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ELIZABETH MCKINNEY

After graduating from Citizen's School of Nursing and Chatham University, Elizabeth McKinney, continued her education and is currently enrolled at Carlow University. Elizabeth works as a Registered Nurse at Children's Community Pediatrics and was nominated for the Daisy Award while working at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh. The best part of her job is interacting with her patients and their families. Also, being in pediatric nursing allows her to interact with children which creates a lighthearted environment. Her biggest accomplishment is completing nursing school and getting accepted into nurse practitioner graduate school. Her goal is to finish graduate school and become a successful family nurse practitioner. When she is not busy nursing, Elizabeth works as a Pure Barre instructor in Murrysville. Elizabeth strives to have her mother's traits of being a determined and independent hard worker – "treating others the way you would want to be treated."

TOP SUPPORTERS: Pure Barre Murrysville, mom and dad

EMILY KINKEAD

Associate Attorney at Zimmer Kunz, PLLC, Emily Kinkead is a native Pittsburgher. Emily's professional background is varied and includes serving in a community for persons with developmental disabilities and working for a legal aid clinic in Eldoret, Kenya. These experiences forced her to step out of her comfort zone but reinforced her commitment to service. She is also actively involved in the Allegheny County Bar Association, Women's Bar Association, W. Edward Sell Inn of Court, Junior League of Pittsburgh, Scenic Pittsburgh, and Social Venture Partners, as well as an alumna of New Leaders Council and the Coro Women in Leadership program. As such, she finds the most rewarding part of her profession to be zealously representing her clients regardless of their circumstances. She is proud to say that it was this passion that helped to secure her first post-law school job - a term judicial clerkship with Judge Michael Wojcik of the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Zimmer Kunz, Social Venture Partners, Kevin Kinkead

DEVIN GREENE

Moon Township native and graduate from Duquesne University. Devin currently works at Duquesne University, having received the Duquesne University Leader of the Year Award in 2017. A member of Duquesne University Alumni Association, Donahue Business Society, Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity, and a member of Pittsburgh's RISE Committee. He finds time to work as a part-time fitness instructor at Elevate: Fusion Fitness and Zenergy Cycling, along with modeling represented by the Docherty Agency. Being told he is a role model, both personally and professionally truly inspires Devin to keep advancing. The most valuable lesson Devin learned is to simply "walk your own path." The challenge of earning a Master of Business Administration degree motivates and inspires him to finish stronger than he started. Although the Pittsburgh's 50 Finest program is Devin's first encounter with the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, he looks forward to fundraising and advocating for CF.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Family and friends, various fitness studios, Duquesne University Office of Greek Life

NATALIE PANAI

Natalie Panaia is an Educational Audiologist at Allegheny Intermediate Unit. She is a graduate of Clarion University and the University of Pittsburgh. Natalie has worked at both The Cleveland Clinic and UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh specializing in cochlear implantation and pediatric audiology, and at the Westmoreland Intermediate Unit as an educational audiologist. The greatest reward of her job is seeing a child smile when their hearing equipment is connected for the first time. Natalie is the first educational audiologist to receive the Annie Sullivan Award and is a member of the American Speech Language and Hearing Association and the Educational Audiology Association. Natalie's parents inspire her the most, teaching her what love and family truly mean. Natalie's biggest accomplishment personally was graduating with a Master of Arts degree in Audiology from the University of Pittsburgh. Professionally, Natalie continues to help the field of Audiology grow, as a clinical supervisor for the University of Pittsburgh's Doctor of Audiology Program.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Beauty Box by Jill, Tedesco Body Shop, Riley Grace

JOE ROESINGER

University of Pittsburgh alumnus Joe Roesinger advanced to Senior Associate Software Developer at McKesson where he loves the challenge of problem solving and directly impacting patient lives daily. Joe is also an alumnus of Beta Theta Pi at Pitt where he is Chapter Counselor as well as Alumni Board President and won the Alumni of the Year award. Through McKesson, the Buckingham, PA native is a member of Emerging Leaders. Through Joe's innovation, paired his company with the University of Pittsburgh's co-operative program to allow students real life work experience, they cannot access in the classroom. He hopes to obtain a lead role on a major project at McKesson and run his own business in the distant future.

TOP SUPPORTERS: McKesson, Thrivent Financial, and his mentor, Jaime Morgan



DANICA LURITO

A graduate of Carlow University with a bachelor's degree in Human Resources Management and Technology, Danica "Didi" Lurito works as a People Development Consultant for SingleSource Property Solutions. Didi calls North Versailles, PA home and loves the city of Pittsburgh and the pride the city possesses. She is a big sister with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Pittsburgh. She enjoys spending time with her family and is continuously inspired by all the strong women in her family. Didi is one of the first in her immediate family to be born in this country and obtain a bachelor's degree. She is fortunate to work for a company within her field that aligns with her personal values. Didi is passionate about her work and the ability to help people reach their career goals and work as a team to achieve their greater goal.

