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People in Business: The who's who of the business world this week

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NORM BARONE has joined Sunbelt Business Brokers & Advisors, the company announced. Barone, who recently sold his real estate office in Frazier Park, has experience with franchise opportunities and with buying and selling small businesses. He earned a bachelor's degree at California State University, Northridge.

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PHOTOS:



Norm Barone

REX PHINNEY has passed all four parts of the certified public accountants exam. Phinney is a senior accountant at Shinault Baker & Co. Certified Public Accountants, where he has worked for three years. The Bakersfield native earned a bachelor's degree from Cal State Bakersfield in 2003 with a degree in business administration and a concentration in management.

JASON BENDLIN has been selected to compete in the Extreme Mustang Makeover's Mission 007: Yearling Edition Aug. 16-18 in Reno, Nev. The Bakersfield resident was chosen by the Mustang Heritage Foundation. At the Western States Wild Horse and Burro Expo, Bendlin will be judged on how well he has trained the horse assigned to him earlier this month. At stake is a purse of



Rex Phinney
\$5,000.

RILEY PARKER has been re-elected to the California Association of Licensed Investigators' board of directors, representing the San Joaquin District. The Bakersfield native founded Parker & Associates Professional Investigators in 1993. The Bakersfield firm provides professional investigative services to employers, insurance carriers and law firms in the San Joaquin Valley and the Central Coast.

JANE PARKER has been certified as a Peace Officers Standards of Training Background Investigator. Parker is the founder of Pre-Employment Profiles, a division of Parker & Associates Professional Investigations. She graduated from Cal State Bakersfield in 1993, and is a member of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners.

PATRICK FRASE has been elected to the KVPT Valley Public Television board of directors, becoming the Fresno organization's first Kern County representative. Frase said that the position will allow him to advocate on behalf of the community as a whole, business leaders and legislators.

SCOTT TUCKER has been appointed branch manager of Houston-based HVC International Inc.'s new Bakersfield stocking branch. He is a member of the Greater Bakersfield Chamber of Commerce's Energy Committee and other local organizations. HVC supplies ring gaskets, valve replace parts and stud bolts and nuts to the energy industry.



Riley Parker

SHAY BRANDON BURKE, a Bakersfield Realtor with Watson Touchstone ERA, recently opened an office in Sherman Oaks. He said he has already closed two escrows with buyers in the Los Angeles area.

People in Business is the place to announce professional achievements. Want to be in next week's list? It's best to submit to bakersfield.com/yourwords.

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Jane Parker

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Patrick Frase



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