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Non Obvious Megatrends

An instant New York Times bestseller, Dan Lyons' "hysterical" (Recode) memoir, hailed by the Los Angeles Times as "the best book about Silicon Valley," takes readers inside the maddening world of fad-chasing venture capitalists, sales bros, social climbers, and sociopaths at today's tech startups. For twenty-five years Dan Lyons was a magazine writer at the top of his profession--until one Friday morning when he received a phone call: Poof. His job no longer existed. "I think they just want to hire younger people," his boss at Newsweek told him. Fifty years old and with a wife and two young kids, Dan was, in a word, screwed. Then an idea hit. Dan had long reported on Silicon Valley and the tech explosion. Why not join it? HubSpot, a Boston start-up, was flush with \$100 million in venture capital. They offered Dan a pile of stock options for the vague role of "marketing fellow." What could go wrong? HubSpotters were true believers: They were making the world a better place by selling email spam. The office vibe was frat house meets cult compound: The party began at four thirty on Friday and lasted well into the night; "shower pods" became hook-up dens; a push-up club met at noon in the lobby, while nearby, in the "content factory," Nerf gun fights raged. Groups went on "walking meetings," and Dan's absentee boss sent cryptic emails about employees who had "graduated" (read: been fired). In the middle of all this was Dan, exactly twice the age of the average HubSpot employee, and literally old enough to be the father of most of his co-workers, sitting at his desk on his bouncy-ball "chair."

The Italian's Innocent Bride

Nobel-Prize-winning economist Paul Krugman argues that business leaders need to understand the differences between economic policy on the national and international scale and business strategy on the organizational scale. Economists deal with the closed system of a national economy, whereas executives live in the open-system world of business. Moreover, economists know that an economy must be run on the basis of general principles, but businesspeople are forever in search of the particular brilliant strategy. Krugman's article serves to elucidate the world

of economics for businesspeople who are so close to it and yet are continually frustrated by what they see. Since 1922, Harvard Business Review has been a leading source of breakthrough management ideas-many of which still speak to and influence us today. The Harvard Business Review Classics series now offers readers the opportunity to make these seminal pieces a part of your permanent management library. Each highly readable volume contains a groundbreaking idea that continues to shape best practices and inspire countless managers around the world-and will have a direct impact on you today and for years to come.

Conversion

The author of Media Today offers “a trenchant, timely, and troubling account of [retailers’] data-mining, in-store tracking, and predictive analytics” (The Philadelphia Inquirer). By one expert’s prediction, within twenty years half of Americans will have body implants that tell retailers how they feel about specific products as they browse their local stores. The notion may be outlandish, but it reflects executives’ drive to understand shoppers in the aisles with the same obsessive detail that they track us online. In fact, a hidden surveillance revolution is already taking place inside brick-and-mortar stores, where Americans still do most of their buying. Drawing on his interviews with retail executives, analysis of trade publications, and experiences at insider industry meetings, advertising and digital studies expert Joseph Turow pulls back the curtain on these trends, showing how a new hyper-competitive generation of merchants—including Macy’s, Target, and Walmart—is already using data mining, in-store tracking, and predictive analytics to change the way we buy, undermine our privacy, and define our reputations. Eye-opening and timely, Turow’s book is essential reading to understand the future of shopping. “Turow shows shopping today to be an exercise in unwitting self-revelation—and not only online.”—The Wall Street Journal “Thoroughly researched and clearly presented with detailed evidence and fascinating peeks inside the retail industry. Much of this information is startling and even chilling, particularly when Turow shows how retail data-tracking can enable discrimination and societal stratification.”—Publishers Weekly “Revealing . . . Valuable reading for shoppers and retailers alike.”—Kirkus Reviews

Towers of Gold

THIS BOOK DOES FOR RETAILING WHAT GOLDRATT'S INTERNATIONAL BEST-SELLER, “THE GOAL” DID FOR MANUFACTURING. A breakthrough solution is exposed when some unexpected events force Caroline and Paul, a married couple working for their family's retail business, to make a few small changes in the way things are done. A solution that propels the family's regional chain of stores into a very profitable, rapidly growing, international enterprise. If there is a hint of Jonah, from THE GOAL, reappearing in this novel, it is Henry, the soon-to-retire president and majority owner of the company who logically states that, “if you do not deal directly with the core problem, don't expect significant improvement.” Eli Goldratt's Theory of Constraints is woven throughout this book but answers are not handed to you. The reader, along with the characters in the book, work through the process together to discover solutions. The elegant but simple solutions give the reader that sensation that followers love about Goldratt: “Ah-ha! Now I get it!” And that's when Goldratt says: “Isn't It Obvious?”

