



LEADERSHIP TAMPA ALUMNI

Leaders in Action

A Committee of the Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce

Keeping you in touch with LTA

www.LTAlumni.org

Chair's Message

Dear LTA Members,

Maybe it was just my imagination, but it sure felt like temperatures were beginning to drop and hints of fall were in the air. I do know that the college football season is underway and the kids are back to school. As the season gradually changes, LTA has much to keep you enlightened, entertained and connected through the end of the year and beyond.

The September Conversations with Influence luncheon focused on the Business of Sports. Moderator, Ernest Hooper (LT '03) led an engaging discussion with a panel of the senior leadership representing our professional football, hockey, baseball and soccer organizations. Thank you to the Programs Committee for providing us with another successful program.

You may have heard by now that at the August Cabinet meeting it was decided to sunset the Philanthropy in Action program. Although PIA was very successful in generating thousands of dollars of grants to benefit worthy area not-for-profit organizations since its inception, it was determined that it would take significant fundraising efforts going forward to sustain the program and fundraising simply is not the most effective way that LTA can have a positive impact on our community. LT graduates are generous and talented individuals and it's with this in mind that we've chosen to make our impact in a different way this year.

The week of October 3 marks our first ever **Leadership Tampa Alumni Week of Giving**. If you've not done so already, now is the time for you to decide how you'll be giving back. We're asking every LTA member to commit to at least one hour of volunteer time during the Week of Giving

In This Issue:

[Chair's Message](#)

[Programs Committee](#)

[Community Outreach Committee](#)

[Sponsorship Committee](#)

[Website Committee](#)

[Philanthropy In Action Committee](#)

[Parke Wright III Committee](#)

[Members/Companies in the News](#)

[Leadership Opportunities](#)

[Leadership Transfers](#)

[Update Your Information](#)

[Extra! Extra!](#)

at the charitable organization of your choice. If you need help deciding where to volunteer your time, we have four organized events scheduled that week. It's essential that you report your time and efforts so that we can compile the data and share the results with the community. We plan to have the local media cover this effort and let Tampa know what LTA is doing to make this a better place for all of us. More details can be found in the Community Outreach report below, on the LTA website and in separate communication you received earlier this week.

Philanthropy in Action will be making its final grant this year and there will be a special PIA award ceremony at the annual meeting on January 18, 2012. It's our hope that through the Week of Giving and all the other efforts of LTA members throughout the year, it will be recognized that we are as committed to giving back and making a positive difference as ever.

I'm very pleased to report that we're currently ahead of budget, sponsorships are at their highest level ever with many of next year's events already sponsored, your 2011 newly designed membership directory will be delivered to you very shortly, and we have many excellent programs scheduled through the remainder of the year. In fact, a number of the 2012 programs are already on the calendar and currently being planned. One of our most important goals this year was to ensure that we have a very smooth transition into the new year and, with the efforts of your committee chairs, I'm confident that is exactly what will happen.

In closing, your leadership team and cabinet have worked very hard to make this the best LTA year possible. If you have any suggestion on how we can serve the membership better, I encourage you contact me at (813) 769-2805 or mark.segel@jewishtampa.com. As always, thank you for choosing to be a member of the Leadership Tampa Alumni Association.



Mark Segel (LT '05)
2011 LTA Chair
Tampa Jewish Community Center and Federation
mark.segel@jewishtampa.com
(813) 769-2805

Programs Committee

UPCOMING EVENTS!

Mark your calendar now!

October 13

Healthcare Event at the PACE (Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly) Center

PACE Center

Title Sponsors: Chapters Health System and Rosenkranz Law Firm

Watch your email for more information and the registration form for this event.

November 10

LTA Reunion Party & Social



5:30-7:30 p.m.

Title Sponsor: Raymond James

Watch your email for more information and the registration form for this event.

December 6

LTA Holiday Party



6:30-9:30 p.m.

Title Sponsor: Waller & Wax Advisors, Inc

Take-Away Sponsor: Alvin Magnon Jewelers, Inc.

Watch your mail for more information and the registration form for this event.



Brett Azzarelli (LT '96)

2011 Programs Chair

Elements Architects & Interior Designers

bret@elementstampa.com

(813) 251-0565

Community Outreach Committee

October 3-8 will be a chance for LTA members to show how much they care. LTA chair Mark Segel has designated that week in October as the "Week of Giving". During that week, all LTA members are encouraged to actively participate in a charity or non-profit of their choice and then report what they did and the amount of time spent for the organization. The total number of hours will be shared with the media. To report your volunteer service, please email me at jim.porter@arlaw.com. The Community Outreach Committee has also arranged the following set of activities:

- Monday, October 3 – 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. (different shifts available) at MacDonald Training Center, 5420 W. Cypress Street, Tampa 33607. Email Rose Hari (Leadership Napa Valley) at rhari724@aol.com to participate.

