



Palm Beach County *Chapter*

PALM BEACH COUNTY ALA CHAPTER MONTHLY FOCUS February 2010

Legal Expo 2010

Don't miss this year's Legal Expo on Tuesday, March 9, 2010 from 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm at the Palm Beach County Convention Center. There will be networking, prizes, food, drink and lots of fun. So mark your calendars to attend.

National Conference Scholarship Winner

Congratulations to Erin Fisher who won the scholarship to the 2010 National Conference in Boston. All members who participated in the salary survey and were present at the February meeting were eligible to enter. Christine Hanley, our speaker picked the lucky winner. In the event that Erin cannot make the trip Clover Gilroy's name was picked as a runner up.

Attention HR Professionals! Earn up to 14 PHR/SPHR Recertification Credit Hours

At this year's [ALA Annual Conference](#), May 3-6 in Boston, a total of [41 educational sessions](#) (including 10 in strategic management) qualify for recertification credits through the [Human Resource Certification Institute](#) (HRCI). Don't miss out on this extraordinary opportunity to earn valuable PHR/SPHR recertification credit hours. [Register](#) for the Annual Conference today!

Time's Running Out To Renew Your Membership

Your opportunity to renew your dues with National ends February 28th. Take a minute and [renew online](#) now!

Renewal of your 2010 Chapter membership dues also ends on February 28th. Contact Lisa Tierney accounting@manofflaw.com.

New Members

Please welcome two new members: **Kim June**, HR Director, with Steinger, Iscoe & Greene, PA. Kim's mentor is Mary Aguiar; and **Christina D'Elosua**, Firm Administrator, with Gordon & Doner. Christina's mentor is Maryellen Castellano.

Chapter Social

The first member social of 2010 is scheduled for Thursday, February 25th from 5:30 to 7:30, venue to be announced.

Region 2 Conference

The Region 2 Conference is coming to South Florida this year. The Conference will be on October 22 & 23rd and will be held at the Eden Roc in Miami Beach.

Heritage Elementary School Laminator

Our Chapter donated \$394.63 towards the much needed laminator for the Heritage Elementary School. The Board had voted to match funds collected by private contributions up to \$750. The cost for the new laminator is \$1,500. Seth J. Moldovan, School Principal, was very appreciative of our donation and said it was a tremendous help to have this additional money to put towards the laminator.

Committee Reports:

CLM Study Group: CLM Study group is on hold until after the annual educational conference. For the first time ever you will be able to get all your CLM requirements at one conference, so make plans to attend the 39th Annual Conference in Boston, May 3-6, 2010. If you are interested in participating in our Study Group, please contact Jim Menendez jwm@crarybuchanan.com

Community Challenge: If anyone is interested in joining this committee, please contact Marilyn Fong at mfong@gunster.com

Directory: If anyone is interested in taking over this committee, please contact Mary Aguiar at maguilar@cdhanley.com

Education Committee: The Education Committee will be emailing out the Tisha J. McNamara Scholarship Flyers this week to all administrators to post. The scholarship will be presented at the June luncheon. They are also reprinting the Education Brochure with the new ALA logo, to be distributed to the Law Magnet Program and the High Schools. If anyone is interested in joining this committee, please contact Lisa Tierney accounting@manofflaw.com

Job Board: If any member has a job ad to post, please send the job ad to employment@pbcala.org. All jobs are posted within 48 hours the Chapter website. Periodic Job Board e-mails will also be sent to members, to other associations, and to other media for distribution. The Paralegal Association also pulls job ads from our Chapter website for publication to its members. Only job ads sent directly to employment@pbcala.org will be posted, so please remember to send all ads to employment@pbcala.org! Note: This is a free service to all members, and also to any organization meeting the national ALA criteria. This is also a free service for any headhunter posting a management or administrator position only. Please e-mail employment@pbcala.org with ads and/or any questions!

Resume Board: If you are interested in posting a resume on the board, please contact Roxanne Nelson at rdn@williegary.com. Please remember to submit resumes from individuals that you would personally recommend.

Legal Expo Committee: The next Legal Expo Committee meeting will be on February 18th at Greenberg Traurig's office. Don't miss this year's Legal Expo on March 9, 2010 at the Convention Center. Committee Chair: Dawn Tasca at dtasca@carltonfields.com

Membership: An email will be sent out in the next few weeks to get updated information for everyone's directory pages. If anyone is interested in joining the Membership committee or volunteering to mentor new members, please contact Lauri Lingerfelt at lauri@rigell.cc

Salary Survey: If you would like to order a hard copy of the survey please contact Marilyn Fong at mfong@gunster.com.

Speaker: If anyone is interested in joining this committee, please contact Laura Stolzman at lstolzman@eapdlaw.com

Vendor Sponsorship: If you have a sponsor that you feel would benefit from participating in sponsoring our chapter, please contact Gloria Hernandez at geh@flappellatelaw.com.

Website: The Website committee consisting of Roxanne Nelson, Audrey Yeager and Jay Montgomery are all working hard to bring a new look to the website for 2010, look for the unveiling in the coming weeks. If you are interested in joining this committee, please contact Roxanne Nelson at rdn@williegary.com. For the latest information, please visit our website at www.pbcala.org.



February Birthdays:

Maryellen Castellano, Brenda Danaei, Lynn Focht,
Gloria Hernandez, Jim Johnson, Fred Kennedy,
Mary Mason, Eileen Michelbrink, and Jamie Stanton

Happy Birthday Everyone!

Upcoming Events

February 18, 2010 - KRM Webinar – Bias-Free Leadership: Making Diversity Work for Your Organization's Competitive Advantage

Contact: Rosemary Shiels, ALA Headquarters

February 18-20, 2010 – ALA Law Firm Financial Management Conference

Place: Carefree Resort & Villas, Carefree, AZ

Contact: Lisa Mikita, ALA Headquarters

February 25th – Chapter Social

Time: 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm.

Place: Venue to be announced

March 15, 2010 - CLM Application Deadline

Contact: [Sue Powers](#), ALA Headquarters

March 17, 2010 - ALA Webinar – Law Firm Innovation: Will You Lead or Follow?

Contact: [Rosemary Shields](#), ALA Headquarters

Visit our Chapter website at www.pbcala.org for other upcoming events

Next Meeting/Speaker/Program

Date: **Tuesday, March 9, 2010**

Time: **3:00 pm to 6:00 pm**

Location: **Palm Beach County Convention Center, 650 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach**

Topic: **Legal Expo 2010**

RSVP to: Dawn Tasca: dtasca@carltonfields.com

Networking, Prizes, Food, Drinks & Fun!