Andy Betourne has spent the past seven years in Portland at Precision Castparts, a world leading metals manufacturer of aerospace and industrial products. He is currently an engineering program manager with responsibilities for part profitability improvements, new product introduction, and customer and vendor relations. His previous roles in operations management included leadership responsibility for all metal-finishing operations. Before coming to Portland, Betourne spent two years in Precision Castparts’ management development program. He graduated from the University of Illinois with a bachelor’s degree in aerospace engineering.

Tina Bliss is a mechanical engineer who manages a team of 33 manufacturing engineers and technical employees for The Boeing Company. Bliss started her professional career as a general aviation aircraft mechanic and then worked fabrication and maintenance at a blimp manufacturer before returning to school to pursue an engineering degree. Bliss has been with Boeing since 2010.

Scott Boone is a results-focused technology leader with 18 years of experience leading global, mission-critical, enterprise-level teams, programs, and projects in the achievement of strategic objectives. He is passionate about building top-performing, empowered technical teams. Boone earned an undergraduate degree from George Fox University in management and organizational leadership. Additionally, he holds many certifications, including PMP, CSEP, CSM, SAFe, ITIL, and Prosci. He is currently working at Nike as a project leader and agile practitioner in the enterprise architecture organization.

Brandi Brunk is the senior operations manager for Coyote Logistics, a third-party provider in the truckload brokerage space. As a wholly owned subsidiary of UPS, Coyote operates throughout Canada and Mexico and most recently expanded into Europe. With nearly six years in transportation, Brunk’s experience is varied across the organization from sales strategy to employee engagement and culture development. After stints at the UPS Freight headquarters in Richmond, Virginia, and in Coyote’s Chicago-based headquarters, she relocated to Oregon in late 2017 to develop and expand the company’s Wilsonville office. She holds a bachelor’s degree in finance from the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Anvi Bui is the chief platform architect in Cisco’s digital experience and analytics organization. She designs, integrates, and implements world-class omnichannel platform ecosystems at Cisco for customers, partners, and sellers—leveraging the power of data science, machine learning, and artificial intelligence. As a marketing thought leader, Bui applies her background as an award-winning solutions strategist. Bringing a wealth of technical knowledge and business best practices throughout Silicon Valley’s biggest tech giants, she is responsible for helping companies surpass sales and marketing goals to drive billions of dollars in opportunities, bookings, and revenue.

Andy Cameron is a management analyst with Washington County Parks. In this role, he oversees several business lines, including budgeting, branding, and technological services. Prior to coming to Washington County Parks, Cameron spent three years working as a business data analyst for the county’s facilities division. During that time, he focused on software implementation, process improvement, and business planning. Before working at Washington County, Cameron spent over a decade in biomedical research. His primary area of focus was the genetic contribution to drug and alcohol addiction. Cameron holds a BS from Western Oregon University and a certificate in project management from Portland State University.
Steph Carlson is the executive director for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society’s (LLS) Oregon, Southwest Washington, Idaho and Montana chapter. She was initially a volunteer for the organization, raising money through the Team In Training program. Prior to joining LLS, Carlson spent the majority of her career at Ecolab, Inc. During her eight years with Ecolab, she held a variety of sales and marketing roles, including product line manager. A promotion into a distributor sales position is what brought Carlson from St. Paul, Minnesota, to Portland, Oregon, almost 10 years ago.

Chelsea Christopherson serves as president and chief operating officer and sits on the board of directors of GEX Management, a publicly traded business management and professional services company where she oversees daily operations, reviews financials, negotiates contracts, and guides comprehensive strategic planning and implementation. In addition to her current role, Chelsea founded and guides ReNew, a non-profit organization dedicated to restoring confidence, strength, and self-worth to women. She is also a regular contributor to Forbes. She is also currently one of the youngest female officers and directors of a publicly traded company.

Joel Coplen is a product marketing manager at Lattice Semiconductor, a fabless semiconductor company focused on low-power, field-programmable gate arrays. He oversees the roadmap planning process for all new products and has led cross-functional teams in the definition of multiple new product families for the company. Coplen’s role includes competitive analysis, go-to-market planning, and portfolio positioning for these products. He previously worked as an applications engineer supporting large manufacturers in the consumer electronics and telecommunications industries. Prior to joining Lattice, Coplen worked in the automotive industry as a technical specialist for NEC Electronics and then Melexis, supporting sales opportunities at tier 1 electronics suppliers. Coplen holds a bachelor’s degree in electrical engineering from the University of Michigan.

