

Houston 2019

Jan 29: Speak to be Heard: Influencing Others to Take Action

Stacey Hanke will help you eliminate the static that plagues communicative delivery - to persuade, sell your ideas, motivate and influence others to act on what you have to say. She will explain the positive actions you can take to increase your impact and value to your peers, clients and teams. This highly interactive session will show you how to immediately implement the influence skills and techniques you learn to your day-to-day conversations. (NOTE: Participants should bring a smartphone or iPad with them to the session.)

Stacey Hanke is co-author of the book *Yes You Can! Everything You Need From A To Z To Influence Others To Take Action*. Her second book, *Influence Redefined*, will be released in early 2017. Stacey is founder of Stacey Hanke Inc. She has trained over 15,000 people to rid themselves of bad body language habits and choose words wisely.

Feb 28: Developmental and Performance-based Coaching for Today's Workforce

Your individual development plan may be the single most important document to advance your career. You will depart this workshop with your personal plan and the skills and tools to coach and develop Millennials and other career minded staff members on your team. Participants will learn and experience the connection of effective coaching and feedback to each managers team to be able to improve their ability to execute consistently. In the majority (around 70%) of executive failures, the real problem isn't bad strategy. The real problem is bad execution, according to the Fortune Magazine article titled, "Why CEO's Fail". At its core, execution comes down to setting clear expectations and regular coaching and feedback.

Four-time winner of the Business Advisor of the Year in North America, John D. Lankford is passionate about development, performance and results. An expert in executive coaching and developing leadership talent, his fun and lively approach motivates others to embrace development and innovative ideas. As a certified Executive Coach and 4 Time Business Coach of the Year, John loves to coach leaders on his proven coaching techniques. His impressive background is unique, boasting 23 years of corporate and 12 years of entrepreneurial experience. John has facilitated more than two dozen mergers and acquisitions, as well as launching three businesses and ultimately selling two. John provides hands-on, triage support that produces measurable results in real-time. His process provides laser focus on the execution of the plan. Johns coaching and accountability teaches business leaders not to be distracted by bells, whistles, or fads. His leadership experience covers every level of management from front line supervisor to becoming the former CEO of the Innisbrook Leadership Institute. His leadership track record includes leadership positions at the Executive Education team at Ford Motor Company, Oakwood Healthcare, Comcast University and the St John Healthcare system.

Mar 21: A Master Class in Strategic Thinking for Senior Managers and Executives

This session will give audience participants a clear look at how to think about crafting a strategy that builds a distinctive competitive advantage. The first part of the session looks at the four essential ingredients of strategy: clear mission and vision, choice of competitive strategy, economic basis of profit, and critical success factors. We then apply these ingredients to sharpen our understanding of 1) customers' needs, 2) competitors' moves, 3) attaining strategic alignment, 4) innovating for the future, and 5) preparing for disruption. A variety of individual and group exercises will encourage participants to actively use these frameworks in a way where they can actually apply their ideas in their workplaces too.

Dr. David Lei is Associate Professor of Strategy and Entrepreneurship at the Edwin L. Cox School of Business at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas. He has co-authored the book, "Strategic Management: Building and Sustaining Competitive Advantage". He has also consulted with a wide variety of companies in the past 15 years including Fidelity Investments, IBM, Microsoft, Verizon and Texas Instruments.

Apr 11: From Player to Coach: Making the Successful Transition to Management

The transition from star player to team coach is a tremendous leap. All too often new managers are thrown into challenging circumstances with limited support and resources. With increasing globalization and the move to virtual environments, managing is more complex than ever before. As an organizational psychologist, Dr. Woodward believes that effective management is rooted in understanding the psychology of human nature.

Dr. Michael Woodward is a certified professional coach who works with both private and corporate clients on building management/leadership capacity and the psychology of career engagement in the New Economy. He is the founder and president of Human Capital Integrated (HCI) and is author of the Amazon.com top selling job book "The YOU Plan: A 5-step guide to Taking Charge of Your Career in the New Economy".

