

LEADERSHIP DYNAMICS TRAGEDIES, DANGERS, SCANDALS & SEX



40 VARIED OBSERVATIONS ABOUT

BASED ON FORTY YEARS OF STUDYING LEADERS

LEADERSHIP

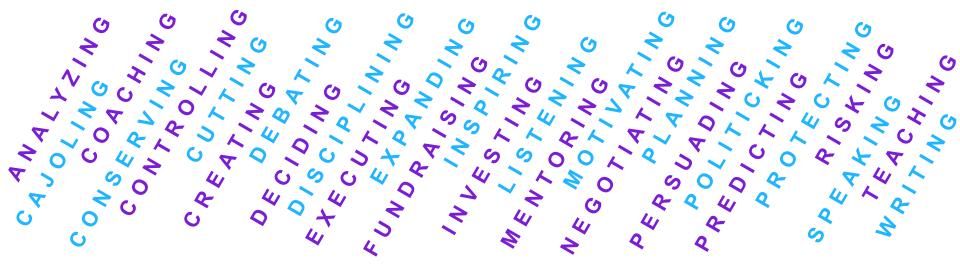
ACTIONS THAT FOCUS

RESOURCES TO CREATE

DESIRABLE OPPORTUNITIES

LEADERSHI P ACTIONS

INCLUDE A LONG LIST OF VERBS



LEADERSHIP RESOUCES

BASIC - PEOPLE, MONEY, TIME, SPACE, MATERIALS



SELF-DISCIPLINE "RELENTLESSNESS"

RESOURCES WITHOUT PERSISTENCE IN ORGANIZING THEM, MONITORING PROGRESS AND MAKING COURSE CORRECTIONS ARE ESSENTIALLY USELESS

DESIREABLE OPPORTUNITIES

HIGHER PROFITSBETTER EDUCATIONSUPERIOR HEALTH CAREEASIER TRAVELSAFER ENVIRONMENTSBETTER COMMUNICATIONINCREASED SECURITY

IN GENERAL, A HIGHER PROBABILITY OF PEACE, BEAUTY, HAPPINESS, INNOVATION, TOLERANCE AND A REDUCTION IN CONFLICT

"DESIREABLE" IS USED TO SEPARATE LEADERS FROM TYRANTS

DEFINITION MUST WORK AT ALL LEVELS

IF THE WATER FOUNTAINS AREN'T WORKING, THERE IS AN **ABSENCE** OF LEADERSHIP SOMEWHERE

EDITOR'S OATH - JANE GORRELL AGE 18

I PROMISE NOT TO LET THE ENTHUSIASM AND CREATIVITY OF THE SUMMER DWINDLE, ESPECIALLY WHEN LAYING OUT MUCH SHOTS.

I PROMISE TO KEEP THE PEACE WITH SUBORDINATES AND LISTEN TO EACH DUMBASS IDEA WITH THE SAME EAGERNESS I WOULD WITH MY OWN IDEAS.

I PROMISE TO BE PATIENT WITH OTHER COLLEAGUES---EVEN WHEN THEY DECIDE TO RIDE THEIR OWN HORSES. I VOW TO BE ORGANIZED.

I PROMISE NOT TO THROW TEMPER TANTRUMS DUE TO STRESS (ESPECIALLY LIKE SLAMMING DOORS AND CRYING IN THE BATHROOM).

I WILL STRIVE TO BE A STONG LEADER, BUT NOT A DICTATOR.

I WILL NOT HESITATE TO ASK OTHERS BEFORE ME FOR ADVICE; TOO MUCH PRIDE CAN SCREW UP A DEADLINE.

I PROMISE NOT TO SPEND ALL OF THE MONEY AND BE IN THE RED WHEN BILLS NEED TO BE PAID.

I PROMISE TO BE SUPERHUMAN.

LEADERSHIP IS BEHAVIOR

CAN BE TAUGHT, COACHED, OR LEARNED

LEADERSHIP CAN ALSO BE FATALLY STOMPED ON BY NOT LETTING SUBORDINATES EXPERIMENT

LEADERS

THE <u>MAJOR MOTIVATION</u> DRIVING MOST LEADERS IS THE <u>DESIRE TO FEEL RELEVANT</u>

LEADERS LIKE TO BE WHERE THE ACTION IS

IF FEELING IRRELEVANT, LEADERS BECOME BORED, FRUSTRATED OR DIS-ENGAGED

AMBITION

AMBITION IS TERRIBLY IMPORTANT; ONE HAS TO DEARLY WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

LEADERS WHO ARE NOT FUELED BY AN INTERNAL SENSE OF URGENCY ARE USUALLY CALLED MANAGER.



