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Kara Snyder: So we'll go with that. And then is that recording on your
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Amy Stadler: Got it? Yes.
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Kara Snyder: Well, hello, and welcome to the podcast. A podcast
produced by the College of Applied Science and Technology at Illinois,
State University. I'm. Your host, Kara Snyder, and I serve as the
assistant Dean of marketing communications and constituent relations
for the college.
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Kara Snyder: Each episode we're sitting down with an alum of the
college, and today we have a chance to talk to Amy Polish Sadler. Amy
is an information technology alumni, and currently serves as Vice
President, client, executive health care provider for Ntt data
services. Welcome and thank you for being here. Amy.
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Amy Stadler: Thanks, Kara. I'm thrilled to be here as well.
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Kara Snyder: Well, let's start at the beginning. Why did you choose?
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Amy Stadler: I would tell you initially. It was because I grew up in
Central Illinois, and I looked at the State colleges as I was going to
be paying my way through college myself, and I went to the campus,
fell in love with it, and
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Amy Stadler: you know, made that decision, and they also had a great
program
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Amy Stadler: at that time as well. It was relatively new, but a great
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program that I felt was going to work for me, and that's how I chose my issue.

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Kara Snyder: So did you know you wanted to, major in computer information systems right out of high school?

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Amy Stadler: Not exactly. I was in high school actually working as a pharmacy technician in a hospital. And that's actually where I got exposed to computers. And we had at the old Green Screen computer. And it's part of my job. I had to enter in

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Amy Stadler: charges for

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Amy Stadler: drugs in the pharmaceutical, and so I had part of my shift. That's what I was doing, and of course I started thinking there must be a better way.

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Amy Stadler: right? And so then I had some happenstance happen with me. I saw a sign about, you know. Are you logical and does, you know.

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Amy Stadler: is technology something and data processing something you'd be interested in. And I was like, yeah, I think I am right, because I had had that exposure at work, and I, you know, had thought about it. And then I

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Amy Stadler: found out I actually was quite logical at that time. And, you know, a lot of people think you have to be great at math being technology which I say, I actually think you have to be more logical than than mathematical. I mean, there's some of both. But logic plays a big role in it, especially early.

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Amy Stadler: If you're going to be a programmer. And so then I just started down that path, and then, you know, later found out I actually was pretty darn good at it.

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Kara Snyder: So tell me about your time on campus, because I you know I love your story about how you chose your Major, and I think, especially at the time that you were on campus. That was probably rare for a female. And information technology. Tell me about what that experience was like for you.

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Amy Stadler: I actually transferred from a junior college to Isu. So I had already cleared out my basic courses right. So when I came to the campus I was sort of deep dive right into

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Amy Stadler: the

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Amy Stadler: computer information systems

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Amy Stadler: I I didn't really know what to expect. And I think that was probably my first exposure to

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Amy Stadler: how few women, for example, were in the program, but I kind of took it as a challenge. I had always been told I could do and be anything I wanted to be. And so I really didn't think that much about it. And I didn't really even know what I was truly getting myself into

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Amy Stadler: 1820 years old. You think you know what that looks like, and you know you go down a path, and really you don't really understand it. So you go out in the world, and you know, Get a job with that with that, and find out if you like it.

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Amy Stadler: But so you know it it.

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Amy Stadler: There were a few other people that I connected with quickly, and I created sort of my.

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Amy Stadler: my group of people to go through the program, and that you know that work for me.

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Kara Snyder: So tell us, then, about your first job out of school. What was that for you? What was the search process, like?

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Amy Stadler: Sure? Well, I had a sister who lived up in the Chicago suburbs, and so

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Amy Stadler: I definitely had my eye on moving up near Chicago and going to a big city. I had obviously grown up in a small town. He's pure Illinois, and went to a you know, relatively small town in normal Illinois, right for college. And so I wanted to experience Big city

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Amy Stadler: and so I very specifically focused on companies in that Chicago Metro area. I ended up getting a job as a software developer for an insurance

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Amy Stadler: company that built insurance. Software

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Amy Stadler: So my very first job at was sort of out in the suburbs, but they hired lots and lots of college graduates, so I got to have the opportunity to have a college graduate program, you know, felt like I had a lot of other comrades that were in the same place that I was right out of college. And so it. It really was a great way to sort of enter the the market.

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Kara Snyder: It is so nice to have peers that are experiencing what you're experiencing, and then also to have that opportunity where the first job is in your field. I think that's so exciting for a new graduate.

