



Adult Government Day



Class 34 participated in a “Why” exercise facilitated by Tim Kinane (1) and assisted by our Alumni Volunteers: Scott Olsen (33), Wayne Filowitz (33), Brian Powers (7), Stacy Little (33), Jimmy Collins (33), Eric Kiehn (29), Cheree Ramirez (27), Sarah Baker (29), Chris Gavilanez (31), Tim Kinane (1), Kevin Kirwin (32), Taryn Kryzda (13), Christina Hunter (32), Brian Carney (28) and Elisabeth Glynn (26).

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On December 5, the LEADERship Government Day Committee coordinated a great day encompassing county, city and municipality administration, constitutional officers, lunch with local officials and much more. A special thanks to all the Alumni Volunteers: Jordon Pastorius (31), Christina Hunter (32), Taryn Kryzda (13) and George Stokus (25); not pictured George Dzama (30), Tom Campenni (25), Pat Nolan (33), Elisabeth Glynn (26), Cindy Groover (30), Frank Fender (29). Sally Waite (33) and Joe Connelly (28).



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Youth Class 26 Excels in Ropes Course Challenge

Students from Martin Youth LEADERship Class 26 participated in C.O.P.E Day, a Challenging, Outdoor Personal Experience ropes course at Tanah Keeta Scout Reservation. C.O.P.E. is a youth development and leadership activity presented by volunteers of Gulf Stream Council Learning for Life. Facilitators included COPE Day chairman Alec Connolly (Class 11), recently retired from the Gulf Stream Council Boy Scouts of America (BSA); Alex Connolly, Jr. (MYL Class 19), also of the BSA and Stephen Peterson.

C.O.P.E. presented the students with a series of outdoor challenges, beginning with basic group initiative games and progressing to more complicated low-course and high-course activities. The course is designed to help participants reinforce self-confidence and build trust and leadership skills. Some C.O.P.E. events involved group effort, whereas others focused on individual skills and agility. Participants climbed, swung, balanced, jumped, and rappelled all while devising solutions to a variety of problems. The program emphasized the “five finger” goals of safety, trust, respect, accountability and self-esteem, as well as teamwork, leadership, decision-making and problem-solving.

One highlight for the class was the 30-foot high Confidence Pole. Wearing climbing harnesses attached to safety lines held by their peers on the ground, participants scaled the pole to reach a small platform at the top. Once atop the pole, students were challenged to take a “leap of faith” by jumping from the pole and “floating” to the ground.



Council of Chambers Honor Sheriff Snyder

On December 17 at the Boys & Girls Club a luncheon honoring **Sheriff Will Snyder** was held. He was recognized for his dedication to our community as Sheriff for the past 12 years; he will be retiring in January. Snyder is an **Alumni of LEADERShip Class 7** who was congratulated by many of his fellow Alumni Class Members, Martin County Elected Officials and CEO's of Chambers, Businesses and Non-Profits.



Palm City hosts Missi Campbell (30) and Liz Campi, **Sheriff Snyder** (7), incoming Sheriff Budensiek (30).

United Way Holiday Project: Every year United Way collects toys to distribute to families who are looking for a Merry Christmas for their children. LEADERShip Alumni always steps up to help with gathering and distributing the toys to the families. The donations are overwhelming as are the many volunteers who want to make a difference in their community.



Debbie Resos (31)



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Maureen Vaillancourt (23) named Stuart Martin County Women's Council of Realtors 2025 President. She is a dedicated real estate professional with RE/MAX of Stuart. Recently she participated in the 2024 WCR National Conference in Boston that was combined with the National Association of Realtors conference.



Kathleen Lannon (21) Stuart Police youth crime prevention intervention specialist, teaches the Cops-N-Bobbers program. It began in 2014 as a collaboration between the Stuart Police Department and the East Stuart Youth Initiative summer camp. The goal is for kids to have positive interaction with the police officers and build trust in police as the kids learn water safety and marine life facts while out on boats. It has been very successful.



David Earle (6) who passed November 8 will hold funeral serves for him on Saturday January 11, 2025. At 11 am at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Stuart. David was President of LEADERship Alumni in 1998-1999.

SAVE THE DATE ———
for an exclusive LEADERship Alumni private tour of the new **Boys and Girls Club Workforce Development Labs!** Thursday February 13, at 5 pm, Stuart Boys and Girls Club, 551 SE Martin Luther King Blvd, Stuart Florida.

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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.

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