

Canadian Management



The Canadians and Japanese decided to engage in a boat race. Both teams practiced hard and long to reach their peak performance levels. On the big day they felt ready. The Japanese won by a mile.

The Canadian team was discouraged by the loss. Morale sagged. Corporate management decided that the reason for the crushing defeat had to be found, so a consulting firm was hired to investigate the problem and recommend corrective action.

The consultant's finding: The Japanese team had eight people rowing and one person steering: the Canadian team had one person rowing and eight people steering.

After a year of study and millions spent analyzing the problem, the consultant firm concluded that too many people were steering and not enough were rowing on the Canadian team. So as race day neared again the following year, the Canadian's team management structure was completely reorganized. The new structure: four steering managers, three area steering managers, and a new performance review system for the person rowing the boat to provide work incentive. The next year, the Japanese won by TWO miles!

Humiliated, the Canadian corporation laid off the rower for poor performance and gave the managers a bonus for discovering the problem.



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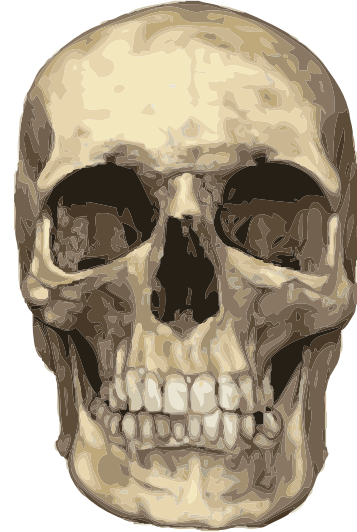
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ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - 126B Main St. (entrance in back alley). Mon-Wed-Fri. noon meetings 12:00-1:00pm. Evenings Mon. (C), Tues. (C), Sat. (O) - 8:00pm start. If you have any questions or need someone to talk to, please call Brian or Nancy at 403-946-4908 or 403-869-4928.

Airdrie open door AL-ANON meeting. Is someone's drinking effecting you? Meetings held every Thursday 8:30 – 9:30 pm in the basement of the United Church, Side entrance, 216 – 1st Ave N.E. Airdrie. Call Annette at 948-1081 or Sheila at 403-945-2550.

Airdrie open door AL-ANON meeting. Meetings held every Wednesday at 10:00am in the basement of the United Church, side entrance, 216 – 1st Ave N.E. Airdrie.

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ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: Meets at the Christian Education Centre (United Church) Mon. & Thurs. at 8:30 pm. Contact Dave for information at 403-948-1425.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Calling all Vancouver Olympic 2010 Circulation Coin Collectors, join us for a "Coin Swap" at the Royal Bank, Airdrie Branch, Saturday, October 17/09 from 1-4PM.

Scout Popcorn Sale Oct 1-31. Watch for Youth selling in your neighborhood. If we miss you, call 403-948-2350 to buy your popcorn and support youth in your community!

LIVING BREAKFAST. Discussions about successful living over breakfast served FREE: Royal Canadian Legion, Sundays 9.00-9.45AM. Tel: 403-420-5575. /Dec 31

Golden Rod 4-H Club invites you to attend the Halloween Howler Family Dance & Haunted House. Saturday, October 31st, 7:00 PM to Midnight, at Golden Rod Hall - located 7 miles west of Airdrie on HWY 567. Admission: Family \$15.00 (parents and children); Single \$5.00 per person. Concession available. 8/15

WE ARE LOOKING FOR LOCAL ARTISANS to participate in Airdrie's 3rd Annual Artisan Holiday Market. Date: Saturday, November 28th, 2009. Time: 10am - 4pm. Place: Town & Country Centre - Airdrie. Please visit www.AirdrieSchoolofArt for more information or call Jane at 403-560-0894.

Manna House is October 19 at 6 p.m. We serve our community with an evening of friendship, live entertainment and homemade food at the Airdrie Alliance Church (1604 Summerfield Blvd.). No reservations needed. Laura 948-8781.

Woodside Condo's Annual Fall Bazaar, Oct 17, 10 am. Woodside Place Condos, 309 Woodside Dr. /15

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Airdrie Public Library Genealogy meetings, 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. Nov 9, Dec 14.

"Chili for Chad" On Friday, October 16 from 5-9 pm, come on out to Our Lady Queen of Pease School for a family fund-raiser for the Pearson family of our parish. Tickets will be \$10 per person, \$2.00 for children in grades 1 through 8, with children under 6 free. They may be purchased at the church, OLQP or Good Shepherd Schools. Silent auction, clowns and a chili supper are some of the highlights. For more info, call Cathy at 403-948-2921. This event is sponsored by St. Pauls, OLQP and Good Shepherd Schools. /15

Jam Session with Ken & Friends at the Over 50 Club 275 Jensen Drive on Sat. Oct. 24th 1:30 - 3:30 P.M. Everyone welcome

