



AUGUST 2018 EDITION

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi LP Members,

Hard to believe it's August already and our summer days are winding down. We are looking forward to a great year ahead!

As a result of a very successful recruiting effort for LP and the YLP Programs we are please to bring you this year's class announcements in this issue. We have a dynamic, accomplished class this year. The downside of this kind of success is we have to disappoint more than a few. We do, however, encourage those who did not make this year's class to consider applying again this next class year. Thanks to everyone who sponsored and encouraged candidates to apply for membership in the Class of 2019 and the YLP Class of 2019. We look forward to this new class year with great anticipation and high expectations for both. A special thank you again to our Selection Committee, all our greeters and our interview host Johnson, Pope, Bokor, Ruppel & Burns LLP.

This year should be another outstanding experience for our new class and Alumni. Beginning with the opening retreat headed up by the most capable, **Felicia Donnelly '05**, along with **Andrea Henning '15** and **Dev Pathik '11** doing an amazing job teaching the 5 Levels of Leadership model along with Strengths Based Leadership training. The Class will have accountability partners and Leadership mentors to enhance their experience throughout the year, **Bob Childress '11** and **Darrin Johnson '14** are leading the revamping our retreat skits and the improved Alumni / Class Social. This year our goal is to make it more interactive and engaging for everyone so we will be having heavy hor d'oeuvres, Alumni Bingo, Photo Booth for Class Reunion photos and more from 6-9pm at the Safety Harbor Spa so please save the date and join us and the new class on Friday, August 24th.

Seema Ramroop '16 is working diligently with her capable alumni planning committees developing exciting plans for our all our 10 program days. **Brian Siracusa '14** is also busy planning for the YLP program days as well. There are still opportunities to help out on program days for LP and YLP so please reach out to the Program Chairs to get involved.

SAVE THE DATES

Aug. 24-25 – Opening Retreat
Sept. 12 – Human Services Day
Oct. 18 – Arts & Culture Day
Nov. 14 – Health Day

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We have lots of great things planned already for this year as you can see listed in this issue so please save the dates and If you haven't renewed your dues yet it's easy and simple to do online here <http://www.leadershoppinellas.com/dues/> There's still time to become a sponsor too.

The LP Board continues to be working hard for and listening to our members. Based on your feedback we've implemented two requested improvements to the Leader Reader. A big thank you to **Joyce Frustaci '15** and her team because now you can physically print out each month's Leader Reader. The other improvement is that there is now a drop down menu on our website here <http://www.leadershoppinellas.com> where you can find all the past Leader Reader's easily. In addition, the LP Board approved now holding our LP Board meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of the month versus the first to facilitate better financial reporting and decision making.

The year ahead provides many great opportunities for Leadership Pinellas. It's success relies on you, it's members. I encourage you all to become involved in one way or another. Remember, if you've been busy and not had much time to interact with LP, you're always welcome to reconnect at anytime - come meet some new friends and enjoy familiar faces. If you are interested in becoming involved and not sure how, call me (727-710-8035), I will find a way that you can help contribute to our success.

In your service,
Cyndee Haydon '08
LP President

LEADERSHIP PINELLAS CLASS OF 2019

Nicolas Amaro, Retired
Jonathan Ashford, Largo Medical Center
David Benne, Pinellas Realtor Organization
Alexa Bobelis, Palmetto Pediatrics
Chris Brown, The A.D. Morgan Corp.
Sean Christensen, BayCare Health System
Steven Cleveland, Florida Dream Center
Nate Cocco, State Farm - Nate Cocco
Elizabeth Corder, Community Foundation of Tampa Bay
Patricia DePlasco, Keep Pinellas Beautiful, Inc.
Lisa Foster, Pinellas County
Anthony Galasso, Moneylink Mortgage, Inc.
Natalie Garcia, Wilson Ridge Properties, LLC
Cathy Haug, Carr, Riggs & Ingram
Richard Huff, Cook Sadorf Law
Brian Kilczewski, Wells Fargo Advisors
Jason King, Clearwater Gas System
Jody Krebs, Empower Adventures
Deborah Lanigan, Proforma Mega Marketing Solutions
Jason Malpass, Pinellas County Sheriff's Office
Stephanie Mataya, BayCare Health System
Taylor Mavrakos, MFP Financial Services, Inc.
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Gabrielle McGee, City of Oldsmar
Howard McLymont, Edward Jones Investments
Susan Melendy, Charles Rutenberg Realty
Allison Miller, Office of the Public Defender
William Miller, Nielsen
Amanda Misner, Largo Police Department
Micaela Morenz, Blake Real Estate
Paul Portal, Long & Assoc. Architects/Engineers
Toni Rametta Charles Rutenberg Realty
Andrew Salzman, Unice Salzman Jensen P.A.
Jill Sassone, City of Largo
Christie Sullivan, McFarland, Gould, Lyons, Sullivan & Hogan P.A.
Zachary Thorn, The Ring Workspaces
Jeremy Tinter, Sunstar Paramedics
Quyen Trujillo, Charles Rutenberg Realty
Michael Walek, Clearwater Police Department
Rebecca Watson, Collaborative Labs & READ Worldwide
Craig Whisenhunt, Ripley, Whisenhunt & Robinson, PLLC
Tom Young, Countryside Chiropractic

