Welcome! How to Create Value

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Introduction

- Today's Theme: Healthy Things Grow, Change
 - Where there is growth/change, there is value
 - Consumers, employees, business owners and indeed the industry itself benefit from ongoing growth because value is created
- Value is an Asset (something that can be sold)
- Fabricator and Supplier relevant
- Ask questions as you have them!
- E-mail Contact: KanvasKing@globecanvas.com
- So let's create some value...

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Opening Observations

• 94% of the time spent during order life of most manufactured products is "non-value added" (i.e. waste)

Example: Retractable Awning

- 7-day lead time (= 56 hours @ 8 hrs/day)
- 5 hours actual assembly time
- >91% of lead time nothing is happening!

Example: Stationary Canopy

- 20-day (4 week) lead time (= 160 hours)
- 16 hours assembly time
- >90% of lead time nothing is happening!

Opening Observations

 My wife needed a new car and here's what happened ...

Bottom Line

- Car was sold before it was built
- Faster lead time than an awning
- Seller converted inventory to cash in 7 days

Opening Observations

- Some Conclusions:
 - 1.)With no investment in equipment, training or materials, I've just demonstrated value can in fact be created by applying effort to that task
 - 2.)I've identified an opportunity that exists to build value in most of our EXISTING businesses
 - 3.)I've given a real life example from a complex supply chain proving the value of lead time reduction

Reality Checks

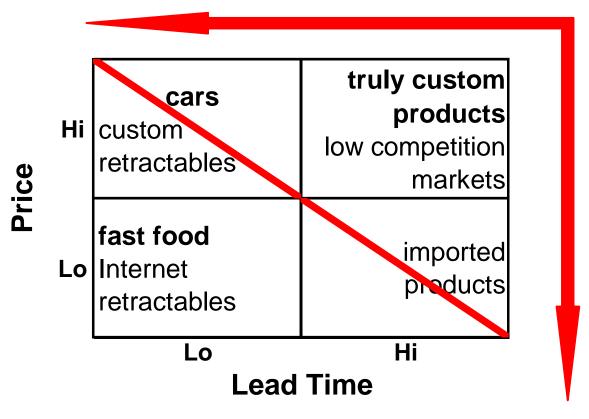
- *#1: Don't be left behind by thinking this is all just heady stuff for big shops or suppliers or other industries to worry about. It matters to <u>you</u>!*
- #2: <u>Everything</u> now competes against <u>everything</u>!
- #3: How we respond to the call to create value affects our ENTIRE livelihood!



Value in Reducing Lead Time

- Value Proposition Sustainability Matrix
 - Simple analysis of what makes value sustainable

Sustainability



Sustainability

Value in Reducing Lead Time

- Lead time drives ALL other business processes
- Lead time reduction efforts (i.e. waste elimination) are the root of all continuous improvement, and drive quality and price improvement
 Example:

reduced warp beam set up (3,0000 yds - 1,500 yds - 500 yds)

- Improved quality and reduced unit price are the natural byproduct of well designed lead time reduction efforts
- Increasing value does not mean increasing price, but does mean increasing profits
- What is the value of one hour of your time?
- What is your Productivity per ee per year?

Value in Reducing Lead Time

Example: installation vehicle preparedness

- Are all the tools, equipment, parts, fasteners, job drawings, work order, permits, contact information and other required items ready to go when the installers arrive on the job site?
- Do you use an installation checklist?

Example: awning put-up/take-down preparedness

- Do you actively manage the process to achieve goals?
 - routing, scheduling, handling, condition evaluation & feedback (to customer and operations), storage, insurance, communication
- Do you have established benchmarks against which you measure progress?

Where Can I Create Value?

- Can value be created in any (or all) of the traditional "4 P's" of Marketing?
 - Product
 - Price
 - Promotion
 - Position

- What are the sources of value of the product you sell?
- Do you sell more than just the "nuts & bolts" of the product?
 - Longevity photos



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Examples of other areas of value:

