



August / September e-Communique Sponsor

# GENERAL DYNAMICS

## Meet Class 25!

On September 3, the participants of Class 25 will officially begin their Scottsdale Leadership program.

Alumni are invited to meet the new class the evening of September 3 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. for the Welcome Reception held at the Hotel Valley Ho, sponsored by Bergdoll Insurance. The event is free for dues-paid alumni; \$25 for alumni or guests. Please RSVP by August 27 at 480-627-6710 or [info@scottsdaleleadership.org](mailto:info@scottsdaleleadership.org).

### Scottsdale Leadership Class 25 members are:

**Korey Boals**, Aviles & Alan; **Ken Brooks**, Valley of the Sun United Way; **Gregory Cohen**, Law Offices of Gregory Cohen; **Stephanie Connelly**, Scottsdale Insurance Company; **Robert DeLeon**, Scottsdale Fire Department; **Paul Dwight**, Scottsdale Insurance Company; **Diane Fitzgerald-Verbonitz**, Arizona Psychological Association; **John Froelich**, FocalPoint Coaching; **Jim Grosso**, YMCA Scottsdale/PV Branch; **Greg Hand**, SRP; **Cynthia Hill**, POSA Outreach Foundation; **Ruth Ingall**, Mayo Clinic; **Lisa Johnson Stone**, Law Offices of Stone & Davis; **Anne Jones**, Workshops for Youth & Families; **Jeffrey Klefstad**, SRP; **Denise Lewandowski**, APS; **Kristina Luoma-Dyrr**, Cactus Flower Florists; **Janice Marvin**, HOTWIRE Development; **Magaly Masci**, Masci-Vargas Wealth Management Group of Wells Fargo Advisors; **Kathie May**, Retired Admin w/ Maricopa Community Colleges; **Valarie Miceli**, Hilton Hotels – Embassy Suite Phx. Biltmore; **Jessica Moreau**, Est Est; **Peg Mulloy**, Republic Services; **Yvonne Murphy**, Scottsdale Public Library; **Karen Nowak**, Navigator Management Partners; **Ryan O'Daniel**, Kyle Moyer & Company; **Pele Peacock**, Alvarez & Gilbert; **Scott Popp**, Scottsdale Police Department; **Kelly Ries**, SRP; **Michael Ritter**, City of Scottsdale; **John Schloz**, Home Smart Real Estate; **Kerri Shearer**, Ventana Fine Properties; **Dana Sherman**, Scottsdale Prevention Institute; **Kristi Small**, Republic Services; **Kristi Staab**, Kristi Staab Enterprises; **John Thomas**, Desert Pacific Commercial Real Estate; **Kelly Tope**, Scottsdale Convention & Visitors Bureau; **Drew Vallorano**, SRP; **Francesca Watkins**, Scottsdale Community College; **Cynthia Wenstrom**, Realty Executives; **Travis Yarlagadda**, Henkel Consumer Goods, Inc.; **Katherine Yu**, Henkel Consumer Goods, Inc.; **Jessica Zambo**, Empire West Title Agency

## Deadline approaching for nominations

Where would our community be without strong leadership? Scottsdale Leadership is now accepting nominations for the 11th Annual Spirit of Community Leadership Awards.

The categories are:

### Frank W. Hodges Alumni Achievement Award

Presented by Prestige Cleaners, this award commemorates Class I graduate, Frank Hodges, by recognizing an alumnus of Scottsdale Leadership who has made a significant and notable contribution to the community. Nominations are due September 3.

## Calendar of Events

**September 3 Core Program, Class 25 Orientation**  
 Location: Scottsdale Community College  
 Time: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**September 3 Class 25 Welcome Reception**  
 Location: Hotel Valley Ho  
 Time: 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
 Free for dues-paid alumni; \$25 Alumni or guest  
 RSVP by August 27 to [info@scottsdaleleadership.org](mailto:info@scottsdaleleadership.org)

**September 22 Leadership Summit**  
 Location: Ritz Carlton  
 Time: 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**September 24 Core Program, Social Services / Youth Issues**  
 Location: Vista del Camino  
 Time: 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**September 30 Candidates and Elected Officials Reception**  
 Location: Home of Jason and Jordan Rose  
 Time: 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
 \$30 for dues-paid alumni; \$40 Alumni or guest. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

