



Cornell University
ILR School

ILR Alumni Association Fall Student Event September 19, 2014

AGENDA

12:45 a.m. – 2:15 p.m. *Lunch with Student Groups* – ILR Conference Center at King-Shaw Hall – Buffet lunch will be available in the second floor lobby -- please take your lunch to whichever of the following lunches you are interested in attending:

- Luncheon Between Interested Alumni and **MILRSO** Members - Room 225, ILR Conference Center at King-Shaw Hall. Dean Burrell, facilitator.
- Luncheon Between Interested Alumni and **Women's Caucus** Members - Room 329, ILR Conference Center at King-Shaw Hall. Leona Barsky, facilitator.
- Luncheon Between Interested Alumni and **COLA** Members - Room 326, ILR Conference Center at King-Shaw Hall. John Ertl, facilitator.
- Luncheon Between Interested Alumni and **Student Government Association (SGA), Graduate Student Organization (GSO), Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM), and ILR Global Affairs Committee** Members- Room 325, ILR Conference Center at King-Shaw Hall. Harvey Sanders, facilitator.

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. *Keynote Speaker*

Michael Wagner, BS '86
Director of Fixed Income at MAI Wealth Advisors
Location: 105 Ives Hall

Michael Wagner graduated from Cornell University BS ILR in 1986. He also received his MBA from the Anderson School of Business at UCLA. Michael played football at Cornell University and was a two-time All Ivy Center, was a member of a fraternity, and served one five-year term as class president. After graduating from Cornell, Michael's first job was at Morgan Stanley in New York where he was a fixed income (bond market) analyst. Michael's entire career has been in the investment business in NY, Los Angeles, and Cleveland. Michael is the Director of Fixed Income at MAI Wealth Advisors, a wealth management firm focusing primarily on serving the financial needs of professional athletes and very high net worth

individuals. The firm's client roster includes 3 Super Bowl MVPs, NFL coaches, professional baseball and golf athletes, and even one ILR Cornell Football alum who is on the Green Bay Packers. Michael feels fortunate that his career in the investment industry has allowed him to stay close to sports, especially football.

Michael at first thought he wanted to be a lawyer, but after taking Professor Ron Ehrenberg's Labor Econ 240, he changed his focus to economics and targeted the investment industry for a career. Michael is married to Lori (Cornell Arts '86) and has a daughter who is currently a freshman at ILR.

3:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. *Small Group Career Breakout Panels.* Panelists to present a focused introduction followed by student Q&A to facilitate interaction. Topics include:

- *Life after ILR – Practical Advice from Alumni (For graduating BS and MILRs Only)*
- **Room 115, Ives Hall**
Facilitator: Beth Florin, MS '85; Managing Director, Pearl Meyer & Partners.
Panelists: Jacqui Brady, '08; HR Manager, General Assembly
Dean Burrell, '79; Director of Labor Relations, First Energy
Ruth D. Raisfeld, '77; Mediator/Arbitrator, RDR Alternative Dispute Resolution Services
Susan Youngblood, MILR '92; HR Director, IBM

- *Endless Possibilities: Careers in Finance, Consulting, Entrepreneurship, and Many More* – **Room 219 Ives Hall**
Facilitator: Donald J. Zinn, '76; Managing Partner, Exigent Search Partners Inc.
Panelists: Tom Barreca, '86; SVP Distribution, NPN Media
Jordan Berman, '95; Founder & CEO, OFC: Office Channel (ofc.tv)
Richard Cutler, '89; Managing Director, TIAA-CREF
Martin Schmelkin, '91; Managing Director, Associate General Counsel, Goldman, Sachs & Co.

- *A View from Human Resources and Consultants* – **Room 217, Ives Hall**
Facilitator: Richard Lovely, '81; VP Global HR and Organizational Effectiveness, Houghton International Inc.
Panelists: Elizabeth Berman, MPS '04; VP of People Strategy & Operations, Vevo
Ames Collins, '88; VP Human Resources, Fidelity Investments
Rick Lustig, '81; HR & Recruiting/Search Consultant
Cory Stern, MILR '04; Senior Director, HR, Supply Chain Logistics, Johnson & Johnson
Shani Waugh, '96; Director of Human Resources, Lockheed Martin

- *The Labor, Nonprofit, and Social Justice Perspective* – **Room 215, Ives Hall**
Facilitator: John Ertl, '11; Union Membership Organizer, New England Healthcare Employees Union SEIU 1199NE.
Panelists: Harvey Sanders, '86; Partner, Sanders & Sanders

Marjorie F. Wittner, MILR '84; Chair, Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Employment Relations Board

Marion Zinman, '62 Regional VP (ret.), American Arbitration
Association

- *The Role of Lawyers* – **Room 105, Ives Hall**

Facilitator: Eliot Schuman, '75; Partner, DeBello Donnellan Weingarten Wise &
Wiederkehr, LLP

Panelists: Richard Fincher, '73; Mediator and Arbitrator, Workplace Resolutions
LLC

Eric Fisher, '98, Vice President – Legal, The Madison Square Garden
Company

Barry Hartstein, '73; Shareholder, Littler Mendelson

Mary Zitwer Millman, '78; President, The Eugene Zitwer Foundation;
former private practice and Department of Justice attorney.

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. BBQ with ILR Students, Faculty, Staff and Alumni

Location: ILR Lower Courtyard

7:45 p.m. - ?

In thanks for all your hard work and support of the ILRAA, the School
and the students, please join us for cocktails on the ILRAA in the Regent
Lounge at the Statler Hotel