



Capital Event

Florida SGMP Capital Chapter

As 2016 draws to a close, it is traditional to reflect on year's events. 2016 has been an interesting year with one of the more surprising presidential election in decades. Florida also dealt with its own interesting fall with hurricanes affecting both the eastern and western coasts. 2016 has been a good year for the Florida Capital chapter, over \$4000.00 has been raised through fundraisers such as the chapter auction, national auction and "Lift your spirits". Benefits to sponsors have been stepped up and supplier sponsor members are mentioned in email blasts, on the website and in the chapter newsletter. A preferred supplier list including supplier members and sponsors have been shared with the planner membership.

Members have enjoyed interesting venues and subject matter at the monthly meetings. Locations have ranged from old to new favorites and have included Gabrielle Consulting, The Hotel Duval, Backwoods Bistro, Four Points by Sheraton, Aloft Tallahassee, Hampton Inn Tallahassee-Central, The Challenger Center, Liberty Bar and Restaurant and Marie Livingston's Steakhouse. Subject matter has been equally diverse as speakers such as Jan Spence spoke on goal setting, Barbara Ann Cox on effective writing and Garrett Lucas on connectivity. The last presentation of the year was from the "See Different Team" from the Division of Blind Services. Chapter members also assisted in the effort to inform the membership. A special thank you to members Amy Brown, Chris Schuh and Jennifer Anderson for agreeing to present. Chapter president Jason Zaborske not only sponsored the May meeting but gave an opportunity for members to attend a full day of educational sessions followed by a chance to network. No list of educational opportunities is complete without extending an extra special thank you to Dr. Gabrielle Gabrielli for not only sponsoring the February Supplier Appreciation meeting but providing the program "Leadership for Legacy" as well.

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The chapter board will finish its term in June 2017. Nominations for the next board will open soon and a new group will have the chance to move the chapter forward. Members are encouraged to get involved.

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Jason Zaborske President



Chris Capozzi, Director of Sales and Marketing at The Plaza Resort and Spa looking fabulous!

Thank you to The Plaza Resort and Spa for sponsoring our December meeting!!

Happy Holidays and a Healthy and Prosperous New Year's to all.

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Over thirty chapter members and guests celebrated the holiday season at the December meeting held at Marie Livingston's Steakhouse. The "Lift your Spirits" fundraiser has become a popular event that allows the chapter to have fun while raising a little cash. Participants chose from a selection of bottles discreetly covered in brown paper bags and received red, wine or sparkling wines. There are no losers in this event especially since the chapter raised almost \$300. Thank you to Alfreda Prater and Amy Brown for making it all happen!



Thank you to everyone who participated.



Event Sponsor Chris Capozzi and Gabrielle Gabrielli smile for the camera at the SGMP Florida Capital Chapter holiday party!



Janet and Louis Chernoff show their holiday spirit.



Betty Ann Lewis scores a couple of bottles!

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SGMP Florida Capital Chapter Meeting Schedule 2017

Tuesday, January 17, 2017 5:30-7:00pm Program: Building membership for your organization Speaker: John Luthin, Director of Membership, University Center Club Location: Zin and Sin 1225 North Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32303 Sponsor: Daytona Beach CVB

> Monday, February 20, 2017 Program: TBA Location: TBA Sponsor: TBA