*For more information about upcoming events, call Scottsdale Leadership at 480-627-6710 or email [info@scottsdaleleadership.org](mailto:info@scottsdaleleadership.org).*

### **Drinkwater Community Leadership Award**

Presented by Merrill Lynch, the Drinkwater award commemorates former Scottsdale Mayor Herb Drinkwater's commitment to Scottsdale. Nominees for this award are not alumni of Scottsdale Leadership, but rather those who have demonstrated outstanding community leadership and service. Nominations are due September 3.

### **Corporate Leadership Award**

Presented by Henkel Consumer Goods, Inc. This award honors a company that supports a philosophy and process for involving employees in community service, honors humanitarian values, and positively impacts the community through leadership and financial support. Nominations are due September 3.

### **Youth Leadership Award**

Presented by Scottsdale Active 20-30 Club & Foundation, this award honors a youth leader in their junior or senior year of high school. Nominees are leaders in their school, family, community and extracurricular activities. Nominations are due September 10.

Award recipients will be honored at Scottsdale Leadership's 11th Annual Spirit of Community Leadership Awards Luncheon, on Dec. 10. To download an award nomination form or for more information, call 480-627-6710 or visit [www.scottsdaleleadership.org/awards](http://www.scottsdaleleadership.org/awards)

## **Join us for a Leadership Summit**

Scottsdale Leadership has partnered with Leadership Summit Arizona to help spark a revolution to get Arizona business back on track. This is an opportunity to hear America's top business strategists and economists speak live on stage in one power-packed day. Don't miss out on this business-changing day!

**Date:** Wednesday, September 22

**Time:** 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Location:** Ritz-Carlton Hotel, 2401 E. Camelback, Phoenix, AZ

**Tickets:** \$99 with the Special VIP Code SL25Y; A special unpublished price has been arranged for Scottsdale Leadership alumni and friends. Ticket price includes breakfast and lunch at the Ritz-Carlton and valet parking.

Speakers include:

**Victor Antonio**, President, Sales Influence

**Barry Asmus**, Senior Economist, National Center for Policy Analysis

**Jim Crupi**, Business Strategist, Advisor for Fortune 500 Companies, U.S. Military & Office of the President of the U.S.

**Derrick Hall**, President & CEO, Arizona Diamondbacks

**Brian Mueller**, CEO, Grand Canyon University

**Diana Oreck**, Vice President Global Learning & Leadership Center, The Ritz-Carlton Company

**Dave Ridley**, Senior VP Marketing & Revenue Management, Southwest Airlines

Limited seating - Sign up today!

Purchase tickets by calling 480-423-1523 or online at [www.experiencethattalks.com/leadershipsummit](http://www.experiencethattalks.com/leadershipsummit)

## **Spend an evening with your elected officials and candidates**

In the coming months we will be voting in the city, state, county and federal elections. What better way to decide who to vote for than to talk with the candidates one-on-one? All elected officials and candidates for an office that affect Scottsdale constituents are invited to attend. The event includes appetizers, drinks and valet parking at an award-winning home, designed by architect Doug Sydnor, Class 2.

**Date:** Thursday, September 30

**Time:** 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

**Location:** Home of Jordan and Jason Rose, Class 9

5630 East Nauri Valley Drive

**Tickets:** Dues-paid alumni \$30; Alumni or guest \$40. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

For more information or to purchase your tickets, call Scottsdale Leadership at 480-627-6710, or visit [scottsdaleleadership.org/candidates](http://scottsdaleleadership.org/candidates)

## **Which class will claim the title this year?**

Which class is in the lead to have the highest percentage of dues-paid alumni, win the title and a \$25 gift card for each dues-paid alumni to Omaha Steaks?

