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HITP Mid-Florida, 45 Years of: Leadership, Scholarship, Participation, Service

Annual Meeting - Tuesday, September 26th, 2017 The Mid-Florida Chapter

Hospitality Financial and Technology Professionals

Florida Hotel & Conference Center at the Florida Mall

1500 Sand Lake Road, Orlando, Florida

Directions: From I-4, take exit #74 (Sand Lake Road). At the bottom of the ramp, turn east and continue on Sand Lake Road approximately 5 miles to Orange Blossom Trail (US 441-17-92). Turn right (south, go to the second light (Sun Life Path) and turn left into the Florida Mall. Continue straight, then follow signs to the hotel. Meeting in the Traditions Room

Installation of Chapter Officers and Board of Directors

Master of Ceremonies:

Judy Holcomb, Ph.D., CHAE, Assistant Professor, St. Leo University

Join your Association in a celebration of 45 years of accomplishments and a view of the robust future for the Mid-Florida Chapter and HFTP.

> All previous HFTP Chapter Presidents are invited to this gala event as honored guests of the Chapter.

> > Reception at 6:00 p.m. Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Menu:

Starters

Mixed field green, red beets, cucumbers, crumbled goats cheese, served with Balsamic Vinaigrette

Entree

A butcher fresh 8oz Black Angus Sirloin topped with mushroom Bordelaise and crispy onions

Dessert

White Chocolate Layer Cake

Please RSVP on our web-site: www.midfloridahftp.org

OR on your personal e-vite from the Chapter Secretary.

Reservations and cancellations before 12:01 pm Friday September 22nd. Please, no walk ins. No-shows and late cancellations will be billed.

Dinner: Members with RSVP \$45.00, Non-Members and Guests or no RSVP \$55.00, HFTP Student Chapter Members \$25.00.

Use the express registration line at the meeting, PAYPAL is available on the web-site.

President's Corner By: Nasir Naseer

Dear HFTP Mid-Florida Community,

We all have watched with alarm and sadness since Hurricane Irma hit the Florida Coast last weekend, leaving widespread suffering, loss and destruction in its wake.

Our deepest sympathy goes to all who are feeling the impact of this disaster, including those in our HFTP Mid-Florida community who have loved ones, homes and other connections in the affected regions.

If you need support

Please reach out to any of the officers or board members and let us know if we could assist you in any manner - Our Contact information is available at http://midfloridahftp.org/

If you would like to help

Currently HFTP Mid-Florida does not have an organized way of offering help but I know, many in our HFTP Mid-Florida community are offering prayers, support and donations to those who have been affected. I believe our community will continue to find ways to help as needs evolve in Orlando and across the state.

Please know that the HFTP Mid-Florida Officers and Board of Directors stand with you our members, friends, neighbors, colleagues and loved ones. We will continue to send our prayers and support. #FloridaStrong.

Thank you again for all your support,

Respectfully,

Kasir

HFTP Mid-Florida Chapter President

Membership News, Embrace the vision, join the fun! Committee Chair, Gregory Wilhelm, CHTP 407-923-5962 or gregorywilhelm@mindspring.com

Welcome New Members

Raymond Manaois, CTO, HDG Hotels Daniel Rivera, Assistant Controller, Caribe Royale Orlando Jason Thompson, Corporate DOF, Greenwood Hospitality Diana Tomlinson, Staff Accountant, Omni Hotels & Resorts



HFTP Mid-Florida Chapter Member Spotlight Christopher Guzman, Embassy Suites

Christopher Guzman was born in NYC (Manhattan), lived in Brooklyn and attended Catholic school. He convinced his parents to move to Orlando Florida when he secured a position with Disney's college program. During his time at Disney, he occupied several positions such as Attraction Attendant in Magic Kingdom (Tommorrowland), Lifeguard in the water parks, and an Activities Associate in the resorts. He enjoyed working in the college program and meeting people from all over the world was his favorite part.

Christopher has two college degrees. His first degree was in Political Science. He originally wanted to join politics and work for political campaigns. He quickly realized he was more interested in accounting and decided to go back to school. Next he attended Valencia College and transferred to UCF where he obtained two degrees. He's currently enrolled in the Dixon School of Accounting and taking extra courses to obtain his CPA. Chris plans to take the CHAE exam as well.

