



# *Palm Beach County* Chapter

## **PALM BEACH COUNTY ALA CHAPTER MONTHLY FOCUS July/August 2011**

### **Attorney Appreciation Luncheon**

Please remember to email Mary Aguiar [maguiar@cdhandley.com](mailto:maguiar@cdhandley.com) the name(s) of your Managing Partner(s) and other attorneys you would like to invite to the luncheon, no later than Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup>. Separate invitations will be going out that same day. The event will be held at the National Croquet Center in West Palm Beach on Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. Speaker Florida Senator, Joe Negrón, will bring us a legislative update on what is happening and what we can expect to happen in the State of Florida throughout the coming months.

### **Member Social**

The Membership Committee is busy planning our next Member Social. The date has been set for September 22 and will be held in Central West Palm Beach. More details will be sent out regarding time and location as the plans are finalized.

### **CLI Conference**

This year Lori DeMayo, Gloria Hernandez, Sue Recchia and Lisa Tierney attended the CLI Conference. They said it was a great learning experience.

### **CLM Study Group**

So far Jim Menendez has three members interested in studying for the CLM...ANYMORE? Please contact Jim directly at [jwm@crarybuchanan.com](mailto:jwm@crarybuchanan.com)

### **New Members**

Please welcome our newest members to the Chapter:

Nicole Cutsinger, CFO, with Rosenthal, Levy & Simon, P.A.

Vicki Massengill, Firm Administrator with The Estate, Trust & Elder Law Firm, P.L.

Stacy C. Leafe, Controller/HR Director with Rosenbaum, Mollengarden, Janssen & Siracusa

Connie Willingham, Administrator, with Gould Cooksey Fennell, P.A.

## **Committee Reports:**

**Business Partners:** 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).

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

**CLM Study Group:** The CLM Study Group is looking to start back up again. If anyone is interested in joining the group, please contact Jim Menendez, CLM at [jwm@crarybuchanan.com](mailto:jwm@crarybuchanan.com).

**Community Challenge:** The CCW committee met for the first planning meeting on July 20<sup>th</sup>. Everyone took on their respective roles. Their next meeting will be scheduled for early September. If you would like to join this committee, please contact Marilyn Fong at [MFong@gunster.com](mailto:MFong@gunster.com)

**Education Committee:** If anyone is interested in joining this committee, please contact Lisa Tierney [accounting@manofflaw.com](mailto:accounting@manofflaw.com)

**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.

**Résumé 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 Committee has set the date for next year's event for March 13, 2012. If you are interested in joining this committee, please contact Lynn Duckett [lduckett@powersmcnalis.com](mailto:lduckett@powersmcnalis.com)

**Membership:** If anyone is interested in joining the Membership committee or volunteering to mentor new members, please contact Michele Parcels at [mparcels@nasonyeager.com](mailto:mparcels@nasonyeager.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 [www.pbcala.org](http://www.pbcala.org) to see all the important information being posted. If you are interested in joining this committee, please contact Jay Montgomery at [jmontgomery@blesmlaw.com](mailto:jmontgomery@blesmlaw.com).



### **July/August Birthdays:**

Bonnie Radewitz, Joy Wilson, Albert Fielder, Susan Recchia, Debi Fogel, Larry Stern, Wendy Silverstein, Jim Menendez, Beth Anderson, Dawn Tasca, Marilyn Fong, Clover Henry-Gilroy, Marcy Dorr, and Michele Parcels.

Happy Birthday Everyone!

### **Upcoming Events**

August 17 - **ALA Webinar – Focus on Profitability: Revenue-Based Management**

August 31 – **Annual Conference Super Early Bird Deadline for Hawaii**

September 21 - **ALA Webinar – Ethics in the Wired World**

September 22 – **Palm Beach County Member Social** – more details will be sent out later.

September 22-24 - **ALA – Large Firm Administrators Retreat**

Place: The Ritz-Carlton Chicago, Chicago, IL

Contact: [Lisa Mikita](#), ALA Headquarters

October 14 - **The Palm Beach County Community Challenge Event**

Place: Greenacres Bowling

Benefit: Big Brothers Big Sisters of Martin and Palm Beach Counties

Contact: Marilyn Fong, [mfong@gunster.com](mailto:mfong@gunster.com)

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

### **September Meeting/Speaker/Program**

Date: Tuesday, September 13, 2011 Time: 11:30 am to 1:30 p.m.

Location: National Croquet Center in West Palm Beach.

Program: Annual Managing Partner and Attorney Appreciation Luncheon

Speaker: Florida Senator, Joe Negron, will bring us a legislative update on what is happening and what we can expect to happen in the State of Florida throughout the coming months.

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