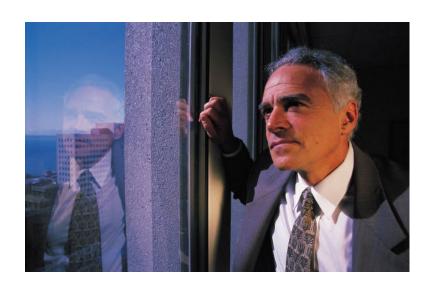


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Mr. Zeune is also widely published. He has published more than 40 professional articles and is the author of *The CEO's Complete Guide to Committing Fraud* and *Outside the Box Performance*. He has been a member of the Editorial Advisory Boards of the *Journal of Working Capital Management* and *The Ohio CPA Journal*.

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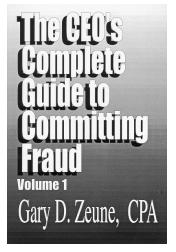
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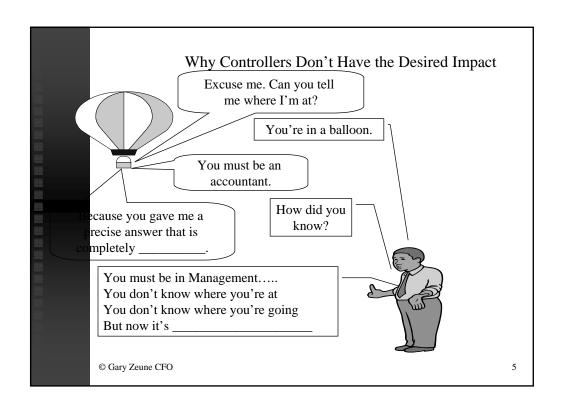
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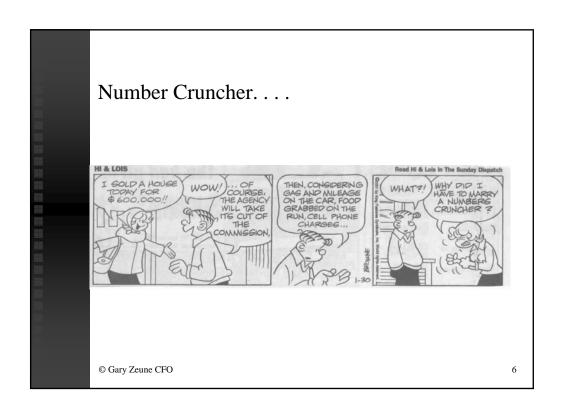
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Controller to CFO Skills

- 1. Why controllers don't have the desired impact
- 2. Do you want to work there
- 3. Staff and the bottom line
- 4. Situational leadership
- 5. Take bold risks and solve problems
- 6. "Branding" yourself
- 7. Managing conflict, anger and emotions
- 8. Developing finance talent
- 9. Getting the CFO job
- 10. Getting people to trust you
- 11. Business intelligence to the bottom line

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Leadership. . . .

is making crystal clear decisions based on highly ambiguous information.



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You Have to Know the BIG Picture

- "You must understand what keeps people in operations up all night."
- Learn to help sales and operations.
- "Not being able to see the big picture is "the single biggest thing" that holds CFO candidates back.
- Key to becoming CFO is broad exposure.
- Have impeccable integrity. "If you've spoiled your reputation along the way, there's no getting it back."



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The BIG (Xerox) Picture



- What business is Xerox in ______
- 1970 The _____ Company is _____
- 1995 The _____ Company is _____
- Impact of the internet
- What business is Xerox in _______

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Organizational Insanity

Is defined as doing the same thing over. . . and over . . . and over ing



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The Right Thing. . . .

Doing the right thing is easy.

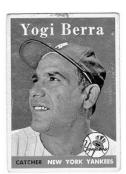
Knowing what the right thing is, is the hard part.

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"If you don't know where you're going, when you get there you'll be lost." -Yogi Berra



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What CEOs Think of Finance

- What CEOs get
 - Hard workers
 - Historical reporters
 - Data manipulators
 - Transaction processors
 - Reactors and followers
 - Corporate cops

- What CEOs want
 - Better information
 - Insight, not just facts
 - Plan the future
 - Become change agents
 - Act globally
 - Get new business
 - Reduce costs

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Are You the CFO Type?

- "I want to be just like you."
 Placeware controller asks CFO
 Kevin Evans.
- "Are you willing to get out and promote the company?" Evans responds.





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- Myers-Briggs springboard for development
- 3500 workers + 30% turnover + low patient satisfaction
- Eleanor McGee, VP Finance, "I apologized . . . Because I wasn't as good a listener as I thought."
- 2/3 of CFOs have strong "J" → organization and control
- A/P supervisor delivered reports at last minute
- Treasury director is organized and creative . . . "That's a very creative solution" is much better than "Thank you."
- Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award
- http://www.bhcpns.org/

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Myers-Briggs Type Indicator

ONE EXTREME	QUESTION	OTHER EXTREME
Introverted <	Where do you orient your energy?	Extroverted
Sensing ← fact info	How do you get your information?	→ Intuition
Thinking 4	How do you make decisions?	→ Feeling
Judging 4	Living —	Perceiving

41% of CFOs are introverted, pragmatic, logical thinkers, prefer to develop existing skills, make objective appraisal of the facts, and prefer organization to spontaneity.

For a good explanation of each personality 'type' see www.typelogic.com.

