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Central

Randy Ahlm, Minneapolis Consulting, co-invested with Tonka Bay Equity to acquire NPI Medical based in Connecticut. NPI Medical accelerates new product development while redefining the supply chain for medical device, healthcare and life science OEM’s. He also serves on the boards of two other private equity backed manufacturing companies.

Jon Chernak, Rochester Audit, celebrated past history by rounding up as many of the old bowlers as possible for a reunion at the Clover Lanes bowling hall. This hall is the same in which they bowled during the period when the Rochester office had sponsored a bowling team. Despite the lack of lead-time, they had nine members of the team including seven who were alumni.

They all had a great time as they bowled had pizza, beer and reminisced about the good old days. It was truly hard for them to believe, 35 years had passed.

Yulia Davydova, Houston Audit, continues to provide external audit and consulting services to financial institutions including banks, broker-dealer, investment companies, and credit-unions in the greater Texas area. He started in March 2016 as a lead accountant at Integrated Electrical Service, Inc. Integrated Electrical Services, Inc. is a holding company that owns and manages operating subsidiaries in business activities across a variety of markets.

Harry DeMaio, Cincinnati Deloitte Advisory, has published the fourth volume in his Casebooks of Octavius Bear series of Alternative Universe Mysteries for Adult Animal Lovers. It was recently published. This volume ‘The Lower Case’ joins its predecessors, ‘The Open and Shut Case’, ‘The Case of the Spotted Band’ and ‘The Case of Scotch’ in relating the tongue in cheek crime stopping adventures of a nine foot, 1400 pound Kodiak Bear billionaire detective and his cohorts in a twenty first century earth-like universe where sentient and sophisticated animals exist but Homo Sapiens do not. Strictly for laughs and fun.

Kristen Derryberry, Dallas Audit, received the Oklahoma Society of CPAs Trailblazer Award in March 2016. The OSCPA Trailblazers program honors the professional commitment, innovation and community dedication of the OSCPA’s new CPAs, defined as members who are under 40 or who have five or fewer years of CPA experience. It recognizes the OSCPA’s top talent among new CPAs.

Michael Gendron, Rochester Audit, released the second edition of his book ‘Doing the M&A Deal: A Quick Access Field Manual & Guide’. This guide is written primarily for the first time business buyer, but can also be used as a checklist for the experienced M&A professional.

Erik Gerard, Cleveland Consulting, is now working for Dimension Data.

Rebecca Gruss, Cleveland Audit, opened the doors of her new inspirational art gallery called ‘be.gallery’ in June 2015 in Chagrin Falls, OH. Be.gallery is more than a retail shop for her, it’s a passion and a way of life.

In addition to finding amazing artists with a similar passion, she writes little inspirational quotations that accompany each of the art pieces providing a bridge between the inspiration and the art itself. She feels fulfilled, surrounded by inspiration and people searching for inspiration.
Amy Haas, Columbus Tax, is a ProAdvisor with Intuit and well on her way to becoming Gold certified in QuickBooks Online. She will celebrate her third anniversary at Research Management Inc. in June.

She is also excited to celebrate her third year working regularly with the MidOhio Foodbank (MOFB) and is a weekly volunteer at the Kroger Community Pantry and is also a part of the Neighbor to Neighbor (N2N) network that speaks and advocates on behalf of MOFB. She is also a regular volunteer for the Hilliard Community Assistance Council which operates the Hilliard Food Pantry and is thrilled to be able to coordinate her work with MOFB to share regular supplies of fresh produce and other consumable items with her closest neighbors in need.

Diane Haubner, Chicago Consulting, has been fortunate to have the opportunity to travel much of her adult life and experience the wonderful people of this world. She has been to 92 countries and cannot name one nation over the other as more beautiful an adventure. Last year, she was granted a cultural exchange visa to visit Cuba. Diane found it so wonderful that she can’t wait to go back. She felt like she was living in the 50s with all the gorgeous, perfectly conditioned cars.

Holly Kellar, Minneapolis Consulting, is returning to the U.S. in June to begin working with The Bridgespan Group at their Boston office. She was working for the last four years with Monitor Deloitte Switzerland.

