

## Installation of 2024-2025 Board



**LEADERship Alumni New board of Directors** were installed on June 6 at Two Georges Dockside Grille.

President, Chelsey Matherson, Vice President, Kate Muscarella, Treasurer, David Sarno, Recording Secretary, Jon Milton, Corresponding Secretary, Jeremy Harris, Directors: Sarah Baker, George Dzama, Frank Fender, Elisabeth Glynn, Joanna Greene, Christina Hunter, Charlene Lyons and Melissa Zolla, Ex-Officios: Past President, Cindy Groover, Class 33 Representative, Blaine Isbell, Youth Planning Chair, Diana Bruton & Cooridnator, Jeanne Dunn. LEADERship Program Director, Cindy LaConte and LEADERlines Editor, Nancy Sailer.

**Greg Nuttall**, class 7 of Hill, Barth and King, LLC was recognized for his service as Treasurer for the LEADERship Alumni Board from 1998 to 2023 which is 25 years, our longest serving board member. Greg has been very active as an alumni besides serving on our board. He plans to continue being active. **MANY, MANY THANKS!**



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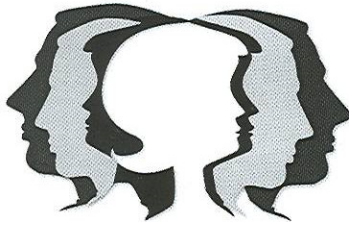
**Aug. 20**

Primary

And

**Nov. 5**

General Election



# LEADERship

Martin County Alumni

*Foundation for Youth, Inc.*

Dear Fellow Alumni,

July, 2024

I am delighted to formally connect with you all for the first time as President of the LEADERship Martin County Alumni Foundation for Youth! We just closed a great 2023-2024 program year under the fantastic leadership of Immediate Past President, Cindy Groover.

Here are some highlights:

- We hosted several alumni events throughout the year, including the Annual Family Picnic, a LEADERship Luncheon with business coach Rich Geer, and our first fundraiser in five years – the ‘80s Murder Mystery Dinner.
- We continued our sponsorships of the annual SimSoc Social and the graduation dinner for the LEADERship Martin County program.
- And of course, we had another great year of Martin County Youth LEADERship thanks to the hard work and dedication of Jeanne Dunn and her planning committee.

Looking to the year ahead, our guiding themes will be Purpose and Engagement.

As with any established organization, we evolve over time. But everything we do should have a clear Purpose behind it – the “why,” as we learned during our time in LEADERship. The “why” of LMCAFY is multifaceted. We support the LEADERship Martin County program, provide education and networking opportunities for members, and raise funds to support the Martin Youth LEADERship program and Nancy Sailer Youth LEADERship scholarship. The LMCAFY Board of Directors plans to approach our ideas for the new year with clear Purpose that ties back to these guideposts.

The power of our alumni network is only as strong as the number of graduates who stay Engaged with us. My hope as we move through this program year and into the future is that the LMCAFY organization can provide unique and valuable opportunities that will enrich both our members and the community at large. Follow us on Facebook and keep tabs on your inboxes to stay up to date on our upcoming programs and initiatives. And as always, please reach out to us with any of your ideas!

Engagement starts with Membership! I encourage each of you to pay your 2024-2025 dues and take an active role in our elite group of community LEADERS. Check your email during the coming weeks for your electronic invoice. Or simply visit our [website](#) to get current right away.

I look forward to seeing you all at an upcoming LMCAFY event. Here’s to another great year of LEADERship!

With gratitude,

Chelsey Matheson

*President*

LEADERship Martin County Alumni Foundation for Youth

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# Meet Our New Board Members

**Elisabeth Glynn**, class 26, has been with **United Way** for nine years. She has decided to make a career change to **Cleveland Clinic Philanthropy Institute** as their philanthropy starting July 8. Her community volunteering has been serving on the AFP Board and is now immediate past president along with serving as board secretary for AFP of Florida Caucus. She is also on the board of the Martin County Estate Planning Council. Glynn served as a director on the LEADERShip Alumni Board from 2016 to 2022, welcome back.



**Christina Hunter**, class 32, is with **Martin County Clerk of Court as Chief Deputy** of Records and Administrative Services. She has worked at the Clerk of Court office for twenty years and feels that she is truly a public servant by trying to help the public with any information or problems that they might have. The LEADERShip Program was an amazing experience as it opened her eyes to opportunities she never knew she had for volunteering in the community. She loves being outdoors and enjoys mountain biking at a number of the large parks in the area.



**Melissa Zolla**, class 31, has been with **Firefly Group** for fifteen years. She is Chief Operations Office and Creative Director who enjoys working with the people and organizations who need their services and has volunteered for some of their events. Melissa moved to Martin County when she was only three years old and loves it. Since she was a little girl she has enjoyed drawing and painting and as an artist decided not to sale her painting but donate them to charities for their fundraising events. Many people downtown ask her to do artwork on walls, benches, trash cans, etc. So keep an eye out for Melissa artwork.