RELEVANT TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE IS USEFUL, **OFTEN CRITICAL**

THE MOST BRILLIANT LEADERS ARE THOSE WHO MAKE INTUITIVE DECISIONS THAT, WHEN THE FACTS ARE ALL IN, FIT THE FACTS



THE WORLD WILL INEVITABLY FOCUS ON THE FRAILITY OF THE LEADER

LEADERS: BORN OR MADE?

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA RESEARCH ON IDENTICAL TWINS RAISED APART SUGGESTS THAT THE TENDENCY TO SEEK OUT LEADERSHIP POSITIONS HAS A MILD GENETIC COMPONENT

CREATIVE LEADERSHIP

CREATIVE LEADERSHIP IS DISTASTEFUL TO MOST ORGANIZATIONS; IT ALMOST ALWAYS **CREATES UNWELCOME TURBULANCE**

> CREATIVE LEADERS HAVE TO BE BRILLIANT OR COMPLETELY IN CONTROL, OR BOTH

LEADERSHIP

LEADERS ARE BOTH MORE VISIBLE AND LESS POWERFUL THAN THEY THINK

"JESUS IS COMING; LOOK BUSY"

JUST BECAUSE YOU ARE IN CHARGE DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN YOU CAN GET THE TRAINS TO RUN ON TIME FEW ORGANZIATIONS HAVE FIGURED OUT HOW TO ALLOCATE **THE FINANCIAL REWARDS OF GOOD LEADERSHIP** IN WAYS THAT ARE FAIR, RATIONAL AND POLITICALLY ACCEPTABLE

> e.g. What is is more motivating, the difference between \$0 and \$5,000 or between \$5,000,000 and \$10,000,000?

GOOD LEADERSHIP

MUST BE ORGANIZATIONALLY ENLIGHTENED

PITY THE POOR SCHOOL SUPERINTENDANT WHO HAS GOOD LEADERSHIP IN THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS:

> TEACHERS UNION STUDENT BODY THE PTA SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOODS CITY COUNCIL ETHNIC & CULTURAL GROUPS TAXPAYERS

POOR LEADERSHIP

IS FAR MORE VISIBLE FROM BELOW THAN FROM ABOVE

SUPERIORS ARE POORLY POSITIONED TO EVALUATE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR SUBORDINATES

> INFORMATION FROM THE RANK AND FILE IS CRITICAL AND USUALLY CAN COME FROM SURVEYS



A FACINATING QUESTION:

"IS THE GOOD DONE BY OUTSTANDING LEADERS EQUAL TO, OR MORE OR LESS THAN, THE DAMAGE BY ABYSMAL ONES?"

TWO BASIC DMENSIONS

OF EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP

TASK ORIENTATION (GETTING THINGS DONE)

RELATIONSHP ORIENTATION (VALUING PEOPLE)

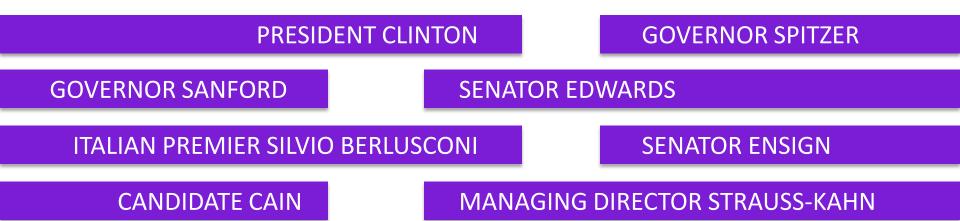
THESE TWO BASIC DIMENSIONS HAVE SHOWN UP IN LEADERSHIP STUDIES AGAIN AND AGAIN FOR OVER 50 YEARS.

PEOPLE IN CHARGE WILL OFTEN HANG ON TOO LONG

WHO NEEDS STATISTICAL DATA ON THIS?