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10 Questions to be a CFO

- 1. Can you be a strategist
- 2. Can you handle office politics
- 3. Can you admit errors and not hide info
- 4. Can you do the right thing and rein in the CEO/Owner
- 5. Can you fix things pronto
- 6. Will you get out of the office and visit facilities + clients
- 7. Can you be "the face of the company"
- 8. Can you monitor non-financial triggers
- 9. Are you mystified by IT
- 10. Can you lead, not just manage

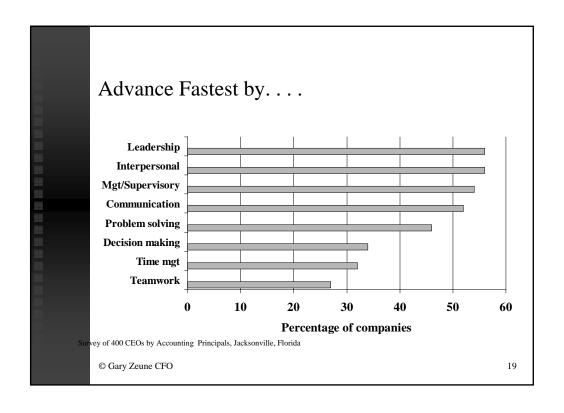
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10 Signs You Shouldn't Take the Job

- 1. Previous CFOs
- 2. CFO = Miracle worker
- 3. D&O exclusions
- 4. CEO = Dingbat
- 5. Premature revenue recognition
- 6. Study the trial balance
- 7. Review tax returns and deposits
- 8. CEO stays with you
- 9. "Mary, you have a call on line 1."
- 10. Auditors/funding sources/attorneys/board say. . . .

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The best executive. . . .

"The best executive is the one who has sense enough to pick good men to do what he wants done, and self-restraint enough to keep from meddling with them while they do it."

Theodore Roosevelt



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Tom Peters Says, "Brand Yourself"

- 90% of white collar jobs are at risk in next 10 years Tom
- 30% chance 80% of jobs will change in 10 years
- Web and ERP
- "People in cubicles must do things to get noticed."
- Accumulate a portfolio of projects



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The Brand 'You'

The new	The old
Out of the office with the client	In the office
Important lunch meetings to get ideas	Lunch with same old folks
At work on one important project	Ticking off to-do list
Two brainstorming sessions with outsiders/strangers	Six bureaucractic meetings
Mentally and emotionally drained at day's end	Bored out of your mind

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Future of Corporate Accounting

- Accounting will become a knowledge services profession
- 2 Mine data, turn information into knowledge
- 3 No longer just gather numbers, but become strategic partners
- "Accountant" will be replaced by "financial manager"
- **5** Provide the factual basis and strategic advice
- **6** Major growth areas for corporate financial professionals

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Disengaged Workers

- 19% of workers are actively disengaged
- Cost \$292 to \$355 BILLION
- Individual managers are a BIG variable
- Miss more days and less loyal
- Workers say
 - Don't know what is expected
 - Don't have materials
 - Don't have friends
- Can't get boss' attention
 Gallup Organization survey of 1,000 workers

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Best and Worst Jobs

BEST JOBS

- 1. Web site manager
- 2. Actuary
- 3. Computer Analyst
- 4. Software engineer
- 5. Mathematician
- 6. Computer programmer
- 7. Accountant

WORST JOBS

- 244. Sheet metal worker
- 245. Dancer
- 246. Cowboy
- 247. Construction worker
- 248. Fisherman
- 249. Lumberjack
- 250. Oil field laborer

Jobs Rated Almanac by Les Krantz at http://www.egguevara.com/shopping/articles/jobsrated.html#200

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Best and Worst Jobs

LEAST STRESS

- 1. Musical-instrument repairer
- 2. Florist
- 3. Medical records technician
- 4. Actuary
- 5. Forklift operator

MOST STRESS

246.Taxi driver

247.Race-car driver

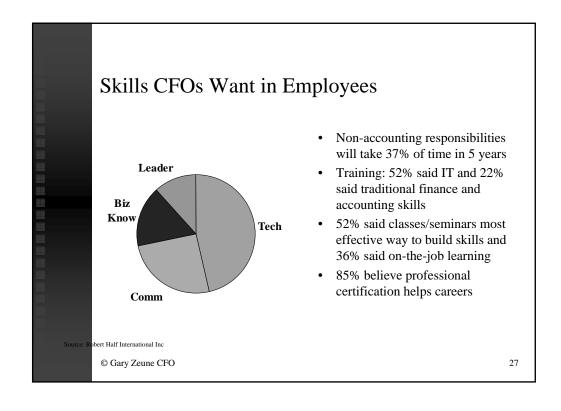
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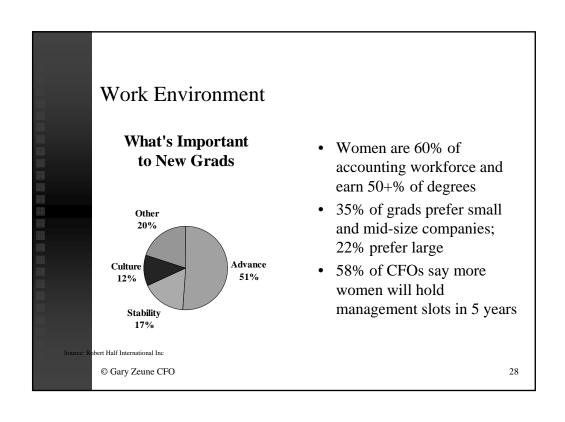
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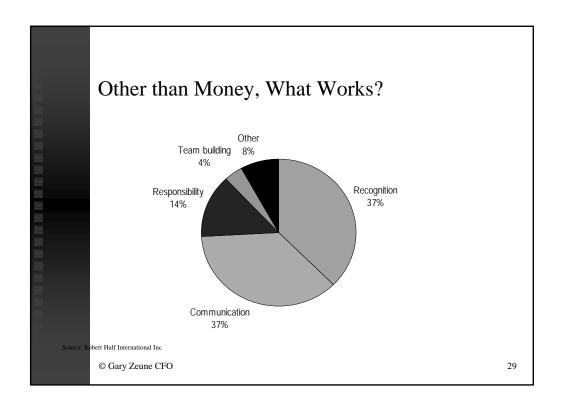
250. President of U.S.

