UPCOMING EVENTS

Power Networking @ Lunch
When: Tuesday, Aug. 11, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Where: Holiday Inn-Palm Beach Airport
Cost: $40 members, $50 future members.

Writing a Winning Business Plan
When: Thursday, Aug. 16, 6-8 p.m.
Where: Chamber Boardroom
Cost: Free

TRUSTEE SPOTLIGHT

Speaker: Dr. Robert Avossa, Superintendent of Palm Beach County Schools

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For more information or to register for the event, call Marissa Kosiec at mkosiec@palmbeaches.org.

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Local newspapers keeping up with the times

Executives from The Palm Beach Post, Treasure Coast Newspapers, Miami Herald and Sun-Sentinel told an audience of several hundred at the July Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches Breakfast that while digital revenues haven’t matched print’s decline, the audience for digital news is soaring and that their companies are developing a more sophisticated array of services to meet digital advertisers’ needs.

From left: Dean Witter, President and CEO of the Florida Press Association; Howard Safe, Publisher and Editor of the Sun-Sentinel; Bob Brunjes, President and Publisher of the Treasure Coast Newspapers; Mindy Marques, Vice President and Executive Director of the Miami Herald; and Tim Burke, Publisher of The Palm Beach Post.

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Leadership West Palm Beach Now Accepting Applications for 2017 Class

We are now accepting applications for Class 2017 of Leadership West Palm Beach.

Leadership West Palm Beach will continue exposing its participants to a variety of community aspects, including government, health and human services, education, neighborhoods, arts, culture and lifestyle, and economic development. These are all integral components of our community.

Leadership West Palm Beach provides this information to class participants with the goal of generating leaders with a well-rounded knowledge base to assist in future planning and decision-making for the betterment of West Palm Beach.

To submit your application, go to www.palmbeaches.org or call (561) 833-3771.

Chamber members recognized as ‘Best in Florida’

Congratulations to Hedrick Brothers Construction and The Lord’s Place for being named among the “100 Best Companies to Work For” in Florida. Dale Hedrick, owner and founder of Hedrick Brothers Construction, has developed an environment of trust, encouragement and high performance, and teams are committed to exceptional client service and quality construction.

Since 1979, Hedrick Brothers Construction has always been a great place to work. Also on the list is The Lord’s Place. CEO, Barry, (CEO) provides services that focus on moving individuals and families from dependence to self-sufficiency. The Lord’s Place is committed to breaking the cycle of homelessness at their most local level, by providing shelter, valuable job skills and peer support. The staff and board of TLP are a group of individuals who are single-mindedly focused on breaking the cycle of homelessness.

Chamber’s Summer Calendar offers networking choices

The Chamber’s summer calendar is full of opportunities for members to network, to know one another and do business together. From business breakfasts in the Palm Beach County Convention Center, networking Alive Hoppers Member Mixers and Power Networking (picture speed dating with business leaders to seminars and workshops, Chamber members have a vast variety of choices.

There’s networking in the morning, in the evening and during lunch hours. There are large events with hundreds of attendees and smaller groups at more intimate venues. Some of the committees have their own event schedules for networking with members who share similar interests.

For an overview of the Chamber’s programs and events, visit a Business Builder in the Chamber offices or contact Kelly Fanelli, Membership Director, at kfanelli@palmbeaches.org or (561) 257-0289. Or contact Diane Shure, Professional Development Coordinator, at dshure@palmbeaches.org or (561) 257-0289.

Cabo Flats CityPlace

Hours event for Chamber members and specials guests. The guest list will serve up cocktails and delicious hors d’oeuvres to a packed room of successful business owners and professionals.