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MENTORING **MONDAY**

Monday, April 3, 2017

A speed coaching and networking event
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Agenda

8:00-8:30 a.m. Networking & Breakfast Buffet

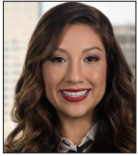
8:30-8:35 a.m. Welcome by Bob Charlet,
Houston Business Journal
Market President and Publisher

8:35-9:55 a.m. Program
(spend 10-minutes
with your mentor,
followed by a
brief opportunity
to switch tables)

10:00 a.m. Event
adjourns

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Nancy Almodovar | CEO and Owner - Nan and Company Properties

Nancy Almodovar has been working in residential real estate for over a decade. She graduated from the University of Houston Bauer College of Business, is an alumnus of the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Business program and is an active member of the Houston Association of Realtors, Texas Association of Realtors and National Association of Realtors. Nancy is also a certified International Property Specialist and has grown her business to be named by the Houston Business Journal as one of the "Best Places to Work" for two years in a row. As a business owner, wife, and mother of two, she aspires to become a role model for all women through her work ethic and generosity. She pioneered the first Nan Cares Toy Drive, a campaign where she and her team collected toys to donate to the economically disadvantaged students of Brookline Elementary School. With a heart invested in her community, she also volunteers for organizations such as Houston Children Give Back, the Houston Ballet, St. Anne Catholic School and Learn Grow Lead, just to name a few.



Bridget R. Anderson | Executive Director - Art Colony Association, Inc.

For 25 years, Bridget Anderson has dedicated her career to nonprofits focusing in the arts, social services and education. Her passion for art and painting has led Anderson to her current position as Executive Director of the Art Colony Association. Anderson joined the organization in September 2015 and has since positively impacted local artists, non-profits and the art community with her collection of fundraising experience. In 1999, Anderson became the Executive Director of Young Audiences of Houston. At the helm of the organization, Anderson initiated improvements in all areas resulting in increased awareness and revenue. Anderson's devotion to philanthropy is impressive and in 2010 she joined Chinquapin Preparatory School as its Director of Development. With art always on her mind, the talented Anderson planned a Wine and Cheese Art Auction event with student artwork, which resulted in a significant contribution. Anderson received a Bachelor of Arts from the University of St. Thomas.

Anna Babin | President and CEO - United Way of Greater Houston



Brandi Clark | Regional President - Robert Half

Brandi Clark is the Regional President for Robert Half, the world's first and largest specialized staffing firm. In her role, Brandi oversees the professional staffing services operations for the Accountemps, OfficeTeam, Robert Half Healthcare Group and Salaried Preferred Professional Services divisions throughout the Houston and surrounding area. Brandi joined the company in 2004 and has since held various leadership roles including Division Director, Branch Manager and Metro Market Manager. With over 12 years in the specialized staffing industry exclusively with Robert Half, Brandi and her teams are dedicated to placing professionals in rewarding jobs while helping local businesses grow and be successful. Brandi holds her bachelor's degree in Economics from Texas A&M University.

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Jennifer Davenport | Vice President of Marketing and Community Development - Houston Texans

As the Vice President of Marketing and Community Development of the Houston Texans, Jennifer Davenport oversees community development, gameday entertainment, youth football initiatives and targeted fan development. Additionally, she runs the Houston Texans Foundation and spearheads merchandise sales and regional brand growth, including broadcast partnerships. Davenport started with the Texans in December 2010 and is involved in many Houston organizations. Since Davenport joined the Texans, the organization has been awarded the 2016 AMA Crystal Award for Best Special Event Marketing, 2015 AMA Crystal Award for Best Social Responsibility Campaign, 2014 AMA Houston Marketer of the Year and more.



Suzan Deison | CEO - Greater Houston Women's Chamber of Commerce

Leslie Duke | President and Regional Manager - Burns & McDonnell



Mary Beth Grace | Managing Director - Oil and Gas - Accenture

Mary Beth Gracy is a Managing Director at Accenture and leads the Oilfield Equipment & Services practice in North America. In this role, she focuses on bringing innovation to clients and shaping long-term strategies utilizing all of Accenture's capabilities. Gracy began with Accenture in 1990 following her graduation from Rice University and was promoted to Partner in 2001. She spent several years working internationally on business process performance improvement efforts.

