

FROM THE CAPITAL

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Summer Spotlight



Leah Kautz

How can you not love Leah? She's a green-thumbed, Colorado native, mother of two, that in her spare time, keeps our CFG Team running without a hitch.

Leah is the kind of teammate that will do anything for anyone, no questions asked. She is responsible for many of the vital (and thankless) tasks in the office. It is this selfless determination that makes Leah so greatly appreciated by our clients and our team.

Little known fact about Leah, her favorite meal is a shredded beef burrito smothered in green chili. Must be why she enjoys a little mariachi music from time to time!



If you love Leah as much as we do, make sure you give her a high five next time you come in to the office!

It's Always Sunny

Did anyone else notice that summer in Colorado was a little late this year? It almost seemed like it may never arrive. A long, snowy winter became a cool, damp spring. Meanwhile, Europe jumped straight into a historic heat wave and has been experiencing record highs for the past month!

Seasons are not permanent, they are simply necessary stages in a natural cycle. Winter will ultimately give way to spring, spring to summer, and so on. Seasons have no choice but to eventually change, moving forward in the cycle. The timing of this can vary from region to region, but the order remains.

This is also true of investing. Markets have cycles just like nature has seasons. We are in a peak, which is like the summer of a market cycle, eventually it will cool off and "fall" into a contraction.

Unfortunately, we have no control over the timing of nature's seasons or market's cycles. What we can control is our thoughtful, proactive preparation for the next shift, as gradual or sudden as it may be.

In the US, we have enjoyed a prolonged heat wave of expansion in the form of a bull market that rivals any we have ever seen. Like nature, we know what's next in the cycle, we just never know exactly when it will officially show up.

WHAT WE DO KNOW: Seasons will change and it's always sunny somewhere.

Around The Office

CFG Managed Portfolios - CFG has never offered such an array of customized, managed portfolios with options for clients in every stage of the investor life cycle. If you have questions about the portfolios available, please give us a call!



YouTube - Our YouTube channel has been a hit! We are getting hundreds of views each month and it just continues to grow. Please be sure to like the videos and subscribe to the channel!



COMING SOON - Investment Fundamentals Series

Alex and Cole have been working diligently on a series of videos and blog posts for our CFG clients. This will be the perfect place to expand your knowledge of investing and better understand the basics of how CFG Managed Portfolios are constructed. This will also be a great educational tool you can share with your family and friends!



Independence & Freedom

As we celebrate the USA's birthday, we have to give thanks for all of the men and women that have fought for our independence - our freedom. Brave Americans of every race, gender, ethnicity, and background have sacrificed so much for our everyday freedoms that we so frequently take for granted. As a CFG Family, we are so thankful for the country that we call home and for the freedoms we enjoy.



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This holiday in particular, and everything it stands for, reminds us of those on the other side of freedom. Those that are enslaved around the globe today, and even in our own country. Nearly 40 million people today live in slavery with 1/4 of those being children. As a CFG Family, this breaks our heart.

As we celebrate our independence as a nation, we hope that you will consider joining us in the fight to end slavery around the globe. Visit www.CFGfinancialplanning.com/Giving to learn about our partnership with International Justice Mission and how you can help #FundFreedom.

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