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openQuestion

05-31-2006 12:54 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

Originally Posted by **SoapBoxDad**

Actually you really did not answer the sales person question as you were the one that brought it up. Once again, if you are comparing business models, sales positions and failure rates, I find it interesting as you draw an imaginary line here. I am in agreement with you on one thing for sure. There is a lot of garbage out there and a person needs to do their own research.

Please refresh my memory as to the original, specific question and I would be very happy to respond.

Quote:

Originally Posted by SoapBoxDad

As for current courses, I have two emails into UIC to find our which courses specifically incorporate the multi-level model. I will share as soon as I hear back. I see several courses that would be appropriate.

Marketing Course List

- 360 Introduction to Marketing. 3 Hours.
- 450 Marketing and Public Policy. 3 Hours.
- 452 Principles of Retailing. 3 Hours.
- 454 Entrepreneurship: New Venture Formation. 3 Hours.
- 461 Consumer Market Behavior, 3 Hours,
- 462 Marketing Research. 3 Hours.

- 463 Marketing Channels. 3 Hours.
- 464 Small Business Consulting. 3 Hours.
- 465 Marketing Management. 3 Hours.
- 466 Comparative Marketing Systems. 3 Hours.
- 467 Management Science in Marketing. 3 Hours.
- 468 Problems in Marketing Research and Information System. 3 Hours.
- 469 International Marketing. 3 Hours.
- 473 The Personal Selling Effort in Marketing. 3 Hours
- 474 Advertising and Sales Promotion. 3 Hours
- 475 Product Management. 3 Hours.
- 476 Industrial Marketing. 3 Hours.
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- 584 Product Innovation and Development. 4 Hours.
- 585 Seminar: Topics in Quantitative Models in Marketing. 4 Hours.
- 586 Advanced International Marketing. 4 Hours.
- 587 Advanced Marketing Research. 4 Hours.
- 588 Marketing Communications. 4 Hours.
- 589 Services Marketing. 4 Hours.
- 591 Pricing Theory and Practice. 4 Hours.
- 594 Special Topics in Marketing. 4 Hours.
- 596 Independent Study in Marketing. 1-4 Hours.
- 599 PhD Thesis Research, 0-16 Hours,

As I said, prove me wrong here and I will happily admit it. And to be clear, I will say this again: **King is an MLM proponent,** so I would not be surprised if the TOPIC of MLM was mentioned in a course on general marketing, or methods of marketing. But to say that it is "taught at the University of Illinois" -- as if someone has actually designed a course or curriculum to teach college students about or how to do MLM -- nope. Not buying it until you show it to me.

SoapBoxDad 05-31-2006 01:01 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

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Nice try, and close. But this is a PAID SEMINAR (\$895 and open to ANYONE, i.e. eager little MLM beavers like yourself) and not college curriculum. Again, it shows that our Dr. King knows one of the few ways to make money in MLM -- to be a speaker or to own a company. This is simpy a revenue-generating seminar like the hundreds of other seminars held across the country making money for MLM businesses (in this case, making money for Dr. King). I'm sorry, but this does NOT prove your point. There is no college course or curriculum at the University on MLM. Quote:

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Just Dr. King doing what he does best: gloming money out of MLM folks. Oh, and let's not forget the other MLM geniuses like Yarnell, et. al, there to glom THEIR dime out of the poor folks attending -- they're not speaking for FREE, I'm sure! This is simply another MLM training session not sponsored by a specific company, and given the "hint" of legitimacy because of King's association with the school.

SoapBoxDad

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Can't stand the truth, can you? It's NOT a college course, and you haven't yet proven there is one. How could you possibly expect anyone to accept a PAID seminar being held as an Adult Education arm of a college?? We have those around here teaching guitar, lacross, karate, etc. This is no different. You simply refuse to acknowledge that anyone but yourself has a valid opinion. I guess you're in the right industry, fella.