Heidi DeWitt manages a $60 million budget to drive brand loyalty, print relevance, and promotional engagement. She is the lead supply category manager for three of HP Americas’ largest channel partners. Prior to working at HP in Washington State, DeWitt lived and worked in Toronto, Canada, where she managed the toner business at HP. She earned her bachelor’s degree in business administration at Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo, Canada.

Michelle Dziewiontkoski has experience in leading teams, change management, and the management of projects and programs.

Madeline Eastman has a background in design and digital marketing in the outdoor industry. She currently manages Dakine’s B2C business and digital marketing initiatives in Hood River, Oregon.
Mark Enker is originally from New York and ventured out to the West Coast to explore the innovative health-tech space. He finished his graduate medical training at Vanderbilt University in anesthesiology and critical care medicine. His clinical work has encompassed comprehensive anesthesia and critical care medicine work at various community hospitals and tertiary referral care centers. These clinical experiences have led to clinical and consulting opportunities in telemedicine. As Enker’s entrepreneurial spirit has grown, he has become a cofounder in a health-tech startup company that looks to effect change in the healthcare delivery model along with chronic illness management.

Sebastian Estades is currently the healthcare sales executive at Nutanix responsible for business in the Pacific Northwest. Estades has held various positions within both Citrix and Nutanix. With more than six years of professional experience in the information technology industry, he is currently focusing his attention to the sales side of the business. His goal is to learn all facets that go into running a company, and in doing so become qualified to take over and manage the daily operations of a business. Estades holds a bachelor’s degree from the University of Florida.

Brenda Fogelman oversees the contracting, pricing, administration, business development, and operations functions for Korn Ferry’s custom leadership-development practice. She brings expertise in scoping custom large-scale leadership development solutions. She has nearly 20 years of experience in operations with various startups, as well as expertise in leading people and building a corporate infrastructure. This enabled her to help Pivot Leadership become one of the fastest-growing boutique leadership-consulting firms in the world. Korn Ferry acquired Pivot in 2015. Prior to Pivot, Fogelman led a team of specialized consultants in providing accounting, human resources, and operations support to startup ventures in the technology industry.

Zach Fogg is the director of operations at Marquis Companies, a long-term care provider with facilities that offer post-acute rehab, assisted living, and memory care. He oversees the operations of eight facilities and is responsible for ensuring a positive staff culture, quality resident care and outcomes, strong census, and optimal financial viability. Managing the financial viability includes focusing on profit and loss, accounts receivable, occupancy, and market share capture. Fogg also manages workforce development, risk management and strategic plan execution. Fogg earned his business management degree from Loyola Marymount University.

Jennifer Fritz is a senior global product manager at Blount International, a global manufacturer and marketer of products for the forestry, lawn, and garden; farm, ranch, and agriculture; and construction markets. She oversees Blount’s $280 million saw chain product portfolio. In her role, Fritz leads product development projects and various strategic initiatives with international reach. Prior to Blount, Fritz led the marketing department of a small consumer products company with a concentration on private label programs in grocery, drug, and mass merchant retailers. Fritz received her bachelor’s degree in business from Portland State University.

Kerry Gillock has an extensive background in retail leadership with as many as 200+ employees within his organization. In the last year, he has transitioned to Verizon’s business channel where he is responsible for maintaining more than 600 small-to-medium business accounts, as well as growing his customer base and prospecting for new accounts. Prior to and while working for Verizon, Gillock spent 12 years in the U.S. Army in the Civil Affairs Corps. This job took him all over the world in support of training and humanitarian missions, as well as combat operations in Iraq and Africa. Gillock holds a bachelor’s degree in business administration with a minor in human resource management from Warner Pacific University.
TOBIN GUTHRIE
DIRECTOR OF GLOBAL RESOURCING AND STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS
Quantum Spatial, Inc.

Tobin Guthrie is currently the director of global operations and strategic partnerships at Quantum Spatial, North America’s largest geospatial data solutions provider. He provides oversight and general management of all international operations and strategic partnerships across multiple lines of business. Guthrie leads the development, implementation, and execution of the global delivery strategy, including launch and rapid growth of an Asian subsidiary. With a deep background in operations and analytics, as well as project and program management, he brings strategic innovation through creative collaboration. Prior to joining Quantum Spatial, he founded a successful photography business, led global analytics teams at an engineering firm, and worked with at-risk teens. Guthrie received his bachelor’s degree in psychology from Colorado College.

MINDY HELMER
GLOBAL BRAND MANAGER, YOUNG ATHLETES
Nike, Inc.