Harold Klein, Dallas Audit, sold his CPA and CFP firm, Harold C. Klein, P.C. at the end of 2012 and has since retired. He considers his career as having been quite successful over the years and he has been traveling the world since his retirement.

Thomas Kieren, Chicago Services, is currently living in Oak Ridge, NJ where he has developed an award winning architectural and interiors photography practice, along with his high school interest in jazz-swing music with his sextet that plays in several venues throughout the Northeast and Midwest.

Natasha Leger, Denver Services, has launched a Kickstarter campaign on a subject, *How to stay and eat healthy while traveling on business*. She has also authored a book, *‘Nouri Pocket Guide’*. This book was written to inspire and empower the readers to think differently about what to eat when on the go.

Corey O’Neal, Kansas City Consulting, accepted the position of senior product manager at Madison Reed. The mission of the company is to empower women to look and feel their best.

Dipesh Patel, Houston Consulting, welcomed a new addition to his family with the birth of his first child.

Bryan Slone, Omaha Services, is serving as an executive in residence and professor of practice at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln School of Accountancy. He also practices law in an Of Counsel position at Koley Jessen P.C., L.L.O in Omaha, Nebraska. Bryan was recently elected as a Fellow in the American College of Tax Counsel.

Ola Smith, Detroit Audit, began serving a three-year term as a member of the AICPA (American Institute of Certified Public Accountants) Board of Examiners (BOE). While her appointment was effective last October, she actually began serving this year.

Jim Vaughn, Denver Services, was a recent recipient of a Gold Leadership Award from Junior Achievement. Vaughn was one of ten volunteers nationally receiving a Gold Leadership award who were honored at Junior Achievement’s 2016 National Volunteer Summit in New York City. He was recognized for his Board service and other support to the Junior Achievement Rocky Mountain.

Marty Abo, Jericho Tax, became co-managing member of Abo Cipolla Financial Forensics, LLC, an affiliate of their core accounting firms exclusively providing expert witness testimony on financial matters, other litigation support services as well as business valuations.
Pat Alpaugh, Tampa Deloitte Advisory, has been sewing and quilting for years and has made clothes or utilitarian quilts as baby gifts. Last year, he challenged himself with a bed sized quilt and entered it in the local quilt show where he won the second place ribbon and a viewer’s choice award. He misses his friends at Deloitte while enjoying his retirement.

Thomas Bonney, Philadelphia Audit, was a guest interviewee on Bloomberg Radio on April 15 on the afternoon show with Kathleen Hays & Pimm Fox discussing the current and future status of manufacturing in North America, ‘Manufacturers Shift to Direct Distribution’.

Christina Buckless, McLean Consulting, will be starting her MBA in July 2016 at Duke University’s Fuqua School of Business which is sponsored through the GSAP program by Deloitte Consulting LLP. She is living in Sydney, Australia and interning for a social enterprise called 40K Globe.

Scott Cairns, Rosslyn Consulting, has leapt from the fast paced world of international finance to become a tech entrepreneur. He is the creative visionary behind the upcoming Dazzled Cars, a new social media and automotive marketplace application which is on the eve of its global launch. The app aims to capitalize on the growing demand for e-commerce and strong social platforms in the automotive markets.

Scott has always been passionate about cars, and recognized opportunities in the automotive industry when he relocated to the Middle East. He lives in Dubai with his wife Carolyn.

Austin Clemens, Rosslyn Deloitte Advisory, is working with Union Analytics, a company providing intelligence to some of the largest restaurant chains in the U.S.

Karen Fechtor-Kritzer, Boston Audit, accepted a new position at Bulfinch Group in the financial planning team.

Harry Feuerstein, Washington DC Tax, is leading the DC office of Merryck & Co, a global firm providing executive mentoring by former CEOs and top business leaders. Harry is also a member of the executive management committee and board of directors as well serving as the head of services for the firm.

Kevin Field, New York Consulting, has recently shared insight and information for anyone running or building a company in his blog.


Brian Krigsher, New York Audit, married his wife Leah, in a ceremony at Terrace on the Park in Queens on April 2.

Earl LaChance, Atlanta Consulting, has transitioned as the senior success manager with Salesforce.com in the Miami, FL area.

Nigyar Mamedova, Toronto Audit, has started a new job as the technical accounting director at National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA). He is also excited to start teaching accounting at Baruch College in the fall semester.

