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2023 ATHENA LEADERSHIP AWARDS RECIPIENTS



Renée Layman, Dorritt Miller and Sarah Criser Elwell CAPEHART



On Sept. 28, three extraordinary recipients and several finalists were recognized for their excellence in leadership at the 32nd Annual ATHENA Awards luncheon at the Palm Beach County Convention Center. Traci Costa, ATHENA International president and CEO attended the event in person, adding a special touch with her stirring address to the finalists and other attendees. Assistant County Administrator Dorritt Miller was presented with the ATHENA Leadership Award by UHealth University of Miami Health System, the presenting sponsor of the event and sponsor of that award. This year's ATHENA Young Professional Leadership Award, sponsored by Florida Crystals, was presented to Sarah Criser Elwell, CEO of the Forum Club of the Palm Beaches. The ATHENA Organizational Leadership Award, sponsored

by Florida Power and Light, was presented to the Center for Child Counseling. President and CEO Renée Layman accepted the award on behalf of the authentic, woman-led, woman-driven organization founded in 1999 to build the foundation for playful, healthful, and hopeful living for children, families, and communities.

Congratulations to all the ATHENA finalists and recipients, and the winners of the raffle prizes from Southwest and Sunfest 2024. We thank our sponsors and extend an extra special note of gratitude to ATHENA International president and CEO, Traci Costa, whose presence made the event that much more exceptional.



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Tara Duh



Attorney Tara Duh is an executive shareholder and the chair of the Land Use and Real Estate Law Practice Group at Lewis, Longman & Walker in West Palm Beach. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Northwestern University and her Juris Doctor from the University of Colorado School of Law. Among her many accomplishments, Duh has been listed as a Top Lawyer in Palm Beach Illustrated Magazine, Best Lawyers in America in Land Use and Zoning Law and Environmental Law, and as a Rising Star by Florida Super Lawyers, a peer designation awarded to only 2.5% of Florida lawyers. Tara is a committed alumna of Leadership Florida, active in the Florida Association of Community Developers, serves on the Gulfstream Region Council and the Board of Directors of Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Coalition of Palm Beach County.

Sergio Piedra



Sergio Piedra is the director of community engagement and advocacy for Discover The Palm Beaches. A graduate of the University of Missouri, Piedra served in the West Palm Beach mayor's office, specializing in marketing, public relations and special events, and as a journalist with the Columbia Missourian and The Sun-Sentinel before embarking on his 23-year-and-counting journey with Discover the Palm Beaches. He began in the public relations department, working with travel agents, airlines and tour operators, and soon transitioned to working on website and collateral content development. Today, Sergio spends much of his time advocating for tourism at all levels of government and throughout the wider community. He also leads the Storm Emergency Team during hurricane season and is known for being the consummate professional.

Christopher Guidice



Waldorf Astoria Atlanta, a Forbes 4-star hotel.

Today, Guidice oversees the daily operations of the newly renovated Hilton West Palm Beach, featuring world-class culinary attractions and an elevated hotel experience unlike anything available in the market.

Mike Sophia



Mike Sophia began his career in the sports and entertainment industry more than 30 years ago when he helped to plan and execute the 1996 Olympics with the Atlanta Olympic Games Committee Sports Department. In Northern California, he worked with community leaders to bring Major League Soccer to Sacramento and retain the NBA's Sacramento Kings. As vice president of the Florida Sports Foundation, Sophia worked closely on major events throughout the state, including three Super Bowls, and assisted in the bid development to host the 2012 Olympic Games in Tampa. The first executive director of the Miami-Dade Sports Commission, Sophia helped the organization create an economic impact of more than \$500 million with high-profile events such as the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament, USA Volleyball Junior Olympics and WrestleMania. Today, Mike channels that wealth of experience into his role as the general manager of The Ballpark of the Palm Beaches.



Fish and Wildlife Foundation of Florida caught attention of Chamber Trustees

Andrew Walker, president and CEO of the Fish and Wildlife Foundation of Florida, captured the focus of the Trustees of the Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches at their luncheon on Friday, September 29. Mr. Walker reported on the condition of Florida's ecosystem and wildlife and informed the Trustees of the many ways in which they could get involved.

