



Trust A Man With Common Sense

Have you ever stopped to analyze a successful man? Have you wondered why you have not been able to pin down the one reason why he is a success? A successful man has many assets. He is a salesman, arbitrator, educator, philosopher, listener and an organizer all wrapped in one. He realizes that he can make mistakes and that it is human for others to err. He welcomes and respects the opinions of other men and listens to them in hopes that he can receive something of value.

You will find that he will yield his position only after evidence, proof or demonstration has proven your position superior to his. He is not impressed by profanation, vainglory or shouting. He seeks to sell his ideas rather than simply denounce others. He criticizes only when he can offer a better method.

His is concerned about "What is right" instead of "Who is right." He is prepared to stand fast with his position, when he knows that he is right, even though that position be in the minority. He is confident that truth can defend itself against unjust personal attacks, unfair comments and wagging tongues. Though he is slow to anger, he will handle conflicting opinions with tact and fairness.

A successful man is quite a man.
—Gib Bromenschenkel



Buster Beckenhauer presents Bill Barritt (left) with the 2008 Employee of the Year Award.

Bill Barritt Receives Employee of the Year Award

This past year has been challenging as well as rewarding. Many deserving employees were nominated and yet only one could be chosen. In the time that Bill Barritt has been with us, he has shown that not only is he extremely well organized, but that he can handle an aggressive workload and consistently maintain a great attitude. Bill has done an outstanding job as project manager and we are pleased to honor him as the 2008 Employee of the Year.

Competitive Bidding... Or Not?

If you had a heart problem, would you take competitive bids from heart surgeons? If you needed a good lawyer, would you take competitive bids to select one? If you wanted an aircraft designed for you and your family to use, would you accept the lowest bidder?

We hope your answers to the above questions were "No!" If they were, read on.

Just as you wouldn't accept, or even solicit, low bids for the above examples, you shouldn't select the contractor to build your new facility because they are the cheapest. You should select your professional construction team just as you would any other professional. Look for someone qualified, of good character and integrity, who has a strong track record and offers his services at a competitive price. It's simply human nature. If cost is more important to you than the quality of construction, profit will be more important to your contractor than the quality of their work.

Two Rivers Bank's new main office in Blair.



Two Rivers Bank Now Open At New Location

Despite the economic troubles nationwide, Two Rivers Bank in Blair continues to grow with the opening of its new location. November 12th marked the grand opening of the bank's new 15,000-square-foot building on the east side of town. In addition to sprucing up the east side, this new location provides much needed space for the bank; daily traffic flow has more than doubled and has increased the assessed value of the area.

Green building technology was used as much as possible in the construction, including occupancy sensors for lighting and a super-efficient heating and cooling system to maintain a consistent

temperature throughout the building. The successful design/build project was performed in conjunction with architect Cannon Moss Brygger and was completed on time and on budget thanks to our outstanding team of subcontractors and owners.

Two Rivers Bank was formerly Arlington State Bank, which opened in 1890. Two Rivers was established in Blair in 1997 and has grown and expanded over the years to meet the needs of the area. With the new location, Two Rivers will be able to serve the needs of the community for many years to come.



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