
AFP Suncoast March - April 2019 Newsletter

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Message from the President

The Alamo is much smaller than I thought it would be. I opted to take the guided tour, which provided a lot of history and helped me imagine what the Mission looked like during the Texas Revolution, well before the office buildings that now flank the historic landmark were built just a few blocks away from the Riverwalk in downtown San Antonio. I enjoyed my visit to San Antonio and took advantage of the close proximity of the Riverwalk to my hotel, managing to dine on Texmex five nights in a row. It was AFP's International Conference (ICON) that brought me to "Alamo City" just a few weeks ago.

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JL Bielon, CFRE

2018/2019 President – AFP Suncoast Chapter

Lions Eye Institute for Transplant & Research



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The Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) represents more than 30,000 members around the world working to advance philanthropy. Join today - benefit today!

Click [HERE](#) for more info.

Job Bank

Welcome New Members

- Ann Austin - Women's Tennis Association
- Linda Breen - United Way Suncoast
- Christopher Hawkins - Moffitt Cancer Center
- Trace Kingham - Kingham Signature Events
- Aislinn Stone - The John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art
- Mike Thorson - Imagine Museum

Conversation with a Philanthropist: Frank Morsani - Moderated by Steve Blair, Vice President of Development University of South Florida



Tuesday, May 21st

11:30 a.m. Networking

11:45 a.m. Announcements and Program



Join us for an intimate conversation with one of the Tampa Bay area's most generous philanthropists, Frank Morsani. Mr. Morsani has made a lasting mark as a philanthropist, businessman and community leader, and his achievements have resonated for decades throughout the state of Florida and the nation. A past chairman of the board of the United States Chamber of Commerce, he has made an impact on national, state and local committees and boards, and served as an important voice for small business with the administrations of Presidents Jimmy Carter, Ronald Reagan and George H.W. Bush. Alongside his wife Carol, he has been an advocate for education and used philanthropy to change our community. Steve Blair, Vice President of Development at the USF Foundation, will host a moderated conversation with Mr. Morsani about his life, his philanthropy in our community and his passion for education and the arts.

Thank you to our Sponsor!

Whether you are seeking a job or have one to offer, the AFP Suncoast Job Bank is a perfect place to find opportunities. Currently we have postings for the following:



Advancing Philanthropy Worldwide

CARTER

- [Raiser's Edge Systems Manager / Data Coordinator](#)

March 28, 2019

Tampa Metropolitan Area
YMCA - Tampa, FL

- [Director of Development](#)

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The Salvation Army - Tampa, FL

- [Director of Grants & Proposals](#)

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Tampa Metropolitan Area
YMCA - Tampa, FL

- [Chief Development Officer](#)

March 28, 2019

Glazer Children's Museum - Tampa, FL

- [Event and Marketing Manager](#)

April 16, 2019

The Arc Tampa Bay
Foundation - Clearwater, FL

- [Manager of Individual Giving](#)

April 16, 2019

Straz Center for the
Performing Arts - Tampa, FL

- [Part Time Associate Director of Annual Fund](#)

April 16, 2019

Saint Paul's Independent
School - Clearwater, FL

- [Executive Director](#)

April 16, 2019

The Hermitage Artist Retreat -
Englewood, FL

- [Manager of Corporate Relations](#)

April 16, 2019

Museum of Fine Arts - St.
Petersburg, FL

Click HERE for more information!

SCHOLARSHIPS

The best way to improve your knowledge and skills is through professional development, which can be expensive. Many organizations find it difficult to send their employees to conferences for renewal and inspiration. Your AFP chapter has established a scholarship program for its members, to make these enrichment opportunities more accessible to. View opportunities and qualifications for an AFP Scholarship at <http://afpsuncoast.org/Scholarship>.

NPD Committee Sign-Up

AFP Suncoast Chapter's National Philanthropy Day

Friday, November 15, 2019

Tampa Airport Marriott

Join our committee!! National Philanthropy Day (NPD) is a celebration of Philanthropy: defined as "love of mankind" or "goodwill to the human race". Each year thousands around the world take time to recognize and pay tribute to the great contributions that philanthropy have made to our lives, our communities and our world.

We are looking for volunteers for the following subcommittees: Sponsorships, Event Production, Honorees, and Communications.

To join the committee, please contact Ellen Boczarski at (727) 457-7360 or Eboczarski@thespring.org.

Chapter members may post job listings at no cost; non-members may post listings for \$50/month. Visit the [Job Bank](#) for more details.

Florida Caucus

Planet Philanthropy 2019 Registration is Underway!

There are currently 120 registrants as a result of early bird registration. There are no comparisons to this time last year because registrations have never been open this early. *This year's conference has 10 educational tracks and the current member price is \$475.*

NEW THIS YEAR!

A reduced rate Collegiate Registration has been created to make it more affordable for college students at \$250 for the full-conference or \$100 a day.

Book your room(s) NOW!

The early bird hotel rate of \$149 a night ends in May. We are confident that we will fill all rooms, especially once the registration for the pre-workshops opens!

Special Courses Have Been Added!

Registrations for the **CFRE Review Course** and the **Authentic Leadership Workshop** will be open soon. These are separate from the conference and are priced at **\$150 each session**. More information on these opportunities to follow shortly!

Registration for the **Monday night social** will open-up soon. This event will be a trolley tour of St. Augustine and then social activities on the rooftop at Flagler College. The cost of the Monday night **event is \$50.**

Exhibitors and Sponsors

As of March 1, the Caucus had \$29,000 in committed **Sponsors and Exhibitors**. Please let Brenda Rouse Piniella.rouse@gmail.com know if you have any prospects so she can provide pricing and contact information.

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers are still needed. Contact Brenda Rouse if you can volunteer at Planet Philanthropy Pineiella.rouse@gmail.com

Mark your Calendar! Planet Philanthropy 2020 will be held in Orlando, at the **Caribe Royale Hotel, JUNE 6-9, 2019** BEST PART: **NOT Father's Day Weekend!**

Major Gift Capacity Building with Prospect

Research

May 21, 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

(Virtual Presentation & Discussion)

Are you a fundraising professional? Bring your supporting staff and join Apra Florida and Jennifer Filla for a 30-minute presentation followed by a 30-minute discussion.

Learn how to pick a prospect research software tool, get quick tips on finding contact information, and find out how to prioritize your prospects.

Ask questions and discover how easy it is to start growing your prospect research infrastructure in tandem with your major gifts fundraising.

At the end of this presentation, attendees will be able to:

- Choose prospect research software tools
- Find contact information with free sites online
- Prioritize prospects

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