



So Many Numbers In My Life - What Is A Person To Do?

The world we live in is filled with numbers. Addresses, birth dates, SSN's, passwords, bank accounts, financial statements, tax forms, computer programs. And the list goes on and on.

Many of us deal with numbers every day, but some of us make our living analyzing numbers, and using them to determine the success and failure of our businesses. Mostly used in accounting and tax preparation, our speaker last week dreams of numbers. **Mike Mellott, of MEM Accounting and Tax Service** serves a niche market of individuals and small to medium sized businesses that want that personal touch and a one-on-one method of service. Mike also works with Quickbooks and teaches business owners how to integrate it into their current business structure.

But, believe it or not, Mike's speech did not center on what he does, but rather on what he's done in his life. At just 55 years of age, he has many years of both business and life's experiences to call upon. He had a unique upbringing growing up near a lake in Ohio. He was the youngest of several boys, and remembers his

childhood that had many challenges with alcohol and substance abuse.

He said that growing up he thought he was weird, but as he has aged, he realizes that he is just eccentric.

Mike talked a lot about his family and much they mean to him. You can tell that the way he conducts himself in business and in networking has a lot to do with how he was raised and the values that were instilled upon him.

Mike does basic accounting for individuals and small businesses. Anyone who files an income tax form of some kind is a potential client for Mike. With five years as a member of Prospectors, and a Board Member for several years, it is now wonder that the Club has benefited immensely by having Mike as a part of the organization.

Thank You Mike for all you do to bring a fresh outlook to the group and to each of us that value your presence.



Weekly Newsletter

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August 21, 2014



THIS WEEK we meet at the Deer Creek CC, 7000 W. 133rd St, OPKS - 7 am; Breakfast at 7:25; Speaker at 8 am.

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This Week's Spotlight Member



**Mark Lowe of Contract
Furnishings Inc.**

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THANK YOU'S

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UPCOMING SPEAKER SCHEDULE

Here is a list of our upcoming speakers. Please note some events are evenings or away from Deer Creek CC.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING PROSPECTORS?

Give Rod Foster, our Membership Chairman a call at 913-486-0778 or email at rfoster@banccard.com before you visit our group so we can make sure there are no category conflicts with our current members.

August 21st – Membership Discussion Groups at Deer Creek CC.

August 28th – Zach Bovard of Tight Solutions at Deer Creek CC.

September 4th – Janet Stone of REMAX First – at Deer Creek CC.

September 11 – Chris Pickering of The Pickering Law Firm at Deer Creek CC.

September 18 – NO MEETING

September 19th – Golf Tournament at Hillcrest CC – Tee off at approx. 11:30 am; After Hours at Coach's 2.5 at 135th and Grandview.

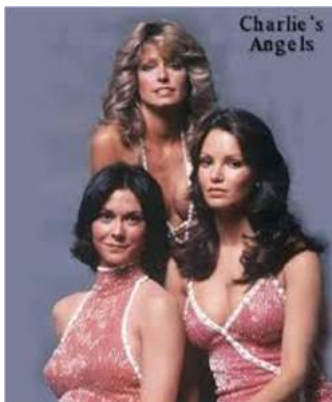


SPOTLIGHT MEMBER OF THE WEEK

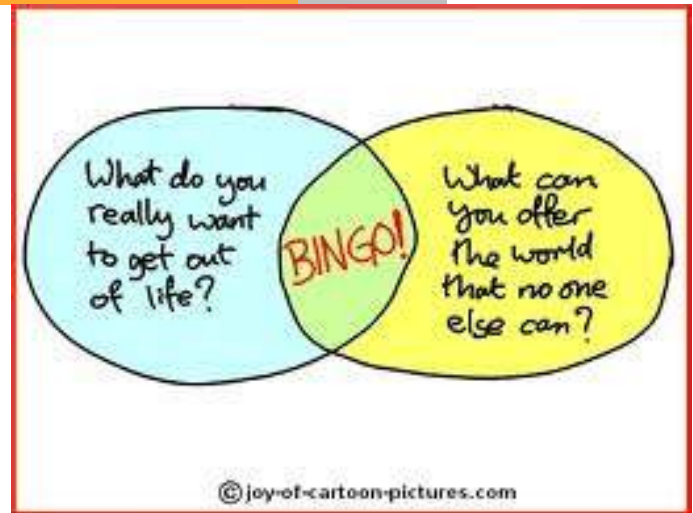
This week's Prospector Spotlight Member is Mark Lowe of **Contract Furnishings Inc.** Time to update your office? New desk? Or re-organize the place? Who better to help you than Mark. They have a great selection of everything you might need or want to make your business look more professional. Why not just give Mark a call or email. Just give him a shout-out! How about an early cup of coffee or tea, or an after-hours beverage? Here's Mark's info: - phone is 816-931-0900 and email is – lowem@contractfurnishings.com .

