

# The Levy Light



## Empty Nesters “Having Trouble Playing this Title Right Now” by Victor S. Levy



Victor Levy

Recently, my wife, Suzanne, and I traveled to Boston, to move our youngest son, Lewis, into his freshman dorm at Boston University. Although we have performed this rite of passage before with Lewis’ older brothers, for some reason this time it felt different.



Our journey began the same way - packing clothes and buying school supplies, loading up the car and making the drive from our home in Cherry Hill to the school, passing the occasional scenic spots like a picturesque lake or a big city. All along, we were quietly anticipating what lies ahead.

When we arrived on the campus, we could feel the excitement. Lewis finally had a chance to meet some of his classmates, and there was a palpable feeling of a fresh, new beginning. Our time was spent getting the car unpacked and setting up his dorm room. Unpacking was tedious, but Suzanne and Lewis figured most of it out. My job was getting the cardboard boxes broken down for recycling.

Sunday came and it was time to say goodbye and “we love you” to Lewis. Saying a goodbye is never easy and this is when everything felt different...not for Lewis, but for us.



Saying Goodbye – Lewis and Suzanne

Lewis is our youngest and is a wonderful, joyful spirit. During the pandemic, we spent a lot of time together with him and we expect he will make great strides in college. After our goodbye hugs, we returned to our car and watched him closely as he walked back to his dorm. Then, we thought about our returning to an empty house. Our first time without kids in the house in 24 years. The feeling was emotional.



Lewis in his dorm

We made our way back to New Jersey arriving officially as “empty nesters”. Like Lewis, we would have to figure out what’s next.

Once we settled in, our first act was to catch up on Netflix. Getting into Netflix without our trusty 18 year old in the house brought a message – “We’re having trouble playing this title right now.” A very appropriate message for this next phase of our lives.



*Quote of the Quarter:*  
“Enjoy the little things in life, for one day you may look back and realize they were the big things.” -Robert Brault

### Special points of interest:

Our travels

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Our lives

#### LEVY VISION STATEMENT

*To let every client know that we have their needs and best interest at heart.*

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### A Little Update by Leon Levy



Leon Levy

Happy spring. I wanted to give you a little update on what's going on in my life.

Quick car update— My 1988 560 SEC just passed 340,000 miles. I added a new antenna and a little adjustment on the power steering. It drives like a brand-new car.

My schedule is four days a week, Monday thru Thursday, working a couple of hours each day, checking emails and working with charities that I support.

Recently, Fran and I went to Palm Beach, Florida for a few days where we relaxed and took in a little sunshine. I am looking forward to May 6<sup>th</sup>, which will be my 87<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Fran and I still enjoy going out at night for dinner and seeing all of the classic shows and orchestra events that come through town.

I want to wish you all a very happy and healthy year.

With Love, Leon



Leon and Fran in Florida



### Most Beautiful Golf Courses by Rex Schilgen



Rex Schilgen

Question: Where is the most beautiful golf course in America?

Answer: Wisconsin

Last summer, I was lucky enough to take a golf trip to Wisconsin and play some of the most stunning and most challenging golf courses in the United States. These included Erin Hills Golf Club, where the US Open was held in 2017, Whistling Straights which has held the PGA Championship in the past and the Ryder Cup this past year, and Blackwolf Run

which has hosted two LPGA US Opens.



Erin Hills Golf Course

This was an incredible trip that my friends and I thoroughly enjoyed. The summer months in Wisconsin have perfect weather and if you are thinking of taking a golf trip anytime soon, I urge you to check it out.



## Peanut Butter and Jelly Revisited by David Levy



David Levy

During the pandemic, in my observation, things have changed. Our office has less people coming in, the city has less traffic, and the wait times for elevators is short.

I used to go out and get lunch and bring it back, however, during these times I've resorted to bringing lunch into the office. I have gone back to my youth staple - PB&J. I have also learned about variations to this classic sandwich. Now there are many kinds of peanut butter—creamy, chunky, natural, low sugar, low sodium just to name a few. Then different brands also have a different taste—Skippy vs. JIF. Personally, my go-to is Skippy Natural Creamy.

I recently discovered new jellies and jams. Although Welch's makes both jelly and jam, with different consistencies and viscosities, it is really the many wonderful flavors that have inspired me beyond grape, raspberry or strawberry such as "apricot raspberry" or blackberry.

