

Accolades

■ **Wanda Kerr** of **RE/MAX Alliance Group** has been awarded the distinguished Certificate of Excellence in Real Estate by Broker Agent Advisor as one of the best in business in 2017. The award is based on achievement, potential, leadership, ethics, community value, experience, capability and trust for her service.



Wanda Kerr

Now in its 22nd year, BrokerAgent Advisor celebrates the success and accomplishment of the industry's finest real estate professionals. There is no cost or fee required for this award, and all applicants' credentials are verified.

Kerr is an agent in the RE/MAX Alliance Group Sarasota office at 2000 Webber Street. She is listed in BrokerAgent Advisor's national online directory of award recipients at <http://brokeragentadvisor.com/brag-directory>.

■ Award-winning writer **Pat McKanic** released her first novel, a murder mystery entitled "**Illusions of Paradise**". The novel recently received a **Five-Star** rating from **Readers' Favorite**.



Pat McKanic

Illusions of Paradise tells the story of Toni Jackson, a sexy, street-savvy reporter who lands on the island thinking she's found paradise. She falls in love with a cop, and all is well until she's assigned to cover a brutal murder. Now available in paperback and Kindle formats, the book can be ordered from amazon.com or read the first two chapters, and order at illusionsofparadise.net

Pat McKanic is the owner of Pat McKanic & Associates, LLC, a communications company specializing in public relations, marketing, media training, and business, executive and life coaching. The ADDY Award-winning writer and former print and broadcast journalist has worked for news organizations including The Wall Street Journal, and the New York Times Co. She is currently working on the second book in a planned series featuring lovable and determined protagonist Toni Jackson.

■ **Advice Inc.** has been included in the **2017 Top 75 Women-Owned Businesses** listing, produced by Tampa Bay Business Journal. The award is given annually to businesses throughout the Tampa Bay area that are headed by women and is based on company performance over the previous year.

Based in Lakewood Ranch, Advice Inc. is a full-service advertising and public relations agency owned by Linda Gross. The company was established in 1998 and specializes in the real estate, development, retail and non-profit industries. For more information about Advice Inc., visit advice-inc.com or call 941-907-9507.

Appointments

■ **Coastal Behavioral Healthcare** has announced that **Marlene M. Hauck** has joined the organization to further develop their growing presence and activity in the Sarasota area. Hauck comes with a variety of experience with nonprofits having spent the last 17 years in it, including roles such as the managing director of Sunshine From Darkness, raising funds for mental health research, and development director for the southern U.S. for IMHRO/Sunshine From Darkness.



Marlene M. Hauck

As **Director of Development**, Marlene will expand their recent growth in providing mental health services to the area. She has held multiple board directorship positions in Sarasota, including board member and development chair of Coastal Behavioral Healthcare, Inc. as well as Secretary for the Sarasota County Veterans Commission and Secretary of the board of directors, NAMI Sarasota. In addition to her new position, Marlene is currently on the advisory board of Compeer Sarasota, a committee member for Also Youth, and serves on the steering committee for Equality Florida.

■ **Blake Medical Center** has appointed **Lisa Nummi** as **Chief Operating Officer (COO)**. In her new role she will be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the hospital. Nummi comes to Blake from Bayfront Health St.



Lisa Nummi

Petersburg, a 480-bed facility in Florida where she served as the COO. Prior to serving as Bayfront Health St Petersburg's COO she was the Assistant CEO, Associate Administrator and Director of Emergency and Trauma Services.

Nummi holds a Nursing Degree from the University of Tampa, a Master of Business Administration from South University and a Doctorate of Nursing Practice from Case Western Reserve. She still maintains an active clinical practice as a nurse practitioner.

■ **SouthTech**, a provider of managed technology solutions, has hired **Mallory Torres** to work in the service department. In her position on **Client Care team**, Mallory will provide technical support for the company's PowerView Manage clients. Mallory's professional background is largely in the internet service provider sector prior to joining SouthTech.

■ **Maria Atkins** has joined **RE/MAX Platinum Realty** as a **Broker-Associate** in Sarasota. She has worked in the Sarasota-Bradenton real estate market since 1995, serving both residential re-sales and new homes customers.

Atkins has a background in the new homes industry, including senior management positions with Centex Homes. She holds the Accredited Buyer's Representative (ABR) and Short Sales and Foreclosure Resource (SFR) designations, and is fluent in Spanish and English.

