Lamp - Hong Kong



Recruiting U Culture Builder/Culture Keeper • Firm Culture, Philosophies Recruiting Selecting • Fast Start launch Practice Development/Accountability/Coaching Tools to develop leaders

North Star SNAPSHOT

Growing Leaders MDRT MEMBERS = 76 COURT OF TABLE = 11TOP OF TABLE = 13Est. Revenue **\$55,000,000** Life Premium in 2014 = **\$21,800,000** Annuities 4.5M Disability Income Premium \$4,450,000 in 2014 Total assets under management \$6,000,000,000+ Team members-142; Advisors 159 Fees \$1,525,000 Offices = 41 in 18 states; GDC = \$26,700,000 est.







Success: Drivers— Whatever you teach day one, that is what gets done

- Hard to easy vs. Easy to Hard (High activity learned first/100 cases)
- Billable Hours
- MDRT Culture
- Miracle of Life Insurance- repeat! Self completing
- Introductions/recommendation/Referral-- Culture
- Cop, Coach, Consultant, Community/ MEMBERS
- "Win or Lose today"-critical numbers
- Goals- What, How and WHY
- Human Life Value
- Fostering Business Owner/CEO mentality
- Strangest Secret & Common Denominator of Success
- Deserve victory mentality-hardest working team in the industry
- Servant Leadership
- Everyone needs someone to expect greatest from them



Changing Lives, Forever

		2015		
	Total client engage			119,127
	Face Amounts		\$	34,042,654,906
	Cash Values		\$	1,579,402,232
	AUM		\$	3,934,991,632
	DI		\$	4,489,800,000
	Grand Total		\$	44,046,848,770
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Demographic Production Breakdown As of 12/31/13 **TTM SBCs** TTM GR Age Count 6,986,052 <=34 61 5,879,290 11,227,962 6,364,983 35-44 33 11,612,580 5,068,168 45-54 16 55-64 5,211,288 21 11,237,154 886,794 >=65 2,104,217 17 148 43,167,964 23,410,523



2014 Average Advisor Earnings All Sources





RECRUITING & SELECTION

Everyone is Seed Corn!







Malcolm Gladwell

"Teachers should be judged after they have started their

jobs, not before. That means the profession needs to

start the equivalent of Ed Deutschlander's training

camp. It needs an apprentice system that allows

candidates to be rigorously evaluated."



Retention: Factors Contributing to High Results

High Retention Agencies/Firms attribute their success to:

1.A highly structured 6-10 step selection process—finding achievers vs survivors 2.A unique (compelling) culture of the Agency/Firm. 3.Initial training that focus on sales skills/process 4.Habits that are fundamental for success are clearly defined, inspected and monitored 5. Client-building skills measured quickly, impact vs performer. 6.Peer Accountability 7.Support: the availability of product, technical, marketing, practice management and joint work support

8.Post Selection:

Is this the right train for you?

Manage the "can-do" to "want-to" transition point. Achievers display a passion for the efficacy of

"thank-less" work. (Advocacy)



Do well by doing good

do well by doing good

Should I Become an Advisor in the Financial Services Industry?







Do Well By Doing Good

- Key Questions everyone needs to answer
- 1) Why do you want to become a financial advisor?
- 2) Are you ready to be a business owner?
- 3) How will you build a clientele and network
 - within your community?
- 4) Do you believe in what financial advisors do?



Questions to ask Candidate

- Read Do Well by Doing Good
- Highlight what is resonating with you
- Highlight what concerns you
- Great way to identify which of the three "I's"- Impact,
 - Independence, and Income is most meaningful to them
- Great way to find out what areas you need to dig deeper in terms of concerns- call reluctance, commission driven financial etc...



R.E.P.S- We can learn a lot from what we already know! Recruiting Emulates the Process of Selling MDRT <u>Activity-telling your GREAT STORY to as many people as</u> possible • Target Marketing- being somebody or something to someone • Recommendations- system of asking, receiving, following up and thanking Business Plan- steps, procedures, scripts and strategies to

reach ones goals and objectives-driven by a VISION





R.E.P.S. "This is What makes you Great

- Distinguish yourself by "how" you do it, not by "what" you do.
 McDonald's "I'm loving it!"
 - Burger King "Have it your way"
 - Pitino- "The hardest working team in America!"
- This is "how" we do it here
 - Vision

➢ Values

Culture









North Star Resource Group is proud to welcome **Jim Ries** to the Minneapolis Office.