And the best part of my recent journey are the bread variations - white, wheat, multigrain, seven grain etc. Lately, my preference is honey wheat.

Finally, how do you make a PB&J sandwich? Let me count the ways—open face, two sides peanut butter with jelly in the middle, or traditional—one on each side. In the end, they're all good.

Getting hungry, gotta go, Bon Appetit!



## Meet Desiree Fusco

After taking twelve years off from the workforce to be a stay-at-home mom, I decided it was time to get back out and do for me. I am now an Administrative Assistant with Levy Wealth Management Group, as well as our "First Impressions Director," greeting clients and answering calls at the front desk. I also work as an executive assistant to our Founder, Leon L. Levy.

Prior to having children, I worked as an Administrative Assistant in both a real estate and law firm. I have also studied Cultural, Science, and Technology at the Community College of Philadelphia.

I was born and raised in South Philadelphia just a few blocks from the stadiums, where I still reside along with my husband, Anthony and our three children—Anthony III (14), Salvatore (13) & Valentina (6). We are die-hard Eagles fans, as well as Phillies & Flyers fans. My two sons' play football, so we spend many of our nights and weekends at their league games. They are in just about every football league in South Philly for their age group.



In the summer, we enjoy going down the shore to Wildwood with family and friends. We also spend a lot of time taking road trips traveling to different baseball stadiums during baseball season.

I really love working with my new Levy team members and making a difference in our client's lives. Hope to meet you soon in the months ahead.



Desiree Fusco

### The NCAA Final Four by Michael Clatterbuck

Over the last twenty years, I have enjoyed March Madness and the NCAA Final Four tournament. My earliest and favorite memories are the times I spent watching the games with my friends, along with my late father, Ron, and my brother, Dan. In the early phases of the tournament, with friends I would travel to Las Vegas where we would watch games and have a grand old time. For the final phases of the tournament, I would travel together with just my father and my brother to the actual city where the final four teams played, remembering fondly trips to Detroit, New Orleans, Atlanta, and Indianapolis.

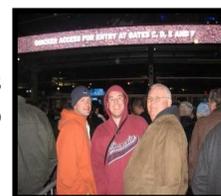


Michael Clatterbuck



Michael's Deck

These days, I have tried to replicate the Vegas experience in my backyard on my deck where I set up multiple TVs and enjoy the games with my sons and some die-hard friends. I tend to go with the Cinderella story teams, so I will be watching closely this year to see how St. Peter's University performs. In the words of head coach Holloway from St. Peter's, "We are not surprised to be in the finals because we believe in ourselves." This type of positive message is what I love about sports and tournament competition in general. Believing in yourself is what it's all about. Enjoy!!



Dan, Michael & Ron in Detroit, 2009

### Meet Michele Tinsman, Senior Operations Associate



Michele Tinsman

I live in Abington with my husband, Bob, and adult daughter, Claire. For many years, I was a stay-at-home mom raising our children and volunteering my time in my community. After taking my oldest son on college tours, I decided it was my turn to do something for me.

So, I went back to college and completed my degree. I graduated from West Chester University in 2013 with a degree in Finance and Economics and started my new career at Vanguard. Most recently, I was the Client Service Management and Event Coordinator for a wealth management firm in Harleysville.

In my free time, I continue to enjoy the activities I started during the pandemic. I learned how to make sourdough bread. I nurture my new sourdough starter like it's the family pet. I feed it and pamper it and use the starter to bake a fresh loaf of sourdough bread each week. I taught myself to quilt from watching videos on the internet. I have made and gifted so many quilts for family and friends, too numerous to count. Also, I have streamed many, many movies and have even occasionally ventured back into a movie theater.

For now, I'm enjoying my new pandemic activities but I'm also looking forward to expanding my horizons as the world continues to reopen. Next item on my bucket list is a family trip to Ireland. We hope to get there very soon!

#### LEVY CORE VALUES

##### We believe:

- Clients Matter Most
- Teamwork is Essential
- Ongoing Knowledge Drives Success
- In Proactive Actions
- In Responding Urgently
- Accuracy is Critical

#### Upcoming Birthdays:

**Joe April 23rd**

**Leon May 6th**

**Victor June 3rd**

#### Upcoming Events:

**Jason is going to the NAPA 401k Summit**

**LWVG Roundtable Lunch and Learn Series**

**Team Meeting/Outing in the summer**