TOP SUPPORTERS: SingleSource Property Solutions, Rosecliff Tavern, family and friends

TIM FLAHERTY

Tim Flaherty works in finance at BNY Mellon. After high school, Tim served for four years and was Honorably Discharged from The U.S. Marine Corps. He graduated from Robert Morris University and Duquesne University. He is active in PSL sports and enjoys socializing with friends and networking. His Grandmother's influence drove him to be who he is today. The most important life lesson he learned came from his Dad, who taught him that once you start something, you finish it. Professionally, he wants to continue to build upon his career and be valued by his employer. Co-workers would describe Tim as awesome and lighthearted, who laughs about pretty much anything, but gets the job done. He is fiercely loyal and would do anything for those he cares about. His friend was a Pittsburgh's 50 Finest honoree several years ago, after attending multiple events he committed to making a difference.

TOP SUPPORTERS: BNY Mellon, Pub in the Park

MEREDITH JONES

Meredith Jones grew up in Lebanon, Pa. and is a graduate of Susquehanna University and Northwestern University. She works as a Senior Genetic Counselor for UMPC Magee-Women's Hospital. She is a member of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's Tomorrow's Leaders and Pittsburgh Young Professionals. The best thing about her job is supporting and advocating for her patients as they grow their families. Her professional goals are to continue to grow and advance in her field. In her free time, Meredith likes to paint, read and spend time with friends. Her favorite place to visit in Pittsburgh is the Strip District because she can support the businesses in that area. Peers and co-workers would describe Meredith as a genuine and positive person. Meredith got involved with the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation through participating in Tomorrow's Leaders.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Pennsylvania Libations, Oxford Development Company, parents, family and friends

BRAD DRISCOLL

Brad Driscoll, co-founder of Think Big Marketing, is a graduate of Penn State University with a degree in Electrical Engineering. After college, Brad decided to take his career in the direction of coding, web development, and digital marketing. While working full time as a cybersecurity developer, he experimented with social media and was awarded YouTube Partnership after growing his channel to over 10 million views and Twitch Partnership for being in the top 1 percent of streamers on the website. The most valuable thing he has learned in his life is from his parents, who have always inspired him to work hard at what he loves and to help others every chance he gets. Brad is incredibly grateful to be a part of Pittsburgh's 50 Finest and for the opportunity to do his part to help find a cure for cystic fibrosis.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Hip Hop DX, Joe Sirc, and Bob Dickey

BRITTANY BELL

Originally from Greensburg, Brittany Bell is the Creative Program Lead at Deeplocal. She is a proud member of Psi Chi, Psychology Honor Society and Phi Sigma Iota, Language Honor Society at Allegheny College, and Girl's Hope Young Leadership Board member. Brittany says the best thing about her job is her unique and creative co-workers. A firm believer in hard work, she helped to guide a Fortune 500 company (Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company) to be more consumer-driven in addition to leading and successfully completing the largest long-term installation project for Deeplocal. Brittany's co-workers would say she is a loyal team player who steps in and does whatever necessary to support and keep a project successful.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Eckert Seamans, Spring Hill Brewery, and her friends and family

MEGAN ZAMMERILLA

Megan is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh and works as a Physician Assistant for Associates In Ophthalmology. She was Class President of Pitt's PA class of 2017 and is a University of Pittsburgh Scholar Athlete. Megan is a High School Mentor through the Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Greater Pittsburgh, an organization rooted in mentorship which she is very passionate about. Megan's biggest accomplishment is receiving her Physician Assistant degree, which was a lifelong dream. The person who inspires Megan the most is three-year old Landon, who was born with cystic fibrosis. Landon and his family have shown Megan the importance of personal strength when facing unforeseen obstacles. She enjoys teaching barre classes and cheering on the Pitt Panthers in her free time.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Associates in Ophthalmology, Zenenergy Cycling, Dr. William Zammerilla DMD

COLLEEN SMITH

Growing up in York, PA, Colleen Smith moved to Pittsburgh to attend Duquesne University's School of Education. Colleen is inspired every day by her students while working for the Pittsburgh Public Schools as an Educator. She says her students have taught her to have courage in times of fear, compassion in times of despair, and to love unconditionally. Colleen received her Master's in Education from Johns Hopkins University and is a member of Pittsburgh Federation of Teachers. Her biggest professional accomplishment is that of her students. Her student's average for 3rd grade level content increased from a 29% at the beginning of the year, to an 86% as of the their most recent assessments. Colleen's most cherished values are from her parents "to give; give to others, give to your job, give to those in need, and give to those dear to you." A life of giving is a life fulfilled.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Parents, family, and friends



