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Power Networking @ Lunch

When: Tuesday, Sept. 10; 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Where: Hilton Palm Beach Airport Cost: \$45, members; \$50, non-members

Dale Carnegie Seminar - Increase Your Influence with Storytelling

When: Wednesday, Sept. 11; 8:30-10 a.m. Where: Chamber Boardroom **Cost:** \$20, members (\$15 in advance); \$30, non-members

(\$25 in advance) Speaker: Christine Ramirez, VP of Dale Carnegie Training, Southeast Florida

Business Builder

When: Friday, Sept. 13 and Thursday, Sept. 26; 8:30-9:45 a.m. Where: Chamber Boardroom Cost: Free

ATHENA Leadership Awards Luncheon

When: Friday, Sept. 20; 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Where: Palm Beach County **Convention Center** Cost: \$90, members: \$110. non-members

YPOP 411 - Headshot

Happy Hour When: Wednesday, Sept. 25; 5:30-7:30 p.m. Where: Venture X **Cost:** Free for YPOP members: \$15, non-YPOP members

Business After Hours

When: Thursday, Sept. 26; 5:30-7:30 p.m. Where: Grease Burger Bar Cost: \$20, members; \$30, non-members

Digital Marketing Measurement Seminar

When: Wednesday, Oct. 2; 8:30-10 a.m. Where: Chamber Boardroom **Cost:** \$20, members (\$15 in advance); \$30, non-members (\$25 in advance)



Michelle McGovern



Michelle McGovern serves as Director of Government



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2019 ATHENA AWARDS FINALISTS ANNOUNCED



Luncheon as we celebrate each finalist's achievements and honor recipients of our ATHENA Leadership Award, ATHENA Young

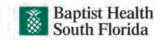




and Community Relations for Baptist Health South Florida, South Florida's largest nonprofit health care system.

Prior to joining Baptist Health South Florida in 2019, McGovern served as a U.S. Senate State Director and was an 18-year employee with the U.S. Senate.

Michelle is past president of The Forum Club of the Palm Beaches, past president of SunFest and a founding member of West Palm 100. She currently serves on the Board of Trustees for the Central Palm Beach Chamber of Commerce. A Florida native, McGovern is a graduate of Florida Atlantic University.



Howard E.N. (Chip) Wilson



Howard E.N. (Chip) Wilson is Director of Glenmede's Florida office. He also serves as a senior

Relationship Manager, partnering with multigenerational families on wealth planning, family wealth education and complex trusts, and most recently served as Executive Director of Relationship Management in Glenmede's Philadelphia headquarters. Prior to joining Glenmede, Wilson served with U.S. Trust, where he obtained numerous management roles, including President of the Florida Region, headquartered in Palm Beach. He earned a bachelor's degree in business from the University of Maryland and an MBA in finance from Loyola University. Wilson currently serves as a Trustee of the Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches.

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The Chamber is pleased to announce the 2019 ATHENA Leadership Awards finalists. This year, the Chamber received more than 60 nominations comprised of outstanding individuals and organizations throughout Palm Beach County. Please join us for the 28th Annual ATHENA Awards

Professional Leadership Award and ATHENA Organizational Leadership Award.

The luncheon, presented by Related, is Sept. 20 at the Palm Beach County Convention Center from 11:30 a.m. 1 p.m. To purchase an individual ticket or table, please visit www.palmbeaches.org.

For sponsorship information, please contact Michele Sacher at msacher@palmbeaches.org.

Congresswoman **Frankel conducts** roundtable discussion

Congresswoman Lois Frankel met with executives from several local Chambers for a roundtable discussion on economic development in Palm Beach County. It was one in a series of meetings she has conducted with various groups around the County to gain insights into their concerns and experiences. Topics of discussion ranged from health care to cyber security risk.



West Palm Beach Police Department addresses Chamber members on safety protocol in an active shooter situation

The West Palm Beach Police Department – including new West Palm Beach Police Chief Frank Adderley, Assistant Police Chief Tony Spatara, Deputy Chief Richard Morris, and SWAT Team Leader Sergeant Randy Nash - hosted a Safety Response Seminar on Aug. 6. They partnered with the West Palm Beach Fire Department's Bianca Cummings and Bryan Lee, both first responders who educated the group on how bystanders can save lives in an active shooter situation by stopping bleeding using a tourniquet made with just a common belt and ink pen.

Sergeant Nash emphasized how important it is for



organizations to be proactive in their safety awareness conversations resulting in a specific and concrete action plan that includes ongoing education for all employees and empowering them to report any suspicious activity.

Geoff Sluggett attended the event and said, "The Active

Shooter Seminar provided invaluable information on what employers need to do to protect their employees and customers. Clearly, we as business owners must be diligent and prepared. I commend Chief Adderley and the officers of the West Palm Beach Police Department for

providing this informative program and assisting local businesses with active shooter preparedness in the unfortunate case of an event."

