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Today's speaker was Michael Johnson—Shockwave Defense



Michael Johnson is a New Mexico native. Where he was born, or where he has lived, is not really as important as the challenges that he encountered along the way. The years from the day he was born through his life today involved extensive travels down a long and winding path. During those years, Michael's world was sometimes disjointed, sometimes hidden, sometimes alone, sometimes uplifting and sometimes just confusing. But Mr. Johnson understands that, as humans, where we have been, and what we have experienced, are the very basis for who we are today. Anyone that encounters Michael now will find an energetic, knowledgeable, well-spoken and quite confident individual. He was not always that way. During his youth Michael's world involved a lot of violence and abuse. He was often at odds with his mother, his home was in chaos a lot of the time and, for a while, he had no physical home at all. Michael was often scared, had a great lack of confidence and didn't know how to deal with what was going on in his life. He only notes his past challenges in order to emphasize that difficulties, even extreme difficulties, can be overcome. And to make us aware that victory over adversity is an extremely satisfying accomplishment. During Michael's difficult days he was fortunate enough (or smart enough) to realize that there had to be a better way. As he searched for a new life, Mr. Johnson learned a lot about himself. He was able to achieve a greater understanding of who he really is and what his role is in this world. It has taken Michael many years to get it right and he has now begun to use his acquired knowledge and insight to develop tools, education and training that will assist others in achieving satisfaction with their own being and purpose. Master Johnson and his team at Shockwave Defense have earned a great reputation for being able to teach and train security and tactical operations personnel in the skills needed to properly fulfill the duties that those entities have for securing and protecting their citizens. Michael has traveled to a lot of places around the world to work with many different governments, agencies and organizations. He has also developed programs for educating and training business executives and individuals in similar skills, knowledge and personal mindset. To that end, Shockwave offers two day, five day and nine day courses. During his presentation this morning, Mr. Johnson provided some thoughts, some advice and some direction for how to become a better, more confident person. --Success in the mind. If you have control over your mind, you have control over everything else. --Don't be governed by fear. If fear takes over, you are doomed. --Learn how see clarity through chaos and how to act in the face of fear. Clarity, confidence and camaraderie allow you to move forward faster. --Figure out your inner "strange". That thing that sets you apart from others. It is the reason that you were put on this earth. When you have figured that out, then figure out how your unique piece fits into the larger puzzle to make a complete and successful society. Most people will have to change who they are in order to become who they should be. --Understand that you don't need permission to be who you are. --Become committed to doing the right thing. Don't shy away from adversity. Some things can only be learned from conquering adversity. In his constant quest to improve on the training and the overall message, Michael has developed what he calls "The Diliji Method". It covers 9 traits needed to be a 'warrior' at the level necessary to obtain whatever it is that your family needs. You should have received an email from Michael last week and in that message he provided a link for a free web-based course explaining the Diliji Method. If you did not attend the Tuesday meeting and/or if you have not taken advantage of that free course, you are missing valuable opportunities. Mr. Johnson also noted three areas where he could use some help from EAGA membership: He could use introductions to new clients; He wants to find a somewhat secluded piece of property, with a lodge type of facility for temporary housing. He will use that for one of his training areas; and Michael would like to find an insurance agent that is willing to write insurance for his newly acquired helicopter. If you can provide assistance with any of those, or if you would like to learn more about Shockwave Defense training courses, give Michael a call at 505-718-4500. His courses include how to handle yourself when in a variety of situations—particularly how to handle 'odd' scenarios. Courses also include how to make weapons from items that are readily available in a 'weaponless' area, and how to treat certain trauma wounds or medical situations.

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Leads, Reciprocity & Notes:

None submitted for today.

◆ Welcome to our newest member:

Atmosphere Commercial Interiors

Representative: Michael Kocurek email: michael.kocurek@atmosphereci.com Phone: (505) 830-7862

◆ Did you know (or do you care):

In 1946 baseball game the Dodgers beat the Cubs 2-0 in 5 innings when it was called because of gnats.

New Orleans new Mardi Gras tradition began on February 27, 1847 .

The Grand Teaton National Park was established in 1927.

In 1936, seven year old Shirley Temple's new contract from 20th Century Fox paying her \$50,000 per film.

NASCAR was founded in 1948.

In 1972 the Volkswagen Beetle overtakes Model T as world's best-selling car.

In 1986, Garry Kasparov beat IBM's new chess-playing computer, Deep Thought, in a two game match.

The computer was refined and renamed to Deep Blue. In 1996, Kasparov then beat Deep Blue in a six game match. However, a year later Deep Blue prevailed in a 6 game rematch.

Source: This-Day-In-History at history.com

Badge Board Greeters

Feb 28th Herman Mitchell—Southwest Mail Center
Mar 07th Larry Sonntag—New Mexico Business Coalition
Mar 14th Bill McConnell—Window Fashions
Mar 21st
Mar 28th Chase Wilson—Essential Pest Management
Apr 04th
Apr 11th
Apr 17th
Apr 25th

Upcoming Speakers

Feb 28th Scott Lardner—Rocky Mountain Stone
Mar 07th
Mar 14th John Mead—John Thomas Jewelers
Mar 21st Hass Aslami—Pizza 9 Franchise System
Mar 28th Ben Hoffman—Kinney Brick
Apr 04th Guest Speaker—Kurt Roth - 505 Sport Venture
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