas at Austin.



The membership director is responsible for member recruitment, retention, involvement and interaction. The membership director and her committee write newsletter articles, staff a booth at the annual EWTG Conference, oversee the Retiree committee, and plan social events to bring members together. In addition, this year the committee has designed a new brochure to be used for recruitment, joining or renewing membership. The new brochure is now available so please consider taking it to your next event.

Carol and her committee developed this year's membership drive, "Be a FAN of EWTG." The drive provides a \$10 discount on the first year's membership dues for any guest who joins EWTG at their first luncheon. Current members are encouraged to bring potential members to the monthly luncheon – members' names are entered into a drawing for a gift for each guest they bring to the luncheon. And, of course, paper fans with the latest news about the organization are available to keep everyone cool during these hot summer days.

Please make a note of the next membership social, July 17<sup>th</sup> from 5 – 8 p.m. at Nuevo Leon, 1501 E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, 78702. Appetizers will be provided by EWTG sponsors and there will be a cash bar. It is a wonderful opportunity to visit with other members and relax.

Membership committee members are Karen Robinson, Governor's Office, Laura Johannsen and Cindy Bordovsky-Stone, both of TxDOT, and Del Randall, Department of State Health Services. If you have ideas, questions, concerns, or would like information about how to get involved with EWTG, please contact Carol at [membership@ewtg.org](mailto:membership@ewtg.org) or call (512) 731-8799.

## 2008 Woman of the Year

Has Someone In EWTG Made A Difference In Your Life?

Say 'thank you' by nominating them for EWTG's Woman of the Year award!

In an organization with so many outstanding women, we all know someone in EWTG who is deserving of this honor. As an EWTG member, you have the privilege of nominating a fellow EWTG colleague for this prestigious award and being part of EWTG history!

Each year at EWTG's Annual Conference, the organization recognizes an outstanding member as the EWTG Woman of the Year. The Woman of the Year award honors an individual who is a leader in her profession, her community, and within this organization. Our Woman of the Year represents the best of who we are as women and as leaders.

With so many outstanding women in this organization, how do you choose whom to nominate? We all have a special EWTG colleague who comes to mind when we think of "Woman of the Year." Maybe this person is a role model to you or maybe they have been a mentor to you in a challenging situation. Whatever your experience may be, simply being nominated for this award is a huge honor that will never be forgotten. Just imagine how excited they will be if they are selected!

Nomination forms are available online at [www.ewtg.org](http://www.ewtg.org), and the submission deadline is September 1, 2008. Please take some time to make history and nominate that special EWTG woman who has made a difference in your life or in the lives of others!

# ANNUAL CONFERENCE

## Save the Date!

Monday, November 24, 2008

**22nd Annual Professional Development Conference**  
**Hyatt Lost Pines Resort**

Preliminary Program and Registration information will be available later this summer. Visit [www.ewtg.org](http://www.ewtg.org) for details.

This month, we invite you, as an Exhibitor or a Silent Auction donor, to participate in EWTG's Annual Professional Development Conference.

Information about being a Workshop Presenter is also included if you missed it last month.

**Exhibitors** at this conference have a unique opportunity to market directly to women decision-makers in Texas government.

For the **Silent Auction**, if YOU know of a business that has great products or terrific services and might be willing to donate to EWTG's auction, please contact the Silent Auction Committee at [conference\\_auction@ewtg.org](mailto:conference_auction@ewtg.org), and they will take it from there.

Proceeds from the Silent Auction benefit the EWTG Scholarship Program for EWTG members. Make plans to help raise funds by participating in this year's Silent Auction at the conference on November 24. Remember that *"the more you give, the more you get."*

Many suggestions for **Workshop Presenter** topics are provided on the following pages. If you have a topic you would like to present or know someone who teaches a particular topic well, please complete the application and send in your information. We want to hear from you!

## 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Professional Development Conference

### November 24, 2008

#### Exhibitor Invitation

Executive Women in Texas Government (EWTG) will hold its 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Professional Development Conference on November 24, 2008, at the Hyatt Regency Lost Pines Resort in Lost Pines, Texas. Lost Pines, located just outside of Austin on Highway 71 East between Austin and Bastrop, is a secluded, luxurious ranch-style resort in the midst of rugged wilderness.

EWTG invites you to exhibit at this conference where you have a unique opportunity to market directly to women decision-makers in Texas government. Last year marked a record conference attendance of over 750 participants. Exhibits and vendors were once again one of the conference highlights.

