

Career Corner

Building A Career From Home

(NAPSA)—If you're a mom in the workplace and would prefer your living room to the boardroom, you're not alone.

A 2007 Pew Research study found that nearly 20 percent of working mothers would prefer not to work outside the home and 60 percent of women say part-time work would be ideal.

"Working from home can be an excellent alternative, as well as a social and creative outlet, for those moms who wish to contribute financially to their families while staying at home with their children," says Shelli Gardner, CEO and co-founder of Stampin' Up! "When looking for a job, at home or otherwise, mothers should focus on opportunities that reflect their personal interests and where they can make a difference."

Gardner offers these tips to women looking to work from home:

- **Pursue Your Passion**—You'll be more successful and productive working in a job about which you are passionate.

- **Identify Options**—It is important to identify a variety of work-at-home options and look at them carefully to determine which one is best for you.

- **Do Your Research**—Make sure to talk to other women who work at home with the one or two companies you've identified to find out how they are enjoying their experience.

When determining if you should work from home, ask yourself these questions. Is working from home about:

- making money



There are a number of opportunities for women looking to work from home.

- saving money
- being near your kids
- pursuing your passion
- enjoying a social environment?

Gardner says her company—which is a leading manufacturer and distributor of an exclusive line of decorative rubber-stamp sets and accessories for home decor, greeting cards, craft projects and scrapbooking—offers wonderful work-at-home opportunities.

"We provide women with the opportunity to build their own business as independent contractors and work from home while doing what they love—sharing creativity with family and friends in the home environment," explains Gardner. "Women also enjoy the flexibility and balance that can support their family, work, and personal goals."

For more information about work-at-home opportunities, visit www.stampinup.com/workathome or call (800) STAMP-UP, code Homebiz108.