From the Desk of Zoe Washington

Customer Loyalty Isn't Enough—Grow Your Share of Wallet The Wallet Allocation Rule is a revolutionary, definitive guide for winning the battle for share of customers' hearts, minds, and wallets. Backed by rock-solid science published in the Harvard Business Review and MIT Sloan Management Review, this landmark book introduces a new and rigorously tested approach—the Wallet Allocation Rule—that is proven to link to the most important measure of customer loyalty: share of wallet. Companies currently spend billions of dollars each year measuring and managing metrics like customer satisfaction and Net Promoter Score (NPS) to improve customer loyalty. These metrics, however, have almost no correlation to share of wallet. As a result, the returns on investments designed to improve the customer experience are frequently near zero, even negative. With The Wallet Allocation Rule, managers finally have the missing link to business growth within their grasp—the ability to link their existing metrics to the share of spending that customers allocate to their brands. Learn why improving satisfaction (or NPS) does not improve share. Apply the Wallet Allocation Rule to discover what really drives customer spending. Uncover new metrics that really matter to achieve growth. By applying the Wallet Allocation Rule, managers get real insight into the money they currently get from their customers, the money available to be earned by them, and what it takes to get it. The Wallet Allocation Rule provides managers with a blueprint for sustainable long-term growth.

Retail Isn't Dead

All New 10th Edition of the WSJ bestseller! Featuring 10 Bold new Trend Predictions Winner of 9 International Book Awards Introducing the highly awaited tenth edition of The Wall Street Journal bestseller and trend report featuring ten bold new megatrend predictions that will shape our world in the coming decade. What if you could predict the trends that will change your business? For the past ten years, Rohit Bhargava's signature annual Non-Obvious Trend Report has helped over a million readers discover more than 100 trends changing our culture. Now for the first time, Rohit and his team of Non-Obvious trend curators reveal ten revolutionary new Megatrends that are transforming how we work, play and live. -- How might the evolution of gender fluid toys change our culture? -- What can the popularity of handmade umbrellas and board games teach us about the future of business? -- Why do robot therapists and holographic celebrities actually demonstrate the importance of humanity? The answers to these questions may not be all that obvious, and that's exactly the point. This completely revised 10th Anniversary edition of Non-Obvious also offers an unprecedented look behind the scenes at the author's signature Haystack Method for identifying trends, and how you can learn to curate and predict trends for yourself. You don't need to be a futurist or innovator to learn to think like one. The key to growing your business or propelling your career into the next decade lies in better understanding the present. The future belongs to non-obvious thinkers and this book is your guide to becoming one. Winner: Eric Hoffer Business Book of the Year Winner: Axiom Award Silver Medal (Business Theory) Winner: INDIE Gold Medal (Business Business Book) Finalist: Leonard L. Berry Marketing Book Award Winner: IPPY Silver Medal (Best Business Book) Finalist: International Book Award (Best Business Book) Official Selection: Gary's Book Club at CES Winner: Non-Fiction Book Award (Gold Medal)

Winner: Pinnacle Best Business Book Award

The Goal

Keep your brain young, healthy, and sharp with this science-driven guide to protecting your mind from decline by neurosurgeon and CNN chief medical correspondent Sanjay Gupta. Throughout our life, we look for ways to keep our mind sharp and effortlessly productive. Now, globetrotting neurosurgeon Dr. Sanjay Gupta offers insights from top scientists all over the world, whose cutting-edge research can help you heighten and protect brain function and maintain cognitive health at any age. Keep Sharp debunks common myths about aging and cognitive decline, explores whether there's a "best" diet or exercise regimen for the brain, and explains whether it's healthier to play video games that test memory and processing speed, or to engage in more social interaction. Discover what we can learn from "super-brained" people who are in their eighties and nineties with no signs of slowing down—and whether there are truly any benefits to drugs, supplements, and vitamins. Dr. Gupta also addresses brain disease, particularly Alzheimer's, answers all your questions about the signs and symptoms, and shows how to ward against it and stay healthy while caring for a partner in cognitive decline. He likewise provides you with a personalized twelve-week program featuring practical strategies to strengthen your brain every day. Keep Sharp is the only owner's manual you'll need to keep your brain young and healthy regardless of your age!

The Paradox of Choice

Presents an analysis of Wal Mart business tactics, where the company's efforts to lower prices has had far-reaching effects on its suppliers, competitors, employees, and foreign manufacturers.

Tilting at Windmills

Learn Popular Retail Strategies (Collection)

Columns the author wrote for Comics Retailer magazine and the website Newsarama.