· Tuesday, October 4 – 1-3 p.m. at the Crisis Center of Tampa Bay, One Crisis Center Plaza, Tampa 33613. Email Donamae Clinebell (LT'04) at donamae@stalwartcapital.com to participate.

· Wednesday, October 5 – 4:30-8 p.m. Dinner for 25 residents at Ronald McDonald House, 28 Columbia Drive, Tampa, 33606. Email Matt Dumar (LT'07) at matt_dumar@gt.com to participate.

· Thursday, October 6 – 8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Diploma-see Program (You will also need to participate in a training session Sept 23-30 to participate) – Additional details and registration is available at <http://www.tampachamber.com/page.asp?pageid=243..>

The Week of Giving will be an opportunity to demonstrate LTA's strong commitment to community service. We hope you will participate in one of these activities or with a non-profit of your choice!



Jim Porter (LT '99)
2011 Community Outreach Chair
Adams and Reese LLP
jim.porter@arlaw.com
(813) 402-2869

Sponsorship Committee

We would like to recognize the following corporate sponsors for their 2012 commitment:



BAG Contract, **Anne Adams (LT '05)** – LTA Reunion



Tampa Steel Erecting Co., **Bob Clark (LT '97)** – Mayor's Address



Vertical IT Solutions, **Andrew Cohen (LT '04)** – LT'12 Graduation Reception



HERE TODAY. HERE TOMORROW.

Sabal Trust Company, **Heather Boone (LT '09)** – 2012 Annual Meeting



“Providing a World Class Wealth Management
Experience to Our Affluent Clients.”
Since 1984

Waller and Wax Advisors, Inc., **Jon Wax (LT '04)** – Holiday Event

We encourage you to consider our sponsors when you require their products and services for your business.

We have the following sponsorship opportunities available for 2012:

Chairman's Reception
CEO Forum
Conversations With Influence
Spring Experience Event
Fall Experience Event

Please contact **John Wakefield (LT '08)** or **Cheryl Hamilton (LT '07)** for more information about sponsorship opportunities.



John D. Wakefield (LT '08)
2011 Sponsorship Co-chair
Lykes Bros. Inc.
john.wakefield@lykes.com
(813) 470-5034



Cheryl Hamilton (LT '07)
2011 Sponsorship Co-chair
Chapters Health Senior Independence
hamiltonc@chaptershealth.org
(813) 440-6021

Website Committee

Add Your Social Networking Links to the LTA Directory

One nice advantage of LTA Membership is access to the online directory where you can get search and gain access to the most up to date contact information on any LTA member. Now you can add your Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter information so people can connect with you. If you haven't updated your LTA profile lately simply [Log-in](#) and update your info which will appear in one or two days once reviewed. Remember this is the information that is used to publish the printed

directory.

Facebook Update

Thanks to member efforts we have over 70 members now exchanging information via Facebook. If you haven't signed up for the LTA Group, you can find the page by logging into your Facebook account and searching for: "Leadership Tampa Alumni (new)". That should bring you to a list with a "Request to Join" button. You may also join the group by accessing [this link](#) and logging in. Encourage your classmates to join and help us get to 100!



Jim Fortson (LT '99)

2011 Website Chair
Marketing Initiatives
jimforts@earthlink.net
(813)-654-1923



Kim Frey (LT '08)

2011 Website Co-chair
HOK, Inc.
kim.frey@hok.com
(813) 371-5717

Philanthropy In Action Committee

The Philanthropy in Action committee held the mandatory pre-proposal grant workshop at the Children's Board of Hillsborough County on Monday, September 19th. The application portal on the LTA website opened on September 21st and we're very eager to see how many applications we receive. The deadline to submit the application is October 12th at 4 p.m., so please encourage any non-profits you may be involved with to submit their applications. It's also not too late to join the committee. We'll be scoring applications and presenting the three finalist organizations to the LTA Cabinet on December 8th. Please contact me if you'd like to join in.



JoAnn Urofsky (LT '00)

2011 Philanthropy In Action Chair
WUSF Public Broadcasting
jurofsky@wusf.org
(813) 974-8622

Parke Wright III Committee

Nominations for the distinguished LTA Parke Wright III Leadership award will begin in October. The award recognizes a Leadership Tampa Alumnus who has demonstrated leadership above and beyond their job and made a significant difference in our community. The award will be presented at the Leadership Tampa Alumni Annual Meeting on January 18, 2012.

