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NEWS FROM GLENN MARTIN Ethics and Values in Business



I'm involved in organising this conference, and it's now only a couple of weeks away. It will be a marvellous experience, from Thursday evening through to mid-Sunday, with some great speakers, including:

- Alan Briskin, Co-Founder of the Collective Wisdom Initiative in California
- Margot Cairnes, Founder and Chairman of Zaffyre International in Sydney
- Alan Harpham, a leader within the global movement, Spirit at Work, and Chairman of the APM Group based in the UK
- Abha Banerjee, one of India's top motivational speakers with international acclaim, known as the Oprah of Asia! and
- Peter and Alison Yiangou, Co-Founders of the Self Knowledge Global Responsibility Project in the UK.

It will also be much more than the traditional "sit and listen" type of conference. The 2011 SLaM Conference incorporates theatre – a provocative play, *Blasphemy and Doubt* by renown playwright Steve Taylor, who will be with us at the event, and what will be a mesmerising monologue, "Conversation with Self", by Abha Banerjee. Plus over 30 engaging papers and workshops for you to choose from, fun events including a Masquerade Carnival on Saturday night, ceremonies to celebrate our divinity, and community forums to consider the wisdom that is unfolding for each one of us!

I will be presenting a paper titled "The role of stories in the development of values and wisdom as expressions of spirituality".

To find out more about the conference and to register, visit www.slam.conference.org.au.

2 NEW BOOKS AND ANOTHER ON THE WAY

I've been observing and talking about ethics in organisations for many years now, using the language of human values. My first book on the subject was *Human Values and Ethics in the Workplace*. Then I took a side step and wrote a novel dealing with ethics and leadership, which also revealed my interest in the wisdom of the I Ching. It was essentially based on true events, but I found it liberating to write it as a story rather than being pedantic about the historical details. That was *The Ten Thousand things: A story of the lived experience of the I Ching*.

New book: *Sustenance*

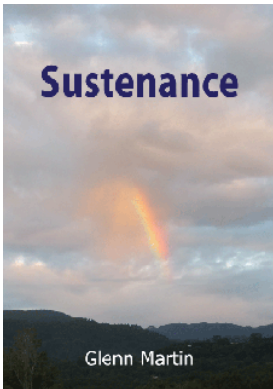
Now there is a new novel, simply called *Sustenance*. It is again based on true events. This is how I describe it on the back cover:

Patrick begins under a cloud of gloom, rejected by his girlfriend and unsure of his occupation. But an encounter with an old Chinese man gives him a message of hope – his fate is his to create if he is

willing to let go of things as they are. So he begins again elsewhere, finding a job working with unemployed youth. But the simple search for sustenance can lead into vexing terrain. How will he relate to the sadness, anger and disillusionment of the young people? How will he respond to the sexuality of a co-worker? And how will he deal with the people on the management committee – the self-serving, the brutal, the scheming and the inept? The gift the old man gave him, the I Ching, stands by him as he strives to establish peace and purpose in his work, and find a woman who will love him. Amid the chaos, he learns:

I am not the master of the universe
but I come from bliss
and that way I serve all-that-is.

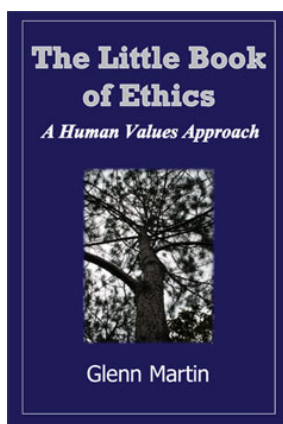
Yes, the book is about ethics and leadership, but it is also about the territory that extends beyond ethics, towards spirituality and meaning, the larger choices we make about how to live our lives.



SUSTENANCE is 234 pages long. Price = \$AU24.95
It is available through the Lulu book publishing website:
<http://www.lulu.com/spotlight/glennpmartin>

New book: The Little Book of Ethics

I have written a “little” book which sets out my ideas about ethics, based on the concept of human values. After I wrote *Human Values and Ethics in the Workplace*, I wanted to produce a book that just presented the concepts, “de Bono” style. So it’s 100 pages, and it’s also available now through the Lulu website, or through my own website.



The Little Book of Ethics is simple in conception but sweeping in scope. It shows the connection between ethics as compliance with the law and ethics as the gateway to the quality of our relationships and the spiritual fulfilment of our lives. It approaches ethics through the lens of five core human values, which are applied in four different domains of our lives. It relates ethics to the aims of human life, where ethics is united with meaning and purpose.

This is a practical handbook for establishing the grounds on which you can obtain clarity about ethics and live a worthwhile life.

Price = \$AU18.95 It is available through the Lulu book publishing website:
<http://www.lulu.com/spotlight/glennpmartin>

And another on the way...

I have a chapter in a book coming out soon, called ***Adventures in Manifesting: Health and Happiness***. The book is being published by Alska Publishing. My chapter is called “The tune of the universe”. It is currently in production, so more details about it next month, including details on how to get it.

Book launch

I am contemplating a book launch in the next couple of months. But in these days of digital printing and online sales, you can get your copy of *Sustenance* and *The Little Book of Ethics* right now using the links above. You can get a copy of my other two books as well.

Visit my two websites: www.glennmartin.com.au and www.ethicsandvalues.com.au

STARTING A PhD

I have recently commenced a doctorate of philosophy at the Sydney campus of the University of Notre Dame. My subject area is business ethics. I am interested in looking at how people experience and articulate ethics in work contexts, in the light of the human values approach to ethics I have articulated in my books.

I will be presenting a paper on “Human values: A unifying framework for ethics and spirituality” at the Australasian Business Ethics Network conference in Auckland on 2-3 December.

Enjoy.

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