BIGfranky75

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SBD....you have succeeded in taking this thrread so far off course that we need a map to get back to our intended discussion about how advantage conferences are a SCAM.

your rantings and completely off key posts dont make any sense and you are making yourself look foolish.

you are making the very product/scam that you are trying to defend look worse than any of us "skeptics" could ever do... you are making it look like a seminar for the insane.

SoapBoxDad

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spanky

05-31-2006 01:44 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

Originally Posted by **Phinnly Slash Buster**99% OF THE PEOPLE WHO BUY INTO MLM'S LOOSE \$

99% is not an agenda

99% is **a FACT**

Agreed!!! that sums everything up in this thread!

Wishyouknew

05-31-2006 02:44 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Man, all this talk about how Soapboxdad has all this work to do to feed his familiy and he spends all day today posting this stuff.

I think the real arguement is weather or not the conferences is a legitimate product or not. There is nothing of any real substance that most educated people have not heard before.

I would say NO!

There is no market value for them, it would not stand up by itself with out the MLM part of it.

There is no licensed financial advisor that gives any meaningful advice..

There are "Life Coach's" poping up these days and they sure don't charge \$10,000. A expensive one is \$80.00 an hour and most of the Coaching is not done via phone or internet.

And why some business proffesionally would hire one is beyond me.

If you need a life coach you might as well go to a counselor or shrink.

The only Life Coach I need is from going to church and bible study.

I have my Masters in Business Adminstration and never once had a proffessor that would touch a MLM with a 10 foot pole! Much less teach anything about it.

BIGfranky75

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give me a break....no college credit is issued...therefore it is not a college course, hence it is not in the curriculum....meaning your point has not been proven.

its a foolish comparison.

there are paid seminars every week that are held on college campuses, i know that in my local market alone we utilize college lecture halls to present MLM opportunities and to hold trainings.... does that mean that the particular college campus that we are on is issuing college credit? of course not.

i think that you might be going crazy. (that is if your not already there.)

i dont care what you said.... you inferred something.... stop the technicality semantics... if you make a statement to try and get people to believe something, such as a university teaching MLM as a viable distribution model... than you have just stretched "the truth" which means you have crossed the line of dishonesty, you are a known liar.

you simply have no integrity or credibility.... you post a bunch of nonsense and dont answer anyone's questions or back up your claims... then you have the nerve to throw Christ's name around? you shame yourself.

no wonder MLM gets a bad wrap....its people like you that personify the huckster that people associate with the NWM industry.

disgrace...

Soapboxmom

05-31-2006 02:58 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell SoapBoxDad,

I already poked fun at Tim Sales and Prof. Charles King. http://www.scam.com/showpost.php?p=102349&postcount=69

Now as to that seminar, OpenQuestion is correct. That is nothing more than a paid seminar that is happening on campus as the professor was able to rent the facilities. It is not a class or part of the formal curriculum. Any goofball can pay and attend. And speaking of goofballs that King, Sales and Babener are the some of the biggest fruitcakes in this industry. That cartoon video is completely laughable and the ridiculous theories and math presented certainly make one wonder what institution that King escaped from. Among the many nonsensical claims he make is that folks are in under you and not in competition with you. That is crazy. All the reps are selling or promoting the same thing you are so you will have little or no customer base and thousands on the bottom will lose money.

Quote:

Originally Posted by SoapBoxDad

Myth: Most people join mlm to get rich and are disappointed when they don't. Fact: Most network marketers are part-time, and look to earn a few hundred dollars each month. In fact, while you learned earlier that more than 1 million network marketers classify themselves as full-time, and study has shown that half of these make \$50,000 per year or more, this is still only about 10% of multilevel marketers in America. The average network marketing representative considers his or her business successful if it generates \$300 or more per month. At this income level, study has shown that people stay in the industry long term. At less than this amount, they quit. While it doesn't seem like a great deal, it can be.

