

The Cabinet

Oregon Historical Society Ambassador Board

Alex Saro Youssefian, *President* **Recruiter, Boly:Welch**

As a first generation American, Alex is thankful his parents chose the wonderful city of Portland, Oregon to raise a family. He attended Catlin Gabel School from preschool through the twelfth grade and grew up playing soccer, skiing, and exploring the wonders of the Pacific Northwest. Early years were also spent volunteering at Legacy Good Samaritan Hospital and Medical Center.

While attending The American University in Washington, DC, Alex received his BA in Justice, Law, and Society, and continued his volunteer work supporting after school programs through AmeriCorps. Following his graduation, Alex remained in Washington and kick-started his career as a Research Analyst for CoStar Group. After spending the greater part of a decade in the DC area, he returned to the Northwest and joined Fisher Investments, spending over five years in various roles. Following his passion for the field of Human Capital, Alex left Fisher to join Northwestern Mutual as Director of Recruitment and Selection. When the opportunity to consider Boly:Welch was presented, Alex jumped at the chance to join this homegrown company that shares his passion for the Portland community.

Alex's spare time is spent outdoors and with his dog Savannah. He is an avid skier, hiker, climber, runner, and swimmer, and when he is not exploring the outdoors he is cheering on his favorite sports teams. In August of 2013, Alex was asked to launch the Portland chapter for the Society for Orphaned Armenian Relief and now spends his free time working with the organization and its stakeholders to provide relief and resources to its sponsor orphanages. Alex is also a contributor to The Outdoor Project.

Samantha Marsden, *Vice President* **Account Executive, DoveLewis Emergency Animal Hospital**

Samantha Marsden is a native Oregonian living in downtown Portland. She works as a Business Executive at DoveLewis Emergency Animal Hospital, where she is learning all she can about managing and growing a unique not-for-profit organization. Sam has been an Oregon Historical Society member for many years, and is excited about continuing to develop new and fresh ways to serve the Portland community as a young professional!

Kristin Anderson, *Secretary* **Nonprofit & Development Consultant, Kris Anderson Consulting, LLC**

Kris Anderson is the co-author of *State of Giving*, (OSU Press 2015) about Oregon philanthropy, volunteerism, and nonprofits. She is also a nonprofit consultant, recently managing Literary Arts' campaign to permanently endow the Oregon Book Awards & Fellowships. Before returning to her hometown of Portland, she lived in Britain for over a decade, teaching English literature at the University of Oxford, where she did her graduate work. She is a history buff, travel junkie, arts enthusiast, and a lover of Oregon's wild places.

Suzannah deMoll

Concierge, Marriott Waterfront

An Oregon Coast native, University of Oregon alumnus, and a Portland State University graduate, Zannah Kline deMoll holds a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology, Master's Degree in Curriculum & Instruction, and a doctorate in curiosity from the University of Life. She has driven across the United States six separate times, traveled to eight countries, was a high school English and Drama teacher for many years, worked on a lobster fishing boat in Maine, and once directed her own film on the Back Lot of Universal Studios. Whether it's her nights working on updating her 1937 North Portland Bungalow or her days sharing her love for the Rose City to travelers at Portland's Marriott Waterfront, she can usually be found checking off items on her life's To-Do list, which currently includes writing a book about the history of SW Portland and the Multnomah Hotel.

Grant Engav

Attorney, Engrav Law Office LLP

Grant Engrav was raised in Portland, went to college in Connecticut, then law school in Omaha, Nebraska and after sampling those other regions was reminded that Oregon is home and is happy to be back! Grant practices Business and Employment Law with Engrav Law Office, a firm he opened with his dad. Grant loves reading for many reasons, among them, the insight it gives you into history. On the fiction side, Grant's favorites are Steinbeck and Hemingway, and for non-fiction, his favorite books are *1776* by David McCullough and *Undaunted Courage* by Stephen E. Ambrose (particularly because of Lewis and Clark's role in shaping Oregon's history!). Grant is eager to join the Cabinet and learn what other members are reading!

Ben Furr

Strategic Communications Manager, Cambia Health Solutions

Ben Furr was born and raised in Brooklyn, moved to Austin for college at the University of Texas, and spent a year living abroad in Argentina. After working for a literacy think tank at Teachers College, Columbia University, Ben moved to Oregon in 2008 and started working in communications and development for the Portland Schools Foundation (now All Hands Raised). From 2010-2012, Ben earned his masters in communications from the University of Oregon (Portland Campus) while working full time. In 2016, Ben moved from hubbub health, a subsidiary of Cambia Health Solutions, to join Cambia as Strategic Communications Manager. He also serves on the New Avenues for Youth Ambassador Board, Equity Foundation Grants Review Committee, and is a Big Brothers Big Sisters mentor.

Aaron Grossman

Corporate Communications Manager, Portland Trail Blazers

Aaron Grossman joined the Portland Trail Blazers and Rose Quarter in 2008. In his current role as Corporate Communications Manager, Aaron executes communications campaigns in support of Trail Blazers and Rose Quarter initiatives and events, and manages team publications including the in-game program *Rip City Magazine*. He also facilitates the organization's internal communications and manages the team's archive, serving as a reference to the franchise's history. An Oregon native, Aaron graduated from the School of Journalism and Communication at the University of Oregon and Beaverton's Southridge High School. Aaron and his wife, Nghi, live in NE Portland.

