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# STATE OF THE CITY BREAKFAST IS NEXT THURSDAY



Mayor Keith James

The State of the City Breakfast is a highly anticipated opportunity for members of the Chamber of Commerce and the public to hear from Mayor Keith James about the recent accomplishments in the city of West Palm Beach and his vision for the future. Attendees will also have the chance to network with elected officials and other community leaders while enjoying fresh coffee and a full breakfast.

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### TRUSTEE SPOTLIGHT



Quantum House

### **Greg Quattlebaum**

JANUARY STATE OF THE CITY BREAKFAST

Where: Palm Beach County Convention Center

650 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33401

When: Thursday, Jan. 18, 7-9:30 a.m.

Born at St. Mary's Hospital, Greg Quattlebaum is a lifelong resident of West Palm Beach and recently appointed President and CEO of Quantum House. He and his wife, Iulie, have three adult children and one grandson. Quattlebaum and his family have owned and

operated Quattlebaum Funeral Home for many years. He has long been active in the community, serving in myriad leadership roles within the local and national community, including Leadership Palm Beach County, the Palm Health Foundation Community Investment Committee, West Palm Beach Police Foundation Advisory

Board, Run with the Cops 5K, Lewis Center Luncheon benefiting the Homeless Coalition of Palm Beach County, Cardinal Newman High School Board of Advisors, and the National Funeral Directors Association. He was awarded the American Free Enterprise Companion Medal from Palm Beach Atlantic University.

# **Historical Society Hosts Chamber Trustees**

On Dec. 14, 2023 the Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches hosted its Trustees at the Historical Society of Palm Beach County in West Palm Beach. Attendees were treated to cocktails and light bites as they mingled, established new connections and built on established relationships.

Chamber President and CEO Donald Burgess welcomed the attendees and thanked them for their continued support of the Chamber. He briefly reviewed Trustee activities in 2023 and announced some of the luncheons and field trips being planned for the coming year. John Archer, board member of the Historical Society, added his welcome to the Trustees, spoke about the mission of the society, and extended an invitation to return often.



The next Trustee luncheon will be held on Friday, Jan. 26, at the West Palm Beach Marriott. Former U.S. Senator George LeMieux will be the guest

speaker. For more information on the Chamber's Trustee Program, contact Kirby Davis at kdavis@palmbeaches.org or call



# Leadership West Palm Beach Class 2024 announced

Leadership West Palm Beach is a program of the Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches. Its mission is to cultivate the leadership potential of individuals who reside or work in West Palm Beach and utilize their skills to foster the development of programs and opportunities that will enrich and improve the quality of life in the Palm Beaches. Participants are exposed to a variety of aspects of the community, including government, health and human services, education, economic development, arts, culture and festivals. All of these areas are integral components of our community. The program generates leaders with a wellrounded knowledge base to assist in future planning and decisionmaking for the betterment of West Palm Beach.

## **CLASS 2024 MEMBERS**

- Nerlande Adolphe City of West Palm Beach
- Bradly Bock **Kast Construction**
- Alexander Brams
- Iones Foster ■ Brandon Cabrera
- The BrandX Company ■ Christopher Claeyssen Schmidt Nichols
- David Eiler Locality Bank
- Samhurline Etienne City of West Palm Beach Fire Department
- Aubrey Fleming
- Trustbridge Hospice Foundation
- Tarelle Goldwire City of West Palm Beach
- Nitesh Goli Radise International, L.C.

- Olga Hernandez City of West Palm Beach
- Mary Jacobs The Kravis Center for the Performing Arts
- Zachary Jacobson Gunster
- Byron Jefferson
- The Palm Beach Post/LocaliQ ■ Damba Koroma
- The Lord's Place
- Stacey Liebla Florida Power & Light Company
- Megan Luchey A & Associates, Inc.
- Maria Morales St. Mary's Medical Center and The Palm Beach Children's Hospital
- Thomas Moran City of West Palm Beach Fire Department
- Jessica Navarro City of West Palm Beach

- Nathan Polselli City of West Palm Beach
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- First Horizon Bank ■ Florida Integrated Security

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  - Nextgen Pest Solutions ■ OneDigital
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  - Oxbridge Academy
  - Palm Beach Atlantic University ■ Palm Beach County Office of Equal Business Opportunity
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- Corporation ■ Pioneer Linens ■ Preveer Downtown West Palm

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# **WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS**



**Andrew Ashby** Senior Vice President M&T Bank



**Cody Crowell** Managing Director Frisbie Group



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# Prepay deadline is tomorrow for **Corporate Breakfast Series**

Prepay now for the Corporate Breakfast Series and save. Subscriptions include eight events and are available for purchase through Friday.

