

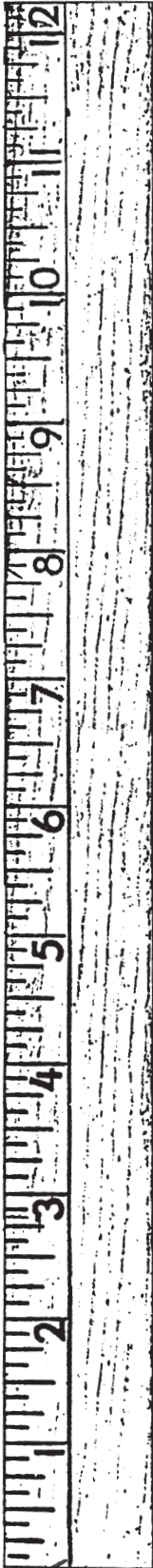
Golden Rules

Measuring Life by a Different Standard

Fourth Quarter 2013

During the first three Quarters of this year, *Golden Rules* has commemorated B+R Partners Tenth Anniversary and highlighted this milestone by walking down memory lane. In 2013, we have re-printed our favorite musings from previous years; this edition completes that journey. We look forward to launching the second decade of *Golden Rules* in 2014; here are more of our favorite thoughts from previously published editions in 2010-2012.

- When a prospective employee tested positive during his drug screen, he was informed that he was not eligible for hire. His response: *I smoked pot 3 weeks ago at a party, but now, it should be OK – can I re-test?*
- How about the candidate who asked the interviewer to put on a suit jacket to ensure that the offer was formal?
- The reason that women don't play football is because eleven of them would never wear the same outfit in public. *Phyllis Diller*
- Football combines two of the worst things in American life. It is violence punctuated by committee meetings. *George Will*
- He who loses wealth loses much; he who loses a friend loses more; but he who loses courage, loses all. *Miguel del Cervantes*
- We set young leaders up for a fall if we encourage them to envision what they can do before they consider the kind of person they should be. *Ruth Barton*
- Being the first to cross the finish line makes you a winner in only one phase of life. It's what you do after you cross the line that really counts.
- To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal ideas from many is research.
- Why does someone believe me when I say there are four billion stars, but then check me out when I say the paint is wet?
- My father used to play with my brother and me in the yard. Mother would come out and say, 'you're tearing up the grass'. Dad would reply, 'we are not raising grass, we're raising boys'.
- Life was a lot simpler when what we honored was father and mother, rather than all major credit cards.
- Parents often talk about the younger generation as if they didn't have anything to do with it.



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