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**JOIN NOW TO APPEAR IN THE '2021 HEALTH CARE GUIDE'**

The Health Care Guide to the Palm Beaches is a full-color publication that features articles on health care advancements, resources and community involvement, and is used as a resource directory by Chamber members, residents, tourists and visitors of Palm Beach County. Each Chamber member is listed with contact information and website. The guide debuts at the Firefighter Breakfast in October and will also be available in the Chamber's lobby and in digital format online at PalmBeaches.org.

Deadline to join is Sept. 20 and you must be a Chamber member to be included. For more information, contact Kirby Davis, Membership Services and Special Events Coordinator, at kdavis@palmbeaches.org or call 561-833-3894.

## 30th Annual ATHENA Leadership Awards Luncheon

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 | 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM**

To register, please visit [www.PalmBeaches.org](http://www.PalmBeaches.org)

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### 2021 Finalists

#### ATHENA LEADERSHIP AWARD



**Rachael Bonlarron**  
Palm Beach State College



**Alexcia Cox**  
Office of the State Attorney



**Tracy Gerber**  
Greenberg Traurig, LLP



**Evelyn Hopkins**  
Florida Crystals Corporation



**Wendy Sartory Link**  
Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections

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#### ATHENA YOUNG PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP AWARD



**Alexandria Ayala**  
The Markarian Group



**Alexandra Chase**  
U.S Attorney's Office, Southern District of Florida



**Dr. Shanteria Dixon**  
St. Mary's Medical Center



**Kathryn Rossmell**  
Lewis, Longman & Walker, P.A.



**Christine Shaw**  
Florida Atlantic University

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#### ATHENA ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP AWARD







## 2021 ATHENA LEADERSHIP AWARDS FINALISTS ANNOUNCED

The Chamber is pleased to announce the finalists for the 2021 ATHENA Leadership Awards. This year, the Chamber received several nominations comprised of outstanding individuals and organizations throughout Palm Beach County. Please join us for the 30th Annual ATHENA Leadership Awards Luncheon as we celebrate each finalist's achievements and honor



recipients of our ATHENA Leadership Award, ATHENA Young Professional

Leadership Award and ATHENA Organizational Leadership Award. The luncheon, presented by Related, is on Friday, Sept. 17 at the Palm Beach County Convention Center from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. To purchase an individual ticket or table, please visit [www.palmbeaches.org](http://www.palmbeaches.org). For sponsorship information, please contact Kirby Davis at [kdavis@palmbeaches.org](mailto:kdavis@palmbeaches.org).

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APPLY FOR CLASS 2022 OF LEADERSHIP WEST PALM BEACH

The Chamber is currently accepting applications for Class 2022 of Leadership West Palm Beach, which exposes participants to a variety of aspects of the community, including government; health and human services; education; neighborhoods, arts, culture and festivals; and economic development.

Leadership West Palm Beach provides information to class participants to generate leaders with a well-rounded knowledge base to assist in future planning and decision making for the betterment of West Palm Beach. Leadership West Palm Beach members are chosen by a selection committee that reviews the applications. Up to 28 individuals are selected for each class. Partial scholarships will be considered for those needing assistance. Submit your application online at [palmbeaches.org](http://palmbeaches.org). For more information or to inquire about sponsorship opportunities, please contact Donald Burgess at [dburgess@palmbeaches.org](mailto:dburgess@palmbeaches.org).



## Back-to-School Breakfast

The Superintendent of the School District of Palm Beach County Michael J. Burke, was the guest speaker at the Chamber's annual Back-to-School Breakfast at the Palm Beach County Convention Center on Tuesday, Aug. 24. Mr. Burke expressed his commitment to safety first for the district's employees and students. He reported that the team at the A-rated school district was committed to ensuring that students have internet connectivity through the creation of a Wi-Fi Mesh that would serve 25,000 students.

A special thanks to the attendees whose generosity helped raise more than \$6,000 for the Pleasant City Elementary School. Thanks also to premier sponsors Keiser University, represented by Vice Chancellor Belinda Keiser and West Palm Beach Campus President Kimberly Lea, and Hulett Environmental Services. And thank you to our Partner in Education the Education Foundation of Palm Beach County for working with us to collect school supplies for the Red



Superintendent of the School District of Palm Beach County, Michael J. Burke.