The current standings are:

**Class 24** - 50%; **Class 23** - 41% ; **Class 21**- 18%

**Thank you to the following 2010-2011 alumni who have paid their dues since our last e-communique - add your name next month!**

**Platinum**

**Class 9:** Astria Wong; **Class 16:** Suzanne Walden-Wells; **Class 17:** Doreen Reinke; **Class 19:** Jane Blacker; **Class 23:** Stefanie Lerner; **Class 24:** Suzanne Paetzer, Marc Blonstein, Jose Penalosa, Julius Williams

**Gold**

**Class 4:** Randy Nussbaum; **Class 17:** Kevin Patrick

**Silver**

**Class 1:** Eileen Rogers; **Class 4:** John Hink; **Class 6:** Mark Eberle; **Class 11:** Maurine Karabatsos, Andie Minkin; **Class 12:** Katherine Cecala; **Class 13:** Winius Walter; **Class 19:** Betsy Goreham, Andrea Michaels; **Class 20:** Teresa Quale; **Class 22:** Jennifer Rueb; **Class 23:** Anne Driscoll, Angela Young; **Class 24:** Ted Collins, Brent Mekosh, Mike Seiden, David Valencia

**Bronze**

**Class 1:** John Kriekard; **Class 5:** Donna Medoff, Roxanne Song Ong; **Class 7:** Craig Miller; **Class 8:** Jennifer Martin Maher; **Class 9:** Kay Henry, Eric Luoma; **Class 10:** Steven Davidson; **Class 12:** David Binsfeld; **Class 15:** James Cramer; **Class 17:** Sammy Glassman; **Class 18:** Sandra Nygaard; **Class 19:** Tatum Luoma; **Class 20:** Sharon Barton, Dana Braccia; **Class 21:** James Bisonett, Xavier Castro, Carol Damaso, Ron Finkel, Ruben Meza, Marita Ralston, Vanessa Torre; **Class 22:** David Cox, Kimberly Crowther, Marty Day, Paul Ward; **Class 23:** Eve Bilotas, Kim Cofer, Patricia Goodrich, Melissa Rzeppa, Fran Brennan, Jay Levinsohn, Patrick O'Hara, Keith Queen, Laura Rogal, Jami Thompson, Susie Timm; **Class 24:** Zack Barna, Johnny Cervantes, Nicole Corning, Kathleen Gleen, Sona Koltookian, Laurie McCammon, Bridget Schwartz-Manock, Elizabeth Teitel, John Zicarelli

Your 2010-2011 alumni dues can be paid by contacting the Scottsdale Leadership office at 480-627-6710, by emailing info@scottsdaleleadership.org, or at <http://www.scottsdaleleadership.org/alumnidues>

## Community Opportunities

### Scottsdale Center for the Performing Arts looking for board members

Scottsdale Leadership alumni who have experience or interest in the arts are encouraged to contact the Performing Arts center about a board position. For more information or to express your interest in serving contact Marilyn Williams at marilynw@sccarts.org or call 480-874-4660.

### What are the Next Steps Scottsdale?

The Scottsdale Area Chamber of Commerce will host Next Steps Scottsdale on September 15 from 7 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at the Doubletree Paradise Valley Resort. This event is designed to engage Scottsdale business leaders to provide strong direction and solutions from the business community. For more information call 480-355-2710 or visit <http://www.scottsdalechamber.com>

### Do you know a hero?

Nominations are currently being accepted for the Frances Young Community Heroes award sponsored by General Dynamics. Nominees must be ages 14 or older whose volunteer services directly benefit Scottsdale citizens and/or Scottsdale organizations. They must also have not previously received prior public recognition for their volunteer efforts. Nominations must be submitted by Friday, September 3. To learn more, visit [communityheroes.org](http://communityheroes.org).

## Updates & Brags

### Class 12 Alumnus Selected as Finalist

Katherine Cecala has been selected as a finalist for the Greater Phoenix Chamber's Athena Award. The award honors women for professional achievement and community service.

### Stefanie Lerner, Class 23, honored

Congratulations to Stefanie Lerner who was recently honored with the Mentor of the Year award for Phoenix Youth at Risk Coronado New Pathways Program. Her mentee, Cheyenne, was also awarded the Mentee of the Year. It is the first time that both a mentor and mentee were honored the same year.

If you have an opportunity for community involvement or an update or brag you would like to share with Scottsdale Leadership, please email Rachel Brockway at [rbrockway@scottsdaleleadership.org](mailto:rbrockway@scottsdaleleadership.org).

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