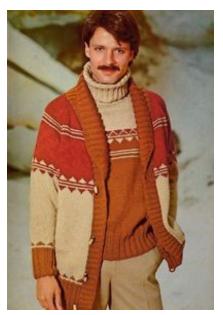








# **Fall Edition!**







# **Hello to Everyone in Lancaster**

I hope you are enjoying the sudden cool down in the weather. Without a doubt, Fall is definitely in the air! As we start breaking out the turtleneck sweaters and leaf blowers, we at the Lancaster office have lots to look forward to. This edition is full of the usual pics and updates from some recent office events. We also have info on what is coming your way over the next few months, as well as one of the crowd favorites - a super informative interview! So, take a break from your proofing, filing, analyzing, and organizing and read on...

# **Interview with Stephanie Cason**



It's time again for our annual **United Way Campaign**. This year's Campaign Chair is **Stephanie Cason**, from our Tax department! I have enjoyed getting to know Stephanie better and thought you would as well. She has also promised a sneak peak at the **2015 Lancaster Office United Way Campaign Mascot**:

Me: So, congratulations on being elected as our Campaign Chair!

**SC:** Well, actually, I was kind of "voluntold" (made up but appropriate word)...but thanks. We have a lot planned this year. First, the committee will be kicking off the Campaign with two **Waffle House breakfasts** on **October 6th**. You'll receive an Outlook appointment next week with a choice of times to attend. We also have a lot of great prizes this year, including an **iWatch**, and even a **reserved parking spot** in front of the building.

Me: Wait, you said a RESERVED parking spot? Count me in!

SC: You can't win.

**Me:** (Awkward silence)...Let's move on to something happier. We have a tradition here in Lancaster to pick a Campaign mascot. How about a sneak peak?

**SC:** Yes. The mascot this year will be **Bernard**, the **Golden Retriever**. Watch for Bernard on upcoming Campaign e-mails and announcements.

Me: Bernard is awesome. I feel my contribution increasing already.

**SC:** That's great because we're looking to increase total contributions. So, I encourage everyone to come to the breakfast and contribute what they can.

**Me:** Fantastic. I'm sure we will meet our goals with you as our leader. So, it's also a tradition here to kick-off the Campaign by playing the word association game. Rules are - I say a word and you answer with the first thing that pops into your mind. Ready? First word is DOGS. Go!

SC: Bernard!

Me: CATS.

SC: Gross.

Me: SQUARE-DANCING.

SC: Elementary school gym class.

Me: (Has a flashback...followed by stunned silence)...OPERA MUSIC.

SC: (Makes an "I don't like opera" face)

Me: FOOTBALL.

SC: Fun. Tailgating. Beer. Food. Jets!

Me: Ok, I think we got it. Thanks for playing along, Stephanie. And thanks again for leading our Campaign

this year!

#### Summer Lovin'...Had Me a Blast...

This summer we heeded the call to eat ice cream, donate school supplies, and dominate at volleyball. Here are some recaps to prove it:

#### Ice Cream

The Lancaster Social Committee invited our neighbors at Good Life Ice Cream and Treats out for a return visit last month for all of the ice cream lovers in the office. Things got mildly out of control when one individual asked for two of every item on the menu, but luckily, the fine folks at Good Life pulled the ice cream fiend back to reality before things really escalated.









# **School Supply Drive**

RKL's Young Professionals headed up the second annual school supply drive, which led to the donation of more than 8,000 school supply and uniform items to local students. The competition was

fierce here in the Lancaster office, with the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> floors combining forces to take the lead (earning 601 points to be exact). The 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> floors gave a great fight. There were a few days I thought I had accidentally wandered into an Old Navy with the amount of polos and khakis collected on each floor. Great job everyone!



# **PICPA Volleyball Tournament**

RKL served up the action in August at the PICPA South Central Chapter's 30th Annual Sports Day Picnic & Volleyball Tournament held at Cibort Park in Bressler. RKL's teams had a strong showing, coming in 1st and 2nd in the recreational bracket and taking 2nd place in the competitive bracket! Way to go!



# **RKL Kiddie Art**

Congratulations to Dalton Reading for his winning entry, "Goldfish." An anonymous judge from the Lancaster office chose the winner from seven entries on our RKL Kiddie Art wall in the cafe. All kids who participated will receive a goodie bag this week (to be delivered to their parents/grandparent. etc. here in the office).



## **Promotions**

Join me in congratulating our Lancaster RKL team members who were recently promoted!

Emily Bomberger (Audit Senior), Erin Wolfe (Audit Senior), Andrew Rice (Audit Manager), Kevin Kocot (Tax Senior), Kevin Lee (Tax Senior), Jonathan Clark (Tax Manager), Ann Marie Davis (Tax Manager), and Lisa Enders (Tax Manager).

## **Updates from Our Office Manager**

<u>Dani</u> here. A big thank you to everyone for moving your vehicles and being so accommodating for the sealers and line painters! It was very much appreciated!

Frey Lutz will be out in the next few weeks to switch all thermostats to a battery backup style. Once the change is complete, Cory will be around to touch up the paint in each office. The thermostats on wallpaper will have a decorative plate to cover any gaps. Also, thermostats are not to be adjusted once put in place so please contact me if you have issues with the settings.

Recycling - please remember to throw away the caps on the water bottles. They are NOT recyclable.

As usual, if you have any issues with your space, please let me know.

### Here's What's Coming Down the Pike...

9/22 - RKL M&D Forum at Spooky Nook (client event)

9/28 - Office picnic/softball game at Clipper Stadium

9/29 - Flu shots

10/6 - United Way Waffle House Breakfast

10/21 - United Way End-of-Campaign Happy Hour/Trivia Night

10/22 - College Recruiting Open House in Lancaster

10/23 - 2nd Annual Harvest Party/Kid's Office Trick-or-Treating (e-mail invite coming soon!)

11/20 - Lancaster Young Professionals group helping with Extraordinary Give

11/21 - SAVE THE DATE for the Annual Holiday Party!

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