EWTG is an organization of dynamic leaders representing state agencies, higher education, and other public and private entities. EWTG is dedicated to developing, supporting and promoting professional development and leadership opportunities for our members to assist them in achieving excellence in their fields. Exhibitor fees and contributions will help support the conference in its goal of providing a professional development opportunity relevant to members' roles in government. Silent Auction proceeds fund the EWTG professional development scholarships available to our members for other training and educational opportunities. Our members are also encouraged to support your business as an EWTG benefactor.

Companies and individuals may participate in any of the following:

- ❖ Exhibit goods or services to conference participants at the day-long event
- ❖ Advertise in the conference program brochure
- ❖ Donate goods or services for the Silent Auction

Space is limited. Reserve your space now by completing the enclosed registration form by August 1, 2008. Each exhibit space will include one six-foot draped table, two chairs, lunch for two and listing in the conference program. Your organization may obtain a second 6-foot table for an additional cost.

Please see the attached sheet for more information about participating in the EWTG Conference. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact the 2008 Conference Exhibits Committee Chair, Shawana Ellison, at [conference\\_exhibits@ewtg.org](mailto:conference_exhibits@ewtg.org). Thank you in advance for your support.

# 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Professional Development Conference

## November 24, 2008

### Exhibitor Registration Form

**Yes!** My company will **exhibit** at the EW TG 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Professional Development Conference.  
 Exhibit fee includes one six-foot draped table, two chairs, exhibitor lunch for two, and listing in the conference program.

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business ..... \$300  | <input type="checkbox"/> Government Agency .....\$225       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical outlet (if needed) ..... 60  | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-profit Organization .....\$225 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I would like a second table .... \$150  |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I have a free standing display and require additional space ..... .\$ 50<br>(Supplemental fee – allows up to 10-foot display) |   |

**Yes!** My company will **advertise** in the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Development Conference Program Brochure.  
 Note: instructions for submission of camera-ready artwork will be sent with confirmation.

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Full-page ad ..... \$400    | <input type="checkbox"/> Half-page ad .....\$200 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quarter-page ad ..... \$150 |  |

**TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Yes!** I will promote my company by donating to your **Silent Auction** to support your conference. Exhibitors are encouraged to donate at least one silent auction item in support of the conference. Please enter donation information below:

Item Description \_\_\_\_\_ Value \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTACT INFO:**

Company Name _____	Contact Name _____
Address _____	City/State/ZIP _____
Phone (____) _____	Fax (____) _____
Email _____	Web Address _____

Names of Booth Personnel (For Conference Name Tags) 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: Executive Women in Texas Government  
 PMB #263, 815-A Brazos Street, Austin, Texas 78701-9996

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 (512) 248-2044 or ewtg@ewtg.org

Thank you for your support!

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# EWTG 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Professional Development Conference

## November 24, 2008

### Silent Auction Donation Pledge Form

Donor Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Donor/Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Check this box if you would like to receive information about participating as an **Exhibitor** at the Conference.

Donation Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Item Type(s):  Gift Certificate  Merchandise  Other

Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Retail Value: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Please include a business card, if applicable, with your donation.

Item Delivery Method:  Item will be mailed  Item will be delivered  Please pick up

#### Next Steps:

Please return this form via email to [conference\\_auction@ewtg.org](mailto:conference_auction@ewtg.org) or mail the original to: Executive Women in Texas Government, PMB #263, 815-A Brazos Street, Austin, Texas, 78701-9996.

All donations must be received on or before October 15 2008.

Thank you for your support!

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## EWTG 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Professional Development Conference November 24, 2008

### Call for Presenters

Professional women make decisions every day about where to devote their time and energy: to family, job, or community. This conference provides a rare opportunity for continued development of management skills and leadership capabilities, as well as offering networking and mentoring opportunities. The EWTG 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Professional Development Conference will provide attendees an opportunity to invest in themselves.

**EWTG Mission:** Executive Women in Texas Government (EWTG) is a non-partisan organization that promotes leadership in service to Texas by offering professional development opportunities.

EWTG is seeking interested professionals for workshop presentations at the conference. The conference agenda includes approximately 36 workshops, conducted concurrently with about 12 other workshops in one of three time slots. The workshops are one-hour in duration.

### Speaker Selection Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated using the following criteria:

- relevance to professional development
- alignment with proposed topic
- creative approach in presenting topic
- applicable to challenges facing professionals in Texas Government.

Priority will be given to a presenter whose proposal demonstrates new ideas or approaches, teaches specific techniques, and includes resource materials and handouts.

### Proposal Instructions

Each presenter or co-presenter must complete the presenter form and submit it along with the following **by July 15, 2008**:

- presenter biography;
- list of three references and their contact information;
- a 100-word abstract of the proposed session including the title and category selected;
- a 20-word (2-3 sentence) description of your proposed session that will appear in the conference brochure.