May 23: Boosting Productivity: Gaining Back Time for Yourself and Your Team

This fast paced seminar is designed for busy managers, project leaders, and senior individual contributors who are looking to maximize productivity and achieve more. Discover proven strategies which will enable you to:

- Solve the big productivity challenges: email, meetings, and interruptions
- Regain focus on your most important goals and projects
- Increase team engagement by getting more done in less time
- Protect critical planning and personal time

By teaching go-getters how to improve their efficiency, Time Management Fixer Helene Segura, MA Ed, CPO helps companies and agencies lower employee stress levels, decrease absenteeism, improve retention and leadership, and increase revenue. Known for her thought-provoking, yet entertaining time management keynotes and seminars that teach practical productivity tools, Helene delivers an experience that resonates deeply and inspires change. Helene has been the featured organizational expert in more than 150 media interviews and is the author of three books - two of which were Amazon best-sellers. Her latest book, *The Inefficiency Assassin: Time Management Tactics for Working Smarter, Not Longer* (New World Library), is the go-to time management resource for thousands of professionals around the world.

Jun 13: How to Reach, Teach and Engage Various Generations in the Workplace

Sheer demographics suggest that, in the very near future, we will feel strain on our generational talent pools and, consequently, organizational productivity. This seminar will provide leaders with insights and strategies for attracting, engaging and developing talent from all generations, as well as for enhancing intergenerational communication, productivity and results.

Dr. Jan Ferri-Reed is a seasoned consultant and President of KEYGroup, a 28-year Pittsburgh-based speaking, education and assessment firm. She has presented a variety of programs to thousands of managers and employees in a diverse range of organizations across the globe. She provides guidance, wisdom and wit to leaders who want to create productive and profitable workplaces.

Jul 23: Take Your High-Performance Leadership Thinking to the Next Level

High-Performance Leaders are achievement oriented. They are visionary, purposeful, decisive and they get results. At the same time, they relate well to people. They are compassionate, authentic and courageous. But what sets them apart is they have great self awareness and systems awareness. This enables them to effectively navigate stress and change. As High Performance Conscious Leaders, they have the capacity to create highly engaged cultures that drive greater business performance and thriving enterprises. Through a mix of groundbreaking science, story, and experiential learning, you'll learn a powerful neuroscience and mindfulness-based 4-step system to learn new ways to master stress, transform your mindset, take your leadership to the next level and make an even bigger difference in the lives of those who you serve.

Dr. Daniel Friedland, is an expert on the science and practice of High-Performance Conscious Leadership and author of *Leading Well from Within: A Neuroscience and Mindfulness-Based Framework for Conscious Leadership*. Dr. Danny helps leaders and their organizations leverage neuroscience and mindfulness-based skills and practices to better navigate stress, clarify vision and purpose, and create high performing teams and thriving cultures to multiply their success and positive impact in the world. His expertise from publishing one of the early textbooks on Evidence-Based Medicine has enabled him to apply science-based solutions to leadership growth and development. He not only understands the science of leadership, but having served as the Founding Chair of the Academy of Integrative Health and Medicine and Co-Chairman of the San Diego Chapter of Conscious Capitalism, intimately understands the blessings and challenges of leadership, and the growth it asks. He serves as the CEO of SuperSmartHealth, where he provides keynote addresses, workshops and executive coaching to cultivate High Performance Conscious Leadership. He speaks at national and global conferences and his clients include Fortune 500 companies and healthcare systems.

Aug 22: Executive Presence: Convey Confidence and Command Respect as a Leader

Executive presence means conveying confidence as a business leader, commanding respect, and having a professional magnetism that influences others. Executive presence trades passivity and self-doubt for self-assurance, decisiveness, and bold decision making. With this program, leaders will gain the tools to develop their executive presence and become the elite performers who influence outcomes, contribute to major decisions, and drive change for the betterment of the company. They will create a consistent view of themselves as a compelling force inside an organization. They will learn how to utilize executive presence to shape and positively affect the outcome of situations.

Joel Garfinkle is recognized as one of the top 50 executive coaches in the U.S., having worked with many of the world's leading companies. His clientele comprises a distinguished and diverse international client base, including Oracle, Google, Amazon, Deloitte, Ritz-Carlton, Bank of America, Starbucks, and many others.

Sep 17: Managing & Leading: Strategies to Help You Excel at Both

This session will explore the essential strategies and techniques required to powerfully lead and manage simultaneously from the same role. Being a manager is one of the most arduous and yet most valuable roles in any organization. The challenge lies in dealing with the expectations of those above and below you while also contributing to people's success around you. When you master this, you will discover how to impact any organization from the middle. You will leave this class with the skills needed to powerfully evolve into a successful Manager.

