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**Asking questions is not admitting ignorance,** asking for help shows you are willing to learn. Reach out to those who have done what you want to achieve. rich@richarlington.com

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**Have a plan!** Remember this simple rule: Every minute that is spent on planning will save you from seven minutes of chaos! No plan - no way! bill@harvestlandscapeconsulting.com

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**A strong internal culture begins with recruiting.** By clearly defining the types of team members who will share in your business’ mission, vision, and core values, you ensure the culture so vital your business’s success remains consistently healthy and vibrant. alison.blobner@landopt.com

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**Everybody thinks they know how to do Human Resources.** They don’t. It’s a simple three-step process: ensure legal compliance, develop results-oriented HR programs and focus on sustainable organizational success. Steve@harvestlandscapeconsulting.com

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**Any new venture is like “Pushing a Snow ball up a Hill.”** Get help pushing that snow ball up the hill and you will have a blast on the way down the hill. Dana@greenpointconsultant.com

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**Resist your urge to shy away from new or different ways of thinking.** Listen in with an open mindset to the upcoming leaders within your company and allow them the freedom and flexibility to attempt, fail and succeed. After all, asking for help reveals strength not weakness. kelly@keldodigital.com

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**Strive to run your business as if you won’t be available to lead it tomorrow.** You will experience personal freedom and the comfort of knowing that a transition, voluntary or involuntary, can happen as smoothly as possible. ron@principiumgroup.com

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**The secret to a high performing team is great leadership.** Recognizing this truth is the first step in learning the art and science of leading. The second is finding a mentor who knows the way, shows the way, and goes the way. neal@growthebench.com
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Building a culture of truly effective teamwork is the only path to sustainable competitive advantage, and the most important team in your organization is the leadership team. phil@growthebench.com

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Always surround yourself with great people. A safe, confidential and trusting network or peer group can provide a powerful process for innovation, help with opportunities, solutions to problems and dealing with challenges and issues of all shapes, sizes, and descriptions. fred@harvestlandscapeconsulting.com

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“The greatest danger for most of us is not that our aim is too high and we miss it, but that it is too low and we reach it.” – Michelangelo
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All good things must come to an end and at some point transitioning your business will take place. Be prepared and know what the value of your business is by planning your exit strategy. peter@caberhill.com

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Your projects and services will make your company profitable if you: 1. Price them right. 2. Produce them right. And 3. Produce enough of them (volume). If you do all three, you WILL make money! jhuston@jrhushton.biz

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Online reviews are the new referral. Online reviews on sites like Google My Business, Facebook, Yelp, and Houzz can have a huge impact on your SEO to help you get found online. More importantly, online reviews influence purchasing decisions. jack@ramblinjackson.com

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Instead of letting “who ever ask for a bid” determine the growth of your business, spend time with your team targeting specific routes, preferable geographic areas, and targeted market segments to develop new opportunities. parke@advancetraining.org

Brian Kraff, Market Hardware
In a head-to-head contest, the business with the most reviews get the most calls. Be sure to monitor your online reputation! NALP@markethardware.com

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Plan so you can create your own future. Work on your business instead of in it as soon as you can afford to. ed@harvestlandscapeconsulting.com

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Labor shortages and turnover are the biggest challenges in this industry. Recognize that, plan ahead, think outside the box with recruiting and strive to be an employer of choice. cmartin.mrc@gmail.com

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Investing in your employees for training and education to enhance competence has the potential to increase ROI exponentially. Well trained applicators who understand the importance of calibration and product best management practices will take ownership. neil.mayberry@yara.com

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Problems with job cost and financial reports are often a result of setup and data entry in your accounting software. Often, with just a few simple changes in setup and some training, you will not only have better reporting but faster reporting as well. monica.muir@muirassoc.com

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Your website is by far the most important piece of your online marketing strategy. This is the only part of online marketing where you have full control and 100% ownership. When done properly, your website will generate more leads than all other sources combined. (support@lawnlinewebsites.com)

Ed Schultheis, ThruPutNow
Every business is unique, but the desire to succeed is the same. Establish goals to determine how your success will be defined and measured- and never hesitate to ask for a little help or advice along the way. (ed.schultheis@thruputnow.com)

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You can build a “company that runs itself”: It requires a fully empowered leadership team, with the right people in right positions, with clear systems, supported by a focused strategy. (Jeff@jeffreyscott.biz)

Bill Silverman, Springboard Business Coaching
A clear goal + a step-by-step action plan + relentless follow through = stellar results. If you and your team follow this simple stellar results formula consistently, you’ll be amazed at the great results and progress you’ll make. (bill@springboardbizcoaching.com)

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Develop a vision (picture of success) for your business and your life, and then create a detailed strategic plan that will take you there! You won’t fail! (kentomas@envisorco.com)

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