



CFALA Names David S. Bradley, CFA Volunteer of Month for June



Networking and career development are key benefits of CFALA membership, and the efforts of David S. Bradley, CFA – our volunteer of the month for June – make a big contribution to both.

As Chair of the Career Development Committee, Bradley oversees the society's ongoing happy hour chat series and the annual Career Expo, which recently drew about 150 people, including college undergraduates and graduate students,

Level One candidates, and others interested in career opportunities in the investment industry. CFALA President James Lewis, Northern Trust's former Chief Investment Officer John Skjervem, a professional job recruiter, and a panel of portfolio managers all spoke to the attendees. There also was an interactive portion featuring 14 recruiters and hiring managers providing resume reviews, and a speed networking session with CFALA members. Expo sponsors this year included the CFA Institute, the Riordan Leadership Institute, and Doostang.com, a premium job-networking site.

"I began attending the happy hour chat series after I joined CFALA in 2007, became friends with the former Chair Frank Spindler, CFA, helped with last year's expo, and was asked by Frank to take over when he moved to Boston," Bradley explained.

"Volunteering for CFALA is a nice forum to help young motivated professionals, and it's also a great way for me to build my own intellectual capital. It's a pleasure meeting new peers, learning from them, and getting their perspectives on what's going on in the industry. I get a lot out of being a member of CFALA, and I get even more by being involved as a volunteer."

In the past six months David has also organized cross-over networking events with Cal-CPA, a speech on job creation by Carl's Jr. Restaurants CEO Andy Puzder to the Santa Barbara Group, and a presentation on deception detection by ex-CIA officer Phil Houston from Qverity.

A 2003 graduate of Claremont McKenna College, Bradley worked in institutional sales coverage with William O'Neil & Co. before joining Sirius Advisors LLC at its founding in 2005. He and his two partners later launched their hedge fund in January 2008.