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#### **EVERYBODY CAN SELL!**

Sales is Not a Dirty Word

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# **Today's Topics**



Everyone sells!

Aligning around common objectives

Reframing sales and changing industry paradigms

Empowering others to GROW

Proven growth strategies in every market



## THE 'ICKY' ISSUE

Sales has an 'icky' feeling to most people

Sales is a life skill

Everyone inherently knows how to do it... maybe they just forgot

You have to get over your own 'icky' stuff first in order to lead the change





## Our Industry Has Changed...





# A Walk Down Memory Lane

#### What's changed in our industry?

- Technology
- Government oversight and regulation
- Off shore globalization





## **The Evolution of Sales**





# Don't we all want the same thing? **COMMON OBJECTIVES**



# THIS IS YOUR SHIP'S CAPTAIN



Creating/communicating common objectives

- Simple, measureable goals that everyone can understand
- What are the key results for your organization and does every employee know what they are? How do you know?
- How is progress communicated?
  - Do you shield employees from "bad" news?
  - Are you overly optimistic at times?
  - Is communication reactive, or proactive?

# **REFRAMING SALES**

Changing an industry paradigm from the inside out Or... Redefining sales





# DON'T SAIL WITHOUT YOUR ENTIRE CREW

Empowering EVERYONE to G-R-O-W!

- Shatter perceptions
  - The receptionist can sell. Really!
  - Service IS NOT sales. It is an expectation.
  - Walk the talk. Executive level selling is critical.
  - "What else can you do?"



#### Sales = Growth

Relationships (Key in our business) Referrals (Ask and you shall receive) Job security (It's a fact!) Persuasion (Just convincing someone to do what you want)



#### **PROVEN GROWTH STRATEGIES** *The 5 "Arrrrrs!"*



- 1. RETAIN: Keep the clients you have
- 2. REFER: People like you, ask for their help
- 3. RENEW: Grow your business with the cheaters
- 4. REVIVE: The runaways
- 5. RECRUIT: The non-directing agent



# **Key Tactics - Retention**



- Thank clients for loyalty
- Review business trends from last year, ask for future commitments
- Know their preferences and some personal information
- Demonstrate through deed and words that they are not taken for granted
- Check in with them OTHER THAN a file update



# **Key Tactics: Referral**



- Convey appreciation for their professionalism, tell them you'd like more clients just like them
- Develop a list of people you don't work with, share it with key clients to see who they could introduce you to, refer
- Create a system to ask every key client 3-4 times per year
- Close to end of month... "I need your help before the end of the month..."
- Ask other industry vendors



# **Key Tactics: Renew and Revive**



- Revisit "lost" clients, determine how to regain, just ask!
- Most clients split, assume yours do too, and ask for a greater commitment this year
- Share your goals for this year, ask for their support



#### Key Tactics: Recruit *The Other Side Agent*



- They expect "less", it's easy to impress them
- Conduct a "service expectations" interview within 1 day of opening (Who?)
- Tell them in advance that your goal is to do such a good job that they want to direct their next deal to you
- Ask them to consider using you when they have a choice





# WHAT SHOULD THEY SAY TO THOSE PEOPLE???

- Create a Differentiating Statement: What makes what you different?
- Teach them how to tell their story
- Help them practice what to say

# TACTICS & Strategies



Quarterly or monthly campaigns Themed contests Target lists/accountability Call blitzes File check lists Provide scripts Training and development Executive Level Selling – Focus Groups





# **Ask for Orders!**



# Next Steps:

- 1. Address the 'ick factor'
- 2. Create common goals that everyone can get behind
- 3. Help your team to see their own value
- 4. Implement the 5 R's (RETAIN, REFER, RENEW, REVIVE, RECRUIT)
- 5. Ask for the business



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#### **THANK YOU!**

**Grow Big or Go Home!** 

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