**[Informal & saucy:]**

Hey, boss!

Say, you’re looking really sharp today. Loving the hair.

Have you heard of TED Talks? Like the one about [how to properly use a paper towel to dry your hands](http://www.ted.com/talks/joe_smith_how_to_use_a_paper_towel.html%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank) or [the one about how to end world hunger](http://www.ted.com/talks/josette_sheeran_ending_hunger_now.html%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)? They're fantastic! I found out that they've spawned a number of independently hosted TEDx events in cities all over the world and this is the first year Dayton gets its own TEDx event.

There are more than 30 speakers and performers from diverse backgrounds with exciting, new ideas to share. These presentations are designed to infuse and inspire me with the concepts and forward-thinking that will help me become a better person and leader. You want a leader on the bleeding-edge of **T**echnology,**E**ntertainment and **D**esign as an employee, don't you?

This is also a great opportunity for me to meet new, active and connected people in the community. There will be time to mingle and hobnob with important figures from around the Dayton area who will almost certainly want to know what I do for a living and will want to hear about how lucky I am to have an understanding, supportive manager who cares for my personal and professional development.

TEDxDayton is a non-profit event sponsored in large part by a number of local businesses, though they still need to charge admission to cover the costs of the event. I can afford the $50 myself, but just think about how good you'll look when I'm talking to a V.P. from CareSource and I drop the fact that you're footing both the ticket and my time. I'm shameless, really.

This is the first TEDxDayton, ever, and I'd hate to miss it. The inaugural event will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, November 15, at the Victoria Theatre, 138 N. Main St. in downtown Dayton. I need to be there.

Your devoted, hard-working employee,

[Your Name, or Nickname, even, if you're tight with your boss, but don’t make it too weird and get HR involved]