Mary Beth was honored to be recognized as one of Houston's, Top Women in Technology by the Association for Women in Computing in 2002. She and her husband are parents to two middle schoolers and she currently serves on the board of Theater Under the Stars.

Jennifer Hazelton | CFO - Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo

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Janine K. Iannarelli | Founder and President - Par Avion Ltd.

Janine K. Iannarelli has more than 30 years of business aviation experience, having represented numerous corporations and private individuals worldwide with respect to both the sale and purchase of business aircraft. Ms. Iannarelli is the founder and president of Par Avion Ltd., which is based in Houston, Texas. Par Avion is an aircraft marketing firm that specializes in the exclusive representation and acquisition of business aircraft. Ms. Iannarelli has extensive experience in cross-border transactions, with nearly 90 percent of Par Avion's business concentrated in this area of specialization. The scope of her experience with aircraft sales transactions reaches well beyond the procurement process in that she has had in-depth interactions with manufacturers, maintenance facilities and completion centers specific to the previously referenced aircraft as well as other makes and models of business aircraft. A 1983 graduate of Montclair State University in Upper Montclair, N.J., Ms. Iannarelli earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration with a specific concentration in marketing and a minor in psychology.



Janice Jucker | Co-Owner and President - Three Brothers Bakery

Janice Jucker, Co-Owner and President of Three Brothers Bakery and passionate advocate of breast cancer awareness, has been dedicated to helping the business grow and thrive, including opening a third location recently. Janice uses a strategic five-year plan, as well as her business knowledge, to help guide the business. Since the bakery's first full year after Hurricane Ike, in 2010 through 2015, Three Brothers Bakery has experienced 426% revenue growth, 337% employee growth and 3,400% growth in its pie sales. Additionally, Janice has been able to bring the company to a place where it can now offer a full suite of employee benefits. As a graduate of the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses program, Janice learned the importance of growth is not just for achieving financial goals, but also to bring more jobs to the communities the bakery serves and to give back to those in need. Janice is proud to say the bakery feeds the homeless every day with excess baked goods.



Elizabeth Killinger | President - NRG Retail and Reliant

As President of NRG Retail and Reliant, Elizabeth Killinger is responsible for all aspects of NRG's \$5 billion leading multi-brand competitive retail business that provides consumer power products and home services. In more than 15 years with NRG, Elizabeth's proven success with delivering consistent financial results, customer growth, operations excellence, innovation and employee development ultimately led to her promotion to Executive Vice President and the consolidation of all of NRG's retail businesses under her leadership. Prior to joining NRG, Elizabeth spent a decade in management, strategy and systems consulting with a global services firm. Elizabeth earned her Bachelor's in Business Administration degree in Management Information Systems from the University of Houston.



Karee Laing, JD/MBA | Principal and CEO - Studio Brand Collective

Karee Laing is the Principal and Chief Executive Officer of Studio Brand Collective (SBC), a Houston design + digital marketing agency focused on providing results-driven marketing and branding solutions to businesses. A proven leader with a knack for delivering results and growing both volume and profits above expectations, Karee has worked with businesses both small and large. Passionate about marketing and business, Karee started Karee Laing, Inc. in 2016 - an online platform devoted to providing inspiration, ideas, tools and resources for anyone interested in starting or growing a business. Under her leadership and creative direction, SBC has received over 60 industry awards, and Karee has personally received numerous awards, including being named a Goldman Sachs Small Business Scholar, a 2016 40 Under 40 Honoree by the Houston Business Journal, and a Woman Who Means Business.

