# **Bazyn Communications Newsletter**

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Letter from the editor

#### Dear readers,

It constantly amazes me how fast time flies. As usual, I've travelled to many cities throughout the country this year. Not only have I spoken to many groups, facilitated other groups, and exhibited products, but I've also visited family and friends. I appreciate meeting many new people wherever I go. I find it refreshing to learn about others and their accomplishments and general life experience.

This year, I've written many articles for various publications and for those who've purchased my services. I continue to enjoy writing on a variety of topics. In this issue, I've written an article on writing tips to remember. The second article is on social networking: its advantages and its failings.

Please consider contributing an article for this newsletter. I like sharing others' tips as well as my own. If you'd like to use one of my articles in a publication you edit or read, please let me know. Articles can be shared as long as they are attributed to me and have my website and name listed so I can be contacted.

Happy New year, Ardis Bazyn

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How to Get Results with your Writing
By: Ardis Bazyn

Whether you are writing an article, writing, an advocacy position paper, or writing a speech, you need to plan your writing carefully. How Do You get the Right Message Across to your audience, whether it be Potential Customers, state or federal legislators, or readers of some publication: magazine, newsletter, social media source, or newspaper? Below are some tips to assist your thinking.

Use these questions to organize Your Thoughts. What do you want the person to learn? What facts do you have to prove your message? What is the action you want the person to take? How can you increase your personal credibility? Why should the audience act on your suggestion?

What do you want the person to remember? Choose a statement or question that requires an action from the listener. For best results, the statement or question should include a follow-up mechanism. The message should be short - less than 20 words. You should not use jargon in the message. The message can be positive or negative. However, if it is negative, positive outcomes should be given.

The facts must be communicated effectively. List statistics or experiences that prove your statement. Cite references for the statistics or give credible testimonials. Use stories or experiences that relate to the topic of interest.

Give the reader your contact information. Personal or professional information might be relevant: your name, the city where you live, and your website. If you speak for an organization or a company rather than your own business, you might wish to explain your role.

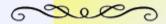
What are the advantages of agreeing to take action on your request? Are there cost savings? Would they be able to better meet their goals? Would they be able to save time with better techniques? Would they be able to solve a current problem?

How can you add all of these questions together? Are you sure that you are clear on the action equation. Now, read your writing piece and see if you think it makes sense. You might want someone else to check it as well.

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"BUILDING BLOCKS TO SUCCESS"

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Tips for Coping with Challenges and Change By: Ardis Bazyn

The holiday season is always a stressful time of the year. With all the news about a bad economy, it seems more and more people have to deal with new challenges and changes in their lives. These tips should help you adjust to the challenges a bit more easily and start the new year refreshed and ready for whatever happens.

- 1. Benefit from the support of friends and family. Talk to friends and family members about your challenges and they can either assist by giving you great ideas or just give you some mental support. I've found friends and family as well as my faith in God to be helpful on many occasions.
- 2. Use humor to keep your focus positive. Read some humorous stories, find a joke website, and look at life in a humorous way when you can. I try to remember all the silly things I've done in my life to cheer up others.
- 3. Learn strategies to deal with necessary changes in your life or job. Sometimes, the easiest way to cope is by developing new skills or starting a new exercise program. Learn some stress relievers.
- 4. View challenges or obstacles as opportunities. Sometimes, our lives get in a rut. When we face challenges, we need to look for other ways to do things, whether it be finding a new job or taking a break from the stress to do something more restful.
- 5. Develop Visualization techniques. When I'm having a stressful time, I like to visualize a better time, usually a future goal. Then I can set some goals and priorities and visualize accomplishment.

---Ardis gives many tips in her inspirational presentation on "Coping with Challenge and Change", which is available on DVD at www.bazyncommunications.com/products.

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Updates

From December 10, 2009 through April 30, 2010, I have some discounts available to celebrate Bazyn Communications 10th anniversary: \$5 off one product; \$15 off three or more products; \$20 off any coaching session; or \$50 off any coaching plan or writing project of over \$150 or more. Let me know you read about the offer in my online newsletter. Business coaching plans are available starting at \$300. Contact me for more details.

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All my books are available for purchase on my website: www.bazyncommunications.com in several formats. You can receive a discounted print copy of my third book by ordering it on my publisher's website: www.xlibris.com. BUILDING BLOCKS TO SUCCESS: Does the Image of Your Business Attract Customers and Motivate Employees?

Go to the author page and look for Ardis Bazyn or go to the book page and look for "Building Blocks to Success".

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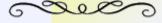


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Burbank Chamber of Commerce <u>www.burbankchamber.com</u>

Burbank activities <u>www.burbank.com</u>

Independent Visually Impaired www.ivie-acb.org

**Enterprisers** 

American Council of the Blind www.acb.org

California Council of the Blind www.ccbnet.org

Randolph Sheppard Vendors of America www.randolph-

sheppard.org

California Voter Empowerment Circle www.CALVEC.org

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**Favorite Quotes** 

"Laughter is an Instant Vacation."

"I'm convinced that about half of what separates the successful entrepreneurs from the non-successful ones is pure perseverance" - Steve Jobs

"Opportunity dances with those who are already on the dance floor." - H. Jackson Brown Jr.

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