

An Eventful Week of Work & Fun

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Week 7 was an eventful week. A lot of work was accomplished as well as a lot of fun events. After work on Tuesday, the Tampa office gathered at an indoor shuffleboard bar for a nice happy hour event. I've never played shuffleboard and surely never been to a bar with shuffleboard. It is a really unique place. I quickly learned I am not the best shuffleboard player in the world, but I did have a great time. It is always fun to socialize with the office outside of the workplace setting.

On Thursday I had the opportunity to attend lunch with Bud Kirk, one of the founders of the firm. At lunch, Bud shared some amazing stories and strategies he's developed over his career. It was amazing to be able to hear his stories and gain insight from such a renowned attorney. He also asked everyone at lunch to go around and introduce themselves. For Bud to go out of his way to get to know those who work at the firm speaks volumes to his character and the RumbergerKirk culture. It was a privilege to be in his company and learn some tips from one of the best.

Later Thursday, we had the housewarming party for the newly acquired office on the 18th floor of the building. The "18ers" graciously invited us to check out the new space. Not only was it a housewarming party, but a celebration for Robert Barton on his marriage. This was a fun time, and the cake and beer were delicious. Those on the 18th floor really know how to host a party—hopefully we can have another one before my summer is over.

On Friday we finally received the packet for the trial competition. The trial competition is one of the most anticipated events of the summer. Me and my teammate Harris Blum from the Miami office are ready to kick butt.

On Friday evening all the summer associates tuned in to Zoom for an online chocolate making class. We were joined by Chef Mike, the owner of a chocolate shop in San Francisco. Chef Mike shipped us all of the ingredients and then showed us how to assemble some delicious chocolate candies. We made turtle clusters, chocolate covered Oreos, and jumbo peanut butter cups. My favorite part of the event was enjoying the fruits of my labor once the chocolate was ready.