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Beth Hoffman, CPCU

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BETH S. HOFFMAN, CPCU

President

Beth S. Hoffman is a Senior Vice President, Risk Management Advisor with Rosen & Company, Inc. in Armonk, New York.

Beth grew up in Eastchester, New York. She graduated from Iona College in 1988 and received her Master's Degree (with Honors) from Iona College in 2008. Beth completed her Chartered Property & Casualty Underwriter (CPCU) designation in 2016.

Beth began her insurance career in 1985 for a small independent agency in Bronxville, NY and spent over two decades working within that community. Prior to joining Rosen & Company, Inc. in 2016, she worked as the Private Client Northeast Regional Risk Management Advisor at Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. Inc.

Beth is the current President of IIAWC. In addition, Beth is an accomplished martial artist (5th Degree Black Belt) and has spent the past twenty-five years working with and instructing children from the Mount Vernon-New Rochelle, NY area until her retirement in 2015. Beth is also actively involved in the EWGA- Westchester Chapter, she recently served as the Captain of the summer league and is fully committed to improving her golf swing.



KEN FUIRST

First Vice President

Ken earned a BS in Finance from Lehigh University, an MBA from Columbia Business School and a CLU and CAP from the College of Insurance. He had worked for Fortune 100 companies International Paper and Johnson & Johnson in NY, Memphis, Dallas and Philadelphia before joining Levitt-Furst in 1993.

Levitt-Furst was founded by V. David Levitt and Alan Furst (Ken's father) in 1968. Ken joined the firm and immediately started marketing the company's expertise in the construction and real estate industries. Ken is co-presidents with Jason Schiciano and since 1993 when this new generation first joined LF, the firm has quadrupled in size and now has over 60 employees.

Ken lives in Chappaqua NY with his wife Sue and their 3 children.



CHRISTOPHER T. MCEVILY, CPCU

Secretary/Treasurer

Christopher T. McEvily is a Senior Vice President at Keevily Spero Whitelaw Inc. in Harrison, New York.

Christopher grew up in Larchmont, New York and has spent his entire professional career in Insurance.

Christopher is the 4th generation at Keevily which was founded by his Great Grandfather Thomas F. McEvily in 1938. He began working there as a teenager and continued through college. He received his Bachelor's Degree from Providence College in 1998. After graduation, he was accepted into an insurance underwriting training program with Atlantic Mutual Company, and later became a full time underwriter. He re-joined Keevily full time in August of 2001, and has served in various capacities, including new business development, claims manager, and currently manages their New York State Insurance Fund Safety Group program. Christopher received his Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter (CPCU) degree designation in 2007.

Christopher currently lives with his wife Maureen and two boys in Mamaroneck, New York.



PETER F. LANZA

Immediate Past President

Peter F. Lanza is an Account Executive with DeRosa, Rockefeller, Sohigian & Werdal in Harrison, New York.

Mr. Lanza grew up in Pelham, New York and graduated from Mercy College in Dobbs Ferry.

He began his insurance career as a sales producer for Allstate in 1996 and became an Allstate agent in 1998 specializing in personal lines insurance.

He moved on to DeRosa, Rockefeller, Sohigian, & Werdal in 2007 as an Account Executive. Peter currently serves on the Board of Westchester Chapter of Independent Insurance Agents and Brokers.

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ESSAY BY

BRIDGET FOLEY

Prior to joining the Somers Volunteer Fire Department, I didn't know much about firefighting or the department that I was joining. Today, a year and a half after joining this organization, I can easily say it was one of the best decisions I have made; a decision that completely altered my view of emergency services. I have been lucky enough to meet women in the department who have served as an inspiration and as mentors to me since I joined. It is a privilege to be a member of such a wonderful community organization and I am proud to say I am a member of the Somers Volunteer Fire Department.

I joined the fire department for many reasons. The main reason is my desire to help others and to make a difference began as a result of my father's illness. When he was eleven he developed a brain tumor. Doctors did not think he would live. But he was operated on and survived to live well into adulthood, only for the tumor to return again when I was born. We were unaware of his underlying condition and were not sure exactly how long my father had to live, and he had to permanently move into a nursing home, when I was around the age of fourteen. My personal experience caring for my father inspired me to want to make a difference. Another factor in me joining was that my brother joined the department when he was my age. I would always hear fascinating stories about what he experienced and I wanted to be exposed to the same experiences. We now get to go on calls together, as well as attend department events together. Not only did I join to have the opportunity to work with my brother, but I also joined because I wanted to help my community.