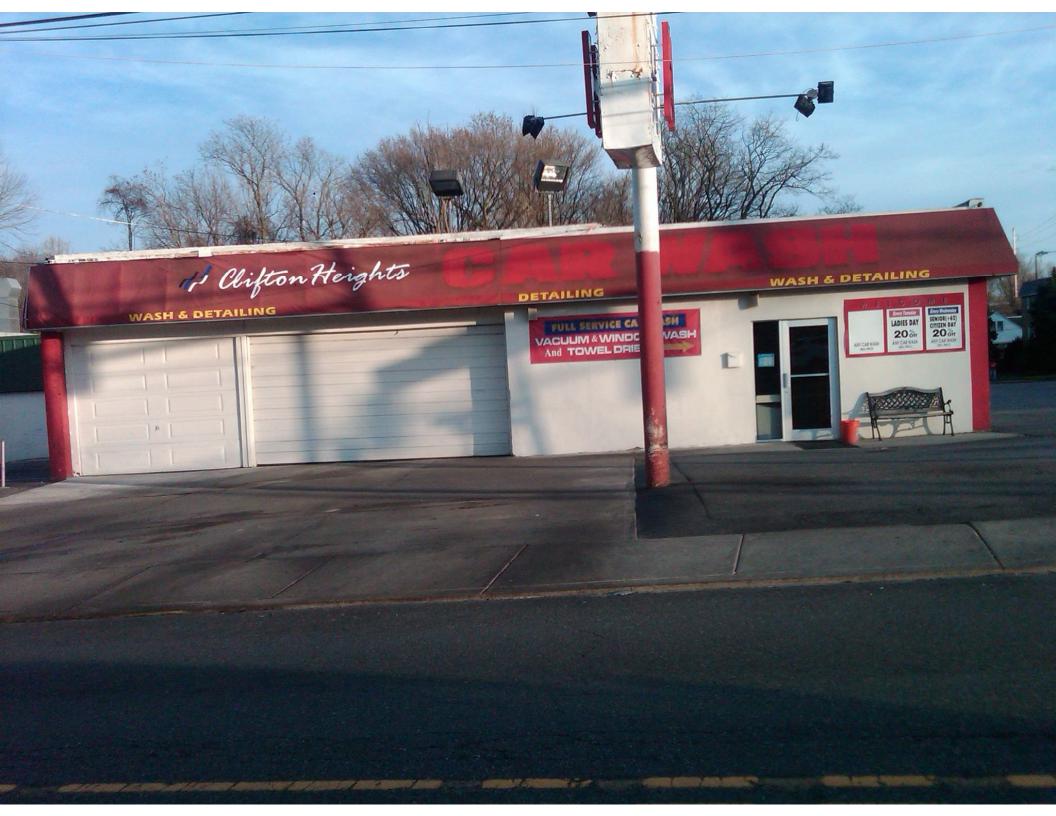
- Installation
- Service contracts
- Extended warranty
 - A note about the Origin of the Specifier's Guide











Examples of other areas of value (cont'd.):Color

- Establish a conversation about color
- Awareness of regional, neighborhood preferences
- Awareness of Color family complements and "flavors"
- Familiarity with new colors (i.e. new SB2015 colors can you name them?)
- Become a credible color adviser

Examples of other areas of value (cont'd.):

- Showrooms
 - Do you drive traffic into this expensive (& proven) investment?
 - Do you Co-op or share a showroom?
- Anything you do to establish greater choice in any of these 4P's improves your chance to create value in the eyes of the consumer

Creating Organizational Value

- Can value be created internally in an organization?
- What impact on industry value is individual organizational value?
 - If enough companies within an industry look and behave a certain way, will that flavor the industry ?

Creating Organizational Value

Personnel Management

- Do you support/develop m'fg. curriculum at local schools?
- Do you establish m'fg. as a viable vocation for students?
- Do you offer apprenticeship programs in your company?
- Do you offer a career path to your employees?
- Do you manage generational expectations?
- Do you participate in Owner/Manager/CEO forums locally?

Creating Industry Value

- Can value be created by an industry?
 - Got Milk?
 - Go RV'ing!
 - Others
 - Has the awning industry historically taken advantage of or overlooked major opportunities to create value?
 - Has the awning industry suffered from "craftsman ego?"
- Let's look at some examples

- Backlit awning demand surge
- Dominant topic within the awning industry:
 - Is it a sign or an awning?
- Within the sign industry:
 - Can we make money selling these?
- 1984 EXPO presentation by Jackson Brooks, ABC Sign Systems
- Suppliers sold to other interested providers
- Awning industry had first crack at this market
- To this day the sign industry outsells the awning industry in this product segment



- Staple system manufacture created and advances
- Awning industry: Steel versus Aluminum? – or: "That's not craftsmanship."
- Sign industry: Can we make money?
- Suppliers sold to other interested markets
- Again, awning industry beaten by another trade who embraced what we would not and focused (correctly) on what mattered to the consumer.

- Substantial promotion of contemporary, motorized retractable awnings
- SOMFY/Sunbrella Promotional Program
- Awning industry response:
 - "It's not a SOMFY awning, just a motor."
 - "It's Sunbrella fabric, not a Sunbrella awning."
 - "You can't use it if it's windy."
- Retailers response: We've got a lead!
- Market was offered to awning industry first, but others capitalized, and bypassed the industry...

- DIY/internet-direct suppliers and retractable awnings promotion, Round 2
- Awning industry responses:
 - "Where's the boom in retractables?" (IFPR)
 - "The DIYs are not our competition."
- Marketplace responses:
 - Market doubles in size, substantially outside major industry providers

Creating Industry Value

Future Examples?

- Shade structures, ShadeSails?
- Screens?
- What will the awning industry response be?
- How many more opportunities can be overlooked before the awning industry is not regarded as a relevant industry?
- Possible Indicator: "Awning" dropped from top selling US fabric brand 2015 collection

Creating Industry Value

- Healthy things grow...
 - Has the awning industry grown?
 - Is change embraced?
 - Is innovation championed?
- Are we witnessing "...an insidious evaporation of demand?"
 - Demand is not a given; an unfed market can atrophy.
 - Rochester, NY 1986-2001 example
- Are we reaping what we have sown?
 - Not nurturing a market?
- Always local market exceptions
- What are we doing as an industry to grow our market?



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Thank You!

- I appreciate you taking the time to attend this session and hope you found something of value here!
- Spend time creating value for yourself, your industry and your legacy!

