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**Monday – September 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Focus of the Day: Power Up Your Growth - Culture and Strategy!**

**12:00 PM – 2:00 PM** Registration at The Loft - Tap Room RVC

**2:00 PM** Welcome and Opening Sessions

**2:00–2:30** Welcome to Founders Growth Summit

Kathleen Wood, Founder and CEO - Kathleen Wood Partners  
James Bonanno, Founder and CEO - Upstream Hospitality Group  
Steve Gibson, Founder and CEO – Talent Served – Giving Kitchen

**2:30-3:30** Leading a Culture that Rocks

Jim Knight, Founder and CEO - Knight Speaker

**3:30-3:50** Break

**4:00-5:00** Power of One - Playbook for Growth - Accelerating Your Success

Kathleen Wood, Founder and CEO - Kathleen Wood Partners

**5:00 - 6:30** Founders Power Up Session – ALL Founders

**6:30 - 8:00** Building Community through Unity Dinner

Leveraging Your Founder's Network to Increase Your Net Worth – Networking Dinner  
*Sponsored by Tap Room*

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**Tuesday – September 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Focus of the Day:**

**Accelerate Your Growth – Develop Your Blueprint with Proven Best Practices**

**8:00 AM** Networking Breakfast

**8:30–9:00** Welcome – Kathleen Wood

**9:00–10:00** The Future of the Restaurants - Scaling Hospitality

Noah Glass, Founder and CEO - OLO

**10:00 –10:30** Break

**10:30–11:00** Talent Management that Ignites Growth

Steve Gibson, Founder and CEO - TalentServed

**11:00–12:00** Putting the WOW in Wow Bao

Geoff Alexander, CEO and President of Wow Bao, A Lettuce Entertain You Enterprise

**12:00 PM** Networking Lunch – *Sponsored by Bango Bowls*

**1:00-1:30** Increasing Your Range to Accelerate Your Business

Ellis Winstanley, Executive Chairman, Co-Founder and CEO - Axial Shift

**1:30-2:15** Creating Partnerships for Funding

Brian Fauver, Partner - Hargett Hunter



## Tuesday – September 24<sup>th</sup>

- 2:15-2:45 Break
- 2:45-3:30 **Where there is Smoke there is Fire!**  
Rick Malir – Founder and Chairman - City BBQ
- 3:30-4:00 **Investing in Your Growth**  
James Bonanno, Founder and CEO - Upstream Hospitality
- 4:00-4:15 Break
- 4:15-5:30 **Founders Forum Mastermind Group Exchange**  
ALL Founders Participation
- 5:30 – 6:00 **Close of Day Review** – Kathleen Wood

### Evening Celebration – 6:30 – 9:30 pm

Salute to Founder's Celebration – *An Evening of Celebrating Founders by Founders*  
*Sponsored by Toast Coffee+Kitchen – Long Beach*

## Wednesday – September 25<sup>th</sup>

### Focus of the Day: Performance – Driving Sales and Profitability

- 8:00 AM **Networking Breakfast**
- 9:00-10:00 **Six-Figure Sales Plan to Win Q4**  
Michael White – Founder, Greater Long Island Media  
Andrew Hart- Founder – Main Street Menu Club
- 10:00-10:45 **Fast Track Your Frontline: Grow Profits by Growing Leaders**  
Dr. Felicia White Ed.D - President Council of Hotel and Restaurant Trainers
- 10:45-11:00 Break
- 11:00-12:00 **Creating Customer Experiences to Build Profitability**  
Zack Oates, Founder and CEO - Ovation
- 12:00 PM **Lunch – Refresh – Reset - Reignite**
- 1:00-2:00 **Hiring Rock Stars to Deliver Super Star Experiences**  
Jim Knight, Founder and CEO - Knight Speaker
- 2:30 PM **Founders Growth Summit Send Off Until 2025**  
Kathleen Wood