RETIRING OFTEN FEELS SYNONYMOUS WITH IRRELEVANCE

SEXUAL APPETITES WILL INTRUDE



A WELL-MANNERED LIBIDO MAY BE AN ESSENTIAL LEADERSHIP TRAIT

H-P Chief Quits in Scandal

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL.

WEEKEND EDITION

Hurd's Ouster Follows Board Probe Into Expenses, Relationship With Contractor

BY BEN WORTHEN AND PUI-WING TAM

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DOWIONES

Mark Hurd, the man credited with reinvigorating Hewlett-Packard Co., resigned as chief executive of the technology giant after an investigation of his relationship with a female contractor that found he violated the company's ethics standards.

H-P said Friday that Mr. Hurd, 53 years old, didn't violate the company's policy regarding sexual-harassment but submitted inaccurate expense reports that were intended to conceal what the company said was a "close personal relationship" with the woman.

The amount of money in

question wasn't disclosed. The woman wasn't identified but was described as an outside marketing contractor for H-P between the fall of 2007 and the fall of 2009.

The news, released after stock markets closed Friday, caused H-P shares to plunge 8.3% to \$42.48 in after hours trading.

Michael Holston, H-P's general counsel, said Mr. Hurd demonstrated a "profound lack of judgment" in the matter, which was investigated by an outside law firm after the company's legal department received a letter June 29 from the woman's lawver alleging sexual harassment. The board was informed the next day.

The resignation is "all about Mark's behavior and judgment" said Cathie Lesjak. H-P's chief financial officer, who will assume the CEO role until a permanent replacement for Mr. Hurd is found.

In addition to Mr. Hurd's own expenses, H-P investigated whether the contractor provided all the services she was paid for. There are "a couple of instances where that was in question." Mr. Holston said.

A person familiar with Mr. Hurd's version of the events said the executive didn't have sexual relations with the woman and the questionable expense reports totaled no more than \$20,000.



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Mark Hurd.

YET SENSUAL TEMPTATIONS ARE EVERYWHERE

"POWER IS THE ULTIMATE APHRODISIAC"

HENRY KISINGER, NY TIMES 1973

"SEX IS ENGAGING IN THE FIRST ROUNDS; WHAT SUSTAINS INTEREST IN THE LONG RUN IS POWER"

CHIANG CH'ING CHINESE ACTRESS AND WIFE OF MAO TSE-TUNG

ORGANIZATIONAL ADVICE LEADERS WILL TURN TO OTHER LEADERS

LEADERS HAVE TROUBLE GRANTING **CREDIBILITY** TO ANYONE WHO HAS NOT WALKED A MILE IN THEIR GUCCI'S

LEADERSHIP/MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS HAVE VARIED WIDELY THROUGH THE YEARS (1950-2012)

THEORY X THEORY Y THE MANAGERIAL GRID THEORY Z SITUATIONAL LEADERSHIP ASSESSMENT CENTERS SENSITIVITY TRAINING EST DECISION MAKING BRAINSTORMING BARS GUIDED IMAGFRY LEFTBRAIN/RIGHT BRAIN MASLOW'S HIERARCHY OF NEEDS TRANSACTIONAL ANALYSIS I'M OK, YOU'RE OK THE ONE MINUTE MANAGER ROPES COURSES CONTINOUS IMPROVEMENT MBO TQM HOLLAND'S HEXAGON THEORY OF CAREERS QUALITY CIRCLES KAIZEN EDWARD DFMING IN SEARCH OF EXCELLENCE SIX SIGMAS 7 FRO DEFECTS HABITS OF HIGHLY FFFFCTIVE THF SFVFN PFOPIF BUILT DIVERSITY TRAINING TO LAST FMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE THE NEW ECONOMY DOT COM'S " B F OR BE GONE" BALANCED OUICK S C O R E CARD eleadership **GOOD TO GREAT** TALENT DEVELOPMENT GLOBALIZATION SUSTAINABILITY LEARNING AGILITY WHY HAS THERE BEEN SO MUCH CHURNING?

HERE IS A COMMON REQUEST FROM A CEO:

"FOR OUR ANNUAL MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE, WHAT'S NEW OUT THERE?"

