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Nikki N. Joshi of Kurkal, Miller & Hamers has been board certified by The Florida Bar in labor and employment law. The firm specializes in labor and employment law representing management.

Sarasota Magazine recently awarded Michel Bergier and Bessie Tabar of Keller Williams Realty its 2010 5 Star Best in Customer Satisfaction award. It's the third consecutive year they have won the award, which is based on an independent survey of current and past customers.

Maureen Legac of Keller Williams Realty recently was awarded the Real Estate Online Marketing Award of Excellence from Realtor.com's national speaker, Max Pigman. The award recognizes agents who provide excellent online marketing of their clients' properties.



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Sharon Ross has joined Michael Saunders & Co.'s St. Armands office. She has sales experience at several area developments, including the past five years as The Founders Club's sales director.

Dennis Roberts, a University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee senior who is studying accounting, has joined Wagner Realty's corporate office as an intern. The Patterson Foundation has appointed Pam Trutt to lead its Near Resilient and Students in Need initiatives, which are part of the foundation's work to transform communities and provide relief to individuals in crisis.

Trutt will work closely with President and Chief Executive Officer Debra Jacobs on strategic exploration, development and implementation of the initiatives.

Richard R. Gans, a shareholder in the law firm of Ferguson, Skipper, Shaw, Keyser, Baron & Trabasso, P.A., has been selected for inclusion in Florida Trend magazine's 2010 Florida Legal Elite. This year's list represents less than 2 percent of the nearly 85,000 Florida Bar members practicing in Florida.

Caroline Amory, the founder and president of Green New Business LLC has joined the board of directors of The Women's Resource Center of Manatee. Amory runs an executive level consulting and business development firm.

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Osteopathic Medicine, joined more than 80 other professors and graduate students from universities throughout the U.S. and around the world to participate in the National Institute of Health Office of Dietary Supplements course. The course provides information on dietary supplements to academic faculty and their doctoral or post-doctoral students. Experts from the National Institute of Health, academic institutions, and federal regulatory agencies such as the U.S. Food and Drug Administration served as speakers.

Scott Kallins of Kallins, Little, & Delgado, a Palmetto law firm, was chosen as the 2009 - 2010 Outstanding Business Partner by the

Manatee County school district. Kallins has been coaching boy's lacrosse at the Sarasota Military Academy. Kallins also received the Florida Education Foundation and the Florida Department of Education Commissioner's Business Award.

He is a school advisory committee member. Kallins also received the Florida Bar Board of Legal Specialization & Education's nomination for The Justice Harry Lee Anselord Award for Florida Bar Board Certified Lawyer of the Year.

Kavin DiLallo, Manatee Healthcare System's chief executive officer, was the guest of honor at a welcome reception hosted by Manatee Glens and the law firm of Block, Walters, Held & Johnson.

Jamie Berfield has been named The BeachHouse Restaurant's special events assistant manager. Berfield recently joined the event planning department to coordinate BeachHouse weddings and events.

New board of trustees for The Wellness Community include Dr. Dwight L. Fitch and Robert L. Schauer. Jim Braun is returning for his second time as a trustee.

Braun is a financial adviser with Stifel Nicolaus. Fitch is an oncologist with 21st Century Oncology in Bradenton and serves as medical Advisor to the American Cancer Society and is a board member of the Manatee County Medical Society. Schauer is a former vice president with AT&T's public relations and public affairs department.

Names & Faces, which spotlights the achievements of business persons in Manatee and Sarasota counties, runs every Monday. Submissions must be received by 5 p.m. Wednesday for the next edition. Send submissions to Business Editor Jennifer Rich at jrich@bradenton.com.

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