Leonard Marsocci, Tampa Audit, has played approximately 750 tournaments in racquetball all over the U.S. Leonard has accumulated 15 national titles, 40 regional titles and 50 state titles since picking up the sport in 1972.
in the Air Force. He feels that the sport was an easy ice breaker for meeting prospective clients and thanks Deloitte for the invaluable experience gained throughout his career.

**Judith Mitchell, Hermitage Services**, has been elected to the Board of the League of Women Voters of Juneau, Alaska as secretary.

**Eboni Moss, Atlanta Tax**, was appointed to the AICPA's National Commission on Diversity and Inclusion. The commission was formed to serve as champions within the accounting profession and to work toward proposing strategies to recruit, retain, and advance minorities in the profession.

**Anne Musacchio, Nashville Audit**, was married to Lucas W. Croslow at the Cathedral of the Incarnation in Nashville, TN on April 2, 2016. Mrs. Croslow will graduate from Vanderbilt University Law School in May and begin working as a litigation associate for the law firm of Debevoise & Plimpton LLP, in the Washington, D.C. office in September.

**Kim Ondreck, New York Audit**, is pleased to share that she has been named a 2016 Bay Area CFO of the Year finalist.

**Michelle Pearl, New York Tax**, wed Stephen Griffin on March 26, 2016 in Spring, TX. The couple will continue to reside in The Woodlands, TX and Michelle is now a senior manager at Baker Hughes.

**Dilip Phadnis, Parsippany Services**, has formed his own boutique marketing research company called *Ashro Group Inc.*, they are engaged exclusively in Life sciences marketing research and intelligence.

**Michael Rosenblatt, New York Audit**, is the president of The Quest Organization, an Executive Search and Advisory firm, which recently had their 30th anniversary and also recently started a new firm called Quest Forums, LLC.

**Vineet Sharda, Hermitage Services**, has been working with Fishbowl Inc. since last year. They provide a marketing platform for restaurants to intelligently engage guests and gain a competitive advantage by providing customer insights to execute data-driven decisions and personalized marketing.

**Jennifer Smith, Miami Tax**, recently celebrated 17 years as principal of her own firm, Jennifer R. Smith, P.A. based in Boca Raton, FL. The firm specializes in various tax services for small businesses and individuals. Jennifer credits much of the success of her firm to her training and extensive experience while with Deloitte.

**Brian Stein, New York Audit**, is now president at Beacon Private Wealth Management in Denver, CO. He started the firm in 2015 and they offer customized investment management, planning and estate solutions to high net worth families, corporate executives and business owners around the country.

**Niki Virani Poonawala, Rosslyn Consulting**, is very excited to announce that she has accepted a position as a program manager II at Socrata. She will serve as an expert in Digital Government best practices, developing roadmaps and mentoring customers in effectively executing their initiatives to becoming a smart government.

**West**

**Kalyn Farris, Sacramento Consulting**, joined the board of directors for The California Sibling Leadership Network. The organization is focused on adult siblings of individuals with disabilities and aims to inform, support and advocate for the unique needs of these siblings, particularly those assuming a caretaking role from their parents.
She also continues in her sixth year at Kaiser Permanente, currently serving as director of organization design.

**Ryan Guggenmos, Seattle Audit**, completed his Ph.D. in Accounting at UMass-Amherst in May 2015 and has accepted a position as the assistant professor at the Johnson Graduate School of Management at Cornell University.

**Jane Kim, Orange County Tax**, and her husband, Sean Emerson, are proud to announce the birth of their first child, Ava Kim Emerson. Ava was born December 6 at 3:21 a.m. in Irvine, CA. Jane is working as a tax manager at AT&T.

**Kent Lindstrom, San Francisco Deloitte Advisory**, is the COO at Nuzzel Inc., a network of socially curated newsletters.

**Phyllis Moore, Foster City Consulting**, is the principal and founder of Kinet-ix, focused on coaching, career and change management. She lives in Loveland, CO.

**Philip Woodward, San Francisco Tax**, left Deloitte to start Chalone Vineyard, a California wine business that later became a public company, Chalone Wine Group. He stays active in small business activities including chairman of Hog Island Oyster Co. in Northern California.

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