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Rick Schultenover Financial Advisor

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Our Vision is to be an unwavering client advocate, committed to building irreplaceable relationships for life.



We Specialize in You -People don't join companies, they join people and causes!



High Performance / No Excuse Culture.





Recruiting Mission

We specialize in helping the 21-25 year old that wants to be in business for themselves — *not by* themselves — build a successful Financial Advising Practice!

We Specialize in YOU!





Only Hire PH.D.'s

We like the college campus because we only hire PH.D.' s.

> Persistent Hungry Driven



Midas Touch

- Business Owner Mentality/ Entrepreneur
- Grade Point Average of:
- 2.5 (C+) or better / 100% earned
- 3.0 (B) or better / 50% earned
- "Desired Position" Must Be Sales



- Business Owner Mentality/Earned Better Than 50% of College Expenses
- Previous Sales Experience/Internship
- Extracurricular Activities Indicating Leadership & Competitiveness
 - Give to School = Give to Agency
 - Networking = Popularity = Rainmaker





Question: How do you find and retain the

right person?

Answer: By telling the <u>GREAT story of</u> <u>your business</u> to as many people as humanly possible!! You can't become great unless you have

a great vision!-You don't have to be

great to tell a great story. Strangest Secret!



• There isn't a great business in the world that didn't have a <u>GREAT STORY</u> from the beginning, and the story is the vision of the <u>leaders</u> in the business. DISNEO arriott



The Big Idea

Companies and the goals that express what they stand for

- Walt Disney: *To <u>make</u> people happy*
- Marriott: To <u>make</u> people comfortable when they're away from home.

North Star Resource Group:







Selection Starts with an

"A"-Activity Solves All

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Problems

"There isn't a problem your agency now has, that you can't recruit yourself out of."




R.E.P.S.

"Selling is much like a play. The climax is very carefully planned. Everything leads up to it. The close is your climax." —*Brian Tracy*

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MIDWEST / SOUTHWEST

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CALIFORNIA – SAN DIEGO Stephanie Tsang

COLORADO – DENVER Clarisa Hernandez

IOWA Bill Montag

MINNESOTA

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St. Cloud Andy Jacobs

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NORTH CAROLINA - DURHAM Damon Lichtenberger

OREGON – PORTLAND Annie Book Devon Pilney Justin Berry

LONE STAR

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Austin Marcus Stone

Dallas Craig Molldrem Mark Miller

Houston Laura Vaughn

MISSOURI - St. Louis Michael Jost

PENNSYLVANIA – Philadelphia Michael Paulus ATT

MARYLAND – Baltimore James Jaderborg

MASSACHUSETTS - Boston Craig Molldrem





2015 Selection Process

NORTH STAR RESOURCE GROUP Changing Lives, Forever®

Midwest

Southwest

Lone Star Division

STEP 1: SOURCING

- Social Media LinkedIn North Star Career Web page
- University Job Post Resume Books
- Contact of Interest (COI's)
- Referrals College Athletes Finance Groups and Clubs

STEP 2: RESUME REVIEW

- Review Job Experiences Volunteer or Club Members
- Legally Authorized to Work in the U.S. (Required by the Law of FINRA) North Star does not offer sponsorships
- GPA 3.0+ Location Graduation Date (Only Hire Juniors and Seniors)

STEP 3: INITIAL CONTACT AND PERSONALITY SURVEY ASSIGNED

- Ask Additional Questions Not Included on Resume
- North Star Requires to Meet 3 of the 7 Traits to Move into Recruiter Interview

STEP 4: RECRUITER INTERVIEWS

- Additional Screening Through Interview
- Collect Information About Experiences, Knowledge, Goals, and Skills
- Share North Star Story Overview of Internship Program Benefits of Internship as a New Advisor If candidate meets expectations, he/she will be assigned to watch a North Star video and write a one page summary for advisor interview

