

September 6, 2024



International Housekeepers Week



Next week is **International Housekeepers Week** (from September 8th through September 14th). Please join us in recognizing our amazing and dedicated Housekeeping Team Members, who have worked tirelessly over the past year to keep our properties and businesses clean, safe, and memorable across the Central Florida hospitality industry!

These are truly the unsung heroes of our community and now more than ever, we are extremely grateful for each of these hardworking men and women, as they deserve our recognition for their incredible efforts.

Housekeepers: Through & Through We Can Always Depend On You, Housekeepers: You Make Every Moment A Chance to Shine!

Together, let's amplify their stories, empower growth, and make this week a memorable tribute to their outstanding dedication to creating wonderful guest experiences each and every day.

Vacation Ownership Council Meeting

This week, the CFHLA Vacation Ownership Council held its most recent meeting of the year, which featured a presentation from **Jyllian Bradshaw** of **Lowndes**. Jyllian led an insightful discussion on the Onboarding of Gen Z's and we truly appreciate you joining us.

Additionally, we are grateful for the continued partnership with Lowdnes and the outstanding work that their team continues to do for CFHLA and the entire Central Florida tourism and hospitality industry!



Furthermore, we'd like to thank our 2024 Vacation Ownership Council Sponsors for their fantastic support this year including, <u>Landform of Central Florida</u>, <u>Inc</u> and <u>Sunbrite Outdoor Furniture!</u>





Security & Safety Council Casino Night



Yesterday, September 5th, the CFHLA Security & Safety Council hosted their first-ever **Casino Night** at the **Westgate Lakes Resort & Spa** (thank you **Stacey Herndon**). Thank you to the more than 100 attendees and sponsors who came out to test their luck on the tables in support of this fundraising event!



The net proceeds from this fundraising event will be utilized to support the CFHLA Foundation and the initiatives of CFHLA Security & Safety Council, including the continued support of our local law enforcement and first responders, as well as hospitality security employees who go above and beyond" in guest safety services.



CFHLA would like to extend a Big Thank You to our Sponsors including:















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Last Chance to Register: Don't Miss Out on the September Allied Relations Council Breakfast



YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE CFHLA SEPTEMBER ALLIED RELATIONS COUNCIL BREAKFAST FEATURING AN



ATTRACTIONS UPDATE PANEL

Presented by:



Steven Miller Senior Manager, Walt Disney World External Affairs



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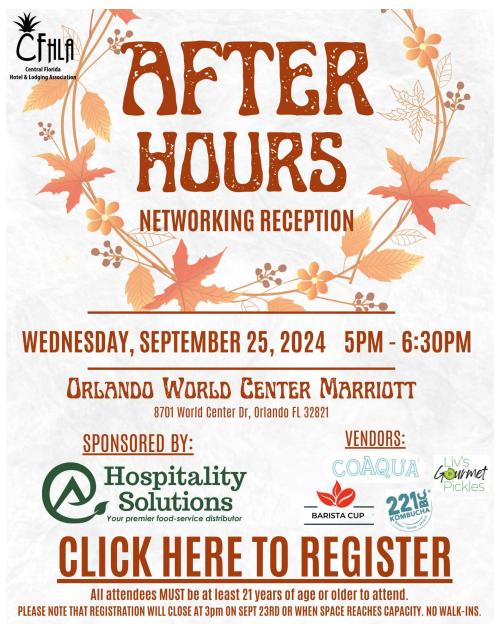
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All registrations are due by Thursday, September 12, 2024. Cancellations must be submitted in writing to faith.moore@cfhla.org and will not be taken after Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at 2:00pm.

Registration Now Open - Final After-Hours Networking Reception of the Year



For more information please contact Faith Moore at faith.moore@cfhla.org

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Congratulations to Damien Hirsch: New General Manager of JW Marriott Orlando Bonnet Creek Resort



CFHLA is thrilled to welcome Damien Hirsch as the new **General Manager** of the <u>JW Marriott Orlando Bonnet Creek Resort & Spa</u>. Damien brings a wealth of experience and a proven track record of success, starting his hospitality career at the Marriott Indianapolis North, where he rose from Banquet Server to General Manager.

Most recently, Damien served as the General Manager of the W Los Angeles - West Beverly Hills, where he led his team to significant achievements, including increased RevPAR index, enhanced associate engagement, and elevated guest satisfaction.

We are confident that Damien's leadership will bring continued excellence to the JW Marriott Orlando Bonnet Creek Resort & Spa.

Congratulations, Damien, and welcome to the Central Florida hospitality community!

Partners In Action - Castle Hotel, Autograph Collection

Recently, CFHLA Lodging Member, the <u>Castle Hotel, Autograph</u> <u>Collection</u>, hosted teachers from their Adopt-A-School partner, <u>Tangelo</u> <u>Park Elementary School</u>, for a back-to-school training day.







Thank you to the team at the Castle Hotel, Autograph Collection for your continued support of our CFHLA Adopt-A-School program!

Clermont to Host 2024 Women's Collegiate Triathlon National Championships



CFHLA is thrilled to announce that **Clermont**, **FL**, will host the **2024 Women's Collegiate Triathlon National Championships** on **November 9th**. This prestigious event will bring together the nation's top women varsity

triathletes to compete for national titles across Division I, II, and III schools. Clermont, a city rich in triathlon history, was the site of the first-ever Women's Collegiate Triathlon National Championships in 2014 and is ready to once again showcase this exciting NCAA Emerging Sport for Women.

The championships will take place at **Lake Louisa State Park**, offering a scenic and safe environment for both athletes and spectators. Alongside the collegiate races, the weekend will feature the 2024 USA Triathlon Clermont Age Group Challenge Cup, giving age-group athletes a chance to qualify for the 2025 World Triathlon Aquathlon Championships.



Last Chance to Secure Your Tickets - CFHLA's Hospitality Night With the Orlando City

Once again, CFHLA is partnering with <u>Orlando City Soccer Club</u> to host Hospitality Night this fall. Discounted ticket packages are available for the **Orlando City match on Wednesday, September 18th against Charlotte**.

Information regarding ticket packages can be found on the flyer below. Please reach out directly to **Alex Quillin** at aquillin@orlandocitysoccer.com if you are Interested in purchasing 10+ seats or interested in suites.

For individual tickets, please CLICK HERE.

LET'S GO ORLANDO! VAMOS ORLANDO!



This week, CFHLA was proud to join our partner <u>ICON Park</u> for their big announcement. After a three year hiatus, the **Blue Man Group** announced that it will be returning to Orlando with a new home at ICON Park!



The paint-filled groundbreaking ceremony included the three iconic Blue Men in their uniquely energetic and colorful style, crashing the event to announce that "Blue is Back." The new 578-seat theater will be built from the ground up and is anticipated to open in late 2024. We can't wait to once again experience Blue Man Group and **CLICK HERE** to learn more about their return to Orlando.



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Melanie Becker
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UPCOMING EVENTS

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

- Hospitality Gala Committee Meeting (9/9/2024)
- 2024 Patriot Day Remembrance Breakfast (9/11/2024)
- Wednesday Noon Leads Group (9/11/2024)

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