LEADERSHIP LIFE BALANCE

THE WORK-LIFE BALANCE ISSUE IS CONTINUALLY RELEVANT AND OFTEN CHALLENGING

IF YOU ARE IN A VISIBLE, INFLUENTIAL POSITION WHERE YOU

HAVE THE RESPONSIBLITY FOR THE ACTIONS, BUDGETS AND

PERFORMANCE OF OTHERS, THE TIME DEMANDS CAN BE

WRENCHING, CANCELING OUT PTA MEETINGS, AND ROMANTIC

EVENINGS IN FRONT OF THE FIREPLACE.

IN SUCH SITUATIONS, YOU MUST HAVE AROUND YOU A CIRCLE OF SUPPORTIVE FAMILY, FRIENDS AND SUBORDINATES

"A FRIEND IS SOMEONE TO WHOM YOU CAN ADMIT BEWILDERMENT, CONFUSION OR DESPAIR WITHOUT FEAR OF BEING BELITTLED."

DEMOGRAPHIC CATEGORIES

ARE INORDINATELY DIFFICULT TO DEAL WITH

RACE, GENDER, RELIGION, ETHNICITY, GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, AGE, PHYSICAL STATUS AND OCCUPATIONAL MEMBERSHIP

SHOULD BE IRRELEVANT

BUT JUST TRY LEADING PEOLE WHO ARE DEMOGRAPHICALLY DIFFERENT FROM YOU

LEADERSHIP HIERARCHIES

IN HEIRACHAL ORGANIZATIONS, PEOPLE AT THE TOP ARE MORE SATISFIED, MOTIVATED AND ENGAGED THAN ARE THE PEOPLE BELOW THEM.

ARE THEY HAPPIER BECAUSE THEY ARE HIGHER, OR ARE THEY HIGHER BECAUSE THEY HAVE BEEN HAPPIER?

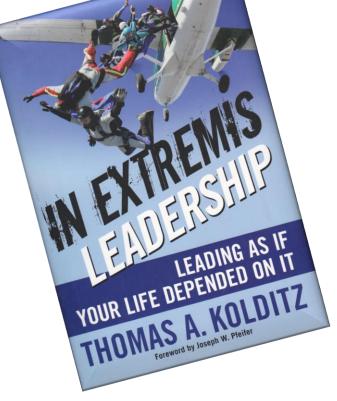
EXCEPTIONS TO HIEARCHY EFFECT

A FEW ORGANIZATIONS SHOW INVERTED HIERACHIES, USUALLY DYSFUNTIONAL

UNIVERSITIES SHOW NO INCREASE IN HAPPINESS GOING UP THROUGH THE RANKS FROM GRAD ASSISTANT TO PRESIDENT. UNIVERSITIES ARE NOT HIERACHIES, THEY ARE ANARCHIES

> "THE REASON ACADEMIC POLITICS ARE SO DIRTY IS THAT THE STAKES ARE SO LOW,"

IN EXTREMIS LEADERSHIP



IN SETTINGS WHERE LETHAL CATASTROPHES ARE POSSIBILITIES, SUCH AS COMBAT, SWAT TEAMS, MOUNTAIN CLIMBING AND SKYDIVING, FOLLOWERS WANT LEADERS FIRST AND FOREMOST TO HAVE HIGHLY RELEVANT SPECIFIC SKILLS AND THEN THE ABILITY TO COACH FOLLOWERS IN UNANTICIPATED DICEY SITUATIONS

TO EXPLORE A DARK, FOREIGN ALLEY WHICH MAY BE HARBORING ENEMIES WHO WISH TO DO YOU HARM, OR BREAK DOWN THE DOOR OF A SUSPECTED CRACK HOUSE, OR TO JUMP OUT OF AN AIRPLANE WITH OTHER SKYDIVERS TO CLUSTER TOGETHER INTO A GEOMETRIC PATTERN, FOLLOWERS DO NOT NEED TO BE INSPIRED; THEY ARE ALREADY TIGHTLY WOUND. WHAT THEY NEED TO KNOW IS EXACTLY HOW TO PERFORM, AND HOW TO HANDLE UNEXPECTED CHALLENGES.

A CURRENT WIDESPREAD LEADERSHIP FAD IS A FOCUS ON "COMPETENCIES"

WHICH IS ESSENTIALLY A WAY OF DISSECTING LEADERSHIP INTO ITS

COMPONENT PARTS.

