



After Hours Social held at Florida Oceanographic Coastal Center. Matt and Laurel Kelly and Cindy and Patrick LaConte networking with Alumni and class 31.

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Announcing the New Website

Happy New Year LEADERship Martin County Alumni!! In 2021, the LEADERship alumni board started using a platform built specifically for non-profit organizations called Flipcause. This software will allow alumni to update their contact information, register for events, sign up for volunteer opportunities, make donations, and pay their dues all on one platform. Flipcause also offers website construction services and tools that will feed information directly into the contact management software. With close to 900 alumni, this software will help our foundation become even more organized so we can focus on our mission of assisting the youth leaders of Martin County as well as connecting our alumni base of 30 classes. This past December we took our newly designed website live for all to see. The site can be found at the same web address you've always visited: www.leadershipmcalumni.com Please take some time to look over the site and offer any suggestions and constructive criticism you may have. Thoughts, ideas, or a note saying- "Hello", can be sent to sam.bruning@gmail.com Our communications team will work with Flipcause to make this site as user friendly as possible for all of us.

Thank you for your continued support of the LEADERship Martin County Alumni Foundation for Youth. This organization would not be doing all this good work without your contributions of time, guidance, dues and donations. I wish you all the best in 2022 and beyond.

Sam Bruning, Class 21, Vice President
LEADERship Martin County Alumni Foundation for Youth, Inc.

At the Ocean Eco Center Alumni and Class 31 Networking



Cindy LaConte.....LEADERship Government Day

On December 2, the LEADERship Government Day committee coordinated a great day encompassing county and city administration, constitutional officers, lunch with local officials and much more. A special thanks to all the Alumni volunteers: Tim Kinane (1), Tom Campenni (25), Joe Connelly (28), Frank Fender (29), Kloee Ciuperger (29), Taryn Kryzda (13), George Stokus (25) Jennifer Manning (21) and George Dzama (30).



Congratulations to Chief Deputy and fellow Hobe Sounder, John Budensiek, Jr. (30) of the Martin County Sherriff's Office. He received the well-deserved award of Law Enforcement Officer of the Year at the Hobe Sound Chamber of Commerce board of directors installation luncheon. Shown with Budensiek is his wife Ada, Robin and Blake Capps (17).

Lynne Barletta founder/director of VSOA had a record turnout for the America, the Land of the Free and Home of the Brave art exhibit's. The show recognized the beauty of the nation with an art show entitled. "America the Beautiful," at which VSOA students aged 5 to 18, painted their interpretations of the theme from their own experiences and travels across the country.



UPCOMING Stuart/Martin Chamber Events – 772-287-1088

Jan 11, Tues., 7:45am, Networking Breakfast, **C&W Technologies**, Chamber Conference Center, 1650 S Kanner Hwy., Stuart

Jan 12, Wed., 11:45am, Networking Luncheon, **Spherion**, Harbor Chase of Stuart, 650 NW Fork Road, Stuart

Jan 19, Wed., 5:30-7:00pm, Business After Hour, **Harbor Place at PSL**, 3700 SE Jennings Road, Port St. Lucie

Jan 25, Tues., 7:45am, Networking Breakfast, **The Pine School**, 12350 SE Federal Hwy, Hobe Sound

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Janice Norman (14) was presented the Charlene Hoag Leadership Award Recipient 2021 by the Business Development Board of Martin County. She has served in many leadership roles as Chair of Stuart/Martin Co. Chamber, President of Catch the Wave of Hope, Soroptimist "Woman of Distinction" in 2019 and many awards from the Martin County Realtors Association.



Carol Houwaart-Diez (28) president and CEO of United Way of Martin County announced that they are celebrating their 50 anniversary. Since 1972 the nonprofit has cared for our community and the people in it. They will continue funding 46 local programs, Toys for Tots, income tax assistance and embarking on an endowment campaign to meet future needs.



Suzy Hutcheson (1) CEO of Helping People Succeed has their 2022 Art of Living Calendar available for purchase from October thru March at \$20. You can go online to see where to pick one up at www.hpsfl.org. Each month a local artist's art work is featured. Sales from the purchase of the calendar will benefit Helping People Succeed.



Stacy Ranieri (10) founder and President of The Firefly Group, has published their award winning calendar Florida Ranches 2022 Calendar. It can be purchased as a gift online <http://floridaranchescalendar.com/> that can be enjoyed all year round with breathtaking images of ranches from around the state.

Alumni Purpose

The purpose of LEADERship Martin County Alumni is to support the LEADERship Martin County Program; to provide education and networking opportunities for our members; and to enhance community awareness of our members by providing opportunities to evaluate and act on issues affecting the community.

Note: Our monthly newsletter can now be viewed on our website www.LeadershipMCalumni.com

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