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MEGAN LONG

Senior Manager of Trade Operations at Otsuka Pharmaceuticals, Megan Long's favorite part about her career is having the ability to challenge herself daily and make an impact in the lives of patients and families affected by rare diseases. Megan has been most inspired by her mother, who has demonstrated how to be both a strong and successful businesswoman, as well as a business owner. As one of her proudest accomplishments, she followed in her mother's footsteps by starting and solely running a meal prep business. This business quickly expanded from 3 clients to over 50, until Megan ultimately accepted an exciting job opportunity back in the health care industry. She would love to one day resume her meal prep business and looks forward to ongoing success and new opportunities in her career path in the health and pharmaceutical industry.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Level Red Boxing, ParCore Athletic Apparel, and a member of the leadership team at PANTHERx Specialty Pharmacy

JUSTIN HEINAUER

Justin is a Pittsburgh native who works with Horizon Therapeutics as a Specialty Account Manager where he represents an IV infusion biologic that treats a rare disease. In addition, Justin was recently promoted to the National Training Lead for all Associate Specialty Account Managers in the U.S. Justin founded the Fellowship of Christian Athletes while at West Virginia Wesleyan College and is now a guest speaker at LEAD, a Pittsburgh based organization that focuses on educating high school students on drugs, alcohol, and social media. In addition, Justin recently was promoted to a Director of ProCamps where he manages fundamental youth football camps with professional athletes around the country. In his free time, Justin is a real estate investor who enjoys traveling and has plans to be one of the top influencers in Pittsburgh.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Ben Hamm, Mandy Key, and Nick Arnoni

BRIAN TEYSSIER

Full time, Professional Realtor of Brian Sells Pittsburgh Real Estate (RE/MAX), Brian Teyssier's coworkers would describe him as a workaholic- a fitting description of the #1 RE/MAX Realtor in Pittsburgh 2018. Brian describes his job as a "natural high" when he can find buyers their dream homes and help sellers to the next chapter of their lives. His greatest lesson in life, to not finance something you cannot afford to pay off, helps him maintain his position as a top Realtor. Personally, Brian aspires to live a healthy, happy, long life while helping others along the way and enjoys traveling, CrossFit, boating, jogging, and biking in his free time, which are a few reasons he moved from Cecil to Mount Washington. Brian strives to continue to be a top agent in Pittsburgh year over year with the support of his parents and broker/owner of his RE/MAX office, Mark Handlovitch.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Armina Stone, Holland Mortgage

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ERIC PERKINS

Eric Perkins is a kind, enthusiastic and optimistic person who strongly believes in paying it forward. The North Huntingdon native works as a Managed Services Team Leader for Bluetree Network and has a passion for giving back to the community. What he loves most about this position is the fast pace environment and being a part of the rapidly evolving healthcare technology. Eric's greatest professional accomplishment is becoming certified in the EpicCare Ambulatory application from Epic Systems. He would like to challenge his current skill set throughout his career, ideally learning more about the inpatient side of healthcare IT. In his spare time, Eric loves indulging in his adventurous side by kayaking on the rivers and traveling, hoping to one day backpack across Europe and explore a South African safari.

TOP SUPPORTERS: PDS Industries and family and friends

KATE HANCOCK

Originally from Fayetteville, AR and Vestal, NY, Kate Hancock came to Pittsburgh to attend Duquesne University. She then continued her education at the University of Pittsburgh. Kate is the Community Affairs Analyst for Highmark Health. She is a member of GenNext, Highmark Business Resource Group, and Lawrenceville United. Kate's biggest accomplishment professionally was to take her master's degree and apply it in a space where she is valued and can work with a compassionate and strong team to create a healthier environment. In her free time, Kate likes to hang out with her friends at local restaurants and listen to podcasts. A few of Kate's goals she has set for herself include growing her skills and confidence in her career and to become more involved in the community. "Kate is a perfect colleague – perfectly positive, engaged, intelligent, and responsible!"

TOP SUPPORTERS: Highmark Health, friends and family

GARY EITER

Gary Eiter graduated from California University of Pennsylvania and is the Supervisor of Gas Operations at Peoples Gas. Gary has been recognized for his customer service skills. The best thing about his job is helping customers with their concerns. His favorite spot to visit in Pittsburgh is Mount Washington, which he describes as a "microcosm of Pittsburgh." Gary's father inspires him the most because, despite not having a college degree, he was able to move up in his company because of his hard work. The most valuable thing he learned is honesty and integrity. Aside from the birth of his two daughters, Gary's ability to obtain a degree later in life while working full time is something, he is most proud of. His personal goals are to continue to grow and become a better version of himself while continuing to learn more about professionalism and doing so with integrity.

