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Welcome everybody, this is Robert Raymond Riopel on Success Left a Clue episode number twenty-two (22). Hey, that almost rhymes. Success Left a Clue, episode number twenty-two (22). I want to welcome you to the podcast. You know again, just right off the bat, I just want to express gratitude – gratitude for the number of people that are listening, downloading from all over the world. It just, you know. When I first started doing this podcast, I can't believe it's already twenty-two (22) weeks ago. When I first started doing them, I didn't know what it would be like, how much fun it would be or not be. I just knew I had to do them. And seeing the people, the way they're responding and talk to me on Facebook, all that, has made my heart expand and just make me want to do more which is kind of really, really cool. Because that's the success principle right there as well. That's the clue to success. Do what you enjoy doing, help a lot of people and that inspires you to do more.

Well, today's episode is one that is kind of interesting. The title of this one is called, 'Dream Stealers'. 'Dream Stealers'. The subtitle of it is, 'Why you have to have a hide as thick as a Rhino'. Let me get right into it. Let me explain what I'm meaning because I don't know how long this one will be. I just want to, kind of impart this one. One of the things when I talk about my six (6) steps, if you remember the six (6) steps in having the epic life that you want to have, step number one (1) is dreaming – not just dreaming but dreaming big.

Dreaming big. Because as children, we were taught... Sorry, let me back up on that. As children, we had big dreams. One day I could be a truck driver, next day I'm a lawyer, next day I'm a doctor, next day I'm a construction worker, a mechanic, anything and everything was possible. Then all soon as we started getting older though, we tend to dream less or we tend to hold ourselves back. A lot of that comes from what I like to call 'dream stealers'. A lot of the people they do it out of love, it's not like they're doing it to be malicious to you. If you want to be successful, if you really want to have this total success in your life, then you got to have big dreams. Yet, as we get older out of love, some of the people closest to us, they tell us, "Be realistic. You know, what makes you think you can do that? You don't have the right education. You weren't born into the proper family, you come from the wrong side of the tracks." To protect us, they kind of dampen the dreams for us so that we don't dream too big so that we're not disappointed, and they become dream stealers.

So because step number one (1) in having that epic life is to really dream big, then one of the things you have to do is you want to make sure you start developing that hide as thick as a rhino. When we developed AmentorA, you know the interactive web platform that goes all six (6) steps – you've got a dreaming big, you've got finding a mentor, someone to model, taking action, celebrating your successes, believing in yourself (got to get my mind working) and repeating those five first steps. When you look at that, we loved when we designed AmentorA, to help people do that. Our logo, our representing logo became the rhino. One of the side benefits – because a rhino, when they start charging for something, they go for it. Nothing stops them.

Well, kind of a secondary thing is, they have a thick hide. Thick hide, meaning little points don't get to them. Little jabs don't get to them. And when it comes to going for your dreams. That's what you've got to develop. You want to develop that thick hide – not you don't care what people say, but when you have a dream and you're going for it, nothing's going to stop you. Because sometimes, people want to steal your dreams out of jealousy. They'll try to steal your dreams out of just love, protection as I mentioned earlier. These different reasons, they try to hold you back down, keep you from going for what you totally want. Then everyday, every way, every moment, you have the choice. It's your choice whether you want to let them affect you or let them infect you whatever way you want to look at it. The moment you start believing in what they say and you start holding back on your dreams, because someone maybe won't approve, because someone else doesn't think it's possible for you, because someone else thinks it's ridiculous, they're stealing your dreams.

It's your choice every single day. If you're not going for your dreams, you're going away from your dreams, ladies and gentlemen. Plain and simple, that's it. As easy as that. It kind of reminds me as an example in a different context because these are clues to success. When you say, you're going to do something, do it no matter what you've committed, no matter what other people say or how they try to hold you back or how they try to dissuade you from doing it. You go for it.

1988, when I lived in Calgary, Alberta. They had the '88 Winter Olympics. With very successful Olympics, it was the first Olympics, actually, that made a profit for the city that was hosting it. The mayor at that time was a gentleman named Ralph Klein. The popularity of the way he ran the city, the way he made things work and all that in the Olympics, it positioned very, very well to go into provincial politics – in Canada we have provinces, in the US we have states, pretty much the same thing. A premiere of our province is the same as thing as a governor in the United States. And so, he went to decide to run for premiere of the province. Because of his popularity, because of what he'd done for our city, he won. He made a lot of big promises. At that time, being a very oil-rich province, things weren't being done the way it could have been and we were deep in debt just like a lot of provinces, a lot of states and a lot of countries, we're in debt. One of the ways he won the election is because he told them, "If you elect me, I'm going to do this, and do this, and do this, and do this, all of which will help our province be the strongest province in the country." This is the platform – one of the many reasons why he got elected. What was really, really interesting is when he got the election, he started doing what he said he was going to do, but all of a sudden, he started hitting some really big opposition. Often, people started to say, "Whoa, you can't do this, what are you doing shutting down that hospital?" or "You're doing this is going to cause this problem." They started to really try to take him out, get him unelected, try to knock him out of office. But he had that thick rhino hide. He said, "I made these promises, I'm now going to carry through on them." And he did. Within a couple of years, oh, he was not a popular man, but our province got very, very strong, very, very healthy financially and also his popularity went through the roof. He got re-elected again, and again. That, back all those years ago taught me that lesson.

Every single one of us has dreams. The difference whether your dreams go to reality or not is the choices that you make every single day, day-to-day, on whether or not you're going to allow others who can't see your dream or don't believe in your dream because it's not their dream. Are you going to allow them to knock you down? Are you going to allow them to take that away from you? Or are you going to choose to move forward and keep going for what it is you say you want? That's going to be the difference right there. So metaphorically, grow that thick hide of a rhino. Use that as when you set a dream, you make a commitment. You say you're going to go for it, go for it no matter what anybody else says. And when you become the person that goes for what you say you're going to do, you'll notice that yeah, maybe some people won't like it. But you will notice retracting the people who respect you for having big dreams, who want to go alongside with you because they see that you do what you say you're going to do, you're willing to do whatever it takes. Without even realizing it, you start to inspire. You'll start to inspire other people, and then they'll come along for the journey with you. That's the key.

Beware of the dream stealers. And if you really want me to turn it around and go deep, there's only one dream stealer. That's you. You're the one who makes the decision, whether you'll allow others to impact you and affect you or not. Day to day, moment to moment, you're the one who decides to go for your dreams or go away from your dreams.

On that note, I'm going to leave you at that. I'm going to let you know – be an amazing dreamer and beware of the dream stealers, including yourself. Have that hide of the rhino, go for what you want, don't let anything stop you. As soon as you start that charge, you go, go, go until you've reached your goal and beyond, and watch how many more dreams come true for you. This is Robert Raymond Riopel signing off for Success Left a Clue episode number twenty-two (22). Always live with passion. Have a great night everybody, or great day, whatever it is while you listen to this. We look forward to having you on the next webinar. No, cancel that. Next podcast. Oh, I'm loving life! I will talk to you again soon. Bye, bye.