



TAKING THE LEAD ...



Meet **Louann Magi, LP '14** Principal, L'IMAGE Design Studio

Louann joined LHC's Board of Directors in July and we're delighted to welcome her and her creativity!

How do you define leadership? Leadership is the art of motivating a group of people to act toward achieving a common goal. In a business setting, this can mean directly working with colleagues with a strategy to meet the company's needs.

What leader inspires you and why? Oprah Winfrey. She is one of the world's most powerful business leaders who exerts a great deal of influence on popular culture and mainstream society. She overcomes the odds to empower an entire generation of women to succeed.

What is your favorite thing about being a leader? In order to effectively lead in my community, I need to be armed with as much quality information as possible. The quality of one's life can be directly traced to the quality relationships that are present or lacking. Being a leader allows for life-changing relationships to develop regularly ... and you can't beat that!

What is your favorite leadership quote? "The big secret in life is that there is no big secret. Whatever your goal, you can get there if you're willing to work."

- Oprah Winfrey

What would you say to someone considering getting involved with LHC? I think LHC's mission statement says it best ... Leadership Howard County is the critical force in preparing, inspiring, connecting, and sustaining community leaders to make Howard County the best place to live, work, and play.

What are your go-to hobbies or pastimes? Playing individual sports ... running, biking, swimming, and weight-lifting. Reading (non-fiction and fiction). Cooking and anything creative!