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00:05:08.610 --> 00:05:10.040 Amy Stadler: Yeah, absolutely.

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Kara Snyder: So give us the Cliffs notes version of how you got from that entry level job to your current position. You know I introduce you as a vice president, and I've got to think that feels good. So what happened in between? Sure. So you know I was a a developer.

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Amy Stadler: I quickly became clear that one of the gaps at that time was

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Amy Stadler: between technology and business partners, and being able to communicate well between the 2, and also being able to think about how to get things done, you know, project management.

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Amy Stadler: and it was pretty quick that I was great at multitasking. I had the communication skills to sort of bridge the gap between business needs and technology needs. So I quickly went from

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Amy Stadler: being technical all the time to running projects, which is a shift for a lot of people who come out and be technical. First, they have to sort of decide that they want to maintain all those technical skills or sort of moved more towards business management, I would call it.

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Amy Stadler: I quickly moved to that move. Jobs a couple of times ended up working for quick routes. At 1 point my core career in Chicago and ran a big M. And a initiative. So I was getting a lot closer to big business decisions impacted by technology.

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Amy Stadler: and I really liked it, and it made me want to

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Amy Stadler: get even closer to the revenue of the business, right?

And what would really impact the business through technology. And so

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Amy Stadler: somewhere in there I moved to Colorado. I took on a product management job which really was, hey? I had a product that was commercially sold. So you think about it. It was the revenue, and so that felt good. I really was building something with technology that was generating, you know

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Amy Stadler: commerce, and I did that for a while, and then got exposed to consulting.

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Amy Stadler: And

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00:07:04.310 --> 00:07:05.540 Amy Stadler: I fell in love.

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Amy Stadler: And then, when you're a consultant. You are the revenue, right? And so I was taking ideas of how to change businesses by leveraging technology. And that was the sweet spot I I knew right away that was what I wanted to do, and so I I over time

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Amy Stadler: worked for a company called Pro Systems, and got to have a lot of different roles run delivery, do sales create marketing. And then I started to actually get into the business of running technology.

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Amy Stadler: And if you fast forward. I ended up starting my own business, and I had a management consulting firm for about 15 years before I sold it, and I got to run a business that was all about implementing technology solutions.

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Amy Stadler: So that was completely different, very entrepreneurial. But I was still leveraging all the skills I had built. And then, after I sold that business, I I had some things I still wanted to do, which is where i'm at today. I wanted to work for a global market, a huge entity that had global presence. I wanted to get exposed to all the

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Amy Stadler: ways that we can develop technology across the globe. I also wanted to

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Amy Stadler: really thoughtful about what vertical I wanted to be working in. I had worked and been exposed to a lot of different business industries.

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Amy Stadler: and I feel like where I'm at today. And health care provider is where I need to be. I feel like this as it relates to technology. While we're making advancements in every industry.

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Amy Stadler: I believe health care is a place that we can make the most positive change for the world. So that's important to me. So not only do I want to know my job. I want to help make a difference in the world, so I feel like for me where i'm at being in health care. I can really see how we can really change

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Amy Stadler: how things feel for patients, and so that that feels good, right?

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Kara Snyder: That's exciting that it must be really exciting to wake up every day and know that you're making that kind of an impact, especially on a global scale. So there's a lot to unpack here about your journey. tell us about owning your own business. What was it like to be your own boss

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Amy Stadler: definitely pros and cons right, I mean, you. You probably have to be a type, a over achiever which I profess that I am all the time, but you also work all the time right? And so

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Amy Stadler: and it's very personal when it's your own business. It's very, very personal hiring, firing, working with clients. We named our company our name on purpose to make it be about our integrity. So

there's a lot on the line that maybe you don't feel quite as much when you're working for an employer.

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Amy Stadler: but overall it was an incredible learning experience, you know, and I built a huge network. As a result of it, I really got entrenched in our communities that we worked in

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Amy Stadler: trying to do some good and return, which I think, having my own business afforded me to do, maybe more than I would have otherwise. But there are the cons of it right. It is personal. So when you had to make tough decisions. Those seemed really hard.

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Amy Stadler: and you're never off. There's no off when you own your own business. And so I loved it. I was glad I did. I I would never regret doing it. I definitely have some family members that I have my children that have some entrepreneurs spirit in them, and I I understand it.

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Amy Stadler: I think it's a great

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Amy Stadler: thing to do for anybody, to at least experience what that feels like.