Apples Supplies Drive. This project enables the delivery of new and unused school supplies to students and teachers around Palm Beach County.

Please check the Chamber's events calendar at [www.palmbeaches.org](http://www.palmbeaches.org) for other upcoming events.



From left: Chamber CEO Donald Burgess; Superintendent Michael J. Burke; Vice Chancellor of Keiser University Belinda Keiser; and Chamber Chair Rick Reikenis. PHOTOS BY CAPEHART



## Former Chamber Chair elected Chair of the American Bar Association Section of Environment, Energy & Resources

Lewis, Longman & Walker, P.A. President and Shareholder Michelle Diffenderfer was recently elected Chair of the American Bar Association Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources (ABA SEER). She will serve a one-year term, through August 2022.

"I am excited and honored to be named Chair of the Section. I grew up as an environmental lawyer in SEER and am thrilled to be able to give back to the Section that provided me with mentoring, leadership experience and so many friends through the years," said Diffenderfer, who was the 2012 Chair of the Chamber's Board of Directors. "My priorities include

bringing us back together again in person at conferences to exchange information and ideas about environment, energy and natural resources laws. I am also excited to continue the Section's work on Diversity, Inclusion and Equity for all our members and helping our Section implement ABA's Environmental Justice Resolution."

An active member of the Section for more than 25 years, Diffenderfer's leadership within ABA SEER began as a Committee Vice Chair in 2002. Since then, she has held various leadership positions within the organization including Education Officer, Budget

Officer, Secretary and most recently in her path to Chair as Vice Chair and Chair-Elect.

"Congratulations to Michelle on becoming Chair of the Section. Her extensive experience in the Section will serve our members very well this coming year," said Howard Kenison, Immediate Past Chair of the Section.

With more than 7,500 members, ABA SEER fosters the success of a diverse community of environmental, energy and resources lawyers, advisers and decision-makers, and provides a premier forum for the exchange of ideas and information. The Section provides opportunities

to enhance professional skills, stay on top of current developments, and dialogue in environmental, energy and natural resources law.

Diffenderfer assists landowners, businesses and governments with local, state and federal environmental, natural resource and land development legal requirements. She helps clients navigate these laws and regulations in the permitting of their land development and infrastructure projects. Contact her at 561-640-0820 or [mdiffenderfer@llw-law.com](mailto:mdiffenderfer@llw-law.com).

For more information about Diffenderfer, visit [llw-law.com/attorneys/michelle-diffenderfer](http://llw-law.com/attorneys/michelle-diffenderfer).



Michelle Diffenderfer

### RIBBON CUTTING



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KidzVil Pediatric Dentistry uses a friendly, compassionate and respectful approach to embrace a world of growing smiles. Their goal is to provide a pleasant and positive experience for both you and your children while focusing on your specific needs.



## September Trustee Luncheon next Thursday

The Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta is part of the central bank of the United States. Its territory covers what is known as the Sixth Federal Reserve District, which includes Alabama, Florida, Georgia, and portions of Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee. The bank's supervisory and regulatory oversight of financial institutions in the district seeks to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations. This is in addition to promoting consumer protection and community development through consumer-focused supervision and examination, research and analysis of emerging consumer issues and trends, community economic development activities, and the administration of consumer laws and regulations. This function also works to activate underutilized financial, human and social capital to foster the conditions that facilitate inclusive economic growth.



Karen Gilmore

We are pleased to have the bank's vice president and regional executive Karen Gilmore address our Trustees on Sept. 9, from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., at The Ben Hotel. Gilmore is responsible for economic intelligence gathering to support the bank's contributions to the monetary policy process. Attendance at this event is by invitation only.

For more information on the Trustee program, please contact Donald Burgess at [dburgess@palmbeaches.org](mailto:dburgess@palmbeaches.org).

