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THANK YOU RENEWING MEMBERS

- 2GHO, Inc. Landscape Architects, Planners, Environmental Consultants
- Anderson-Moore Construction Corp.
- Beachway Therapy Center
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County, Inc.
- Buffalo Wild Wings - West Palm Beach
- Carmela Coffee Village Commons
- Castle Group
- Forum Club of the Palm Beaches
- GL Homes
- Hampton Inn West Palm Beach/FL Turnpike
- Hawthorn Suites by Wyndham West Palm Beach
- Historical Society of Palm Beach County
- Homewood Suites West Palm Beach
- Hulett Environmental Services
- Illustrated Properties Real Estate, LLC
- Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County
- Jupiter Medical Center
- Kast Construction
- Lynn University
- Mental Health America of the Palm Beaches
- Network Professionals Inc of the Palm Beaches
- Norton Museum of Art
- Office of State Representative David Silvers
- Palm Beach Island Hospice Foundation
- Palm Beach State College
- Palm Beach Yacht Club & Marina
- Pruitt & Pruitt, P.A.
- Rapids Water Park
- Signarama
- Simmons & White, Inc.
- Southeast Hay Distributors Inc.
- Striano LLC
- Suits For Seniors
- Sullivan Electric & Pump, Inc.
- Tanger Outlets
- Taxes 4 Less
- The Recovery Village Palm Beach
- Toshiba Business Solutions
- Troon
- UHealth, University of Miami Health System
- Universal Engineering Sciences
- Valley
- Window Gang of Palm Beach

INNOVATION IN EDUCATION!

The School District of Palm Beach County Superintendent Michael J. Burke will be delivering the Annual Back to School Breakfast address.

Along with the districts performance and achievements in 2023-2024, he will discuss what to look forward to in 2024 - 2025, and what we can expect to make sure that our schools are keeping up with the ever changing world.

Keep an eye out for special guests!! Register at www.palmbeaches.org.

The 2024 - 2025 EDUCATION GUIDE

In support of the Education Foundation of Palm Beach County, we are accepting donations for the 2024 Red Apple School Supply Drive until August 5.

The most needed supplies are:

- Backpacks
- Wedge erasers
- Small dry erase boards
- Copy paper
- 1-, 2- and 3-inch binders
- Construction paper

Please drop off your donations in the box located in our lobby before 5 p.m. August 5.

2024 Back to School Breakfast

Tuesday, Aug. 6

When: 7-9:30 a.m.

Where: West Palm Beach Marriott, 1001 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33401

Admission: Discount deadline is Tuesday, July 30 at 5 p.m. Members, \$60; table of 10 with company signage, \$650. Nonmembers, \$80; table of 10 with company signage, \$800.


For more information: For more information contact Rachel Quismundo at 561-421-5129 rquismundo@palmbeaches.org




Please stay safe after the storm

Be prepared: FPL.com/storm


We urge customers in stormy and flooded areas to take the following safety precautions:




Ensure that all electric appliances, especially ovens and stoves, are turned off to prevent fires. Use caution when unplugging. Don't stand in water when operating switches, plugging in or unplugging electrical cords.




When working on a ladder, look up and note the location of power lines before you begin. Be sure that ladders or scaffolds are far enough away so that you – and the ends of the tools you're using – stay at least 10 feet away from power lines. Before lowering a TV antenna or satellite dish, be sure to turn off and unplug the TV.




When resetting circuit breakers, wear dry, rubber-soled shoes and stand on something dry and non-conductive, such as a dry piece of wood or wooden furniture.




Use caution while driving. Power interruptions may cause traffic signals to stop working without warning. If you come to an intersection with a non-working traffic signal, Florida law requires that you treat it as a four-way stop.




In a flooded home, battery-powered lighting is the safest lighting source. Use flashlights when inspecting a home for possible damage.



Stay far away from downed power lines, flooding and debris; lines could be energized and dangerous.



Don't drive, walk or stand in standing water. Stay away from standing water. Don't walk or drive near downed power lines or in water, where a downed power line could be concealed. Keep children away from puddles of water and downed power lines.



If using a portable generator:
 » Follow the manufacturer's recommendations for proper use.
 » Plug appliances directly into the generator, not into the main electric panel, because the electricity may flow back into power lines and cause injuries.
 » Only a licensed electrician should connect a generator to a main electric panel.
 » Never operate a generator inside your home or garage.
 » Keep generators well away from open windows to prevent dangerous fumes from entering your home or a neighbor's home.

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2024-25 EDUCATION GUIDE WILL BE AVAILABLE AUG. 6, 2024

Pick up your copy of the 2024-25 Education Guide at the Back to School Breakfast or in the Chamber lobby!