TEN BASIC LEADERSHIP COMPETENCIES

THAT APPEAR TO WORK EQUALLY WELL IN CAPTURING LEADERSHP STYLES OF LEADERS RANGING FROM NAPOLEON TO MARGARET THATCHER TO JACK WELCH

VISION

IMAGINES AND BUILDS SUPPORT FOR A SUCCESSFUL APPEALING FUTURE

MANAGEMENT

EFFECTVELY ASSIGNS, MONITORS AND MANAGES THE ORGANIZATION'S RESOURCES

EMPOWERMENT

OFFERS INTERESTING CHALLENGES AND REWARDS, TO ATTRACT, DEVELOP AND RETAIN TALENTED LEADERS

DIPLOMACY

BUILDS LASTING COALITIONS WITH IMPORTANT INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL ALLIES

FEEDBACK

DEVELOPS AND USES EVALUATION SYSTEMS FOR IMPROVING INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP PERFORMANCE

ENTREPRENEURIAL

CONCEIVES AND SUPPORTS NEW INNOVATIVE APPROACHES FOR PRODUCTS, PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

PRODUCTIVITY

WORKS HARD, TAKES RISKS, DRIVES FOR RESULTS

PERSONAL STYLE

PROVIDES AN EXCELLENT PERSONAL MODEL OF COMPETENCE, OPTIMISIM AND INTEGRITY

PERSONAL ENERGY

LIVES AN ACTIVE, WHOLESOME LIFE WITH GOOD HEATLH HABITS

MULTI-CULTURAL AWARENESS

WORKS WELL WITH INDIVIDUALS OF DIFFERING CHARACTERISTICS, BACKGROUNDS AND BELIEFS

FINANCIAL Schizophrenia

MANY SUCCESSFUL ENTREPRENEURS DEMONSTRATE A SORT OF SCHIZOPHRENIA TOWARD ORGANIZATIONAL EXPENSES;

THEY FOCUS SIMULTANEOUSLY ON HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS AND ALSO ON THE PENNIES.

FINANCIAL Schizophrenia

FIVE ANECDOTES: A \$600,000 PRESS, AND \$4.65/HOUR AN EXTRA CATALOG \$50,000 TO BUY, AND A 69¢ GLASS PLEASE BRING US SEPARATE CHECKS FILL UP THE RENTAL CAR GAS TANK

MORAL: IF YOU CAN'T SAVE DIMES, YOU PROBABLY WON'T SAVE DOLLARS

PERSONAL TRAGEDIES

WILL BE INESCAPABLE AND DESTRUCTIVE

DANISH RESEARCHERS LEARNED THAT IN THE TWO YEARS FOLLOWING THE DEATH OF A CHILD OF AN ORGANIZATION'S PRESIDENT, THE ORGANIZATION'S PROFITABILITY PLUNGED AN AVERAGE OF 20%

LITTLE GOOD EXPERIMENTAL RESEARCH **ON LEADERSHIP**

CORPORATE LEADERS ALMOST ENTIRELY IGNORE THE BASIC PRINCIPLES OF PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT

6 ACTIVITIES PRACTICED BY HIGH PERFORMANCE GROUPS:



WARMING UP: STRETCHING, TUNING INSTRUMENTS, PRACTICING LINES, INCONTRAST, BOARDS START OUT WITH CUPS OF COFFEE

PRACTICE WITH ALMOST INNUMERABLE REPETITIONS: IT IS SOMETIMES DIFFICULT TO GET BOARD MEMBERS TO ATTEND ALL OF THE MEETINGS, LET ALONE PRACTICE IN ANY WAY

REHEARSE: NOTHING LIKE THIS EVER HAPPENS WITH BOARDS

COLLECT AND OBSERVE REAL-TIME DATA ON PERFORMANCE: ARE YOU KIDDING ME? VIDEOTAPE A BOARD MEETING?! THINK OF THE POTENTIAL LEGAL RISKS, NOT TO MENTION FILMING THE AFTERNOON NAPS OF THE CHRONOLOGICALLY GIFTED.

