

CONSUMER & RETAIL MONTHLY

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We work with leading companies and brands across every major consumer product and retail category, including consumer products, gift and home accessories, food & beverage, restaurants, retail and retail services.

Gift & Home Decor

Food & Beverage

Apparel & Accessories



Recreational Products Personal Care Home, Garden & Pet

HEADLINE TRANSACTIONS

TARGET

ACQUIROR

ACQUISITION SYNOPSIS





- · HALO Dream Inc. ("HALO"), a New York-based manufacturer and distributor of sleep-safety products for babies and parents, backed by Transom Capital Group, a California-based private equity firm, has acquired Child Craft, an Ohio-based manufacturer of nursery and children's furniture, from Foundations, a Ohio-based manufacturer of children's furniture and hospitality products
- The transaction marks a continuation in HALO's strategy to establish market leadership in premium nursery offerings by expanding its sleep-focused product portfolio into the nursery décor category





- · Rhône Group, a New York-based private equity firm, has acquired Freddy's Frozen Custard & Steakburgers ("Freddy's"), a Kansas-based fast-casual restaurant concept that offers steakburgers, fries and frozen custards, from Thompson Street Capital Partners, a Missouri-based private equity firm, for \$700 million
- · The acquisition will enable Freddy's to accelerate disciplined international expansion by leveraging Rhône's cross-border operating playbook, partner network and regulatory expertise to enter priority markets faster





- Bluestar Alliance, a Pennsylvania-based brand management firm with brands including Brookstone, Hurley and Off-White, has acquired Williamson-Dickie ("Dickies"), a Texas-based manufacturer and retailer of workwear and accessories, from VF Corporation (NYSE:VFC), a Colorado-based brand management firm with brands including The North Face, Timberland and Vans, for \$600 million
- The acquisition will enable Dickies to leverage Bluestar's consumer insights and operational expertise to drive growth through core line expansion, channel diversification and product innovation, while enhancing Bluestar's lifestyle-focused brand portfolio





- Platinum Equity, a Los Angeles-based private equity firm, has acquired PlayPower, a North Carolina-based designer and manufacturer of outdoor recreation and living products, from Littlejohn & Co., a Connecticut-based private equity firm
- Platinum Equity plans to expand PlayPower's core product categories, pursue adjacent markets and enhance its manufacturing and distribution capabilities through organic growth initiatives as well as strategic acquisitions





- Bansk Group, a New York-based private equity firm, has acquired BYOMA, a New York-based manufacturer of skin care products, from Yellow Wood Partners, a Boston-based private equity firm
- · The acquisition will enable BYOMA to leverage Bansk's expertise in scaling purpose-driven consumer brands to expand distribution, fuel innovation and enhance customer education and engagement capabiltiies



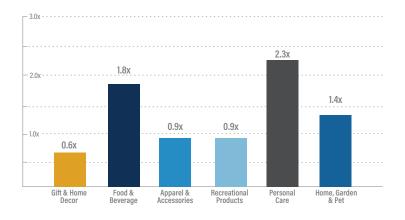


- · BBQGuys, a Louisiana-based eCommerce retailer of grills and outdoor kitchen products, backed by Brand Velocity Group, a New York-based private equity firm, has acquired Mont Alpi Grills, a California-based manufacturer of modular outdoor kitchen islands and grills
- · The acquisition will enable BBQGuys to broaden its vertically integrated brand portfolio and expand its footprint in the fastgrowing outdoor modular kitchen market

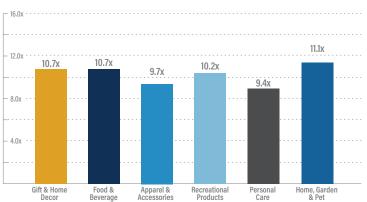


CONSUMER GROWTH & VALUATION TRENDS

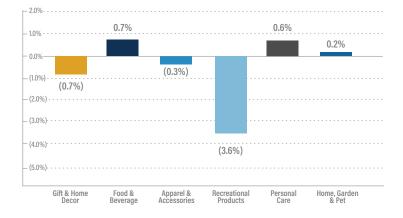
Enterprise Value / LTM Revenue



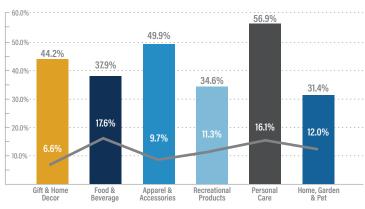
Enterprise Value / LTM EBITDA



LTM Revenue Growth



LTM Gross and EBITDA Margin*



*EBITDA Margins shown as the gray line.