STEP 5: FINAL INTERVIEWS

- MIDWEST INTERVIEWS (one day process)
 - 1. First 30 Minutes with Director in Intern Development North Star Video Summary Q&A
 - 2. Second 30 Minutes with a Selected Young Advisor (Residency) North Star Video Summary 0&A
- SOUTHWEST INTERVIEWS (1-2 week process)
 - 1. Initial Interview with Advisor / Mentor North Star Video Summary Q&A
 - Second Interview Southwest Vice President / Partner North Star Video Summary O&A
 - 3. Final Interview with Advisor / Mentor Present Business Plan
- LONE STAR INTERVIEWS (1-2 week process)
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 - 2. Second Interview with a Selected Young Advisor North Star Video Summary Q&A
 - 3. Final Interview with Lone Star Vice President North Star Video Summary Q&A

STEP 6: OFFER MADE

- Candidate Receives Official Email and Mail Offer Letter
- Make Sure Candidate has Completed Background Book
- Update Recruit Board Status Attach all Documents Change Candidate Status to Hire

STEP 7: OFFER ACCEPTED

- Send North Star New Hire Notification LCC All Advisors Involved with New Intern
- Send Brian Kennedy Background Book
- Intern Receives Paperwork Finger Printing IT Process
- Send Intern North Star Folder with Internship Information Offer Letter Ed Deutschlander's Book to Intern and Parents

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2015 Critical Number

Goal = 72 Hires/year	Numbers needed to hit 2015 hiring goal	2014 Rates
Resumes Collect	1776	90%
Assessments Sent	1598	65%
Assessments Completed	1039	38%
Assessments Passed	395	100%
1st Interviews	395	40%
2nd Interviews	158	76%
3rd Interviews	120	77%
Final Interviews	92	93%
Offers Extended	86	84%

395 Recruiter Interviews/Yr @ 40 Weeks/Yr = **10** Recruiter Interviews/Week

We have 2 Recruiters = Minimum of **5** Interviews Each/Week





New Advisor Launch Program

North Star Resource Group

ESTIMATED TIME OF COMPLETION: 8-9 MONTHS

Internship

Duration: 1-2 months \$12/hour + \$100 bonus/unit [paid biweekly]

- Must complete Life/Health license to graduate onto Pre-Apprenticeship
- Must complete 10 units to graduate onto Pre-Apprenticeship

Pre-Apprenticeship

Duration: 2-3 months \$1,000/monthly stipend

Checkpoint 1:

(2 months from start)

- 10 dinner attendees or first meetings (within target market)
- 2 fact finders
- Pass Series 7 exam (1st sitting covered by North Star)
- 5 COIs

Checkpoint 2:

(3 months from start

- 20 dinner attendees or first meetings (within target market, cumulative)
- 5 fact finders (cumulative)
- Pass Series 66 exam (1st sitting covered by North Star)
- 10 COIs (cumulative)
 \$1,000 scholarship for completing within 3 months

Apprenticeship

Duration: 6 months maximum \$1,500 monthly stipend

Checkpoint 1:

(2 months from Apprenticeship start)

• 15 fact finders needed to proceed to checkpoint 2 and continue stipend (cumulative)

Checkpoint 2:

(4 months from Apprenticeship start)

 25 total fact finders needed to proceed to checkpoint 3 and continue stipend (cumulative)

Graduation Requirements:

(6 months from Apprenticeship start)

- 35 total fact finders needed to graduate and move to Residency (cumulative)
- 10 client commitments
- \$5,000 grid revenue = \$2,250 in commissions

\$1,000 scholarship for graduation

TOTAL IN STIPENDS & SCHOLARSHIPS: \$14,000 During Pre-Apprenticeship and Apprenticeship First Series 7 and Series 66 sittings covered by North Star with opportunities for additional commission & compensation

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The BIG Four

• Would I buy something from this person?

2 Would I be proud to introduce this person in our agency as our newest associate and our star of the future?

3 Would I be proud to take this person to my home to introduce to my family?

4 Would I give this person an offer if I had 20 more

candidates outside my door to interview?





Second interview Starting Questions

- What was it about the first meeting that you heard that made you come back?
- What contribution could you make to the vision we shared with you?
- Identify for me one thing you have done in your past that would lead me to believe you could be extremely successful in this career (explain again how tough it is /retention).



Candidate "Medical School" Questions Learning "CPR"

• Why did you go into this career?

