November 2nd @ NW College of Construction: Getting a Grip on Your Company

Since its founding in 1946, Entek has evolved from a mom and pop appliance repair and refrigeration business to what they offer today: a high-tech 21st century HVAC and building performance company.

How do you convert the mindset of a small family owned and very local mom and pop Heating and Ventilation company into a midsized regional player in the industry, with multiple offices serving the design/build/maintain and building performance market?

How do you do it when hitting the ceiling numerous times, busting through and then getting too large to do what you do so well?

How do you then slow down (or not) enough to actually get what you want out of the business you have grown and now own?

How do you remain focused enough on what you are doing to stay the course, even during volatile economic periods or industry trends?

This presentation will help explain the story of those business metrics, programs and strategies, how they were applied and often misapplied and an ultimate winning formula to navigate the perils and complexities of today’s Indoor Environment & Energy Efficiency, (IE3) world.

Matt Todd, P.E. sales engineering and a retired principal with Entek will be presenting. Matt has 30 years practical experience in numerous areas of Heating Ventilating and Air Conditioning design, installation and maintenance. Matt has earned the Building Energy Assessment Professional certification from the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers.

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Lunch is being provided, so bring your appetite and join your fellow HVAC contractors to network and hear about this exciting program. You do not want to miss this, so add the date to your calendar and plan to attend.

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Need NATE CEU credits to maintain your certification? You need 15 CEU hours in two years. This meeting earns NATE CEU’s and CCB- CE’s
ORACCA offers members Medical Insurance Coverage at Group rates. You can save some serious money with this member benefit!

It has been reported that health insurance renewals are showing a significant increase in 4th quarter 2017 rates! I know that the screaming headlines about skyrocketing premiums grabbed your attention a few years ago. It was painful. The last few years followed with somewhat stable rates in both the small and large group markets here in Oregon and Washington. However, this current renewal cycle is going to be a little bumpy. Several variables stack up to make Fall 2017 an unpleasant renewal.

If you are experiencing an increase and have not looked at the ORACCA Health Plan in the last year, you should review this option. There are structures that have been created to specifically shield businesses from the market cycles and provide long-term rate stability. These are called MEWA’s. A Multiple Employer Welfare Arrangement is basically a group of businesses formally banding together to use the power of large numbers to negotiate advantages on their health insurance.

Our plan is through HealthNet, it offers 14 different deductible levels and 3 prescription plans. I am aware of 8 MEWA’s in Oregon and 6 in Washington. I can’t promise you that you will have ridiculously inexpensive health benefits or that a MEWA will provide a perfect solution for all companies. If anyone does make this promise, they are not being truthful. I can say that our 20 year experience managing MEWAs in Oregon has demonstrated that they offer an excellent long-term solution to thousands of Oregonians on their health care.

Let me know if you want to learn more about it.

Thanks!
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Brazing Certification Test, October 20, 2017, PCC @ Swan Island Facility

NATE Test, Are being scheduled on demand. Contact the ORACCA office for details 360-834-3805

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Brazing Certification Test, November 7, 2017, RSD Salem, OR. Contact RSD for Info

Brazing Certification Test, December 15, 2017, PCC @ Swan Island Facility

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MEETING DATES

A. January 5 Utility Program Roundtable w/ ETO, PGE, NWN, etc. NATE CEU (1.0)
B. January 19 - Codes Update@NW Natural, Sherwood - NATE CEU (1.0)
C. February 2 - Honeywell @ MarHy - NATE CEU (1.0)
D. March 9- GENSOCO Presentation @ NW Coll. of Constr. - NATE CEU (1.0)
E. April 6 - Mfg. Reps Presentation @ NW Natural, Sherwood- NATE CEU (1.0)
F. April 20 - Codes Update@PGE Wilsonville - NATE CEU (1.0)
G. May 2 - Thermal Training Day @ NW Coll. of Constr. - NATE CEU (7.0)
H. June 1 - Johnson Air Presentation @ Johnson Air- NATE CEU (1.0)
I. July 17 - Golf Tournament - Oregon City Golf Course
J. July 20 - Codes Update@NW Natural, Sherwood - NATE CEU (1.0) & CCB CE 2.0
K. August - No Meeting
L. Sept. 7 - ETO Presentation @ NW Coll. of Constr. - NATE CEU (1.0)
M. Sept 9 - Shoot Out - Canby Rod & Gun Club
N. Oct. 5 - Thermal Presentation @ NW Coll. of Constr. - NATE CEU (1.0)
O. October 19 - Codes Update@NW Natural, Sherwood - NATE CEU (1.0)
P. Nov. 2 - Matt Todd Presentation @ NW Coll. of Constr. - NATE CEU (1.0)
Q. Dec. 7 - Xmas Party @ Lennox

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