



# The Levy Light



*Quote of the Quarter:*  
*"The meaning of life is to find your gift. The purpose of life is to give it away"*  
*- William Shakespeare*

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## LEVY VISION STATEMENT

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

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## The Bear Hits Home by Victor Levy



Victor Levy

My wife and I discovered "The Bear" recently on HULU. We were intrigued by its acclaim, having garnered several Golden Globes recently, which led us to watch it.

The action of the series revolves around a young chef, Carmen "Carmy" Berzatto, who inherits his family's Italian beef sandwich shop after the tragic loss of his older brother, Mikey, who we learn about in flashbacks. Carmy, who is a world class chef, leaves behind his job in a Michelin-starred restaurant, to return to Chicago to take the helm of the family business.



What is captivating about "The Bear" is its intimate portrayal of life behind the scenes in the restaurant's kitchen. The pace is fast, the characters are intense, and it is often quite humorous. We witness each character navigating personal ambitions and confronting demons from the past, all while striving to improve the food and operations of the restaurant.

In one poignant moment from Season 2, amidst the transformation of the family sandwich business into a five-star restaurant, the phrase "Every Second Counts" catches our attention. This motto, prominently displayed in a prestigious kitchen, serves as a reminder of the importance of efficiency and precision in delivering exceptional service. However, it also carries a deeper message about the value of time and the opportunity to create meaningful experiences for others.

As I reflected on this motto in the context of our own work at our firm, I couldn't help but draw parallels. Like a high-performing kitchen crew, our Levy team strives for efficiency and accuracy as we seek to create outstanding experiences for our clients. While our roles may vary, our collective dedication to excellence enables us to serve others with joy, love, and a sense of community. "Every Second Counts" resonated deeply with me and works well with our informal company motto, "We Show We Care."

I recommend this series – it's a good one.



### Bonding by Michael Clatterbuck

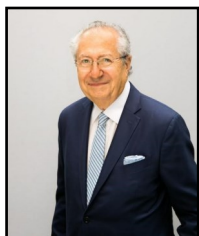


Michael Clatterbuck

With Jacob home for spring break and Mason making a special trip home to visit his brother, the stage was set for an afternoon of bonding on the golf course. The day was beautiful, the course was coming to life after a long winter, and competition was in the air. For the boys, returning from their bustling campuses at Penn State University and West Chester University, the golf course offered a welcome respite from the rigors of their college coursework. As for me, watching them interact and have fun together filled me with a profound sense of pride and joy. The boys are becoming young men, each carving their own path in the world yet forever rooted in their love of family..... and trash talking! Dad 1 – Boys 0.



### Update by Leon L. Levy



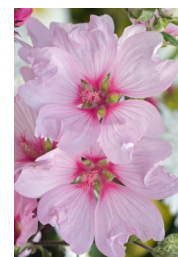
Leon L. Levy

Hi Friends, First, I must apologize to my assistant, Desiree Fusco - I was the last person to give her my article for this publication. Let me give you some more insight into Desiree. She is a very dependable mother of 3 well-educated children who lives close to center city Philadelphia. She came onboard when we started my "subdued" retirement, as well as to meet and greet folks who visit the office. Well, we got more than we asked for, she takes care of all our reception as well as messages, and not once have I heard a negative comment or complaint. By the way, this publication of the "Levy Light" is part of the hard work she does every quarter. One more thing before I close off on this wonderful highlight, she also makes sure that I eat lunch every day, as well as giving me a choice of soup options daily. Folks, I've got the best of the best. A big thank you!



Desiree & Leon

So, for those who know about my 1988 Benz, well, I'm driving it every day after a good rebuild and with over 345,000 miles on the odometer it still looks showroom new. A big, however, is that I am going back at least monthly to dealers and mechanics for "fixes". Now, this is a great exercise in patience. Whenever anyone wants a ride or a first-hand inspection, just call me on my cell 215-740-8710. My pleasure.



Ciao for now—  
-Leon



**Leon Fun Fact:** Leon comes into the office almost every day in what he calls his "uniform" which consists of a sports coat, button down shirt, and dress slacks, with well-shined dress shoes. When asked why he gets dressed up like this each day, he says, "It is important to not look like a 'schlepper.' I think better when I dress this way."



