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**Eagle Creek Announces Rep of the Year**

EAGLE CREEK HAS CHOSEN JEFF RED, OWNER of High Country Trading, as the 2017 Rep of the Year. Red founded and has led High Country Trading for six years, and has worked with Eagle Creek in various roles since 2001. Red directs sales in the Pacific Northwest region, and has independently represented outdoor and adventure travel brands since 2012.

“Jeff has delivered positive growth year-over-year and truly exemplifies the heart and soul of the brand – especially when you consider our brand’s purpose to unlock the wonders of humanity and the planet,” said Jeff Sermak, sales manager at Eagle Creek. “Jeff gives back to the community through hundreds of hours volunteered domestically and internationally. He definitely leads by example.”

Awarded annually, the Rep of the Year Award is an opportunity for Eagle Creek to recognize a rep or agency that delivers outstanding results along with superior customer service. High Country Trading was selected for its continued positive revenue growth, account and channel expansion, business acumen, pre-booking success, planning/forecasting and excellence in servicing national accounts. Always inspired by travel, the Eagle Creek Rep of the Year award includes a $5,000 Find Your Adventure self-determined prize.

![Jeff Sermak with Jeff Red](image1)

[Product]

**Charge, Sleep, Repeat**

THE WORLDWIDE ADAPTER (TS240SM) FROM Travel Smart by Conair connects three devices and features three soothing sounds. Perfect for tablets, iPhones and Android devices, the charger offers an adapter for use in over 150 countries with a relaxing sound machine and a USB port that allows you to charge most smartphones and tablets, including iPhone®, iPad® and iPod®. Be soothed by the sounds of white noise, ocean waves or summer nights. A built-in surge protector keeps your electrical appliances safe from spikes in foreign electricity and three settings – high, low and off – let you control the volume. MSRP: $49.99. To see the item, visit conair.com.

Connect three devices at once with the Worldwide Adapter by Travel Smart by Conair.

![Worldwide Adapter](image2)

**PHANTOM™ BIO**

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![Epic Travel Gear](image3)
**Pet Travel Perfected**

THE PATENT-PENDING PET-TREK® BY A PET WITH PAWS® IS A 4-spinner-wheel folding trolley that takes the weight off pet owners’ shoulders and back, allowing them the freedom to transport their pet effortlessly. Pet-Trek is designed to work seamlessly with the company’s pet carriers – beautiful leather-look bags are constructed of upcycled plastic bottles and feature breathable mesh top and sides, a removable and washable polyester Sherpa fleece-covered bottom and metal lock and trim. With the pet carrier and Pet-Trek, pet owners can travel with their small pets anywhere, anytime. Simply open, unfold and slide the carrier down the handle. MSRP: $179-$189 (includes pet carrier and Pet-Trek). To see the items and for more information, visit apetwithpaws.com.

**Super Case**

Made from polypropylene for a nearly indestructible shell, the cases in the DUKAP® Definity Collection (20”/24”/28”) are prepared to withstand the harshest conditions travel can throw at them. They are equipped with all the important features the modern traveler needs, including a built-in TSA-accepted combination lock and DUKAP’s newest “tested and proven to last longer” four double wheels, plus gel handles, a convenient interior and 2” expandability. The matching color on the wheels, a well-thought-out measurement for each size and a good-looking lifestyle design makes this collection the perfect choice. MSRP: $459.99/set. For more info, visit dukap.com.

**One-of-a-kind Drinkware**

FREEHEART™ INTRODUCES SEVERAL COLLECTIONS FEATURING its Made-in-the-USA thermal insulated drinkware. These include a complete line of licensed military branded cups in partnership with Eagle Emblems representing all of the service branches of the United States military, including army, marines, navy, air force and coast guard, as well as select designs recognizing Women in the Military, KIA fallen soldier memorials, Vietnam Veteran POWs, Wounded Warrior and also Police/Fire/EMT homeland heroes.

“Honoring America’s service-men and women through this collection brings us immense pride, and we are especially honored to be one of the first to bring a line of designs commemorating Women Veterans in the Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard,” said Rainer Kuhn, president of Freeheart. The other licensed product lines are Muddy Girl®, an assortment of bright and trendy camo patterns featuring the Muddy Girl logo designed to appeal to women who have a passion for fun, adventure and the outdoor lifestyle; Lifestyle Camo®, comprising five creative colorways for the 2018 holiday season; and a collection of humorous, edgy and inspiring coastal, pet and state pride designs created in partnership with Emerson Quillin through a licensing agreement with Emerson Properties. MSRP’s start at $15.99. For more information, contact Freeheart at sales@gofreeheart.com or 855-204-5106 or visit gofreeheart.com.

