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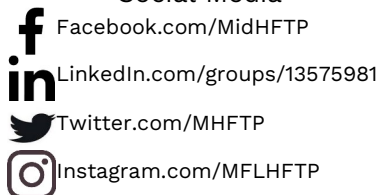
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HFTP Mid-Florida: Leadership, Scholarship, Participation, Service

Our Mission: To lead and advance the hospitality profession by providing a forum for continuous learning and knowledge sharing

The HFTP Mid-Florida Chapter Presents

General Meeting | Tuesday, August 23, 2022 at 6:00 PM



Speaker & Program

Speaker **Samir Gupte** will present on topic **"The Challenges of Ethical Decision Making"**. Read more about Samir in the Secretary's invite.

This education session falls under specialized knowledge and applications geared to basic knowledge on the topic. There are no prerequisites for attending. One CPE credit hour may be earned for participation in each 50 minute session for a maximum of 1.0 CPE credit.

Additional Information

RSVPs are **required**. Please visit our website midfloridahftp.org or respond to your personal e-vite from the chapter Secretary. Please RSVP or cancel no later than 5:01

PM, Thursday, July 21st. Unfortunately, we cannot accept walk-ins. Any no-shows or late cancellations will be billed.

Location & Parking

Caribe Royale Orlando
8101 World Center Drive
Orlando FL 32821

Self Parking: As you arrive to the property, please veer to the left and proceed towards the parking gate. Once you enter the gate, push the button to receive a ticket and bring with you and it will be validated upon arrival. Continue around to the right until you see the Tennis Courts. The Convention Building is directly to the right of the tennis courts and you can park in front of this building. We will be

meeting in the Atrium for cocktail reception.

Menu & Costs

Salad

Summer Lettuce Bouquet, Yellow and Red Beefsteak Tomatoes, Dried Apricots, Candied Pecans and Citrus Vinaigrette and Avocado Ranch

Entrée

Slow Braised Beef Short Rib and Garlic Shrimp, Wild Mushroom & Chive Ragout, Seared Rosemary Parmesan Polenta, Chef's Selection of Vegetables

Dessert

Chewy Caramel Tart

Members with RSVP \$45
Non-Members & Guests \$55
Student Chapter Members \$25

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President's Letter

By: Daron Sandberg, CHAE

Greetings Friends!

Well, the 2021-2022 season for the Mid Florida chapter is almost ready for the record books. Congratulations to all who contributed, in even a small way to this year's chapter activities and participated in what were a multitude of opportunities to interact and learn. Fingers crossed, our application for Chapter of The Year again makes its mark.

Please be sure to join us Tuesday August 23 at the spectacular Caribe Royale Resort in Lake Buena Vista where we will hold a general meeting of the membership. Samir Gupta will speak on The Challenges of Ethical Decision Making.

I came across a meaningful quote to share from Jack London this weekend. While I won't spoil the ending of the movie in which it was quoted, I will share what the author discussed during his final days among friends: "The proper function of man is to live, not to exist. I shall not waste my days in trying to prolong them. I shall use my time". How will you use yours?








Your chapter awaits you!



President - HFTP Mid-Florida Chapter



2022 HFTP Mid-Florida Calendar

Date	Time	Event	Location
 Thu, Aug 23	7:00 pm	General Meeting with Samir Gupta	Caribe Royale
 Tue, Sep 13	6:00 pm	Board Meeting	Rosen Board Room
 Tue, Sep 27	7:00 pm	Annual Board Installation Dinner	Castle Hotel
 Tue, Oct 11	6:00 pm	Board Meeting	Rosen Board Room
 Tue, Oct 25	7:00 pm	General Meeting with Michael Velazquez	TBD
 Thu, Nov 11	6:00 pm	Board Meeting	Rosen Board Room
 Tue, Nov 15	TBD	Mini-Educational	UCF Rosen School of Hospitality








HFTP Global Events & Calendar

Notes:

Live meeting fees for 2022:

Regular Members	\$45
Student Members	\$25
Guests	\$55
Non-Members	\$55
Failure to RSVP	\$55

No-Shows will be invoiced.

Date	Event
 Wed, Aug 24	Creating a High-Touch Customer Experience With Contactless Business Prolinks Webinar
 Tue, Sep 13	HFTP Club Forum Austin, TX
 Wed, Sep 14	HFTP Annual Convention
 - Fri, Sep 16	Austin, TX
 Wed, Sep 21	How Hospitality Can Successfully Adopt and Sustain Lease Accounting Compliance Prolinks Webinar

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Charity Golf Event

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Camp Boggly Creek - It's all for the kids!

Calendar

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Call for Volunteers

Chapter Members, please consider volunteering your time to the various committees. Your input is valuable in ensuring this chapter can continue to be the undisputed Chapter of the Year and produce unparalleled value to its members. If you are willing to assist in any way, please contact any board member, or committee chair.

* Committee Chair or Co-Chair

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HFTP Mid-Florida and You Leadership

Your chapter provides you a vehicle to grow in your personal and professional life through serving on chapter committees and the Board of Directors. Learn how to run a small business and lead the greatest HFTP chapter in the Universe. You will learn public speaking skills and gain confidence in your expertise. You can get the opportunity to develop and execute chapter programs developing valuable leadership skills.