This Week's Triva Question:-

What novel opens with : "The great fish moved silently through the night water"?



QUOTE OF THE WEEK



LAST WEEK'S TRIVA QUESTION ?

The three original Charlie's Angels girls were Jaclyn Smith, Kate Jackson, and Farrah Fawcett-Majors.

***WHY NOT BE A PART OF THE BEST NETWORKING GROUP
IN JOHNSON COUNTY – COME JOIN YOUR FELLOW
PROSPECTORS THIS THURSDAY***

UPCOMING EVENTS:-

August between now and the 31st – After Hours event at KC Bier- 83rd & Wornall

September 13th – Johnson County Automotive Customer Appreciation Day

*Sept. 19th – **SAVE THE DATE** - Golf Tournament at Hillcrest CC and After Hours
for all members at Coach's 2.5 in Overland Park, KS*

October – KC Tour of something – details forthcoming

Dec. 6th – Christmas Party at Hallbrook Country Club.

Ten Secrets To Happiness

In the Catholic News Service this week, Pope Francis reveals top 10 secrets to happiness. And he is spot on! We are not all Catholic, but I still find him to be a very wise and spiritual man who has a lot of wonderful ideas to share!

1. *"Live and let live."* Everyone should be guided by this principle, he said, which has a similar expression in Rome with the saying, *"Move forward and let others do the same."*
2. *"Be giving of yourself to others."* People need to be open and generous toward others, he said, because *"if you withdraw into yourself, you run the risk of becoming egocentric. And stagnant water becomes putrid."*
3. *"Proceed calmly" in life.* *"He says that in his youth he was a stream full of rocks that he carried with him; as an adult, a rushing river; and in old age, he was still moving, but slowly, like a pool"* of water, the pope said. He said he likes this latter image of a pool of water -- to have *"the ability to move with kindness and humility, a calmness in life."*
4. *"A healthy sense of leisure."* *"Consumerism has brought us anxiety"* and stress, causing people to lose a *"healthy culture of leisure."* Their time is *"swallowed up"* so people can't share it with anyone.



Families must turn off the TV when they sit down to eat because, having it on during meal time *"doesn't let you communicate"* with each other, the pope said.

5. Sabbath should be a holiday. Workers should have Sabbath off because *"Sabbath is for family,"* he said.
6. Find innovative ways to create dignified jobs for young people. *"We need to be creative with young people. If they have no opportunities they will get into drugs"* and be more vulnerable to suicide, he said.
7. Respect and take care of nature. Environmental degradation *"is one of the biggest challenges we have,"* he said. *"I think a question that we're not asking ourselves is: 'Isn't humanity committing suicide with this indiscriminate and tyrannical use of nature?'"*
8. Stop being negative. *"Needing to talk badly about others indicates low self-esteem. That means, 'I feel so low that instead of picking myself up I have to cut others down,'"* the pope said. *"Letting go of negative things quickly is healthy."*
9. Don't proselytize; respect others' beliefs. *"We can inspire others through witness so that one grows together in communicating. But the worst thing of all is religious proselytism, which paralyzes: 'I am talking with you in order to persuade you,' No. Each person dialogues, starting with his and her own identity. The church grows by attraction, not proselytizing,"* the pope said.
10. Work for peace. *"We are living in a time of many wars,"* he said, and *"the call for peace must be shouted. Peace sometimes gives the impression of being quiet, but it is never quiet, peace is always proactive"* and dynamic