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Don't Let Meetings Ruin Your Career

- 1. Poor meetings hurt productivity
- 2. At least 1 person falls asleep:
 - 1. Big companies 50%
 - 2. Small companies 26%
- 3. Writing report or doodling
 - 1. Shouldn't be there
 - 2. Don't know their role
 - 3. Don't hold people accountable



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How Meetings Boost Your Career

- 1. Be clear about the purpose
 - 1. Relay info or problem solve
 - 2. "I don't know the answer" OK
- 2. Take control
 - 1. Group dynamics
 - 2. Meeting mechanics
 - 3. Time limit
 - 4. Quick transition between items



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How Meetings Boost Your Career

- 3. Attend to details
 - 1. Can key people attend
 - 2. Create optimal setting
 - 3. Laptop computers with wireless hookups for anonymous feedback
- 4. Set practical goals



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Are Your Interviewing Skills Up to Date

- What can you do NOW
 - No longer 5 year question
 - · Rapid results
- How can you create synergy
 - How to manage to solve problems
- Decisive leader who's learned from mistakes
 - · Deal with adversity
 - Take a stand and adjust to change
- · Tell stories to show real-life problem-solving
 - The problem, solution, results
- Do you fit the company's culture
 - · Technical skills not enough

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Favorite Questions of Executive Recruiters

- If you had it to do all over again, what would your career choice be and why?
- 2. Has your career met your expectations?
- 3. How would your best friends describe you?
- 4. What's your biggest weakness?
- 5. Are you the right person for this job?



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Answering Executive Recruiters' Questions

- 1. What the meeting is for.
- 2. Understand yourself.
- 3. Think before you answer.
- 4. Consider the underlying intent of the question.
- 5. Realize you don't have to respond.



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Getting People to Trust You

"Learn by others' mistakes because you do not live long enough to make them all yourself."

Anonymous



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Are We Trustworthy

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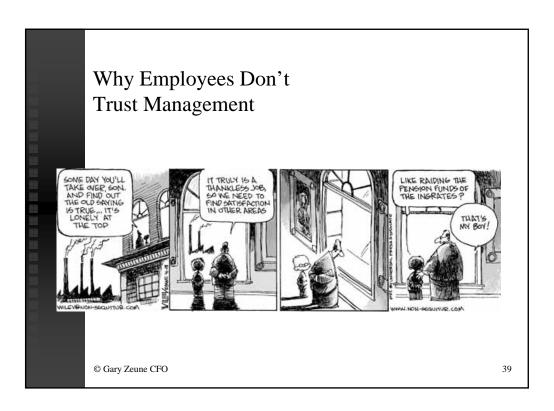
What Employees Want

A manager they respect.



"I don't know why some people find this so disagreeable. . . . I, for one, enjoy eating crow."

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Cost of Drug/Alcohol Abuse

- \$____ lost productivity
- \$____ combating abuse
- #____ workdays lost
- _____% drug users who are employed Fred Squillante/Columbus Dispatch
- _____% of workers who abuse drugs/alcohol
- ____ times more workers comp claims

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Chicken vs. Windshield

Sometimes it DOES take a Rocket Scientist....Scientists at NASA have developed a gun built specifically to launch dead chickens at the windshields of airliners, military jets and the space shuttle, all traveling collisions with airborne fowl to test the strength of the windshields.

sh engineers heard about the gun and were eager to test it on the windshield of their high-speed trains. Arrangements were made to borrow the gun. But when the gun was the engineers stood shocked as the chicken hurtled out of the barrel, crashed into the shatterproof shield, smashed it into smithereens, crashed through the control console, snapped the engineer's backrest in two, and embedded itself in the back wall of the cabin.

Horrified Britain's sent NASA the disastrous results of the experiment, along with the designs of the windshield, and begged the U.S. scientists for suggestions.

NASA's response was just one sentence: "______.'

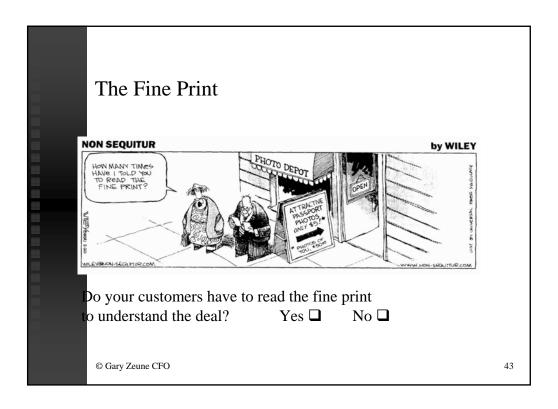
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Effects of Layoffs

- Leave 'surviving' employees over-burdened and demoralized
- Unintended effects of using attrition
- Lose informal knowledge network and communications

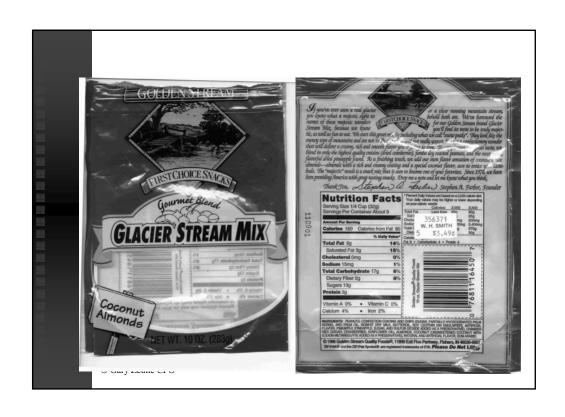
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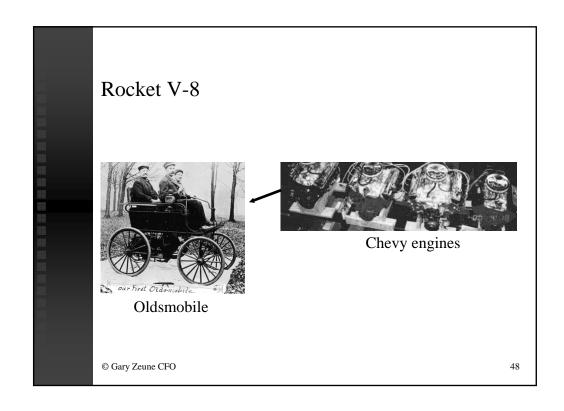












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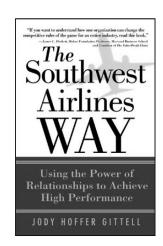


