# The Golden Thread

First Quarter Edition

# NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION: BE BIGGER AND BOLDER

A look into 2023 and Beyond!

Hello NSN Los Angeles! We hope 2023 is going well for you all! Time really flies. It has been one year since the NSN LA Chapter came roaring back on the scene. In that year our chapter has held several amazing events, providing great opportunities for networking, professional and personal development, and of course, fun!

In addition to our local events, in August, the LA Chapter had a huge presence at the National NSN Annual Conference in Atlanta. The LA Chapter won several honors at the conference including a fully stocked hospitality suite for our members and front row VIP seating for the keynote address by LA's own Issa Rae!

2022 was fantastic, and we are growing and building on that success in 2023! We are off to a great start already. In February, we had the Get Connected to the Network event. This was a wonderful brunch in Marina del Rey, featuring a live jazz band and an opportunity to network with our stellar sponsors and professionals from several industries.

Up next, on Thursday, March 23rd, is Maximizing Personal Profits, an expert panel discussion focusing on ways we can use our resources of time, money, and energy to create our best lives. Please be sure to register for this event and join us at Fogo de Chao in Beverly Hills for this important discussion.

We have a great deal planned for 2023, which will include further opportunities for professional and personal growth, members only events, new member happy hours, a Juneteenth Jubilee, conference preparation & interviewing workshops, and so much more!

This year, the NSN Annual Conference & Career Fair will be held at the Sheraton Dallas Hotel from August 2-4. We hope to see you there!



### **Meet Our New Members**





Jennifer Diaz Puahi's Polynesian Dance Company



Lindsey Fackler Sanofi



Jessica Galvin Open to Work



Kendall Youngblood Cardinal Health



Matt Montoya
Mars Petcare



Madeline Griffith Medtronic



Benjamin Hinton Norstella



James Huddleston Virgin Pulse



Akosua Mireku Divine Feminine Business Activation



Cheldon West Stryker



Jon-Stephen Scott Sunovian



Tishanda Sparks



Bryson Spencer Stryker



Cindra Jake Novo Nordisk



Chia Dwire
GE HealthCare



Ermias Fekadu Janssen



Aaron Wilson

## Membership Has Its Privileges

NSN LA would be nothing without our wonderful chapter members. The greatness of our chapter is a clear reflection of the members. We are excited to announce that 12 new members have joined the chapter since December 2022.

Fun fact, our first new member of 2023 was Jessica Galvin. We would like to celebrate Jessica being the first this year with a \$25 Amazon gift card. Congratulations Jessica!

Members have access to members only events, exclusive job opportunities, 1:1 access to professional coaching, NSN LA swag and much more. If you're still debating being a member, now is the time to invest in yourself!



Are you looking for your next big opportunity? Click the icon to see exclusive job openings available to NSN LA Members.



# QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER MEMBERS CORNER

### **Member Spotlight**

#### Genise Easter



Genise Easter is currently serving as VP of Business Development for the Los Angeles Chapter and has been a member of NSN since 2020. As the VP of Business Development, Genise handles all the communications in the recruitment and relationship management of our corporate sponsors. This is an essential function of our chapter as all the programming and activities for the LA Chapter are made possible through the support of our sponsors.

Genise is a Senior Specialty Sales Representative at Amgen selling medical therapies including biologics in the Inflammation Business Unit. She obtained her start in pharmaceuticals as a summer intern for Merck and has been in sales for over 20 years. Genise has sold a variety of products and devices to multiple physician specialties. During her career journey, she has won numerous awards and demonstrated success and leadership at Amgen and former companies including Merck, Roche/Genentech and Novo Nordisk.

# **Linked in Corner**

The following are LinkedIn courses to support professional learning and development. Trainings take on average 30 minutes to complete. Click the Icons to begin.







#### **MEMBERS CORNER**

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Members Only

# NSN LA Mentorship Program

Let's break down barriers and create opportunities for success! "Take Your Career to The Next level"

Participation as either a mentor or mentee will provide you with the opportunity to build connections and community, support others, and better understand your role within your school, organization, or professional network.