Business Development Board launches annual publication

The Business Development Board of Palm Beach County unveiled its 2024-2025 Profile magazine, serving as Palm Beach County's official business annual. This publication showcases stories of newly relocated executives, local companies experiencing growth, recent statistics, and resources tailored for businesses in the area. Serving as the premier economic development organization, the Business Development Board ensures that this comprehensive resource is available for businesses across Palm Beach County, as well as proactively distributed across the nation.



Tortoise One hosts Trustee Reception

The Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches hosted its Trustees at Tortoise Properties' exceptional luxury residential West Palm Beach location, Tortoise One Apartments, on Wednesday, July 10. Trustees and other specially invited guests enjoyed an exclusive evening of networking and wine tasting and delectable bites in the elegant Tortoise One clubroom as they mingled, established new connections and fostered valuable relationships.

Interim Chamber CEO, Dennis Grady, extended a warm welcome to the Trustees and thanked them for their continued support of the Chamber. Jake Geleerd, Chamber Trustee and president and CEO of Tortoise Properties, added his welcome and extended special thanks to Kelly Smallridge, president and CEO of the BDB, and Rex Kirby, president of Verdex Construction, who were instrumental in the development of Tortoise One.

The next Trustee Luncheon will be held on Friday, Aug. 23 at Ruth's Chris Steak House. Drew Bartlett, executive



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director of the South Florida Water Management District, will be the guest speaker. For more information on the Chamber's distinguished Trustee Program, contact Kirby Davis at kdavis@palmbeaches.org or call 561-833-3894.

JOIN THE CHAMBER

Membership in the Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches provides unique opportunities for local and regional members of the business community to improve their visibility and build and maintain relationships. From networking to governance, we provide individuals and new and established organizations with avenues for making their mark on the entrepreneurial landscape.

Not yet a member? Contact our membership development manager Kirby Davis at kdavis@palmbeaches.org or 561-833-3894 today!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Have a question? Contact Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org for information.

Tuesday AUG. 6
Back to School Breakfast 2024
When: 7-9:30 a.m.
Where: West Palm Beach Marriott, 1001 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33401
Cost: Members: Individual tickets, \$60. Full table of 10 seats with company signage and preferred seating: \$650. Nonmembers: Individual tickets, \$80 without discount. Full table of 10 seats with company signage and preferred seating: \$800
Contact: Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org

Tuesday AUG. 13
Business Builder
When: 9-10:00 a.m.
Where: Chamber Boardroom, 401 N. Flagler Drive, West Palm Beach, FL 33401
Cost: Free to all
Contact: Kirby Davis at kdavis@palmbeaches.org

Thursday AUG. 15
Power Networking @ Lunch
When: 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Where: Hilton Palm Beach Airport, 150 Australian Ave., West Palm Beach, FL 33406
Cost: Discount Registration Deadline: Tuesday, Aug. 8 at 5 p.m. Members: \$40 before the deadline, \$45 after the deadline. Nonmembers: \$50 before the deadline, \$55 after the deadline. Day of event: \$60 at the door, subject to availability.
Contact: Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org

Thursday AUG. 22
Coffee and Chat: Anita Patel, CEO of Minerva Tec Group
When: 9-10 a.m.
Where: Chamber Boardroom, 401 N. Flagler Drive, West Palm Beach, FL 33401
Cost: Free to members and YPOP members only
Contact: Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org

Tuesday AUG. 27
HR Law Seminar
When: 9-10 a.m.
Where: Chamber Boardroom, 401 N. Flagler Drive, West Palm Beach, FL 33401
Cost: Members: \$20. Nonmembers: \$25
Contact: Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org

Thursday AUG. 29
Business Builder @ Lunch
When: Noon-1 p.m.
Where: Chamber Boardroom, 401 N. Flagler Drive, West Palm Beach, FL 33401
Cost: Free to all
Contact: Kirby Davis at kdavis@palmbeaches.org

Tuesday SEPT. 10
Get to Know: President and CEO James Gavrilos of the Education Foundation
When: 9-10 a.m.
Where: Red Apple Supplies, 7071 Garden Rose, Riviera Beach, FL 33404
Cost: Free to Members and YPOP Members only
Contact: Jessica Straghn at jstraghn@palmbeaches.org

Thursday SEPT. 12
Business Builder
When: 9-10 a.m.
Where: Chamber Boardroom, 401 N. Flagler Drive, West Palm Beach, FL 33401
Cost: Free to all
Contact: Kirby Davis at kdavis@palmbeaches.org

Wednesday SEPT. 18
33rd Annual ATHENA Leadership Awards Luncheon 2024
When: 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Where: Kravis Center for the Performing Arts Cohen Pavilion, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33401
Cost: Please note: Online registration will close at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 17 and ALL CHANGES to table guests (deletions, changes, additions) will be handled at registration day of event. **Early Registration Deadline:** Sept. 11 at 5 p.m. Members: Table of 10, \$750 before deadline, \$850 after deadline. Individual tickets: \$80 before deadline, \$90 after deadline. Nonmembers: Table of 10, \$950 before deadline, \$1,050 after deadline. Individual tickets: \$100 before deadline, \$110 after deadline.
Half Page Ad: 5.5 wide x 4.25 tall full color, full bleed - \$150. Full Page Ad: 5.5 wide x 8.5 tall full color, full bleed - \$250. AD SPECS: 300 DPI / CMYK print ready PDF file. NO CROP MARKS
Contact: Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org