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Nataly Marks | Managing Director/Region Manager - JP Morgan Chase, Houston Middle Market

Nataly Marks has over fourteen years of client management experience. She is currently the market executive in Houston and Chair of the JPMorgan Chase Houston Market Leadership team. Prior to taking the new role of Region Manager, Nataly was a Managing Director in JPMorgan's Corporate Client Banking Group covering Diversified public companies in the Southwest Region. Nataly is active in the community, currently serving on the Community Advisory Board for the Harris Country Education Foundation and the Greater Houston Partnership. Nataly has also achieved Life Member status with the Greater Houston Partnership through her work on the Ambassador Committee and is a member of the Women's Business Alliance. She previously served as a Board Member at Vita-Living Inc., a non-for-profit organization serving severely disabled adults. Nataly graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a B.B.A. in Finance.



Edna Meyer-Nelson | Founder, President and CEO - The Richland Companies

As President and Chief Executive Officer of The Richland Companies, Edna Meyer-Nelson directs all business activities for Richland's many divisions. Since founding The Richland Companies in 1993, she has amassed a portfolio of 35 properties in four states representing more than 2 million square feet of commercially owned and managed property throughout the Southwestern United States valued in excess of \$250 million. She began her career in the banking industry where she served as Vice President, Commercial Loan Officer, and Marketing Director for several of the larger banks in Houston. While managing over \$50 million in assets, she also assisted in the buy-outs of several independent banks, initiated and incorporated new, cost effective programs, and actively encouraged executive women to enter new business ventures. Meyer-Nelson is a graduate of Southern Methodist University with post-graduate degrees from the University of Houston and the University of Colorado.



Dr. Melanie Mouzoon | Managing Physician for Immunization Practices and Travel Medicine - Kelsey-Seybold

Dr. Melanie Mouzoon is the Managing Physician for Immunization Practices and Travel Medicine at Kelsey-Seybold. After earning her medical degree in 1982 from The University of Texas Health Sciences Center at Houston and completing her Pediatrics internship at the University of Kentucky in 1983, Dr. Mouzoon returned for her residency at The University of Texas Health Sciences Center at Houston, finishing in 1985. Dr. Mouzoon speaks Spanish and Farsi. Dr. Mouzoon is a member of the Texas Pediatric Society, Houston Pediatric Association, International Society for Travel Medicine, The Immunization Partnership and the American Academy of Pediatrics Section on Breastfeeding.



Marsha Murray | Founder and President - Murray Resources

Marsha L. Murray is Founder and President of Murray Resources. Established in 1988, Murray Resources is a full-service recruiting and staffing firm based in Houston, Texas. Marsha is a past board member of the Texas Association of Placement Consultants and a past chairman of the board for the Houston West Chamber of Commerce, where she was a board member for five years. As founder of a 100% woman-owned business, Marsha has been a devoted advocate of women in business, successfully placing thousands of job candidates in her 30-year career. She is a former board member of the Women's Business Enterprise Alliance, and a member of the National Women's Business Owners Corporation. Murray received her Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Houston, after attending the University of Texas for three years.

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Laura Pennino | Founder and CEO - Pennino and Partners

Laura Pennino has extensive journalism and public relations experience working with major multi-national corporations, privately-owned companies and non-profit organizations. She is a contributor to magazines and newspapers and a guest radio and TV commentator. Before starting Pennino and Partners in 1998, Laura was a senior vice president and general manager of the Houston Office of Edelman. She also served as senior PR consultant with the Houston Office of Fleishman-Hillard International Communications. She is also a survivor of breast cancer.

Sonia Rivera | National President - National Hispanic Professional Organization

Ingrid Robinson | President - Minority Supplier Development Council



Maria Rios | President and CEO - Nation Waste, Inc.

Maria Rios is the President and CEO of Nation Waste, Inc. (NWI), the first female Hispanic-owned waste removal company in the United States and one of Houston's largest minority-owned companies. NWI is a fully-certified, commercial waste disposal company specializing in construction, demolition, commercial/industrial non-hazardous waste removal, portable toilets and recycling services. In 2017, Rios was honored to be selected as the exclusive provider of portable toilets for Super Bowl LI in Houston.