YOUTH LEADERSHIP PINELLAS CLASS OF 2019

Chloe Ballestero, Palm Harbor University High
Steven Chandler, Calvary Christian High
Christopher Ciganek, Jesuit High
Anna Davis, Palm Harbor University High
Cosette Falker, Clearwater Central Catholic High
Harrison Falker, Clearwater Central Catholic High
Kara Franks, Clearwater Central Catholic High
Annalise Freeman, Palm Harbor University High
Isabel Gaffney, Clearwater Central Catholic High
Sydney Gilbert, Osceola Fundamental High
Ashton Griffin, Palm Harbor University High
Aexander Hanrahan, East Lake High
Naya Hart, Calvary Christian High
Collier Hayslett, Calvary Christian High
Emma Kornatowski, Clearwater Central Catholic High
Berkeley McMahan, Calvary Christian High
Ella McMahan, Calvary Christian High
Samantha Monti, Clearwater Central Catholic High
Nabiha Najjar, Clearwater Central Catholic High
Yasmine Pang, Palm Harbor University High

Emilykate Parker, Osceola Fundamental High
Matthew Peak, East Lake High
Treavor Rector, Palm Harbor University High
Pamela Robinson, Clearwater Central Catholic High
Olivia Schiavo, Countryside High
Tyler Schmitz, Clearwater Central Catholic High
Sean Schraeder, Largo High
Hunter Sketch, Berkeley Preparatory High
Aaron Stacks, Pinellas Park High
Rachel Swope, Palm Harbor University High
Olivia Thompson, East Lake High
Naren Vazrala, Largo High
Ainsley Vermost, Clearwater Central Catholic High
Breakka Wanicki, Dunedin High
Jaleel Watson-Williams, Lakewood High
Anna Williams, Clearwater Central Catholic High
Craig Whisenhunt, Ripley, Whisenhunt & Robinson, PLLC
Tom Young, Countryside Chiropractic

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Seema Ramroop '17

There are so many things to be excited about in the year ahead! We have a new class to welcome with amazing people as always. We just completed a program planning session meeting, a few weeks back and had a number of people reaching out to graciously volunteer time and talent, this is the beauty of our organization. It never ceases to amaze me, how wonderful our alumni base is and how proud we are of our organization. In this same token, I want to extend the offer to those who would like to still get involved that it is not too late, your skills are welcomed and I would love the opportunity to engage your abilities for program days.

I was invited to a meeting with the Retreat Committee and kudos to Felicia Donnelly '05, Dev Pathik '11 and Andrea Henning '15 for the outstanding amount of work done so far. This year it was thought to try something different, that is, have one beautiful choreographed skit highlighting the year and all the program days. The rationale behind why skits were introduced anyhow was to highlight to the incoming class, what they should expect on program days, so why not try it this way.

The social at the retreat is right after the new format skit, which is a first, so don't miss it. It is always wonderful to see the faces of the new class members as they interact with the Alumni. Please mark your calendar for August 24th at 6:30pm to 9pm at the Safety Harbor Spa. Again, if you would like to get reengaged in Program day planning, or helping with the skit please feel free to reach me at 813-957-8107 or seema.ramroop@ml.com



ENJOY THE RETREAT SOCIAL!

WHO Leadership Pinellas Alumni
WHERE Safety Harbor Spa & Resort
105 N. Bayshore Drive, Safety Harbor
WHEN Friday, Aug. 24, 2018
TIME 6-6:30 p.m. New Skits
6:30-8 p.m. Heavy appetizers and photo booth
6:30-9 p.m. Cash bar, class reunion pictures and
Alumni BINGO

To RSVP

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*Attend
this great
event and
RECONNECT
with your
Leadership
Pinellas
Classmates
and
Alumni!*

LEADERSHIP PINELLAS SOCIAL



SPECIAL CLEARWATER JAZZ HOLIDAY EXPERIENCE

(ONLY LIMITED PASSES REMAIN)

CJH has very generously offered to create an exclusive party area for LP in the incredible CJH VIP hospitality section to celebrate the kickoff to Clearwater Jazz Holiday - all at a CRAZY DISCOUNT! Only a VERY LIMITED number of passes remain for this special LP experience.