Making Work Visible

Isaias Hellman, a Jewish immigrant, arrived in California in 1859 with very little money in his pocket and his brother Herman by his side. By the time he died, he had effectively transformed Los Angeles into the modern metropolis we see today. In Frances Dinkelspiel's groundbreaking history, the early days of California are seen through the life of a man who started out as a simple store owner only to become California's premier money-man of the late 19th and early 20th century. Growing up as a young immigrant, Hellman quickly learned the use to which "capital" could be put, founding LA's Farmers and Merchants Bank, that city's first successful bank, and transforming Wells Fargo into one of the West's biggest

financial institutions. He invested money with Henry Huntington to build trolley lines, lent Edward Doheney the funds that led him to discover California's huge oil reserves, and assisted Harrison Gary Otis in acquiring full ownership of the Los Angeles Times. Hellman led the building of Los Angeles' first synagogue, the Wilshire Boulevard Temple, helped start the University of Southern California and served as Regent of the University of California. His influence, however, was not limited to Los Angeles. He controlled the California wine industry for almost twenty years and, after San Francisco's devastating 1906 earthquake and fire, calmed the financial markets there in order to help that great city rise from the ashes. With all of these accomplishments, Isaias Hellman almost single-handedly brought California into modernity. Ripe with great historical events that filled the early days of California such as the Gold Rush and the San Francisco earthquake, Towers of Gold brings to life the transformation of California from a frontier society whose economy was driven by the barter of hides and exchange of gold dust into a vibrant state with the strongest economy in the nation.

The Retail Revival

Whether we're buying a pair of jeans, ordering a cup of coffee, selecting a long-distance carrier, applying to college, choosing a doctor, or setting up a 401(k), everyday decisions—both big and small—have become increasingly complex due to the overwhelming abundance of choice with which we are presented. As Americans, we assume that more choice means better options and greater satisfaction. But beware of excessive choice: choice overload can make you question the decisions you make before you even make them, it can set you up for unrealistically high expectations, and it can make you blame yourself for any and all failures. In the long run, this can lead to decision-making paralysis, anxiety, and perpetual stress. And, in a culture that tells us that there is no excuse for falling short of perfection when your options are limitless, too much choice can lead to clinical depression. In *The Paradox of Choice*, Barry Schwartz explains at what point choice—the hallmark of individual freedom and self-determination that we so cherish—becomes detrimental to our psychological and emotional well-being. In accessible, engaging, and anecdotal prose, Schwartz shows how the dramatic explosion in choice—from the mundane to the profound challenges of balancing career, family, and individual needs—has paradoxically become a problem instead of a solution. Schwartz also shows how our obsession with choice encourages us to seek that which makes us feel worse. By synthesizing current research in the social sciences, Schwartz makes the counter intuitive case that eliminating choices can greatly reduce the stress, anxiety, and busyness of our lives. He offers eleven practical steps on how to limit choices to a manageable number, have the discipline to focus on those that are important and ignore the rest, and ultimately derive greater satisfaction from the choices you have to make.

Eliminate Your Competition

An expert on shopping behavior and motivation offers an analysis of consumers' tastes and habits, discussing why point-of-sale purchases are still the most significant, and why Internet shopping will not replace the mall.

The Aisles Have Eyes

“Retailers today are able to generate the critical customer information on traffic and conversion rates that turn from their traditional anecdotal reflections in Conversion Mark Ryski tells us all that we need to know to make that shift a reality. A true find for any retailer looking for dramatic improvements in business outcomes!” — Len Schlesinger President, Babson College former Vice Chairman and COO, Limited Brands “A retail brand is built from the cumulative effects of its shoppers’ experiences over time, making learning from these experiences a strategic priority for retailers in order to drive business value. Converting customers into buyers is the first step in creating a sustained partnership that results in value for all. The strategies introduced in this book will help retailers of all sizes and categories convert their customers’ experiences into future buyers.” — Pat Conroy Vice Chairman, Deloitte LLP & Consumer Products Practice Leader “Half the battle is finding the right things to measure for your business and industry. Ryski is right that conversion is a critical metric for retailers who care about revenue, profits, and growth.” — Thomas H. Davenport President’s Distinguished Professor, Babson College & Author of Competing on Analytics and Analytics at Work

52 Terrific Retail Tips

A man cursed by a demon. A woman who's memories are more than just her own. An enemy sworn to destroy all their dreams. A destiny that none of them expected. Cursed to live by day as a dragon and by night as a man, Gabriel believes he will forever be alone after the murder of his beloved Danielle. That is, until the night he meets Alayia and everything changes. Together, they must figure out the truth of the curse that Innok has placed on Gabriel as well as those from his visions. Their quest will bring them deep into the heart of the evil, but with her abilities and the spirit of the dragon within, they might just unlock the truth of the past and break the curse. If they can keep the demon from winning too fast.