For more information on the Fish and Wildlife Foundation of Florida, visit WildlifeFlorida.org

To learn more about the Trustee program, contact Kirby Davis at kdavis@palmbeaches.org.

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2023 Firefighter Awards Breakfast



2022 recipients Jamie Walker and William Regan with St. Mary's CEO Cynthia McCauley.
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The Chamber will host its annual Firefighter Awards at the Palm Beach County Convention Center on Wednesday, Oct. 18 from 7:30-9 a.m. This program, sponsored by St. Mary's Medical Center and The Palm Beach Children's Hospital, Tanger Outlets and Bill Bone Bike Law, will honor West Palm Beach Fire Rescue and Palm Beach County Fire Rescue's bravest individuals, our local heroes. Awards will be presented for:

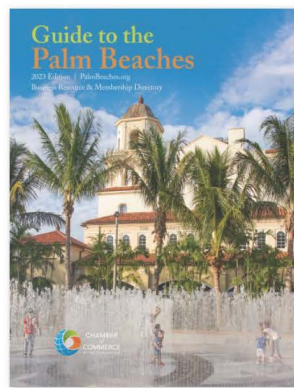
- Firefighter of the Year
- Station of the Year
- Outstanding Community Service
- Leadership

Visit palmbeaches.org to register for this event. For more information on sponsorship opportunities, please contact Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org



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Palm Beaches. This award-winning, full-color publication is used as a buying guide for products and services by Chamber members, as well as residents, tourists, investors and visitors to Palm Beach County. The Chamber prints 4,000 copies of the guide annually, and each member of the Chamber receives two free listings – alphabetically and by business category. The Guide will debut at the Mayor's State of the City Address on Jan. 18, 2024. It will also be available in the Chamber's lobby and online at palmbeaches.org.

Please email Kirby Davis, Membership Development Manager, at kdavis@palmbeaches.org or call 561-833-3894 for more information to seize this opportunity.



September Transportation Infrastructure Breakfast

On Sept. 15, guests gathered at the Palm Beach County Convention Center to hear panelists Laura Beebe, director of airports of the Palm Beach County Department of Airports; Clinton Forbes, executive director of Palm Tran; and Dr. Jean Enright, board chairwoman of the Port of Palm Beach, discuss the economic impact of the transportation industry in Palm Beach County at the Transportation Infrastructure Breakfast – an event

designed to facilitate an examination of this integral piece of the county's economy.

We are grateful to UHealth, University of Miami Health Systems, the presenting sponsor for the event.

For information on events and other sponsorship opportunities, contact Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org.



From left:
Chamber CEO Donald Burgess,
Dr. Jean Enright,
Chamber Chair Robert Diffenderfer,
Laura Beebe and
Clinton Forbes
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Cox Science Center & Aquarium hosted Business After Hours

The COX Science Center and Aquarium was the venue for last month's Business After Hours.

Guests enjoyed exhibits such as the Science Fiction Science Future, the aquarium and other challenges and activities provided throughout the center.

We thank the Cox Science Center and Aquarium for hosting yet another fun event with the Chamber and look forward to future opportunities to relax and have a good time while networking after hours.

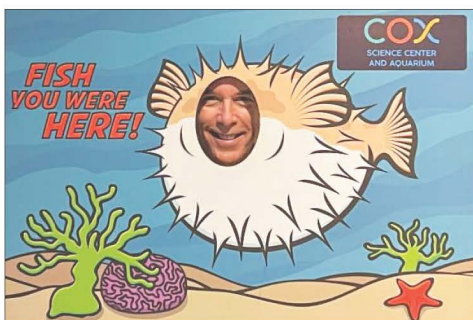
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For more information on the Cox Science

Center and Aquarium visit coxsciencecenter.org



YPOP Rolls Up Healthy Living Sushi Class with ORQA Health

ORQA Health hosted a successful August YPOP event at their studio in West Palm Beach where Chef Colin treated attendees to a lesson in the art of sushi making. With his extensive knowledge of sushi and its history, Chef Colin took the group on a journey of discovery before guiding them through the process of creating their own delicious vegan sushi rolls for their very own sushi platters, which were vibrantly colored and matched their amazing flavors. At the end of the class guests took their platters home to enjoy and/or share with friends and family.

