

Book Club:

Are you interested in a book club? Starting in February 2009, the club will meet weekly on Wednesday mornings from 8:00-9:00 am in Kentville. If interested, please contact Marianne Gates at: marianne@kingsced.ns.ca Book suggestions welcome!

Volunteering in Kings:

At Innovation 2007 the concept of a volunteer group for Kings County was formulated. Since that time a Volunteer Steering Committee has been formed. Led by Kings CED this group has met to determine if additional support for volunteerism in Kings County is required. Organizations represented within the groups include NSCC, VON Annapolis Valley Branch, CRC, Learning Commons - Acadia University, Flowercart, PeopleWorx, Valley Volunteer Coalition, representatives from the towns of Wolfville and Berwick, Municipality of the County of Kings and the regional CAP Coordinator. A questionnaire was developed that will be emailed to 200 non-profit organizations this January. More details will be provided as they become available.

Have you completed your strengths?

For those who attended the workshop in November 2008, send in your strengths and we will compile a list! (Names will not be published) Just reply to the email and list your strengths.

Innovation Library: www.innovation101.ca Go to the Library tab!

Quote:

"Great leaders move us. They ignite our passion and inspire the best in us. When we try to explain why they are so effective, we speak of strategy, vision, or powerful ideas. But the reality is much more primal: Great leadership works through the emotions."

- From ***Primal Leadership***. Daniel Goleman, Richard Boyatzis & Annie McKee

Interesting Website:

http://www.innovationresource.com/articles/article_files/core_competency.htm

Interesting Article:

What Followers Want From Leaders: The "vision thing" pales in comparison to instilling trust, compassion, stability, and hope. *By Tom Rath and Barry Conchie*

It's easy for leaders to misunderstand what followers need. The confusion is exacerbated because what leaders get paid to do often is not what their followers need them to do. To run an organization effectively, leaders must be able to strategize, set visions and priorities, build relationships, influence others, and make things happen. But if you ask followers what they need from leaders, the clear answer is trust, compassion, stability, and hope. *For the entire article follow the link:*

<http://qmj.gallup.com/content/113542/What-Followers-Want-From-Leaders.aspx>

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"Innovation is the successful implementation of a creative idea." Kings Innovation Council