Commissions Prospecting Rejection

- You had many job offers, why did you choose this firm?
- What is the toughest day you ever had?
- What would you do differently if you were to start over?
- Would you start over again?
- What advice would you give me coming into this business right out of college?



Business Planning Meeting Questions

- Why do you think you will be great/excel at this business?
- Why do you think people fail in this career?
- If you were to start tomorrow how would you begin building your client base?
- If you could only ask one person to refer you to others, who would it be? Top 20
- Reference checks!! Would you introduce this person to



others?

What is your backup plan?

- Probably the most revealing question you can ask a finalist!
- Dean of admissions for Harvard Medical School: What answer are you looking for?
- How important is it to you?
- What are you willing to sacrifice?

MANAGE EXPECTATIONS!

• THESE QUESTIONS SEND THE RIGHT MESSAGE TO



What stands out...

- Mentoring
- Selective
- Retention rate
- "Specialize in me" culture
- Financial planning
- Honesty (video)
- Push –Pull
- Relationship manager

- Investing in me - *letter of commitment*
- In-office appointments (culture/coat-tie)
- Meeting the New Advisors
- Enthusiasm





The Creed

Our "Pygmalion Culture"-Demand and Expect Excellence

"If I accept you as you are, I will make you worse; however, if I treat you as

though you are what you are capable of

becoming, I help you become that."

—Johann Goethe

German Novelist/Playwright/Poet



HABITS

• Every single qualification for success is acquired through habit

People form habits and habits form futures!!
What are the habits of top advisors?





2014 Fall Internship Tasks for Independent Contractor Agreement

- Here are the tasks that you must complete for your internship this fall to be considered successful.
- Attend a weekly Internship planning meeting with your mentor.
- Attend Intern Training classes for exposure to Financial Advising Career.
 - Review a video each week and submit a recap.
 - Complete both case studies and present them to advisor



panel.

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2014 Fall Internship Tasks for Independent Contractor Agreement

Here are the specific minimum tasks that your mentor (Kristin Brandli) will require you to complete to be considered a successful intern.

✓ Obtain 10-15 Attendees to the dinner seminar

✓ 500 emails to prospects per week

✓ 300 dials per week

✓ 50 per day on Monday and Wednesday

✓100 per day on Tuesday and Thursday

✓ E-mail to your mentor noting when you have arrived.

✓ Daily recap email of activities accomplished each day.



2014 Fall Internship Tasks for Independent Contractor Agreement



Key Habits

- Prospecting/Activity solves all problems-Nick Murray*
- Critical Number-"Did I win or lose today?"
- I am a business owner-investment/hours/commitment-ALL IN!
- If I can measure it, I can manage it-what get measured gets improved*-e-scoreboard
- What did I learn today?-constant evaluation and refinement
- Rehearse it until you love the sound of it
- Priority Management-not time management/Billable hours



The Game Of Numbers

- NOT GUIDELINES OR SUGGESTIONS!
- THEY ARE RULES!!!
- 80%-YEARS 1 & 2
- 70%- YEAR 3
- 60%- YEAR 4
- 50%- YEAR 5
- Double your business in 5 years-2 hours every single
 - day-ideally at the same time



Cold Call Motivation

Of my top 12 clients (who represent over 130k PER YEAR of recurring revenue - and about 400,000 of first year revenue) 7 of those 12 were straight up phone call cold rizzies -NONE were email! The other 5 were referrals from 3 of those 7 cold people.

There is a Reason we have you go through this pain. There is a reason we have you pick up the PHONE..two years of leaving it all on the field in cold calling and you're DONE. Are you tough enough to do this and are you willing to invest the sweat equity in your practice????

P. Shaun McDuffee

In 2011 (my rookie year) I had \$81,120 of total FYC and \$44,391 came from 3 working doc cases that came from straight up cold calls. So over 50%. Keep calling friends!

Laura Vaughn, Securian Rookie of the Year 2011



Cold Calling Motivation

With the end of the NSTAR year Idecided to take a little time and work "on" my practice, instead of "in" it for a day. One of the of the items that I wanted to get metrics on was how much revenue my activities in Baltimore have generated (my portion) now that we have had the office open for 10 months. From going through this exercise Istumbled on a metric that I wanted to share with you guys who are in the trenches taking grenades. Here are the numbers:

- My portion of FYC from Baltimore leads: \$45,636.68
- This FYC is from 28 people who have paid us (or checks are currently being processed) for insurance, investments, and fee plans...