Mindy Helmer is currently the global brand manager for Nike’s young athletes category. In this role she is responsible for leading a cross-functional team to bring to life the seasonal marketing strategies for the third largest category at Nike. She has been at Nike since 2010 and has held roles in various areas of the business, including global digital commerce, women’s, and training. Helmer earned her bachelor’s degree from Portland State University with a major in graphic design and a minor in art history.

LINDSAY HERZOG
CONSULTANT
Sales and Marketing

Lindsay Herzog is a commercial leader in the biotechnology industry with experience in sales, marketing, technical support, and research and development. Most recently, she led sales and marketing teams at Bio-Rad Laboratories, a life science and diagnostics manufacturing company. With responsibility for $50 million in sales revenue and $100 million in marketing revenue, her most notable achievement was facilitating cohesion between marketing and sales organizations by creating a lead development team. Having recently returned to Portland after 18 years in the San Francisco Bay Area, Herzog is enjoying a hiatus, traveling, and spending time with her niece and nephew.

KEVIN HOLMQUIST
VICE PRESIDENT, COMMERCIAL RELATIONSHIP MANAGER
Columbia Bank

Kevin Holmquist is a vice president, commercial relationship manager at Columbia Bank in Portland, Oregon. Holmquist is responsible for working with business owners to advise, enhance, and manage their customer relationships and to solicit new top-quartile commercial banking clients. Holmquist is a financial services leader with a range of experiences with sales, financial analysis, negotiation, processes improvement, training, and bank operations. Prior to joining Columbia Bank, he worked in similar capacities in Los Angeles, California. Holmquist earned a bachelor’s degree in Spanish and political science with a minor in Business Administration from the University of Oregon. Go Ducks!

DON HOUGHTON
DIRECTOR, CONTACT CENTER AND ONLINE OPERATIONS
Stericycle, Inc.

Don Houghton has served as the director of operations for Academic Network (AN), a division of Stericycle, Inc., for the past 14 years. AN specializes in providing global call center and online clinical trial recruitment and retention and safety services to the pharmaceutical industry. Prior to joining Stericycle via acquisition in 2008, Houghton worked in various operations and finance capacities for small- and medium-sized Northwest-based business-to-business service and real estate management companies.

RYAN JANAC
DISTRIBUTION CENTER MANAGER
Johnstone Supply

Ryan Janac is a distribution center manager at Johnstone Supply, a heating and cooling wholesale distributor. Janac manages $14 million in inventory across 30,000 items leveraging data analytics and a warehouse management system. He actively works with the corporate office to establish best practices and process improvement that are rolled out nationally. He is currently a core team member for Johnstone’s warehouse management system upgrade. Janac holds a bachelor’s of science in business administration, supply and logistics management.
JESSIE JANOTA  
DIRECTOR, EPIC INSTALLATION AND SUPPORT  
OCHIN

Currently serving as senior director of Epic Operations, Jessica Janota has been with OCHIN, the nonprofit health care IT company based in Portland, Oregon, for eight years. She got her start in the industry being recruited directly by Epic Systems Corporation after completing her MS from Purdue University in forestry and natural resources. She earned her BS in environmental science from Loyola University Chicago. Janota embraces the important role of health care and technology in our society and continues to serve the mission of OCHIN through the support her teams provide to the OCHIN member collaborative.

TRACY KATIGBAK  
CORPORATE PARTNERSHIP SALES MANAGER  
Portland Trail Blazers

Tracy Katigbak has a background in sports and entertainment from professional NBA franchise the Portland Trail Blazers. She has held multiple business development roles throughout her career with the Blazers. In her current role as premium sales manager, she’s responsible for generating new business revenue by selling premium seating assets—including courtside seating, club level seating, and luxury suites at the Moda Center—and managing a multimillion dollar book of business. Katigbak earned her bachelor’s degree from the University of Oregon and was a triple major.

MELISSA KIRKUP  
PRODUCT MANAGER, INTRAOPERATIVE NEUROPHYSIOLOGY  
Cadwell Industries Inc

Melissa Kirkup is the product manager for intraoperative neurophysiological monitoring at Cadwell Industries, Inc., a medical device manufacturer specializing in neurodiagnostics systems and software. Kirkup’s core competencies include clinical, technical, sales, and marketing for neurodiagnostics and related medical specialties. In her current role, she manages a wide range of upstream and downstream product development responsibilities. Kirkup earned a bachelor’s degree from the University of Pittsburgh and a doctoral degree from the University of Texas at Dallas. Her goal is to achieve new skills that will bring even greater value to Cadwell in key areas of analysis, problem-solving, and leadership.

