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What famous person would you like to meet and why?

This is a tough question for me, I think I would like to meet Lance Armstrong. I am not a huge fan of his, but at the same time I think it would be interesting to talk with him about his life and how it ended up the way it did.

When did you first become interested in working in finance?

I knew I wanted to go to college, but at that time, all I wanted to do was race bicycles. I would visit my father's work from time to time and hang out with the Director of HR at the company he worked for. He told me about his job and his career path and I thought, I could see myself doing that. So I ended up pursuing a Business degree with a concentration in Human Resources.

Tell me about your role at the firm.

I am the Company's HR Generalist, I assist the department and our colleagues with pretty much anything HR related.

What do you like to do in your spare time?

I am really getting into running right now and I would like to run a marathon. I have some work to do, though. As I am only running 5-7 miles about 3-4 times a week right now. When we have time, I also enjoy playing video games with my fiancé, she is just as competitive as I am, so we have a blast.

What is one thing that most people would be surprised to learn about you?

My "claim to fame" was that I was competing in the 2010 Callville Bay Classic against a field that included former Tour de France winner Floyd Landis. It was an early season stage race and a small group, including myself rode away from the main pack of riders. With about 5 miles left in the stage, I rode away from that group and won the stage and ultimately the whole race. My cycling career didn't turn out the way I dreamed it would but I have a pretty cool memento that a lot of other people will never have; a picture of me on the top step and a former Tour winner on the second step.

If you could visit any place in the world, where would it be and why?

Since I have stopped racing, I have used most of my vacation time to go back home to NY and spend time with my family. I wouldn't trade that time for anything in the world, but I would really like to go to Maldives. I keep seeing these photos of resorts in Maldives with huts elevated in the ocean above the most beautiful crystal clear water. I would love to go there and just relax for a week...or two.