Gabriella Rowe | Head of School - The Village School in Houston

Gabriella Rowe is the Head of School of The Village School in Houston, the largest coeducational, non-denominational college preparatory private school in Nord Anglia Education's North American portfolio. Within one year, Gabriella grew student enrollment at Village by 20 percent and spearheaded major school expansions and curriculum updates, such as required coding classes and an entrepreneurship program. She has held leadership positions within the global education industry for nearly 20 years (prior to Houston in NYC). During her time, it became clear that while most teachers she worked with were women, the C-suite positions were dominated by men. Thus began Gabriella's commitment to mentoring young women in business and education.

Allison Sawyer | CEO and Co-Founder - Rebellion Photonics



Kim Syma | Owner - Revolution Studio

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Linda Toyota | Associate Vice Chancellor, Communication and Marketing - Houston Community College



Laurie Vignaud | Senior Director - Capital One N.A.

Laurie Vignaud has overall responsibility for the development, monitoring, management and promotion of community development programs and Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) initiatives for Capital One Bank in Louisiana and Texas. She has created and led some of the bank's most innovative affordable housing, small business and asset/capacity building initiatives in the region. One such program, Getting Down to Business, has received national recognition. Ms. Vignaud serves as the President of Capital One's Community Development Corporation, which is the entity that provides capital to nonprofit housing developers for the construction of new single-family homes sold to low- and moderate-income first-time homebuyers. She works directly with various governmental, non-profit and for-profit agencies to provide and promote affordable housing, small business and economic development, and asset-building opportunities. A New Orleans native, Ms. Vignaud received a bachelor's degree in sociology from the University of New Orleans and a graduate degree in banking from the Southern Methodist University Southwest Graduate School of Banking in Dallas. She also attended Southern University of New Orleans, where she studied social welfare.



Gindi Eckel Vincent | Author, speaker, blogger, and Counsel - ExxonMobil Corporation

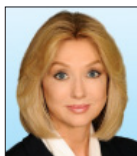
Gindi writes and speaks nationally on brave leadership. Her first book, Learning to Lead, released in 2013, and her second book on the life cycle of brave leadership is in progress. In addition, Gindi has practiced law for almost 20 years, helping energy companies across the energy value chain solve complex legal challenges. Gindi has served in numerous leadership roles including President of the Women's Energy Network of Houston, the executive committee of Greater Houston Women's Chamber of Commerce, and Chair of the Texas Young Lawyers Association. She has been recognized as one of Houston's 50 Most Influential Women, one of Houston's Top 25 Role Models, and Houston's Outstanding Young Lawyer.



Holly Wilbanks | Founder and Principal - The Wilbanks Consulting Group

Holly Wilbanks is the Founder and Principal of Houston-based startup, The Wilbanks Consulting Group (WCG), a virtual strategic talent management and career coaching firm. With prior experience in corporate recruitment, agency consulting, and admissions in the US and abroad, Holly brings to her clients the trifecta of talent management. She empowers professionals to achieve their career goals through strategic training, coaching, and development. Holly has helped professionals in a variety of industries, including oil & gas, legal, life sciences, medicine, teaching, sales & marketing, and more. She works with individuals to communicate their unique value effectively in written and verbal communications, while charting a clear path forward in their career development.

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Beth Young | Senior Vice President - Colliers International

Beth Young is Senior Vice President of Colliers International and an award-winning medical real estate advisor to health systems and investors. She specializes in the marketing and sale of investment healthcare properties including hospitals, surgery centers and medical office buildings. She serves on the boards of the Greater Houston Women's Chamber of Commerce and the Harris County Hospital District Foundation. She was the first female president of the Houston/Gulf Coast Chapter of CCIM (Certified Commercial Investment Manager), regional vice president (over TX, OK and LA) and winner of the international award, the President's Cup, for outstanding achievement and leadership. She also served on the boards of CREW (Commercial Real Estate Women) and CoreNet Global. She is the co-chairman of the Women's Health Network and is a founding member of IGNITE, an invitation-only organization of women in healthcare with a purpose to generate provocative ideas, thoughts, and solutions to impact the future of healthcare. Beth's industry-related articles are regularly seen in both regional and national publications.

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