Chris works at Embassy Suites LBVS as an Accounting Clerk. Working in hospitality accounting is his passion. He appreciates the experience of working in a Hilton brand hotel. He particularly enjoys the special travel privileges for team members. He's utilized the "member travel program" to take a special vacations with his father across the country to check off their bucket list of places they had always wanted to visit.

Chris is excited about his future in hospitality and hopes to continue to gain experience in the accounting hospitality field so he can be a better asset to his team and achieve his career goals.

HFTP Mid - Florida Board Member Jose Aybar, CHAE presents Christopher with the coveted HFTP Mid-Florida Padfolio at the last HFTP Mid-Florida Chapter General meeting.



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HFTP Mid-Florida Chapter 15th Annual Charity Golf Tournament Friday, September 29, 2017

To Benefit:

Camp Boggy Creek

"Where children coping with chronic and life threatening illnesses can just be kids!"

Rosen Shingle Creek Golf Club

10:30 AM Check-In Raffle Tickets On Sale Putting Contest **Driving Range**

12:00 PM Golf Tournament Begins

6:00 PM Dinner

Awards & Acknowledgments Raffle Prize Distribution and Special Item Auction

LIVE AUCTION - BRING YOUR BLACK CARD

If you can't attend the golf tournament, you can bid online See www.midfloridahftp.org for details

Tournament Format: 18 - Hole Shotgun Four Person Scramble

Awards will be given for:

- 1st Place Team
- 2nd Place Team
- 3rd Place Team

- Longest Drive (Men/Women)
- Closest to the Pin (Men/Women)
- Highest Gross Score (Foursome)

For more information, please call: **Jack Griffith at 321.303.0307**

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Don't golf, send a check to the Chapter made out to **Camp Boggy Creek** It's all for the kids!

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Visit www.boggycreek.org/ to see the great work they are doing.

The 2017 membership contest was a success with 21 new members this year. Our thanks for the generous donations of our members and our 2017 new member sponsors.

You have a second chance to win a prize by participating in the Golf tournament raffle for Camp Boggy Creek. Please review the following prize donations to the Golf tournament raffle and make your bids.

\$100.00 Big Fin Restaurant (located in Doctor Philips) gift

Donated by Colin Findley, VP Business Development, ProfitSword

Winner: The Golf tournament raffle for Camp Boggy Creek

\$200.00 Big Fin Restaurant (located in Doctor Philips) gift

Donated by Colin Findley, VP Business Development, ProfitSword

Winner: The Golf tournament raffle for Camp Boggy Creek

Dinner for 2 at the Hyatt Regency Orlando International Airport Donated by: Patricia Geer, CHAE, Director of Finance. Winner: The Golf tournament raffle for Camp Boggy Creek

Dinner for two at the new LakeHouse Restaurant or Hemingway's with a value of \$100 excluding alcohol and gratuity at the Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress. Donated by Josephine Baltar, Director of Finance

Winner: The Golf tournament raffle for Camp Boggy Creek

\$100 cash prize

Donated by Don Hay, President, Digital Alchemy, LLC Winner: Gregory Wilhelm

Dinner for 2 at Harry's Poolside bar and grill located in the Rosen Centre valued at \$100

Donated by James Bina, President, Millennium Technology Group / Corp Controller Rosen Hotels & Resorts, Inc. Winner: Gordon LeBlanc

Dinner for 2 at the Grand Bohemian, Orlando Florida.

Donated by Tom Hull, Controller

Winner: Michael Dwulit

3 days 2 nights at the Wyndham Orlando Resort International

Donated by Daron Sandberg, Director of Finance

Winner: The Golf tournament raffle for Camp Boggy Creek

Dinner for 2 at Wyndham Bonnet Creek's Deep Blu a \$150

Donated by Susan Black, Director of Finance

Winner: Lori Schefstad

\$100 Amazon certificate

Donated by Gayle Edwards, managing director Professional Accounting Solutions

Winner: Teri Nobles

Dinner for 2 at The Club Restaurant at the Villas of Grand Cypress. Includes tax, gratuity and non alcoholic beverages. Donated by Barbra Bodle, Controller

