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The CFHLA - PAC Powerhouse Golf Outing and Power "Pow Wow" Luncheon with Keynote Speaker **Senator Andy Gardiner (REP), District 9**, is next Thursday, **September 24, 2009, 12:00pm** at the Grand Cypress Golf Club.

Not A Golfer? Join us for the Power 'Pow Wow' Luncheon!

The deadline for registration has passed, but CFHLA is giving you one more chance to register online for golf -or- the luncheon by Monday, September 21st at Noon.

[LAST CHANCE - CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

As of today, the following elected officials have confirmed to join us:

Comm. Brandon Arrington, Comm. Scott Boyd, Comm. Fred Brummer, Rep. Steve Crisafulli, Sheriff Jerry Demings, Rep. Chris Dorworth, Senator Andy Gardiner, Comptroller Martha Haynie, Rep. Bryan Nelson, Rep. Steve Precourt, Comm. Bill Segal, and Rep. Darren Soto

ELECTED OFFICIALS REMEMBER 9/11 AND SUPPORT LOCAL HEROES



The Honorable Jeff Kottkamp, Lieutenant Governor of Florida

On Friday, September 11th the CFHLA Patriot's Day Breakfast occurred at the [Orange County Convention Center](#) with several elected officials in attendance at this annual remembrance event. The **Lieutenant Governor** of Florida, **Jeff Kottkamp**, served as the Honorary Chairman for this event, offering remarks and posing for pictures with the honorees.

Also at this event, Orange County Mayor **Richard T. Crotty**, on behalf of the Orange County Commission, read the official Patriot's Day proclamation.



Florida Representative Bryan Nelson enjoys breakfast with Osceola County Fire Chief Richard Collins

CFHLA thanks the following elected officials and community leaders who joined us on this day:

- **Comm. Scott Boyd**, Orange County Commission - District 1
- **Senator Lee Constantine**, Florida Senate - District 22
- **Bill Cowles**, Orange County Supervisor of Elections
- **Richard T. Crotty**, Mayor of Orange County
- **Sheriff Jerry Demings**, Orange County Sheriff
- **Comm. Phil Diamond**, City of Orlando Commission - District 1
- **Comm. Mildred Fernandez**, Orange County Commission - District 3
- **Jeff Kottkamp**, Lieutenant Governor of Florida
- **Bob Hansell**, Osceola County Sheriff
- **Comm. Samuel B. Ings**, City of Orlando Commission - District 6
- **Rep. Bryan Nelson**, Florida House of Representatives - District 38
- **Rep. Scott Plakon**, Florida House of Representatives - District 37
- **Rep. Scott Randolph**, Florida House of Representatives - District 36
- **Comm. Bill Segal**, Orange County Commission - District 5

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"IT'S OFFICIAL" - ORANGE BCC PROCLAMATION



CFHLA Patriot's Day Committee Members and CFHLA President Rich Maladecki attend Orange County Commission proclamation presentation.

On Tuesday, September 1st at the Orange County Board of County Commissioner Meeting, Mayor **Richard T. Crotty** and the BCC declared September 11, 2009 as "Patriot's Day".

CFHLA Patriot's Day Committee Members were invited to attend this presentation in recognition of their efforts for planning this year's event.

The following committee members attended this presentation:

- Committee Chair **Dave Bartek**, General Manager of the [Loews Royal Pacific Resort at Universal](#)
- Chief **Carl Plaughter**, Fire Chief of the Orange County Fire Rescue Department
- **Dan Kucik** Assistant Chief / Chief Fire Marshal of the Orange County Fire Rescue Department
- **Jeff Brinda**, General Manager of the [Sheraton Safari Hotel & Suites](#)
- **Betsy Jacobs**, President of [Jacobs & Associates, LLC](#)

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SEGAL & BOARD SIZE



On Tuesday, September 8th the CFHLA-PAC Board met with Orange County Commissioner and 2010 Candidate for Orange County Mayor, **Bill Segal**. During this interview, Segal informed Board Members of his diverse background and demonstrated his continued support for the tourism and hospitality industry. Within the next few months, the CFHLA-PAC will meet with other candidates for this race.

On Wednesday, September 16th the CFHLA-PAC Board met to discuss this meeting and approved increasing the Board Size from 30 to 35 members.

Additional discussion included:

- PAC Powerhouse Golf Outing / Power "Pow Wow" Luncheon
- PAC Elections / Formation of Bylaws Committee
- \$500 Donation to the [Floridians For Responsible Policy](#) to fight the Employee Free Choice Act
- New CFHLA-CCE (Committee of Continuous Existence)
- 2010 Election Races

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"EAST MEETS WEST"

On September 15th, CFHLA President **Rich Maladecki** and **John McReynolds** of [Universal Orlando](#), along with other industry leaders, traveled to Washington, D.C. to attend a reception hosted by [VISIT FLORIDA](#) and the [California Travel and Tourism Commission \(CTTC\)](#). This 'dual-state' industry gathering promoted cooperation between the two top revenue-generating states, alongside elected officials from both states.

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GRAYROBINSON

On Friday, September 25th the law firm of [GrayRobinson](#) will host a fundraising reception hosted by future Senate President **Senator Don Gaetz**, **Senator Andy Gardiner** and **Senator Mike Haridopolos**.

The following elected officials and candidates have been invited to attend / participate:

- [Senator Thad Altman](#)

- **Senator Steve Oelrich**
- **Senator Joe Negrón**
- **Senator Ronda Storms**
- **Representative Alan Hays**
- **Hillsborough County Commissioner Jim Norman**
- **Former Senator Jack Latvala**
- **Former Representative David Simmons**
- **Former Representative Rene Garcia**

CFHLA encourages members - if they are available - to show their support on this day. If you plan to attend on this day, please contact CFHLA Public Policy Coordinator Erin Hellkamp at publicpolicy@cfhla.org.

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