There is no documentation I have ever seen that touts 1 million making \$50,000 a year or more. The 95%-99% loss rates I have seen are documented from tax returns. I can tell you that out of 190,000 reps in Melaleuca at the end of 2004 only 3000 were making \$15,000 and up. So, the earnings are much more abysmal than the fictitious figures you are quoting. Why don't you link that study for us and tell us how they arrived at those horribly inflated figures. If it was the DSA that is the lobbying arm for the MLM industry and they have shared very misleading info.

You again quoted that ridiculous figure of 90% failure rate for busineses. Try the reality of:

http://www.usatoday.com/money/smallb...-success x.htm
Ouote:

So what is your chance of success? I think Birch's statistics are probably as accurate as any. His survival rates:

First year: 85%
Second: 70%
Third: 62%
Fourth: 55%
Fifth: 50%
Sixth: 47%
Seventh: 44%
Eighth: 41%
Ninth: 38%
Tenth: 35%

"Once you've hit five years, your odds of survival go way up," Birch said. "Only two to three percent of businesses older than five shut down each year."

Soapboxmom

SoapBoxDad

05-31-2006 03:12 AM

05-31-2006 03:17 AM

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Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

According to Dun & Bradstreet reports, "Businesses with fewer than 20 employees have only a 37% chance of surviving four years (of business) and only a 9% chance of surviving 10 years."

http://cpa.utk.edu/pdffiles/adc24.pdf

Of course, you are wiser than D&B and will go to any lengths to back up your anti-MLM agenda. One can find many different numbers and sources quoting a 90% small business failure rate. Good luck to you and it appears you are doing your job well. Get folks stirred up to drive traffic.

spanky 05-31-2006 03:17 AM

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openQuestion

05-31-2006 03:21 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

Originally Posted by SoapBoxDad

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What possible difference would that make?? If I "said" porn, I'd guess I'd be wrong. But if I said "banking" I guess I'd be right. I have a college degree, a brain and an opinion. Oh I know: they taught you that you should only listen to someone who makes more money than you, or some such nonsense. I could easily find you two wealthy people who believe in MLM. And I could find you two wealthy people who do NOT believe it MLM. What's that prove? Nothing.

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YOU might not have said that, but I stated that there is no college in the US teaching MLM as part of their curriculum. And I am STILL right about that. This is NOT part of their curriculum. This is simply an (embarrassing) attempt to make money, which all colleges are entitled to do. What you are trying to do is massage the facts until they say what you want them to say. Which is typical in this industry.

My point is that there are no "courses" being taught on ANY colleges on the subject of Network Marketing, and there are no people running around as "network marketing" majors or anything even close (thank God). Put that in your pipe and smoke it.

Any marketing majors out there care to comment on this?

openQuestion

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And one smart guy (or 9 or 10) believing in network marketing proves...what, exactly???

Wishyouknew

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Wishyouknew

05-31-2006 04:28 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

I submit evidence # 1 that this is a pyramid scheme:

This is taken directly from the "Geting Started E-Packet:

THE POWER OF TWO

As a MMC-IV Pro Rep, That is once you have made your three refferal sales(one of which can be your own purchase) you will begin cash flowing to the tune of \$7,000 per transaction, Each one of your new reps must bring in two refferal sales as well- Those Two Pay you \$7,000 each- and that progression continues indfinitely, 2,4, 8, 16, 32, 64 etc all multiplied by \$7,000 each!

Example: As an MMC-IV Pro Rep, you personally enrolle 5 MMC-IV Reps= \$35,000in profit!

Each of those 5 brings you two refferal sales each = \$70,000 in additional profit!

Each of those ten referral sales bring you two refferal sales = \$140,000 in additional profit!

This simple realistic scenario provides you a total profit of \$245,000 people with a total of 35 people.

****NOTE they are talking about people here. Not selling the product! Thus a smoke screen of a product...

This is a perfect discription of a pyramid if I have EVER seen one!

