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Living Her Legacy: Nancy Monahan Retires

Nancy Monahan, Life Success's director of operations, retired on April 15. But Nancy will still be involved as a volunteer for the organization she loves. Nancy reflects on her 21 years with LSS....

My, how time flies when you're having fun!

I remember that my first "official" act as an LSS volunteer in 1990 was Deb Bulleit's interview after she finished Basic. Back in the old days, we didn't have Follow-up nights—we held interviews. First, they were individual, and then they progressed to group interviews.

Patricia Belanger was the executive director then. I learned a lot from her in my many years working with her as both a volunteer and as an employee. I don't see her as much as I would like (she's a busy woman now that she is Patricia Martin!), but I treasure the lessons and the legacy she left to LSS.

In my 21 years as an LSS employee, I've had the pleasure of working with Pat and so many other fabulous people: Dianna Schuster, Jenny Tarvin, Leann Varon, Sarah (Winky) Skinner, Elizabeth Simms, Linda Vetter, Sarah (Schuster) Crawford, Kathleen O'Connell, Lea (Meyer) Kagrise, Thomas Courtney, Melissa Heald, Leesa Haber,

Michelle (Aufdenkampe) Vondrell, Coleen Honold, Elizabeth Lautner, Jim Sweeney, Ann Weber, Tony Miltenberger and, of course, Mike Monahan. And in the West Chester Conference Center: Kim Lucas, Kathy (Boutell) Ainslie, Judy Patrick, Debbie George, Marla Donaldson and Tracy Bushman.

Many of these folks began their LSS careers as volunteers and, well, you know how the story goes. It just happens! I'm blessed to have known them all. Some are my closest friends to this day. Others I see occasionally, and it's like we haven't missed a beat. But I do know they've all left a legacy at LSS.

Change is inevitable! I still remember the day that Pat told me she was leaving. I couldn't imagine LSS without her. Little did I know at the time that my new boss would be my husband! God does have a sense of humor....

A few years later, Jim Quinn died. Jim was the only Basic facilitator LSS had ever known, so it was a turning point for the organization. Once again, LSS changed, but it also grew stronger. Jim's memory lives on with us today. I miss him.

I started at LSS as the receptionist, and I've held every position in the office, including executive director,



Nancy Monahan

until Mike was hired. So there isn't any job at LSS I haven't done. Some things I enjoyed more than others, but I've always understood the concept, "Get the job done, no matter what."

I never would've dreamed that part of my job would be to manage a campaign to raise \$1.5 million to build the West Chester Conference Center. But you know what? We did it! Why? Because the graduates of LSS wanted it done! And it's a much better Basic experience in the conference center than in a hotel with lots of people peeking into the room, wondering what we were up to. If you never experienced Basic in a hotel, use your imagination!

And as this chapter in my life comes to a close, I get to start on a new one! LSS will still be a part of my life. I love this place!

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Living a Legacy Across America

I've had a dream for the past 17 years, ever since I became LSS's executive director. *I want to eliminate handshakes and replace them with hugs!*

For 26 years, LSS has kept our organizational focus on Cincinnati, with a short time facilitating Basic seminars in Kansas City.

This year, LSS's strategy changed in a dramatic way. We decided it was time to take on America and see if we can make a big impact!

With the release of my book, *From the Jungle to the Boardroom*, we have the opportunity to let more people in on the LSS secret and the



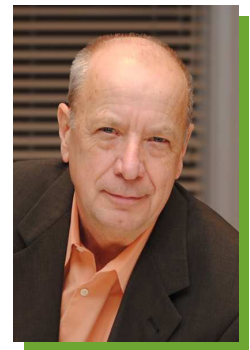
applications that we provide. (It doesn't hurt that the book debuted at #1 on *Inc.* magazine's best-seller list, thanks to all of your support!)

The LSS movement across America has started! After the release of my book, Tara Ellef and a group of committed grads successfully planned a "Preview to Success" event in May in Avon, Connecticut.

