

Nonprofit 911:

Attract (and Keep!) More Donors and Raise More Money with Amazing Customer Service



with Kirt Manecke

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Kirt Manecke



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KIRT MANECKE



ATTRACT (AND KEEP!) MORE DONORS AND RAISE MORE MONEY WITH AMAZING CUSTOMER SERVICE



WHAT WE'LL BE TALKING ABOUT TODAY...

- Your nonprofit is a business with tons of competition.
 Differentiating yourself with amazing customer service is critical.
- Changing your mindset from shopping with your pocketbook (or wallet) to your customers. People have plenty of money!
- How to answer the phone to Wow! your donors and prospects.
- Saying "Thank you" *much* more often it's the right thing to do and you will raise more money.
- How to train your staff in excellent customer service to attract more donations and raise more money.

THREE ACTIONABLE TAKEAWAYS

IMPLEMENT IMMEDIATELY (TODAY!)

- Answer the phone to Wow! your donors.
- Say (and write) thank you much more often.
- Train your staff and volunteers BEFORE they begin.

These MUST become business as usual.



A man without a smiling face must not open a shop.

FAMOUS CHINESE PROVERB



Your nonprofit is a business

TREAT IT LIKE ONE



Your Competition



Credit: http://blog.crowdspring.com/2009/11/small-business-logos-trademark-law/



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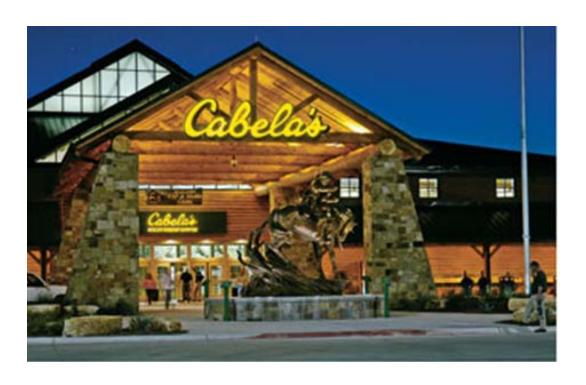
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WHY AMAZING CUSTOMER SERVICE?

US companies lose \$83 billion annually to poor customer service.



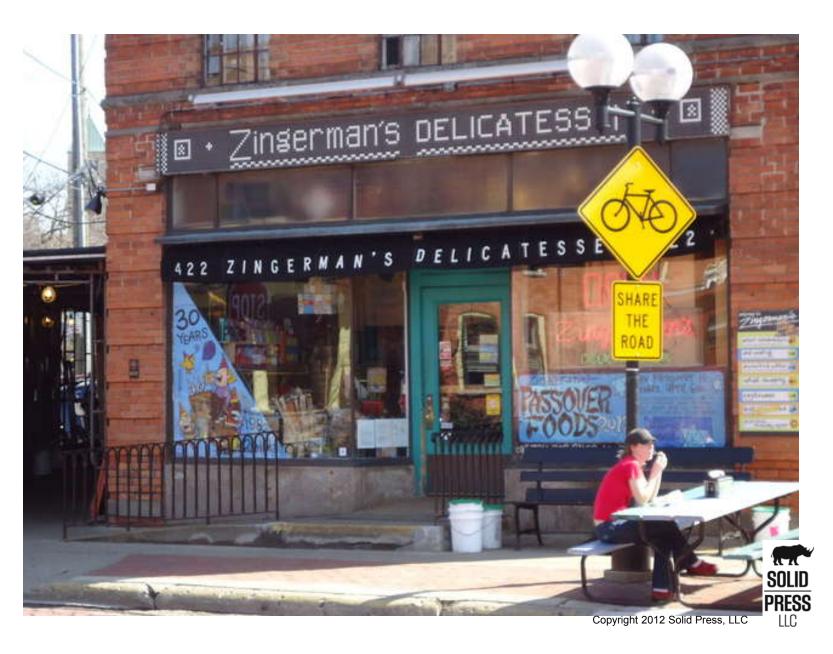
There are no traffic jams along the extra mile.

ROGER STAUBACH



The little things are the BIG things.

Wow!!!



People expect good service but few are willing to give it.

ROBERT GATELEY

WHIIFM

What's in it for me?

This is all your donors care about.



Maximize every opportunity. You simply can't afford to leave any money on the table.