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00:10:20.790 --> 00:10:22.890 Kara Snyder: I think that that's

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Kara Snyder: fantastic perspective and wonderful for our listeners to hear that you've had that opportunity. You got to experience that. And then. Now, as you mentioned. You're making this impact in the field of health care which is so important. And you're doing it on a global scale. So tell us what is your favorite thing about your current role

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Amy Stadler: the people I work with and our clients, I mean, I I have a huge

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Amy Stadler: army of people that work on teams with me to try to deliver solutions to our clients and make a difference. And so, working with them day in and day out, everybody has just a huge amount of passion for what we do. We're all trying to do it as fast as we can as but you know

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Amy Stadler: the best possible way that we can. And so it it. It feels good. And then, you know, when we we solve problems for clients

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00:11:13.260 --> 00:11:14.340 Amy Stadler: it feels good.

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Amy Stadler: And so I've met. I have many clients who become friends. I have many clients who become mentors. I have mentioned many people that are employ employees, and I've also had mentors that were employees. So I feel like that overlap between

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Amy Stadler: our relationships and teams, plus the work that we do is is really the part that I love and like, I said, the global nature of it. I have teams and people in Mexico, Canada, Europe, Us. You You name it all all over the world, and so getting to be exposed to how they think

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Amy Stadler: and solve problems and develop solutions. Is it's pretty cool

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Kara Snyder: well, and I know you are so passionate about mentorship, both giving and receiving and that whole relationship process tell us about women inspiring leaders, your 501, C 3,

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Amy Stadler: sure. When I started my business. this is quite a long time ago. It was a parent between myself and some of the big industry partners out there that maybe there was a need for women in tech specifically, and that there was a gap for them to feel like they had the network they needed

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Amy Stadler: to advance, and so we

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Amy Stadler: on, sort of a whim, help this one event.

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Amy Stadler: and and invited our network, and a 150 women standing room only showed up, and we were like, oh.

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Amy Stadler: okay, there's a need. And so we, you know, we had some inspirational speakers. We did some workshop kind of activities, and we continue that on while I own the business. Now, when I saw the business, I needed to move that into something, and that's when I so about 5 years ago, when I started the my current role.

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Amy Stadler: I converted it into a 501, C 3. But it's really about helping, and it's broader than just women in tech. So I would say it started for women in Tech, and then it really brought into just women in business.

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Amy Stadler: And so it's. It's really. Our mission is to

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Amy Stadler: try to help women. One feel inspired to feel like they have a village in the network, you know, and and 3 help them get continue with education, so that they continually feel like, you know, there's a lot of things that are unique to women

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Amy Stadler: around that journey. There's also a lot of things that are unique. And there you just general leadership skills. And so we try to balance. You know those kinds of needs, and we do it here regionally in Colorado today is is where I focus for that 5 O, one, C 3

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Kara Snyder: That's so exciting. And what a tangible way to give back and and make an impact. You know you've worked in this male-dominated field your entire career and through your work with your 5, one, c. 3.

I know You've also given lectures in various capacities.

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Kara Snyder: You've been able to share some of this wisdom that you've required. How are you able to find your voice.

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Amy Stadler: I think by trial and error I mean just being exposed, having experiences both positive and negative

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Amy Stadler: and having sort of that strong will to be successful, and also mostly to try to make sure that I can help pave the way and make it maybe just a little bit easier for that person right behind me. So it it really just motivated me to make sure that I did find my voice, and that I was trying to help advocate as much as possible.

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Kara Snyder: And what would you tell our students, or maybe a young professional about the value of speaking up? You know they have a seat at the table. What would your advice be on using their voice?

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Amy Stadler: Sure, I mean, i'd say first of all, being a fearless is free.

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Amy Stadler: Right? So so if you find your your voice has a lot to do with confidence and being fearless, and once you realize that you are fearless. Nothing seems nearly as hard. So you know, I think that the most the largest benefit from finding your voice is actually feeling that freedom

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Amy Stadler: that you go, hey? I know how I am. I can speak up and say what I need to, and you know, if you work somewhere where you can't do that maybe that's not the right place to work, and it'll help you, you know. Shape your career and the way you want it. So I think really

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Amy Stadler: trying to get that confidence that you can have a voice, whether it's in a meeting or talking to a peer or talking to your boss, you know, finding your voice can come in a lot of different

forms. And so

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Amy Stadler: just having the confidence to be okay with that. And and you know what's the worst thing that could happen, and most of the time it really isn't really bad. It's actually positive it actually it turns out, being

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Amy Stadler: growth as opposed to something negative. So, and taking risk, you know, finding your voice is about being okay, taking risks.

