

THIS YEAR WE'RE EXPLORING HOW TO MAKE THE IMPOSSIBLE ... POSSIBLE

Does it feel like a win-lose equation? Either family well-being OR gender equity? We don't think so, especially if we follow Anne-Marie Slaughter's excellent advice.

Join us on the 2nd Thursday of every month ... We are launching the season this October with Anne-Marie Slaughter. When her article "Why Women Still Can't Have it All" went viral, we immediately recognized adding "men and women" to each of her 5 mandates summarized ThirdPath's mission. This year we'll be exploring each mandate during our Thursdays with ThirdPath webinars. We have also asked some of our favorite organizations fighting for change to join us!

Anne-Marie Slaughter's mandates will make the impossible possible ... Read on to see why we believe these mandates are as important today as when she first wrote about them. Guess what you'll discover? They not only map out a road to family-well being AND gender equity ... they also help us become an innovation nation!

Be inspired about why change is possible ... Together we can make this happen! Join us all year long. We promise each webinar will inspire you about why the impossible is actually possible, as we launch another amazing year of Thursdays with ThirdPath webinars

Thanks for being part of the growing, vibrant, inspiring ThirdPath community!

/Jessica and the ThirdPath team

PS - Want a copy of the Thursdays with ThirdPath postcard we just mailed out? Email us at: [Time4Life\(at\)ThirdPath.org](mailto:Time4Life@ThirdPath.org) -- we'll put a copy in the mail.

The New Revolutionaries

Starting in October we will be exploring how to make the impossible, possible - how to promote family well-being AND gender equality!

Brigid Schulte does a great job looking at this in her book *Overwhelmed, Work, Love and Play When No One Has the Time*. In it she describes the web of forces that make us feel stuck in a life that is going too fast - a life that includes little time for reflection and even less time for joy.

Schulte wants us to think bigger:

She asks, "What if not just women, but both men and women, worked smart, more flexible schedules? What if the workplace itself was more fluid than the rigid and narrow ladder to success of the ideal worker? ... And what if both men and women became responsible for raising children and managing the home, sharing work, love, and play? Could everyone then live whole lives?"

At ThirdPath we are putting these revolutionary ideas into practice:

People who are part of the ThirdPath community are showing us how to push back at overwhelm. They have also discovered, changing their approach to work and family is not just good for their own lives, but good for their workplaces.

CJ is one of the new revolutionaries:

CJ is one of the father's ThirdPath has worked with to "redesign" his work so he had more time to care for his children. Our job was to help CJ find a "win-win" solution - one that was good for him and good for his workplace. [Read more.](#)

Join this month's Thursday with ThirdPath webinar. We'll be sharing one-of-a-kind information and gathering your thoughts on how ThirdPath can support your journey!

Anne-Marie Slaughter's Mandates for Change

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Men and Women Changing the Culture of Face Time

This is at the root of ThirdPath's work; encouraging men and women - at any point in their careers - to look for the unique flexibility in their jobs. Not every job can be flexed in the same way, but there is a flexible solution for every job.

NEW - Men and Women Creating Win-Win Boundaries

To follow an integrated approach to work and life also means learning how to set win-win boundaries, otherwise flex becomes working days, nights, weekends and vacations.

Men and Women Redefining the Arc of a Successful Career

ThirdPath's Pioneering Leaders - the male and female senior leaders we work with who have all "walked the talk" - are helping us learn how to make this a reality. Together we are exploring the opportunities and barriers of creating workplaces that support an integrated approach from entry level to executive level.

Men and Women Revaluating Family Values

That's what we've been doing since launching ThirdPath - our ground breaking work supporting Shared Care families. We help both mothers and fathers redesign work (and careers!) so they can stay actively involved in the joys and responsibilities of caring for children. We've also learned this approach is key to balancing work and elder care.

Men and Women Rediscovering the Pursuit of Happiness

Following a "third path" means learning how to do a great job at

work AND have time for life - an approach you can learn early in your life and then continue to apply all the way through phasing into retirement..

Men and Women Becoming an Innovation Nation

Lotte Bailyn discovered this in her pioneering work around the "dual agenda" where she designed solutions that were good for business and employees' personal lives. Over and over again, our pioneering ThirdPath community has taught us, when you encourage employees to follow this approach - men and women, parents, single persons and grandparents - each will find ways to improve how they work.