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LEPFA hires new talent in several departments

Lansing, Michigan – November 2, 2017 – Lansing Entertainment and Public Facilities Authority (LEPFA) is announcing the hire of new talent in the areas of food and beverage, human resources, and event coordination. LEPFA provides professional management toward the administration, operation, marketing and maintenance of the region’s convention center, the Lansing Center; minor league baseball stadium, Cooley Law School Stadium; public market, Lansing City Market; and other community/regional interest events in Lansing, Michigan.

Emily Anomanni was hired in August of 2017 as an event coordinator. She works closely with the client and other departments to create a variety of successful events. Anomanni brings experience to the position from her internship as an events and marketing coordinator, as well as several jobs in the hospitality industry. She holds a degree in hospitality and tourism management from Purdue University.

Having lived in Indiana and Illinois, Anomanni has now relocated to the west side of Lansing, which she loves. “I’ve had the opportunity to meet so many interesting people and learn a lot about the industry since coming onboard 2 months ago. It’s great to work for a company that plays such a big role in downtown Lansing! I’m looking forward to seeing what the future holds,” she said.

“As a recent graduate of Purdue University Northwest in hospitality and tourism management, Emily brings innovation and a fresh perspective to the sales and services team. We look forward to her contribution to enhancing the service experience for our customers,” said Scott Horgan, VP of sales and services for LEPFA.

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Also in August of 2017, Amy Denyer-Grey was hired to fill a vacant event coordinator position. Denyer-Grey is an experienced event coordinator, having planned events at several venues in the Lansing area. She attended Western Michigan University, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts in communications with an emphasis on public relations. Denyer-Grey is originally from the Metro Detroit area.

“Amy brings experience both in a country club and dining services setting. Her service experience will be a valued addition to our team as we focus on enhancing the customer experience,” said Horgan.

Natalie Glisson was hired to fill the HR/payroll coordinator position in July of 2017. She assists the accounting manager in the processing and coordination of payroll and assists the vice president of administration in the processing, coordination, and administration of LEPFA’s human resource practices. Glisson holds a bachelor’s degree in English and sociology, as well as a master’s in human resource management. She brings to the position experience gained from previous positions of office manager/HR coordinator at Canada Dry Potomac and personal banker at Huntington National Bank. Glisson belongs to the Society for Human Resource Management, in which she is a SHRM Certified Professional (SHRM-CP).

Originally from Saginaw, Michigan, Glisson is a new resident of the Lansing area. She has settled in Eaton Rapids, Michigan with her husband, Evan, and 10 month-old daughter, Isabelle. “My family and I just moved to the Lansing area in May. Working at LEPFA has made Lansing feel like home. I am enjoying the work itself, enjoying working with the staff of LEPFA, and loving the beautiful city of Lansing,” said Glisson.

“Natalie’s multi-faceted experience in payroll and human resources in the banking, food service and beverage industries; as well as her education and SHRM affiliations uniquely complement LEPFA’s payroll and human resource functions,” said Heidi Brown, VP of administration at LEPFA. “Natalie’s enthusiasm, as well as her desire to learn, enhance and evolve LEPFA’s payroll and HR functions is invaluable. LEPFA is fortunate to have Natalie Glisson join our team and we look forward to Natalie’s overall contribution to our organization.”

Kevin Powless was promoted from banquet captain to catering sales coordinator in September of 2017. The catering sales coordinator works with clients to plan their food and beverage needs for their event at the Lansing Center. Powless brings to the position unique experience with LEPFA’s food and beverage department, as he has held several positions in the department for well over a year. Powless holds a

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general associate's degree and a photographic imaging associate's degree from Lansing Community College. He co-owns a photography business, Powless Brothers Photography, with his twin brother, Kyle, also a LEPFA employee.

Powless resides in his hometown of Mason, Michigan with his girlfriend, Emily, and chocolate lab named Hershey. "Working for LEPFA has been an absolute pleasure," he said. "Starting here as a banquet server and Banquet Captain gave me the operational knowledge that helps me further plan and organize with my clients. They seem to appreciate my knowledge of the food and beverage side because I can tell them what works and what doesn't work. Having experience as a banquet captain has also helped me further understand my new position as a catering sales coordinator because starting the new position, I already knew how to work with BEOs and agendas. The fun work environment and friendships that LEPFA has brought me, also contribute to why I love to work for this organization."

"LEPFA takes a lot of pride in promoting from within and we are very excited on Kevin's promotion," said Horgan. "As a Banquet Captain, his commitment to service excellence has given him high reviews from our customers. Kevin is a great addition to the catering team and it will also be a smooth transition for our customers."

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About Lansing Entertainment and Public Facilities Authority: *Lansing Entertainment and Public Facilities Authority (LEPFA) provides professional management toward the administration, operation, marketing and maintenance of Lansing Center, Cooley Law School Stadium, Lansing City Market and other community/regional interest events. The authority's events and facilities contribute over \$75 million in economic impact to the Metro Lansing region annually. LEPFA's headquarters are located at Lansing Center, 333 E. Michigan Ave, Lansing, MI 48933. More information can be found at lepfa.com, lansingcenter.com, LEPFA's Facebook page and Lansing Center's Facebook page.*

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