



September 2017

From the ACG Denver President

ACG Denver Community:

I began my two-year term as President of ACG Denver on September 1. And now that my feet are a bit wet, I thought it would be good to update you on what your Board of Directors has been doing and our plans for the coming year.

First, I want to thank Mike Hartman, who resigned as Chapter President in July to join Governor Hickenlooper's cabinet as Executive Director for the Department of Revenue. And, I want to thank Liza Olson, who served so ably as our interim President between Mike's departure and the start of our new fiscal year on September 1. As many of you know, Liza is expecting the birth of her first child later this month, so we are especially grateful for the great work she did during this transition despite the competing demands of work and family.

Also, five new members joined our Board on September 1. They are:

- Dan Bruder of Fusion Dynamics
- Michelle Carr of Hein & Associates
- Tony Giordano of BKD Corporate Finance
- David Harper of ICC Wireless
- Chris Lueth of KeyBank

In addition, four other directors rolled-off the Board this year — Greg Anderson of Anderson Vance, Ward Cerny of Bernstein Alliance, Sue Fuqua of Mile High Networks, and Norm Thiele of CFO Advisory Group. We want to thank them for all their outstanding contributions to the growth and evolution of our chapter.

I would like to share with you my vision for what ACG Denver should become, and the role that we should play in Colorado's business community.

I believe that our chapter should be a diverse community of business leaders united around a common goal—supporting and encouraging the growth and success of Colorado's middle market businesses. As you all know, the middle market is key to growth and job creation in the US economy, and it is even more important to us here in Colorado.

As we build our community, we will expand and strengthen the network of relationships among business owners and executives, capital providers and lenders, investment banks and advisors. As a result, members of our community can quickly find the best resources to solve a business problem, raise growth capital, make an acquisition, find investors and

Upcoming Events

September 28, 2017

Rising Stars in M&A Annual Networking Event

October 3, 2017

October Membership Luncheon:
Creating Growth in a Mature Market

October 17, 2017

Leadership 20 Alumni Reunion

October 18, 2017

October CES Breakfast: Closing the Talent Gap ... and Keeping it Closed

November 8, 2017

2017 Dealmaker's Forum

Save the Dates!

December 5, 2017

December Membership Luncheon

January 3, 2018

January Membership Luncheon: Annual Economic Outlook

January 16, 2018

Top of the Town Annual M&A Networking Event

January 31, 2018

January CES Breakfast

March 5-6 2018

Rocky Mountain Corporate Growth Conference

Welcome to New Members

Kirk Adams

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Stephen Danizio

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strengthen their organization and leadership team. If we make it easier for our middle market businesses to grow and succeed, our whole state will benefit.

We have several initiatives under way to realize this vision—I will be telling you more about them in the coming months. To summarize:

- We will consistently deliver high quality programs to attract middle-market business leaders and decision makers and create an environment in which they can build strong connections within our community.
- We will reach out to individuals and firms that are not currently part of our community and invite them to attend our events and to join our chapter. We launched this effort by asking our Board members to identify business leaders in their networks who they would like bring into ACG Denver.
- We are proactively developing collaborative relationships with other business organizations in Colorado so that we can work together to promote corporate growth.
- We will build stronger relationships with our sponsors to make sure that we consistently deliver great value for their generous financial support.
- We are launching a new social media program to strengthen our members' ties to ACG and to one another.

I want to thank the Board for asking me to serve as chapter President. I am humbled by the faith and trust you have shown in me, and I am excited by the opportunity to build on the accomplishments of our previous leaders and continue the growth and success of our chapter.

David N. Roberts President, ACG Denver

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