Prospectors Networking Breakfast Club

Meeting Date:

August 14, 2014

Sean Felton

Attendance and Thank You's

- Adams, Linda ALAN Heriford, Bev Wilkinson, Keith Steiniger, Chris Pickering, Neal Spencer
- Airey, Douglas Dan Giordano
- Ashurst, Amy & Chase
- Beckner, Pat Jeff Morgan, Jim Bell, Kevin B., Phil G.
- Bell, Jim Bev W, Chris P, Kevin Y, Matt P, Pat S, Rod F, Vivek D
- Belzer, Dan
- Boehringer, Kevin FELKNER, SIRNA, STEINIGER, LUNKE, BROSSERT, VNEK
- Bovard, Zach Phar, Dayal, Steiniger
- Brosseit, Mike Sirna, Herford, Phar, Steiniger, RAPP, Boehringer
- Brown, Erin Matt Phar, Sheri Morkko, Pick Wolverton
- Cunningham, Rick @ Aris P.
- Darby, Mike
- Dayal, Vivek Janes, Das H, Rick's Cliff OB, Matt P, Jim B, Zach B,
- Douglas, Kyle
- Eckinger, Bill
- Eidson, Ken
- Emerson, Bill
- Felton, Dr. Sean
- Foster, Rod Chase Ashurst, Eric Brown, Dan Holk, Zen Shelton, Janine Terstriep, Tim Bell
- Giordano, Phil Jeff M, Mike M, Neil S, Rick W, Sandy K, Matt P, Rod F, Sherril M, Rick S, Doug A
- Goodheart, Alan Terstriep, Stone, Morkko, Sirna
- Goodheart, Bruce
- Hardin, Das
- Hawkins, Darryl SWINE T. KENNY. BREW P. JEFF M.
- Heriford, Alan Linda A, Mike B, K, LeD, Rod F, Das H, Bruce K, Matt P, Jan S, Bruce S, Kevin S, Janine T
- Holk, Dan Darryl
- Holland, Ed
- Hutchison, Ed
- Kessinger, Sandy Darby, Giordano, Heriford, Trondson
- Knapp, Bruce
- Lowe, Mark Kevin Boehringer
- Mellott, Mike Giordano, Morkko
- Morgan, Jeff Keith S, Mike Darby, Pat Boehringer
- Morkko, Sheri Giordano, Steiniger, Wolverton, Mellott, Stone, Adams, Heriford, Goodheart, Pickering, Darby, Hardin, Brown
- O'Bryan, Cliff
- Oettmeier, Bert Mike Darby, Das Hardin
- Phar, Matt Alan H, Mike B, Zach, Keith, Phil, Vivek, Kevin Y, Jim B, Erin B, Chris P, Bev W,
- Pickering, Chris
- Rapp, Bryan Ke. P, Chad, Dan, Mike Brosseit, Ann, Jeff
- Shelton, Jennifer Foster, Terstriep, Wolverton, Herford, Sirna, Wilkinson, Darby, Ashurst, Williamson
- Sirna, Richard Terstriep, Shelton, Stone, Dayal, Boehringer, Spencer, Heriford, Bob
- Spencer, Neil ANDERSON, SIRNA, GIORDANO
- Steiniger, Keith Heriford, Darby, Phar, Sirna, Morkko, York, Adams, Lowe, Foster, Morgan, Brosseit, Rapp, Boehringer
- Stone, Janet Alan H, Bev, Keith, Sirna, Vivek, Darby, ALAN G.
- Terstriep, Janine Alan H, Alan G, Coach Jan, Rick S, Darryl, Mike D
- Trondson, Chad
- Webb, Tyler
- Wilkinson, Ann Janet Stone, Bryan Rapp, Mike Darby, Zen Shelton
- Williamson, Beverly
- Wolverton, Rick
- York, Kevin

GUESTS SIGN IN PLEASE

NAME OF YOUR BUSINESS