Molly Harpel

Content Director, Evanta

Molly Harpel is currently a content coordinator for Evanta, where she supports a team committed to developing relevant and engaging content for over 120 conferences tailored to Fortune 1000 C-Suite executives across the U.S. and Canada. Before Evanta, Harpel was an educator at Crow Canyon Archaeological Center from 2012-2014 where she taught public archaeology programs to children and adults, developed curriculum, and curated a museum exhibit on local historic preservation in Southwest Colorado. Harpel has an M.A. in Museum Studies from San Francisco State University and a B.A. in History from Occidental College where she graduated with honors. She grew up in Portland and is proud to be an Oregonian.

Harry Miller

Project Manager, Fore Property Company

Harry Miller grew up in Portland but spent six years in Williamsburg, Virginia attending The College of William & Mary and working as an assistant coach for the Track & Field and Cross-Country teams. He moved back to Portland in 2011 and has been able to put his undergraduate degree in history to good use within the commercial construction industry. Harry is currently a Project Manager for Fore Property Company, a national real estate company that develops, builds, and manages residential multifamily housing. Outside of work, Harry enjoys running, soccer, basketball, and almost any outdoor activity, especially backpacking.

Mackenzie Neitling

Property Manager, R&H Investments

Mackenzie Neitling graduated with a Bachelor of Interior Architecture degree from the Clark Honors College of the University of Oregon in 2010. Since returning to her native Portland, Mackenzie has worked for the Robert Evans Company, a general contractor, and spent five years with Mackenzie, an architecture and engineering firm, as a designer. Mackenzie now works at R&H Investments as a Property Manager. She serves on the Portland Metro Advisory Board, volunteers with the Salvation Army, and manages a young professionals council she founded in 2012. Mackenzie is passionate about being involved in the community around her, and is honored to help grow a new generation of OHS supporters in the Rose City.

Andrew Randles

Financial Analyst, WE Communications

After spending five years in the banking industry, Andrew Randles recently moved to join the finance team at Pacific Northwest headquartered WE Communications (formerly Waggener Edstrom). Andrew received his BA in Business from Gonzaga University, and in 2013 completed his MBA in Finance at Marylhurst University. A native Oregonian, Andrew has been a visitor to the Oregon Historical Society since he was young, and has served in various volunteer capacities over the past six years. In his free time, he enjoys playing tennis and spending time at the Oregon Coast with his wife and high school sweetheart Rachel and their rescue dog Joey.

Emily Rogers

Administrative Assistant, Cambia Health Solutions

Originally from Salt Lake City, Emily has always been an explorer. Moving to Portland has energized her

explorations of Oregon's culture and history, especially the Pacific Northwest's grand outdoors, offering amazing discoveries to share with friends and family. A devoted animal fan, Emily and her dog, Archi, volunteer as a certified therapy team at public libraries and universities in the Portland area. They enjoy providing a sounding board for young readers, and stress relief for college students during finals. In 2012, Emily graduated from the University of Utah with a bachelor's degree in International Studies and Tourism. She utilizes her degree to help others plan trips throughout the world, as well as formulating her own next exciting adventure. Travel is more than Emily's hobby; it is her absolute passion!

Carmen Sarjeant

Supervising Archaeologist / Assistant Lab Director, Archaeological Investigation Northwest

Carmen Sarjeant is originally from New Zealand, and she found herself in Portland in 2014 after completing her doctorate at the Australian National University. Her doctoral thesis was in Southeast Asian archaeology, and she continues to be involved in academic research abroad with some new publications in the works. Locally, she practices cultural resource management for prehistoric and historic archaeology in Oregon and Washington. Carmen's historical interests include the analysis and conservation of artifacts, immigration histories in Oregon, public archaeology, and the application of archaeology and anthropology to current social issues. Carmen volunteers in the Oregon Historical Society research library, and enjoys the constant cultural confusions she experiences as a New Zealander living in the USA.

Christine Scott

Marketing and Leasing Associate, INDIGO @ twelve | west

Christine Kelly works as a Marketing and Leasing Agent at the INDIGO @ twelve | west luxury apartment complex. In her free time, Christine loves to run, hike, dance, swim, read, and cook. Originally from Seattle, Christine is excited to be a part of The Cabinet to discover more about Oregon and its history.

Stephen Scott

Attorney, Sather Byerly & Holloway LLP

Stephen Scott is a fourth generation Oregonian. He works at Sather, Byerly & Holloway where he represents employers in workers compensation and related employment matters. When not working he spends most of his free time surfing, running, playing rugby, and entertaining his golden retriever Rufio.

Jenny Baer Tuohy

Attorney, Stoel Rives LLP

Jenny is an attorney at Stoel Rives, where her practice focuses on advising companies on business and legal matters including formation, financings and mergers. She grew up outside of San Francisco and spent five years living in Philadelphia and New York City before moving to Portland. She studied history as an undergraduate at Stanford University and attended the University of Pennsylvania for law school. She is an avid reader (and audio-book listener) of historical non-fiction and novels, and her favorite historical characters are Meriwether



Lewis, Abigail Adams, and Josephine March. Jenny lives with her husband in Southeast Portland. She enjoys cooking, hiking, cross-country skiing, and bike commuting.

Vanessa Van Edwards

Author, Science of People

Vanessa Van Edwards is the lead investigator at Science of People, a human behavior research lab. She is a *Huffington Post* columnist and published author. Her innovative work has been featured on *NPR*, *Business Week* and *USA Today*. She regularly gives keynotes and appears in the media to talk about her research. She has written for *CNN*, *Fast Company*, and *Forbes*.



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