



The Levy Light



*"Alone we can do so little;
together we can do so
much" - Helen Keller*

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David Levy Honored by Golden Slipper Club & Charities



David H. Levy has been named the recipient of the 2018 Gold Medallion award by Golden Slipper Club & Charities, a non-profit organization aimed at supporting programs and services for the Greater Philadelphia area's youth, needy and elderly.

The Gold Medallion award is the highest honor within the organization. To qualify for this prestigious award, a candidate must be a Golden Slipper

Club & Charities member who has played an active role in a position of leadership within the organization and has been recognized in the community for humanitarian work by means of their personal efforts or monetary contributions.

David has been an active member in the Golden Slipper Club & Charities organization for the last 28 years. Throughout the course of his membership, he has served several leadership roles within the organization, including President (2013-2015); Chairman of the Board of Directors (2015-2016); and President of the Golden Slipper Camp from (2008-2010).

Now in its 95th year, Golden Slipper Club & Charities has taken a hands-on approach to support programs and services for the greater Philadelphia area's youth, needy and elderly, with some 600 active men and women who volunteer their time to serve people in need.



David serves as the Founder and President of the Levy Castle Family Foundation for Diabetes research, the Treasurer for the Jewish Publication Society, a Board Member of JAFCD. In addition, he has a past history of involvement in youth sports and also currently is involved with a variety of musical projects.

LEVY VISION STATEMENT

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

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Going to Colbert - A Wonderful Day by Victor Levy

This past summer, I was lucky to have my eldest son, Benjamin, home from college. Ben loves comedy shows, and earlier in the year, while a sophomore at Boston University, Ben decided that he would try to get tickets to see the Stephen Colbert Show over the summer taping season. Tickets for the show are won by lottery and in mid-May Ben found out that he had secured two tickets. Ben invited me to join him and I gave a resounding thumbs up.

As the show is taped at the Ed Sullivan theater in New York most afternoons, the instructions that came said to arrive early for seating as it is a "first come/first serve" seating process. For my genetically related cohort who was first in line when President Obama came to town, first to see the latest Marvel movie, and first to get his courses lined up for next year, that meant we were to leave at the crack of dawn. Fortunately, we settled on a simple three part schedule - arrival at 1 pm, doors open at 3 pm, show tapes at 5 pm.

The day went just as planned, we got there early and were seated in the third row, which we were happy about. The show had a great line-up, which included guest stars, Jessica Chastain, Romesh Ranganathan, and Scott Rogowsky.

First, a warm up comedian came out for about ten minutes and got the crowd going; then, out came Stephen Colbert, himself, who spoke to the crowd before the official show opening. He was very grateful for our coming out, but also funny and engaging, just as he is on television. The weird part was that I did not realize what a big Lord of the Rings fan he is, as he was asked some esoteric question from a member of the audience about Middle Earth which took five minutes to answer and left me dumfounded.

The show overall was a lot of fun - interesting guests, loud cheers of "Colbert, Colbert...." and the John Batiste band, Stay Human, was just awesome. The one thing I learned though about seating for shows like this is that it is best to be seated higher up in the balcony. For the early arrivers like us, being seated in the front is not the best as for most of the time the view is blocked by camera people. We could still watch on monitors above and partially see the action as the cameras moved about, but we learned a good lesson for next time.

The best part - just spending a day together with my son and laughing the whole day away was wonderful.



Victor and his son, Ben, in NYC

Proud Mom-Mom by Betty Samarco, Administrative Associate



One of my sweet granddaughters, Isabella, graduated from Pre-K in June, and is just beginning Kindergarten. I cherish every moment with my six grandchildren as they grow up way too fast. The love a grandmother has for her grandchildren is so unique, and I love each of them with all my heart!



Isabella Samarco, Age 5

Family &
friendships are
two of the
greatest facili-
tators of hap-
piness.



Hatchet Throwing by Greg Harrigan, Client Services Associate

This July, Levy & Associates decided to have an afterhours summer outing...hatchet throwing. Our group of 14 spent two hours at "Bury the Hatchet" on Washington Avenue, throwing axes at wooden targets.

Bury the Hatchet allows you to bring your own alcoholic beverages and food while you compete throwing two different size hatchets in your designated lane.

