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### **Building Your Mission Statement**

Are you interested in creating your own Mission statement for your life? Franklin Covey, the best selling Author of the Seven Habits of Highly Effective People has a web based resource that allows you in 10 minutes to build your own Mission statement.

it is an excellent self-analysis tool that will help you identify and clarify your goals.

In addition to building personal mission statements, you can build one for a family and a team.

http://www.franklincovey.com/msb/

#### **National Issues**

30 YEARS OF A GLOBAL BILL OF RIGHTS FOR WOMEN

Stories of CEDAW initiated by the Pathways of <u>Women's Empowerment Research Programme Consortium</u> (http://www.pathways-of-empowerment.org) and <u>One World Action</u> (http://www.oneworldaction.org) are inviting individuals and organizations to join them to celebrate CEDAW at 30.

The Convention of Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) was adapted by the UN General Assembly in December 1979 and has since been ratified by 185 countries.

To mark CEDAW's 30th birthday, the call for stories, testimonies and reflections about CEDAW are being invited to reflect on how CEDAW has been used to address injustice and to open up pathways of women's empowerment.

If you have a story or thoughts about CEDAW that you'd like to share, email CEDAW at <a href="mailto:info@stories-of-cedaw.net">info@stories-of-cedaw.net</a>

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#### **Book talk**

## Nancy, Bird. My God! Its A Woman

This is the story of Nancy Bird, one of Australia's early woman pilots. In 1933, when

women were still expected to man the nations kitchens, nineteen-year-old Nancy Bird obtained her commercial pilots licence.



the world.

It was an exciting period in aviation. Long distance flights in single engined aircraft captured the imagination of people all over the world, aero clubs flourished, and the exploits of legendary figures such as Charles Kingsford Smith, P.G. Taylor and Charles Ulm filled the newspapers. Nancy Bird shares her memories of these days and her flying contemporaries, such as Jean Batten and Amy Johnson. My God! it's a Woman spans Nancy's flying career in the outback, her travels in Europe and America and her flying comeback in the 1950's. It is a fascinating glimpse of a determined and courageous aviatrix, who has remained an active supporter of aviation throughout