



President's Message

Happy New Year!

This holiday season was a roaring good time! We kicked it off with our annual Ugly Sweater After 5 at the Ritz-Carlton Sarasota, where we got to view the amazing holiday gingerbread display of Atlantis. There were some seriously tacky sweaters and the weather was perfect for an evening by the fire. Next at The Vault, we got all dolled up for our Winter Soiree: Roaring into the '20s. The evening was the Bee's Knees! Thank you to the Special Programs Committee for all your hard work and to our amazing sponsors for making the evening such a success.

This month, the nominations committee will be working with the Office of the President to put together the 2020-2021 Board of Directors slate. If you're interested in a leadership role within our chapter, please feel free to [contact me](#). It's by far the best way to connect, learn, and grow.

We kick off 2020 with some great ways for you to get involved:

January 16th: Our first [Gasparilla themed After 5](#) at The Bay Club at Westshore Yacht Club. Wear your best pirate attire for a chance to win best dressed!

February 1st: Yappy Hour at Franklin Manor, our annual event benefiting the Humane Society of Tampa Bay. Last year we raised more than \$3,000 for the organization and found fur-ever homes for two puppies. We still have some sponsor opportunities for this event, so if you'd like to get involved, [fetch a sponsorship on the event page](#) or [contact the special programs committee](#).

February 12th: Don't Rock the Boat, our [education program](#) on Starlite Cruises in Clearwater with Leadership Pathway's Velma Knowles about Communication & Contract Negotiation. And true to the event's name, we'll be staying dockside.

I'm looking forward to a fun and successful 2020 with you all.

Nevar Campbell, CMP