**Out-of-this-world Limited Edition**

INSPIRED BY THE UNIVERSE’S COMPOSED CHAOS, THE GEO Meteor Limited Edition Aluminum Carry-on combines Zero Halliburton’s trusted craftsmanship with a cool, edgy flair. Each suitcase boasts a unique tessellation of fiery reds and oranges achieved through a special anodizing process and proprietary color treatment. The result? A brilliant mélange design, each with its own one-of-a-kind pattern. A case that marries form and function, this 22” bag is made in America using Zero Halliburton’s signature top-grade aluminum. It has a stain-resistant lined interior that is divided into two zip compartments with flat panels to keep belongings secure and organized. Two TSA-accepted locks and a neoprene gasket seal offer extra security and protection. A 3-stage, dual-button handle provides an ergonomic grip while its recessed wheel housing and four double spinner wheels ensure a seamless and smooth glide. MSRP: $995. For more information, visit zerohalliburton.com.

Limited to 80 numbered pieces worldwide, Zero Halliburton’s Geo Meteor Limited Edition Aluminum Carry-on is a great case for international travel.
Elegance on Wheels
HERE IS THE ULTIMATE LEATHER SPINNER, FEATURING A ZIP-around opening to the main compartment with two side zip pockets, elastic straps to secure clothing and a large mesh pocket on the inside flap. Handmade in Colombia, South America, with full grain 100% cowhide leather, Piel’s Leather Carry-on Spinner (22” x 14” x 9”) has a front zip compartment with padded laptop pocket and additional room for files and other business essentials. Rounding out case amenities are front and back zip pockets, top and side handles, a piggy back strap, telescopic handle system and spinner wheels. The carry-on is available in saddle brown, chocolate brown and black. MSRP: $599. For more information, visit pelleather.com.

For the On-the-go Multitasker
AN EVERYDAY COMMUTER COMPANION BAG THAT CAN ALSO function as a compact carry-on, the Multitasker features G-RO’s signature GravityRoll™ wheels and has multiple organizational compartments, including a waterproof and padded laptop compartment and an office compartment with thoughtful organizational pockets, that let you pack for both work and play. Ultra-durable and water-resistant in ballistic nylon, Stingray polyblend and carbon fiber, the bag features a spacious interior compartment that can fit shoes, gym clothes and other items. A 5-stage telescoping handle works in harmony with the wheels to optimize ergonomics and make rolling light and easy. MSRP: $399; $549/carbon fiber. For more information, visit g-ro.com.

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G-RO’s Multitasker has GravityRoll™ wheels that roll over any urban terrain, including steps, cracks and curbs.

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**Compact and Classic**

OLYMPIA USA’S LUXE II COLLECTION, COMPRISING 21” CARRY-on Spinner and 25” and 29” Upright Spinners, is durable in 840D twill ballistic nylon. Offering a patented exterior detachable mesh pocket to allow travelers to carry water bottles, newspapers, travel accessories, etc., cases have an 8-wheel spinner system for reduced noise and smoother glide. Organizing features include multi front zip pockets, interior top hanging zip pocket and a clear vinyl wet pocket. Added protection is layered in with an EVA foam-padded front panel and an elegantly imprinted, fully padded interior lining. Case colors include black, navy, burgundy, dark purple and teal; zippers, wheels, handle and lining are color-matched. MSRP: $540/3-piece set. To see the collection, visit olympiausa.com.

**Heart Warming or Heart Stopping?**

IT ALL DEPENDS ON THE CASE. HEYS INTRODUCES THE HELLO Kitty Kids Rolling Backpack Collection and the Universal Studio Jurassic World Kids Luggage Collection. Whether they’re fans of the cute feline or the fierce velociraptor, children will be thrilled as their favorite characters come to life. Made from high quality 420D polyester with PVC and glitter fabrics, the lightweight and spacious Hello Kitty rolling backpacks include attractive accents such as matching zipper pullers, embroidered labels, printed side pouch pockets and a customizable name tag. The colorful and lightweight Jurassic World 18” luggage features a vibrant glossy print on durable ABS/polycarbonate and a fully lined interior with double interlocking straps as well as a zippered divider for internal organization. Both collections are especially designed to be comfortable for kids to carry. MSRP: $79.99/Hello Kitty; $99.99/Jurassic World. For more information, visit heys.com.

**The Ultimate Travel and Lifestyle Companion**

MEET THE HYDAWAY COLLAPSIBLE, ULTRA-STASHABLE, PLANET-friendly, go-anywhere water bottle. With a new streamlined look and two new sizes (18- and 28-oz), Hydaway 2.0 is slim, lightweight and easy to use with an ergonomic expansion grip on the bottom. New lid and accessory options include a freshly-designed cap lid with flip-up handle, an improved and ergonomic spout lid with higher flow rates than the original and a carbon filter disc that removes bad tastes and odors for a cleaner, more refreshing hydration experience. When expanded, Hydaway 2.0 helps quench your thirst during airport layovers, daily commutes, gym workouts, soccer games or anywhere else. BPA-free, nontoxic and dishwasher-safe, these innovative bottles can be folded down to just over one inch to easily fit in a pocket, backpack or bag. MSRP: $25/18-oz; $35/28-oz. For more info, visit hydawaybottle.com.