TOP SUPPORTERS: His daughters, Gretchen Harrison, Jeremy Smith, and Dave Boyce

MEGAN WEINSTOCK

Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner at Preferred Primary Care Physicians, Megan Weinstock is a member of the American Association of Nurse Practitioners and Pennsylvania Coalition of Nurse Practitioners. Megan hopes to one day earn her Doctor of Nursing Practice. Megan is the kind of person to give the shirt off her back to someone in need and enjoys devoting her spare time to medical mission trips, aspiring to better the lives of others through her own experiences. She learned from her grandfather to learn the most valuable lessons in losing and admires her mother for never taking a day for granted and always being ready for the next battle life throws at her. When she is not working or attending mission trips, she enjoys spending time with friends and family, traveling, spending time outside, and reading.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Megan's parents, best friend Patrick, and mentor and "forever girl" Kelly Spiers

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DORIEN GOODNIGHT-GIDDENS

Dorien is a Duquesne University graduate and Pittsburgh native who works as Vice President, Mgr, Clt Onbdg/Trans/Conv/KYC at Bank of New York Mellon. In college, he was the President of his fraternity Sigma Tau Gama, maintained Deans List standing, graduated Cum Laude and has obtained his MBA. Dorien is a member of the Woman's Initiative Network of BNY Mellon, Executive President of the Methodist Union of Social Agencies (MUSA) and Young Professional Organization of BNY Mellon. The best part of his job is working with coworkers from all around the globe. The person who inspires him the most is his mother who persevered through all trials and tribulations. His professional goal is to become an attorney so he can make impactful decisions for organizations on a higher level.

TOP SUPPORTERS: BNY Mellon, Eric Wallace, family and friends

TRICIA NAGEL

Tricia, the Woman 2 Woman winner of Toastmasters International Speech Contest, works as a Business Analyst Consultant at PNC Investments. Having already obtained her series 7, 66, and life/health insurance licensing, she is working toward earning another certification and has some entrepreneurial ventures she would like to start. Along with being the Vice President of Education of Woman 2 Woman Toastmasters Club, she also serves on the Young Executive Council at Rivers Club. Most inspired by Claire Wineland, a CF fighter who lost her battle to her disease, Tricia, a Crohn's Disease fighter, never allows anything to hinder her ambitions. In her spare time, she can be found cooking in the kitchen or taking a stroll through the Point.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Aligned Partners and her parents



JENN VU

Originally from Crafton, Jenn Vu owns and runs her own hair salon, Jvu's Hair Studio, which embodies her biggest professional accomplishment. She hopes to expand her salon and re-engage in education. Modest, humble, and selfless, Jenn prides herself in portraying respect in the way she approaches and talks to those around her. The best part about her job is having the ability and trustworthiness to make her clients feel beautiful and know them on a personal level. She finds inspiration in everyone she encounters, taking particular interest in their stories and the events that made them who they are today. A volunteer for the Crohn's and Colitis foundation, P3R, and the Kidney Foundation, Jenn was welcomed with open arms to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation community two years ago as a volunteer while seeking a way to give back to the community.

TOP SUPPORTERS: CycleBar Robinson, Coughlin's Law, and Tequila Cowboy

CODY FETTERS

Originally from Jefferson, OH, Cody Feters came to Pittsburgh to attend Duquesne University and now works for the University of Pittsburgh as a Payroll/Personnel Coordinator. He is currently earning his MBA at Pitt while holding the Vice President position of the Student Executive Board. Cody's favorite part of his job is being able to interact with and help so many people from all over the world. Inspired by his Granny who taught him to follow his dreams and love others, Cody takes pride in being the first of his immediate family to earn a bachelor's degree and hopes to expand his career into Project Management after finishing his MBA next spring. In his spare time, he enjoys spending time with friends and family and partakes in outdoor activities such as kayaking, hiking, camping, and gardening.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Friends and Family, Joe Junker

SALLY FRICK

Sally Frick, a shareholder of Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote P.C., is a graduate of St. Joseph's University and Duquesne University School of Law. Sally concentrates her practice in the area of health care law, with a particular emphasis in medical malpractice law—representing an array of hospitals and health care providers in the region, including nationally-recognized institutions, as well as physicians and nurses. Sally has been recognized as a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer, receiving the award in the years 2015-2019. Sally is the Chair and Coordinator of the Protection from Abuse Project at Dickie McCamey and was awarded the David B. Fawcett award for her devotion to pro bono legal work. Sally was nominated for Pittsburgh's 50 Finest due to the work she performs for health care institutions as well as the pro bono and charity work she is involved with for various non-profit organizations.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote P.C.



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MEGAN ROBISON

Originally from Peters Township, Megan Robison started her professional career as a Registered Nurse. That path led her to found her own business, Megan Robison LLC, in the health and wellness industry. Today, she works as a Virtual Fitness Coach and Business Mentor to help others live healthier lifestyles, realize their full potential, and reach their goals. She is also a member of Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society and the American Nurses' Association. Megan is most inspired by her father, who always "led with a servant's heart" as a physician. Professionally, Megan is most proud of building her successful home-based business while helping and mentoring others to do the same. Resilient and persistent, she hopes to continue inspiring others to never settle, to realize their own purpose and strengths, to pursue their dreams, and to live their best lives yet.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Friends and Family

