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NEWSLETTER

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WINTER 2009

Holiday By Design

Pinion will Kick off the Holiday Season this year in Style! Our Annual Holiday Gala will be held at the **Baker, Knapp and Tubbs Furniture Showroom** in the **Design Center of the Americas**. The theme this year is "**Holiday by Design**." The event is on Friday, **December 4, 2009**. The Cocktail Reception will begin at 7:00 p.m. with flowing libations. A Champagne and Wine Bar, A Martini Bar and an Open Bar should provide plenty of "spirits" to get us in the mood of the Holidays! The Showroom is an elegant setting to showcase our wonderful silent auction, beautiful pieces of artwork and exquisite jewelry selections by **Jon Paul, Inc**. We will have plenty of time to enjoy the delicious cuisine, provided by **Chef Gregg Salman** and **The McFatter Culinary School** and **Freshpoint South Florida**. Guests will enjoy listening to festive music provided by **Topazz Entertainment**.



The Event Chairs are Alice Harry and Mirtha Toledo-Hackley; Cuisine Chair is Valerie Kowanetz; Silent Auction Chairs are Board of Pinion and Committee Chairs are Anne Ahrens, Nancy Block, Jane Brand-Eagon, Sandy Clobus, Barbara Corrao, Linda Danoff, Billie Sue Engel, Christine Hurlock, Patricia Kearson, Debra Lieberman, Jacki Liszak-May, Lori Lincoln, Sonja Mayo, Marian McCray-DeLoach, Linda Mills, Pam Nowatka, Valerie Peru, Linda Spaulding White and Wendy Walters.

This is our Signature fundraising event and we look forward to sharing some holiday cheer with you!
A special thank you to **Ellen Kann**, of **Baker, Knapp and Tubbs Furniture Showroom**.

Don't Miss...

Friday ♦ December 4, 2009

7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

at the

Baker, Knapp and Tubbs Furniture Showroom

in the Design Center of the Americas (DCOTA)

1855 Griffin Road, Suite A-200 ♦ Dania Beach, FL

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A Special Thank You

to

Baker, Knapp and Tubbs

Furniture Showroom

for graciously hosting

our Holiday Event.

Welcome New Members

PINION is pleased to welcome
New Members:

Sheila Andersen
Sondra Dane
Linda Fadroski
Brenda Franco
Ann Gillespie
Jan Handley
Jacqueline Niehaus
Valerie Peru
Louise Stahly



Victory Living

We will once again be shopping for our Victory Living friends for the holidays on Saturday, December 12th at Walmart on Copans Road, just off 95. If you would like to volunteer or join us, please contact Sonja Mayo 954-561-5826.

Congratulations...

Linda Mills on her well deserved honor as Broward County Fair First Lady, representing Special Olympics Broward County.



Linda Spaulding White for being chosen to represent Pinion as the 2010 Woman of the Year for the 1000+ Club. Save the date April 7, 2010 Marriott Harbor Beach, Fort Lauderdale.

In Memory of...

Paul Eagon, the father of **Doug Eagon**
and

Agatha Sallarulo, the grandmother of
Paul Sallarulo

Our sincere thoughts are extended to **Doug**
and **Jane Eagon** and to **Paul Sallarulo**.

President's Corner

by *Terry Witcher*



The spirit of Pinion continues to cast a spell on our community, friends and family. Thank you to all of you who renewed your membership again this year and welcome to those who are new. If you have not yet become a member or have not become involved, I encourage you to do so and join our Pinion family.

Bond with Pinion kicked off this year's fundraising season. In September we held our annual membership luncheon

"Bond, Bowties & Boas" at the Capital Grille. Everyone looked like they stepped onto a movie set dressed in their Bond and Boas attire. Thanks to our **"007 Bond Girls"** Alice Harry, Kitty McGowan, Lisa Scott-Found, and Lee Sheffield for their creativity in putting together a wonderful and successful luncheon. We were greeted with Shaken not Stirred Astin Martinis and wine donated by Southern Wine and Spirits. A special thanks to Angela Nowland, Marta Larria and the Capital Grille Staff for hosting our luncheon again this year.

We are off to a great start this year as we have already received sponsorship donations of \$10,000 from Birgit Fillingame, \$10,000 from Roy F. Johns Jr. Family Foundation and once again this year \$25,000 from Broward Health. Recently more sponsors have graciously made donations to support our Holiday event. Thanks to the tireless effort of our Fund Development Officers Marian McCray-DeLoach and Christine Hurlock. Their dialing for dollars efforts really paid off.