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Thursday SEPT. 2**  
**Science & Technology Committee Presents: Veterinary Advancements & Rehabilitation**

**When:** noon-1 p.m. **Where:** Chamber Boardroom **Cost:** Free for members **Speaker:** Dr. Max Polyak, director of rehabilitation, Loggerhead Marinelife Center **Contact:** Kirby Davis at [kdavis@palmbeaches.org](mailto:kdavis@palmbeaches.org)

**Tuesday SEPT. 7**  
**Health & Human Services Committee Presents: Traumatology**

**When:** noon-1 p.m. **Where:** South University, 9801 Belvedere Road, Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411 **Cost:** Free for members **Speaker:** Dr. Thomas Christiansen, Interim Program Director/Master of Arts and Clinical Health, South University **Contact:** Kirby Davis at [kdavis@palmbeaches.org](mailto:kdavis@palmbeaches.org)

**Thursday SEPT. 9**  
**Women in Business Committee Presents: What it Takes to Be an ATHENA Woman**

**When:** noon-1 p.m. **Where:** Chamber Boardroom. This hybrid event is in-person with an option to attend virtually via Zoom. **Cost:** Free for members

**Speaker:** Sarah Alsofrom, Senior Director of Community Relations, GL Homes **Sponsor:** Lunch sponsored by GL Homes **Contact:** Kirby Davis at [kdavis@palmbeaches.org](mailto:kdavis@palmbeaches.org)

**Thursday SEPT. 9**  
**Trustee Luncheon**

**When:** 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. **Where:** The Ben, 251 N. Narcissus Ave., West Palm Beach, FL 33401 **Cost:** Invitation Only **Speaker:** Karen Gilmore, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta **Contact:** Donald Burgess at [dburgess@palmbeaches.org](mailto:dburgess@palmbeaches.org)

**Tuesday SEPT. 14**  
**Power Networking @ Lunch**

**When:** 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. **Where:** Hilton Palm Beach Airport, 150 Australian Ave., West Palm Beach, FL 33406 **Cost:** Discount registration deadline: Tuesday, Sept. 7, 5 p.m. Members: \$35 before deadline; \$40 after deadline; nonmembers: \$45 before deadline; \$50 after deadline; Day of event: At the Door \$55, subject to availability **Contact:** Kirby Davis at [kdavis@palmbeaches.org](mailto:kdavis@palmbeaches.org)

**Wednesday SEPT. 15**  
**Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the Workplace; Ford Harrison Employment Law Series #3/4**

**When:** 9-10 a.m. **Where:** Zoom Live Virtual Event. All registered guests will receive Zoom login information day prior to event. **Cost:** Free for members, \$15 for nonmembers **Speakers:** David Gobeo, Esq. (Partner), Ariadna Hernandez, Esq., and Matt Luttinger, Esq., of Ford Harrison Law Firm **Contact:** Kirby Davis at [kdavis@palmbeaches.org](mailto:kdavis@palmbeaches.org)

**Friday SEPT. 17**  
**30th Annual ATHENA Leadership Award Luncheon**

**When:** 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; 11 a.m.: networking/check-in; 11:30 a.m.: program and lunch begin; 1 p.m.: program concludes **Where:** Palm Beach County Convention Center, 650 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33401 **Cost:** Please note: Online registration will close at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 16.; Discount registration deadline: Sept. 10, 5 p.m.; members: \$80 before deadline; \$90 after deadline; nonmembers: \$100 before deadline; \$110 after deadline; table of 10 (members): \$750 before

deadline; \$850 after deadline; table of 10 (nonmembers): \$950 before deadline; \$1,050 after deadline **Contact:** Kirby Davis at [kdavis@palmbeaches.org](mailto:kdavis@palmbeaches.org)

**Friday SEPT. 24**  
**Business Builder**

**When:** 9-10 a.m. **Where:** Chamber Boardroom **Cost:** Free **Contact:** Kirby Davis at [kdavis@palmbeaches.org](mailto:kdavis@palmbeaches.org)

**Thursday SEPT. 30**  
**Business After Hours Presented By: Home2Suites by Hilton**

**When:** 5:30-7:30 p.m. **Where:** Home2Suites by Hilton/West Palm Beach Airport Location, 2375 James L. Turnage Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33406 **Event Host:** Danielle Spagnolo, Area Sales Manager; **Cost:** Discount registration deadline: Thursday, Sept. 16, 5 p.m.; members: \$30 before deadline; \$35 after deadline; \$40 at door; nonmembers: \$40 before deadline; \$45 after deadline; \$50 at door; fees include two alcoholic drink tickets, admission, appetizers and chances to win door prizes **Contact:** Kirby Davis at [kdavis@palmbeaches.org](mailto:kdavis@palmbeaches.org)