CONGRATULATIONS ATHENA LEADERWOSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS

The 28th Annual ATHENA Leadership Awards Luncheon, presented by Related, took place Sept. 20 at the Palm Beach County Convention Center. The Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches recognized 17 individuals and organizations that have demonstrated extraordinary levels of leadership within their respective fields, given valuable hours of community service, and focused on mentoring women.

ATHENA Leadership Award was presented to Sarah Alsofrom, GL Homes of South Florida Corporation. This is her second consecutive year, since the inception of ATHENA International in 1989, that any ATHENA award recipient, Sarah Alsofrom, has received both the ATHENA Leadership award and the ATHENA Young Professional award, as one person. More than 7,000 ATHENA leadership awards have been presented to recipients nationally and globally.

Congratulations to all of the ATHENA nominees and finalists.

Apply now for 2020 Class of Leadership West Palm Beach

We are now accepting applications for Class 2020 Leader West Palm Beach Leadership West Palm Beach will continue to expose its participants to a variety of aspects of the community including: government, health, human services, education, neighborhoods, arts, culture and festivals, and economic development. All of these are integral components our community. Leadership West Palm Beach provides invaluable information to class participants to generate leaders with well-rounded knowledge base to assist in future planning and decision making for the betterment of West Palm Beach.

Free to VPD members, and $15 for future VPD members.

Network for a Cause

When: Wednesday, Oct. 23
Where: DoubleTree West Palm Beach Airport
Cost: Free

For more information on sponsorship opportunities, please contact Sandy Palmen at spalmen@palmbeaches.org.
More than 35 business and community leaders attended a briefing on the South Florida Business Council - SFBC's initiative. The South Florida Business Council – a partnership between the state’s most prominent business chambers – is focused on tackling South Florida’s key issues. Using its collective influence and leveraging pooled resources having a clear, positive impact on everything from creating large corporations, winning state or federal funding and addressing business and community needs. Visit sfbcouncil.com to read the full article.

Welcome new Board member, Matt Satus

Matt Satus has been appointed to serve a three-year term on the Chamber’s Board of Directors. Satus is General Manager of FITTEAM Ballpark of the Palm Beaches, Spring Training home to the Houston Astros and Washington Nationals. He holds a bachelor’s degree in Sports Management from New York University and a Master of Sports Administration degree from Ohio University. Satus started in professional sports as a minor league clubhouse manager with the Texas Rangers. He was General Manager of Ripken Professional Baseball, where he oversaw the business affairs of Cal Ripken, Jr.'s, professional baseball teams. Satus has served as an adjunct faculty member at both Towson University and Neumann University. He also currently serves as a Chamber Trustee.

The Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches will host its annual Firefighter Breakfast on Tuesday, Oct. 29 from 7:45-9 a.m. at the Palm Beach County Convention Center. This breakfast, sponsored by St. Mary's Medical Center and the Palm Beach Children's Hospital, will honor West Palm Beach Fire Rescue and Palm Beach County Fire Rescue's bravest individuals. To purchase a ticket or table of 10, visit www.palmbeach.org. For sponsorship opportunities, please contact Michele Sacher at msacher@palmbeaches.org.