Recently I completed my Firefighter I training, which included class instruction and over 100 hours of skill-based learning. Before I joined the department, I had no idea what went into actually becoming a firefighter. There were times throughout my training that I doubted my ability to see the program through to the end. But with my chief being a mentor to me, I was able to accomplish this. I did countless hours of studying for tests, and reviewing skills with him. He too, has served as an inspiration to me since I joined. There's a thrill that comes along with being a volunteer firefighter; the second I hear my pager go off, I stop what I am doing and respond to the call. It's exhilarating to think about what the call might be. But no feeling compares to the sense of accomplishment and pride I feel once a call is over and I know I've done everything in my power to save the burning building or assist my fellow firefighters. I am no longer the one watching fire trucks and ambulances racing through town I am on the other side. I am the firefighter responding to that call; in the fire truck, blaring sirens and horns, racing to the scene to help those in need.

I am a big believer in giving back to the community in which I was raised. The volunteer fire service is the backbone of America. Volunteer firefighters have been around for close to 200 years. Initially, that is why I joined the department- to volunteer for the town that I have lived in my whole life. But the lessons I've learned and the experiences I've gained has far exceeded any of my expectations and I believe have helped me grow to be the woman I am today.

ESSAY BY

WILLIAM CLARK

The atmosphere was festive on the bus home from the track meet. Our team did very well, and my friend and I were ecstatic because we had taken 1st and 3rd in the triple jump. Then one word sidetracked the celebration: "Fire!" Goosebumps ran down my spine. One girl had received a video of flames engulfing the Pavilion, a major gathering place in the center of our town. On the phone screen, I could see the flames reaching 20 or 30 feet in the air. After a bus ride that felt so much longer than it actually was, we pulled into our school parking lot. I pushed my way through my tired friends, eager to get to the scene and help out. I got to the firehouse, got my gear and sprinted to the scene of the fire.

Most people don't know that some volunteer fire departments members are as young as 16. I joined the Explorer Post, a young fire department recruitment program, after I outgrew the Boy Scouts at 14. After learning the basics, just before my 16th birthday, I started the tedious application process to the Hook & Ladder Company. After four months, I was approved by both the town and the department to start responding to calls. During the fall and winter of my junior year, I was trained on what equipment to use on a fire scene and how to use it. By spring, I had my CPR and First Aid certifications so I could also help on ambulance calls. The training gives me confidence and decisiveness because I now know what to do in different situations, and my training helps me keep my cool under stress.

When I got to the Pavilion fire, it was mostly under my control, only a few hot spots still burning. I was told to check the surrounding buildings for people, other hot spots, or both. I was on scene until 3 a.m. making sure the fire wouldn't reignite. The experience is unforgettable; it was the first time I had experienced that much destruction; however, I have an amazing sense of accomplishment for helping keep my community safe.

Although I am not allowed to enter burning buildings, I do any and all other jobs outside. I run tools to interior members, help extricate victims trapped in vehicles, run hose from a hydrant, or maintain traffic control on a busy roadway. As an ambulance attendant, I help the driver and EMT get to the scene and treat the patient. For both the ambulance and fire departments, I attend weekly rig checks to make sure all apparatus are fully equipped to respond and are in working condition. I also attend monthly drills; last month, the Department of Transportation provided us with a totaled car to run a practice car fire.

Ironically, today was my first active fire call. We were speeding down the highway when I saw and felt the heat, like it was emanating from an open oven. We jumped out of the truck, pulling the hose and dragging the lines 100 feet to the mass of smoky orange flames. We put the fire out quickly, but with the heat of the summer sun, the black asphalt and car exhaust, the roadway felt like a stove. Once the fire extinguisher, I watched the charred chassis being towed away and wondered what the family would do without their car. The sense of accomplishment I feel as a firefighter is diminished when I see the destruction that has ravaged a house or family after a fire. It's difficult to think about what will happen to them. My experiences have given me a new perspective I couldn't have predicted when I joined the department. I never could have known the impact it would have on my life, nor the way it would mature me.

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