Winner: Jeffrey Weinland

Dinner for 2 at the Sapphire Falls Resort Strong Water Tavern Donated by: Kelly Montgomery, Controller - Lowes Hotels at Universal Orlando

Winner: The Golf tournament raffle for Camp Boggy Creek

A \$100 Dinner certificate for two in Andiamos (excluding gratuities), in the Hilton At Walt Disney World

Donated by: Stephan Ludwig, Director of Finance Winner: The Golf tournament raffle for Camp Boggy Creek

Dinner for two excluding alcohol in Spencer' steakhouse at the Hilton Orlando on Destination Parkway

Donated by: Francis Kahle, Director of Finance

Winner: Jeff Hatcher

\$100 Visa Card donated by Jason Floyd, Chief of Staff -Hospitality, Infor

Winner: Christina Finch

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Winner: Michael Dryden

Election Committee Report

By Chad Curtis, CHAE

The 2017/2018 Elections Committee consisted of Chad Curtis, Michael Dryden and Bill Parrish.

One hundred thirty ballots were mailed out on July 21st, 2017 with a due date of August 26th, 2017. Of the 130 mailed out, 57 valid ballots were returned a 44% participation.

On August 29th, 2017 and just prior to the General Business Meeting, the ballots were opened and counted. During the General Business Meeting the election results were announced to the members. The election results were confirmed by the Board of Directors on September 7th, 2017.

The election results are as follows:

Officers - to serve a one year term:

President: Christine Cipar Vice President: Jack Griffith Treasurer: Christina Finch Secretary: Susan Black

Directors – to serve a two year term:

Greg Wilhelm, CHTP Jose Aybar, CHAE Luis Martinez, CHAE

Director – to serve a one year term:

Brandie Lazorko

Directors continuing with the second year of their term are:

Michael Dwulit, CHAE and Gayle Edwards

Congratulations to the new officers and directors.

Please join us at the installation ceremonies to be held on September 26th, 2017 at the Florida Hotel & Conference Center.

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2017 HFTP Mid-Florida CALENDAR

Note: Meeting fees for 2017 are \$45 Regular member, \$25 HFTP Student Chapter, \$55 all guests, Non-Members and failed to RSVP. No Shows are invoiced.

Prepay your meeting fee on the web-site with PayPal

September 7th, Board Meeting, 6pm, OCCC September 26th, Installation of Officers and Annual Meeting, 6pm, The Florida Hotel and Conference Center September 29th, 15th Annual HFTP Mid-Florida Golf event to benefit Camp Boggy Creek., The Rosen Shingle Creek Resort October 5th, Board Meeting, 6pm, OCCC

October 25-27th, 2017 HFTP Annual Convention Orlando, FL

November 9th, Board Meeting, 6pm, OCCC November 28th, General Meeting, 6pm, Hyatt Regency Orlando Intl. Airport

For more Chapter news visit the Universally acclaimed Chapter Web Site at:

www.midfloridahftp.org

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February 19, 2017

Dear Friend:

I am proud to inform you that our 14th Annual tournament was a huge success. With the support of all our Sponsors, Players, Contributors, and Volunteers we were able to donate \$23,500 to Camp Boggy Creek. It was our largest annual donation ever and took our total contributions to over \$175,000!

HFTP's Mid-Florida Chapter will be hosting our 15th Annual Charity Golf Tournament to benefit Camp Boggy Creek September 29, 2017. The event will be an 18-hole four person scramble golf tournament and will be held at Rosen Shingle Creek Resort. Attached are flyers which highlight the details on how you can be part of this special event.

Your participation will benefit Florida's own Camp Boggy Creek. Their mission is "To foster a spirit of joy by creating a free, safe and medically-sound camp environment that enriches the lives of children with serious illnesses and their families." Camp Boggy Creek is a proud member of SeriousFun Children's Network. Founded by Paul Newman, SeriousFun Children's Network is a growing global community of independently managed and financed camps and programs creating opportunities for children with serious illnesses and their families to reach beyond illness and discover joy, confidence and a new world of possibilities, always free of charge. To learn more about Camp Boggy Creek, visit www.boggycreek.org.

