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CURRENT MEETING

BREAKFAST MEETING

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 26TH

HYATT WEST HOLLYWOOD

8401 Sunset Boulevard,
West Hollywood, CA 90069

DOORS OPEN 7:30 AM BREAKFAST BUFFET SERVED 8:00 AM

SPEAKER 8:00 AM

Bruce Baltin, Senior VP
PKF Consulting

"The Southern California 2006 Lodging Industry Forecast"

Members & First-time guests \$30 Non-members \$40

PARKING: COMPLIMENTARY SELF-PARKING

Please RSVP via e-mail

rsvp@hftp-la.org

By Monday 24th October or Call (626) 836-1222

NO-SHOWS WILL BE BILLED



Oct 26-29 Myrtle Beach, S.C.

HFTP would like to invite you to attend the 2005 Annual Convention & Tradeshow scheduled for October 26-29, at the Radisson Plaza Hotel and Myrtle Beach Convention Center in Myrtle Beach, SC. For information on the conference schedule, session descriptions and on-line registration visit our web site at www.hftp.org or click on the following link <http://www.hftp.org/content.cfm?pgid=2906>

Hotel accommodations at the Radisson Plaza Hotel can be made by calling 800-333-3333 or (001) 843-918-5000. Please identify yourself as attending the HFTP Annual Convention & Tradeshow to receive the conference rate of \$119 (US) single/double occupancy plus tax.

If you have any questions, please contact the HFTP Education Department at 800-646-4387 or (001) 249-5333. We look forward to seeing you in Myrtle Beach!

President's Message

A morning meeting? On a Wednesday? On the fourth week of the month? Gads! Could it really work?!

You bet. We're breaking with tradition a little this month in order to fit in time with our special guest speaker, Bruce Baltin, Senior VP of PKF Consulting. Bruce will be discussing the current and forecasted state of the Southern California Lodging Industry. This is an excellent opportunity for those of you that are still compiling your 2006 budgets and looking for a little extra hint on market direction. Bring along your favorite GM, DOM, Rev Mgr and HP12C calculator! Our host for this month's meeting will be Yousef Aliabidi, Controller at the famous (and at one time infamous) Hyatt West Hollywood. A great chance to get a peak of this popular property and the view from their beautiful penthouse ballroom.

Last month's meeting was at the majestic Hotel Bel Air and was an impressive treat as well as a great turnout. Greg Wachs, of Broadcore provided us all with an explanation of the workings and benefits of VOIP (Voice Over Internet Protocol). Greg provided us all a demo of the technologies Internet telephone feature and described other benefits from cost savings, having your cell phone duplicate your office phone, integration with Microsoft Outlook and many other features.

The evening's raffle was a great success thanks to donated prizes galore! I would try to list all of the donors but I'm afraid there were far too many to keep track. Prizes ranged from bottles of wine, dinners for two, hockey tickets and complimentary rooms at a few of our members properties. The raffle's goal was also a great success with \$280 donated to the Red Cross Hurricane Katrina fund.

Many sincere thanks to Ed Anonas for hosting this event as well as for his tireless efforts over the past two years as HFTP Chapter President. And let's not forget the commitment of our Chapter Board Members who, with the inclusion of Connie Santos once again this year, have all signed up for another year of service. It's an honor to be working with this entire group.

So everyone please mark Wednesday, Oct 26 th on your calendars. Stop on by Sunset Blvd on your way to work, save room for breakfast and start the day with an insightful discussion from Bruce who has generously contributed his time to speak to our group many times over the years and always draws a great crowd.

See you at the Hyatt West Hollywood!

Chris Thullen

HFTP Los Angeles Chapter President

SEPTEMBER MEETING



FOUR PAST PRESIDENTS AND THIS YEAR'S PRESIDENT

Top row left to right

Ed Anonas 2003-2005, Eden Slegre 1997-1998, Marc Gerard 1991-1994

Bottom row left right

Bruce Reichenbacher 1998-1999, Chris Thullen President

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