DEREK FAIX

Brought on as the youngest real estate agent at his brokerage, Derek Faix is a Realtor at Piatt Sotheby's International Realty. Derek was born and raised in Pittsburgh and is a graduate of Duquesne University. He is a member of the National Association of Realtors and is an alumni of Alpha Phi Delta fraternity. Derek was awarded Future Business Leaders of America Top 10 at their National Conference. Keep an eye out for him on Season 2 of Mindhunter on Netflix! Derek has a professional goal of eventually transitioning his career towards property investment and development. He has learned to always be understanding, accepting, and make a positive impact with those you encounter every day.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Summer Drummond, Chris Kail, Taylor Faix

EMILY PEDUTO

Growing up in a military family, Emily moved several times before settling in Pittsburgh at the age of 12. Despite being raised a Patriots fan, she still considers Pittsburgh to be her hometown. Outside of working for Uber ATC as a Global Supply Manager, she keeps herself busy coaching soccer for Oakland Catholic High School and volunteering for the American Cancer Society. Emily's biggest sources of inspiration are her parents who raised their children to face challenges and adversity head on and to prioritize the important things in life: God and family. She takes pride in how she has grown her career - by treating people right and building relationships that would eventually lead to opportunities. Emily feels fortunate to be working for a company with a mission that she is passionate about and hopes to create wide scale change in the future of transportation.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Uber ATC, friends and family

JOE KILLIAN

Allegheny College graduate, Joe Killian, co-owns and acts as VP for Vitalx Health (myvitalx.com) and The IV Center. Joe is a member of the Pittsburgh Rotary, South Side, Pittsburgh North, and Pittsburgh Airport Area Chambers of Commerce. Joe's inspiration comes from the people around him and he is particularly passionate about creating opportunities for others. The best thing about his work is that it has challenged and empowered him to change the status quo. His proudest professional accomplishment is helping to build Vitalx and The IV Center from concepts into tangible places of work. His goal is to expand Vitalx and The IV Center nationwide. In his free time, Joe enjoys traveling, and outdoor activities such as baseball, golf and hunting. His goals in life are to continue learning, collaborating with people who inspire him, and to create freedom of movement.

TOP SUPPORTERS: The Hormone Center, The IV Center, VitalX

MICHAELA ASSAD

Art Director at American Eagle Outfitters, Michaela Assad, is a graduate of The Art Institute of Pittsburgh. The best part of her job is the culture and friendships it cultivates to push her outside of her comfort zone and meet incredibly talented individuals. Her work as the Art Director drives her to think ahead, elevate her creativity, take current challenges and turn them into successes, while constantly evolving and challenging herself. Michaela is originally from Pittsburgh and one of her favorite places to visit is Shadyside due to its timeless characteristics and atmosphere. Her parents inspire her the most because of their continuous support no matter what she does.

TOP SUPPORTERS: American Eagle Outfitters, Eddy Homes, friends and family



BRIAN MALLOY

Brian Malloy is the Marketing Coordinator for Cohen & Grigsby, P.C.. He is also a volunteer reading mentor for the "Everybody Wins!" program through Reading is FUNDamental Pittsburgh. Brian is the proud recipient of the California University of Pennsylvania Presidential Scholar Award, and after finishing graduate school, he discovered his love for running. Since then, he has completed two full marathons, with hopes to one day qualify for the Boston Marathon. He is passionately involved in the Pittsburgh running community as a member of the Steel City Road Runners (SCRR) organization. Brian's parents instilled a sound moral compass in both he and his siblings by promoting the importance of a strong work ethic, giving back to others, and demonstrating kindness. Aside from taking in the "picture-perfect" view from Mount Washington, Brian's favorite spot to visit in Pittsburgh is Kennywood Park.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Cohen & Grigsby, P.C., and many family members and friends

VICTORIA PIEKUT

At just 23 years old, Victoria's is the Co-founder and President of Wight Elephant Boutique—a women's clothing boutique online and storefronts in Irwin and Greensburg. Through Wight Elephant, she has become an official wardrobe provider for Miss America 2018 and 2019. An Irwin native, she also is an avid volunteer and a working model who has had national print covers as well as runway modeling to her credit. Victoria has modeled in New York Fashion Week and companies such as Jovani Fashions, 2Cute Prom, Macy's Prom, Dick's Sporting Goods/ Nike, and many more. She is a pageant competitor and coach holding titles such as the 2015 International Junior Miss Teen, 2017 National American Miss Pennsylvania, and most recently second runner up to the 2019 Miss Pennsylvania USA title. For the past nine years, Victoria has been a youth ambassador for DYNA Inc., working to bring awareness to the health conditions Ehler's Danlos Syndrome and Postural Orthostatic Tachycardia Syndrome.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Wight Elephant Boutique, Kohl's, and Main Event

KYLIE MCCrackEN

Kylie McCracken, a graduate of Duquesne University and a West Mifflin native, now serves as a member of Rivers Club Young Executive Council and Sisters Place Friends Board. In her current role as Marketing Manager at VisitPITTSBURGH, Kylie has the opportunity and responsibility to creatively market and promote her hometown to the world. A major achievement in her time at VisitPITTSBURGH and SportsPITTSBURGH has been being a member of the team that was awarded 22 NCAA Championship events from the years 2018-2022, the most NCAA events of any city during that bid cycle. Kylie is most inspired and motivated by her mom, Heidi, who has instilled in her the value of hard work and kindness. Outside of work, Kylie has traveled to 10 countries and hopes to continue to travel the world and experience new cultures as she continues to grow both personally and professionally.