Based in Austin, Texas, HFTP is the professional association for financial and technology personnel working in hotels, resorts, clubs, casinos, restaurants and other hospitality related businesses. The Mid-Florida Chapter includes almost 125 members from the major hospitality businesses throughout the greater Orlando – Kissimmee area. To learn more please visit us at www.midfloridahftp.org

I look forward to hearing from you soon and working with you for this worthy cause.

Together, we can make a difference in these children's lives and in our community.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

"Remember, It's All for the Kids"

Sincerely and respectfully,

Jack Griffith

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Tournament Chairman

HFTP Mid-Florida Charity Golf Tournament

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HFTP Mid-Florida Chapter 15th Annual Charity Golf Tournament September 29, 2017 - 1:00 pm



To Benefit:

Camp Boggy Creek

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Shingle Creek Golf Club

YOU CAN BE A CORPORATE SPONSOR: Platinum Sponsor \$2,100

- Includes one complimentary foursome golf entry.
- Company logo prominently displayed at registration, on the golf course's GPS system and throughout the tournament literature (must send logo in jpg format).
- Custom sign with company name displayed on the course (must send logo in jpg format).
- 1/2 page ad in the HFTP Mid-Florida Newsletter and listing on the HFTP Mid-Florida website.

Gold Sponsor \$1,600

- Includes one complimentary foursome golf entry.
- Company logo prominently displayed at registration, on the golf course's GPS system and throughout the tournament literature (must send logo in jpg format).
- Custom sign with company name displayed on the course (must send logo in jpg format).
- 1/4 page ad in the HFTP Mid-Florida Newsletter and on the HFTP Mid-Florida website.

Silver Sponsor \$1,100

- Includes two complimentary golf entries.
- Company logo prominently displayed at registration, on the golf course's GPS system and throughout the tournament literature (must send logo in jpg format).
- Custom sign with company name displayed on the course (must send logo in jpg format).
- Company name listing in the HFTP Mid-Florida Newsletter and on the HFTP Mid-Florida website.

Golf Hole Sponsor \$400

- Custom sign with company name displayed on the course and company logo on the golf course's GPS system (must send logo in jpg format).
- Company name listing in the HFTP Mid-Florida Newsletter and on the HFTP Mid-Florida website.

Beverage Cart Sponsor \$750 – NO LONGER AVAILABLE

- Company name on beverage cart
- Company name listing in the HFTP Mid-Florida Newsletter and on the HFTP Mid-Florida website.

To secure your corporate sponsorship in the tournament, please complete this form and return it with payment made payable to HFTP Mid-Florida no later than Friday, September 22, 2017 to HFTP Mid-Florida Chapter, PO Box 692004, Orlando, FL 32869-2004.

Company Name	Company Contact		
Daytime Phone	E-Mail Address		
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To Benefit:



"Where children coping with chronic and life threatening illnesses can just be kids!"

At:

Shingle Creek Golf Club

For tournament reservation, please complete this form and return it with payment <u>made payable to Mid-Florida</u> no later than <u>Friday</u>, <u>September 22</u>, <u>2017</u> to HFTP Mid-Florida Chapter, PO Box 692004, Orlando, FL 32869-2004.

Full Name	Daytime Phone
Address	Cell Phone
Address	State / Zip
City	E-Mail Address

Please provide the names of the other players in your party. Use a separate form for five or more players.

Player #2	Player #4	
Player #3		

Each \$125 Single Entry Fee or \$450 for a foursome (inclusive of applicable taxes and fees) for the HFTP Charity Golf Tournament includes 18 holes of golf, a box lunch before, an awards ceremony dinner afterwards and free beverages on the course (limited to donated product).

Number of Single Entrants	x \$125 =	\$
Number of Foursomes	X \$450 =	\$
Number of Boggy Packages *	x \$50 =	\$
Number of Raffle Packages **	x \$35 =	\$
TOTAL PAYMENT		\$

^{*} Includes two "Boggys", one Sand Throw & entry in the Hole-in-One, Closest-To-The-Pin, Longest Drive competitions and **one Raffle Package**. Limit one Boggy Package per player.

Proper golf attire is required at all times and only recognized golf apparel will be permitted on the golf course. Only soft spikes are permitted on the golf course, practice green and range.

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^{**} Includes one of each color raffle tickets Red, White and Blue.