FEAR

False Evidence Appearing Real

- Help the customer buy what they need.
- Help your donor invest in (donate) what they care about.



Engage, Stand (no sitting)



"I get overwhelmed with all the nonprofit causes."

Consumers get **MORE** overwhelmed with all the FOR profit choices.



An objection is not a rejection.

DON'T GIVE UP



It is not the employer who pays the wages. Employers only handle the money. It is the customer who pays the wages.

HENRY FORD



BE LIKE THE MARINES: Find a way to make it happen.



MAKE IT EASY FOR DONORS TO DONATE AND BUY FROM YOU

- When a donor makes a reasonable request, reply with "Yes, I'd be happy to do that!"
- Never say "I can't" or "I'm sorry, that's our policy." Instead, listen to the donor and do your best to help them and fulfill their request. Assume they wouldn't be asking if the issue wasn't important to them.
- If you can't help the donor don't have the authority to address their issue, locate someone who does. If you're unable to do this immediately, take a message and tell them you'll get back to them with an answer.
- Remember: Going the extra mile is a powerful way to surprise and delight your donors and build loyalty and respect for your business!



"Our coffee's not that great."





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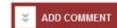
Long Island

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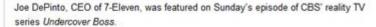
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Long Island Events

EVENTS Post an event

7-11 CEO Joe DePinto Undercover Boss on Long Island

By Long Island Press on February 21st, 2010



The series reveals what happens when CEOs go incognito as employees of their own companies. DePinto chose to show up as a new employee at several Long Island locations, including one in Southampton.

"He's amazed by the amount of coffee we sell," said Dolores, an 18-year employee of the franchise who knows every customer who walks through the door, has five children, is on dialysis-and has no idea her new hire is her boss undercover.

"That's why we're selling 2500 cups of coffee a day," said DePinto to the cameras. "Not because we have great coffee, but because we have people like Dolores."





Instead of saying no, figure out a way to say yes!

KIRT MANECKE (ME! ©)



THROW OUT BAD POLICY

I never had a policy;
I have just tried to do
my very best each
and every day.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN



The Golden Rule

Treat people the way you'd like to be treated



"People don't have money to donate." Says who???





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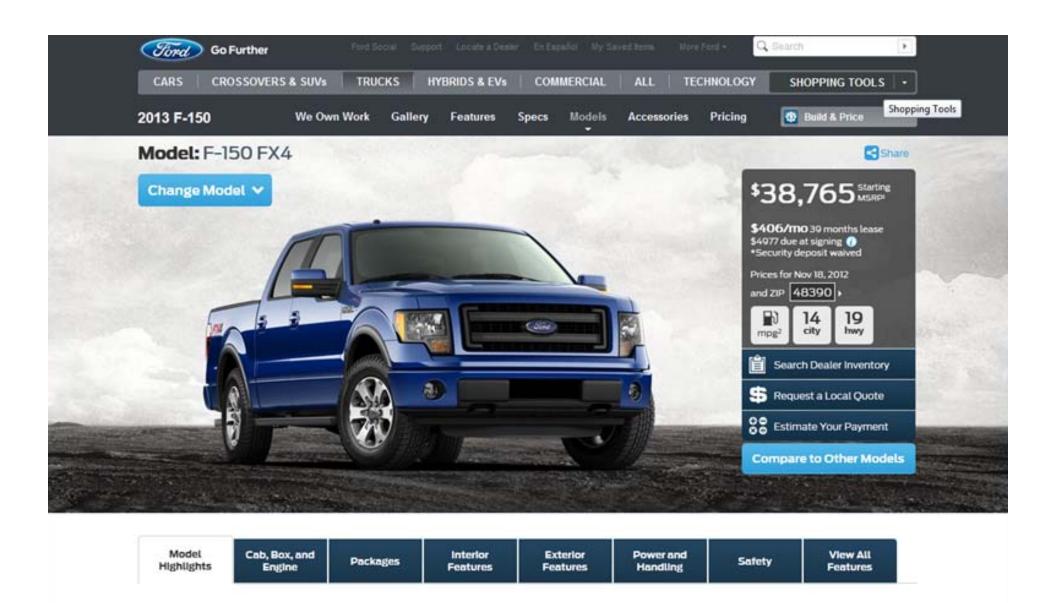
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Change Your Thinking Takeaway

Realize people have **plenty** of money to donate.