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**Click Here to Apply!** 

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Complete the online application by 4/8

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Expect to be paired with your mentor or mentee by 4/15

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# ACCELERATED BOOTCAMP

The Accelerated Bootcamp is designed to serve as a fast past 6-week learning opportunity for professionals & recent grads looking to successfully break into the sales arena. Participants will have access to training materials, mentoring, and coaching with sales executives. Furthermore, the Accelerated Bootcamp will successfully prepare participants for the complete interviewing process with top sales companies.



#### **6-Week Training Course**

Training and coaching will begin the week of June 19th, and will continue on until the week of July 24th.

Sessions will be held virtually on Thursday of each week.



#### 1:1 Mentorship & Coaching

Each program member will be assigned a coach to review and process the weekly content. They will also be eligible for 1:1 mentorship from leading sales professionals



#### Interview Workshop

In-depth training sessions on the intricacies of interviewing. There will also be an in-person mock interview with leaders from our corporate sponsors.



#### **Brand Building Session**

Learn how to create Executive Presence in-person and online. Resume Building, Dress to impress, LinkedIn Presence, etc.

#### What are the

### Requirements?

- Involvement is on a voluntary basis
- Must be willing to commit to the 6 week time frame.
- Must be a member of the NSN Los Angeles
  Chapter

## **Ready to Apply?**



Leader Application

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**



## **West Region Reception**

April 20-21

A reception like no other and a must to attend!! Not only will the reception allow members to NETWORK with sponsors and meet new people, but the reception will also include the potential to INTERVIEW with hiring managers. The opportunity to ADVANCE your career will be in your hands in your backyard.

**Click to Register** 

#### **Professional Conference**

August 2-4

"The New Corporate Intrapreuner- Accelerate Your Career" REGISTRATION NOW OPEN. Don't miss the opportunity to meet with 50+ different companies, participate in 15+ workshops, hear from an expert VP panel, receive early career development, attend sessions led by career insight and sales management professionals! You can build a customizable day to maximize your time, to focus on your development, and to socialize with new friends.

**Click to Register** 





#### **Student Conference**

September 30-October 2

Join top performing students (undergraduate and graduate) from across the United States for an opportunity of a lifetime to participate in a 2-day comprehensive marketing, sales, and business leadership development program. Explore and engage others through peer-to-peer, professional and executive networking, along with mentorship opportunities. For questions or inquiries please email studentconference@salesnetwork.org

Click to Register

## Why Become a Sponsor?



National Sales Network is the ONLY professional organization positioned to help you diversify your sales organization at ALL job levels. Our database includes over 50,000 professionals that represent some of the BEST sales, sales management and sales executive talent in the country. Chapter membership includes:

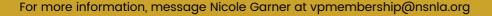
- 2 Minute Presentation at Events
- 1:1 Time with Members
- 4 Tickets for Each Event
- Sponsor logo on marketing

For more information, message Genise Easter at vpbusinessdevelopment@nsnla.org

## Why Become a Member?

We've transformed our NSN LA Chapter membership offerings to encompass virtual/in person professional development, career advancement, job employment, community outreach, and networking opportunities with top global companies.

- Skill Development: Opportunities for multiple types of professional development
- Community Involvement: Mentoring Financial Return: Free and/or opportunities and other local chapter
- Networking: Connect with local professionals and corporate partners
  - discounted admission for local





# Why Join The Leadership Team?



If you are looking to sharpen your leadership skills and make a lasting impact, consider joining NSN LA's Leadership Team.

The Leadership Team is responsible for developing impactful events, providing mentorship to members, and ensuring the progression of a successful chapter.

Available Positions:

- Director of Finance
- Conference Planning Team
- Social Media Lead

For more information, message Therese Dodds at president@nsnla.org



#### **Stay Connected**

Scan the QR code to access links for membership, upcoming events, sponsorship, annual conference registration and more!

# Thank You to Our Sponsors

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