Crossfield Skating Club presents... "The Mental Factory" Hypnotist & Dinner Fundraiser Crossfield Community Centre, Saturday, November 7, 2009. Doors open 6:30 pm, Dinner 7:30 pm, Showtime 9:00 pm, Silent Auction-Bar-Roast Beef Dinner. Tickets \$40 until Oct 24th & then \$45. Tickets available at Crossfield Town Office or call 430-946-5079. /05

Would you like to order a magazine? Contact Meadowbrook School Band at 403-948-5656 for a magazine pamphlet and order form. /05

Join us for our 2nd annual Daisy Duke Memorial Benefit, Oct. 17, 2009 7pm-12am, Albert Park Radisson Heights Community Association, 1310 28th St. SE. \$15 per person, or \$25 per couple. There will be Live Band, Door Prizes, Silent Auction, 50/50, Raffles and a Lot of Fun! For more information phone The D.A.I.S.Y Foundation at 403-475-0120 or email: daisybillc373@shaw.ca. /15

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Royal Canadian Legion Branch #288 Ladies Auxiliary invite you to their annual Fall Tea and Fashion Show. Sat., Oct. 24th, 1pm - 4pm. Airdrie Legion Auditorium. There will be a bake table, door prizes, plus a 50/50. For info call Carrie 403-912-9469 or Thelma 403-948-6780. Everyone welcome.

On October 19th and 20th, R.J. Hawkey Elementary School is fortunate to host author/illustrator Georgia Graham who is coming to do a workshop with our students. Georgia Graham was born and raised in Calgary, Alberta and has been hooked on chalk pastels since Grade Four. She graduated from the Alberta College of Art in 1982 and first used her art to entertain children in her Sunday School class. Her published works include "A Team Like No Other," "The Saturday Appaloosa", "Bibi and the Bull", "The Strongest Man This Side of Cremona", "Tiger's New Cowboy Boots", and more. Georgia Graham lives with her husband on a tree farm in central Alberta. Feel free to check out her website at www.georgiagramham.com.

A vegetarian Thanksgiving Dinner will be held at the Over 50 Club on Sunday, Oct. 18 at 6:00 pm. It's potluck. Come and enjoy a delicious thanksgiving dinner, door prizes and get motivated to get healthy! Call Aroline to register at 403-945-0664 or email imdeej@gmail.com

Total Vegetarian Cooking Seminar - "Foods that Detox and Cleanse" will be held at the Airdrie COOP Community Room, Sunday, October 25th at 2pm. Call Doreen at 403-945-9774 to register. 15/22

Airdrie Horticulture Society presents: Sandra Pinto, from the Calgary Zoo. Topic: Xeriscaping. Time: Wednesday, October 21 at 7 pm. Place: Agricultural Building, 97 East Lake Ramp, Airdrie. Public welcome!! \$2 drop-in fee for non-members. www.airdriehortsociety.com

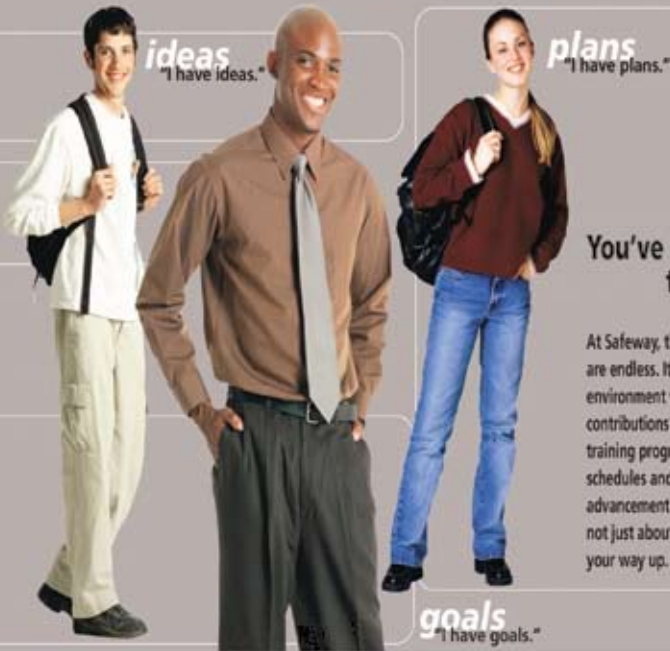
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LOST

Dodge Caravan Key. Black with unlock button and lock button with red panic button at top. Also, on key chain has a gold house key and a cart coin from Superstore. Please call Shannon at 403-948-7858 if found. Reward if returned. 8/

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

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... to be silent when people pray to God for a new car

... to control his panic when his wife tells him he needs to drive slower

... to be compassionate when a businessman expresses a fear of flying

... to keep from laughing when anxious parents say they're afraid to send their kids off to summer camp

... to keep from ridiculing someone who complains about hot weather

... to control his frustration when a colleague gripes about his coffee being cold.

... to remain calm when his daughter complains about having to walk the dog

... to be civil to people who complain about their jobs

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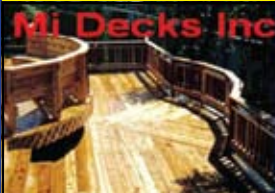


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