Atkins is based in the RE/MAX Platinum Realty downtown Sarasota at 1312 Main St. She can be reached at 941-726-8061.

■ **Unity of Sarasota** has selected the **Reverend Doctor Suzi Schadle** to be its eighth **Senior Minister** in the church's 40+ year history. The announcement was made by the church's Board President, Debra Sandberg.



Rev. Dr. Suzi Schadle

Rev. Suzi succeeds the Rev. Elizabeth Thompson, who served as Senior Minister for the past nine years.

In the coming months and years, Rev. Suzi plans to focus on keeping the Church's teachings relevant to young people. Rev. Suzi was graduated from Whitworth University in Spokane, WA with majors in History and English and a minor in Education. She received her ministerial degree from the Holmes Institute in Seattle, WA, and did Master's level work at Seattle University in organizational development, which led to a 25 year career in

the corporate world.

Her first service as Senior Minister at Unity of Sarasota, 3023 Proctor Road, was March 11. For information, contact the church at 941-955-3301.

■ **Realtor Sue Honsberger** has joined the Venice office of **RE/MAX Alliance Group** as a member of the Blue Sky Team. Honsberger took an active role in her vacation rental business and served as both president and treasurer of two condo associations on Siesta Key. The Venice office is located at 1314 East Venice Avenue, Venice. Honsberger can be reached at 941-549-9749.

■ **The Baltimore Orioles** have named **Jennifer Grondahl** as the club's **Director of Corporate & Community Partnerships for Florida Operations**. Grondahl will be responsible for corporate sponsorship and community partnership integration for the Orioles in Sarasota, Fla. She will report to David Rovine, Vice President of Orioles-Sarasota.

Most recently, Grondahl served as the President of the YMCA Foundation of Sarasota, Inc. from 2013-16, where she oversaw the executive administration, budget management, and fundraising strategy and implementation. Prior to joining the YMCA Foundation of Sarasota Inc., Grondahl spent eight years as the President of Maestro Marketing, Inc., providing public relations and strategic communication services for a number of corporations, nonprofit organizations, and individuals.

■ **The Meadows Community Association (MCA)** Board of Directors named **Frances Rippondi** its **general manager**. She joined the MCA as operations manager in May 2016 and served as the MCA's interim general manager since September 2018.

In her former position as operations manager, Rippondi was responsible for day-to-day operations and advising committees. Her responsibilities as general manager include assuming a primary role in The Meadows Renaissance Plan and working with the MCA Board of Directors. Rippondi brings 20 plus years of community design experience, twelve years with WCI Communities—West Central Region as lead designer, and eight years with Knaak Design Group in Bonita Springs as director of design.

■ Sarasota-based luxury homebuilder **Nautilus Homes** has added **Jennifer Ricks** as its **Office Manager**. Throughout her career Ricks has held positions in human resources and office management, frequently within the construction industry.

At Nautilus Homes, she will manage the front office as well as handle bookkeeping for the construction company. Nautilus

Homes is luxury custom home building company based in Sarasota.

Promotions

■ The office of the **Manatee County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller** has promoted **Phaedra Carter** to **manager of historical resources**. An employee of the Clerk's Office since 2005, Carter previously served as the supervisor of the Manatee Village Historical Park. She will train with the department's chief historian, Cathy Slusser, to prepare for Slusser's retirement in February 2020.

Carter will continue to manage the Manatee Village Historical Park and the Manatee County Historical Commission. In her new role, she will also spend the next two years learning about historic preservation and the other sites and organizations within the historical resources department.

Board News

■ **Gail Condrick**, Longboat Key resident, has been appointed to the **Board of Directors of Veriditas**, a non-profit organization and home of the world wide labyrinth movement. Veriditas is dedicated to introducing people to the healing, meditative powers of the labyrinth and as a tool for community building, an agent for global peace and a metaphor for life.



Gail Condrick

Gail has studied spirituality and mysticism since 2004 at the Caroline Myss Educational Development Institute, receiving advanced certifications in archetypal analysis to assist individuals and organizations in defining and living their Sacred Contracts, or soul mission statement. She is also a member of the Nia International Training faculty, the equivalent of a mind/body PhD, and is one of 25 people in the world licensed to teach people to become Nia somatic educators listening to the wisdom of their body and spirit in all choices.

Gail offers classes, teacher trainings, labyrinth walks, workshops and quarterly women's retreats in all these modalities through her consulting company, GailCondrick.com where she is the Chief Elegance Officer (CEO). ☺

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