

# PICPA Young Leader Awards

Through the Young Leader Awards, the PICPA annually recognizes its members under the age of 40 who demonstrate a commitment to the accounting profession through active PICPA or community volunteer activities. Keep an eye on this group. They are the future of the accounting profession and the PICPA. In addition to climbing the ranks quickly at their organizations, past winners have gone on to serve as chapter presidents, committee chairs, and respected speakers at conferences. Those who were nominated, and eventually chosen, were born on or after Jan. 1, 1980.



## Muthena S. Alsahlani

*Pittsburgh Chapter*

Mo is a lead business analyst with UPMC Health Plan Inc. in Pittsburgh. He is a member of Pittsburgh Chapter's Members in Business and Industry and Cooperation with the Bar committees, as well as the statewide State Taxation Committee.

### What is at the top of your bucket list?

I would like to make a pilgrimage to Mecca, Saudi Arabia. Muslims should try to make the pilgrimage (known as Hajj) at least once in their lifetime. It is a transformational trip for most pilgrims. I look forward to going someday.

Mo enjoys working out, occasionally using a weighted vest for added resistance.



## Kimberly J. Brown

*North Central Chapter*

Kim is an audit manager at Baker Tilly Virchow Krause LLP in Williamsport. She is a member of the North Central Chapter Executive Committee.

### How did you get started on the path to becoming a CPA?

My mother is a CPA, so I guess I was born with the gift.

Kim and her husband, Dean, on vacation in Bermuda.



## Stefania DeMarco

*Greater Philadelphia Chapter*

Stefania is a director at CBIZ Inc. in Plymouth Meeting. She is a member of the Greater Philadelphia Chapter Executive Committee.

### What is at the top of your bucket list?

I want to be a featured TED Talk speaker. I have had great support and mentors in my life, and I want to empower others to keep setting the bar high.

Stefania with her husband, Michael, and daughter Nicolina at Walt Disney World's Magic Kingdom Park.



## Tasha L. K. Anterock

*Northwestern Chapter*

Tasha is an audit senior manager with Arnett Carbis Toothman LLP in New Castle.

### Who is your hero and why?

My father. He always told me that I can have and be whatever I want, as long as I am willing to work hard for it.

Tasha with her husband, Jeff, and sons Christian (top c) and Holden.



## Gerald W. Coveney

*Greater Philadelphia Chapter*

Jerry is a principal with Clifton-LarsonAllen in Plymouth Meeting. He has been a member of the Construction Industry Committee since 2011.

### What is at the top of your bucket list?

My wife and I want to travel the world as soon as we retire. We are both CPAs and have already started planning it.

Jerry with his wife, Sarah, daughter Brynne, and son Colin at Walt Disney World's Magic Kingdom Park.



## Cody S. Domasky

*Southwestern Chapter*

Cody is an audit supervisor with Deluzio & Company LLP in Greensburg. He is a member of the Southwestern Chapter Emerging CPAs and Executive committees.

### What book are you currently reading?

I am reading a book to become certified as a Level 1 CrossFit Trainer. I don't necessarily want to be an actual trainer, but I got really into CrossFit the past two years and find the techniques and training strategies very interesting.

Cody greeted by wife, Jessica, and son Karl at the finish line of the World's Toughest Mudder race in September 2019.



Kristi and son Noah playing Catan.

## Kristi L. Duffy

Reading Chapter

Kristi is a fiscal manager with the County of Berks, headquartered in Reading. She is a member of the Reading Chapter Community Engagement Committee.

### What book are you currently reading?

The Books of Earthsea by Ursula K. Le Guin, the original story of a young, powerful wizard going off to wizarding school.



Cory with wife, Danielle, and son Finnley in The Outer Banks, N.C.

## Cory Eisenhofer

Reading Chapter

Cory is a manager with Herbein + Company Inc. in Reading. He serves as the secretary and treasurer of the Reading Chapter.

### Do you have a hidden or surprising talent?

I am a drummer. That may not come as a surprise to some of my colleagues because I'm constantly drumming or tapping on my desk while I work.



## Justin Erdman

South Central Chapter

Justin is an assurance manager with EY in Philadelphia. He is a member of the South Central Chapter Emerging CPAs/ Member Services Committee.

### What is at the top of your bucket list?

I would like to climb Mount Kilimanjaro, but I am long overdue on taking my wife to the French Riviera, so it's going to have to wait a bit longer.

Justin with wife, Jin, and son Wes at the Pennsylvania Farm Show.



Anna (front) with her "Run Club," which consists of (l to r) sister Amy and friends Dave, Tanya, and fellow PICPA member Nicole Buckman.

## Robert S. Forney Jr.

Greater Philadelphia Chapter

Rob is an internal auditor with WSFS Bank in Philadelphia. He is a member of the Pennsylvania CPA Journal Editorial Board.