TOP SUPPORTERS: The Rivers Club, family and friends

JAKE DUNKS-CAMPELL

Global Brand Ambassador for Porsche Pittsburgh, Jake Dunks-Campbell moved from his hometown of Cecil, PA to downtown, where he enjoys the culture and business acumen that the city has to offer. Working for Porsche is a privilege to Jake because he has always had a passion for exotic cars and luxury branding. Jake's mother inspires him most for her unmatched work ethic and passion. He enjoys visiting as many cultures and countries as possible, taking on new challenges, reading and writing, and someday hopes to possibly become involved in the film industry. In his free time, you can catch him partaking in the photography and music scene, staying current with the arts, chasing the café society, or talking sports.

TOP SUPPORTERS: The Goodall Family, Dunks-Campbell Family, and Wayman R. Jones Jr.

LISA BEHRENS

Senior District Manager at ADP, Lisa Behrens, has qualified for ADP Presidents Club for fiscal years 2016, 2017, and 2018. She aspires to continue the streak of success while growing with the company and hitting her benchmarks for the upcoming fiscal year. The Pittsburgh raised Alpha Sigma Alpha alumna chapter member is thankful for ADP's fun environment and coworkers to offset her sometimes draining and stressful sales role. Lisa is known to be personable, encouraging, inspiring and hardworking, constantly striving to push herself to new heights. She first became involved with the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation through attending the Brewer's Ball with her sister who volunteers and has been working to stay involved with the Foundation. When she is not working hard in the office, she plays kickball for the Pittsburgh Sports League and is part of a bowling league.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Parents, ADP coworkers, friends, and family

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KARINA MOUSSA

Karina Moussa was born in Sofia, Bulgaria and lived there until she was 6 years old. Karina's parents inspire her with how much they have sacrificed for their family. The most valuable thing she has learned from them is that possibilities are endless if you keep striving for what you want. Making the most of her opportunities, Karina graduated from Ohio University and is working on her Masters degree in Adult Education at Point Park University. She is a Corporate Trainer at UPMC Health Plan and an Adjunct Health Instructor at CCAC. Karina is a member of the Association for Talent Development (ATD), an organization supporting those who develop knowledge and skills of employees around the world. While she loves to travel, she also likes to explore Pittsburgh. Karina was first introduced to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation when she was nominated for Pittsburgh's 50 Finest.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Madonna's Mediterranean Restaurant (Moussa family,) friends, and family

DERRICK BACHMAN

Inspired by his attorney uncle growing up, Derrick Bachman is proud to practice law for Steptoe & Johnson PLLC, where he dedicates himself to his clients and shares a strong sense of community with his coworkers. Derrick brings his strong work ethic and dedication as a volunteer for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's Corporate Cup and the Habitat for Humanity Kid's Triathlon, as well as being a member of professional organizations, such as the Northern Appalachian Landman's Association. His biggest professional accomplishments include passing the bar exam and successfully managing large scale projects for his clients. In the future, Derrick plans to start a family, travel abroad, and further progress his career at his law firm. Derrick's first interaction with Cystic Fibrosis Foundation was by participating and being a part of the organizing committee for the Southpointe Corporate Cup.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Charles "Flip" & Sandy Benack, Weiss Meats, and Friends & Family

NICOLE CARAVELLA

Nicole Caravella is a graduate of Youngstown State University and works in project management for the advertising industry. A West Pittsburgh, PA native, Nicole moved to Pittsburgh to elevate her career opportunities and gain better access to the cultural side of Pittsburgh with its art galleries and theater performances. Nicole hopes that through the Pittsburgh's 50 Finest program, she can help to carry on her grandmother's mantra of "Better Days Ahead" to families impacted by cystic fibrosis while also contributing to her goal of bringing positivity and contribution to the community. Nicole also enjoys traveling, reading, and taking classes at Row House North Hills. Co-workers and peers would describe Nicole as reliable, trustworthy, a fashionista, good-hearted, honest and organized. She is a former member of the American Heart Association's Young Professionals' Board.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Debbie and Joe Zappia, Head Space Salon and Education, Home Restaurant at Smallman Galley, and Camelot Communications Group