Only complete proposals will be considered. Proposals can be submitted by email (preferred) to [conference\\_program@ewtg.org](mailto:conference_program@ewtg.org) or by regular mail to:

Attn: Program Committee  
EWTG PMB #263  
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# EWTG 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Professional Development Conference

## November 24, 2008

### Suggestions for Presentation Topics

#### Developing Executive Management Skills

- Business Planning
- Career Opportunities
- Career Planning
- Employment Law
- Executive Manager Topics
- Human Resources, Trends & Issues
- Interview Skills
- Managing Conflict
- Managing Supervisors
- Workplace Challenges

#### Expanding Leadership Capabilities

- Balancing Your Life
- Communications
- Coping with Changes
- Customer Service
- Financial Planning
- Negotiating Conflict
- Professional Growth
- Operational Management
- Project Management
- Retraining Options
- Roles and Responsibilities

#### Networking and Mentoring

- Coaching & Counseling
- Cultural Diversity
- Education
- Mentoring
- Growing Your Staff
- Training Trends & Issues
- Workforce Planning
- Retirement Planning & Options

### Presenter and Presentation Information

Presenter Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Presentation Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Presentation Topic: \_\_\_\_\_

*Select from topics listed above.*

Number of Presenters: \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Presenters Names\*: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Separate presenter form required for co-presenters.*

#### Presentation Format (check one):

Lecture     Workshop     Panel

#### Session Preference (check one):

Morning     Afternoon     No Preference

#### Equipment Needs (check all that apply):

Microphone     Projection Screen     Flip Chart     Easel with Markers

#### Required Attachments

- presenter biography
- list of three references and their contact information
- 100-word abstract of the proposed session
- 20-word (2-3 sentence) session description for conference brochure

**E-mail submission to:** conference\_program@ewtg.org

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## Houston Affiliate News

During the Houston Affiliate's June 12<sup>th</sup> meeting, the air was filled with anticipation regarding our most exciting social event to date. Thanks to our hardworking Social Committee Co-Chairs, Charlotte Booker and Brenda McCoy, final arrangements have been made for fifteen of our members to attend the much acclaimed off-Broadway play, "The Color Purple", on the evening of September 18<sup>th</sup>. Prior to the play, the group will dine at Artista Restaurant, located in the Hobby Center. Tickets are very hard to get at this point; however, we had no difficulty thanks to the prompt efforts of the Committee Co-Chairs.

Rosa Broussard, Glenda Wall, Karen Morse, and Sherbert Mims have graciously volunteered to staff the EWTG booth at the annual TPEA Conference in Houston on June 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>.

Our next meeting will be held on July 10, 2008 in Conference Room 2E/2F at 5425 Polk Street, from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. We look forward to a speaker that will share the benefits of Yoga or Massage. For information, contact Sherbert Mims, Houston Affiliate Chair, at [houstonchair@ewtg.org](mailto:houstonchair@ewtg.org).

We will not meet in August, but will resume our regular meeting schedule in September.

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## Dallas Affiliate News

Monthly Luncheon on Leadership / Management, Organization, and Personality Types  
(Note the new time and location)

At our monthly meeting on Thursday, July 10, 2008, from 12:30 to 2 p.m., a speaker from the Department of Organizational Training at UT Southwestern Medical Center will present the topic of Leadership/Management, Organization, and Personality Types. The July 10<sup>th</sup> meeting will be held at UT Southwestern Medical Center: Exchange Park Building (A - level conference room near AT&T building) at 6333 Forest Park Road in Dallas at lunchtime rather than in the evening. To RSVP, contact Bhavini Patel at 214.645.3050 or [dallascommunicate@ewtg.org](mailto:dallascommunicate@ewtg.org).

The Dallas Affiliate 2008 Membership Drive offers any guest who joins at her first meeting a 20% discount off the membership fee for the first year. From May through October 2008, a new member can join for \$40 instead of \$50. This offer is for new members only.

## Be a FAN of EWTG – 2008 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE continues through October 2008

- Every month from May through October in 2008 at the Austin luncheon, each member who brings a guest (or more than one) will have her name entered into a drawing for each guest she brings to the monthly luncheon. A prize will be awarded at the end of the luncheon to the lucky member whose name is drawn. (e.g., three guests, three chances to win).
- Any guest who joins EWTG, regardless of whether in Austin, Dallas, or Houston, at their first luncheon/dinner in the months of May through October 2008 gets \$10.00 off the first year's membership fee. (e.g., Annual dues are \$50.00 for state employees and \$100.00 for private members. If a guest joins at her first meeting, it is \$40.00 or \$90.00, respectively.)

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