### What podcast are you currently enjoying?

The *Team Never Quit* podcast has been a real inspiration to me through my fitness journey, especially during the quarantine. Hosted by retired Navy SEAL Marcus Luttrell, the podcast highlights stories of individuals overcoming adversity.



Rob and wife, Marie, with their rescue puggle Frankie.

## Anna J. Evans

Northeastern Chapter

Anna is a manager of revenue accounting with Penn Foster Inc. in Scranton. She is a member of PICPA's Corporate Finance Cabinet.

### What is at the top of your bucket list?

To travel around the country and eat at little dives and drink at local microbreweries along the way. Those who know me can agree that the way to my heart is through my stomach, and I'll go anywhere for a good meal and drink.



Clayton with his children (l to r) Clayton, Tiffany, and Zander at Antoni Gaudí's Park Güell in Barcelona.

## Clayton E. Gregg IV

Pittsburgh Chapter

Clayton is a partner at McClure & Wolf LLP CPAs in Uniontown. He is a member of PICPA's Government Accounting and Auditing Committee.

### Do you have a hidden or surprising talent?

Other than reciting GASB and FASB? Skateboarding with my children!



## Michael V. Gregory

Erie Chapter

Mike is an associate at Hill Barth & King LLC in Erie. He is a member of the Erie Chapter Executive Committee.

### How did you get started on the path to becoming a CPA?

Becoming a CPA was not part of my original career path. I shifted toward the CPA route after working with Jim Voss and Carl Anderson, two CPAs in Erie. They really got me interested in the career path and the doors that it could open.

Michael and girlfriend, Katy, at Southern Tier Brewery in Lakewood, N.Y.



## Jessica Hildebrand

Northeastern Chapter

Jess is an instructor of accounting at King's College in Wilkes-Barre. She is a member of PICPA Council, as well as the Northeastern Chapter's Executive and Schools and Colleges committees.

### Do you have a hidden or surprising talent?

I speak French.

Jess and boyfriend, Jeremy, at Fenway Park during a tour of ballparks.



## Gary A. Howell

Northeastern Chapter

Gary is a senior manager at Baker Tilly Virchow Krause LLP in Wilkes-Barre. He is a member of the Northeastern Chapter Emerging CPAs and Executive committees.

### Do you have a hidden or surprising talent?

I know how to make wooden furniture.

Gary with his wife, Kristyn (also a PICPA member), at a dinner for The Society of the Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick.



Allison with fiancé, Sal, and their rescue dog Alice.

## Allison Hutz

Greater Philadelphia Chapter

Allison is a senior consultant at CBIZ Valuation Group in Lawrenceville, N.J. She was a member of PICPA's Forensic and Litigation Services Committee. She has also spoken on financial literacy to Girls Scouts and the Philadelphia Youth Network.

### What is at the top of your bucket list?

I would say exploring Iceland. Depending on the travel restrictions, that's where we are supposed to be going on our honeymoon this October!



Justin (r) with his uncle Doug on a fishing trip to North Carolina, where they caught and released this 15-pound amberjack.

## Justin Keech

South Central Chapter

Justin is a financial accountant with Voith in York. He is a member of the South Central Chapter Emerging CPAs/Member Services Committee.

### What book are you currently reading?

*The Stand* by Stephen King. It's about a global pandemic, so I figured now was a good time to read it.



## Joshua M. Kollar

Lehigh Valley Chapter

Josh is a supervisor at Buckno Lisicky & Company in Allentown. He is a member of the Lehigh Valley Chapter Executive Committee.

### Do you have any interesting projects coming up?

During the quarantine, I started to redo the landscaping around our house. I have dug out over 10 stumps and still have many more to go.

Joshua with wife, Natalie, during their engagement photo session, including their puppies Rocky and Siku.



## Kimberly D. Lyons

South Central Chapter

Kim is a principal at Simon Lever in Lititz. She is a member of PICPA's Not-for-Profit Committee.

### Do you have a hidden or surprising talent?

I played in a pool league, and we won the league championship one season. I also recently realized my wish of owning my own pool table at home.

Kimberly with husband, Cory, and daughter Sydney.



## Jessica L. Martin

Reading Chapter

Jess is an audit manager at Armo & Company PC in Reading. She is on the Reading Chapter Small Firm Alliance Committee.

### How did you get started on the path to becoming a CPA?

I was convinced I wanted to be a journalist. I loved writing and thought it was what I was meant to do. Fearing he would be supporting a struggling writer for years to come, my father suggested that I try one accounting class before I settle on a career... the rest is history. I fell in love with debits and credits and never looked back.

Jessica with husband, Keith, and son Gabe as they prepare to run the Dog Days 5-Miler in Long Beach Island, N.J.