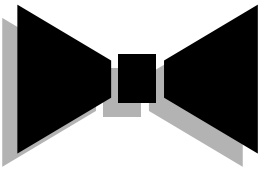
Once again, the 1000+ Club has selected Pinion to be an honored organization at their 28th Annual Women of the Year for 2010. I am proud to say that the Pinion Board has nominated Linda Spaulding White as our 2010 Woman of the Year. Congratulations Linda.

"Tis' the season for a Holiday by Design" on Friday, December 4th which will be held at the Baker, Knapp and Tubbs Furniture Showroom in the Design Center of the Americas (DCOTA). Stroll around the showroom and do a little holiday shopping while you enjoy the beautiful surroundings, music, cuisine, libations and much more. This is our one major fundraising event, so we are really counting on all of you to participate and attend. I look forward to seeing each one of you there.

Later in December, we will be shopping for holiday gifts for our annual holiday party for the residents in the Victory Living Programs. We, along with Santa Claus will be providing them with gifts, entertainment and goodies. If you would like to go shopping and/or experience this heartfelt and gratifying event, please give me a call.

"Let the spirit of Pinion cast a spell on you" and start your holiday season with Pinion. I look forward in seeing each and every one of you at the DCOTA.

With Warmest Regards,
Terry Witcher



BOND, BOWTIES AND BOAS LUNCHEON

Pinion hosted a fun-filled luncheon where all the guests were able to “BOND” with PINION. The annual Capital Grille fall soiree was the perfect kick-off for the fundraising social season and raised more than \$6,000.

Guests adorned in tuxedos, bowties and boas spent the afternoon honoring this very special charity, while experiencing luxurious dining in the fine style of **Capital Grille**. **Southern Wine & Spirits** helped get everything in gear with espresso “Astin Martinis” and delicious wines. Winners walked away with an amazing array of gifts in the “For Your Eyes Only” Auction, including Regis and Kelly tickets from WSVN-Channel 7. Other sponsors included **Broward Health, Birgit Fillingame and the Roy F. Johns Jr., Family Foundation.**

The chairs for this lively and bubbly event in support of Pinion and the Broward County Special Olympics were **Alice Harry, Kitty McGowan, Lisa Scott-Founds and Lee Sheffield.** They were joined by committee members **Cathy Danielle, Barbara Corrao, Sonja Mayo and new president, Terry Witcher.**



Luncheon Chairs: Alice Harry, Kitty McGowan, Lee Sheffield, Lisa Scott-Founds



Capital Grille Hosts: Marta Larrea, Angela Nowland (proprietor)



Mirtha Toledo (pres-elect), Linda Spaulding White (past-president), Terry Witcher (president)



Lorraine Thomas, Jan Handley



Nancy Block, Anne Allen, Sharon Gustafson, Connie Chaney, Terry Witcher (president)



Cathy Danielle, Terry Witcher, Lee Sheffield, Renee Quinn



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Pinion, Inc., an all volunteer 501(c)(3) charitable organization, has raised money for the Special Olympics for over 19 years. 100% of our donations to Special Olympics provide these special individuals with the opportunity to participate in the Special Olympics Program.

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Become a Member of PINION

Please take a moment to complete our Membership Enrollment card and mail in with your check made payable to Pinion, Inc.

If you have been a member in the past and have not renewed, we welcome you back to support such an important cause. \$30 a year is a small price to support the local athletes of the Special Olympics. The money raised by Pinion, Inc. for the Special Olympics stays in Broward County. Help make a difference right here in our own community.

Thank you,
Barbara Corrao
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Pinion Inc.

It is the mission of Pinion, Inc., a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization, to conduct charitable drives and social events within our local community to raise funds for its chosen recipient, Special Olympics. The Broward Special Olympics program provides year round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for individuals eight years of age and older with mental handicaps, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympic athletes and the community.

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Calendar of Events



2009

- Friday, December 4.....*Annual Holiday Event
Holiday By Design*
- Saturday, December 12.....*Victory Living Shopping*
- Saturday, December 19.....*Victory Living Party*

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New on the web site:

- Print & Mail Membership card
- All of the upcoming events.
- Photos of recent past events.

Coming Soon:

- The e'PINION electronic newsletter.

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