



BusiMom's Journal

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RSVP for the next meeting:

East Valley EMA Meeting

Monday, March 2nd

Registration:

6:15pm - 6:30pm

Time: 6:15pm - 9:00pm

Location:

Radisson Hotel

7475 West Chandler

Chandler, AZ 85226

RSVP to **Marcia Holding**
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by **Thursday, Feb. 26, 2009.**
Dinner: \$22.00 before Thursday 2/26/2009 and \$25.00 at the door or after 2/26.



The theme this month is "SPRING TRAINING".

Let's SPRING into action in our businesses and show enthusiasm by wearing a **BASEBALL JERSEY** and **CAP** to the next meeting!

EMA President's Message

I am so pleased to be your EMA President this year. I want to share with you a little bit about myself.

I am the Founder and Director of the Kids Love to Sign® Program, an international program that offers numerous signing class for children 3-8 year olds as well as a variety of signing resource and activity books. I have over 50 Kids Love to Sign® Instructors nationwide and in Canada, teaching parents, caregivers, and teachers how to communicate with babies, toddlers, and preschoolers through sign language. I have appeared on the NBC TODAY Show, NBC Nightly News, and in LIFE Magazine promoting the benefits of signing with children. The Kids Love to Sign® Program is The Kids Love to Sign® Program is dedicated to promoting enthusiasm for learning basic American Sign Language. The Kids Love to Sign® Program was featured on

Phoenix's educational television station know99. You can view the segment here: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xk327Uj91hl>

I joined EMA in 2003 and served as Vice President in 2006-2007. I was awarded the Entrepreneurial Mother's Association Mother of the Year Award in June 2008. As your President I would like to help strengthen our group, the sense of community we have with each other and to help our chapter grow. I feel very fortunate to have such a strong, positive, excited new EMA Board to work with this year. We are ready to make 2009 an outstanding year! If you haven't been to a meeting in awhile, please come back, you are missed! If you make the 1st Monday of every month a priority and have been attending regularly, we are so glad to see you! Be on the look out for new,

exciting improvements and changes to our monthly meetings as well as additional opportunities to network and develop the relationships we have with each other.

Any time you have comments, questions, ideas, or suggestions, please feel free to contact me and let me know!



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March Speaker

MIMI MEREDITH

Bloom where you're planted and grow a great business!

Mimi Meredith is a speaker who motivates and inspires in a way that makes you feel like you just had a conversation with someone who knew just what you needed to hear. For entrepreneurial moms, that might be because Mimi has been exactly where you are! What does it take to keep you business-minded, but with a sense of joy and passion for the work you do? How do you identify the obstacles that can sabotage your forward motion? What do you do during "these times" to make it through with your business

and spirit in tact? Well come listen to Mimi and she promises that, while we may not solve all of our problems, we'll have a good time addressing them together and we'll all come away the better for the time we spend together.

Before moving to Arizona in 2000, Mimi Meredith and her husband Greg lived in Kansas for 16 years, where they had their three children. Mimi was a fully engaged working mom with experience that included a stint in radio news, advertising agency work, owning her own PR firm for four years and non-profit marketing and development work for an agency that served adults and children with special needs. After moving to Arizona, Mimi worked for four years as the

director of public relations for Bashas' supermarkets. She has spent the last five years pulling together the foundation for her speaking and consulting business, Goodness Grows®. You can learn more about her business on her web site, THE goodness grows. com, and from there, you can link to the Bloomin' Blog, where Mimi dispenses random thoughts on everything from why children should be taught manners to what to do when you've lost your job. Her business goal is to help more people learn to bloom where they are planted. Because, as Mimi says, the time to be happy is now--just as you are, where you are.



MIMI MEREDITH

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March Member Speaker

Susan Rivera is an Independent Health and Wellness Coach with First Fitness and the amazing "TEN DAY" Suddenly Slim Detox / Weight Loss Program.

Susan will share about the health, wellness and weight loss benefits of CLEANSING AND DETOXIFICATION!

Do your SPRING CLEANING on the inside of your body so you can be more effective in everything you do! Susan is married to Alberto, and has five children. She lives in Gilbert and has been active in the Health and Wellness Industry for over 30 years.

Visit her website for more information
www.firstfitness.com/SusanR

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