Soapboxmom

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Yes, folks should listen to that ridiculous cartoon Brilliant Compensation. <a href="http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...3=&xcf4=&xcf5="http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...4"http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...4"http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...4"http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...4"http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...4"http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...4"http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...4"http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...4"http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...4"http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...4"http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...4"http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...4"http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...4"http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...4"http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...4"http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...4"http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...4"http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pla...4"http://cde.explorefreedom.com/en/pl

After you listen you may think I am more on the ball as well. LOL! Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery! Thanks SoapBoxDad.

Soapboxmom

SoapBoxDad

05-31-2006 05:21 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

SoapBox, you bet people looking at beginning a business should watch the Brilliant Compensation presentation. Great recommendation. Of course all your friends who are here and follow you from board to board will have a field day bashing it.

WishYouKnew, I am looking right at the Getting Started epackage dated last December and that my friend, is not in there.

Good night folks.

Wishyouknew

05-31-2006 06:38 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Tim, has changed his marketing a great deal in the last year.

But, it is what it is. A pyrimid scheme! I would be happy to scan it and figure out a way for others to view it on scam.com..

SoapBoxDad

05-31-2006 07:47 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

It is funny how you state that as fact and you could not be more mistaken. My best to you. You were not open to any of our discussions and I should have expected that.

spanky

05-31-2006 07:48 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

http://www.fraudsandscams.com/warnings.htm

Ponzi/Pyramid Scheme Warning Signs

By: Bill E. Branscum Copyright 2002

As with any investment, advise your Clients to carefully evaluate any prospect promising unusually high returns and/or a multilevel marketing opportunity and:

Avoid any program they must pay to join where they are promised a commission based upon their success in recruiting investors or a "downline."

Avoid plans requiring the purchase of expensive products and marketing materials (often called tools).

Be highly skeptical of plans involving miracle products or promising enormous earnings at no, or low, risk.

Beware of shills - "decoy" references paid by a plan's promoter to lie about their earnings through the plan.

Decline to pay for anything, or sign any contracts, in pressure-filled situations. If they have already committed, have them send the promoter a written notice of their intent to cancel as soon as possible.

Be diligent in checking claims, backgrounds, references and use the governmental resources available to potential investors like the State Office of the Attorney General, the State Division of Securities, the NASD and the Better Business Bureau wherever they are based.

Always get information about the investment in writing before investing. Any legitimate investment opportunity should have an offering circular with specific, detailed information about the company and the investment.

If the promoter claims that the information is too complicated to understand, or that time is of the essence, pick another investment opportunity.

Do not believe in "secret" strategies, proprietary programs, or any other mysterious offering – nobody should ever invest in anything they do not understand.

Never, ever, attempt to get clever with the IRS – by all means, they should protect their assets, but it is insane to entrust their future to some Internet huckster promising tax relief. The mere appearance of criminality may result in a federal prosecution that will ruin them, whether they are ultimately convicted or not.

Remember that no matter how good a product, and how solid a multilevel marketing plan may appear to be, there is no, "free lunch."

SoapBoxDad

05-31-2006 08:23 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Spanky, amen. Advantage Conferences passes this test and I agree with all of these points. Thanks for sharing. There is no product purchase of any kind required at Advantage Conferences. Have a blessed week.

spanky

05-31-2006 09:03 AM

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SoapboxDad, You gave your own evidence that this is illigal. You stated their is no requirement to purchase a product....

My Question is then? What are you paying \$10,000 for then??? If its not the product because you can get that anyways with out the money... Then you are just paying for the ability to participate in a money game..

In other legite MLM such as Mary Kay, a rep can sell the product for an honest price with out signing up others and still make good money.

With Advantage Conferences the focus is signing up others NOT A PRODUCT!

Wishyouknew

05-31-2006 04:42 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

How do you acces the attachment on this thread?

I see how you post the attachements..

renloyx

05-31-2006 04:49 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

Originally Posted by **Wishyouknew**

SoapboxDad, You gave your own evidence that this is illigal. You stated their is no requirement to purchase a product....