Reengineering Retail

"a provocative new book" -- The New York Times AI-centric organizations exhibit a new operating architecture, redefining how they create, capture, share, and deliver value. Marco Iansiti and Karim R. Lakhani show how reinventing the firm around data, analytics, and AI removes traditional constraints on scale, scope, and learning that have restricted business growth for hundreds of years. From Airbnb to Ant Financial, Microsoft to Amazon, research shows how AI-driven processes are vastly more scalable than traditional processes, allow massive scope increase, enabling companies to straddle industry boundaries, and create powerful opportunities for learning--to drive ever more accurate, complex, and sophisticated predictions. When traditional operating constraints are removed, strategy becomes a whole new game, one whose rules and likely outcomes this book will make clear. Iansiti and Lakhani: Present a framework for rethinking business and operating models Explain how "collisions" between AI-driven/digital and traditional/analog firms are reshaping competition, altering the structure of our economy, and forcing traditional companies to rearchitect their operating models Explain the

opportunities and risks created by digital firms Describe the new challenges and responsibilities for the leaders of both digital and traditional firms Packed with examples--including many from the most powerful and innovative global, AI-driven competitors--and based on research in hundreds of firms across many sectors, this is your essential guide for rethinking how your firm competes and operates in the era of AI.

The Choice

A marriage in tatters. A life half-lived. Jane Lang, innocent and starved of love, was an easy target for a man like Carlo Santini. He swept into her life and made her love him. How could she not? Apart from his obvious physical attributes (tall, dark and handsome on speed) he was commanding, powerful, intelligent and interesting. And he claimed to love her too. It hadn't taken long for Jane to realise she didn't have what was necessary to hold Carlo's interest. After months of being ignored and rejected, Jane finally saw that their marriage was a farce. Three years later, Jane thinks she's over Carlo. But a freak accident brings them together again, and this time, Carlo isn't letting her walk away. As their passionate flame reignites with a greater strength than ever before, Jane slowly begins to unravel a web of lies and deceit - with Carlo at the centre. Everything she thought she knew about her husband is shaken to the core. So how can she believe that he ever loved her? That he might love her again?

A Country Is Not a Company

Ari Grant spends her days helping the troubled youth of Glory City, and her nights trying to feel something other than the cold numbness that has settled in her bones. For years, she satisfies this urge with trips to the tattoo parlor or late night clubbing, but everything changes when she becomes a victim of an armed robbery. She manages to escape notice from the gunman, a former client, but only because she's saved by Glory City's own Vigilante. A hooded man who has impeccable timing when it comes to those in need. It seems Ari isn't the only one trying to save lost souls or looking for a life outside their job. She's caught the attention of Nick Sanders, a handsome attorney at juvenile court. Solid and steady, he seems the perfect fit, but Ari has developed an obsession with Davis, the mysterious and sexy director of a local fight club that rehabilitates delinquent boys. Each of these men fight for the less fortunate, but not everyone has altruistic motives. When Ari's female clients begin to disappear, she can't figure out who to trust. Soon enough it becomes obvious that while Ari watches over the kids of Glory City, someone else has taken to watching over her.

Necessary But Not Sufficient

The Soul's Mark: Found

When Amelia Caldwell tries to begin a new life, she discovers that her birthmark means more than it seems. She has been marked by a vampire's soul; not only does she hold his soul, she is also his soulmate. Mitchell Lange has been searching

almost a century for his soulmate and is determined not to let Amelia go. Since Amelia has no intention of belonging to anyone, they both become trapped on an emotional rollercoaster. As Amelia searches for answers, she becomes caught in the middle of a deadly game of revenge and is forced to realize that you can't run from destiny.

Why We Buy

Traditional retail is becoming increasingly volatile and challenged as a business model. Brick-and-mortar has shifted to online, while online is shifting into pop-up storefronts. Virtual stores in subway platforms and airports are offering new levels of convenience for harried commuters. High Street and Main Street are becoming the stuff of nostalgia. The Big Box is losing ground to new models that attract consumers through their most-trusted assistant—the smartphone. What's next? What's the future for you—a retailer—who is witnessing a tsunami of change and not knowing if this means grasping a hold of new opportunity or being swept away? The Retail Revival answers these questions by looking into the not-so-distant retail past and by looking forward into a future that will continue to redefine retail and its enormous effect on society and our economies. Massive demographic and economic shifts, as well as historic levels of technological and media disruption, are turning this once predictable industry—where “average” was king—into a sea of turbulent change, leaving consumer behavior permanently altered. Doug Stephens, internationally renowned consumer futurist, examines the key seismic shifts in the market that have even companies like Walmart and Procter & Gamble scrambling to cope, and explores the current and future trends that will completely change the way we shop. The Retail Revival provides no-nonsense clarity on the realities of a completely new retail marketplace—realities that are driving many industry executives to despair. But the future need not be dark. Stephens offers hope and guidance for any businesses eager to capitalize on these historic shifts and thrive. Entertaining and thought-provoking, The Retail Revival makes sense of a brave new era of consumer behavior in which everything we thought we knew about retail is being completely reimagined. Praise for The Retail Revival “It doesn't matter what type of retail you do—if you sell something, somewhere, you need to read Doug Stephens' The Retail Revival. Packed with powerful insights on the changing retail environment and what good retailers should be thinking about now, The Retail Revival is easy to read, well-organized and provides essential food for thought.” —Gregg Saretsky, President and CEO, WestJet “This book captures in sharp detail the deep and unprecedented changes driving new consumer behaviors and values. More importantly, it offers clear guidance to brands and retailers seeking to adapt and evolve to meet entirely new market imperatives for success.” —John Gerzema, Author of Spend Shift and The Athena Doctrine “The Retail Revival is a critical read for all marketing professionals who are trying to figure out what's next in retail... Doug Stephens does a great job of explaining why retail has evolved the way it has, and the book serves as an important, trusted guide to where it's headed next.” —Joe Lampertius SVP, Shopper Marketing, Momentum Worldwide and Owner, La Spezia Flavor Market “Doug Stephens has proven his right to the moniker 'Retail Prophet.' With careful analysis and ample examples, the author makes a compelling case for retailers to adapt, change and consequently revive their connection with consumers. Stephens presents actionable recommendations with optimism and enthusiasm—just the spoonful of