**Get Down to Business**

DESIGNED WITH THE TECH-SAVVY TRAVELER IN MIND, THIS Kenneth Cole’s Reaction 16” 4-Wheel Spinner Business Underseater Carry-on features a USB port with a pass-through cord to an interior charger pocket for powering mobile devices on the go. Not only that, the case has a padded tablet pocket and padded 14.1” laptop pocket. Made of a lightweight 1680D polyester with a tear-resistant, fully lined interior, the bag offers agility and organization, with plenty of interior and exterior pockets and compartments for keeping business essentials at hand. A locking retractable 3-stage trolley handle extends to 40 inches and the top handles make for comfortable, easy lifting. Available in black and navy, the carry-on fits into most airline overhead bins. MSRP: $260. For more information, visit kennethcole.com.
Organized Elegance

THE DOUBLE COMPARTMENT BRIEFCASE FOR 15.6" LAPTOP AND TABLET FROM Mancini’s Arizona Collection is the embodiment of timeless casual elegance, ready to fulfill travelers’ business and personal needs while guiding them valiantly through daily life. Finely handcrafted in vegetable-tanned buffalo leather that grows in character with age, this business briefcase features a main zippered compartment with separate tablet and laptop padded sleeves to keep devices secure and protected. A rear compartment holds documents and folders and an organizer keeps small personal items at your fingertips. The rear of the bag is equipped with a zippered pocket and an attach-a-bag strap. MSRP: $299.99. See the case at mancinileather.com.

Taller Means More Space

TRAVELERS CLUB® REACHES NEW heights with the latest addition to its patent-pending 4-piece Gemstone Collection. This new luggage model, an inclusion to the Kensie brand line, has a cutting-edge fashion octagon style with a taller frame, allowing more packing space. The collection, made of durable PC/ABS material, includes three rolling uprights with a 360° 8-wheel system and a matching cosmetic case that can fit on top. As the 20" carry-on featured demonstrates, cases are showy sophisticates that provide extra packing space due to the taller dimensions and are equipped with a large interior pocket plus accessory pockets. For more information about this collection, visit travelersclub.com. MSRP: $450/28” Upright; $350/24” Upright; $300/20” Carry-on; $125/13” Cosmetic Case.
**Spotlight-worthy Suitcases**

BE READY TO BE THE CENTER OF ATTENTION. THE INUSA PILOT 2018 Collection is here, bringing with it four new 2-tone options that will trend with travelers seeking unique luggage. Comprising three models – 20”/24”/28” – cases are light, durable, reliable and really eye-catching. MSRP: $289.99/set. For more info visit, inusa.com.

[Image of Spotlight-worthy Suitcases]

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**Packing's Best Practices for Athletes**

EAGLE CREEK HAS STEPPED IN TO SAVE ATHLETES AND others who occasionally sweat or smell bad. Enter the all-new Eagle Creek Pack-It Active™, featuring anti-microbial treatment. Perfect for stinky shoes, workout gear, swimwear – whatever gets wet and smelly – the new silhouettes include the Roll-Top Shoe Sac from the Essential Set, which also comes with a Cube (MSRP: $25/set); the Wet Dry 2-in-1, whose main compartment has TPU-coated mesh for even more water-repellency and odor containment ($25); and a Laundry Sling Pack with drawstring closure that makes it easier than ever to stash dirty items until laundry day ($15). The collection also includes a Pack-It Active™ Duffel ($30). For individual features and more information, visit eaglecreek.com.

[Image of Eagle Creek's Pack-It Active™ Wet Dry 2-in-1]

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**Long-term Industry Salesman Retires**

THOMAS A. CRONQUIST, president of Thomas A. Cronquist, Inc. in Plano, Texas since 2007, retired on May 31, 2018, after 35 years in the travel goods industry.

Cronquist began his career with Hartmann Luggage in Denver in October 1983 and covered the Southwest Territory. In 1989, he was promoted to senior territory manager and moved to Dallas to support Bag ‘n Baggage, Hartmann’s largest account. Cronquist became regional manager for the Central Territory in 2003. Four years later, in 2007, he left Hartmann Luggage – a result of Hartmann being sold to Clarion Investments – to start a new rep company in the Southwest Territory. As Thomas A. Cronquist, Inc., Cronquist represented Johnston & Murphy, Ricardo Beverly Hills, LCI Brands, Fisher Space Pens, Hurricane Kayaks and Kiva before bringing Epic Travelgear of Sweden to the United States in 2013.