

To Eric Crews, Chris Sullivan, and Tim Bruneau

It seems like it was only yesterday that I found that flyer on my desk in my freshman Micro-Economics class that read, "Make \$8,000 while running your own business." I thought, "Wow, \$8,000, that's a ton of money." Little did I know I would be making that much money in a two week payroll when my huge branch was cranking out tons of production in my 3rd summer. All the money left aside, the experience was the most valuable part that I got out of working for CE. The challenges that I had to overcome day after day for three straight years have molded me into a very strong person who doesn't know how to quit. Sure it must have always been inside me, but it was my experience with CE that brought it out of me, so I could see for myself and show many others what I was capable of. I could have thrown in the towel so many times over those three years, but I didn't because I knew that no matter how bad things got, I would come out a success and I would learn much more by sticking it out. It wasn't until my 3rd summer that I realized how amazing Networking and making contacts really is. The two of you, Eric and Chris, always preached to us at the meetings about networking to get paint jobs. Never would I have thought that I would end up networking my way into a job with a Fortune 500 company while selling a paint job. I am walking into a career now, at 22 years old, that many people would never even be considered for until they were almost 30 years old. With all said and done, I walk away with many close friends from CE, memories of three of the most fun summers of my life, and life lessons that will stay with me throughout my career. I would like to thank you for all of the guidance along the way. Best Wishes and Good luck with many summers to come!

Regards,

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PS..... I am curious to know where I ended up on the all-time branch list as far as my own branch went..... My guess would be that I was second behind that crazy kid Chris McMahon!