sugar we need to face the necessary changes ahead.” —Kit Yarrow, Ph.D., Consumer Psychologist; Professor, GoldenGate University; Co-Author, Gen BuY: How Tweens, Teens and Twenty-Somethings are Revolutionizing Retail “Doug Stephens doesn’t just tell you why retail is in the doldrums, he tells you why retail is a major signpost for the larger troubles of our culture and provides a compelling, inspiring vision for a future of retail—and business, and society.” —Eric Garland, author of Future Inc.: How Businesses Can Anticipate and Profit from What’s Next

Vigilant

Retail Selling Ain't Brain Surgery, It's Twice As Hard

This book provides an accessible and multifaceted vision of the ongoing changes in the retail industry, presenting practical steps a retailer can take in their store to adapt to the digitized world. The benefits of online commerce can be transferred to physical retail, and brick-and-mortar businesses can expand on their existing advantages. Using these strategies, physical stores can not only compete with online retail, they can offer even more to their customers. Store closures are taking place at a staggering rate, and this book offers guidance on how to overcome the so-called retail apocalypse. The book offers 15 innovative strategies on how to: Transfer the benefits of online shopping to physical stores Develop new, interactive brand experiences Apply latest in-store technologies Present customers a more sustainable, greener store experience Also included are practical tips for each strategy and 50 best-practice examples from around the world. With this book, readers will learn to navigate the changing retail landscape.

Competing in the Age of AI

Retailers today are drowning in data but lacking in insight. They have so much information at their disposal that they struggle with both how to sort through it, and how to add science to their decision-making process without blunting the art that they correctly believe is a key ingredient of their success. This book reveals how retailers can use data to manage everything from strategic assortment planning, inventory management, and markdowns to improve store-level execution. This data-driven approach to the retail supply chain leads to far greater and faster inventory turns, far fewer and lower discounted goods and services, and better profit margins. The authors also tease out the personnel issues and the organizational implications of this approach.

Make Life Beautiful

Retail Survival of the Fittest: 7 Ways to Future-Proof Your Retail Store is a practical guide to modern-day retail success. Learn how to use mobile technology, big data, and other digital tools to improve your brick-and-mortar store and ensure that it is well-equipped to engage and convert today’s savvy shoppers. From understanding consumers and boosting customer loyalty to leveraging data and implementing an omnichannel retail strategy, Retail Survival of the Fittest gives you need-to-know

lessons on how to adapt to the new and increasingly competitive retail playing field. In addition to providing insights and how-to tips, *Retail Survival of the Fittest* also introduces you to other successful merchants and shows you exactly what they do to thrive in the modern retail realm. Most important, each chapter comes with a set of action steps to help you implement the tips discussed in the book and enable you to get started on future-proofing your store.

Retail Isn't Dead

Physical retail isn't dead—but boring retail is! *Remarkable Retail* equips the savvy retailer with eight essential strategies to deliver a powerful customer experience. Despite the clickbait headlines that warn of a “retail apocalypse,” many brick and mortar retail brands are enjoying strong growth and profits. Others, however, are destined to become obsolete because they offer merely convenience, decent prices, or an okay shopping experience. In *Remarkable Retail*, industry thought leader Steve Dennis argues that retailers can no longer count on scarcity to drive sales, or settle for providing indifferent in-store experiences, because customers live online and have a wealth of choice and information at their fingertips. In the book, Dennis unpacks the trends that are squeezing traditional stores and presents eight essential strategies for visionary retail leaders who are prepared to reimagine the customer experience in the age of digital disruption. A remarkable retailer is digitally enabled, human centered, harmonized, mobile, personal, connected, memorable, and radical. In most retail categories, digital channels are now central to the consumer's journey, but that doesn't mean people aren't also shopping in stores. Packed with illuminating case studies from some of modern retail's biggest success stories, *Remarkable Retail* shows retailers and those in adjunct industries such as manufacturing, marketing, and tech, what it takes to create big buzz around the in-store experience. In an age where consumers have short attention spans and myriad options, *Remarkable Retail* is your crucial roadmap to creating a powerful retail experience that keeps your customers coming back for more.