MICHAEL KENNEY

Michael serves as the Corporate Compliance Officer, and Legal and Legislative Advisor for The Center for Organ Recovery and Education (CORE). Michael attended Penn State University where he received his bachelor's degree in Political Science with a Minor in Dispute Resolution and Global Security. He then went on to Duquesne University where he received his Juris Doctorate. Prior to joining CORE, Michael worked with Rice Energy as an In-House Attorney. The highlight of his job at CORE is seeing the positive impact organ donation has recipients, and the hope it brings to donor families seeing their loved ones live on by giving the gift of life. Michael works to develop and oversee the implementation of broad strategies to promote policy changes at the federal, state and local levels to support increased levels of organ donation. Having recently drafted and passed legislation to increase organ donation, Michael aspires to continue making advancements in organ donation.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Family, The Center for Organ Recovery & Education, and the Rice Energy Family & Alumni

ALEXA DESANTES

Valencia, PA's Alexa DeSantes recently transitioned from being a Health and Physical Education teacher to pursuing a career in sales as a Small Business Sales Consultant at ADP. Alexa's grandfather inspires her the most to work hard and always put in 110 percent of her best effort into everything she does. She was recognized for Best Delegate by the Committee of Experts and Public Administration at the 2017 AMUN conference in Chicago for Model United Nations. Alexa also received the Drinko Travel Grant to present her Senior Capstone research project "The Attitude the Public Has Towards Prisoners and Prisoner Rights," at the North Central Sociological Association Conference in Pittsburgh, which she claims as her biggest personal accomplishment. Having personally faced adversity, Alexa aspires to influence those facing serious medical conditions and is ecstatic to have the chance to do so with the CF community through Pittsburgh's 50 Finest.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Lori Lower, NSS Life, and friends and family



JAMES ZERFOSS

Washington & Jefferson College graduate, James Zerfoss, is from Penn Run, PA., and is the owner of Zerfoss Property LLC. James's favorite part about his job is finding unique homes and plans to double his real estate assets every year. In 2019, he has completed five half-marathons. The people that inspire him the most are his parents because they have always been involved with the community. His biggest accomplishment personally was that he traveled 46 countries and summited Mount Kilimanjaro. James has many accomplishments, including helping Senator Camera Bartolotta in her election as the first woman to represent Washington County in the State Senate. He has also accomplished writing an English as a Second Language textbook while living in Taiwan. James got involved with the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation because he saw what a great job people were doing to raise funds for cystic fibrosis, and he enjoys helping others.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Eventful Photography LLC, Jesse Daniels Esquire, Eric Rouillard

KAITLYN BRENNAN

Dr. Kaitlyn Brennan is the Director of Development and Community Engagement at City of Bridges High School and serves as an adjunct faculty member and student supervisor at both the University of Pittsburgh and Indiana University of Pennsylvania. She serves as the President of the Stanton Heights Neighborhood Association and is an alumnus of the City of Pittsburgh's Civic Leadership Academy. While earning her PhD at the University of Pittsburgh, Dr. Brennan served as the policy intern for the Higher Education Consortium for Special Education, advocating on Capitol Hill for the betterment of education and systems for students with exceptionalities. Dr. Brennan wants to be on caliber with Sally Wiggin as a Pittsburgher, like when WDVE calls her in the morning to get her hot takes. "Wiggin is the best."

TOP SUPPORTERS: Dr. Lisa Cibik, Emily and Eric Pennesi, Brian and Ashley Eckert, Danielle, Matt, and Fred Slagel, 232 Creative, David Alan Style, Kiya Tomlin

MICHAEL HANLEY

South Side Pittsburgh native, Michael Hanley, started his own business, 720 Insurance Agency, while working as a correctional officer. The best thing about Michael's job is that being his own boss allows him free time when his life needs flexibility. Inspired most by his kids, Michael's professional goals include building a business that his sons and daughter can take over. Although obsessive about his work at times, Michael is driven and hardworking. Managing multiple jobs and businesses are all qualities he learned from his family. In his free time, the Habitat for Humanity volunteer enjoys sporting events, playing softball, and traveling. Being a father who is a great role model for his children is Michael's greatest personal accomplishment. Michael's biggest professional goal since he began working has been to retire at age 40.

TOP SUPPORTERS: 720 Insurance, The Academy, and UniTrade

DANIELLE MANNI

Organ Procurement Coordinator and Registered Nurse, Danielle Manni works for the Center for Organ Recovery & Education and Allegheny Health Network. A volunteer for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and Lion's Club for the Blind, Danielle finds the most inspiration in her parents, who are hard workers and self-made business professionals/entrepreneurs. She loves having the ability to save lives and help families keep their loved one's legacy and spirit alive through organ donation. Danielle is most proud professionally of working for the Center for Organ Recovery and Education and is a former adjunct instructor teaching Neurology courses at Duquesne University. Raising awareness about organ donation is a personal goal for Danielle. Personally, she enjoys attending Pittsburgh Penguins games, keeping active, volunteering, spending time with family, and would like to travel to Iceland and Italy.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Integrity Plus Settlement, Center for Organ Recovery & Education, and Friends and Family

