



Jeanne Englehart

Birth: 1952

Death: N/A

Father: Bill Englehart

Mother: Maxine

Jeanne Englehart was born in Alpena, Michigan, and grew up in the Atlanta, Michigan, area. She attended Bowling Green State University and Central Michigan University (1976-1980). Jeanne attended various universities as she followed her husband about the Midwest. Her college major was classical music and business.

In 1976, Jeanne divorced her first husband and met her second husband, Jack Novick, at a computer training seminar in the early 1990s. Eric Saxe is Jeanne's older son; Cameron is her younger one.

Her resume included the following:

- 1980-1981 Hoskins Geophysical in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan
- 1981-1983 Morbach Industries, working as an executive assistant to the person in charge of media and community relations.
- 1983-1985 Computerland of West Michigan (owned by George and Mary Teachman), writing manuals for computer training
- 1986 Jeanne founded Englehart Training Centers (after 1-2 years, she took on Jerry Engle as a partner). At the time of the interview, Jerry Engle owned Computer Products and Resources.

Jeanne later founded the franchise of Productivity Point International, which is self-directed learning or just-in-time learning. In 1998, she sold the franchise to Knowledge Universe. In the summer 1998, Jeanne was at Symphony Summer Pops when someone asked her about politics. From then on, Jeanne worked as Vern Ehlers Community Services Director (a/k/a the local PR person).

After attending so many computer conferences, Jeanne helped to set up the International Computer Training Association (ICTA). Jeanne also served on the boards of the Rotary Club, Hadassah, Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce, Walker Charter Academy, YWCA Tribute Committee, and West Michigan Academy of Music for Girls.

In 1989, Jeanne was selected Greater Grand Rapids Entrepreneur of the Year and in 1990 National Career Woman of the Year.

At the time of her interview, Jeanne was a member of a group called Type A Tappers—a group of 50-60-year-old local women, over-achievers that got together once a week and tap danced.

Jeanne Englehart never really set out to make a name for herself, but with all of her life experiences, both personally and professionally, she did just that. Growing up in her family, Jeanne had no role models in business, but she knew that she wanted more out of her life than what she saw around her growing up in Atlanta, Michigan. She left Atlantic and became a success entrepreneur.

Other Resources

http://www.mlive.com/business/west-michigan/index.ssf/2013/08/jeanne_englehart_is_humbled_by.html

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