Credit: www.csmonitor.com/Business/new-economy/2010/1115/Five-sites-to-shop-for-Black-Friday-deals-before-Black-Friday



YOUR CALL IS VERY IMPORTANT TO US. PLEASE HOLD WHILE WE EVAPORATE ALL THE GOODWILL CREATED BY OUR EXPENSIVE ADVERTISING.





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FIRST IMPRESSIONS

According to Malcolm Gladwell, author of *Blink*, **first impressions occur instantaneously or within two seconds**.

"Masters!"

ANSWER THE PHONE WITH A SMILE

- Smile and say: "Good morning (or afternoon or evening)!"
 Be sure to speak clearly.
- State the complete name of your business, or say: "Welcome to ____ [your complete business name]."
- 3. Say: "This is ____ [your name]. How may I help you?"

PASTE THIS ON YOUR COMPUTER!!!

Lack of gratitude is one of the main reasons donors stop contributing to a charity.

KATYA ANDRESEN



SAY PLEASE

Say "Please" when you request something from a customer. For example, "May I please have your address?" or "Could you please tell me how many people in your family will be attending our event?"



SAY THANK YOU

- Say "Thank you" when a donor makes a purchase, when you're finishing up a phone call with a donor, or any time it's appropriate.
- Remember, donors are the reason you get paid.
 Graciously acknowledge this fact in all your dealings with them, whether in person, over the phone, or online.
- When a donor leaves your office, thank them for coming in. Simply say "Thank you!" in a warm and genuine manner. Or try "Thank you for coming in!" or "Thank you so much for stopping by – we look forward to seeing you again soon!"
- Keep it professional. Don't say "Have a good one," "Take care," "See you next time," or "Later."



THANK YOU LETTERS

- Mailed the SAME DAY you receive the donation, at least within 24 hours. Enough said.
- Include a personalized note, with the specific program the donation will be used for, and the date and amount of their donation.
- Every donor should receive a personalized (not a generic postcard!) thank you letter no matter the size of their donation.



An E-mail is NOT a Text Message

It's your reputation at risk



Hi Jan,

Thank you. Do you know when my order will ship? I logged into my account but it's a bit unclear.

Thank you,

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HOW IT SHOULD BE

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Please let me know if you have any other questions, I'm happy to help!

Thank you,

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SAY "YOU'RE WELCOME"

- When a donor says "Thank you," answer with a smile and a polite "You're welcome."
- Don't answer with "Sure,"
 "No problem," or "Yep."
- Always treat your customer with the utmost respect.



TRAINING

You simply must train BEFORE anyone, volunteers or staff, start:

- Builds employee confidence
- Creates long-time, profitable donor relations
- Increases donations
- Decreases turnover
- Improves staff morale
- Decreases cost of fundraising



PREPARE

Give me six hours to chop down a tree and I will spend the first four sharpening the axe.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN



TRAINING METHODS

- Role Playing
- FAQs
- Meetings
- Reading
- Audio
- Shadowing
- Mystery Shoppers (Donors) to encourage staff

Remember, people give to people

HIRE FOR ATTITUDE, TRAIN FOR SKILL.

