



November 10, 2023

Honoring our Veterans



This weekend, let's all take a moment to recognize and thank all of our veterans and their families for their incredible service, sacrifice and bravery to protect our country. To those serving in the uniform today and to those who have served in the past, the Central Florida Hotel & Lodging Association honors you today and every day.

Allied Relations Council Breakfast and Elections



This week, CFHLA hosted our final 2023 Allied Relations Council Breakfast of the year at **Sharks Underwater Grill at SeaWorld Orlando** (Thank you, **Steve Vinciguerra!**).

With more than 125 attendees, each of our members had the opportunity to network and seek business leads, all while enjoying a fantastic breakfast with the sharks. Additionally, the election results for the 2024 Allied Relations Council Board were announced and please join us in congratulating the following allied members who were elected (or re-elected) to serve below.



**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE
2024 ALLIED RELATIONS COUNCIL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND LEADERSHIP INCLUDING:**

2024 CHAIR

Tina Earley
BMS CAT

2024 VICE CHAIR

Beatriz Dominguez
CLEAN TEC SERVICES

2024 IMMEDIATE PAST CHAIR

ERIN SIMS
LANDFORM OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

**RETURNING ALLIED RELATIONS COUNCIL
BOARD MEMBERS:**

CINDY ANDREWS
SUNBRITE OUTDOOR FURNITURE

JONATHAN BOX
COCA COLA BEVERAGES FLORIDA

JACKIE BOZZUTO
LOWNDES

GEORGE HAQ
B&H TOWELS AND LINEN

COLLEEN HAZEN
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GLOBAL SOURCING INTERNATIONAL, LLC

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JUNIPER LANDSCAPING

BRENDAN RICHMOND
UNIVERSAL ORLANDO RESORT

STEVE VINCIGUERRA
SEAWORLD PARKS AND RESORTS

AMY WALSH
DOMINO'S

PETE WOODRUFF
SOUTHEASTERN LAUNDRY

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY ELECTED
ALLIED RELATIONS COUNCIL BOARD MEMBERS!**

ERIC BLANC
ORANGE COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER

JOHN GILL
ELEVATED

DAVED MCLOUTH
GLE ASSOCIATES, INC.

KYLE SALINSKY
MINUTEMAN PRESS SANDLAKE

ANNA TERRITO
TERRITO ELECTRIC, INC

NORAH WHITE
I-DRIVE DISTRICT / I-RIDE TROLLEY

GREG WILEY

HORIZON FOOD BROKERS

LASTLY, WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE FOLLOWING
ALLIED RELATIONS COUNCIL BOARD MEMBERS
FOR THEIR AMAZING SERVICE, AS THEIR TERMS
WILL END ON DECEMBER 31, 2023!

JILL COOPER
BLOWN AWAY, LLC

MICHAEL HANLEY
WEALTH MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES
OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

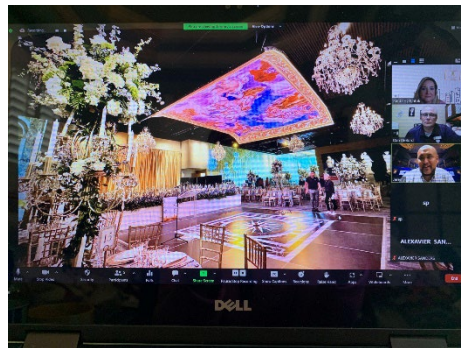
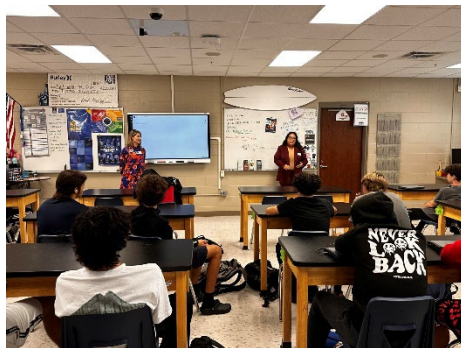
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"CFHLA in the Classroom Day"



This week, CFHLA organized another **"CFHLA in the Classroom Day,"** where several of our mentors and participants in the Leadership Mentoring Program, Class II teamed up to share their career journeys and offer advice to **nearly 500 students** from across the region. This included students in hospitality, culinary, and marketing programs from **nine (9) different high schools** in **Orange, Osceola** and **Seminole County Public Schools**.

Thank you to all our CFHLA members, district partners and educators for your collaboration in creating this impactful experience, and we truly appreciate our speakers who took the time to help inspire the next generation of hospitality leaders!



Orlando Business Journal's 2023 Power Players in Central Florida



The Central Florida Hotel and Lodging Association would like to congratulate each of the **Orlando Business Journal's 2023 Power Players in Central Florida** who were recognized this week, including **CFHLA President/CEO Robert Agrusa**, as well as CFHLA Board Members **Chris Mueller of Hilton Orlando**, **Pamela Nabors of CareerSource of Central Florida** and **Jason Siegel of Greater Orlando Sports Commission!**

This was the final year of the awards recognition breakfast and CFHLA was thrilled to be recognized in three different categories including Deal Maker (Robert Agrusa), Connector (Chris Mueller) and Heavy Hitters (Pamela Nabors and Jason Siegel).

