Your 30 Minutes of Fame



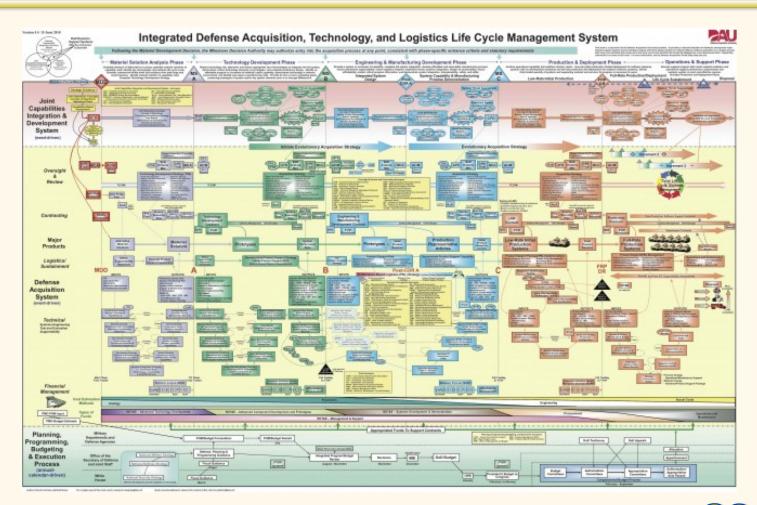


Talking To the Big Guys

Your Driver: Lou Crenshaw CDFM



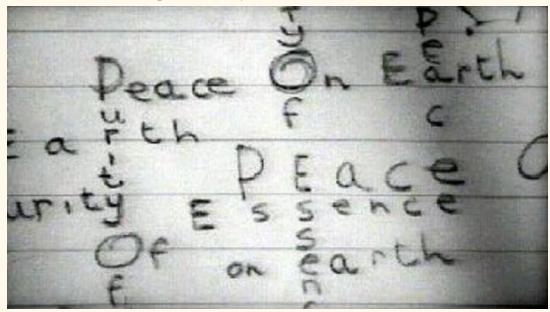
But First





What Are Execs Doing During Your Power Point Briefing?

- Thinking about the last meeting
- Thinking about the next meeting
- Checking your spelling/math
- Looking at slide 10 while you are on slide 2
- Doodling
- Daydreaming
- Wondering when you will be done





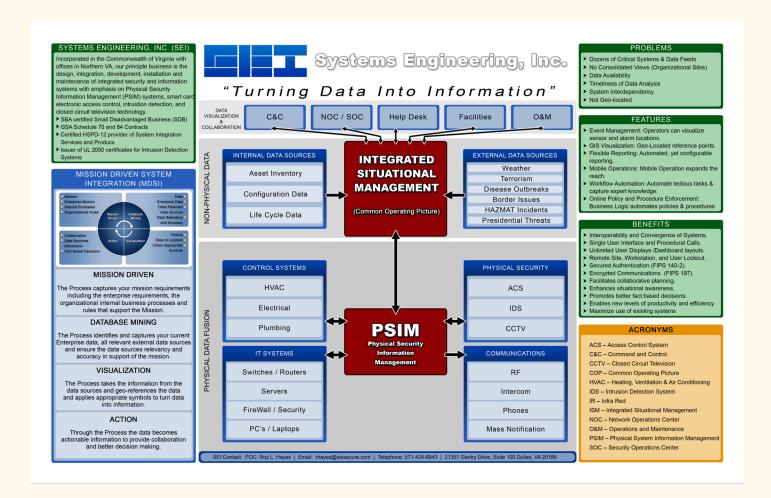
Lou's Power Point Rules

- Keep them simple.
- Use few words.
- Make sure the words are spelled corectly and numbers add up.
- Have a time budget for your slides.
- · DON'T READ THE SLIDES!!
- If they can't see it, why use it?
- · Don't read the slides.
- Don't use Power Point.



