UNDERSTANDING HEALTHY COMPETITION (EXPOSING HUMAN POTENTIAL MOVEMENT BULLSHIT)

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- 1. If you are alive and reading this, you are representative of 1 in between 250 million-approximately 1 billion spermatozoa that made it to fertilize an egg where the conditions had to be just right in regards to hormones and temperature for that to even be possible. You beat out at least 250 million competitors that were competing with you to be realized or have a chance at self-actualization in human form. So, you are as much a champion swimmer as everyone else. And, in that way, you are a winner and equal to everyone else who made it to humanity at all given the odds alone.
- 2. Considering 1 above, you are now 1 in approximately 8 billion people who accomplished your potential for life. In one lifetime, a healthy man (male human) can produce up to 525 billion spermatozoa. So, you and/or your siblings already beat out around 525 billion others. That's totally amazing! So, do you feel ready for more competition or is it less in respect to how many you already beat given the fact you were born at all?
- 3. Pretending to act like successful people by ordering others around, doing nothing yourself, and assuming authority you do not have and have not earned nor been granted by popular vote, is not the answer in regards to how to compete. Are you too stupid to understand that? If so, go back to school and get an education and qualified. When you do that, you'll have skills and knowledge on which to build your success. And, if you don't do that and just say, "But, I was the fastest swimmer in my Dad's exhale, isn't that enough? I'm a winner. You said so. Treat me like it.", we're all winners in the same sense and therefore equal to you and don't recognize your authority because you beat out whatever amounted to competition in your Dad's sack. So, #3 is talking to narcissists who likely won't listen and will never read this handout.
- 4. When competing, consider what skills and knowledge you currently have and what resources you have too. Then, compare that to others to understand your current position in all regards. And, if you whine like someone in #3, you may be determined to be developmentally disabled or a criminal who lacks self-discipline and therefore requires supervision of some sort and in that way you are a job creator, but, not in a way you'd like. Or, you can learn the rules, acquire skills and knowledge, and compete for resources beyond the basic necessities you can currently get from charitable organizations and churches or public assistance should you qualify. So, in the game of life, are you willing to compete or do you prefer being benched, waiting in the proverbial dugout (kind of screwed yourself and/or another spermatozoa if you prefer the dugout) or in a penalty box of some sort? Think of those three options as your only options and life is like a game where there's some chance involved and with good planning and strategizing you can be very resourceful. And, there's enough nice people who like cooperation and wish to encourage or "cheerlead" others who are more competitive. Often we run charities, churches, and the like and encourage everyone to get in the game and not give up recognizing everyone's a winner who made it this far.

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