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**Mike Bransdorf**

**AP Equipment Financing** expands its current product offerings to include a wholesale flooring finance product for vendor and manufacturer partners and hires **Mike Bransdorf** to lead the program.

"I am extremely excited to join the team at AP Equipment Financing and help establish their floorplan inventory division," says Bransdorf. "With 20 years' experience in the inventory finance industry, I am fully prepared and ready to leverage my background in this new exciting opportunity."

"Our goal is to help our vendor partners sell more equipment by offering them competitive and convenient financing solutions." Says AP's President, Chris Lerma, CLFP. "In addition to our loan and lease programs, we will further assist our partners with competitive floor

financing with the same level of AP personalized service levels. Mike brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the team which will allow us to launch this product offering quickly."

Recognizing that businesses of all sizes are requesting easier all-in-one solutions, AP Equipment Financing is positioned to better serve their current and future vendor customers with this product suite. Leveraging Solifi's wholesale finance platform in coordination with AP's proprietary loan origination platform, AP plans to incorporate automated data transfers between systems to create efficiencies for their customers, resulting in expedited processing, accuracy and high levels of service.

**LS Networks** recently announced that **Randy Brogle**, a seasoned telecommunications industry leader with over 25 years of experience, has been appointed chief executive officer of the company. In his role, Brogle will lead the company's growth plans to invest in the buildout of its fiber network and support the delivery of high-capacity connectivity solutions to transform underserved communities across the region.

"Randy has dedicated his entire career to broadband expansion throughout the United States," said Jack Bittan, executive chair of LS Networks. "His experience aligns perfectly with the mission at LS Networks to deliver infrastructure that not only offers an essential service to rural communities, but also provides equal access to better jobs, education and advanced lifestyles that support family, growth and sustainable communities."

Brogle most recently oversaw the global acquisition and construction of fiber networks to support the apps for Meta. Prior to joining Meta, he served in various general management roles at Hargray Communications (acquired by CableOne) and Zayo Group, overseeing operations, sales, finance and network development for fiber deployments including inner-city, Fiber-to-the-Tower (FTTT) and metro/enterprise networks.

"LS Networks has a long history of helping communities prosper in the Pacific Northwest, and I am excited to join the focused efforts of the team to bridge the digital and social inequality divide," said Brogle. "The organization's emphasis on quality, innovation and investment in the Pacific Northwest has laid a strong foundation with a 100 percent fiber network suited to meeting the growing demand for internet speeds. We will build on this foundation and utilize our people and resources to invest in and partner with the communities we serve."



**Randy Brogle**



**Drew Carmier**

Congratulations to **Drew Carmier** for his Hole N One at **Awbrey Glen Golf Club** on July 30 at Hole #16, 188 yards using a 5 wood. Attested by Craig Melton and Marty Mendoza.

**RE/MAX Key Properties** welcomes **Tyler Papadimos**.

With more than a decade of experience in real estate, Papadimos engages every client with expertise, integrity and a genuine love for our community. Whether you are looking for a home in-town or some land to spread out on, Papadimos' tenacity will help you find and build your dream life in Central Oregon. Papadimos' well-rounded background, including title and escrow and real estate investment education, allows him to expertly guide the transaction, anticipate potential risks and pitfalls and navigate the market in a way that is ultimately valuable and successful for his clients. Additionally, Papadimos' working relationships with local lenders and service providers make him the perfect choice for anyone looking to relocate to Central Oregon.



**Tyler Papadimos**



**Brian Casey**

**R&H Construction** promotes **Brian Casey** to superintendent in the Central Oregon office. Since joining the R&H team in 2015, Casey has served as a journey-level carpenter and foreman, working to see the successful completion of projects from ranging from large-scale multifamily to retail. Casey brings his 16 years of experience in the commercial construction industry to his current project at Patio World/Race Place in Bend, where crews are building a ground-up, two-story building which includes a retail showroom and warehouse.

The following talented designers have joined the **STEELE Associates Architects** team this year.

**Matt Mefford**, LEED AP, project manager. Mefford earned his bachelor of science, Cum Laude, in interior architecture at California State University in San Jose. He has national retail and residential design and management experience and is expert at navigating entitlement processes for projects across the country. At STEELE, Mefford is currently working on several public projects, a custom home and a Montessori School.

**Kalinda Carnahan**, interior design staff 3. Carnahan earned her bachelor of science in interior design with a minor in art history at Oregon State University. She has experience in interior design, furniture/fixture and equipment selection, and commercial/industrial energy efficiency implementation, evaluation and verification. At STEELE, Carnahan is currently working on public projects, townhomes and a mixed-use projects.

**Nancy Harris**, interior design staff 1. Harris earned her bachelor of fine arts in interior design at George Fox University. Her prior experience includes residential, a City Hall and a Sleep Center. She is currently working with team members on a 26,000-square-foot veterinary clinic, a retail store, a homeless shelter, public projects and large multi-family projects.

**Dustin Gerhardt**, design staff 2. Gerhardt earned his bachelor of science in architecture at Portland State University. In addition to his architectural experience, he has a background in landscaping and construction. His interests include green building, social equity and building science and technology. At STEELE, he is currently working on a bank, custom residences and the Sisters, Sunriver and La Pine libraries.

**Lucas DeCastilhos**, design staff 1. DeCastilhos was raised in Bend and studied coursework in architectural studies and technologies at the University of Utah, Salt Lake City. He has experience working on educational, healthcare and residential projects. At STEELE, he is currently working on public projects, townhomes and mixed-use projects.



**Matt Mefford**



**Kalinda Carnahan**



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