

NOVOKOWSKY CONSULTING: FROM FUNDAMENTALS TO MASTERY

NEWS

Recent Highlights...

CAPABILITY DEVELOPING

Higher Order Thinking (HOT) Works Program Spring 2008 Finishes. Another stimulating HOT program was completed May 8, 2008. Graduates of this program were:

- Mel Blitzer (Partner2Win Inc)
- Jan Byers (Independent)
- Hiep Dang (Telvent Canada Ltd)
- Deborah Funk (Emerson Process Management)
- Shelly McInnis (Canadian Pacific Railway)
- Scott Meakin (Petro-Canada)
- Valerie Nishi (TransCanada)
- Shawna Syverson (Calgary Health Region)
- Bob Yamashita (LeaderSmarts Ltd)

Appreciation was also given to Lenn Jaskula who provided the scribing and supplementary "color" commentary for the program.

RELEVANT LEARNING

Fielding Graduate University (FGU) Summer Session 2008. Jim Webber, supported by Bernie Novokowsky, facilitated a FGU half-day Creative Longevity and Wisdom (CL&W) session. In attendance throughout was this year's esteemed guest lecturer, Dr. Gene Cohen. The session explored the meaning and potential applications of Dr Cohen's research work and publications on creative aging and aging well. Learnings and Dr. Cohen's findings are to be integrated into Novokowsky Consulting Group's material, where applicable.

New England Think Jamming Session. Another thought-provoking session took place just north of Boston at the Sheraton hotel in Portsmouth, NH. This session ran from June 21 - 24, 2008 as part of Novokowsky Consulting Group's commitment to Learning and its own Capability Development. A crowning event of this session was the utilization of actual work in designing HOT frameworks, i.e., going from what *works* (the practical) to mind *frames* (the conceptual), as opposed to applying mind *frames* to what *work* is being done. As well, another generation of logo-visual technology (LVT) was explored and tested.

New Book Launched. Bernie Novokowsky's 1998 dissertation on *Personal Power: The Realization of Doing and Being* was condensed into a chapter and included in a new Lexington Book published July 2008. The compilation book is titled "*Transformative Phenomenology: Changing Ourselves, Lifeworlds, and Professional Practice*" edited by David Rehorick and Valerie Bentz. The book may be viewed at www.Amazon.com or at www.lexingtonbooks.com



LOOKING TO THE FUTURE...

An upgraded Higher-Order Thinking (HOT) Works Program is "Under Development". There have been incremental, progressive improvements made to each subsequent HOT Program over the last 8 years. Notwithstanding the improvements and the program's success, the time has come to do a major upgrade of the program -- to take it to a "higher order". The intent will be to retain and enhance the essence of the program content and the participants' experiences, while giving more power, modularization, and flexibility of choice to participants. For example, HOT participants will soon have access to HOT Level 2 modules without having to wait for another Level 2 Program to be scheduled.

Higher Order Wisdom (HOW) Program is born! In the spirit of HOT, many past participants have asked "What comes after HOT?". Consistent with the developmental 'Levels of Being' and latest research in such areas of practical intelligence, intuition, wisdom, and neuroscience, the genesis for a new Higher Order Wisdom (HOW) Program has happened (with thanks to the wisdom, insights, and connections of James Webber). Watch this website for future news of the program launch in 2009.

Fielding Graduate University (FGU) Winter Session 2009. James Webber and Bernie Novokowsky, along with colleagues/faculty members Niels Agger-Gupta and Dottie Eastman, have recently been accepted to present a workshop on Applications of Neuroplasticity at the FGU Winter Session on Wednesday, January 7, 2009.