

Testimonials

“CohnReznick has been a member of the WSDA family for several years and a proud premier sponsor for the last two. The community that Deb has tirelessly created has proven to be fun, productive, thought-provoking, and an overall refreshing way to network. The events are always planned with such thoughtfulness towards uniting the most compatible business relationships. This is networking on another level.”

Alan Wolfson, Office Managing Partner – New York, CohnReznick LLP

“Wall Street Dead aHead is one of a very limited number of engagements ClearTrust strategically sponsors. We appreciate the authentic, grass-roots culture Deb has created that allows us to forge meaningful long-term relationships with like-minded professionals. We are proud to be in the Family!” ***Kara Kennedy, Executive Director of ClearTrust***

“As active attendee and sponsor of many small cap events, none have shown the dedication, support and reach that Deb and her team put forth for their family members. Being a part of the WSDA event is more than just one night, it’s an entire year.” ***Marc Elenowitz, CEO of BANQ***

“I love the connections I have made both on a business level as well as a personal level. Being a WSDA Premier Sponsor has afforded me a network of individuals and companies I may not have had access to.”

Jason Baybutt, Chief Operating Officer of PubCo Reporting Solutions

“Wall Street Dead aHead Networking Events has been an extremely successful channel for Equisolve. We have brought on new clients both directly as well as through other parties who also interact with public companies. It is one of our strongest events from as measured by ROI.”

Martin Ryan, VP of Business Development of Equisolve

“While there are a multitude of networking events that one can participate in, none does better than WSDA. The ability to meet with like-minded individuals across a myriad of industries speaks to the power of merging business with music. My contact list certainly has become much more robust since becoming involved and I look forward to future collaborations with WSDA.” ***Jay Caauwe, Managing Director of Global Client Services of CBOE***

“Wall Street Dead Ahead is one of the best networking events Laurel Hill has ever sponsored. I highly recommend anyone that wants to broaden their contacts with a group of great people should join as soon as possible”.

James Catacosinos, Partner of Laurel Hill Advisory Group

“PCG Advisory Group became a premier sponsor of WSDA in 2016 and it has proven to be one of the best trades we have made. Beginning with Deb, everyone in the network is accessible and helpful in every follow up conversation that I have had. Sponsoring the event has helped our business exponentially, both directly and thru utilizing the network and their contacts.”

Chuck Harbey, Managing Director, Corporate Advisory of PCG Advisory Group

“WSDA is THE place for deadheads and business professionals to unite. The best combination of networking, idea creation and uniting new friendships all under one umbrella. The events are fantastic, the people even better!”

Geoff Schneider, Managing Partner of Cava Capital

“Friendly. Genuine. Positive. A special setting, where people want to, can, and do help each other.”

Michael Jon Samuels, Development of Qello Concerts

"Over the years I have been involved with both social and professional groups. Wall Street Dead aHead is totally unique in that it is a family of people dedicated to helping each other in a non-competitive, cooperative way. A true breath of fresh air!!"

Michael Drennan – Private Investor

"WSDA has been instrumental in locating like - minded co-investors and our go to securities attorney. It is a lot of fun while also being very productive!" **William J Garner, MD, Managing Director of EGB Advisors PR LLC**

"WSDA is a tremendous effective networking opportunity for like- minded financial professionals to meet and interact. The fact that there is now a smaller group of accomplished musicians, the "WSDA Jammers," that meet once a month to play the music we love in a relaxed, supportive atmosphere has taken WSDA to a whole new level. WSDA is really a Family."

Jack McGuire, Deputy General Counsel and Director Of Litigation of Oppenheimer & Co. Inc.

"Wall St Dead aHead is by far the most unique (and entertaining) of all the acronymed networking societies here in New York – an interesting and eclectic mix of professionals from a wide variety of financial and industry backgrounds. Having a common theme of an affinity for the Grateful Dead makes the networking at these events that much easier - as you know you always have an opening line to introduce yourself to a fellow group member – which is truly invaluable. Finally, the group's inspired leader, Deb Solomon, is without question the secret sauce that makes the entire group so appealing and so successful. The "family" atmosphere that she has cultivated is without equal and the various society members honestly do feel a sense of comradery which fosters continual and willing interaction amongst the many members." **Allan J. Marzen, Managing Director of White Oak Global Advisors, LLC**

"Deb Solomon, the creator of Wall Street Dead aHead Networking Events really gets it. Before WSDA, networking meant handing out business cards and listening to the same tired elevator speeches over and over again. At WSDA networking events conversations are more likely to be initiated by someone asking you when you attended your first Dead show, rather than asking you what you do for a living? Finding a common interest is a great way to connect and Deb realized that there are a lot of bankers, accountants, attorneys and others in the financial industry who are passionate about the Grateful Dead. When it comes to networking, there is no family that compares with the WSDA Family."

Scott M. Miller, Partner at Robinson Brog Leinwand Greene Genovese & Gluck P.C.

"WSDaH is a unique networking group in that it successfully builds on the collaborative approach successfully practiced for decades by the Grateful Dead community. The focus is on meeting like-minded financial professionals and focusing on what you can do for them, rather than on what they can do for you. As any experienced networker knows, this approach is the proper way to build a network and to grow one's professional practice. I have made many excellent business friends and contacts through WSDaH, and look forward to expanding my involvement. The success of the group reflects the fact that group founder Deb Solomon not only understands the process but runs the group consistent with its ideals."

Craig Jacoson, Principal of Glass Ratner Advisory & Capital Group LLC

"Being part of WSDA is both beneficial and fun -- a rare combination! To use Malcolm Gladwell's terms, Deb is the classic "connector." She brings together like-minded people who can help each other out and also share a love of music and the Grateful Dead. Being part of this network is truly special."

Andy Bernstein, Executive Director of HeadCount