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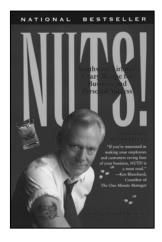
- Planes
- Routing
- Frequent flyer program
- Boarding
- Employee selection
- Customer perception
- · Gate turnaround



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Southwest Airlines #2

- Triple Crown Award
- · Travel agents
- Average flight in miles
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- New markets
- Growth



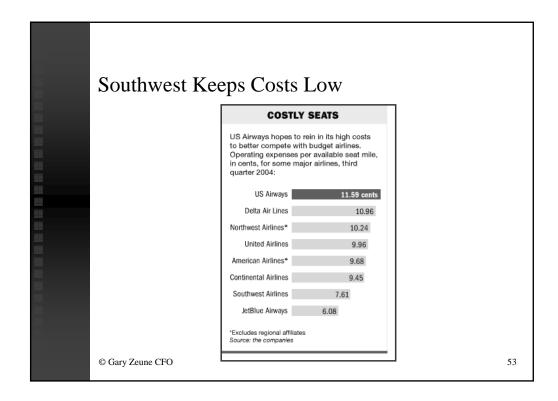
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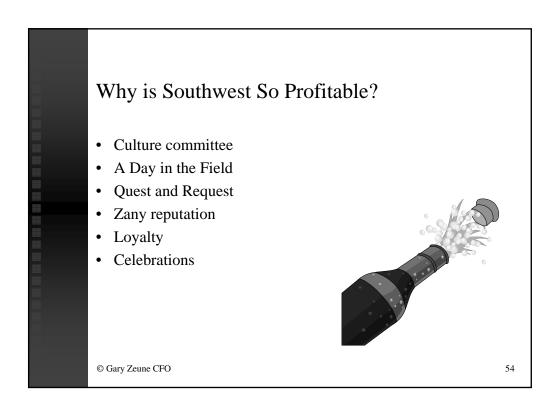
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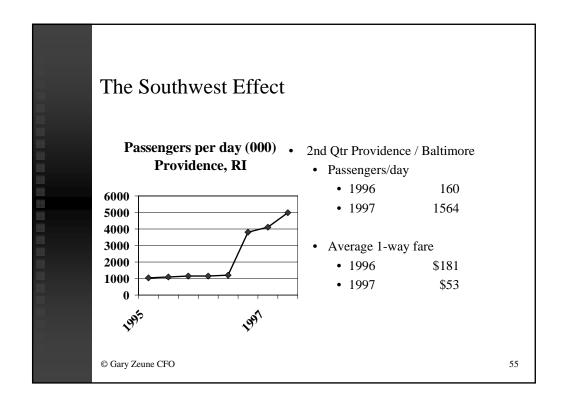
Southwest Airlines #3

- Flights per day
- Cost per mile
- Compensation
- Profit sharing
- P/E ratio
- Debt/equity ratio

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Southwest Invades Philadelphia Philly to: **Airline** Current Southwest Cleveland (US Air, Continental) \$1,162 \$184 Chicago (American, US Air, United) \$966 \$276 St. Louis \$324 (US Air) \$1,482 <u>Nas</u>nville (US Air) \$1,212 \$238 Raleigh (US Air) \$994 \$386 Orlando (US Air) \$958 \$332 Houston (United, US Air, Cont.) \$1,912 \$526

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\$1,904

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Southwest Wisdom

- "From day one, Southwest challenged the assumption that permanently reduced fares would cut revenue."
- "We'll train you on whatever it is you have to do, but the one thing Southwest cannot change in people is inherent desire."
- "Southwest will not assign you a seat. Your seat is reserved; you just don't know which one it is."
- "Southwest employees apply common sense, not rules, when it's in the best interest of the customer."

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Staff and the Bottom Line





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Working Today: The BIG Picture

- Employees not apathetic
- Employees have *very strong* emotions about their work
 - Myself; My job; My workplace
- Trust is mostly at personal level, not the organizational level
- Employees have road map to turn work into positive experience
 - See Employees Have vs. Want slide

to happy and motivated workers boost the bottom line?

5-year return increased 150% for a 95% increase in positive emotions toward work.

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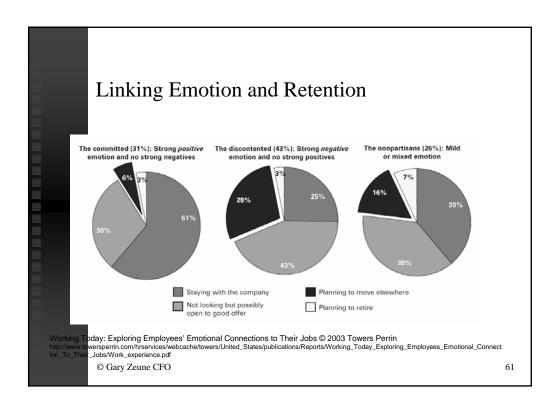
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Employee Have vs. Want

THE CURRENT PICUTURE	WHAT EMPLOYEES WANT
Self-doubt and distractions	Self-esteem
Lots of stress, no fun	An enjoyable work experience
Minimal anticipation, some dread	A job to look forward to every day
Distrust and negative environment	Great people to work with
Insufficient recognition + rewards	Consistent recognition + rewards
Insufficient sense of contribution	Results employees can create/contribute to
Boredom and repetition	Challenge, variety and stretch
Fears about economy, layoffs, no mobility	Promising future
Concerns about management competence	No concerns about management
Huge concerns about workload	Few concerns about workload

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Working Today: Employees' Connection to Their Jobs

CURRENT JOB

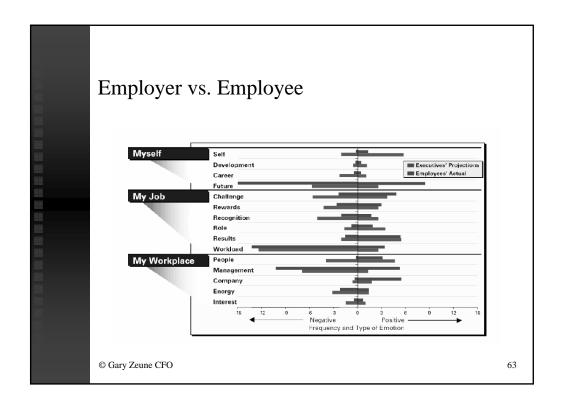
- Things are chaotic; lots of changes taking place very rapidly without necessary communication.
- I'm frustrated because I see how things could be done better and I can't do anything about it.
- I'm angry because there's not enough time to do what's required, so I often work without pay.