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Kara Snyder: That's a great point, and I know earlier, you said that it takes a village which I think is so true. But on the flip side of that, I think in today's culture we can sometimes feel like we have to achieve

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Kara Snyder: a lot on our own, you know. Sometimes we feel like we might be in silos, or that we have to achieve a lot as an individual, it can be lonely. So tell us about your village, and why you think it's so valuable to have one.

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Amy Stadler: Yeah, it's. It's funny over time. I've sort of changed my attitude about this so initially, Of course, I had built a network, and there were certain people that I reached out to whether to mentor or just lament or discuss.

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Amy Stadler: You know what was going on with myself or in the market, or you know ideas on how to do something differently, or something that had happened in the day of my job.

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Amy Stadler: And so I saw those people out very specifically. But then I had a friend of mine, and I used to fly, you know, quite a bit, and I had a friend of mine, I said, Man, you can get insight anywhere. And so I started being more open to literally just talking to the person next to me on the plane.

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Amy Stadler: and I can't tell you how many times 00:16:56.200 --> 00:17:09.509 Amy Stadler: the right person. The right conversation was sitting next to me on the plane, so it's part of it's just being open to what does the village mean? Is it a very specific mentor? It can be? 103 00:17:09.589 --> 00:17:18.430 Amy Stadler: Is it a specific set of friends that you trust for? Sure, you know. Do you want to be thoughtful about it, of course, but also sometimes you get that 104 00:17:18.740 --> 00:17:23.929 Amy Stadler: that village in place. You just don't expect, like I said, I have partners, clients 105 00:17:24.089 --> 00:17:25.819 Amy Stadler: family members. 106 00:17:25.849 --> 00:17:35.380 Amy Stadler: My kids, all of them are in my village of kind of my. My sister is one of my strongest mentors that I've had in my my whole life, and, 107 00:17:35.550 --> 00:17:53.709 Amy Stadler: all of them, each sort of play a role in who Amy is today right and helping influence me, and and making my decision. So I I just think I don't know how you do it without it. Really right, because we all have. We all have stuff. And so, knowing you have those people that all support and help. And 108 00:17:53.960 --> 00:18:04.380 Amy Stadler: I think even the job that I got today isn't an interesting story in that it was from networking. It was through a a gentleman that I had stayed connected with for 20 years. 109 00:18:04.500 --> 00:18:20.299

Amy Stadler: so I just I just started calling the people that I knew when I was interested in selling my business, and I obviously had to keep that confidential. I could really not talk a lot about it, and I called a few confidential people that I had stayed in touch with them.

I got my job from that

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Amy Stadler: and so

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Amy Stadler: those long standing relationships in that village.

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Amy Stadler: They pay off when you don't even expect it. Even my relationship with Isu.

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Amy Stadler: I went to, I issue to say, hey, I want to volunteer for your, you know, helping support equipment there, and you had a program that you were doing, and that actually led to me, you know, being inducted.

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Amy Stadler: I wasn't looking for that, you know. So it's sometimes your actions just absolutely have indirect impact.

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Kara Snyder: and I think that's so important for our students and our young professionals to remember is because, you know, I remember being a student and hearing the word networking, and it felt like it was associated with so much pressure, and it felt like it was something on the to do list and to hear you talk about it. How refreshing that that can happen.

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Kara Snyder: you know, with a stranger on a plane, and all we have to do is take our headphones out and be open to those opportunities. I think that's fantastic perspective and a great point.

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Amy Stadler: Yeah, and not think that it has to be some overwhelming.