Both the Palm Beach County police and EMT departments offer ongoing education programs and resources for local businesses to be prepared, encouraging civilians to reach out to them to learn more.

For more information on seminars and events, please contact Michele Sacher at msacher@palmbeaches.org.





CHAMBER of COMMERCE OF THE PALM BEACHES BUSINESS WOLLD September 2019



From left: Gary Vonk, Keiser University; Kimberly Lea, Keiser University; Greg Rice, Hulett Environmental Services; Chamber Chair Evelyn Hopkins; Deputy Superintendent Keith Oswald; and James Gavrilos, Education Foundation of Palm Beach County.

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Back to School Breakfast

On Tuesday, Aug. 20, Deputy Superintendent for the School District of Palm Beach County Keith Oswald, delivered the Annual Back-to-School Breakfast address, presented by Keiser University and Hulett Environmental Services. Oswald reported that The Palm Beach County School District is now the 10th largest district in the nation, consisting of 179 schools with a total of 176,000 students and an annual budget of \$3.5 billion. He also shared that 66% of the schools in the district have achieved an "A" or "B" rating and that they had a graduation rate of 91.7% percent for the 2018-2019 school year.

Oswald attributes the high graduation rate to teacher's dedication and leading their new program called "Ready. Set. GOALS!" that students start in kindergarten, having 100% participation from all teachers, staff, administration and even their school board

members. Also, they have more than 320 choice, career and technical education programs from which students can choose to lead them toward various career paths.

To enhance school safety, they now have 230 school police officers and utilize phone apps to support their "See it - Tell it program to give everyone, including parents, empowerment to protect their schools and events. A special thanks to all attendees and the Chamber's Women in Business Committee who donated school supplies to the Red Apple Supplies Drive coordinated by The Education Foundation of Palm Beach County, donating \$6,000 for a new science program at Pleasant City Elementary School.

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Young Professionals of the Palm Beaches (YPOP) get 'behind the scenes' tour at CBS Channel 12 News Station

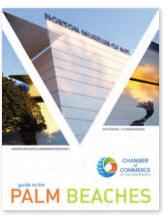
CBS Channel 12, part of Sinclair Broadcast Group, hosted YPOP Members on Aug. 8 for a "behind the scenes tour" of their newly renovated TV station. Travis Harmony, digital sales manager, explained how the station now offers 360 Digital Marketing services for local and small businesses to analyze their client base, and how those businesses can grow through the use of social media and

web-based platforms. For more information on YPOP, please contact Michele Sacher at msacher@ palmbeaches.org.





JOIN NOW TO APPEAR IN '2020 GUIDE TO THE PALM BEACHES'



Looking to attract business? Increase your visibility and your sales by appearing in the Chamber's full-color, award-winning Guide to the Palm Beaches, which serves as a buying guide for products and services by Chamber members as well as residents, tourists and visitors to Palm Beach County.

The Chamber prints 10,000 copies of the Guide, which will debut at the Mayor's State of the City Address on Jan. 21, when 1,000 area businessmen and women will leave with a copy hot off the press. Print copies will also be available at The Chamber's office. An online

version will be available at www.palmbeaches.org

Each member of the Chamber receives two free listings - one alphabetical and one by business category. Deadline to join is Sept. 30 and you must be a Chamber member to be included. For more information, contact Kelly Fanelli, membership director, at kfanelli@palmbeaches.org or call 561-257-0289.

Ruth's Chris Steak House hosts August Business After Hours

Ruth's Chris Steak House in West Palm Beach's Rosemary Square provided first class service and delicious food and wine to more than 75 local professionals on Aug. 14 at the Chamber's monthly Business After Hours networking event. They showcased their private event food offerings, with generous quantities of rosemary shrimp, beef tenderloin with honey soy glaze, chicken with barbecue butter sauce skewers and international cheese pairings with wines.

Sales manager Jennifer Anciano said that the restaurant can host private events for six to 80 people with uncompromising





quality of service and food because of their commitment to excellence and staff training programs across service and food pairings with wine. The

menu changes seasonally to offer new items for guests.

There was high energy at this popular event that guests look forward to every August at Ruth's Chris, which has been SOLD OUT the last three years.

For more information on sponsorships and events, please contact Michele Sacher at msacher@palmbeaches.org.

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The Chamber is currently accepting applications for Class 2020 of Leadership West Palm Beach, which exposes participants to a variety of aspects of the community, including government; health and human services; education; neighborhoods, arts, culture & festivals; and economic development. Leadership West Palm Beach provides information to class



participants to generate leaders with a well-rounded knowledge base to assist in future planning and decisionmaking for the betterment of West Palm Beach. Submit your application online at palmbeaches.org. For

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