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## Time to Apply Pre-Emergent

By Pauline Shirley

Driving by the local nursery the past couple of weeks, I've read these words on their marquee without even blinking much less thinking: "Time to apply pre-emergent." Time to apply pre-emergent." What is pre-emergent? It's that chemical applied to lawns that stops the growth of weeds before they get started, much less get a stranglehold on lawns destroying their beauty. Selective, it only destroys weeds. Wouldn't it be great if there existed a pre-emergent that stops the growth of self-doubt and

negativity in people before it even starts? Halting them before they creep into lives and get a stranglehold on self-esteem, confidence and creativity. With a scheduled date to apply and a guarantee, they could never permeate attitude and self-confidence slowing productivity and halting promotions and growth.

Do you know people who need pre-emergent? How about yourself?

Have you checked your attitude lately? Don't let the negativity go too long before you do something.

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## GET READY! By Judy Womack

It is amazing how many people are working at jobs where they are miserable...people who have dreams, but are waiting until the time is right to pursue them (hopefully you are not one of them).

The truth is...there is no better time than now to get started! The majority of people who wait never seem to get to the place of doing what they love for there is always something else to get in the way.

Start re-evaluating where you are in life TODAY!

Ask yourself these questions:

- Am I doing what I want to be

doing or am I letting valuable time slip by?

- Do I always have excuses as to why I am still stuck in a rut?
- What is holding me back from taking the steps necessary to move ahead?
- Do I really want to do something different?
- What do I need to do to get started?
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- How can I make it happen?

Even if you cannot quit your job and go 'full-steam' ahead, at least get started and do what you can. You will be that much further ahead when the time does come that you can devote yourself to your dream more fully.

For example, even if you can't start your business today, you can begin



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to make contacts and build the marketing database you will need... or you can get your business plans together...or read books and take courses to improve your skills.

Start taking steps toward your goal. road' running.

**DO SOMETHING!**

When the time comes that you are able to begin, you will be ready to jump in and 'hit-the-

Congratulations! You are on your way!

**Pre-Emergent** (continued from Page one)

Removing negativity that has deeply taken root more difficult than the backbreaking work of pulling weeds. You can be your own pre-emergent.

Listen to what you say to yourself. Write it down. Read what you've written. Are you filling your head full of negative thoughts, grumbles and complaints? If

you are, you can bet you are also listening. Become consciously aware of what your inner voice is telling you. Coach it to be encouraging. Start listening to what you are saying to others. Are your words positive and enriching? Listen to your tone of voice as well as your words. Is your voice cheerful and enthusiastic? Or is it cynical

and caustic? Remember to apply pre-emergent before the weeds of self-doubt and negativity start to grow. It's a "do it yourself" job. You and everyone around you will appreciate the beautiful weed-free lawn of positive attitude and optimism.

Time to apply pre-emergent!

**Organization Spotlight: Women of Visionary Influence**

Women of Visionary Influence (WOVI) brings leadership, mentoring and educational programs and growth to women of all professions, ethnicities, interests and ages. Hosting its Fifth Annual Conference and Mentor Recognition Luncheon for Women on October 6 & 7 at the Holiday Inn Select, 1655 North Central Expressway, Richardson, Texas, WOVI celebrates with the theme: *Women Together: Courageous! Competent! Confident.* For details and registration please visit: [www.wovi.com](http://www.wovi.com).

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