



Minutes from the November Chapter Meeting of the Austin Chapter of the Association of Legal Administrators

**November 29, 2012 at 11:30 am
Headliners Club**

President's Chapter Meeting Announcements

Chris Sims welcomed the members and business partners. He expressed his thanks to all in attendance, especially to our speaker, Jennifer Powell, who stepped in at the last minute to replace Steve Wingert who had a family emergency this week.

Chris encouraged the members to join a committee, or to volunteer for some special projects where the chapter has some immediate need. Volunteering enriches the ALA membership experience, so he encouraged interested members to contact him or Tina Terrien for more information.

Committee reports/announcements:

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Light the Night Walk took place on November 3, 2012, and our chapter's participation managed to raise about \$3,000 to honor the memory of Clay Singleton. The event was a great success.

The Business Partner Appreciation Happy Hour on November 13, 2012 was a great event, and Chris thanked the Business partner Relations Committee for organizing such a fine party.

Karie Rivkin reminded the group about upcoming chapter events:

- Chapter Holiday party to be held on December 4 from 6:00 – 8:00 PM at the Malverde Room at La Condesa. The gift exchange this year is a DVD of your favorite movie.
- January 24, 2013 – Rita Alli, Past President of ALA will present a workshop called "Ten Tips to Gain Confidence in Public Speaking". This will be an extended luncheon.
- February 28, 2013 – Reschedule Steve Wingert, President of ALA
- March 21, 2013 – Spring Educational Seminar at the Stephen F. Austin Ballroom, featuring Mary Redmond who will speak on Lease Negotiating Techniques.

Luncheon Sponsors

Today's Sponsors include Russell Young and Elysia Ragusa from our Platinum sponsor Jones Lang Lasalle and Rex Englehardt (not present) from Gold sponsor Documation.

Luncheon Speaker

Karie Rivkin introduced Jennifer Powell, an employment attorney at Eichelbaum Wardell, who spoke on *The Latest Developments at the Intersection of the ADAAA/FMLA*.