For a complete list of the 47 2023 OBJ Power Players, please **[CLICK HERE](#)**.

Congratulations to each of the honorees including Robert, Chris, Pamela and Jason and we thank you for your enthusiasm, dedication, and tremendous leadership among the hospitality and tourism industry!



Lifeboat Project Yacht Rock Gala



This week, CFHLA partnered with **Visit Orlando** to support the incredible work of our CFHLA community partner and member **The Lifeboat Project, Inc.** at their 3rd Annual Yacht Rock Night Gala at **The Alford Inn at Rollins**.

Throughout the year, both CFHLA and Visit Orlando have collaborated with The Lifeboat Project to help shed light on the dark realities of human trafficking, in hopes to create positive change.

Thank you to Visit Orlando for selecting The Lifeboat Project as the recipient of this year's Magical Dining proceeds and congratulations on receiving the Guardian Award.

By working together and taking action, we can all make a difference in our community.

Have You Registered Yet for the 2023 CFHLA Hospitality Gala?

2023 CFHLA HOSPITALITY GALA

Saturday, December 16 6:00pm – 11:00pm

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6:00pm: Reception
7:00pm: Dinner & Awards Presentation
9:30pm - 11:00pm: Live Entertainment

EVENING HIGHLIGHTS:

- Recognition of the CFHLA Lodging, Allied & Engineer Members of the Year
- Presentation of the Charles Andrews Memorial Award for Community Leadership

\$220 / PERSON | \$2,200 / TABLE OF 10
Inclusive of All Food & Beverages (including alcohol)

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All guests must be at least 21 years of age to attend.
CFHLA REFUND POLICY: Cancellations must be received in writing prior to
Friday, December 1, 2023 to faith.moore@cfhla.org.

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Orange County Mayor Jerry L. Deming's 13th Annual Toy Drive

This week, **Orange County Mayor Jerry L. Demings** launched his **2023 Orange County Mayor's Toy Drive**.

Now in its 13th year, the Toy Drive has collected nearly 75,000 toys and gifts that directly benefit local youth. Last year, the drive collected more than

9,000 toys and serviced Orange County Neighborhood Centers for Families and 16 other local nonprofit organizations.

If you are interested in supporting this drive, there are two ways to donate:

Online Shopping: This is a contactless donation option that is available now through **Monday, December 4**, by visiting www.ocfl.net/ToyDrive. This option allows donors to purchase items for the Mayor's Toy Drive from their phone or computer. All donations ship directly to the Orange County holiday warehouse.

In-Person Donations: For donors who prefer to purchase their toys for an in-person donation, can drop them off at a collection site now through **Monday, December 11**. For a full list of the 37 public-drop off locations throughout Orange County, please visit: www.ocfl.net/ToyDrive.

Cash, gift cards and plush toys are not accepted. Please include extra items where appropriate. For example, batteries with electronic toys, or crayons with a coloring book.

Orlando City Advances to 2023 MLS Cup Semi-Final



Congratulations to our CFHLA partner **Orlando City** on advancing to the 2023 MLS Cup Playoffs Conference Semi-Final, after defeating Nashville earlier this week!

Join OCSC at Exploria Stadium for the Eastern Conference Semi-Final on either November 25 or November 26 and get your tickets today by [CLICKING HERE](#). Let's GO CITY!

CFHLA Heart of Hospitality

The Central Florida Hotel & Lodging Association would like to congratulate this week's **"Heart of Hospitality"** professionals and participants in this year's **CFHLA Leadership Mentoring Program, Class II!**

If you haven't been following us on our social media channels you should!

We've been sharing the stories of our incredibly diverse hospitality professionals who are truly the "Heart of Hospitality" throughout Central Florida. Each industry professional has also been recognized and highlighted on the [CFHLA WEBSITE](#).

[Click here to learn more](#) about the recognition series and please help us share their amazing stories! Do you know someone that is the "Heart of Hospitality" and should have their story shared? If so, please email us at communications@cfhla.org.



William Gates
Hyatt Regency Orlando



Chase Guarino
Titan Flooring Inc.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR
NOVEMBER MEMBERS OF THE MONTH**



Sean Verney

Walt Disney World Swan and
Dolphin Resort

Norah White

I-Drive District

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UPCOMING EVENTS

For more information on upcoming events, or to register, just click on the button below.

- [Employee Relations Committee \(11/15/2023\)](#)
- [Hospitality Gala Committee Meeting \(11/16/2023\)](#)
- [Vacation Ownership Mini-Golf Tournament \(11/16/2023\)](#)
- [Jumpstart 2024 Sponsorship Review \(11/17/2023\)](#)
- [New Member Orientation \(11/17/2023\)](#)
- [CFHLA Executive Committee Meeting \(11/17/2023\)](#)
- [CFHLA Board of Directors Meeting & Silver Partner Luncheon \(11/29/2023\)](#)
- [CFHLA Foundation Board Meeting \(12/5/2023\)](#)
- [2023 CFHLA Holiday Online Auction \(12/5/2023\)](#)
- [Governmental Affairs Meeting \(12/6/2023\)](#)
- [Engineers Council Board Meeting \(12/7/2023\)](#)
- [2024 CFHLA Sponsorships Open \(12/8/2023\)](#)

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