## Timothy Martin

*Pittsburgh Chapter*

Tim is an audit senior at Schneider Downs & Co. Inc. in Pittsburgh. He is on the Pittsburgh Chapter Emerging CPAs and Schools and Colleges committees.

### What podcast are you currently enjoying?

My go-to daily podcast is *The Briefing* by Albert Mohler. He provides considerable analysis of current events and insight into how to think about them.

*Tim with his wife, Caitlin, at one of their favorite summer vacation spots, The Outer Banks, N.C.*



## Marissa McElroy

*Pittsburgh Chapter*

Marissa is an internal audit supervisor at Alcoa Corporation in Pittsburgh. She is a member of the Pittsburgh Chapter Women in Accounting Committee.

### What is at the top of your bucket list?

A cross-country tour through Ireland with my husband. We were planning to go for his birthday, but had to postpone our trip. We will make sure we go as soon as we are able to.

*Marissa and husband, Bruce, enjoy a vacation after their wedding in Jamaica.*



## Kayla Reichwein

*Reading Chapter*

Kayla is an associate with RKL in Wyomissing. She was a member of the Reading Chapter Emerging CPAs Committee.

### Where do you see yourself in five to 10 years?

In my personal life, I hope to have all of my indoor and outdoor projects completed in my home so I can have more time to relax with my family. Professionally, I would like to join the board of a nonprofit to use my knowledge to assist the organization and also continue expanding my skills in personal income tax returns.

*Kayla with husband, Matt, and daughter Meredith.*



## James W. Pacansky

*Erie Chapter*

James is chief financial officer for Erie Regional Airport Authority in Erie.

### What book are you currently reading?

My reading has been wholly consumed by the American Association of Airport Executive's Certified Member Body of Knowledge Modules, with the goal of becoming an accredited airport executive. Outside of work-related reading, I enjoy reading about history, primarily the Civil War and World War II.

*James with wife, Michele, and son Colten inside Baltimore's National Aquarium.*



## Shannon Sabourin

*Greater Philadelphia Chapter*

Shannon is a senior accountant with Kreisler Miller in Horsham. She is a member of the Greater Philadelphia Chapter Executive Committee.

### What is at the top of your bucket list?

A trip to Switzerland to take the train ride through the Swiss Alps, preferably with my husband and siblings. If a solo trip was my only option, I would send postcards!

*Shannon and husband, Blake, on vacation in Isla Mujeres, Mexico.*



## Katie Samick

*Southwestern Chapter*

Katie is financial operations manager at Adelphi in Latrobe. She is a member of the Southwestern Chapter Women in Accounting Committee.

### Do you have a hidden or surprising talent?

My hidden talent is photography. It's nice to take a break from the numbers sometimes and do something entirely different. I use my photography skills in my volunteer work. I'm an associate member and photographer for my local fire department. I've been a member there for over 12 years.

*Katie with husband, Mitchell.*



Daniel and nephew Carter on a boating trip.

## Daniel Schellhamer

Reading Chapter

Daniel is a senior tax associate with RKL in Wyomissing. He has been a member of the Reading Chapter Emerging CPAs Committee.

### What podcast are you currently enjoying?

I currently listen to *Stuff You Should Know*. It presents random, well-researched topics in a conversational format.



Kyle with wife, Devon, sons Ellis (l) and Maclin, and daughter Natalie.

## Kyle Somers

North Central Chapter

Kyle is a director of accounting at Weis Markets in Sunbury. He is a member of the North Central Chapter Emerging CPAs Committee.

### Do you have a hidden or surprising talent?

I can suction my upper lip to my nose. The only other person I know that can do this is my cousin Stacey.



Frank with girlfriend Amanda, son Frankie, and daughter Samantha at Frankie's second birthday party.

## Franklin S. Speicher V

Pittsburgh Chapter

Frank is controller at Hy-Tech Engineered Solutions in Pittsburgh. He is a member of the Pittsburgh Chapter Community Involvement and Emerging CPAs committees.

### Do you have any interesting projects coming up?

Recently, I was elected to serve as the treasurer of Young Nonprofit Professionals Network Pittsburgh. I am looking forward to working with fellow board members and helping local nonprofits develop their young leaders.



Bill with wife, Alison, and sons Will (r) and Nate at the summit of Old Rag in Shenandoah.

## William R. Stone Jr.

Greater Philadelphia Chapter

Bill is the director of business administration at Council Rock School District in Newtown. He is a member of PICPA's Government Accounting and Auditing Committee.

### Do you have any interesting projects coming up?

We have been working on plans to reopen schools in the fall. This includes developing an unprecedented model to educate almost 11,000 students and developing financial and safety plans for a very uncertain and evolving environment.



