

people on the move



Basiliere

Lee Bank has announced the promotion of two key customer-facing employees within the company to support its continued growth in 2019. **Gina Basiliere** has been named to the position of branch supervisor of the bank's North Street office in Pittsfield, and **Haley Burke** has been

named to the position of mortgage originator in the bank's main office on Park Street in Lee. Basiliere has been employed at Lee Bank for more than 20 years and has worked in both the loan department and branch network. As branch supervisor, she will oversee the sales and service efforts of the branch team. Basiliere is active in the Pittsfield community where she participates in a number of initiatives, including the Link to Libraries program at Silvio O. Conte Community School. Burke joined Lee Bank seven years ago and has been an integral part of the deposit and loan operations area while also working towards becoming a mortgage originator. With a total of 10 years banking experience, she has developed borrower and local Realtor relationships that complement her new role and responsibilities. Burke is also a member of Lee Bank's Millennial Advisory Panel.



Burke

Berkshire Community College (BCC) has appointed **Melissa Loiodice** as director of human resources. Since last fall, Loiodice has served as special assistant to the president at BCC, focusing on Title IX and Affirmative Action. Prior to that, she held the positions of principal attorney at Loiodice Law, associate attorney with SKM Title & Closing Services PC, director of operations with Pittsfield Community Connection, and associate counsel with Antonino & DiMare Law Office. She also served as a panel attorney at the UMass Amherst Student Legal Services Office. In her new position at BCC, Loiodice replaces **Deborah Cote**, vice president of human resources, who retired in February.



Loiodice



Schmid

Lindsey Schmid has been promoted to the position of vice president of tourism and marketing at 1Berkshire, the regional economic development and advocacy organization. Schmid, who previously served as 1Berkshire's director of marketing, has worked with the organization for over eight years and is also the regional tourism council director. Prior to joining 1Berkshire in 2010, Schmid lived in Denver, where she got her MBA from University of Denver and worked as marketing manager for SCS Interactive. Before that, she lived in Washington, D.C., where she worked for The National Council of La Raza, as well as Teatro and Osteria Goldoni restaurants, handling public relations and marketing.

Berkshire Money Management has welcomed **Jamie Smith** to its team as client success coordinator. In this role she is first point of contact for all visitors and callers to the Dalton-based firm. She will also be responsible for all accounting operations, client onboarding, scheduling, and other client service needs. Prior to joining Berkshire Money Management, Smith was an executive assistant at Atlas Private Wealth Management in North Adams for nearly six years. She is the firm's seventh hire in the last two years.



Smith

Southwestern Vermont Medical Center (SVMC) has announced that Nurse Practitioner **Stefanie McGowan, RN, AG-ACNP**, has joined Dartmouth-Hitchcock Putnam Medical Group and SVMC Urology, based in the Medical Office Building in Bennington. Since 2013, McGowan has worked as a nurse practitioner at the Shock Trauma Center, part of the University of Maryland Medical Center. Before that, she was a clinical nurse in the Comprehensive Solid Organ Transplant Unit at New York Presbyterian-Columbia University Medical Center. She is a member of the American Association of Critical Care Nursing.



McGowan



Becker

Chris Becker has been promoted to branch manager for the Great Barrington office of NBT Bank. He previously served as assistant branch manager. Becker has over 25 years of experience in the financial services industry. Prior to joining NBT Bank in 2017, he was manager and producer for Becker and Associates. Becker also worked for other financial services firms in the Massachusetts area.

Gaye Weinberger, director of HR Services at Organization Ink, has completed her certification as Senior Certified Professional (SCP) from the Society of Human Resource Management, which provides a global standard in certification for the HR profession. In her position at Organization Ink, Weinberger supports employee relations/development, compliance, and a full range of HR programs with the firm's accounts.

The Rotary Club of Pittsfield has announced that **Gwendolyn Davis** is the 37th recipient of the Donald G. Butler Award. Established in 1983, the award is presented annually to the Rotarian who best represents those ideals of service to Rotary and the community, which were exemplified by Butler in his lifetime. Butler was a three-term mayor of the City of Pittsfield, served on the City Council for 18 years, and was an officer with the then City Savings Bank. Davis has been a Pittsfield Rotarian since 1997 and prior to being in the Pittsfield club was a Rotarian in New Hampshire for three years. She is a Rotary International Paul Harris Fellow, which recognizes global support to those in need. She is the club's Rotary International Representative and runs its annual Rotary International Foundation Drive. She has been on both the club's and foundation's board of directors, and next year will be the foundation's president. Davis received the honor at the club's luncheon meeting on March 28 and a reception followed that evening at Otto's Kitchen in Pittsfield.