ALEXANDER RODKEY

Branch Manager of Enterprise Holdings at Pittsburgh International Airport, Alexander Rodkey enjoys the way his fellow colleagues and employees are constantly pushing each other to do their best. He appreciates the competitive environment and the daily chance to meet new people from all over the world. The Founding Values Committee member was recognized the #1 Branch Manager for Enterprise Holdings for the first quarter of the 2017 Fiscal Year and was winner of Multiple Elite to Eat dinners. Professionally, Alex is inspired by his bosses, knowing he can always come to them for guidance because they have been in his position before. The people that know him would describe him as driven, fun, loyal, and goal oriented. His biggest professional accomplishment to date is his recent promotion to Branch Manager at The Pittsburgh International Airport and he aspires to become Regional Vice President for the company.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Enterprise Holdings, Sean Delvin, and his family and friends

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JAMES BENDEL

Latrobe native James Bendel is the CEO of Integrity Slickline and owner of Crazy Horse Coffee in Washington, PA. He served in the United States Army for six years and received the Army Commendation for Valor and Purple Heart. Reintegrating into civilian life after returning from Iraq and parting from the military is his biggest personal accomplishment. What he appreciates most about his job is networking and bringing people value. "Take care of your people" is James's motto and providing his employees with a positive work environment is the professional accomplishment he is most proud of. James hopes to grow the businesses he is involved in while benefiting his community. James's personal goal is to be his son's No. 1 role model and help as many people as he can.

TOP SUPPORTERS: His Parents, Brandon Parker, Carlus Call, The Employees and customers of Crazy Horse Coffee

KATRINA MALONEY

Originally from Meadville, PA, Katrina Maloney is a member of Pittsburgh Young Professionals and is a proud owner of KiKi Beauty Bar, nominated best spa in Pittsburgh by 2 local magazines. The best part about running her own business is getting to do what she loves while influencing and empowering the women who come into her life. Creating her own brand from scratch and building her own Top 10 Best Spa in Pittsburgh business from the ground up, Katrina looks to an amazing friend, Heather Graham, for inspiration. Her motto is "in order to succeed you must remember that short term discomfort is worth the long-term gain," which allows her to be a leader, hardworking, and extremely loyal. Katrina hopes to expand her shop to have a full staff and become an education source to help new estheticians and cosmetologists specializing in skin care learn advanced techniques and further their careers.

TOP SUPPORTERS: clients and staff of KiKi Beauty Bar, David Learn, and her family and friends

KELSEY SCHNEIDER

Kelsey Schneider is the Human Resources Manager at Pietragallo Gordon Alfano Bosick & Raspanti, LLP. In addition to creating processes that have helped streamline the data-focused aspects of her job, what Kelsey really enjoys about HR is the support she's able to provide her co-workers day-to-day. "I enjoy helping people as they navigate and build their careers." Kelsey took her love of helping people beyond the office and became a member of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's 65 Roses Sports Auction Committee four years ago. When asked about the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Kelsey's stance is clear: "I just love the work they do - especially as I have learned more about the disease and met children and families that it affects." Kelsey is also a member of the Pittsburgh Human Resources Association and is on the Community Service Committee with the Pittsburgh Legal Administrators Association.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Pietragallo Gordon Alfano Bosick & Raspanti, LLP, Mariner Finance, Friends & Family

MATTHEW DENTINGER

Matthew Dentinger came to Pittsburgh to attend Duquesne University from Buffalo, NY where he studied Sports Marketing to pursue his dream of working in professional sports, someday to be President of a professional team. Matthew works as a Partnership Marketing Manager for the Pittsburgh Penguins. The best thing about his job is the fun, excitement, and flexibility. Matthew aspires to be as successful as his Dad, a business owner. Matthew is proud to have received a Stanley Cup Ring from working for the Penguins when they won the 2017 Stanley Cup Championship. Pittsburgh's 50 Finest is Matthew's first encounter with the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Since his involvement, he has learned a great amount about the disease and the creative things that Cystic Fibrosis Foundation does to fight for a cure. Top Supporters Family, generous friends and the Pittsburgh Penguins

TOP SUPPORTERS: Family, generous friends and the Pittsburgh Penguins

RACHEL MENDE

Sewickley native and Pittsburgh Young Professionals member, Rachel Mende works as the Development Manager for the DePaul School for Hearing and Speech. DePaul teaches children who are deaf or hard of hearing to listen and speak without the use of sign language. Rachel's parents were a huge influence in her decision to work in the nonprofit field because of their generous nature and belief in the importance of giving back to those in need. Her work is extremely rewarding, and her favorite part is seeing the amazing progress of the students who learn to listen and speak, and eventually transition into their neighborhood schools. Her biggest professional accomplishment is all the fundraising she's done on behalf of DePaul, which goes directly towards helping the students. Rachel first became involved with Cystic Fibrosis Foundation while attending past events of her friends and former Finest honorees.

TOP SUPPORTERS: Howard Hannah Real Estate, Diana Naar, Doris and Rick Mende, Vito Kaminskis

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