

Memo To: Women Moving Forward Graduates

Memo From: Susan Van Vleet

Date: January 30, 2004

Re: 2004 Workshops and "Love"

John and I will be celebrating our 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary by going away together from February 6<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>. We go away every year for 2 or 3 nights but because it's our 25<sup>th</sup> and our kids are grown, we decided it was time to extend this year's trip.

John and I were talking last night about how it does not feel like we have been married for as long as 25 years. It feels like much less to us. Maybe that's because we've packed so much into our 25 years and we work so closely together we just didn't have a chance to tally up the years. We'd rather believe that when you have a marriage/partnership like ours that has a purpose larger than us, to fulfill 25 years seems only like a few years.

When we decided to get married 25 ½ years ago, we also decided that the **purpose of our marriage** was to support others so that out of our relationship people in the world would feel supported. We said we would make a difference in the world out of our relationship to each other.

Looking back over the 25 years, I believe we have done exactly what we set out to do; support others out of our commitment to each other.

It hasn't always been easy. The first year of our marriage was an enormous struggle, we didn't know each other that well, we started two businesses and ended one, we lost twins that were too small to survive. Yet, somehow through the struggle, grief and challenges we remembered what we said we would do.

Now, 25 years later, we have decided not to change what has worked for over 25 years. To work in our relationship to each other to support others in the world out of our commitment to each other.

We invite those of you in committed relationships to use our 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary to clarify your purpose as a couple and to find a way to express that together daily. You'll be surprised at how fast the years will go by.

Please let John and I know how it is going for you. You can email us, write us or fax us. We'd love to hear from you.

## **2004 WORKSHOPS TO WATCH**

### **Advanced Women Moving Forward**

Short Hills, NJ

March 10-12

This is a less confrontational and more relaxed atmosphere than the basic Women Moving Forward. Susan designed this workshop to take you through the same process as Women Moving Forward did but at a deeper level for where you are now.

Prerequisite: Women Moving Forward.  
Contact our office to register.

### **The Women's Leadership Retreat** The Ritz-Carlton on Beaver Creek Mountain Avon, CO

May 3-5

This is the highest level course we do. You are required to take Women Moving Forward and one other course as a pre-requisite, as well as have an intake phone interview with Susan. We are down to 2 spaces available so if you want to register, you need to call Susan as soon as possible.

### **Women Moving Forward**

February 3-5, June 8-10, September 7-9, and October 19-21, 2004

If you want to Review this course you can for 50% of the total cost of the workshop. You pay your own expenses. You must call and register with our office.

To Observe any of the Women Moving Forwards, the cost is \$250 plus your expenses. You will not be able to participate with the group. You can, however, observe and do the workshop in the back of the room by yourself.

To Refer someone, have them call or you call, email or fax our office to register them. The cost is \$3,000 (\$3,200 for the workshops outside of the U.S.). Some of our workshops like the June workshop are filling up fast so to make sure they have a space, call us as soon as you can.

### **Training For Change Agents and Change Agent Trainers**

Lone Tree, Colorado

April 20-23

This is the first step to take to be considered for our V2 Distributorships or you must be a) a change agent in your company, at any level; b) a Trainer / HR Specialist, Director or V.P. in your company who must learn a higher level of training skill.

This is a 4-day intensive course with both John and Susan leading together.

If you want to talk about bringing any of these workshops to your company, give Susan a call.

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We look forward to the possibility of seeing you in 2004!

All My Best,

*Susan Van Vleet*