IDEAL JOB

- I'd feel exhilarated from the rush you get from doing a good job helping the company.
- I would feel trust, be trusted myself and surround myself with other who are trustworthy.
- I'd feel respected, not taken for granted.
- I'd feel productive because I'd be a valuable contributor.

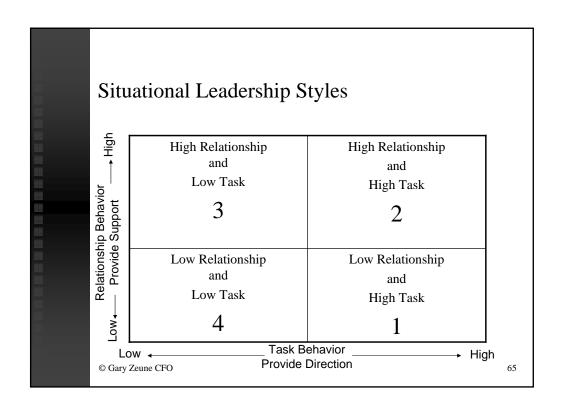
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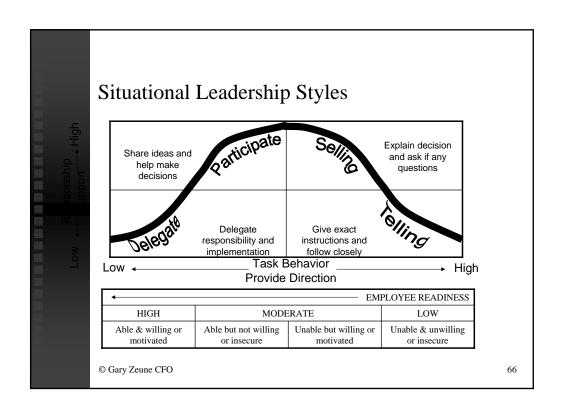
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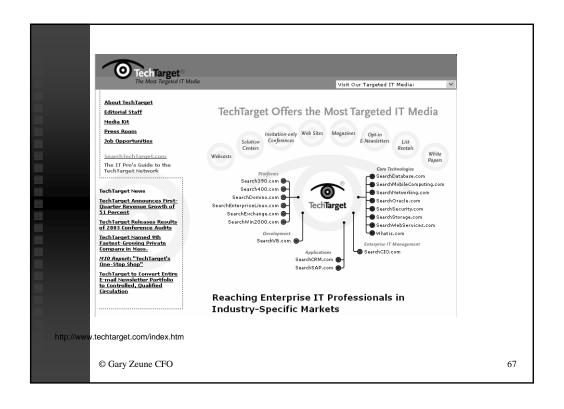


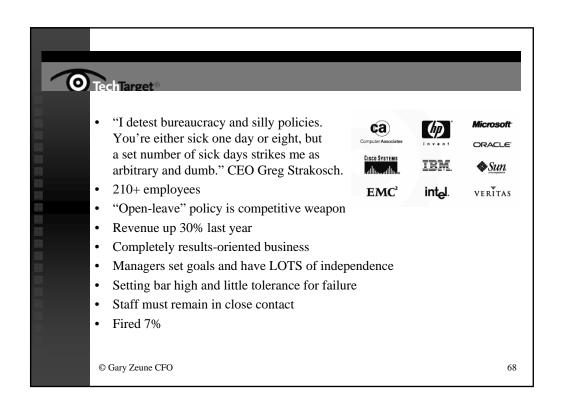
5 Ways to Connect Employees with the Bottom Line

- 1. Ask employees to write their own job description and how that makes the company money.
- 2. Write a brief description of what the company makes or sells and company goals.
- 3. Not just busywork.
- 4. Get everyone to write down customer questions. Training to answer uniformly for lower cost and repeat business.
- 5. Rather than measure everything with dollars, use time.











Granite Rock



On-time deliveries have gone from 70% to 95%.



Granite Rock's quarry operations are where quality meets the product.

- Malcolm Baldridge National Quality Award 1992
- If you resist unusual request you won't see where your company is _____
- Safety is a daily operating priority
- Takes years to change
- Productivity 30% above industry
- Emphasize hidden cost of slow service and substandard materials

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Granite Rock Doubled Profits in 5 Years

3 Customer-Empowering Systems:

- "YES We Will!"
- Short-pay method .2% vs. 2%
- Continual customer surveys
- Individual Professional Improvement
 - 40 hours/year = \$2000
 - 13x industry average

400 employees 250 in 5 unions 15 plants



A typical application of Granite Rock's material is in road building



Granite Rock is highly computerized.

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Gainsharing

- Reward employees to beat goals
- ■17% in 1st year
- ■100% in 5 years
- Grievances
- Absenteeism
- Pay frequency depends

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How to Share the Gain



Workers

Company

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Gainsharing . . . Your Key to Success?

