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Alumni Newsletter November 2012

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Featured Alumni: Newest SoA Advisory Board Member, Ksenia Popke



Ksenia is a dedicated nonprofit audit manager and A-133/Single Audit specialist for nonprofit entities at Eide Bailly, one of top 25 largest accounting and consulting firms in the United States. Her experience includes assistance with the full spectrum of nonprofit entities, including arts and cultural organizations, private schools, social assistance groups, health and welfare organizations among others.

Originally from Russia, Ksenia holds a JD from Ural State Law Academy and specialized in US immigration law. Her experience as a foreign exchange student provided a unique perspective, as she worked closely on immigration matters with the US companies, their foreign subsidiaries and employees.

Ksenia is a current member of the Collaborative School Committee, a governing body for a Denver Public School. She is a Certified Public Accountant and holds a MAcc from the Daniels College of Business.

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Recent Happenings in the School of Accountancy

Publications, Research and Acknowledgments

Associate Professor, Dr. Keith Sellers, had his article "Understanding Option Valuation Theory" published in the September/October issue of *The Value Examiner*. Dr. Sellers co-authored the article with Dr. Brett King and Dr. Yingping Huang (both from the University of North Alabama).

Dr. Sellers also presented a case titled "Sun Microsystems Japan: A Difficult Situation to Hedge" at the North American Case Research Association (NACRA) Annual Meeting. Dustin Bradford, a CPA and consultant with Dividend Capital Diversified Property, was the coauthor for this case. Dr. Hugh Grove was also at the meeting and served as the co-chair of the Finance/Economics case track. Dr. Grove presented his case "Lehman Brothers and Bear Stearns: Any Financial and Corporate Governance Differences?"

Dr. Lisa Victoravich and Dr. Hugh Grove were both selected to attend the first Research, Scholarship and Creative Work Faculty Recognition Dinner on November 8th. This event recognizes the most outstanding researchers, scholars and creative artists on the University's faculty. We are excited that they have the opportunity to attend. We are very grateful for their research efforts.

On October 11th, Dr. Lorenzo Patelli was invited by the Daniels Institute for Enterprise Ethics to give the opening remarks on "Short-termism and Ethical Behavior" at an executive breakfast. <u>Click here</u> to view the website, the video and a white paper with edited excerpts from the speech.

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Student Corner

Coming Next Month: Meet our Beta Alpha Psi Officers

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Upcoming SoA, Daniels and DU Events

DU vs. CC Hockey Game and SoA Alumni Reception

Saturday, November 17
Reception 6 p.m.
Game 7 p.m.
Tickets - SOLD OUT
To attend reception, contact Jill Whelan

Please visit here to view more upcoming events.

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Alumni and Friend News

Scott Rathbun (**BSAC**, **MBA 2004**) changed positions in August 2012. He is now a manager at GHP Horwath PC in the Valuations, Corporate Finance and Forensic and Litigation Consulting practice.

Ben Quinn (MAcc 2009) passed his CPA exam in 2010. He continues to keep in touch with classmates from the SoA. Ben works as Assistant Controller for SolidFire in Boulder. SolidFire is a start-up software/tech company which makes storage devices for cloud providers. Ben is also the proud owner of a rescue dog, Amos (named after the famous cookie).

If you would like to have a news note included in the next edition of the School of Accountancy News, please send it to Jill Whelan at jwhelan@du.edu.

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Contact Information Request

The School of Accountancy is always updating alumni contact information so we can stay in touch. If you know of other alumni who are not currently getting the School of Accountancy Newsletter, please invite them to send in their email address so we can stay connected. Please send any updated address, work or email information to Jill Whelan at jwhelan@du.edu. Also, if you have any news that would be of interest to your classmates, please let us know!

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