We are excited to continue our tradition of featuring the Clearwater Jazz Holiday Foundation as part of our Arts & Culture Day experience and this year, while spaces last, we are able to invite LP Alumni to join this year's class for very special VIP experience.

Clearwater Jazz Holiday brings a nearly 40-year tradition of diverse, world-class performances and significant sustained cultural and economic impact. The growth of the festival enables a substantial giveback enriching the lives of thousands with year-round events and education outreach initiatives.

The 39th Annual Clearwater Jazz Holiday music festival kicks off on LP's Arts & Culture Day, October 18, and the day begins with a special early morning behind-the-scenes session in Coachman Park, where the CJH Foundation CEO and Leadership Alum, Steve Weinberger, together with several special guests, will offer a peak into this wonderful organization and the festival that weekend.

CJH and LP have also partnered this year to create an amazing opportunity for the class to cap off Arts & Culture Day Thursday October 18th in VIP style at Clearwater Jazz Holiday. CJH has very generously offered to create an exclusive party area for LP in the incredible CJH VIP Hospitality section for the LP Class and Alumni to enjoy as we help to celebrate the kickoff to Clearwater Jazz Holiday. The discounted cost for LP Alumni is \$125 per person. Similar access to the general public ranges from \$170-\$200 per person plus applicable fees so this is a really great LP perk and wonderful opportunity to bond with the new class and network. This area is traditionally packed with attendees representing the public, private, and non-profit sectors of our community.

The special VIP pass comes with access to exclusive front-of-stage seating (first come, first served), a private LP viewing area, as well as complimentary food and beverages in the VIP Reception area (food provided by Dunedin's The Living Room on Main Restaurant and each pass also comes with three complimentary beverages).

Thursdays at CJH are known for classic appeal. In the past this night has featured Bonnie Raitt, Earth, Wind & Fire, Kool & The Gang, Commodores, The O'Jays, Gladys Knight, The Temptations, The Four Tops, Chicago and many others. This year, the Thursday kick-off features iconic bluesy-rock with George Thorogood & The Destroyers headlining the evening. Two-time GRAMMY nominee, saxophone/vocal sensation and Jazz Holiday fan favorite Mindi Abair & The Boneshakers also make their return to the big stage with their unique jazz and Detroit inspired blues rock. Also on the bill Thursday night are hometown soul rockers, The Greg Billings Band, and chart topping funky smooth jazz from one of the most exciting emerging artists, Adam Hawley.

Thursday October 18th Festival Schedule:

3:30PM	Gates Open
3:45PM-4:45PM	Adam Hawley
5:15PM-6:15PM	The Greg Billings Band
6:45PM-8:00PM	Mindi Abair & The Boneshakers
8:30PM-10:00PM	George Thorogood & The Destroyers

*artists and times subject to change

Spaces for this special Leadership Pinellas opportunity are extremely limited. We are asking that LP Alumni confirm attendance by August 15, 2018 and you can either mail the \$125 check payable to Leadership Pinellas to: Leadership Pinellas, PO Box 5986, Clearwater, FL 33758-5986 or pay online (I can send link when you RSVP to me). While spaces last, you may bring a guest (1 guest per LP Alumni please) and they are welcome to attend this unique experience with us and meet our classmates all for the discounted rate of \$125 per person.

RSVP to Cyndee Haydon via email to cyndeehaydon@gmail.com or call Cyndee 727-710-8035 no later than Wednesday, August 15, 2018.

Thank you and we look forward to celebrating at CJH with you.

THANK YOU TO OUR 2019 SPONSORS!



KAREN SKIRATKO



THANK YOU TO OUR ALUMNI

Leadership Circle Members

Gary Banlowe '11
Liza Carter '07
Allie Chandler '18
James Coats '02
Jim Conlin '16
Moe Freaney '03
Joyce Frustaci '15
Cyndee Haydon '08
Abby Holt '12
Tom Jamison '17
Roger Johnson '08
Skip Katz '15

Heather Keller '13
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Stephanie McNulty '18
Kathy Perrott '17
Patricia Perzel Geller '93
Eric Seidel '18
Art Shand '00
Karen Skiratko '07
Daniel Slaughter '13
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Cary Stiff '81
Joan Vecchioli '93

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