- Change standard of living
- Accountable for
- Communicate
- Use dollar-based formula
- People are assets

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What Gets Measured Gets Done

Measurement	Behavior	Side Effect
% aircraft pulling back from gate on time		
Number of phone calls to a service center lasting more than 3 minutes		

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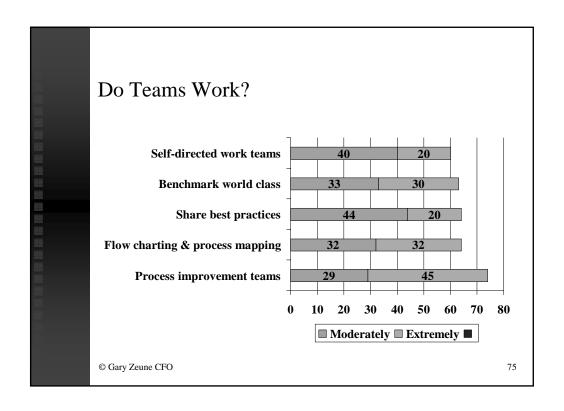
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Self-directed Work Teams

Fundamentally Different Way to Get the Work Done



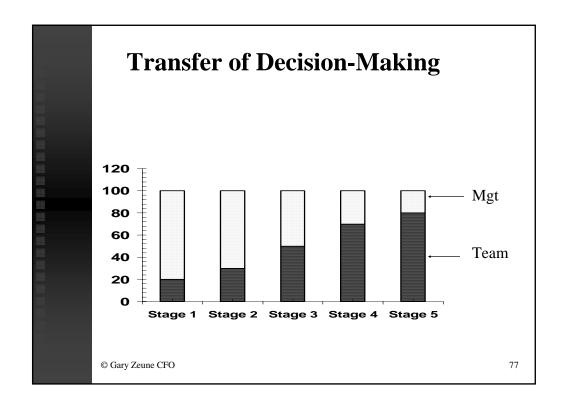
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Self-directed Work Teams

- General characteristics
- Cross-functionalism and training
- Decision-making authority
- Trust and empowerment
- SDWTs are not quality circles

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The 5 Stages of SDWTs

Stage 1 - Start-up

Stage 2 - State of confusion

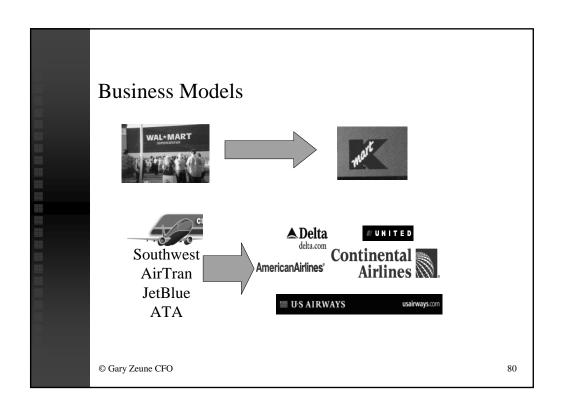
Stage 3 - Leader-centered teams

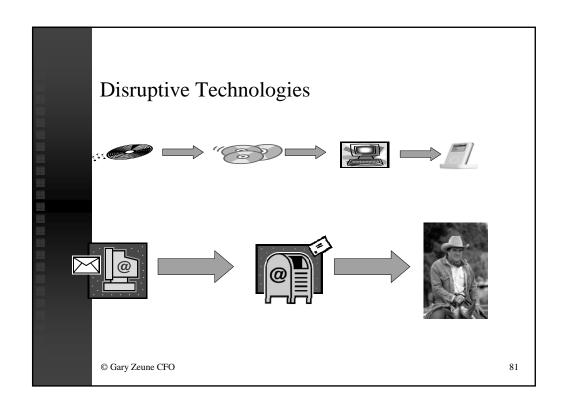
Stage 4 - Tightly formed teams

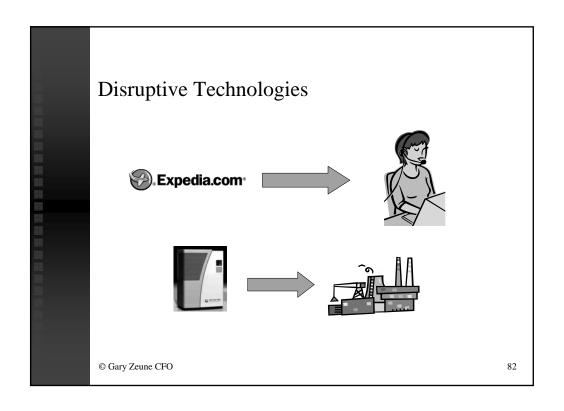
Stage 5 - Self-directed teams

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Competitive Threats • Disruptive technologies • Fundamental change • Competition does NOT ______ • Adapt or _____

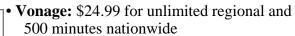






Web Phones Threaten Industry Giants

A sampling of VoIP options for consumers:



- **Net2Phone:** \$24.95 for 1,000 minutes nationwide
- Voiceglo: \$12.99 for free local, free Voiceglo users, four to five cents a minute anywhere

Note: Other options vary by company; prices are per month

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CYBER TALK

Total voice-over-Internet minutes for world-wide consumers using retail pro-

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Strategy Questions #1

- How do our customers and non-customers select from among competing suppliers?
- What are the key quality attributes (purchase criteria)?
- How important is each criterion (relative weights)?
- Which criteria are increasing or decreasing in importance?

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Strategy Questions #2

- How do weights differ by market segment?
- How do we perform on each criterion?
- How does each of our competitors perform on each criterion?
- How do customers (ours and competitors') size us up versus each of our key competitors?

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Strategy Questions #3

- How is our perceived performance versus that of competitors changing?
- What process determines our performance versus that of competitors? Who owns it?
- **3** Why are orders/customers won or lost?
- Who are we winning orders from-who are we losing them towhy?

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Strategy Questions #4

- How does each set of competitors' customers size us up headto-head versus that competitor?
- How can we shift the attribute importance weights in our favor?
- Which segments should we target?
- How will customers size up the new versus the old technology?
- **6** Which of the new technologies will win?

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Managing People #1

- Spending too much time with under-performers
- People in the field versus people in the office
- Use the buddy system for low level jobs
- Custom notebooks to record suggestions
- Form a recreation committee

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Managing People #2

- **6** Sponsor new hires
- Feature your employees with a 'company yearbook'
- When your best employees outgrow your company
- **9** Who knows employees better than their boss
- Working long, hard, hours, send dinner coupons to the _____

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Communicating

"If you want to know what's REALLY going on. [T]alk to the guy who sweeps the floor. Nine times out of 10, he knows more than the president. So I make a point of knowing what my floor sweepers know — even if it means sweeping the floors."

Kenneth Hendricks, CEO ABC Supply Co. #1 INC. 500 Company in 1986

Committed to getting your job done. Easier.