Think about those alumni whose leadership has benefited the greater

Tampa community in any form of community service: civic, cultural, economic, charitable, recreational, or educational. The recipient must be a current member of Leadership Tampa Alumni in good standing.

Nominees will be asked to complete an application that will allow them to clearly describe their leadership roles and activities in the community. It is from these applications that the panel of past recipients will select the next winner of the Parke Wright III Leadership Award.



Renee W. Vaughn (LT '93)

2011 Parke Wright III Committee Co-chair

Williams Consulting Group, Inc.

renee@williamsconsultinggroup.com

(813) 416-4146



Irvin Lee (LT '04)

2011 Parke Wright III Committee Co-chair

City of Tampa

Irvin.Lee@Tampagov.net

(813) 274-8580

Members/Companies in the News

Juan Davis (LT '07) has been appointed to the City of Tampa's Economic Business Opportunity Advisory Committee by Mayor Bob Buckhorn.

Cami Gibertini (LT '04) recently won the "Honorary Mayor" title in Brandon. Cami raised \$40,741.00 during the month of June which benefited her charities, ECHO and the YMCA.

Glenn Rasmussen Fogarty & Hooker, P.A. is pleased to announce that shareholders **Robert Glenn (LT '83)**, **Michael Hooker (LT '90)**, **Gregory McCoskey (LT '03)**, and **Robert Rasmussen (LT '84)** were selected by their peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America 2012. Since its inception in 1983, Best Lawyers has become universally regarded as the definitive guide to legal excellence.

Everything Channel has named Vertical IT Solutions, **Andrew Cohen (LT '04)**, to the first ever 2011 CRN Next-Gen 250 list. The CRN Next-Gen 250 is an annual listing of innovative and nimble business and technology integrators, solution providers, and resellers in North America offering solutions and services in cloud computing, mobility, unified communications, virtualization and other emerging technologies.

Greg Yadley (LT '88), partner at Shumaker Loop & Kendrick, LLP, was named to the U. S. Securities and Exchange Commission's advisory committee on small and emerging companies.

William Beyers (LT '87, San Francisco), recently completed a sailing and backpack odyssey through Europe. Bill and 3 crew members set sail from Maryland to Lisbon, Portugal with stops in Bermuda and the Azores. After landing in Lisbon, Bill set out on a six week backpack trip to Lisbon, Seville, Granada, Valencia, Barcelona, Rome, and Paris. He plans on writing a narrative of his adventures.

Leadership Opportunities

Take your Leadership Skills to a new level!

Friends of Joshua House Foundation, Inc. is interviewing prospective members for their Board of Directors. If you are interested, please contact DeDe Grundel at dgrundel@friendsofjoshuahouse.org.

Leadership Transfers

A best-kept secret that should be told!

Leadership Tampa Alumni welcomes graduate transfers from out-of-market leadership organizations. If you know someone who graduated from a leadership program in another city, connect them with LTA. We can learn a great deal from other programs and welcome eligible transfers. LTA members are encouraged to ask their business associates about their past leadership experiences. If they have completed a leadership class in another market, encourage them to find out more and to visit www.ltalumni.org.

Get Updated with LTA

Have you recently changed jobs or moved? Do you want to be contacted at a different e-mail address? You can update your contact information at any time by going to www.ltalumni.org and clicking on Members Only. Once you've established a login and password, you can submit your new information and even look up old classmates.

Facebook

Stay connected with other members of Leadership Tampa Alumni on Facebook. To join the group, click on the link below.



Leadership Tampa Alumni also has a group on LinkedIn. To join the group, click on the link below.



Extra! Extra!

Our newsletter needs your contributions! Please email newsletter chair, **Bridget Robertson** at bridget@bseen-bheard.com with Alumni, Class news and submissions for the "Events of Interest" calendar or

"Members in the News". Note: To be fair to all members, Cabinet policy limits the number and frequency of "Events of Interest" notifications in our member newsletters. For further information on any non-LTA event, please contact the organization directly.

For more information on LTA, visit our website at www.ltalumni.org.



Bridget Robertson (LT '04)

2011 Newsletter & Public Relations Chair
BSeen BHeard Public Relations and Marketing
bridget@bseen-bheard.com
(813) 486-2596

[Unsubscribe](#) | [Forward](#) | [Update your profile](#)

Leadership Tampa Alumni
One Tampa City Center, Suite 201
201 North Franklin Street
Tampa, FL 33602

[Add us to your address book](#)

Copyright (C) 2011 Leadership Tampa Alumni All rights reserved.

Powered By
MailChimp