This event was not only educational but also a fun and delightful experience for all who attended. Join us for our next event and be part of a community that values wellness and healthy living.

For more information on ORQA Health, visit orqahealth.com or call 844- 438-6772.



For more information on YPOP, contact Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org



UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday
OCT. 5

YPOP Hotspot: PGA National
When: 5:30-7 p.m. **Where:** PGA National Resort and Spa, 400 Ave. of the Champions, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33418 **Cost:** Members, \$15; nonmembers, \$25 **Contact:** Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org

Tuesday
OCT. 10

Business Builder @ Lunch
When: Noon-1 p.m. **Where:** Chamber Boardroom **Cost:** Free **Contact:** Kirby Davis at kdavis@palmbeaches.org

Wednesday
OCT. 11

Coffee & Chat with Sue Ellen Beryl, Managing Director of Palm Beach Dramaworks
When: 9-10 a.m. **Where:** Palm Beach Dramaworks, 201 Clematis Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33401 **Cost:** Free, members only **Contact:** Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org

Thursday
OCT. 12

Power Networking @ Lunch
When: 11:30a.m.-1 p.m. **Where:** Hilton Palm Beach Airport, **Cost:** Discount registration deadline: Thursday, Oct. 5 at 5 p.m. Members: \$40 before the deadline, \$45 after the deadline; nonmembers: \$50 before the deadline, \$55 after the deadline. At the door, \$60 **Contact:** Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org

Thursday
OCT. 12

Cheers To: Autumn – Member Mix and Mingle
When: 5:30-7:30p.m. **Where:** Chamber Boardroom **Cost:** Free, members only **Contact:** Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org

Wednesday
OCT. 18

2023 Firefighter Awards Breakfast
When: 7:30-9 a.m. **Where:** Palm Beach County Convention Center, 650 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33401 **Cost:** Early registration ends Wednesday, Oct. 11. Members: Individual ticket, \$50 before deadline, \$55 after deadline. Full table of 10, \$600; nonmembers: Individual ticket, \$65 before deadline, \$75 after deadline. Full table of 10 \$800. **Contact:** Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org

Tuesday
OCT. 24

Get to Know: ORQA Health, a Healthy Lifestyle Brand
When: Noon-1 p.m. **Where:** Chamber Boardroom **Cost:** Free, members only **Contact:** Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org

Wednesday
OCT. 25

Business Builder
When: 9-10 a.m. **Where:** Chamber Boardroom **Cost:** Free **Contact:** Kirby Davis at kdavis@palmbeaches.org

Thursday
OCT. 26

ChamberMaster Pro
When: 9-10 a.m. **Where:** Chamber Boardroom **Cost:** Free, members only **Contact:** Kirby Davis at kdavis@palmbeaches.org

Thursday
OCT. 26

Business After Hours: Collab with FAU
When: 5:30-7:30p.m. **Where:** Venture X West Palm Beach, 700 S. Rosemary Ave., #204, West Palm Beach, FL 33401 **Cost:** Discount deadline: Oct. 19 at 5 p.m. Members: \$20 before deadline, \$25 after deadline; nonmembers: \$30 before deadline, \$35 after deadline **Contact:** Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org



FordHarrison educates on exotic exemptions

On Aug. 10, employment and labor law firm FordHarrison presented an HR Law seminar titled Exotic Exemptions: Unconventional Exceptions to Overtime Requirements. Partner David Gobeo, Esq. and attorney Mark Fereg guided attendees through critical nuances in the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) as practiced in the state of Florida, the duties test, traditional and nontraditional exemptions, and more.

HR professionals who attended the seminar received a continuing education credit.

For more information on FordHarrison and their services, visit fordharrison.com or contact them at 561-345-7500.

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