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Upcoming Events:

Networking Breakfast

Tuesday, January 6th
 7:45 AM
 76 Golf World

Tuesday, January 13th
 7:45 AM
 Cost Cutter Family
 Hair Salon/Stuart

Tuesday, January 20th
 7:45 AM
 StartUp Nutrition

Chamber Luncheon
 Wednesday, January 14th
 11:45 AM
 Sponsored by David Lerner
 Associates/Rebecca Mazza
 at Carrabba's Italian Grill
reservations are required

Business After Hours
 Wednesday, January 21st
 5:30 - 7:30 PM
 Sponsored and Hosted by
 Bridges Montessori, Inc.



Business spotlight

For the past 30 years, Mary DeLater of Entertainment Consultants has been a part of the entertainment and concert community of South Florida. From operating a Musicians Referral Service in Fort Lauderdale to working with a major concert promoter in West Palm Beach it was a natural progression for her to open her own Agency on the Treasure Coast in 1986 and to work on a client to client basis booking entertainment.

Since that time, Entertainment Consultants has worked with or produced every major special event, concert series, festival or fair in the area and as the area has grown has helped a great many corporate clients launch their shopping malls, developments and businesses too!

Entertainment...to be truly entertaining...depends on three important elements: People, Planning and Promotion! Every assignment is unique and is given our undivided interest and attention, on which we base our reputation. What we offer is professional expertise and experience in the procurement of entertainment-related services to assure optimum satisfaction of your stated purpose.



As consultants, Entertainment Consultants help coordinate all the details, big and small, that are necessary to assure complete audience satisfaction! Booking talent is the best function for which Entertainment Consultants is best remembered, but the talent alone is only part of what makes an event special. The facilities, sound systems, lighting, scheduling, staging and promotion, when coordinated with the entertainment can turn a so-so event into a genuinely spectacular event!

As experienced entertainment consultants, Entertainment Consultants help coordinate entire events that meet and exceed audience anticipation! If you are a buyer or provider of entertainment and entertainment-related services, Ms. Delater invites you to explore the possibilities of a mutually beneficial relationship with Entertainment Consultants!



December Networking Breakfast

Host and sponsor Dr. Gary Zinderman, Animal Health & Healing Center and chamber ambassador Amber Scobie, National City.



LEADERSHIP Class 19 are seen being hauled off to jail. Thanks to the Sheriff's and City Police Department our leaders were able to see first hand how our criminal justice system operates. They saw the many hats our road deputies wear, 911 dispatchers, training sessions and the first class facilities that keep Martin County safe. It was a real learning experience on how to help our law enforcement.



Young Professionals of Martin County committee members and United Way of Martin County volunteers, sponsors of YPMC's Holiday in the Tropics event.



From the President's desk

by Joe Catrambone

We wish a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous 2009 to all!! As we embark on the New Year we view it with some trepidation. The doom and gloom from the press, and the mouths of TV journalists and others continues to persist. There certainly is awareness amongst us; economically we are in a funk, globally! In all likelihood the worst since the "Great Depression" our parents and grandparents endured. We stand by and watch our government "bail out" large corporations, in all sectors, poorly managed and motivated by greed. They are run by corporate executives being paid multi-millions of dollars annually, with millions of dollars of perks, including corporate jets, limos, homes, etc.

We have President-elect Obama standing in the wings to hopefully lead us to better days. History proves that great presidents/leaders are created due to their surroundings, namely the condition of the times when they come into power. Obama certainly has the ability and without question the opportunity to be the greatest leader of our times. Of course, all of the pieces of the puzzle must fit. The House and the Senate will have to put aside partisan politics and be motivated to take proper actions for the benefit of our country and their constituents, not by greed and vindictiveness. Let's hope for the best!! The pieces of the puzzle must include us the citizenry being patient and supportive of our new leaders; this mess didn't happen overnight and will not be remedied over night. Of course, another huge piece of the puzzle is the media. Is it possible for them to change their attitude that "negative news" sells? It has persisted for decades. I'm not sure they are that flexible, however we can hope.

December Luncheon at Finz Waterfront Grille



December Luncheon sponsor Richard Addison, The Grace Place and Chairman Michael Houston, Houston Cuozzo Group at Finz Waterfront Grille.



Chairman Houston presented State Government Affairs Committee Chairmanship Award to Tim Kinane, Real World Group, Inc.



Chairman Houston, presented Board of Directors Service Award to Louis Surette, TurboCombustor Technology, Inc.(TCT)



Chairman Houston presented Ambassador of the Month Award to Lindsay Nickerson, McNicholas & Associates, Inc.