Supply Co. inc.

Remodeler

Company Profile

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Communications Ideas



- Staff-to-staff brown bag lunches
- One-on-one conversation with the boss' boss
- **3** Science for non-scientists
- & Know your enemy
- Food = performance

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Hiring

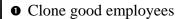
"I'd rather have an employee with half the academic credentials and twice the team spirit, because without that, you've got nothing."

Stan Bently Diversified Systems Inc.



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Hiring Ideas #1





- Recruit loyal customers
- Downsizing companies
- No promotion until replacement is trained
- **6** Find a good listener

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Hiring Ideas #2

personality required."

- "Small entrepreneurial company seeks sharp liberal arts grad. Vision, ethics,
- **2** 90-day trial period for new employees
- Figure out what the candidate REALLY wants

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Motivation



"The thing about incentive plans is that people take notice. If you don't have the right objectives, you can meet your goal -- and run yourself right out of business."

Jim Bernstein, CEO General Health Inc.

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Motivation Ideas #1



- Rubber stamp "Read by Harry"
- 2 Joe Smith "Sales/Welding"
- Business cards
- Share the wealth with support personnel
- Bonus only if co-workers say so

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Motivation Ideas #2



- Distant rewards -- distant success
- 2 Tie reward to value of suggestion
- Acapulco for everyone who beats the goal
- Reward when a customer commends an employee
- Effect of sales-quota deadlines

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How to Create New Business

- Actions
 - Listen to "old customers"
 - Spend 50% of your time "mining" existing clients
 - "Reverse seminars"
 - Write for clients' internal newsletters
 - Read clients' trade magazines
- Results
 - More profitable follow-up work
 - Marketing costs are lower
 - Conflicts easier to avoid

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5 Ways to Get "New Clients"

- Proprietary research
- Small seminars on specific subjects or industries
- Trade press articles
- Speeches
- Industry meetings



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Great Sources of Information



Business Finance www.businessfinancemag.com Leading edge financial advice.



Strategic Finance www.imanet.org Designed for accountants in industry.



Fast Company www.fastcompany.com Great site for organizational change agents.

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Making Painful Decisions

"Whatever hard or painful things you have to do, do them quickly and make sure everyone knows what you are doing and why. Dithering and delay almost always compound a negative situation."



Louis Gerstner Former CEO, IBM Who Says Elephants Can't Dance

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"If everything you try works, you're not trying hard enough."

ordon Moore, founder of Intel

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The New CEO Gets Tough. . .

A company, feeling it was time for a shakeup, hires a new CEO. This new determined to rid the company of all slackers. On a tour of the facilities, the prices a guy leaning on a wall. The room is full of workers and he wants to let now he means business! The CEO walks up to the guy and asks, "And how noney do you make a week?"

Undaunted, the young fellow looks at him and replies, "I make \$300 a Why?"

The CEO then hands the guy \$300 in cash and screams, "Here's a week's pay, now GET OUT and don't come back!"

Feeling pretty good about his first firing, the CEO looks around the room and asks "Does anyone want to tell me what that goof-off did here?"

With a sheepish grin, one of the other workers mutters,

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Leadership Questions



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- What's your customer retention rate?
 - hat percentage of your customers' business are you getting?

hat percentage of the customers you got two years ago do u still have today?

Mhat's your 'order capture rate'?

Should You Compete on Price



I found "The Case for Higher Prices" very informative. I own a small furniture store in Bristol, VA. We opened in August and were bringing in around \$30,000 monthly in revenues -- a tiny amount next to the mega-dealers in my area. I thought that lowering my prices would enable me to compete better. What I found was that my price cutting grows ked a "must be something wrong with it" attitude among my customers.

merchandise. The prices and cheaper products and started to display higher-end merchandise. The prices shot up, too. My customers changed from the "Can I get financing here?" type to the "Which account do you want to write the check from, dear?" type. To them the higher prices and better merchandise reflect the quality of the company. I'm now doing about \$10,000 a month more in sales than I was before I raised my prices, and I'm selling fewer pieces to get it.

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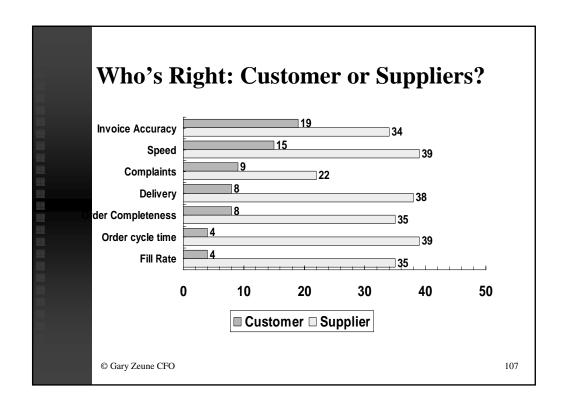
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Who's More Valuable: Complainers or Consultants

- You have problems
- I'm still here
- I have friends



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Thank Heavens for Complainers

- Costs 5 to 7 times more to get a new customer than keep an old one.
- **2** Costs up to 80% less marketing dollars to retain a current customer than to capture a new one.
- **3** "Thank goodness I've got a dissatisfied customer on the phone! The ones I worry about are the ones I never hear from!"

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Complainers: A Strategic Asset

- Make it easy
- Respond "right now"
- Educate, educate, educate
- Operational problems =
- Make complaints visible
- Coordinate performance measures, reviews and compensation
- Reward complainers
- Stop calling them 'complainers'

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Making Customers Loyal

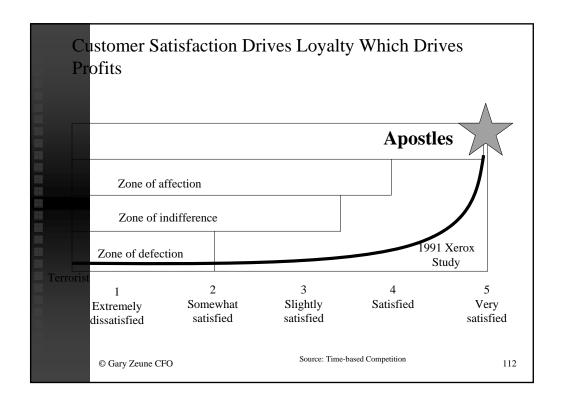
What are your company's ethics and integrity?

