



ISSUE 29 MANAGE YOUR CAREER

Reminder

New Leaf Resumes changed its primary email address some time ago. Please amend your contact list by replacing the old stephaniec@newleafresumes.com with the new newleafresumes@gmail.com.

The gmail account never drops emails, has user friendly features and is ultra-reliable. Thank you for that!

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This Month's Issue

Summer is perfect for sourcing great books, buying a stack or borrowing from the local library (many libraries have extended summer reader plans), and getting "edumacted" or just plain old entertained!

Please, share your summer reads with me as I am always looking for the next book to curl up with and get lost in ... what a delicious way to let time slip by!

Speaking of Books

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Please check out my website (Products and Fees tab) for my own two e-books. The one "20 Best Cover Letters (Plus One)" gives you oodles of cover letter ideas. The Plus One is a fun take on a Superhero's cover letter. And the other, "Interview Strategies That Work," is

Summer Reading

Last summer I shared my favourite books -- instructional and just for fun -- and I thought that I'd continue that tradition. I've included a few career management related suggestions, and a few that have no instructional attributes unless you aspire to recreate great quality writing.

DRiVE - by Daniel H. Pink

The Surprising Truth About What Motivates Us

Written along the style of Malcolm Gladwell's books, "Blink" and "The Tipping Point," this fascinating read delves into motivation and the repercussions on management styles and workplace productivity.

If you are looking for hard facts to transform your workplace, along with supportive evidence, this is it! Easy to read style, compelling facts, this book is well worth picking up.

Knock 'em Dead

Secrets & Strategies for Success in an Uncertain World

Author Martin Yate, about whom I wrote in April's newsletter, has published a new career book. Although I've not quite finished my perusal, I can tell you that I've not yet read anything that I don't agree with. Given that Martin has over 30 years in career related positions, and that he has leveraged the cumulative knowledge of a panel of industry experts, I expected nothing less than a complete and remarkable source of advice.

If you are job hunting, or want to be a prepared careerist, pick it up.

Other Books I Loved

Fiction

Still Alice by Lisa Genova - recently I joined a Book Club and this was one of our assigned books. Here's part of the book review I wrote for our local paper:

Our book club's meeting to discuss Still Alice, written by Lisa Genova, evolved quickly into a spirited conversation. We covered, for example, aspects of holistic vs. traditional medicine, how quickly we can lose friends when adversity strikes, and even the implications of wedding vows. All this in response to a narrative that spans a scant two years in the life of a 50 year old woman diagnosed with early onset Alzheimer's.

One of our members confirmed that its details are accurate and

worth its weight in gold. Clients have had remarkable interview successes with the interview strategies they learned from this book, some supported by a one-hour coaching session. Let me know if you have any questions!

As Always

I welcome your questions, shared observations and opinions, and your suggestions for future newsletter topics. New Leaf Resumes is here to enhance your career management strategies. Call me toll free at 855-550-5627, or email at newleafresumes@gmail.com. I'd love to hear from you!

Please forward this newsletter to friends or family, neighbours and fellow book club members!

credible. Having experienced Alzheimer's through several friends and family, she saw firsthand how it robs its victims of not only memories, but the most basic of mental processes: the ability to interpret what the eyes see.

This novel's impact stems from the fact that it is written in the voice of the Alzheimer's victim, an exceptionally clever, Harvard University Professor. Her intellect masks the early stages, because as an astute problem solver and communicator she copes with the early hiccups without notice. Once diagnosed, the speed with which it manifests itself is relentless, and curiously defined by moments of lucidity.

Stieg Larsson's trilogy - The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo, The Girl Who Kicked The Hornet's Nest and The Girl Who Played With Fire. I simply couldn't put these down! The main character is unique, wonderfully flawed, delightfully imperfect and that makes it all the better!

Marina Lewycka's - The Strawberry Fields, and A History of Tractors in Ukrainian (but the book isn't in Ukrainian!) funny and serious

Life of Pi - Yann Martel (story-telling genius, evocative writing, at once credible and unbelievable)

Although I could go on (and on) as I always have at least two books on the go - one instructional and one for pleasure - I'll stop myself!

Let me know if I can be of service in your career endeavours. As always, it is my joy to assist! All the best to all my readers - Stephanie

