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HEALTH CLUBS

2020 BUSINESS AWARDS FINALISTS ANNOUNCED

The Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches is pleased to announce the finalists for the Annual Business Awards Breakfast. These awards recognize businesses and individuals who demonstrate unwavering commitment to their business and professional goals, their employees, and their respective local communities.



This year's Awards Breakfast will be held on Thursday, May 28 from 7:45 to 9:15 a.m. at the Palm **Beach County Convention** Center. For more details and to register, please visit our website at palmbeaches.org



Lifetime **Achievement Award**

Each year, the Chamber awards an individual in our community who has attained professional excellence and provided exceptional leadership. This year, the Chamber will be honoring William Fleming, President of Palm Beach Atlantic University.



Small Business Person of the Year Robert Banting, Anderson & Carr, Inc. Carrie Bradburn, Capehart Photography Harris Levitt, Palm Beach Yacht Club & Marina Rita Craig, Top Tier Leadership



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Non-Profit of the Year Peggy Adams Animal Rescue League Historical Society of Palm Beach County YWCA Palm Beach County







Young Professional of the Year Jennifer Ferriol, City of West Palm Beach Christine Shaw, Florida Atlantic University Justin Testa, BOLAY



WEST PALM BEACH



FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY





Health and Human Services Organization of the Year

Dress for Success Palm Beaches Literacy Coalition of Palm Beach County Meals on Wheels of the Palm Beaches









Business of the Year GL Homes **KAST Construction** Palm Beach Outlets Verdex Construction











Leadership West Palm Beach enjoys Western Communities Day



FITTEAM Ballpark of the Palm Beaches



West Palm Beach Fire Station 5



Thank you to our Western Communities day chairs, West Palm Beach Fire Chief Diana Matty and William Brasmar.







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Ambassador Committee helps create care packages at Forgotten **Soldiers Outreach**

The Ambassador Committee met at the Forgotten Soldiers Outreach for a community service project and a day of team-building fun. The Outreach, a local nonprofit in Lake Worth, supports America's deployed military service members around the world. The Ambassadors helped create "We Care" packages that are mailed out monthly to service members with much needed care items as well as letters of encouragement. Lynelle Chauncey Zelnar, the executive director of Forgotten Soldiers Outreach, spoke about the importance of the care packages and how much of an impact it makes on the servicemen and servicewomen. She also thanked the Ambassadors for their time and support of their mission.

For more information on the Ambassador Committee and future meetings, contact Kirby Davis at kdavis@palmbeaches.org or 561-833-3894.











CHAMBER OF THE PALM BEACHES BUSINESS Watch

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Welcome new Board member





J.C. Perrin has 35 years of experience in meeting clients' financial needs, as well as those of their business or profession. After graduating from West Virginia University, he began his banking career in 1985 with Barnett Bank in West Palm Beach. Via Wachovia, SunTrust, 1st United Bank, JP Morgan, and U.S. Trust, he and his teams have provided comprehensive banking and wealth management services to clients throughout South Florida and the Treasure Coast.

As Director of Commercial Banking for Seacoast Bank for South Florida, Perrin leads teams of commercial and commercial real estate bankers

in Boca Raton, Palm Beach Gardens, and West Palm Beach, also with oversight in Broward County.

Community minded, he served as a Director of the Greater Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce, chairing the organization in 2000-01. He was recognized as Business Leader of the Year in 2006. Having a passion for education, he is a past chair of the Chamber's Golden Bell Education Foundation, was the founding Chair of the Career Academy Advisory Board at West Boca High School and received the prestigious 2010 ACTE National Carl Perkins Humanitarian Award, and is a current Board Member of Best Foot Forward. He also is a Past Director of the Governing Board of West Boca Medical Center and a Past Chairman of the Mae Volen Senior Center.





From left: Vincent Moss, Lemonlight Media; Dr. Peter Cruise, FAU-LeRoy Collins Public Ethics Academy; Eric Bruns, Raymond James.



From left: Ashlee Alicea, Florida Crystals Corporation; Matthew Korduner, Florida Crystals Corporation; Evelyn Hopkins, Florida Crystals Corporation.

The Chamber's Executive Mentorship Program kicks off its second year

The Chamber launched its 2020 Executive Mentorship Program with a kickoff event at Duffy's Sports Grill, inviting more than 50 guests - 26 Mentor/Mentee PAIRS, to come out to meet each other and learn more about mentoring. Insightful and energizing presentations on the importance of mentoring the next generation of leaders was delivered by Trustee Dr. Peter Cruise, Chamber



Chair Rick Reikenis and Past Chair and Program Founder Evelyn Hopkins. Thank you also to Sarah Alsofrom, Program Founder, and our event sponsor, GL Homes.

Guests included YPOP members as mentees and Board/Trustee members who have volunteered to be their mentors. They also heard from Duffy Sports Grill's Owner and Foundation Leader Geri Emmitt, and their current president, Joe Webb.

To find out more about the Executive Mentorship Program, please visit our website, palmbeaches. org. If you have additional questions, please contact Michele Sacher at msacher@palmbeaches.org



Landscaping Services; Dale Hedrick, Hedrick Construction.

AquaZure hosts Chamber's **March Business After Hours**

More than 40 Chamber Members came out to the Chamber's monthly "Business After Hours" event on Thursday, March 5, to be hosted by the proprietor, Halah Colantonio, of AquaZure Restaurant and Bar. Guests enjoyed a lively and energizing evening with live music, networking, appetizers - including macaroni and cheese ball and the restaurant's signature "aqua" colored cocktails. AquaZure is a hip, modernly adorned "hotspot" for happy hours and dinners with an American Fusion menu. It is on the quaint "Main Street" of Abacoa, in Jupiter.





Cyber Security Webinar



Christopher B. Hopkins McDonald Hopkins





The Chamber successfully held a webinar on March with 40 registrants. The webinar "Employers & Employees Working from Home – Cybersecurity; Home-Office Setup, Confidentiality, Policies, Security Best Practices" covered the following topics:

- Cybersecurity risks of employees working from home
- Developing or revising policies and protocols for remote working
- Cyber-risks associated with COVID-19
- Protecting Your iOS, Android and PC

Our presenters were Christopher B. Hopkins, Esq., McDonald Hopkins LLC, and Christine R. Vanderpool, CISO & VP of IT Security, Florida Crystals. A link to the webinar can be found on our homepage at www.palmbeaches.org

The Chamber intends to offer ongoing webinars, virtual meetings, and to continue to proactively stay connected to our members and business community. View our online calendar for upcoming "virtual" events at palmbeaches.org.