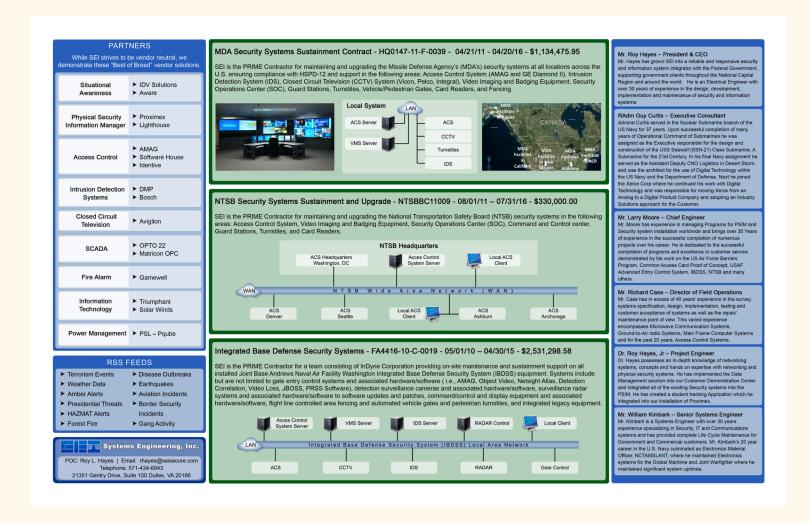


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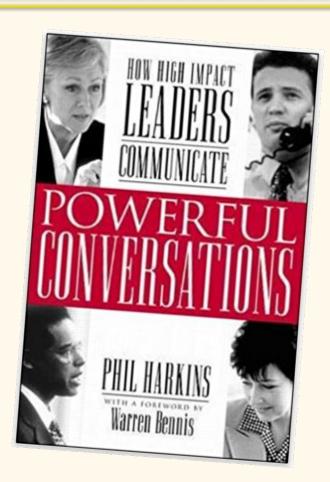
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Having Good Conversations

- Building Trust
- 3 Stages
 - · Set the agenda
 - Discuss/probe/listen
 - Next Steps
- · Was it a powerful conversation?
 - Advanced the agenda
 - · Shared learning
 - Stronger Relationship
- Tower of Power
 - What's up
 - · What's so
 - · What's possible
 - Let's go
- Weak Conversations
 - Unfocused and tangential
 - Frequent interruptions
 - · Lack of active listening
 - Non-verbals
 - Body Language





What a Powerful Conversation is Not



- A Sales Pitch
- A PowerPoint marathon
- A Demo
- Time to demonstrate reading skills
- Time to check your cell phone
- Mostly transmitting



What is a Powerful Conversation?



- Builds trust and relationships
- Shared learning
- Three Stages
 - Set the agenda
 - Discuss/probe/listen
 - Next steps
- Active listening
- Body Language Matters



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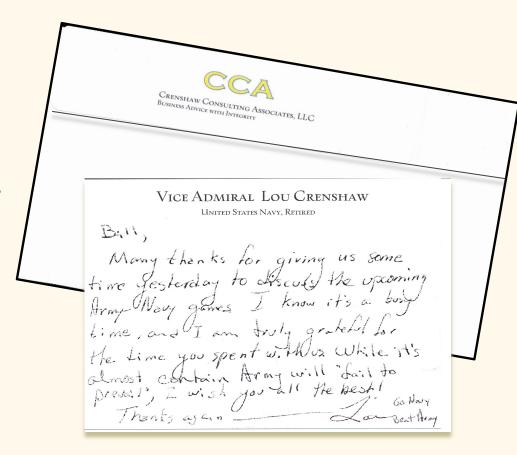
- Good listeners
- Team players and partners
- Honesty
- Interest in their problems
- People who can commit
- Contract vehicle knowledge
- Options





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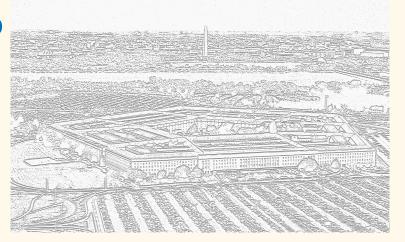
- Unique perspectives
- Preparation
- Small groups
- Written Thank You notes





Why Powerful Conversations Matter

- DoD Execs are busy
- You will probably have one chance
- Establish credibility/competence/empathy
- Hear straight from the customer
- Opens the door for follow-up





Just so you Know

- EAs always sit in/Listen in/Screen E-mails
- Don't be surprised if lawyer/JAG sits in
- Meetings are always late....but YOU be on-time
- Pentagon security takes 10-30 mins
- Your collateral will most likely go into circular file
- No electronics. Nothing works inside anyway
- Make sure you give EA a business card
- Thank the Front Office when you leave



The End