**Blaine Isbell**, class 33, is Vice President of **Corporate Team IP** for 4 ½ years. They specialize in sales involving decorated apparel and branded promotional merchandise to a diverse clientele of sports organizations, NCAA and local businesses. He volunteers or sponsors many of our local non-profits events. He wanted to go thru the LEADERShip Program to learn more about our community and found that the networking has opened many doors for him. As the Class Representative on the Alumni Board he hopes to make a difference on addressing the issues he learned about at Captone. His advise to people “choose a job you love and you’ll never work a day in your life”.



# Alumni Candidates

## Constitutional Officers Elected Without Opposition



John Budensiek  
Class 30  
Martin County Sheriff



Vicki Davis  
Class 4  
Supervisor of Elections



Jenny Fields  
Class 30  
Property Appraiser



Carolyn Timmann  
Class 5  
Clerk of Circuit Court

## Candidates in the Aug. 20 Primary and Nov. 5 General Election



Gayle Harrell  
Class 3  
Florida Senate  
Dist. 3



Blake Capps  
Class 7  
County  
Commissioner  
Dist. 3



Troy McDonald  
Class 28  
Stuart  
Commissioner  
Group IV



Toby Overdorf  
Class 9  
Florida House  
Dist. 85



Susan Thomas  
Class 30  
County  
Commissioner  
Dist. 3



Frank Fender  
Class 29  
Sewall's Point  
Commissioner

## UPCOMING Stuart/Martin Chamber Events — 772-287-1088

July 9, Tues., 7:45am, **Business B4 Breakfast**, *AshleyCapital*, Chamber Conference Center, 1650 S Kanner Hwy., Stuart

July 10, Wed., 11:45am, **Business At Lunch**, *StormTroopers Home Improvement Ridgecap Roofing Oak & Ember*, 301 S Colorado Ave., Stuart

July 17, Wed., 5:00-8:00pm - **B2B EXPO Business After Hours** - *Indian River State College*  
2400 SE Salerno Road, Stuart - For information Contact Debbi for info: 287-1088, ext. 112

July 23, Tues., 7:45am, **Business B4 Breakfast**, *Humane Society Thrift Store*, 3302 SE Federal Highway, Stuart

July 30, Tues., 7:45am, **Business B4 Breakfast**, *Keith's Home Decor Etc.*, Chamber CC, 1650 S Kanner Hwy., Stuart



**LEADERship Alumni Board  
2024-2025**

**President**

**Chelsey Matheson**  
Florida Atlantic University

**Vice-President**

**Kate Muscarella**  
EW Consultants, Inc.

**Treasurer**

**David Sarno**  
Valley National Bank

**Recording Secretary**

**Jon Milton**  
Milton Engineering Consultants

**Corresponding Secretary**

**Jeremy Harris**  
Growth Squad

**Directors**

**Sarah Baker**  
First Citizens Bank

**George Dzama**  
Martin County Government

**Frank Fender**  
TeamLogic IT

**Elisabeth Glynn**  
United Way of Martin County

**Joanna Greene**  
Martin County Government

**Christina Hunter**  
Martin County Clerk of Court

**Charlene Lyons**  
YMCA of the Treasure Coast

**Melissa Zolla**  
The Firefly Group

**Ex-Officio**

**Past President**  
**Cindy Groover**  
Community Ambassador

**Class Representative**  
**Blaine Isbell**  
Corporate TeamIP

**Youth Planning Chair**  
**Diana Bruton**  
Treasure Coast Realty

**LEADERship Prog. Director**  
**Cindy LaConte**  
Stuart/Martin County Chamber

**LEADERlines Editor**  
**Nancy Sailer**

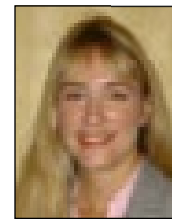
# Bulletin Board

## POST YOUR NOTES



**Sue Whittington** (class 14) is one of the 2024 Dancing with the Martin Stars. This year's dancing competition on September 21 will benefit the Martin County Healthy Start Coalition. Nine volunteers from all walks of life signed to the challenge to dance like a star in a professionally choreographed performance, plus raise funds from supporters eager to cheer them on. The event will be held at the Lyric Theatre in downtown Stuart. Dancers will be judged on their performance and will also earn points for the funds they have raised in the quest to become the 2024 Champion.

July 1, 2024 starts our new year with your annual membership dues for 2024-2025 being sent to you by email for your electronic invoice for you to pay online or by mail to LEADERship Alumni, P.O. Box 794, Stuart, FL. 34995-794 Your support is important for our Martin Youth LEADERship Program, our annual scholarship and educational and networking opportunities.



**Lisa Rhodes** (class 19) Executive Director of the Education Foundation of Martin County was awarded a \$60,000 grant from the HCA Healthcare Foundation. The grant will lead to more healthcare career opportunities for local high school students. The Education Foundation's mission is to enrich and enhance education opportunities and support for students and teachers in our public schools.

*Send in your  
announcements for  
business or  
community activities  
to [jancy11@aol.com](mailto:jancy11@aol.com)*

## 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](http://www.LeadershipMCalumni.com)

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