•\$21,493.75 of this FYC has come from TWO CLENTS (Both Cold Calls)

The reason we put such an emphasis on cold calling is to give you the opportunity to close cases on the whales with your mentor doing the heavy lifting (Shaun made these cases happen). Almost half of my commission down there has come from two working dients....and these two clients have combined for a grand total of 9 meetings (around 7:30 hours of time actually in front of the dients). Not a bad dollar per hour if you ask me! The resident activity is great to build your bread and butter practice for the future, but the working docs are what will generate well over half of your income TODAY!

Anyways...keep picking up the phones, and don't lose faith when it takes months just to get someone in for a meeting. Your busiest clients and the hardest ones to set (or RSVP) tend to make the most \$\$\$.

Michael Paulus



Simple to Understand - Hard to do

New Advisor Trouble Shooting List

- 1. Do I prospect for a minimum of two hours per day?
- 2. Do I track and what are my average weekly billable hours?
- 3. Do I have a daily activity goal/critical number established?
- 4. Do I meet weekly with my Division Leader to go over all activity performed for the week?
- 5. Do I have a quarterly goal established and a daily goal that supports the quarterly goal?
- 6. Do I participate in a regular Sales Builder/Peer Accountability meeting?
- 7. Do I send a daily e-mail to my Mentor and Division Leaders, recapping the key activities I accomplish each day?
- 8. Do I track all of my sales activity and record them into E-scoreboard and review it on a monthly basis to determine my practice ratios?
- 9. Are 50% of my meetings joint work with my Mentor and other firm specialists?
- 10. Do I attend all professional development opportunities provided for me? I.e. weekly Blocking and Tackling meeting, monthly North Star University meeting?





Simple to Understand – Hard to do New Advisor Trouble Shooting List (continued)

- 11. How many hours per week am I working?
- 12. Do I have any established office hours on the weekend? Example, Saturday morning from 9:00 to 12:00 to do paperwork or set appointments as needed.
- 13. Do I hold/conduct at least three new opener meetings per week? A minimum of 12 on a monthly basis (20 plus is ideal).
- 14. Do I have a Marketing Plan established to identify how to build my practice short-term as well as identify the longer term marketing opportunities?
- 15. Have I been adopted? (has my work ethic, drive, attitude, and determination allowed me the opportunity that a Senior Advisor asks me to work with his or her practice or work in their target market).
- 16. Have I role-played my referral presentation to my Mentor and Division Leader and received a grade of "A"?
- 17. Do I have a place in my process where I ask for referrals consistently? If so, when?
- 18. Do I supply prompting lists when I ask for referrals?
- 19. Am I sending a monthly progress report to my Mentor, Division Leader and firm's Managing Partner?
- 20. Have I created a Board of Directors?

21. Have I videotaped my opening North Star story, referral/recommendation talk, educational meetings, recorded my phone scripted and had it reviewed for quality and input?



Elements of Strong Retention

- High Performance/no excuse culture
- Everyone is "seed corn"
- Activity solves all problems
- Being something to somebodyproblem solvers
- Fostering Business owners/practice managers

- Strangest Secret-Common Denominator of Success
- Critical numbers-How am I going to win today?
- "Teaching Hospital"
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- Marines and American Ex
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Leadership Track Division Leader Expectation Agreement

- Weekly One on One meeting with year one CDP's
- Bi-weekly One on One meetings with year two CDP's
- Monthly One on One meetings with year three CDP's
- Monthly to quarterly One on One with all advisors in one's division
- Video recorded client sales process that CDP's have access to and review on regular basis
- Review CDP's weekly activity recorded in E-scoreboard
- Check with company controller on monthly basis on status of CDP's monthly validation
- Have CDP's attend formal/structured weekly call session
- Have CDP's attend formal/structured role playing session
- Hold monthly Sales Builder meetings for division
- Hold monthly division meetings
- Attend annual LAMP conference
- Have CDP's attend monthly Sales Builder meetings