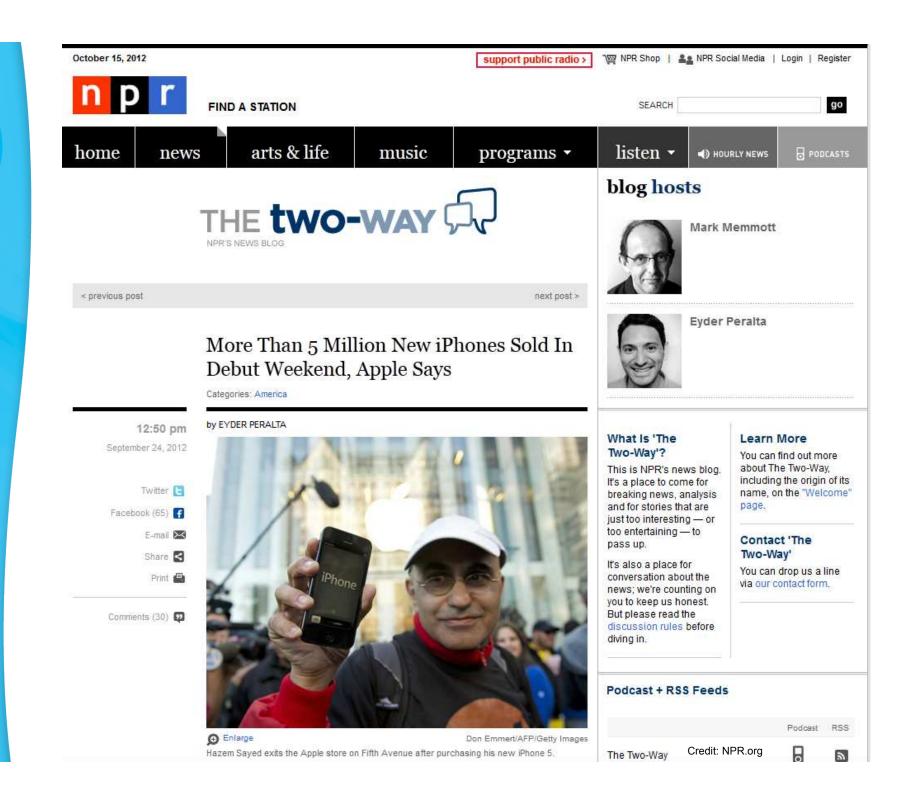
- Hire people with for profit experience too.
- Former sales representatives (retired?)
- Persistence
- Outgoing, friendly, respectful

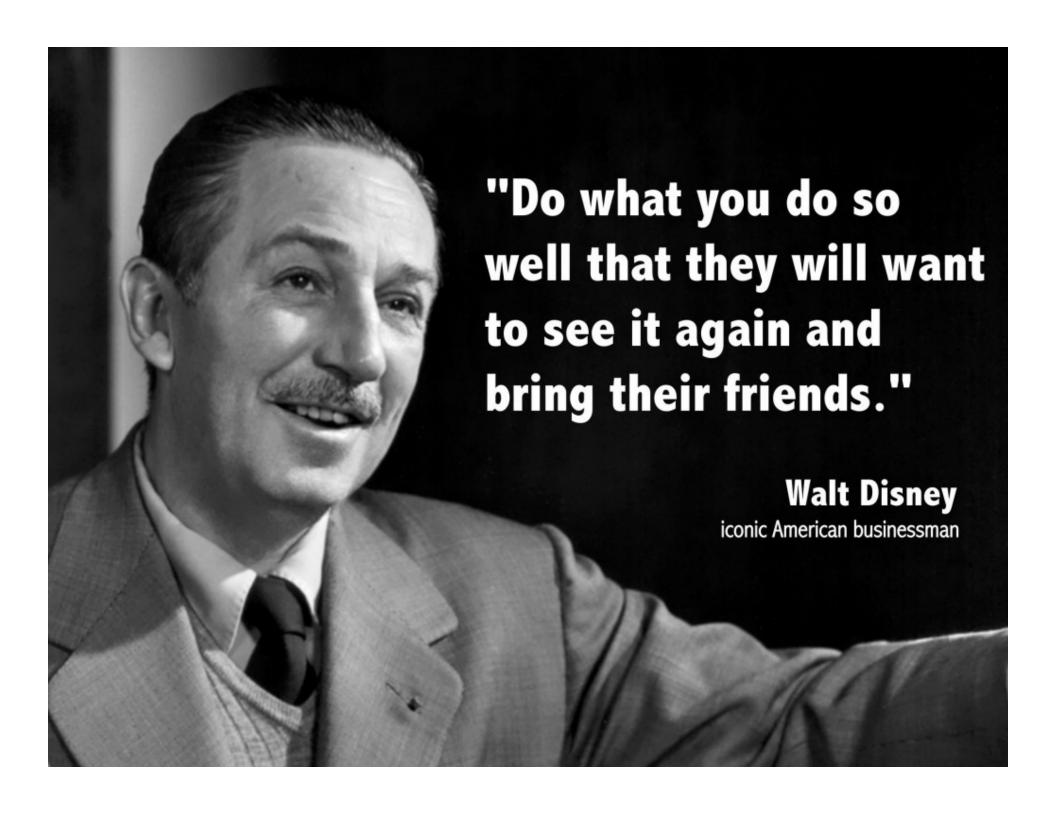
SUMMARY

Donors don't give to institutions. They invest in ideas and people in whom they believe.

G.T. SMITH







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