The Wallet Allocation Rule

In this candid memoir, A. Alfred Taubman explains how a dyslexic Jewish kid from Detroit grew up to be a billionaire retailing pioneer, an intimate of European aristocrats and Palm Beach socialites, a respected philanthropist and, at age 78, a federal prisoner. With a unique blend of humor and genius, Taubman shows how selling fine art and antiques really isn't that different from marketing root beer or football, and offers penetrating insights into that quintessential palace of commerce, the luxury shopping mall. Alfred Taubman may not have invented the modern shopping center but, in the words of *The New Yorker*, “he perfected it.” Taubman's life has been a storybook success, with its share of unique challenges. A pioneer builder and innovative real estate developer, he was also a brilliant land speculator, operator of a quick-serve restaurant chain, and owner of a major department store company. But what seemed like the pinnacle of his career, buying and reinventing the venerable art auction house Sotheby's, would lead to his conviction in an international price fixing scandal. Despite the twists and turns, Taubman's life and business philosophy can be summed up in one evocative phrase: Threshold Resistance. Understanding and defeating that force—breaking down the barriers between art and commerce, between shoppers and

merchandise, between high culture and popular taste—has been his life's work.

Retail Survival of the Fittest: 7 Ways to Future Proof Your Retail Store

Now a NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER, *Make Life Beautiful* is the new autobiography from Syd and Shea McGee, the stars of the Netflix hit series *Dream Home Makeover*. This book offers the fans of Syd and Shea McGee a new and intimate look into how they built their business. For the one million-plus followers who turn to Syd and Shea McGee for advice on building a beautiful home and life, *Make Life Beautiful* is be a behind-the-scenes look into how the couple transformed Shea's small room of fabric samples and big dream of becoming a designer into one of the most successful and fastest-growing interior design businesses in the country. Both long-time and new fans will not only gain insight into how the McGees built such a successful company but also be inspired to apply design principles to their lives. Inspirational topics to help readers build an authentic life include Renovate your life Visualize the outcome Listen to your gut Elevate the everyday Want to live the best version of your life? Read this book to follow Syd and Shea's lead and learn how to *Make Life Beautiful*. This is an essential book for: Entrepreneurs Interior Designers Working Parents Couples Building Family and Career Self-Starters and Anyone Chasing Their Dreams Praise for *Make Life Beautiful*: "Make Life Beautiful is a necessary reminder there is inherent beauty and warmth in all moments. Shea and Syd invite us into endearing conversations filled with wit, humor, creativity and an honesty shining light on the couples beautiful focal points." - Alyssa Rosenheck, interiors and architectural photographer, stylist, and author of the *New Southern Style* "In a world of picture perfect, Syd & Shea are a much needed breath of fresh air. It takes courage to admit that things aren't always perfect. I applaud them for authentically sharing their story with the world." - Mikel Welch, interior designer, lifestyle expert, and TV show host "Make Life Beautiful is raw, honest and motivating. A captivating read as Shea & Syd navigate us through the early days of their relationship, family and growing business. A form of a modern day romance success story. I enjoyed reading about their compelling journey that shaped their design empire we know as Studio McGee. Truly inspiring in every way." - Monika Hibbs, Founder and Creative Director of Monika Hibbs and author of *Gather at Home* "There's nothing more beautiful than taking a leap and devoting your life and your heart and your work to helping other people enjoy beauty in their own homes. We've all come to know and love and yearn for the Studio McGee look but hearing the humble "how's" behind the empire is even more moving and motivating. This isn't about just making your home beautiful—this is about making your LIFE beautiful. Shea and Syd are talented (obviously) but they're also dreamers and supporters and risk-takers and pioneers and somehow, still completely down-to-earth. My heart is warm and I'm now taking notes on more than just mixing patterns." - Julia Marcum, Co-Founder of *Chris Loves Julia*, *Good Influence_r* and *Proper Tee*

The Good Jobs Strategy

Today's IT workers are drowning in nonstop requests for time, days filled to the brim with meetings, and endless nights spent heroically fixing the latest problems.

This churn and burn is creating a workforce constantly on the edge of burnout. In this timely book, IT time management expert Dominica DeGrandis reveals the real crime of the century—time theft, one of the most costly factors impacting enterprises in their day-to-day operations. Through simple solutions that make work visible, DeGrandis helps people round up the five thieves of time and take back their lives with timesaving solutions. Chock-full of exercises, takeaways, real-world examples, colorful diagrams, and an easy-going writing style, readers will quickly learn effective practices to create high-performing workflows within an organization.