### 2024 Breakfast Lineup

- February 2024 Economic Outlook
- March 26 Healthcare April 18 – Sustainability

- May Business Awards
- June Legislative Update ■ August – Back to School
- October Firefighter Awards ■ November – State of the

### **Corporate Breakfast Series** Subscriptions

Prepay deadline is Friday, Jan. 12. The price for a full table of 10 seats is \$4,680, which includes being featured in PowerPoint

presentation, a reserved table with company signage and priority seating.

A half table of 5 seats is \$2,350 and includes being featured in PowerPoint presentation, a reserved table with company signage and priority seating.

Contact Rachel Ouismundo. Special Events Coordinator, 561-421-5129 or rquismundo@ palmbeaches.org

## Julia Murphy Inspires Attendees at 'Get To Know' Seminar

On Dec. 13, 2023, Julia Murphy, chief advancement officer for Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County, inspired attendees with her honesty, openness and transparency at the December Get to Know seminar hosted by the Chamber's Health and Human Services Committee in the Chamber Boardroom.

She revealed some of the challenges she overcame early in life and her habit of quickly learning lessons from her and others' experiences, including the value of consideration, the power of commitment, showing up when you say you would and leading with integrity.

Murphy shared that one of the areas of great need for



Habitat projects is for Crew Leaders. Interested persons are encouraged to visit habitatgreaterpbc.org for this and a host of other opportunities.

Join us on Jan. 16, in the Chamber Boardroom for Coffee and Chat with Sarah Criser Elwell, CEO of the Forum Club

of the Palm Beaches. For more information on these events, contact Jessica Straghn at jstraghn@palmbeaches.org.



## Katie Block relates well at Chamber monthly Coffee & Chat

Katie Block, Related Southeast's chief financial officer, held the attention of guests at the Chamber's Women in Business Committee monthly Coffee & Chat event. Block shared a reimagining of Downtown West Palm Beach, where Related is on a mission to create a vibrant 360-lifestyle Downtown with an eclectic mix of business, culture and more as they build the model for a 21st century city on the following pillars: housing development, education, health care, innovation, business opportunities, amenities, wellness, culture, mobility, philanthropy and DEI.



Block built on her presentation by talking about her rise in the company since starting there 10 years ago as a junior analyst in New York following her time at Ernst and Young. She gratefully revealed the important

role Related's chairman and majority owner Stephen Ross, her parents, and myriad others played in her journey to being who and where she is today.

For more information on Related Companies, Florida's leading builder of workforce housing, its design district projects and philanthropic initiatives, visit relatedsoutheast.com.

Women in Business committee, events and sponsorship opportunities, contact Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@ palmbeaches.org or 561-421-5129.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Have a question? Contact Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org for more information.

Thursday **JAN. 11** 

**JAN. 13** 

When: Noon-1 p.m. Where: Chamber Boardroom Cost: Free Contact: Kirby Davis at kdavis@palmbeaches.org

**Annual Chairman's Circle** When: 6-9 p.m. Where: Breakers West, 1515 Flagler Parkway, West Palm Beach, Florida 33411 **Cost**: Member Admission, \$300; Platinum Sponsor,

\$5,000 — includes 4 tickets to the event, recognition at the dinner and their company name and logo in an article appearing in the Palm Beach Post; Gold Sponsor,- \$2,500 — includes 2 tickets to the event recognition at the dinner and their company name and logo in an article appearing in the Palm Beach Post; Silver Sponsor, \$1,250 — includes 1 ticket to the event and a listing in the Palm Beach Post. Contact: Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org