I spoke to more than 40 guests who received a copy of *From the Jungle to the Boardroom* from Tara. I shared stories from my book, and the group experienced a few exercises that we do during Basic. The book and the event were great ways to introduce LSS to people in New England!

In June, Stu and Cathy Scheller hosted a daylong event in Portland, Maine. I spoke with Stu's business associates about leadership and how LSS provides tools for improved decision-making.

We're committed to spreading the word about the



Mike Monahan
CEO and executive director

power of LSS across America! For more information on sponsoring an LSS event in your city, please contact **Ann Weber** at **513.874.0555** or **aweber@LifeSuccessSeminars.com**.

Imagine how different the world will be when everyone experiences what we offer at LSS. This is your opportunity to share in our Across America Legacy and make big things happen!

Mike

Living Her Legacy: Nancy Monahan Retires

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I've heard a few of the rumors out there, so let's clear them up. I've retired due to my health and complications from my brain surgery a few years ago. I'm OK, I just can't work 40+ hour weeks (and Basic and IPI) and have a life to do anything else that requires my eyes being open!

We tried some different

options, like working from home and redistributing duties. But let's face it, I'm getting old and tired. Fortunately, I'm learning my limits.

I want to enjoy my family. I have four beautiful grandchildren (and one on the way), and I want to be a part of their lives. I miss my kids. I miss my life. I want to find a way back

to it. And I want to heal as much as possible. I want to feel good again.

In the end, I'll finally, after 21 years, get to do what I wanted to do at LSS in the first place—volunteer in Basic and IPI! Whoopee!

I'm not going away, I'm just showing up differently.

I think I finally got "It!"

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Want to know the latest and greatest things that are going on at LSS? Then connect with us online!

This print newsletter comes your way every couple of months, but if you stay up-to-date with LSS online, you'll receive timely news on the organization.

We have a variety of ways for you to connect with LSS in the online world....

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The **Life Success Seminars Inc. Network** is a great platform to connect with other LSS grads about business and professional issues.

LSS on Twitter

Actually, that's Mike Monahan on Twitter. Mike is LSS's official Tweeter, so make sure to follow him **@MikeMonahan13**. You can keep up with Mike's thoughts. (Scary, we know!) And he just might follow you back!

LSS on YouTube

Don't forget about our YouTube channel, which can be accessed at www.youtube.com/lifesuccessseminars. You'll see an awesome clip of Joe Torre talking about Life

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Success at the White House. (Woo-hoo!) And there's a great keynote presentation by Mike Monahan.

No matter how you connect with LSS online, consider yourself virtually hugged!

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LSS Calendar

July 19
Evening of Centering
with Steve Sherwood

July 24
IPI Celebration at 4:30pm

September 13
Preview to Success—
Success is an Attitude!

September 25
IPI Celebration at 4pm
*PLEASE NOTE NEW
CELEBRATION TIME
STARTING IN SEPTEMBER!*

July 7-10

July 19

July 19

July 20-24

July 27

August 4-7

August 16

August 24

Sept. 8-11

Sept. 13

Sept. 20

Sept. 21-25

Sept. 28

Sept. 29-Oct. 2

Oct. 26-30

****SPECIAL NOTE**

Basic (Celebration on Sunday at 5pm)

Business@Breakfast: 7:30am-9am

Evening of Centering with Steve Sherwood: 7pm-9pm

IPI (Celebration on Sunday at 4:30pm)

InnerCircles for Women Luncheon: 11:30am-1pm

Basic (Celebration on Sunday at 5pm)

Business@Breakfast: 7:30am-9am

InnerCircles for Women Luncheon: 11:30am-1pm

Basic (Celebration on Sunday at 5pm)

Preview to Success—Success is an Attitude: 7pm-8pm

Business@Breakfast: 7:30am-9am

IPI (Celebration on Sunday at 4pm—Please note *NEW* time for Celebration.)

InnerCircles for Women Luncheon: 11:30am-1pm

Basic (Celebration on Sunday at 5pm)

Next Step

*Starting on Sunday, Sept. 25, IPI Celebrations will be at 4pm.***