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MARILYN KUN  
DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR  
National Animal Interest Alliance

An advocate of animal welfare, education, health care, and the arts, Marilyn Kun has built a career serving nonprofits. At the National Animal Interest Alliance, she oversees strategic fundraising and marketing to strengthen public policy and expand resources. Previously, she led a capital campaign at Portland Opportunities Industrialization Center • Rosemary Anderson High School, developed partnerships at Quest Center to provide care for people living with HIV/AIDS and members of the LGBTQ community, and raised support at Portland Opera. A graduate of Purdue University, Kun began her career as a writer at the University of Chicago Booth School of Business.

MARIA LANGBAUER  
ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNER  
SWCA, Inc.

Langbauer is an environmental planner with SWCA, Inc. Her experience includes environmental review analysis, community planning, and project management. Concurrently, she is developing a planning project in Ouro Preto, Brazil, as a cooperation between local and international organizations using a sustainability framework based on the LEED system. Previously, she worked for several San Francisco Bay Area governments, including the cities of Hayward, Belmont, San Jose, and Gilroy, as well as various nonprofit organizations. She holds a master’s degree in urban planning from San Jose State University that she earned after beginning her career working throughout Latin America on tourism development projects.

ANDREA LEGARE  
FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT  
H Management Consulting

Andrea LeGare is a seasoned, results-driven leader with experience across tech, manufacturing, travel, higher education, software, healthcare, and automotive industries. She spent 18 years at Intel Corporation spearheading innovative new ventures and working with all levels of the company’s leadership. Currently, she runs a management consulting firm establishing deep strategic client relationships serving corporate leadership and strategic planning of East and West Coast higher education institutions, marketing and rebranding of a $500 million semiconductor company in the San Francisco Bay Area, leadership development and coaching for a startup full-service media firm, search optimization and web development for small businesses, and much more.
Sarah Macrorie oversees operations and program management for media and web-based production at Trifoia, which creates custom learning platforms and manages research projects and grants. Macrorie worked in the medical industry for more than 15 years as a clinician, clinical manager, and private practice owner, before entering research at the University of Oregon, where she was an assistant research scientist in the Obesity and Metabolism Research Lab. In addition to pursuing her MBA, Macrorie is completing graduate coursework in public health at Oregon State University. Macrorie earned a bachelor’s degree in human physiology from the University of Oregon.

Joe Martinez is currently the western regional territory manager for Miller Electric, where he has responsibility for the growth and development of the company’s newest and most innovative line of work truck power products. Prior to this, Martinez spent 10 years in the Gulf Cooperation Council region in a multifaceted consultative role focused on business development and capture management within the region, leading and managing new business ventures from contract award to closeout.

Nick Matthews has more than 15 years of experience managing teams across a broad spectrum of roles and responsibilities. Matthews is currently a pilot manufacturing manager for Lam Research, where he is responsible for alpha and beta system development and testing, and preparing products to transition to the high volume manufacturing line. Prior to this, Matthews served as a U.S. Army officer, working as a telecommunications company commander, operations officer, telecommunications director, logistical executive officer, and tank platoon leader. Matthews holds a bachelor’s degree from Weber State University.

In his current role as a senior manufacturing supervisor, at ON Semiconductor, Mike Murphy leads a diverse team of individuals working in the thin-films, implant, and PC-test departments. His primary role is directing and developing manufacturing, maintenance, and engineering resources to ensure customer expectations are exceeded. Prior to ON, he owned and operated a construction business, specializing in the design and remodel of kitchen and baths. Murphy earned his bachelor’s degree in business administration with an emphasis in management, communication, and leadership from Concordia University–Portland.

David Newell currently works for Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU) as the assistant director of distribution. He joined OHSU in 2008, after earning his bachelor’s of science degree from Portland State University in business management while working at UPS. Newell is a people- and relationship-centric leader. Since his arrival at OHSU, Newell’s team members have been recognized for their commitment to service excellence and have sustained high levels of performance. He has served on various committees including as a management bargaining team member for negotiations between OHSU and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees; Diversity Advisory Council; Campus Services Diversity and Inclusion Committee; and the Labor Management Committee.
Rachel Noah is the director of finance for supply chain at Emerald Performance Materials, a specialty chemical manufacturing company. In this role she oversees all financial aspects of the supply chain, including sales and operations planning, logistics, procurement, customer service, and global compliance with approximately $350 million in spend. A significant part of her role is leading and deploying end-to-end optimization projects to improve EBITDA and working capital. Prior to Emerald, Noah worked in accounting for a global manufacturer where she specialized in cost and manufacturing accounting. She started her career in operations as general manager of a restaurant.