Ms. Ann Tardy, a former Silicon Valley corporate attorney and a current leadership expert, speaker, and author, Ann has been studying how people impact organizations from the middle for over 25 years. As the author of four books, Ann serves as the Founder and CEO of LifeMoxie Mentoring & Leadership and the Founder and Director of The Mentoring Council. She has cycled from San Francisco to New Jersey and down each coast in a quest to discover what people love about their jobs. Her documentary *Work Matters* captured the interviews she conducted on the bike.

Oct 15: Moving from Operational Management to Strategic Leadership

This seminar provides a practical framework for thinking and leading strategically in the new market landscape. Through expert content, carefully curated case examples, captivating leadership portraits, insightful strategic dialogue, and impactful development tools, Dr. Kuhn will lead participants through an engaging exploration of the fundamental shifts in mindset, language, and lens needed to break the shackles of short-termism and incrementalism and cross the chasm from operational management to strategic leadership.

Dr. Jeffrey Kuhn is a distinguished thinker, author, strategy advisor, educator, and speaker with expertise uniquely positioned at the intersection of strategy, innovation and growth, and organizational renewal and vitality-the work of strategic leadership. His research, teaching, and advisory work center on helping senior business leaders develop the capacity to think and lead strategically in dynamic market environments undergoing profound change. He holds a doctorate from Columbia University, and has served on the faculty of Columbia Business School, and as a guest lecturer at The Wharton School, and the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School. His research and writings on strategic capacity and dynamic capabilities have garnered worldwide acclaim. He is a fellow at the Strategic Management Forum and the Royal Society of Arts. In 2017, Dr. Kuhn was inducted into Marshall Goldsmith 100 Coaches.

Nov 14: One Day MBA: The Tools you need to reach the next level

All managers need a broad perspective to effectively deal with the complex challenges they face daily. To develop this skill, this one-day seminar presents many of the tools and techniques found in MBA programs today. Specifically, participants will examine how basic business processes drive financial results, learn how effective risk management can improve business planning and decision making, and explore how financial and non-financial measures can best be used to evaluate operating results.

Dr. Barsky is currently a professor at the Villanova University School of Business. He has also taught as a visiting professor in the Executive MBA program at Washington University in St. Louis and the INSEAD MBA program in Europe. He has been a faculty member with the Institute for Management Studies since 2001. His research and teaching focus on performance measurement, business planning, risk assessment, and contemporary financial reporting issues. Dr. Barsky develops and delivers executive education programs for various Fortune 100 companies, global professional services firms, and industry associations in North America and Europe. In addition to professional experience in the fields of accounting and finance as an analyst, auditor, and business consultant, Dr. Barsky has also served on business advisory boards and as the Treasurer for a retailing cooperative. He has authored five books and published over seventy articles in various academic and professional journals, including Strategic Finance, The Economist, Best Practices in Executive Decision Making, Commercial Lending Review, Corporate Finance Review, and Advances in Business Education and Training.

Dec 05: A Woman's Guide to Leadership: Communication, Credibility, and Influence

This program identifies steps women can take to navigate advancement to leadership. You will receive practical advice, techniques and strategies for getting a seat at the table, as well as tips for communicating with credibility. The focus of the session will be real-life case studies, self-assessments, experiential exercises and action steps that help women transcend barriers and enhance their leadership opportunities.

Dr. Audrey Nelson is an internationally recognized trainer, keynote speaker, author and consultant who helps organizations increase their productivity and profitability through winning communication strategies. She specializes in interpersonal communication, conflict management, and gender communication skills. Dr. Nelson's professional background includes 10 years teaching in the Department of Communication at the University of Colorado, Boulder. She holds a B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. in Communication. She conducted post-doctoral work at Warnborough College in Oxford, England, in gender communication. Thirty years ago, she co-founded and served as president for the Organization for the Research on Women and Communication. The U.S. State Department sent Audrey to represent the US Embassy in South Korea on the status of women in the workplace. Audrey is a published author. You Dont Say: Navigating Nonverbal Communication Between the Sexes (Prentice Hall, 2004) was published in six languages. She co-authored Code Switching: How to Talk so Men will Listen (Penguin-Alpha Books, 2009) and The Gender Communication Handbook: Conquering Conversational Collisions Between Men and Women (Pfeiffer 2012).

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