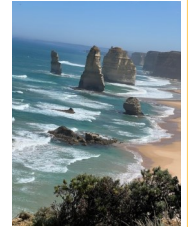


### Australia by Vicky Freece



Vicky Freece

My husband and I had travelled to Australia once before, but wanted to re-visit some of the areas that we had rushed through and decided to go back this year. It was an incredible experience.



Limestone Stack off the shore on Great Ocean Road, Australia.

We started our journey landing in Melbourne, but rented a car and drove almost 3 hours to a lovely villa on the beach along Great Ocean Road in Apollo Bay. The car ride itself was an amazing adventure as we travelled through mountainous regions on single lane winding roads with frequent twists and turns, many with blind corners, and of course keeping to the left hand side! The views were spectacular. The wildlife was amazing. I did not want to leave!

We then flew to Tasmania, which although part of Australia technically, feels like a different country. The climate and landscape are very different. There is a lot of dolerite rock that formed millions of years ago that helps give it a Jurassic look and feel. We explored some of this by boat and took some good photos, but they just cannot capture the “awe” of it. I also shouldn’t forget to mention the infamous Tasmanian Devils, which look nothing like the Bugs bunny cartoon character!

Our trip was fantastic, but like all good things, it had to come to an end. I hope you enjoy these photos of some of earth’s beauty!

Some of Australia’s  
unique animals.



### Experiences by Michele Tinsman



Michele Tinsman

I struggle to buy gifts for my husband. We have too many “things” already so if I’m buying a gift for him, I will look for an “experience” gift rather than a “physical” gift. This is why we went to see HADESTOWN a few weeks ago in NYC. I gave my husband tickets for the show for Christmas.



HADESTOWN is a contemporary concurrent retelling of two Greek-myths: Orpheus and Eurydice, and Hades and Persephone, with Hermes as the narrator of the two tales. The first part of the show is set in a jazz club with the musicians integrated into the set design. The second act of the show is set in the underworld. My husband is a fan of Ani DiFranco and she recently joined the cast as Persephone. I was impressed with Ani DiFranco’s performance along with the rest of the cast. She’s not a Broadway actor but a singer-songwriter; nevertheless, her performance was quite good.



If you are a fan of Broadway musicals, I recommend making the time to see HADESTOWN even if you already know how the Orpheus and Eurydice myth ends. Ultimately, the message of the show is hopeful and uplifting despite its tragic roots. To quote Hermes “He saw how the world COULD BE, in spite of the way that it was.”



### Busy Winter by Jason Lawrence



Jason Lawrence

The Lawrence family has had a busy winter with kids activities. Bree (9) and Ash (7) kept us on our toes with successful cheerleading, basketball, and swim seasons. They both also take dance classes and are active with the Girl Scouts. We can't wait for warmer weather!

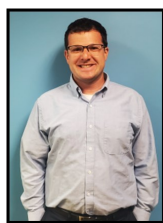
Bree & Ash  
Ice Skating



Bree & Ash  
Cheerleading



### Ski Season by Wesley Wasserman



Wesley Wasserman

Ski season in the northeast has not been going the way most skiers would have hoped. The season across the northeast consists of low snowfall, warm temperatures and lots of rain. Warm ski seasons are a struggle for skiers who try to plan a few trips a year. The weather cuts the season weeks short, and can make for exceptionally crowded slopes and bad conditions.

This year's mission: Escape-the-East brought us to the town of Frisco, CO.

Leaving behind the clouds and rain of Philadelphia, we landed in warm, sunny Denver just before embarking on a treacherous drive through the Eisenhower tunnel, the highest point on the USA interstate system, through blizzard conditions. We enjoyed Colorado's finest— fresh snow every day of the week.

There is also something so magical about circling over our very own Philadelphia (and her 'burbs) on returning home with the very first signs of Spring— a little patch of grass here and there—far more appreciated by the Montanans sitting beside us on the plane.

Wesley & Brigid



#### LEVY CORE VALUES

We the staff of Levy Organization 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



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