Kari Parker currently serves as the capital program manager for the world’s leading company in aerospace. She manages a multimillion dollar portfolio of capital assets while leading the Portland site’s leadership team through Boeing’s asset management board funding process. With a bachelor of science honors degree from Oregon State University in industrial engineering, Parker has extensive experience in leading cross-functional teams all over the world to achieve cost-effective engineering solutions. She is an organized, enthusiastic team leader, exemplified by her 12 years of martial arts teaching and training. Her strong values in serving others were recognized by The Boeing Company, where she was appointed regional chair for REACH, a community involvement, networking, and career development program.

Dr. Mitchell Paynter is a 2002 graduate of Oregon Health and Sciences University in Portland, Oregon. After dental school, he attended a one-year advanced education in general dentistry residency with the United States Navy, where he served for four years. In 2006, he and his wife Julie Paynter, DMD, entered into private practice where he currently practices general dentistry in Gresham, Oregon. He is presently a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Air Force Reserve with the 446 Aerospace Medicine Squadron located at Joint Base Lewis-McChord in Tacoma, Washington. Dr. Paynter’s dental focus is partial and complete oral rehabilitation through implant dentistry. He acquires more than 65 hours of continuing dental education each year in this area alone and is a fellow to the American Society of Implant and Reconstructive Dentistry. He is also a member of the following professional associations: American Dental Association, Oregon Dental Association, the Academy of General Dentistry, and the Multnomah Dental Society.

Cori Poland is the vice president of lending at Rivermark Community Credit Union. She oversees teams responsible for consumer lending, collections, and insurance. Prior to moving to lending, Poland was responsible for the seven retail branches and contact center. She has been in the credit union industry for more than 18 years, with experience at three different credit unions. Poland holds a bachelor of science in business administration from Portland State University and recently graduated from Western CUNA Management School, a three-year industry-specific management program. Her passion is building consensus around industry-leading innovations and developing and communicating a shared vision.
MELE SAX-BARNETT
SENIOR MANAGER, CUSTOMER ENGINEERING
Urban Airship

Mele Sax-Barnett is the senior manager of customer engineering at Urban Airship, a technology company that powers digital engagement for some of the world’s largest brands via timely, targeted messaging to mobile apps, digital wallets, websites, SMS, and email. She and her team of software engineers investigate and resolve complex customer issues across Urban Airship’s platform. She has also built a number of processes and metrics to help the company better meet and track its customers’ needs. Previously, Sax-Barnett worked in spatial analysis and cartography, as well as retail management. She earned a bachelor’s degree in philosophy from Reed College.

CHAD SORBER
DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES SERVICES
Oregon Health and Science University

Chad Sorber is the director of facilities services at Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU), a nationally distinguished research university and the top-ranked hospital in Oregon. He oversees a team responsible for providing safe, compliant, reliable, and inviting facilities, while being aggressive in fiscal management. His role includes strategic planning, management, and leadership of complex, high-risk capital construction projects, maintenance, operations, and services for OHSU buildings and facilities. He is originally from Pennsylvania where he earned a bachelor’s degree in business administration from King’s College and a master’s degree in park and resource management from Slippery Rock University.

LAUREN STERNFELD
KEY ACCOUNTS MANAGER
DENT Instruments

Lauren Sternfeld manages key accounts in domestic and international sales for DENT Instruments, an $8 million energy instrument manufacturer. Experienced in the energy industry, she is passionate about catalyzing the business of energy management in the growing Central Oregon region. Sternfeld holds a degree in business and tourism management from Oregon State University, with a technical degree in energy management. Her professional interests include energy management, real estate development, property management, and community development. In her free time, she enjoys playing softball and golf, fly fishing, and enjoying the riches of the Pacific Northwest with her family.

OZGUR YAZICIGIL
SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGER
Intel Corporation

Ozgur Yazicigil is a supply chain manager at Intel Corporation. He is responsible for semiconductor equipment and materials development to enable Intel’s bleeding-edge research and process technology leadership. Yazicigil’s responsibilities include strategic supplier analysis, managing supplier engagements, and negotiating deals. Prior to his eight years of experience in Intel’s global supply management center, Yazicigil was a process engineer for six years in one of Intel’s lead logic technology development labs. Yazicigil earned his MS in materials engineering from Purdue University and his BS in metallurgical and materials engineering from Middle East Technical University, Turkey.

JEREMY ZOOK
FIELD FORESTER
Port Blakely US Forestry

Jeremy Zook is an experienced forest resource management professional. His current role with Port Blakely involves administrative oversight and management of Northwest Oregon field operations. Previously, Zook worked with the Oregon Department of Forestry in natural resource and wildland fire management. He earned a bachelor’s degree in forest operations management from Oregon State University. In addition, Zook served four years in the U.S. Navy.