Disrupted

Pork dorks. Craftsters. American Girl fans. Despite their different tastes, these eclectic diehards have a lot in common: they're obsessed about a specific brand, product, or category. They pursue their passions with fervor, and they're extremely knowledgeable about the things they love. They aren't average consumers—they're superconsumers. Although small in number, superconsumers can have an outsized impact on a company's bottom line. Representing 10% of total consumers, they can drive between 30% to 70% of sales, and they're usually willing to spend considerably more than the average consumer. And because they're so engaged and passionate, they can offer invaluable advice to managers looking to improve their products, change their business models, energize their cultures, and attract new customers. In *Superconsumers*, growth strategy expert Eddie Yoon lays out a simple but extremely effective framework that has helped companies of all types and sizes achieve more sustainable growth: he'll show you how to find, listen to, and engage with your most passionate and profitable consumers, and then tailor your decisions to meet their wants and needs. Along the way, he'll let you into the minds and homes of superconsumers of all kinds, revealing what makes them tick and why they're willing to spend so much more than other consumers. Rich with data and case studies of companies that have implemented superconsumer strategies with great success, *Superconsumers* is a fun, practical, and inspiring guide for anyone interested in making their best customers even better.

Keep Sharp

Explores the coming retail revolution, which will affect retailers of all sizes. The author paints a bold vision of the future, where the very concept of what a store is, how consumers shop and even what retail's core revenue model is, will all be profoundly reinvented, and he illustrates the vast opportunities available for courageous brands and business leaders. With real world examples and insights from industry disruptors

33 Things You Can Do Today to Skyrocket Your Kindle Sales

“Enticing and enthralling.” —Jewell Parker Rhodes From debut author Janae Marks comes a captivating mystery full of heart, as one courageous girl questions assumptions, searches for the truth, and does what she believes is right—even in the face of great opposition. A perfect book for fans of *Front Desk* and *All Rise* for

the Honorable Perry T. Cook! Zoe Washington isn't sure what to write. What does a girl say to the father she's never met, hadn't heard from until his letter arrived on her twelfth birthday, and who's been in prison for a terrible crime? A crime he says he never committed. Could Marcus really be innocent? Zoe is determined to uncover the truth. Even if it means hiding his letters and her investigation from the rest of her family. Everyone else thinks Zoe's worrying about doing a good job at her bakery internship and proving to her parents that she's worthy of auditioning for Food Network's Kids Bake Challenge. But with bakery confections on one part of her mind, and Marcus's conviction weighing heavily on the other, this is one recipe Zoe doesn't know how to balance. The only thing she knows to be true: Everyone lies.

Retail Crime, Security, and Loss Prevention

Explains how today's workers are a company's greatest asset and should be treated as such and discusses the flaws in the trend that sent service, manufacturing and retail sector jobs overseas in an effort to stay competitive through reduced wages and benefits. 25,000 first printing.

Innok's Curse

The Choice, revised edition, by Eliyahu M. Goldratt and Efrat Goldratt-Ashlag Goldratt presents his thought provoking approach, this time through a conversation with his daughter Efrat, as he explains to her his fundamental system of beliefs. The revised edition includes Efrat's own notes and maps (charts) she made during her conversations with her father, helping the reader determine the true essence of the book. From the original publication: TOC has been successfully applied in almost every area of human endeavor, from industry to healthcare to education. And while Eli Goldratt is indeed a scientist, an educator and a business leader, he is first and foremost a philosopher; some say a genius. He is a thinker who provokes others to do the same. Often characterized as unconventional, and always stimulating a slayer of sacred cows Dr. Goldratt exhorts his readers to examine and reassess their lives and business practices by cultivating a different perspective and a clear new vision.

Threshold Resistance

"Contains authoritative Ideas You won't find anywhere else!" Don't sit by the sidelines and watch other authors pull thousands of dollars a month out of the Kindle Goldmine! Author Dan Howe has produced over 350 titles and sold an astounding 12,000,000+ books in the last decade and a half! This tell all how to book reveals his down to earth strategies for promoting a new release or reviving sales on an old one. If you want to learn how to create the ultimate kindle money machine, this book will show you how! For More Information on all of our titles visit us on the web at www.2ndEmpireMedia.Com - Keyword search this title: kindle amazon book books publish publishing print printer write writer writing ebook e-book e_book sales promo promotional promoting promotion publicity advertising ads published printed written author sales selling increase

The Wal-Mart Effect

This book provides an accessible and multifaceted vision of the ongoing changes in the retail industry, presenting practical steps a retailer can take in their store to adapt to the digitized world. The benefits of online commerce can be transferred to physical retail, and brick-and-mortar businesses can expand on their existing advantages. Using these strategies, physical stores can not only compete with online retail, they can offer even more to their customers. Store closures are taking place at a staggering rate, and this book offers guidance on how to overcome the so-called retail apocalypse. The book offers 15 innovative strategies on how to: Transfer the benefits of online shopping to physical stores Develop new, interactive brand experiences Apply latest in-store technologies Present customers a more sustainable, greener store experience Also included are practical tips for each strategy and 50 best-practice examples from around the world. With this book, readers will learn to navigate the changing retail landscape.

