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In this issue of the *Journal of Women in Educational Leadership*, Jean Haar reports on the development of the Midwest Women's Leadership Institute (MWLI) at Minnesota State University Mankato. Her report provides an example of an effort to "Point the Way" for women leaders.

The planning of the Institute suggests key elements for sustaining the initiative and provides a model of collaborative planning that is likely to assure the continuity of the initiative. The Midwest Women's Leadership Institute is a positive response to the need for leadership development activities. The network developed through the Institute is an excellent benefit of participation. The response to the Institute in a time of economic uncertainty indicates the importance of the event.

Those who had the opportunity to attend the Institute have expanded their professional networks. The outreach possibilities for the charter group of participants are phenomenal. Congratulations to all who were involved in the development of the Institute. Thanks, also, to Jean Haar for chronicling the event for us!