Wednesday SEPT. 25
Business Builder @ Lunch
When: Noon-1 p.m.
Where: Chamber Boardroom, 401 N. Flagler Drive, West Palm Beach, FL 33401
Cost: Free to all
Contact: Kirby Davis at kdavis@palmbeaches.org



From left: 2023 ATHENA Awards recipients Renée Layman, Dorritt Miller and Sarah Criser Elwell

The ATHENA International Leadership Awards model is based on the idea that women's unique ways of knowing and leading are more intuitive than men's, and that these traits can be combined with traditional leadership qualities, while emphasizing the importance of empathy, compassion and inclusivity. The eight tenets of ATHENA Leadership are: live authentically, learn consistently,



build relationships, foster collaboration, act courageously, advocate fiercely, give back and celebrate.

Join us as we celebrate local women who are leaders at the 33rd Annual ATHENA Awards Luncheon on Wednesday, Sept. 18 from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the Cohen Pavilion at the Kravis Center

for the Performing Arts. Opportunities are available to purchase individual tickets, full-table sponsorships, program advertising opportunities and donations for raffle items to promote your business to more than 400 women, attendees and local leaders. ATHENA Awards Finalists vie for three categories: Leadership, Young Professional (Under 40) and Organizational Leadership. For event or sponsorship information, contact Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org or call 561-421-5129.



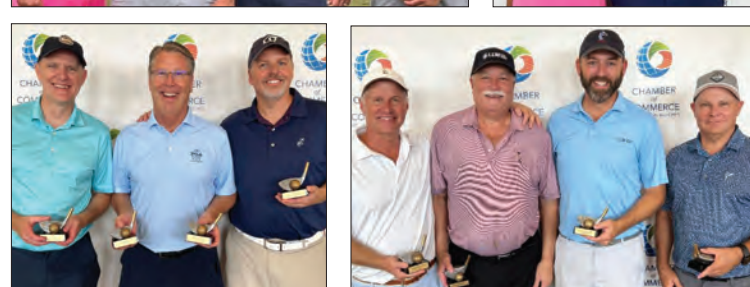
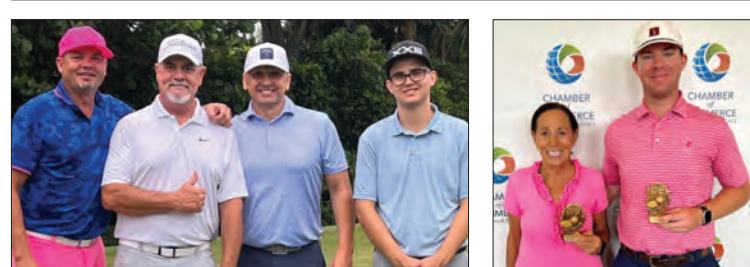
Blue Ocean takes trophy at 4th Annual Chamber Golf Championship

Financial powerhouse Blue Ocean Capital scored its name into the history books when its foursome drove into first place at the fourth annual Dennis Grady Golf Championship on July 11. The happy team of Jimmy Johnson, Robbie Hoyt, Mike Ayers and Joey Media were all smiling as they hoisted the coveted Championship trophy aloft in the Club House at the Abacoa Golf Club. Health hospitality titan Quantum House placed second, while premier law firm Lewis, Longman & Walker landed third place in the tournament.

Golfers and outdoor enthusiasts enjoyed 18 holes at the beautiful course in Jupiter fueled by their love of the game and the scrumptious continental breakfast. Individual trophies and prizes were awarded to the first, second and third place finishers, as well as for the first-place finishers of the longest drive and closest to the pin competitions.

Fantastic raffle prizes, such as dinners for two, gift baskets, spring training tickets, golf swag, foursome tee-times and more, were gladly claimed by raffle participants at the end of the day. FPL's Geral Walker lit up when he received the Southwest Airlines door prize, while Ken Dodge of Lewis, Longman & Walker joyfully strode away with the heavily contested Southwest Airlines raffle prize of tickets for two.

The Chamber thanks all our sponsors, participants and volunteers for another successful event. For more information on upcoming special events, contact Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org.



RIBBON CUTTINGS



The UPS Store #7822
July 1, 2024
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561-448-4541, 877-381-3297; MRomero@pnb.com; pnb.com



New election office opens in West Palm Beach

Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections Wendy Link opened her new office at 4301 Cherry Road in West Palm Beach. Dennis Grady, interim CEO of the Chamber was pleased to join Supervisor Link at the ribbon cutting.