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Amy Stadler: you know event. And I tell people they have to be genuine. You know networking is about being genuine. You have to sincerely want to hear what somebody has to say. You have to sincerely be open to it. you have to be sincerely interested in what that person is trying to do or trying to tell you. And so you know, once you get

that it's. It's very easy 00:19:45.040 --> 00:19:51.530 Amy Stadler: right, because it's just who you are. And so then, that doesn't feel like, quote, you know, work to go network. It's just 00:19:51.720 --> 00:19:53.080 Amy Stadler: being yourself 121 00:19:53.450 --> 00:20:02.459 Kara Snyder: right, being yourself, and connecting with those people in those opportunities, and even in spaces where you might not expect it. I think that's fantastic. 122 00:20:02.990 --> 00:20:17.010 Kara Snyder: So, Amy, we are going to head into the lightning round, which is, you know, one of my favorite parts, so we just get to know you a little bit more. So go with your first instinct on these questions. Are you a morning person or a 9Â h? 123 00:20:17.270 --> 00:20:36.779 Amy Stadler: i'm gonna to laugh and say neither. But if I have to pick one i'll, I'll say morning. I'm a only person fair enough as a kid. What did you want to be when you grew up. I thought I wanted to be a doctor, and so I I took 4 years of Latin and High school. I was working in a hospitals Pharmacy Tech. Because I thought I wanted to be a doctor. 124 00:20:37.350 --> 00:20:56.569 Amy Stadler: Okay, but what a full circle moment for you now that you are working in health care, and having that impact in a related field. Isn't that interesting. 125 00:20:56.580 --> 00:21:00.170 Kara Snyder: That's awesome. Who do you text the most? 126 00:21:00.940 --> 00:21:04.930 Amy Stadler: Gosh, My husband, my kids, my sister, I would say. 127 00:21:05.720 --> 00:21:11.349

Kara Snyder: favorite holiday. You know we're in December, so i'm in

full holiday. What's your favorite?

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Amy Stadler: I probably say the the Christmas holiday season everything from Thanksgiving, but this whole time of year it's not only a time to be with your family and friends, but also to

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Amy Stadler: remind yourself of what you're thankful for, to get to be with people that maybe Haven't seen a lot during your year and catch up. And so I love the whole season, and the whole being thoughtful, and then you know your end kind of allows to reflect on. What have you done for the year or not done for you? Where do you want to go next year. So this whole time, really from Thanksgiving to the end of the year, and the New Year is is one of my favorite, i'd say holiday seasons.

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Kara Snyder: Yes, it is so special, so well. And on that note, then, salty or sweet.

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Kara Snyder: no salty all the way.

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Kara Snyder: and book or movie.

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Amy Stadler: You know I love both. But right now I'm say, i'm on a heavy movie mode. I do a lot of reading

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Amy Stadler: during the day for work, and so I I've been off of that. But i'd say growing up, I was much more of a book person, but right now i'm doing a lot of consumption of movies and series. Because there's just so much out there

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Kara Snyder: there is, that's for sure. If you could have an unlimited supply of one thing, what would it be

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Amy Stadler: time

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Amy Stadler: that time to do more things?
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Kara Snyder: I hear that if we could squeeze another hour 12 in a day
that would be ideal for sure.
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Kara Snyder: and then I have to get your vote. Avanti's gadola, or pub
2 cheese balls.
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Amy Stadler: Well hands down avanti's. There's not a time when I don't
go home to visit family, that I am not somehow having a volunteer.
I'm. Either swinging by through right by the airport and Bloomington.
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Amy Stadler: or I'm doing it. They have them, and you know it's pure
and pure. I absolutely am always having it every time i'm home and i'm
a bomb. These gondola by far.
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Okay, one more question for you. If you could give one piece of advice
to a college student, what would you tell them?
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Amy Stadler: I will tell them. Have a plan.
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Amy Stadler: but don't
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Amy Stadler: don't be close to opportunity. I will tell you. In my
career people put ideas in my head. I never planned on having my own
business
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Amy Stadler: that actually came from other people, saying, hey, when
are you going to start your own business?
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Amy Stadler: And so that was just an opportunity

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Amy Stadler: that happened that wasn't in my plan. But then I did it right, and so I just say, have a plan that' be open to changing and adjusting, and as you grow and figure out what you like, and don't like, Be okay with that right?

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Amy Stadler: because that journey will be fun

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Amy Stadler: right there's no I say, there's no straight line to get to where you think you want to get to, and so

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Amy Stadler: I never imagined i'd have that business, and I did for 15 years. I never imagined i'd have it for 15 years. That was not my plan. My plan was only to have it for 5 to 7 years 7. It was 15, you know, and so

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Amy Stadler: just have one. But don't feel like, you know, if you don't quite stick to it if opportunity knocks on your door absolutely, you know. Open the door.

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Kara Snyder: That is great advice. Well, thank you so much for being here. This has been a conversation with Amy Fuller Sadler, who currently serves as vice President, client, executive health care provider for Ntt. Data services join us next time on the podcast for more stories from our cast alumni.