



# Palm Beach County LEAGUE of CITIES, Inc.

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## GALA Dinner to honor League of Cities' new Officers, Directors and Local Government with Recognition Awards Saturday, June 2, 2007 at the Kravis Center/Cohen Pavilion

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The Palm Beach County League of Cities held its ninth annual celebration of its Officers, Board of Directors and local government at a GALA dinner event on Saturday, June 2, 2007 at the Kravis Center's Cohen Pavilion. The Florida League of Cities' President, Honorable Rene Flowers, Councilwoman from St. Petersburg, Florida, was the key note speaker and did the honor of presenting our newly installed officials.

About 275 elected municipal, county, officials, legislators and staff were in attendance at this year's event. The League presented their annual Best of the year, Governmental Service Awards, given to County Commission Chair Addie Greene, Sheriff Ric Bradshaw and others listed below.

With this year's Kravis Center location, tropical theme and return of dance band entertainment, provided by Ms. Dee Dee Wilde, this was considered one of the best events the League has put on to date. The unique cocktail reception entertainment was by "Uncle Charley" Smith, performing authentic Hawaiian music. Highlight photos of the event will be viewable on the League's website or by contacting the League office. The official 2007-2008 League of Cities municipal membership directory was distributed at this event and is available online or through the League's office.

### The 2007-2008 slate of officers:

President ..... Mayor David Stewart..... Town of Lantana  
1st V.P. .... Mayor Ken Kaleel..... Town of Ocean Ridge  
2nd V.P. .... Mayor Tom Lynch..... Village of Golf  
Sec/Treasurer ..... Manager Mo Thornton..... City of Atlantis  
District 1 ..... Mayor Linda Hodgkins..... Town of Juno Beach  
District 2 ..... Councilmember Matty Mattioli ..... Village of Royal Palm Beach  
District 3 ..... Councilmember Robert Gottlieb..... Town of South Palm Beach  
District 4 ..... Councilmember Mike Arts ..... City of Boca Raton  
District 5 ..... Manager Tony Smith ..... City of South Bay  
Large City ..... Manager David Harden..... City of Delray Beach  
Large City ..... Councilmember Norma Duncombe ..... City of Riviera Beach  
Large City ..... Councilmember Todd Wodraska ..... Town of Jupiter  
Large City ..... Councilmember Hal Valeche ..... City of Palm Beach Gardens  
Large City ..... Commissioner Isaac Robinson Jr. .... City of West Palm Beach  
Large City ..... Mayor Jerry Taylor ..... City of Boynton Beach  
At Large ..... Councilmember Lisa Tropepe..... Town of Palm Beach Shores  
At Large ..... Vice Mayor Marge Herzog ..... Town of Loxahatchee Groves  
Immed. Past Pres.\* ... Commissioner Carl McKay ..... City of Boynton Beach

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# Palm Beach County LEAGUE of CITIES, Inc.

## Past Presidents- Ex Officio

- Dr. Carmine Priore ..... Florida League 2nd VP Councilmember, Village of Wellington
- Beverly Smith ..... Councilmember, Village of Palm Springs
- Kenneth M. Schultz ..... Mayor, Town of Hypoluxo
- Retha Lowe ..... Commissioner, City of Lake Worth
- William Moss ..... Commissioner, City of West Palm Beach
- Richard Radcliffe ..... Deputy Mayor, City of Greenacres
- Steven Abrams ..... Mayor, City of Boca Raton

The League presented its annual intergovernmental service awards to recognize those whose efforts go above and beyond to accomplish goals and objectives of the League, or have shown a desire to work with the League and others to help accomplish the best outcomes for the community as a whole.

### The awards given this year were:

#### County Commissioner of the Year – Honorable Addie Greene, BCC Chair

*For presiding over tough county transitions and improved relations with cities.*

#### League Member of the Year – Hon. Isaac Robinson, Jr.

*For creating an inaugural youth program sending youth attendees to the National League’s conference.*

#### League Associate Member of the Year - Sheriff Ric Bradshaw

*The Sheriff established innovative resources, coordination and cooperation with municipalities to combat Gang-related violence and issues.*

#### League Defender of Home Rule – Hon. Lisa Tropepe

*Serves as Home Rule committee chair dedicating extensive work and effort towards Home Rule Issues.*

The Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc. is a non-profit corporation established to promote and advance the collective interests of the thirty-seven municipalities of Palm Beach County. The Purpose of the League of Cities is to:

- Promote and advance the collective interests for our municipalities;
- Study municipal problems and seek solutions through cooperative efforts;
- Encourage and work for the good of the citizens of our municipalities and county, providing the best quality of life possible county-wide, while also working with regional, state and national intergovernmental partners for municipal friendly advocacy and outcomes;
- Defend “Home Rule” standards where intergovernmental actions or legislation might negatively impact sovereign municipalities; and
- Work toward the best outcome for all concerned in Palm Beach County above your personal or political agendas.

*“Where shared visions and best practices make for better communities”*