



Palm Beach County *Chapter*

PALM BEACH COUNTY ALA CHAPTER MONTHLY FOCUS February 2011



Legal Expo 2011

Lynn Duckett is now Chair of Legal Expo!

Don't miss this year's Legal Expo on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 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.

Time's Running Out To Renew Your Membership

Your opportunity to renew your dues with National ends February 28th.

Renewal of your 2011 Chapter membership dues also ends on February 28th. Contact Maryellen Castellano mcastellano@foxwackeen.com.

New Member

Please welcome our newest member: Anna R. Federman, Office Administrator, with the law firm Benson, Mucci & Weiss, PL.

“Night of Laughter”

Mark your calendar to join us again for another fun filled Night of Laughter at the Improv at City Place on Thursday, April 28th benefitting The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Woman of the Year Campaign. Tickets are \$20 and admit two people, over 18 only. For tickets, please get with Mary Aguiar maguiar@cdhanley.com

Confused by Health Care Reform Compliance?

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, approximately 2,700 pages, can be overwhelming to employers trying to provide health coverage to their employees. However, by focusing only on the requirements for 2011 and reducing compliance for 2011 to five steps, reform becomes more

manageable. Read [Reform Your Policy](#) the cover story in the January/February issue of [Legal Management](#). (Reprinted from National ALA site)

2011 Palm Beach County ALA Business Partners

The Board and Business Partner Committee are pleased to announce this year's Business Partners. Throughout the year, our business partners help our Chapter by enabling us to provide scholarships for two college students to aid in their tuition; they support our annual Community Challenge, and help to underwrite our member luncheons and socials. We greatly encourage all members to support our business partners. Let us show them our appreciation ~~to our sponsors~~ and make this year one of our Chapter's best.

We extend a warm welcome to our 2011 Business Partners

Barefoot Mailman

Integrated Data Technologies, Inc.

Alligator Alley

Halsey & Griffith
Milner Voice & Data
Segue Search
Solomon Mansure Group

Palm Beach

Brown & Brown Liability Consultants	Legal Search Solutions, Inc.
Cintas Document Management	LexisNexis
Equitrac Corporation	OTS Legal
Executive Office Products	Saxon Business Systems
Gulfstream Bank	Thaxton Barclay Group, Inc.
Kouwenhoven & Associates, Inc.	The Brazilian Court Hotel
LanInfotech	The Legal Group, Inc.
Legal Graphicworks	U.S. Legal Support, Inc.

In-Kind

A Better Copy Center
All-Ways Advertising
Artcraft Engraving
Daily Business Review
The Wells & Drew Company

If you have an outstanding vendor, please encourage them to participate in our business partners program.

Committee Reports:

Business Partners: For a list of business partners, please go to the website at 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.

Business Partner Directory: If anyone is interested in joining this committee, please contact Kim Ayers at kayers@llw-law.com.

CLM Study Group: The CLM study Group took a break over the holidays, but will resume their meetings every other Wednesday night at the offices of Christine Hanley 1000 Southern Blvd second floor. Members of the group will be preparing the study session and guest speakers will be invited to cover certain study topics. The next CLM examination date will be May 2011 in Orlando. Any interested members who would like to join should contact David R. True, CLM at drt@searcy.com

Community Challenge: The Committee is taking a well deserved break until later this year.

Education Committee: The Scholarship flyers have been sent out. If you are 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. 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 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 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. Please remember to submit resumes from individuals that you would personally recommend.

Legal Expo Committee: Our 2011 Legal Expo is next month. The committee's next planning meeting is scheduled for February 15th at Sandy Bolin's office. If you are interested in joining this committee, please contact Lynn Duckett lduckett@powersmcnalis.com

Membership: If anyone is interested in joining the Membership committee or volunteering to mentor new members, please contact Sue Recchia sue@wlclaw.com, and/or Maryellen Castellano mcastellano@foxwackeen.com

Salary Survey: If anyone is interest in joining this committee please contact Jennifer Tracy at jbt@paxsmith.com.

Speaker: If anyone is interested in joining this committee, please contact Laura Stolzman at 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 . If you are interested in joining this committee, please contact Jay Montgomery at jmontgomery@blesmlaw.com.



February Birthdays:

Gloria Hernandez, Maryellen Castellano, Mary Mason,
Jim Johnson, Lynn Focht, Elizabeth Sanchez, Brenda Danaei
Jennifer Tracy, Eileen Michelbrink, and Jamie Stanton
Happy Birthday Everyone!

Upcoming Events

February 16, 2011 – ALA Webinar – The Writing Wheel

February 18-19, 2011 - The Second Electronic Discovery and Digital Evidence Practitioners' Workshop

Place: University of California - Hastings College of Law, 200 McAllister St., San Francisco, CA
Contact: ABA, [Althea Billins](mailto:Althea.Billins), 312-988-6202

March 16, 2011 - Webinar – Conflict Resolution: Why Can't Everybody Just Get Along?

May 22 – 25, 2011 - ALA – Annual Conference and Exposition

Place: Orlando World Center Marriott Resort and Convention Center, Orlando, FL
Contact: [Lisa Mikita](mailto:Lisa.Mikita), ALA Headquarters

June 17, 2011 – Chapter Summer Social - PB County Chapter is uniting with the South Florida Chapter

Place: Seminal Hard Rock Hotel & Casino
Contact: Marilyn Fong, mfong@gunster.com

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

Next Meeting/Speaker/Program

Date: Tuesday, March 8, 2011 Time: 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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

Topic: **ALA Legal Expo Show**
There will be networking, prizes, food, drink and lots of fun.

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