Nicholas and wife, Nicollette, at the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, where Please Live Inc., for whom he serves as treasurer, was recognized for their dedication to the community.

## Nicholas Shearer

South Central Chapter

Nicholas is an audit manager with Hamilton & Musser PC CPAs in Mechanicsburg. He is on PICPA's Government Accounting and Auditing Committee.

### What is at the top of your bucket list?

I have many things I would like to do in my life, but traveling is at the top. I would love to travel with my wife to numerous countries, such as Italy, Germany, and Egypt.



Joe and wife, Angela, after climbing to the top of Mount Fuji during a trip to Japan.

## Joseph M. Sterf

Pittsburgh Chapter

Joe is a controller at Trumbull Corporation in Pittsburgh. He is a member of the Pittsburgh Chapter Executive and Schools and Colleges committees.

### What book are you currently reading?

I just finished reading Robert Iger's memoir, *The Ride of a Lifetime: Lessons Learned from 15 Years as CEO of the Walt Disney Company*. I was pretty amazed at the detail he went into about the inner workings of Disney.



## Moustapha Toure

Greater Philadelphia Chapter

Moustapha is a senior tax accountant with Kreischer Miller in Horsham. He is a member of PICPA's Education Committee.

### How did you get started on the path to becoming a CPA?

Growing up, I wanted to become a CPA to provide financial support for Africa's women business owners, such as my mother.

Moustapha visiting family in Côte d'Ivoire. Clockwise from left are nephew Khalil and nieces Aminata, Adja-Masseny, Madoussou, and Aïssata.



## Kimberly S. Walsh

Erie Chapter

Kimberly is the chief financial officer at Team Hardinger in Erie.

### How did you get started on the path to becoming a CPA?

After working in private accounting for five years, I decided I wanted to pursue my CPA and made the transition into public accounting to do so. I recently transitioned back into the private sector as CFO.

Kimberly with husband, Daniel, and sons Charles (r) and Nolan.



Jamie with husband, Max, and rescue dog Duncan.

## Jamie Ward

South Central Chapter

Jamie is the senior internal auditor at Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency in Harrisburg. She has been a member of the South Central Chapter Emerging CPAs/Member Services Committee since 2014.

### Do you have any interesting projects coming up?

Assuming everything goes well, my next interesting "project" is parenthood.



Tiffany, husband Chuck, and daughter Charlie participating in the Greater Alleghenies Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Light the Night Walk.

## Tiffany S. Wetzel-Sturtz

Central Chapter

Tiffany is a partner at Barnes Saly & Company PC in Johnstown. She is a member of PICPA's Government Accounting and Auditing Committee and the Central Chapter Executive Committee.

### Who is your hero and why?

Morning people. Really, how do you do it?!



## Michael C. Winter

South Central Chapter

Mike is the controller at The York Water Company in York. He is a member of PICPA's Employee Benefit Plans and Professional Ethics committees, and the South Central Chapter Corporate Finance Roundtable.

### Who is your hero and why?

Luca Pacioli, the "Father of Accounting." Could you imagine keeping all those books on parchment with quills and ink?

Michael with wife, Amber, and sons (l to r) Everett, Prescott, and Lachlan at Chick-fil-A's Cow Appreciation Day.



Stephanie (r) with her twin sister, Michelle, and her niece Julia at Build-a-Bear for Julia's first birthday party.

## Stephanie D. Wright

Pittsburgh Chapter

Steph is the director of finance at Virtual OfficeWare Healthcare Solutions in Pittsburgh. She is a member of the Pittsburgh Chapter Women in Accounting Committee.

### Do you have a hidden or surprising talent?

I am a twin, and my sister and I will say the exact same thing at the exact same time all the time. That tends to freak some people out.

## Yiting Yang

Greater Philadelphia Chapter

Yiting is a senior accountant with Summerwood Corporation in Conshohocken. She is a member of the Corporate Finance Cabinet, as well as the Greater Philadelphia Chapter Emerging CPAs, Schools and Colleges, and Women of the PICPA committees.

### What is at the top of your bucket list?

To see all four Grand Slam tennis tournaments in person. As of right now, I've only been to the U.S. Open. I also want to become a 4.5 on the Universal Tennis Rating, a system that tracks a player's skill level.



Yiting at her first national qualifier tennis league with her World TeamTennis squad at United States Tennis Association's national campus in Orlando, Fla.



Senahid combining his two favorite hobbies, travel and golf, in Ireland.

## Senahid Zahirovic

South Central Chapter

Senahid is a director with Boyer & Ritter Certified Public Accountants & Consultants in Camp Hill. He is a member of PICPA's Government Accounting and Auditing Committee.

### What podcast are you currently enjoying?

I am enjoying *Stuff You Should Know* and *Stuff You Missed in History Class*.