My Question is then? What are you paying \$10,000 for then??? If its not the product because you can get that anyways with out the money... Then you are just paying for the ability to participate in a money game..

In other legite MLM such as Mary Kay, a rep can sell the product for an honest price with out signing up others and still make good money.

With Advantage Conferences the focus is signing up others NOT A PRODUCT!

oooppsss...

Wishyouknew

05-31-2006 04:59 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

Originally Posted by **spanky**http://www.fraudsandscams.com/warnings.htm

Ponzi/Pyramid Scheme Warning Signs By: Bill E. Branscum Copyright 2002

As with any investment, advise your Clients to carefully evaluate any prospect promising unusually high returns and/or a multilevel marketing opportunity and:

Avoid any program they must pay to join where they are promised a commission based upon their success in recruiting investors or a "downline."

Avoid plans requiring the purchase of expensive products and marketing materials (often called tools).

Be highly skeptical of plans involving miracle products or promising enormous earnings at no, or low, risk.

Beware of shills - "decoy" references paid by a plan's promoter to lie about their earnings through the plan.

Decline to pay for anything, or sign any contracts, in pressure-filled situations. If they have already committed, have them send the promoter a written notice of their intent to cancel as soon as possible.

Be diligent in checking claims, backgrounds, references and use the governmental resources available to potential investors like the State Office of the Attorney General, the State Division of Securities, the NASD and the Better Business Bureau wherever they are based.

Always get information about the investment in writing before investing. Any legitimate investment opportunity should have an offering circular with specific, detailed information about the company and the investment.

If the promoter claims that the information is too complicated to understand, or that time is of the essence, pick another investment opportunity.

Do not believe in "secret" strategies, proprietary programs, or any other mysterious offering – nobody should ever invest in anything they do not understand.

Never, ever, attempt to get clever with the IRS – by all means, they should protect their assets, but it is insane to entrust their future to some Internet huckster promising tax relief. The mere appearance of criminality may result in a federal prosecution that will ruin them, whether they are ultimately convicted or not.

Remember that no matter how good a product, and how solid a multilevel marketing plan

may appear to be, there is no, "free lunch."

This is only based on your downline. Not SELLING A PRODUCT.. \$10,000 is VERY EXPENSIVE!

They do state in marketing that \$245,000 in earnings is very realistic!

The BBB does not say good stuff about them.. Caught them in a lie infact!

The \$7,000 call is very high pressure. Tim has his own little sales tatics..

Wishyouknew

05-31-2006 05:03 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

Originally Posted by **renloyx** *oooppsss...*

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05-31-2006 05:12 PM

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God works in mysterious ways:)

SoapBoxDad

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Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Are you folks even reading before you reply? To be a rep at AC requires \$59.95 and that is it. There is no product purchase required to be a rep.

You answered your own question above. There is no requirement to purchase a product. That is a major legal test.

I have attended the MMC and have been plugged into training and mentoring this past year (unlike those posting on this board) and the "use value" far exceeds the cost of the conference. You guys are calling me dunce. I see that anyone that shares an opposing opinion is let's recap a crack smoker, dunce, idiot, cheerleader, and on and on.

Have a great day folks. Off to enjoy some sunshine and my family.

SoapBoxDad

05-31-2006 05:47 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

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Die in lava scammer. This IS a cult/scam and anyone who isnt a brainwashed jesus freak can see it. The Flying Spaghetti Monster loves you and I will pray that you get to know Him more.



SoapBoxDad 05-31-2006 06:05 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Thanks for the clear confirmation on who you are. Be blessed and yes I am proud to be a Jesus freak as you call it. I pray that you have a personal relationship with Him soon.

openQuestion 05-31-2006 06:06 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell Quote:

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BIGfranky75 05-31-2006 06:23 PM

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If I got a little hot and bothered up there, I am sorry. But it rankles me when someone uses a concept as pure as God to promote a stinking business, no matter what the product or service might be. It is UGLY.

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