This was the first time for most of our party to practice the art of hatchet throwing, and I think we were all surprised at how well the staff did in such a unique activity. While some of our co-workers took longer than others to get their form and technique together, plenty of wood chip souvenirs were made for the rest of us as we waited, and at the end of the day we all left with 10 fingers intact.

The night ended with a bracket tournament of two teams of seven, which led to Donna McPeake and Michael Clatterbuck going head to head for the final round of the championship. It was close, but Donna left with the overall win, and struck a little more fear in the men in office, now that she is quite handy with a hatchet.



The Levy & Associates Gang at Bury the Hatchet in South Philly in July

Leon Fun Fact:

Leon is proud of the gap he has in his front teeth, although as a young man he told his mother he didn't like it and planned on having it fixed. When his mother told him the gap was good luck, that was it for Leon: he knew he could never change it.

Reasons to be Proud of Your Gap Teeth:

- ◆ *Gaps are cute.*
- ◆ *The French have a phrase for gap teeth: "dents du bonheur," which translates to "lucky teeth."*
- ◆ *Good party trick to shoot water through the gap.*
- ◆ *Less likely to get food stuck there.*
- ◆ *You are distinctly different, and that's a good thing.*



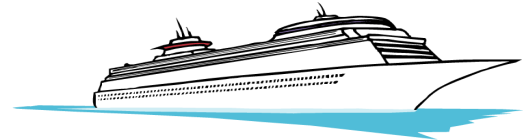
Some Famous People with a Gap in their Teeth

- Lauren Hutton
- Madonna
- Anna Paquin
- Brigitte Bardot
- Elton John
- Michael Strahan
- David Letterman
- Eddie Murphy
- Samuel L. Jackson
- Woody Harrelson
- Ron Howard



Our Cruise to Iceland by Leon L. Levy

At least once a year Fran and I take a luxury cruise that is part of Playbill Magazine/Playbill Travel, usually Silverseas Cruise Line, where Broadway performers are the nightly entertainment. I must say that each cruise has been better than the next.



This year's cruise was to Iceland in July on a French cruise line, Ponant, and the ship was Le Soléal. The weather in Iceland leaves a lot to be desired. We were told in advance that we were travelling during peak season, meaning the nicest weather, however the average temperature while we were there was 42° and it rained every day. Our required attire was a good pair of walking shoes, water resistant outerwear, and sometimes a sweater, scarf and hat. This was the common dress for daytime, nighttime and every day. Gray is the color, so no need for sunglasses.

We spent the first two days prior to the cruise in Reykjavik, the capital of Iceland, where we walked the city and saw beautiful monuments, nice buildings, clean streets, no police, and no cabs. If you ordered fish at a restaurant, you got the best fish in the world and if you drank the water that came from sink faucets, it was as clear and as good as any water you could ever drink, and the air outside was so fresh and clean.

When we arrived at the ship, we were pleasantly surprised as we had a larger stateroom than the norm; there were only two of those rooms on the ship. The entertainment on the ship was spectacular. The Broadway performers on board were Christine Ebersole, Bob McClure, Sierra Boggess, and Judy Kuhn, and comedian extraordinaire, Lewis Black. Then there was the concert master, Seth Rudinsky, a very talented individual who knows everything about Broadway shows. He did lectures in the day and was a guest performer in the evening, and it was a lot of fun.



Leon and Fran on Ponant's Le Soléal Ship

Iceland is a great place to visit, but be prepared for the weather. I think you might say the same thing that Fran and I said: "We won't go back."

LEVY CORE VALUES

We the staff of Levy & Associates believe:

- *Clients Matter Most*
- *Teamwork is Essential*
- *Ongoing Knowledge Drives Success*
- *In Proactive Actions*
- *In Responding Urgently*
- *Accuracy is Critical*

Quarterly Announcements:

Upcoming Birthdays

October 14-Donna, October 22-Judith
November 12-Betty, November 14-Maria, November 22-Josh, November 24-Tiffany
December 5-Jimmy

Conferences Attended

In July, Mike and Joe attended LPL Financial Annual Focus Meeting in Boston.

Milestones

Joe Robostello has recently earned from The American College of Financial Services, the Chartered Special Needs Consultant (ChSNC®) designation.

Victor Levy has successfully completed the Advisory Leaders Forum 2018 with The U of P Wharton School.

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