Scholarship

Your chapter provides the HFTP CHAE and CHTP reviews and the testing for those two HFTP certifications in accounting and technology. We need you to help yourself and get certified. This should be a normal progression in your professional career. Your Chapter also provides Continuing Professional Education seminars at the General Meetings and Mini-Education events.

Participation

Your chapter provides a chance for you to give back to your community by assisting at the chapter golf event to benefit the kids at Camp Boggy Creek. Don't shy away, the chapter needs your time and talent. It also gives you the unique opportunity for chapter leadership at these events being part of the solution.

Service

Your chapter provides the avenue for you to give of yourself in serving your fellow members and your community. We encourage you to get involved in your Mid-Florida HFTP Chapter. We need places to hold the monthly general membership meetings. We need our members to support the chapter events by supplying prizes and helping make these events successful. We need speakers for the General Meetings and the Mini-Educational.

Your chapter needs you to join the fun in serving others and gaining the satisfaction of personal growth through leadership, scholarship, participation and service.

Member of the Month - Scott Evans, CPA



Scott grew up in Hollywood Florida before pursuing his childhood dream of attending Florida State, where he received his first bachelor's degree in finance. After a few years into his career, he went back to school at USF in Tampa to focus on accounting. And after completing his accounting degree, he achieved another milestone by passing the CPA exam and becoming licensed in Florida.

Scott had always worked for giant corporations before finding a home with 11th Hour. He had worked on very large accounting teams with

the likes of Bank of New York Mellon, Franklin Templeton, and Verizon. But he always felt like he could make a bigger impact by working for a small business.

In the summer of 2016, he found the opportunity he was looking for. He was approached by a small thriving business that catered specifically to branding events within the major hotels of Central Florida. It was a family atmosphere where everyone knew each other and cared about the success of one another. It was the perfect fit. Scott has served as Controller for the first 6 years and recently was named Chief Financial Officer.

Scott has two young boys Connor 8 and Liam 6 with his wife of 11 years, Rebecca. He enjoys playing golf, jogging, and going to the beach with the family. His boys are heavily involved in sports which is where most of his time is spent these days.

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20th Annual Charity Golf Tournament

To Benefit: Camp Boggy Creek

Friday, September 23, 2022

Celebration Golf Club
701 Golf Park Drive
Celebration, FL 34747

It is never too early to make a donation!



Remembering our friend and colleague, Dr. Jeff Weinland

July 6, 2022 - Dr. Jeff Weinland, CHA, CHE, CHAE, CHIA, former HFTP mid-Florida Chapter President passed away in his sleep on July 6, 2022. Jeff was an Assistant Professor since 2018 and a Lecturer from 2005 at the UCF Rosen College of Hospitality Management. In addition, Jeff was the President of the Board of the Vacation Villas at FantasyWorld for the past 18 years and created leading amenities that are now standard at many resorts. Jeff even introduced the Resort Mascot "Bear" two years ago to the FantasyWorld Resort.

Many of you will also remember Jeff, as a twenty plus year veteran of Bacchus Bash. Each year, Jeff would volunteer his time to support hospitality student scholarships by counting the cash. Jeff made a big difference to so many individuals within our industry and would try and help everyone he came into contact with.

Our heartfelt condolences go out to his family, the team at the FantasyWorld Resort, and the students and staff at UCF Rosen College of Hospitality Management.

A celebration of life Jeff Weinland is being planned on his birthday, August 26 from 4-6 PM.

I will always remember Jeff sitting in an office at the CFHLA's Bacchus Bash charity street party event year after year, taking on the role of Mr. Money in the event's cash consolidation. He and Larry were always there.

We met through our mutual involvement with the International Association of Hospitality Accountants Mid-Florida Chapter, now HFTP Mid-Florida, and the joy in volunteering. Jeff was an IAHA Mid-Florida Chapter officer in the 1994 era.

Later, I was lucky to join with Jeff in the hospitality industry using his company Night Auditors of America to staff and complete my night audit function.

In all those over twenty years, he is remembered as a professional that excelled in Leadership, Scholarship, Participation, and Service.

Sincerely,

Bill Parrish



IN LOVING MEMORY of JEFF WEINLAND

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

1964-2022



FRIDAY, AUGUST 26, 2022

You are invited to come celebrate the life and career of Jeff Weinland

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Rosen College of Hospitality Management
The memorial will be held in the **Darden Auditorium**
9907 Universal Blvd. Orlando FL 32819

I worked with Jeff at the CFHLA Bacchus Bash, one day a year for over 25 years! He did an outstanding job handling the money counting operation and supporting our HFTP team. Jeff had close relationships with several HFTP members as a former company of his ran their night audit operation. Additionally, he graciously shared his finance expertise by periodically offering our members classes to prepare for CHAE/CHTP certifications. Jeff served on the Mid-Florida HFTP chapter's Board in the late 1980's and early 1990's. Those who knew Jeff truly appreciated his kind and positive personality.

Regards,

Larry McCloskey

I had the opportunity of meeting Dr. Jeff Weinland during 2006 Bacchus Bash and got acquainted with him thereon – Jeff was a great mentor and a very patient and kind educator – Many times, I reached out to him with technical questions about Hospitality Accounting and he was always very kind to assist – During my Tenor in the HFTP Mid Florida chapter as an officer, I requested Jeff if he can assist the chapter with Preparation of CHAE exams and he was generous enough to set up free of charge evening classes at UCF in the evening at his own Time – Rest in Peace Dr. Weinland.

Best Regards,

Nasir Naseer