



A MESSAGE FROM OUR BOARD PRESIDENT

Stephen Fleming

Dear Members,

It is with pride and gratitude that I greet you after another successful Generations conference. It was thrilling to see our members, sponsors, and prospective members exchanging ideas in support of each other and heartening to experience the results of our planning committee's months of hard work under the leadership of Tim Schultz of Lundberg Family Farms. I hope I speak for all that attended that the two days we spent..



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Generations FAMILY BUSINESS CONFERENCE CAPITAL REGION

GENERATIONS 2018 is in the books and planning for 3rd Annual has begun!

Mission accomplished! The second year of Generations, with increased attendance, a bevy of prospective members, formidable sponsors and an impressive roster of presenters, exceeded all expectations. Most importantly, our attendees' feedback on our post-event surveys yielded positive comments...

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SPONSOR MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Most people will agree that technology has and continues to revolutionize the business world, making companies of all sizes and in all industries and sectors more efficient. But family businesses often comprise multiple generations with differing perspectives and concerns which can put technology at the bottom of a long list of financial priorities.

For **GNT Solutions'** Eric Johnson, easing the fears of older business leaders while balancing the goals of incoming generations is a...

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Eric Johnson, Partner



FAMILY BUSINESS MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Years ago, Lance Porter, second generation owner of **All Weather Architectural Aluminum**, told his four children, “If you can find a way to get along, together you can build something that will be worth much more than if we split it today.”

Lucky for Anna, Sarah, Seamus and Tom, they listened to their dad. After high school, the Porter kids ventured off to college and graduate school, earning degrees as varied as their personalities. Upon graduation...

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The Porter Family



SUCCESSION PLANNING

The irony of the situation is not lost on Stan Van Vleck, president of **Van Vleck Ranch** in Rancho Murieta, just east of Sacramento. One of the issues that they had hoped to address by joining the effort to form Family Business Center is the very thing that almost cost the Van Vleck family its business.

In 2000, Stan's father was unexpectedly killed in an accident on the family's property, leaving the family without its patriarch and...

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Stan, Tori and Christian Van Vleck



MEMBER POLL

FBC is looking into whether our members would benefit from periodic family business-focused webinars. Please take our member poll and help us find out if webinars are a good fit for you!

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Please join us in welcoming the following **new family business members** to the growing FBC family!...

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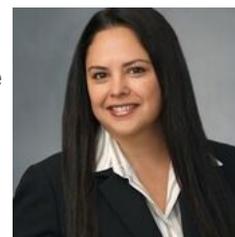


A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The only thing that is constant is change. We can see it as the seasons are changing from winter to spring (sometimes all in the same day!), as the day turns to night, and as we watch our children grow. But, we rarely see it when it happens in our businesses and sometimes dramatic changes are exactly what we need take action. Very attuned family businesses are ...

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Stella Premo



UPCOMING EVENTS

As you start planning for the year ahead, set aside time to experience some of the excellent programs FBC has to offer. Mark your calendars for these upcoming events:

April 17

Spring Family Business Forum

May 10

Founders, Presidents & CEO Affinity Group Meeting

May 26

Annual Family Day with the River Cats

Dates and locations subject to change.

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FAMILY BUSINESSES GROW AND PROSPER**