Coffee & Chat with Sarah Crisner Elwell, CEO of Forum Club of the Palm Beaches

Boardroom Cost: Free to Members Only Contact: Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@

palmbeaches.org

Thursday **JAN. 18** 

# When: 9-10a.m. Where: Chamber

2024 Mayor's State of the City **Breakfast** When: 7-9:30 a.m. Where: Palm

650 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33401 Cost: Discount Registration Deadline: Thursday, Jan. 11 at 5 p.m. Members, \$60 before deadline, \$65 after deadline; nonmembers, \$75 before deadline, \$85 after deadline. Corporate Table Sponsor (Table of 10): Members, \$700; nonmembers, \$900. CANCELLATIONS must be made 72 hours prior to the event for a refund. Contact: Rachel Quismundo at

Beach County Convention Center,

Tuesdav **JAN. 23** 

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Straghn at jstraghn@palmbeaches.org

Get to Know: Debbie Roppo **Health Coach When**: Noon-1 p.m. Where: Chamber Boardroom Cost: Free to members only Contact: Jessica



Power Networking @ Lunch When: 11:30a.m.-1 p.m.

Where: Hilton Palm Beach Airport, 150 Australian Ave., West Palm Beach, FL 33406 Cost: Discount

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, Jan. 17 at 5 p.m. Members, \$40 before deadline, \$45 after deadline; nonmembers, \$50 before deadline, \$55 after deadline. Tickets at the door day of event, \$60 and subject to availability. Contact: Rachel

Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org



**Business Builder @ Symphony** 

Workplaces When: 9-10 a.m. Where: Symphony Workplaces - Palm Beach, 2875 S. Ocean Blvd., #200, Palm Beach, FL

33480 Cost: Free Contact: Kirby Davis at kdavis@ palmbeaches.org **Trustee Luncheon** 



When: Noon-1 p.m. Where: The West

Palm Beach Marriott Cost: Invitation Contact: Kirby Davis at kdavis@

palmbeaches.org

Tuesday JAN.30 **Understanding Government Contracting Seminar** 

When: 9-10 a.m. Where: Chamber Boardroom Cost: Early Registration Discount Deadline: Tuesday, Jan. 23.

Members, \$15 before deadline, \$20 after deadline; nonmembers, \$25 before deadline, \$30 after deadline Contact: Kirby Davis at kdavis@palmbeaches.org



YPOP Happy Hour - Ballpark of the **Palm Beaches** When: 5:30-7:30 p.m. Where: Ballpark

of the Palm Beaches, 5444 Haverhill

Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33407 Cost: Must be ages 21-39 to attend this event! *Early-Bird Discount Deadline*: Thursday, Jan. 25. Members, \$15 before deadline, \$20 after deadline; nonmembers, \$25 before deadline, \$30 after deadline **Contact**: Rachel Quismundo at rquismundo@palmbeaches.org



# Registration now open

Register now for our annual BrandX Women for Women 5K on Saturday, May 11, at Okeeheelee Park's Micanopy Pavilion. This year's theme is Rosie the Riveter, complete with a sparkly mom tattoo.

We will be supporting the American Cancer Society, so please consider donating when signing up for this event.









## **Annual Chairman's Circle** installation dinner



Join us for an elegant and memorable affair over cocktails and dinner as we recognize our 2023 Chair Bob Diffenderfer and welcome our 2024 Chair Kimberly Lea. Chairman's Circle is Saturday, Jan. 13

from 6-9 p.m. at Breakers West Country

Club, 1550 Flagler Parkway, West Palm Beach, FL 33411. Admission for members is \$300. Contact Rachel Quismundo at 561-421-5129 or rquismundo@palmbeaches.org.

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### **RIBBON CUTTINGS**



### Hampton Inn West Palm Beach/FL Turnpike Nov. 30, 2023

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Dec. 12, 2023

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# Baseball Bash

Take a swing at this opportunity to meet select players from both the Miami Marlins and the St. Louis Cardinals. There will be a silent auction for a Cardinals and Marlins

autographed team bat with letters of authenticity for each. The 2024 Baseball Bash is Thursday, Feb. 22, 6-8 p.m. at Roger Dean Chevrolet Stadium, 4751 Main St. in Jupiter.

The Discount Deadline for admission is Monday, Jan. 22 at 5 p.m. Tickets for members are \$65 before deadline, \$75 after deadline. Nonmember tickets are \$75 before deadline, \$85 after deadline. VIP Tickets are \$100 for members, \$120

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