

THE PEAK TIMES



Our Mission

We believe by providing education and guidance, we help our clients make sound decisions which leads them on a path toward their own definition of True Wealth.

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WELCOME TO THE REAL WORLD

After working with Peak as an intern over the last two years, we are pleased to welcome Matt Kraemer as a full time associate starting after graduation May 1. Matt is finishing his accounting degree from Michigan Flint with honors. He will begin immediately getting licensed and on a path towards associate advisor, in addition to helping with operational support such as planning, trading, technology, and marketing. At Peak, we believe in strong human capital and Matt is a strong addition to the team! Please help us in welcoming Matt by giving him a call at 734-681-7575 or email at matt@peakwm.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 28 - Health Yields Wealth: Detox for Life
 Since health is a major concern, and we are all under a lot of stress, we are hosting an educational event at Pow(r) Performance Gym in Livonia on April 28th, from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. Come hear Nick's story, along with a panel of experts including Dr. Stacie Ford, Benjamin Knapp, and Coach Callie Bradford. Please see the enclosed invitation.

June 30 - Meet the Manager
 Enjoy dinner and libations at Fox Hills and hear from one of the brightest strategists on the street - Benjamin Lavine, the Chief Investment Officer from 3D Asset Management, and a member of the TD UMAX platform. Please see the enclosed invitation.

August 4 - Top of the Peak 2016 Summer Party
 Join us for the 3rd Annual Top of the Peak at the office on August 4th from 4-7pm. Enjoy the best chuckwagon cooking east of the Mississippi from our friends at Hickman Hotel! Please see the enclosed invitation.

October 29 - Michigan vs Michigan State Viewing Party
 Join us to watch Michigan avenge their disastrous loss last year in the final seconds to Michigan State. This event will be hosted at Nick Hopwood's home.

December 1 - Christmas Party
 Join us December 1st at Fox Hills for our annual Holiday Party!



Nicholas Hopwood, CFP

Jennifer and I would like to thank everyone who came to our Christmas/Holiday party at our home last December - it was a great way to kick-off the holiday season! Hunter (8) and Jack (6) are finishing up third grade and kindergarten at Go Like the Wind Montessori School in Ann Arbor. We've fallen in love with the Montessori teaching method! My brother Mark is getting married in May down in Tampa, so we will be headed for warmer weather to celebrate with family and welcome Nicole to the "Hopwood Family!" This July, we've committed to Camp Michigania, a camp located in Boyne City on Walloon Lake. What is unique about Camp Michigania is that you must be a University of Michigan alumni to attend.

In the fall, we determined we needed some additional human capital. I believe the quality of an organization depends completely on the quality of their people. To that end, I am very pleased to welcome Matt Kraemer to the Peak team on a full-time basis after he graduates this spring - it will be great to have him around more!



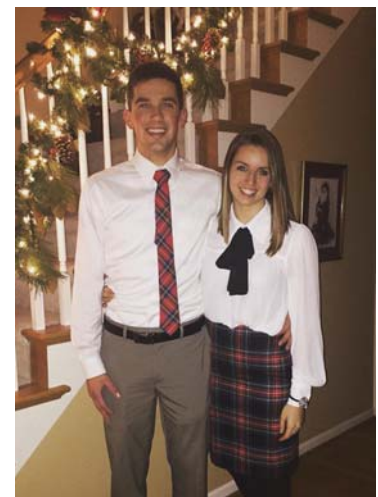
Patti Wojcik, Operations Manager

I hope everyone had a happy and healthy holiday season and a great start to the year in 2016! One of my goals for 2016 is to eat healthy and go to the gym three days per week, which I am happy to report I am on track! Nick is trying to get me to drink his protein powder but.....first things first. As I approach that 55 and older group, keeping an eye on health is important and very much a must in order to keep up with Nick!



Matthew Kraemer, Intern

My final semester at U of M Flint is coming to a close, where I will be completing my degree in accounting in April. I am excited and anxious for what my future and the "real world" has planned for me. After graduation, I am looking forward to working with Nick, Patti and all of you here at Peak! For the rest of my undergraduate career, my time does not show much flexibility; I consume my time with multiple activities beyond my studies as I will be working at Peak a couple days a week and fulfill my officer duties in my accounting business fraternity, Beta Alpha Psi. On a personal note, I have recently traveled out west to stand in my sister's wedding! It was a marvelous time for all and I am happy she tied the knot with my new brother-in-law, who is a great guy! I look forward to seeing all of you soon!



Making Memories

Storycorps

Recently at the TD Ameritrade LINC conference in Orlando, we had the pleasure of hearing from David Isay, the President and founder of non-profit Story Corps. Some of you may be familiar with Story Corps from their weekly NPR broadcasts, but I'm guessing many of you, like me, have never heard of the organization before now. The mission and story behind Story Corps is amazing, and there simply is not enough room in this column to give it justice. In short, their mission is to preserve and share humanity's stories. You can interview your friends and family and permanently store them. It is so easy, I've interviewed four family members using my iPhone, including our two boys, Hunter and Jack, ages 8 and 6. Imagine how priceless it would be if you had a copy of your dad interviewing you when you were age 8! You can visit storycorps.org to learn more, and download the storycorps app on your smart phone, and go interview your children, or have them interview you!



Photo back-up solution - Amazon Photos

Do you have thousands of pictures and videos on your iPhone, iPad, and computer, and are running out of space? Not only is running out of space an issue but also having confidence that the back-up service is actually doing its job! We've used them all, and we suggest Amazon photos, which gives you unlimited storage for photos if you are a Prime member. If you would like unlimited video back up, there is an additional fee for that.

Peak Podcast

Listen Up! We have rolled out our podcast - "Finding True Wealth" with Nick Hopwood. You will be able to easily listen to these short podcasts on your computer or mobile device. Most importantly, we promise to make them interesting!



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