Isn't It Obvious?

Most salespeople lose the deal before they ever get started! It isn't uncommon for the customer to have already made a decision before most salespeople even learn of the opportunity. Most salespeople have to beat the preferred competitor by a significant margin just to be considered equivalent. Don't you wish that you could be the preferred vendor in all of your opportunities? Selling is a difficult career in which to make a living; it is not uncommon to have the commission check denied before the salesperson even gets a chance to win. Analysis of thousands of sales situations has made it phenomenally obvious that most salespeople begin their sales campaign so late in the decision-making process that they are virtually guaranteed to lose the order. To make matters worse, when they do start the campaign early enough, most salespeople do not know how to control the prospect adequately so that they can guarantee their victory. Typical turnover for a sales department is 10-20%. Many companies see turnover that approaches 40-60%! This turnover costs them 50% of their revenue-generating capability. In any organization that exceeds 25% turnover, the loss of trust with the customer can be astounding as the new salesperson tries to rebuild the entire relationship. In any given quarter dozens or hundreds of companies do not make their forecasted numbers and are dramatically punished by Wall Street. This book will provide the management of a company with a framework to teach their salespeople how to attain their quotas with higher profits. It will also allow salespeople to rise to the top of their organization and be the super-achievers who win awards, trips, bonuses, and respect. In this book, I will show you how to eliminate your competition and maximize your commission.

Remarkable Retail

The world's #1 guide to retail success, complete with crucial, up-to-date insights--including new case studies, ideas, strategies, and tactics from today's best retailers, like TopShop, IKEA, and Best Buy. Smart Retail incorporates several valuable chapters, including: Opportunities to learn from past retail pioneers: simple yet effective strategies your competitors have forgotten. How to use data to

drive profit and growth. How to do more with less, and maximize the value each team member brings to the table. How to use new technology to develop highly productive, innovative "Remote Teams". Covering everything from creating the ultimate retail experience to understanding the customer and the importance of motivated workers, this is the book that will equip managers, team-workers, retail entrepreneurs and indeed anybody who sells direct to customers, with practical winning ideas and strategies. ∫ Retail marketing is undergoing cataclysmic change, driven by upheavals in media, consumer attitudes, and the retail industry itself. Retailers know they must invest more heavily in marketing, both to build brands and to drive sales. But how? In *Shopper Intimacy*, two leading experts offer the first comprehensive, research-based guide to building winning retail marketing programs. Drawing on a decade of customer research, the authors introduce: ∫ A start-to-finish system for planning and executing effective campaigns. ∫ Powerful new tools for influencing shopper behavior and driving better results. Practical, workable techniques for measuring performance - including a breakthrough approach for measuring ROI from the standpoint of all stakeholders. ∫ Best practices models for integrating internal and syndicated research. Trend analysis to help retailers chart the future trajectory of marketing, and position themselves appropriately. ∫ *Shopper Intimacy* contains extensive case studies, charts, pictures, and illustrations designed to deepen marketers' understanding. Above all, it presents practical learnings that cut across all retail segments, with data to support the authors' conclusions, and techniques for successfully applying them.

Superconsumers

"Based on the business novel, *The Goal: A process of ongoing improvement* by Eliyahu M. Goldratt and Jeff Cox."

The New Science of Retailing

Retail Crime, Security, and Loss Prevention is destined to become the "go to" source of crime- and loss prevention- related information in the retail industry. Written and edited by two nationally recognized retail security experts and enhanced with 63 contributions by others who contribute expertise in specialized areas, this book provides over 150 definitions of loss prevention terms, and discusses topics ranging from accident investigations, counterfeit currency, emergency planning, and workplace violence to vendor frauds. No other single work contains such a wealth of retail security information. The co-authors are Charles "Chuck" Sennewald, CSC, CPP former Director of Security at The Broadway Department Stores, a major division of Carter Hawley Hale Stores, Inc., founder of the IAPSC and author of numerous security industry books, and John Christman, CPP, former VP and Director of Security for Macy's West. They have put in one book a wealth of information, techniques, procedures and source material relative to retail crime and loss prevention which will prove an invaluable reference work for professionals at all levels within the industry. Tables, current industry figures, and statistics fully articulate the impact of loss prevention and theft in the retail setting. Case examples from the authors' own experience illustrate real-world problems and connect theory to practice. The most complete book available on retail security.

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