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member highlights

Fisher & Phillips' Orlando office is proud to announce that two of their attorneys, Jeffrey Mandel and David Kornreich, are featured in Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business 2008.

On June 18, at the **Florida Small Business Development Center Network** (FSBDCN) Professional Development Conference, two local Seminole Community College Small Business Development Center (SBDC) staff members were recognized for performance excellence in support of small businesses and entrepreneurs during 2007. The Network Service Excellence Award was presented to Robert Goetz, manager of the **SCC Small Business Development Center** (SBDC). The award recognized the outstanding FSBDCN employee that has made an outstanding contribution to their clients. Regional Employee of the Year was awarded to Renee Templeton for greatest contribution to the operations or special projects of her center at the **SCC Small Business Development Center**.

Greenberg Traurig is proud to announce that nine attorneys from their Orlando office have been named Florida "Super Lawyers," an honor bestowed on only five percent of lawyers in each state. Their names are: Warren S. Bloom; Tucker H. Byrd; Orlando L. Evora; Russell P. Hintze; Michael A. Hornreich; Julie P. Kendig; Michael J. Sullivan; Joel Maser and Jean E. Wilson. **Greenberg Traurig** also announces the addition of Jessica Gavrich to the Orlando office as an Associate.

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Sheila Kramer, publisher of **Lake Mary Life** magazine, has recently been named Non-Rotarian of the Year by the Lake Mary Rotary Club. Sheila was cited as being one of the Rotary's most enthusiastic supporters, particularly in the publication's coverage of Rotary events and charitable endeavors.

Legacy Academy for Children in Lake Mary is one of the first early childhood programs to earn accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) – the nation's leading organization of early childhood professionals. The program received NAEYC Accreditation after an on-site visit by NAEYC Assessors to ensure that the program meets each of the ten NAEYC program standards.

Mountain State University announces a student emergency notification service that will be in place in the fall semester. The service is free of charge to students,

faculty and staff. The service, SchoolMessenger, will automatically call a predetermined list of individuals to provide important information in the event of an emergency on a particular MSU campus.

Seminole Community College graduated its 28th registered nursing class, the largest in the College's history, in a pinning ceremony on June 19. The record 160 RN students, the first group to graduate since SCC moved its healthcare programs to the new \$33 million Altamonte Springs Campus, is 50 percent larger than last year's class of 106. In five years, SCC has nearly tripled the size of its nursing programs to help alleviate the nursing shortage in Central Florida. Expected total enrollment this fall is 400.

Sharon Spano, corporate-health strategist and president of **Spano & Company, Inc.**, has earned the Certified Speaking Professional (CSP) designation. The CSP is the speaking profession's international measure of speaking excellence and skill. Fewer than 10 percent of the speakers who belong to the International Federation for Professional Speakers hold this professional designation.

Construction is under way on the 478,800 sq. ft. U.S. Postal Service facility in Opa Locka, FL, under a contract with Altamonte Springs based **Till-Con Corporation** and The Korte Company of Highland, IL.

Visual Impact Communications has been selected to produce the marketing video for the National Deaf Academy located in Mount Dora. Company president Ed bookbinder announced that Visual Impact also will be producing the videos for Bishop Grady Villas in St. Cloud and for Seminole County Meals on Wheels.



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