PREPARE AFTER-ACTION PLANS FOR FUTURE IMPROVEMENT: MY OBSERVATION IS THAT SOME BOARD MEMEBERS DON'T EVEN READ THE MINUTES WHICH, ANYWAY, ARE DELIBERATELY DEVOID OF ANY OF THE MEANINGFUL DISCUSSIONS

BE COMMANDED, COACHED OR DIRECTED DURING PERFORMANCES: THE CEO USUALLY HAS TROUBLE JUST STAYING ON THE ANNOUNCED AGENDA

LEADERSHIP CRIMES & SEXUAL SCANDALS ALL DEMONSTRATE THE ICEBERG EFFECT; 90% ARE INVISIBLE

FOR EVERY...

PONZI SCHEMEINSIDER TRADING EVENTILLICITED GOVERNMENT CONTRACTTAX EVADERSDISASTROUS PRICE-FIXING SCHEMESEXUAL PECCADILOS ...

THERE ARE DOZENS, HUNDREDS OF OTHERS THAT GO UNDETECTED.

PLAYING A COURAGEOUS LEADERSHIP ROLE AT ANY LEVEL IN ANY ORGANIZATION THAT IS EMBEDDED IN A POTENTIAL SCANDAL IS DIFFICULT, POSSIBLY CAREER-ENDING AND THEREFORE RARE

FEW PEOPLE ARE WILLING TO RISK THEIR JOBS, THEIR CAREERS AND THEIR PENSIONS TO "BLOW THE WHISTLE" THE MADOFF AND STANFORD PONZI SCHEMES

THE RAJARATNAM INSIDER TRADING CIRCLE

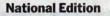
THE PENN STATE, UNIVERSITY OF SYRACUSE & CATHOLIC CHURCH CHILD ABUSE CASES

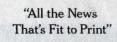
THE SPITZER, EWARDS, HURD, SCHWARTZENEGGER, CAIN, NEAL AND DOMINQUE STRASS-KAHN SEXUAL PECCADILLOES

THE CEO, COO AND CFO OF THE OLYMPUS CORPORATION ALLEGINGLY HIDING \$1.5 B OF DEBT OFF THE BOOKS FOR 10 YEARS

TOP EXECS AT MF GLOBAL "LOSING" 1.7B OF INVESTOR ASSETS

RUPERT MURDOCH LONDON NEWSPAPER PHONE HACKING VIOLATIONS





The New York Eimes

Colorado: Partly to mostly sunny. A passing late-day thunderstorm over the mountains. Highs mostly in the 70s. Mostly clear evening. Details, SportsSunday, Page 12.

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Vast Mexico Bribery Case Hushed Up by Wal-Mart After Top-Level Struggle

An Internal Inquiry Was Shut Down, and the Authorities Were Not Notified

ACCORDING TO THE NY TIMES ARTICLE, ALL OF THE EXECUTIVES IN THE POSITIONS BELOW EITHER DIRECTLY PAID THE BRIBES, AUTHORIZED THEM OR WERE BRIEFED EITHER BY EMAIL OR IN MANAGEMENT MEETINGS

WAL-MART INTERNATIONAL

CHAIRMAN BOARD OF DIRECTORS VICE-CHAIRMAN CURRENT CEO VP FOR GLOBAL SECURITY CORPORATE SECRETARY GENERAL COUNSEL CHIEF AUDITOR DIRECTOR, CORPORATE INVESTIGATIONS

WAL-MART LATIN AMERICA

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CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD EX-CEO CURRENT CEO GENERAL COUNSEL CHIEF AUDITOR TOP REAL ESTATE EXECUTIVE

THE ONLY WHITE HAT...

MARITZ I. MUNICH

GENERAL COUNSEL OF WAL-MART INTERNATIONAL

"THE WISDOM OF ASSIGNING ANY INVESTIGATIVE ROLE TO MANAGEMENT OF THE BUSINESS UNIT BEING INVESTIGATED ESCAPES ME"

OCT 2005

"THE BRIBERY OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE IN MEXICO (AND IN THE US)" (UPON HER RESIGNATION) FEB 2006

ALL ORGANIZATIONS BASED ON ARMED FORCE OR ECONOMIC POWER WILL EVENTUALLY DISAPPEAR

ALEXANDER THE GREAT, THE ROMAN EMPIRE, THE FRENCH EMPIRE, THE BRITISH EMPIRE, THE THIRD REICH AND THE SOVIET UNION ---- BRANIFF, CONTINENTAL, EASTERN, NORTHWEST, PIEDMONT, TWA AND WESTERN AIRLINES NOW ALL GONE. ONLY RELIGIONS AND UNIVERSITIES HAVE SURVIVED FOR CENTURIES



