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ON THE MOVE

The East Bay's movers, shakers and people on the rise

Accounting



Singer



Cohen

Fremont accountants **Greenstein, Rogoff, Olsen & Co. LLP**, promoted **Steven M. Singer**, **Hal H. Friedman** and **Ronald H. Cohen** partners. Each was previously a director with the firm. Singer joined **GROCO** in 2003 and has more than 26 years' experience. He lives in Oakland, graduated from UC-Berkeley and has a master of science in taxation degree from Golden Gate University. Friedman resides in Portola Valley. Cohen of Fremont joined the firm in November 2006 and has more than 25 years of experience.

Architecture

HKIT Architects in Oakland promoted six associates: AIA Architects **John P. Frando**, **Felix Hunziker**, **Paul McElwee**, **Jason Shirriff** and **Lisa Wang**, and **Chuck Wong**. HKIT, which has 39 employees, has specialized in educational, residential and municipal projects for more than 50 years.

Business services



Wisniewski



DiFalco

The **National Food Laboratory Inc.** in Dublin has launched the Innovation Group, a 30-member in-house organization to assist companies create, develop and commercialize new food and beverage products. **Lucinda Wisniewski**, most recently a sales director, will lead the effort. Other Innovative Group appointments include: **Mario DiFalco**, division manager-strategic marketing, who's had senior management roles with **Jelly Belly Candy Co.**, **PowerBar**, **Specialty Brands**, **Wm. Wrigley Jr. Co.**, and **Nabisco**; **Christie Hoyer**, vice president of consumer insights and sensory; **Debbie Lohmeyer**, division manager-product innovation and commercialization; and **Teresa Landis**, culinary innovator and chef.

Construction

Khandan Bahmani and **Jim Mangini** have become associates in the Walnut Creek office of design and construction firm **RBF Consulting**.

Health care

The Alameda County Medi-

named vice president of education and health care at the **Bay Area Council**, a business advocacy group.

Dr. Charles J. Fisher, chief medical officer and executive vice president of clinical and regulatory affairs at **Cardiome Pharma Corp.**, has joined the board of directors at Berkeley drug maker **XOMA Ltd.**, replacing **Dr. Arthur Kornberg**, a board member since 1984, who chose not to stand for reelection.

Gary Saxton, former chief operating officer of **BioSphere Medical Inc.**, was named president and chief executive officer of **FlowMedica, Inc.**, a Fremont medical device company.

Law



Packer

Law firm **Newmeyer & Dillion's** Northern California office hired **Alan H. Packer** as a partner in its litigation group, bringing to eight the total number of attorneys in its Walnut Creek office. Packer, formerly a partner with Bay Area law firm **Cooper, White & Cooper LLP**, specializes in real estate, home building, commercial construction and insurance law. He graduated with a juris doctor degree from Tulane University School of Law, where he was a member of the Order of the Coif honor society, and with his undergraduate degree from the University of Illinois.

Nonprofit