

# "What Every Contractor MUST Do In A Down Economy!"

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### About Henry Goudreau



**B**orn and raised in the construction business, Henry's father was a successful contractor with an education in accounting. Henry spent his early years watching over his father's shoulders learning by observing.

Henry's education is in Civil Engineering and Business. He has worked as a Project Manager/Project Engineer for contractors on every conceivable type of construction from residential homes to nuclear power plant construction, nationally and internationally before starting

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He is the author of several self-study manuals for contractors, the book *"How to Market & Sell Your Construction Services Like Magic!"*, *"101 Powerful Tips to Jumpstart Your Construction Business to Success"*, *"The Contractor's Magical Marketing Tool Belt"* and writes for over 12 construction trade magazines and newsletters each month.

For the last 15 years he has been presenting his forward thinking methods and techniques on managing successful construction companies and has helped numerous contractors achieve enormous successes with their companies through his exclusive "Golden Hardhat Program."

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# *"There is no such thing as down-time in a down economy!"*

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The purpose of this teleseminar is simple. To help you:

- 1. Understand what is happening
- 2. Gain a knowledge foundation
- 3. To help you formulate a plan

# Indicators of Tough Times

- 1. Your normal "client" stops buying
- 2. Your phone stops ringing
- 3. Buyers make slower decisions
- 4. Higher number of price objections
- 5. Deals get cancelled
- 6. Payment is slower
- 7. Buyers procrastinate
- 8. Indecisiveness from buyers
- 9. Increase number of complaints
- 10. Tough, unfair tactics from your competition
- 11. Lots of finger pointing
- 12. Approval times lengthen
- 13. Fear of the unknown
- 14. Constant negative news about how bad the economy is
- 15. Tightening of credit
- 16. Businesses going out of business

Do you see any of the above taking place in your marketplace?

My #1 Indicator.

My #2 Indicator.

My #3 Indicator. \_\_\_\_\_

# Why Contractors Fail

Rely too much on their \_\_\_\_\_ skills

Fail to improve their \_\_\_\_\_ skills

Fail to accept \_\_\_\_\_ and fail to \_\_\_\_\_

Old Saying

"If what you are doing isn't working . . . change what you are doing!

You need to \_\_\_\_\_!

### The Double-Edge Sword



- 1. You must have a plan
- 2. You must have an approach



# That Means . . .

1.	Not the same
2.	Not the same to buy
3.	Not the same number of
4.	Not the same approach
The	of doing business

is no longer relevant!



You Need to U	nderstand the	&		
the	for the followin	ne following needs:		
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You need	la to sur	vive &		

thrive!

### How to Get On Track



Develop a Plan by Answering These Questions

Who has the money in my market?

Where do they hang-out?

How can I grab their attention?

What can I offer that will make them act?

When is the best time for them?

To successfully attract customers you must first walk in their shoes!



How much do I owe?

What is my present Overhead cost?

How can I trim it and how much?

How much work do I have right now?

How can I make more on that work?

How much cash do I have?

How can I make this work?

### My Three-Month Plan!

	Month:	#1	#2	#3
A	Beginning Cash			
В	Sales (E+D)			
С	Total In (A+B)			
D	Cost of Sales % of Sales			
Е	Sub-Total 2			
F	Marketing Expense			
G	My Living Expense			
Η	Office Expense			
Ι	Old Bills to Pay			
J	Reserve Fund			
K	Ending Cash			
L	Total Out (F+G+H+I+J+K)			
Μ	Next Beginning Cash (c-D-E)=A next month			
Ν	Markup (вло)			

## Three Things I Want to Accomplish:

- 1. 2.
- 3.