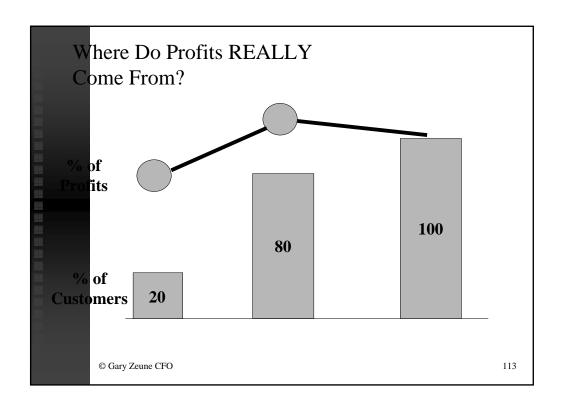
List 3 ways you add value to your customers' product or service?

Do you trust your core customers? List 3 pieces of competitive intelligence you share with them.

List 3 ways you help your vendors increase "their" value to you?

Making Customers Loyal Do you know which of your elements are important to core customers? Do you provide the "unexpected?" Do you "take your customers' temperature" every day? Do you call the customer after the sale? What are 3 things you do to anticipate customer needs?





Getting Sales to Do What's Best Why does sales focus on new customers, then old customers? Why does sales want to make marginal or unprofitable sales? Why do you need a credit and collection department? Increase sales compensation Run a dual system for 1 year Gary Zeune CFO 114

Opportunities

"We are continually faced by great opportunities brilliantly disguised as insoluble problems."
-- Author Unknown

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It Can't Be Done #1

- "Computers in the future may weigh no more than 1.5 tons." -- Popular Mechanics, 1949
- "I think there is a world market for maybe five computers." -- Thomas Watson, chairman of IBM, 1943

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It Can't Be Done #2

- "There is no reason anyone would want a computer in their home." -- Ken Olson, chairman and founder of Digital Equipment Corp., 1977
- "This 'telephone' has too many shortcomings to be seriously considered as a means of communication. The device is inherently of no value to us." -- Western Union memo, 1876
- The wireless music box has no imaginable commercial value.
 Who would pay for a message sent to nobody in particular?" -David Sarnoff's associates in response to his urgings for investment in the radio in the 1920s

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It Can't Be Done #3

- "The concept is interesting and well-formed, but in order to earn better than a 'C,' the idea must be feasible." -A Yale professor on Fred Smith's paper
- "A cookie store is a bad idea. Besides, the market research reports say America likes crispy cookies, not soft and chewy cookies like you make." -- Response to Debbi Fields' idea of starting Mrs. Fields' Cookies
- "We don't like their sound, and guitar music is on the way out."--Decca Recording Co. rejecting the Beatles, 1962

It Can't Be Done #4

- "If I had thought about it, I wouldn't have done the experiment. The literature was full of examples that said you can't do this."--Spencer Silver, on the work that led to the unique adhesives for 3-M "Post-It" Notepads
- "Everything that can be invented has been invented." --Charles H. Duell, Commissioner, U.S. Office of Patents, 1899
- 9 "640K ought to be enough for anybody." -- Bill Gates, 1981

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Picking an Effective Team

NO MATTER HOW inspiring a leader you are, you are only as effective as your team.

In The Lead, Wall Street Journal, March 27, 2001, Carol Hymowitz

18 Tips for Better Delegation

- 1. Delegate both responsibility AND authority
- 2. Delegate important work too
- 3. Explain why the work is important
- 4. Describe the desired outcome then let staff do it
- 5. Agree on how to measure success
- 6. Choose someone who can do the work
- 7. Lots of supervision at first
- 8. Delegating spreads your authority
- 9. Don't interfere

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18 Tips for Better Delegation

- 10. Provide support
- 11. Get a commitment
- 12. Tailor delegation to the employee
- 13. Set up a tracking system
- 14. Open communications
- 15. Find out why work isn't done
- 16. If they've done their best, don't punish
- 17. Accept responsibility
- 18. Praise publicly

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"Dilbert Quotes" #1



- "As of tomorrow, employees will only be able to access the building using individual security cards. Photographs will be taken next Wednesday and employees will receive their cards in two weeks." (This was the winning quote from Fred Dales at Microsoft Corp. in Redmond, WA.)
- "What I need is a list of specific unknown problems we will encounter." (Lykes Lines Shipping)
- "E-mail is not to be used to pass on information or data. It should be used only for company business." (Accounting manager, Electric Boat Company)

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"Dilbert Quotes" #2



- This project is so important, we can't let things that are more important interfere with it." (Advertising/Marketing manager, United Parcel Service)
- "Doing it right is no excuse for not meeting the schedule. No one will believe you solved this problem in one day! We've been working on it for months. Now, go act busy for a few weeks, and I'll let you know when it's time to tell them."

 (R&D supervisor, 3M Corp.)

"Dilbert Quotes" #3



- O Quote from the Boss: "Teamwork is a lot of people doing what I say." (Marketing executive, Citrix Corporation)
- D My sister passed away and her funeral was scheduled for Monday. When I told my Boss, he said she died so that I would have to miss work on the busiest day of the year. He then asked if we could change her burial to Friday. He said, "That would be better for me." (Shipping executive, FTD Florists)
- "We know that communication is a problem, but the company is not going to discuss it with the employees." (Switching Supervisor, AT&T Long Lines Division)

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"Dilbert Quotes" #4



- We recently received a memo from senior management saying: "This is to inform you that a memo will be issued today regarding the subject mentioned above." (Microsoft, Legal Affairs Division)
- One day my boss asked me to submit a status report to him concerning a project I was working on. I asked him if tomorrow would be soon enough. He said, "If I wanted it tomorrow, I would have waited until tomorrow to ask for it." (New business manager, Hallmark Greeting Cards)