LEADERSHIP REQUIRES BOTH COMPETITION AND COLLABORATION

MUTUAL TRUST IS WHAT HOLDS LEADERS AND FOLLOWERS TOGETHER IN SUCCESSFUL ORGANIZATIONS

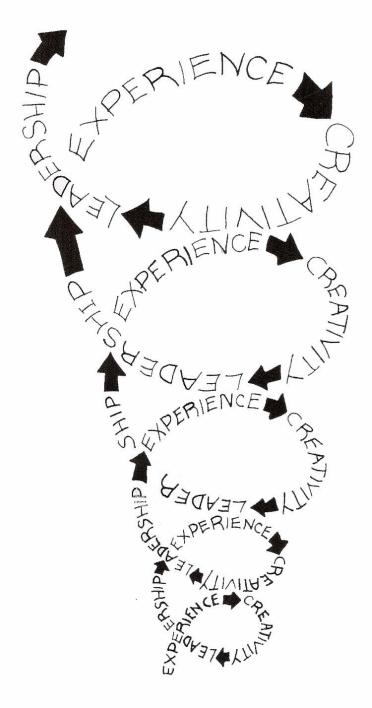
TRUST, LIKE WEALTH, CAN BE BUILT UP SLOWLY OVER MANY YEARS, THEN EVAPORATE IN A HEARTBEAT FROM ONE DISASTROUS ACTION OR DECISION "FRIENDS COME AND GO BUT ENEMIES ACCUMULATE"

"WHEN I MAKE FRIENDS WITH MY ENEMIES, AM I NOT DESTROYING THEM?"

-ABRAHAM LINCOLN

THE CONTINUAL DEVELOPMENT OF LEADERSHIP RESEMBLES A SERIES OF CONCENTRIC CIRCLES, EACH ONE FIRST PROVIDING **EXPERIENCE** THAT, WITH THE NECESSARY CREATIVITY TO DREAM UP IMPROVEMENTS AND THE NECESSARY LEADERSHIP ACTIONS TO MAKE THEM HAPPEN

ASCENDING CIRCLES



EXPERIENCE IS THE FOUNDATION, CREATIVITY IS THE CATALYST AND LEADERSHIP IS THE ENGINE -- AT EVERY LEVEL

LEADERS HAVE ONLY A VAGUE IDEA OF WHAT OTHER PEOPLE AROUND THEM – THEIR BOSS, PEERS AND SUBORDIANTES – THINK ABOUT THEIR LEADERSHIP STYLE

WE ARE ALL LIVING LIVES OF GRAVE DELUSIONS ABOUT WHAT OTHER PEOPLE THINK ABOUT US

HUMILITY IS OFTEN FOUND IN GREAT LEADERS

HUMOR IS POTENT IN LEADERSHIP SETTINGS

RONALD REAGAN

JOHN F. KENNEDY

LEADERSHIP IS PHYSICALLY HARD WORK

IT REQUIRES LONG HOURS, WRENCHING DECISIONS, UNEXPECTED CRISES, EXHAUSTING TRAVEL, COMPLICATED MULTIPLE AGENDAS AND NEVER-ENDING SOCIAL DEMANDS AND, AT LAST, TIMING IS EVERYTHING. IT WAS A DAY LIKE THIS THAT MARCO POLO SET OUT FOR CHINA... WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS FOR TODAY?

"To be a leader, to accumulate and exercise power, is one of life's most intoxicating, frustrating, exhilarating and punishing activities. Leaders have clout; they influence events; they make, spend and manipulate thousands, millions, billions of dollars; they determine the course of freeways, institutions and countries; they make decisions about what we can see on TV, whether there will be gas at the pumps, what music or movies we are offered, and which borders we can cross without hassles. The smell of power surrounding them attracts groupies, hate mail, Lear jets, adoration, lawsuits, lovers, leather-covered upholstery, suicidal thoughts, and a vast array of actual and vicarious climaxes." **DAVID CAMPBELL (1981)**



AND NOW FOR A BREAK

WHAT HAPPEN'S IN VEGAS STAYS IN VEGAS!