Berkshire County Arc has announced the promotion of **Sonja Stewart** to director of family support and advocacy, and the hiring of **David Singer** as director of marketing and communications. Both will join the agency's administration team. In her new position, Stewart will continue to oversee case management in the Adult Family Care program. She will direct the operations of BCARC's Family Support Center, providing services that support children and adults with disabilities living in the community with their families. She will also coordinate Berkshire County Arc's respite services. Prior to this promotion, Stewart served as BCARC's family support manager, where she oversaw the case managers and family advocates. In a newly redesigned and expanded position, Singer will drive the agency's communications, marketing and development strategies. He joins BCARC after serving as director of communications and marketing for Albany Law School, in Albany, N.Y. His career has included a wide range of positions in journalism and public relations in Massachusetts and New York. He has written for a variety of publications, and currently reviews live music for the *Daily Gazette* in Schenectady, N.Y.



Stewart



Singer

Adams Community Bank has announced the following promotions: **Emma Tower** to assistant vice president and mortgage underwriter; **Melissa Tremblay** to senior credit analyst officer; **Jeremy Patterson** to network and systems officer; **Elizabeth Trudeau** to senior loan processor, and **Casey Storbeck** to loan servicer. Tower started with Adams Co-Operative Bank in 2006 as a teller and in 2010 moved to the lending area, rising through the ranks to her new position as assistant vice president. Tremblay began her career with the bank in 2012 as a senior credit analyst. Patterson began his career with the bank in 2017 as system administrator. Trudeau started with South Adams Savings Bank in 2002 as a teller and in 2003 moved to retail lending. Storbeck began her career at Adams Community Bank as a teller in 2017.



Roche

April Roche has been promoted to director of student services at Hillcrest Educational Centers (HEC). Roche previously served as HEC's director of clinical services since 2010. In her new role, she will assume oversight of the clinical, educational and nursing departments, with a focus on enhancing and streamlining the delivery of services to students. Roche has been a member of HEC's staff since she began her career as a clinician in 1998.

Big Y Foods Inc. has announced the following changes to its senior leadership team. **Donald D'Amour**, current chairman and CEO, will transition out of his day-to-day responsibilities as CEO and will continue to serve as an advisor to the board in his new role as chairman emeritus. He was appointed to CEO in 1980 and in 1997 succeeded his father and co-founder, Paul D'Amour, as chairman of the board. **Charles D'Amour**, son of co-founder Gerald D'Amour, has been appointed CEO where he will be responsible for helping to drive the overall strategic direction of Big Y along with the company's vision and mission. He will also continue as president, a position he has held since 2006. **Michael D'Amour**, grandson of co-founder Paul D'Amour and son of Donald D'Amour, has added the role of chief operating officer to the position of executive vice president he has held since 2014. He will be responsible for all operating aspects of the company including sales, operations, distribution and supply chain. **Guy McFarlane**, Big Y's vice president of fresh foods since 2011, has been promoted to senior vice president of sales and marketing where he will oversee sales and procurement, pricing, marketing and data analytics. **Richard Bossie**, Big Y's vice president of operations since 2016, has been promoted to the new position of senior vice president of operations and customer experience. Within this expanded role, Bossie will oversee all operational aspects of the company that impact the customer experience. **Nicole D'Amour Schneider**, granddaughter of co-founder Paul D'Amour and daughter of Donald D'Amour, has been appointed to the new position of vice president of supermarket operations with specific focus on the daily operations of the supermarket division. She previously served as Big Y's senior director of store operations.

Charlene Fitzgerald has joined Salisbury Bank and Trust Company as vice president, customer support and electronic services manager. Fitzgerald has 40 years of experience in banking, including roles as branch manager, customer service manager, and most recently as vice president and call center manager at Farmington Bank.



Fitzgerald

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