SELECTED CONSUMER TRANSACTIONS

Target	Acquiror	Gift & Home Decor Transactions	Target	Acquiror	Food & Beverage Transactions
C.R. Gibson (IG Design Group; LON:IGR) The Gift Wrap Company (Design Group Americas)	Creative Brands (CBC Group)	Creative Brands, an Arizona-based manufacturer and distributor of gifts, home décor and specialty products, and a subsidiary of CBC Group, has acquired C.R. Gibson, a Nashville-based manufacturer and distributor of notebooks and stationary, from IG Design Group (LON:IGR), as well as The Gift Wrap Company, a Wisconsin-based manufacturer of gift wrap, from Design Group Americas, a Georgia-based manufacturer of consumer gifting products	Potbelly Sandwich Works (NAS:PBPB)	RaceTrac	RaceTrac, an Atlanta-based operator of gas stations and convenience stores, has acquired Potbelly Sandwich Works (NAS:PBPB), a Chicago-based sandwich shop concept, for \$566 million
Giftcraft	CTG Brands	CTG Brands, a Canada-based distributor of seasonal and everyday giftware, home décor and lifestyle products, has acquired Giftcraft, a Canadian distributor of home décor, lifestyle and gifting products	SlimFast U.S. (Glanbia; DUB:GL9)	Heartland Food Products Group	Heartland Food Products Group, an Indiana-based manufacturer of low-calorie sweeteners and related food products, including the Splenda brand, has acquired SlimFast U.S., a Florida-based manufacturer of weight loss and fitness-related nutritional products, from Glanbia (DUB:GL9), an Ireland-based manufacturer of branded sports and lifestyle nutrition products
Target	Acquiror	Apparel & Accessories Transactions	Target	Acquiror	Recreational Products Transactions
Claire's Stores	Ames Watson	Ames Watson, a Maryland-based private equity firm, has acquired Claire's Stores, an Illinois-based manufacturer and retailer of jewelry and accessories for teens and kids, for \$140 million	Velotech	Backcountry (CSC Generation)	Backcountry, a Utah-based retailer of outdoor sports gear and apparel, backed by CSC Generation, an Al-enabled multi-brand platform focusing on the consumer sector, has acquired Velotech, an Oregon-based eCommerce retailer of cycling products, with a network of sites including BikeTiresDirect, TriSports and Western Bikeworks
Marcolin	VSP Vision	VSP Vision, a California-based provider of eye care health and insurance services, has acquired Marcolin, an Italy- based manufacturer of branded sunglasses and optical glasses, with brands including Adidas Originals, Hollister and Tom Ford	TRUE Hockey (True Temper Sports; Lincolnshire Management)	Roustan Capital	Roustan Capital, a Florida-based private equity firm, has acquired TRUE Hockey, a Tennessee-based manufacturer and retailer of ice hockey gear and apparel, from True Temper Sports, a Tennessee-based manufacturer and retailer of golf, hockey and lacrosse gear, backed by Lincolnshire Management, a New York-based private equity firm
Target	Acquiror	Personal Care Transactions	Target	Acquiror	Home, Garden & Pet Transactions
Cos Bar	Mitchell Family Office	Mitchell Family Office ("MFO"), a Michigan-based private equity firm, has acquired Cos Bar, a Los Angeles-based multi-brand luxury beauty retailer with stores across the United States	Breederpack, Kennelboy, Kennelmaid, Duchess & Dylan Brands (Kennelpak)	Pets Choice	Pets Choice, a U.Kbased manufacturer of pet food, has acquired the pet food brands Breederpack, Kennelboy, Kennelmaid, Duchess and Dylan Brands from Kennelpak, a U.Kbased wholesaler and retailer of pet products and services
Solo Laboratories	Bradford Soapworks (Gemspring Capital)	Bradford Soapworks, a Rhode Island-based manufacturer of specialty bar soap and cleansing poufs, backed by Gemspring Capital, a Connecticut-based private equity firm, has acquired Solo Laboratories, an Illinois-based developer and contract manufacturer of personal care products including skincare, haircare and deodorants	Bosco and Roxy's	Treat Planet (Inverness Graham)	Treat Planet, a Missouri-based manufacturer and distributor of natural pet treats with brands including Hare of the Dog, Snicky Snaks and Kitty Kiity, backed by Inverness Graham, a Pennsylvania-based private equity firm, has acquired Bosco and Roxy's, a Canada-based manufacturer of gourmet baked dog treats

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