



# *Palm Beach County* Chapter

## **PALM BEACH COUNTY ALA CHAPTER MONTHLY FOCUS August 2010**

### **Attorney Appreciation Luncheon**

Please remember to RSVP Mary Aguiar at [maguiar@cdhanley.com](mailto:maguiar@cdhanley.com) by Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, the names of the attorneys in your office who will be joining us for the Attorney Appreciation Luncheon on Tuesday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at the Convention Center from noon to 2 pm. Our speaker will be Jim O'Connell an Executive Consultant with Ceridian Corporation who will be speaking about Health Care Reform and how it will affect us. Rita Alli, National President of ALA, will also talk for 15 minutes about ALA and why it is important for ALA members to attend educational conferences and be involved with ALA.

### **Night of Laughter A Community Challenge Event**

Please join us for another fun filled night of laughter on Thursday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, at the Improv Comedy Club, at City Place at 8:00 p.m. You must be 18 to attend; tickets are \$20 each and admit two people. Tickets are available from anyone on the Board. Ticket sales will benefit The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Light the Night Walk taking place on Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:30 pm. If you are interested in joining the PBCALA team, contact Mary Aguiar at [maguiar@cdhanley.com](mailto:maguiar@cdhanley.com).

### **Business Partners Appreciation Luncheon**

The Board hosted its annual appreciation luncheon on Tuesday, July 20, 2010, with our current business partners to assess their needs for the upcoming year. It was a very successful meeting and we got some great feedback from those in attendance.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Business Partners:** A very big THANK YOU to our Alligator Alley business partners Milner Voice & Data and Segue Search for sponsoring the August member luncheon. We encourage everyone to support the Chapter's business partners when deciding future purchases of services and products. For a list of business partners, please go to the website at [www.pbcala.org/bp](http://www.pbcala.org/bp).

If you have a business that you feel would benefit from partnering with our Chapter and/or would like to be on this committee, please contact Gloria E. Hernandez at [geh@flappellatelaw.com](mailto:geh@flappellatelaw.com).

**CLM Study Group:** The CLM study group has formed and will be meeting every other Wednesday. Members at this time include Mary Aguiar, Clover Gilroy, Debbie Giordano, Kimberly O'Keefe,

Gloria Hernandez, and Lisa Tierney. James Menendez, CLM and David True, CLM have attended the organizational meetings and sessions held so far to mentor those attending and provide suggestions for future study sessions. Any interested members who would like to join should contact David R. True, CLM at [drt@searcy.com](mailto:drt@searcy.com) .

**Community Challenge:** The first Community Challenge Committee meeting will be held the end of August. The Committee is looking for two members to fill positions currently open. You will not regret joining this committee. The members who are currently with the committee have been involved for as many as 6 or more years, including myself. We work hard, but have lots a fun every step of the way. Currently members are Marilyn Fong, Lisa Tierney, Laura Stolzman, Gloria Hernandez, Mary Aguiar, Jim Johnson, and Karen Luther. If anyone is interested in joining this committee, please contact Marilyn Fong at [mfong@gunster.com](mailto:mfong@gunster.com)

**Business Partner Directory:** If anyone is interested in joining this committee, please contact Roxanne Nelson at [rdn@williegary.com](mailto:rdn@williegary.com)

**Education Committee:** The next item on the committee's list is getting the re-vamped education brochure approved, printed and out to the schools for the 2010-11 School year.

**Job Board:** If any member has a job ad to post, please send the job ad to [employment@pbcala.org](mailto:employment@pbcala.org). In addition to the ALA Job Board, 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](mailto:employment@pbcala.org) will be posted. 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](mailto:employment@pbcala.org) with ads and/or any questions.

**Resume Board:** If you are interested in posting a resume on the board, please contact Jay Montgomery [jmontgomery@blesmlaw.com](mailto:jmontgomery@blesmlaw.com). Please remember to submit resumes from individuals that you would personally recommend.

**Legal Expo Committee:** The Legal Expo 2011 is in the planning stages. If you wish to be on this committee, please notify Committee Chair: Eden Rose at [erose@murphyreid.com](mailto:erose@murphyreid.com)

**Membership:** Don't forget to send back your questionnaire about the socials. This will help the committee with planning. If anyone is interested in joining the Membership committee or volunteering to mentor new members, please contact Sue Recchia [sue@wlclaw.com](mailto:sue@wlclaw.com). and/or Maryellen Castellano [mcastellano@foxwackeen.com](mailto:mcastellano@foxwackeen.com)

**Salary Survey:** If anyone is interest in joining this committee please contact Jennifer Tracy at [jbt@paxsmith.com](mailto:jbt@paxsmith.com).

**Speaker:** If anyone is interested in joining this committee, please contact Laura Stolzman at [lstolzman@eapdlaw.com](mailto:lstolzman@eapdlaw.com)

**Website:** Make sure that you check in at least monthly to see all the important information being posted to our new and improved PBCC ALA website at [www.pbcala.org](http://www.pbcala.org) . If you are interested in joining this committee, please contact Jay Montgomery at [jmontgomery@blesmlaw.com](mailto:jmontgomery@blesmlaw.com).



### August Birthdays:

Jim Menendez, Beth Anderson, Dawn Tasca,  
Marilyn Fong, Clover Henry-Gilroy, Marcy R Dorr,  
Linda Fullwood, and Michele M Parcels

Happy Birthday Everyone!

### Upcoming Events

#### **August 18, 2010 – ALA Webinar - Law Firm Profitability Enhancement**

**Contact:** Rosemary Shiels, ALA Headquarters

#### **August 26, 2010 – Night of Laughter - Improv Comedy Club, at City Place at 8:00 p.m.**

**Contact:** Mary Aguiar at [maguiar@cdhanley.com](mailto:maguiar@cdhanley.com) .

#### **September 15, 2010 – ALA Webinar - Electronic Records Management: How to Manage your ESI in the 21st Century**

**Contact:** Rosemary Shiels, ALA Headquarters

#### **September 23-25, 2010 - ALA – Large Firm Principal Administrators Retreat**

**Place:** Barton Creek Resort & Spa, Austin TX

**Contact:** Lisa Mikita, ALA Headquarters

#### **September 30, 2010 - CLM<sup>SM</sup> exams: Atlanta, Chicago, Dallas (in conjunction with the Region 4 Conference), Philadelphia and San Diego (in conjunction with the Regions 5 & 6 Conference).**

Application deadline: August 12, 2010.

**Contact:** Sue Powers, ALA Headquarters

Visit our Chapter website at [www.pbcala.org](http://www.pbcala.org) for other upcoming events

### Next Meeting/Speaker/Program

**Date:** Tuesday, September 28, 2010 **Time:** Noon to 2:00 pm

**Location:** **Palm Beach County Convention Center**, 650 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach, Meeting Room 1GH, downstairs.

**Program:** ***Attorney Appreciation Luncheon*** - Health Care Reform and how it will affect us – The Importance of Belonging to ALA and attending the educational programs

**Speakers:** Jim O’Connell, an Executive Consultant with Ceridian Corporation and Rita Alli, National President of ALA

**Contact:** Debbie Giordano [dag@mcsomm.com](mailto:dag@mcsomm.com)