Samantha Cloutier: Taking a Career to the Next Level

Allen Insurance and Financial is pleased to announce the promotion of Samantha Cloutier of Rockland from receptionist to business insurance processor in the company's Camden office.

Sam joined Allen Insurance and Financial in December 2008.

Since then, in addition to her role as receptionist at the Camden office front desk, she has worked with the office's business insurance team, known as the commercial lines group.

"Sam has made a real effort to participate in the education Allen Insurance and Financial offers our new employees," said Jean Dutch, the company's commercial lines operations manager. "We're pleased to see her take her career with us to the next level."

Sam is a graduate of Rockland District High School. In her spare time, she enjoys snowboarding, reading, and spending time with her two dogs.

Allen Financial's Sherree L. Craig Earns Fellowship Standing in the International Society of Certified Employee Benefit Specialists

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Sherree L. Craig, CEBS

Sherree L. Craig, CEBS, Insured Benefits Manager at Allen Insurance and Financial, has been awarded Fellowship standing in the International Society of Certified Employee Benefit Specialists for a two-year period.

Craig earned this distinction by successfully completing a national employee benefits continuing education exam developed by the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.

The International Society of Certified Employee Benefit Specialists is an educational association dedicated to serving the professional development needs of those holding the Certified Employee Benefit Specialist designation. Craig earned her CEBS designation in 2004.

Craig is also a board member of the Maine Association of Health Underwriters and Rockland Rotary.

Two from Allen Financial Receive Rotary Honor

Peter Van Alstine and Scott Fletcher of Allen Financial Group were recently named Paul Harris Fellows through their membership in the Camden Rotary Club.

▼The Paul Harris Fellow recognition was created in memory of Paul Harris, the founder of Rotary. It is the practice of many clubs to award Paul Harris Fellowship to select members in appreciation of his or her service to the club.

"Service to our local community — and through Rotary, to the world community — is important to us," said Gil Fifield, president of Allen Insurance and Financial and a long-time member of the Rockland Rotary. "We congratulate Peter and Scott and their families on this important honor."

Van Alstine, right, and Fletcher, left, join a number of ≥ their Allen Insurance and Financial colleagues as Paul Harris Fellows. Allen, the employee-owned insurance and financial services company based in Camden, maintains a strong relationship with Knox County Rotary Clubs and can claim members in each of the area clubs: Camden, Rockland and West Bay. Twenty percent of the Allen Agency's 60 employees are Rotarians; members attend Rotary functions on company time.

Both Peter and Scott are financial advisors with Allen Financial Group. Scott is a Certified Financial Planner. Peter is a Certified Public Accountant.

Rotary International is an organization is 32,000 service clubs and 1.2 million members worldwide, bringing together business and professional leaders to provide humanitarian service and to build goodwill and peace in the world. Members meet weekly for

breakfast, lunch or dinner. Meetings are social events as well as opportunities to organize work for their service goals.

Rotary was founded in Chicago in 1905 and is headquartered today in Evanston, Ill. Rotary's flagship program is the eradication of polio. Other programs focus on issues of hunger, poverty, and illiteracy.