- Have all advisors in their division complete an annual plan which is reviewed quarterly
- Complete an annual plan for division which is reviewed quarterly with Co-President
- Hold weekly office hours for CDP's
- Have division expectation agreement and on-boarding manual/ procedures for CDP's
- Host quarterly division team/culture building events
- Connect with recruiter at least once per month on progress on recruiting strategy done in conjunction with recruiting team
- Have positive division growth, both production and net number of advisors annually
- Meet weekly with those serving as mentors in one's division
- Attend annual leadership track retreat
- Must be in good standing on a full-time basis with Securian
- Compliance records must be in good standing
- Hold orientation meeting for new hires that outlines division's philosophy, sales process and marketing methods





Practice "X-RAY" Questions

- What am I great at?
- What am I lousy at?
- What is going well/right?
- What is not going well/right?
- What do I need to start doing?
- What do I need to stop doing?
- What are my billable hours?
- If I were to write a book about FP what would the executive summary say? One message!
- How much money is entrusted to me?
- What is the fairy tale?
- 3 words you want your clients to associate with you/describe you.



Quarterly Review

- Key goal
- Critical number
- Ahead or behind—how much?
- Do you want to adjust your goal?
- What activity will you change to alter result?
- What did you set out to do last 90 days?
- If not accomplished—WHY?
- What is your Why?
- What was income last year? Satisfied?



PURPOSE Drives Goals

Successful people have a purpose strong enough to make them form the habit of doing things they don't like to do in order to accomplish the purpose they so desire


Purpose Identification and Goal setting... Art or Science?

 What is the goal?- <u>focus on feeling vs. \$/ material-the "why"</u> • Why is it important to you? must connect and capture! • How are you going to get there? Be as specific as possible! • What are you going to do differently? Specifically • Goal= Enthusiasm Objective=realism • Who will hold you accountable? • When will it be reached? Need a deadline! • What is the consequence and/or reward?

• How can we create a greater sense of urgency?













Big Trophy Day Part II















"Big Trophy Day"

- Do you have a "Big Trophy Day"?
- What is your vision?-<u>Crystal Clear! AIM</u> <u>HIGH!!</u>
- If you want people to join your cause you better tell them where you are going and the part they play!!

• You become what you think about



WHY will you <u>absolutely</u> accomplish your goals?

- The WHY is different for everyone. It must be personal and significant. Facts...
- "I don't want to leave this career"
 - " "I want to have my spouse quit working"
- "I want the respect of my peers/managers"
- "I want to make a significant contribution to my church"
 - "I want to help parents retire (or buy them a house)"
 - "I want to pay for my child/family's schooling"
 - "I want a house"
- "I want to be debt free"
- "I want to be rich"
- "I want to make a difference"
- "I want to pay for my sister's degree"



From: Howard J Elias [mailto:HElias@wagroupllc.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 10, 2009 8:25 AM
To: Deutschlander, Ed
Cc: Condrey, R. Michael (Mike); Hughes, Jeff

Ed

On March 17th, 2008 (at our Board Meeting last year), You asked everyone to write down an important goal, to seal it in an envelope, and have someone that we designate other than ourselves open it after January 1st of 2009. You asked each of us to keep it on our desk in order to remind us that we had something important to accomplish that year. After coming off a very difficult year (2007) which included the departure of two managers with eight good producers, the outlook for 2008 was bleak. My future depended on our ability as a firm to turn things around by recruiting new Management and Associates.

Alan Press opened the envelope on Monday January 5th (The day after I returned from vacation). My SMART Goal was as follows: "By December 31st 2008, I will have recruited 16 new Associates to build my agency." I am happy to report that we did just that, we added 16 new associates of which two are in management, grew the organization by a net 20%, and increased our life production by 8% over 2007. We are stronger now than we were before that group left. Thank you for helping me stay focused on the basics, the most important thing we need to do each day. Thank you. Sincerely,

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Recruiter's Creed

Nothing happens until someone recruits somebody. An organization stands still, there is no culture, no vision, no opportunity, no future. An organization builds upon people or it builds on nothing at all. With every new candidate comes potential, with every new recruit comes hope, with every additional person comes a new perspective, a new mind, a new heart. What happens when you recruit someone? You give them an opportunity, a future, a reason to live life to the fullest each and every day. A chance to do something very few can do in life, to truly make a difference in touching the lives of others. We are fishers of people; we are making a difference.

