

Youth LEADERship Orientation

Martin Youth LEADERship (MYL) will officially kick off its next class on Thursday, September 7 when 40 sophomores, juniors and seniors are welcomed to Class 25. Students from all four high-schools in the county, home schooled students, and their parents, will participate in Orientation at the Martin County Realtor Association of the Treasure Coast. MYL Program Chair **Diana Bruton (Class 16)**, **Jeanne Dunn (Class 28)**, **Alec Connolly (Class 11)** and other key volunteers will present Orientation of the program and ice breaker sessions. Only half of the applicants for this year's class were selected for their leadership potential amongst a large pool of applicants vying for a spot. Mr. Connolly, who chairs both LEADERship and COPE Days will present an overview and calendar for the year. Program Coordinator **Jeanne Dunn** will review Attendance, Communication, School Contacts and Transportation. Chairs of each session will be invited to attend, as will the MYL Planning Committee. LEADERship alumni are invited to learn more about this year's program.



Martin Youth LEADERship was established by LEADERship Martin County Alumni in 1995 and sponsors it along with Martin County School District, Children's Services Council, Stuart/Martin Chamber of Commerce, Ampersand Shirt Shack, Publix, Treasure Coast Realty as well as session contributors: 19th Judicial Circuit/Public Defender's Office, 19th Judicial Circuit/State Attorney's Office, Gulf Stream Council/BSA, House of Hope, Indian River State College, Martin County Fair Association, Martin County Sheriff's Office, Seacoast Bank, Stuart 10th Street Center and Tykes & Teens.

The Martin Youth LEADERship Program for high school students is in its 25th year. The program is an opportunity for high school sophomores, juniors and seniors throughout Martin County to develop and enhance their leadership skills. Students must apply and a maximum of 40 are selected to participate in this comprehensive eight-month program that is modeled after LEADERship Martin County. Upon completion, these young Leaders have learned about their community including history, government, business, arts and culture and criminal justice. Class members are given a rare opportunity to reach their highest leadership potential through sessions focusing on leadership enhancing activities.

INVITE

If you would like to attend Orientation or learn more about Martin Youth LEADERship, please see the website at: http://www.leadershipmcalumni.com/youth_leadership.asp
Email MartinYouthLeadership@gmail.com or call Jeanne Dunn at (772) 486-4695.

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SIMSOC SOCIAL

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19

5 - 7 PM

MEET CLASS 33!

LEADERship Martin County Alumni invites you to a meet and greet with the newest class of Martin County LEADERship.



FYSH BAR & GRILL
(FORMERLY TWISTED TUNA)
4290 SE SALERNO ROAD
PORT SALERNO

**NO REGISTRATION
NECESSARY!**

JUST STOP BY AND CONNECT
WITH OLD FRIENDS AND MAKE
NEW ONES!

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**CINDY
GROOVER**
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Board of Directors Changes - Alumni Executive Board

As a result of schedule changes on the part of some of the Board Members, effective September 1st 2023, there is a revised BOD line-up. This new line-up follows succession planning as per current Bylaws. The changes mean Cindy Groover will move from VP into her new role as President, and Sam Bruner will move from President to Immediate Past President. As a result of these changes, Chelsey Matheson will fill the vacant VP role, and Frank Fender will fill the Corresponding Secretary role. Sarah Baker, previous President, and Immediate Past President has agreed to rejoin the Board as a Director.

As always, if anyone is interested in joining the Board, or serving on any of the Committees, please reach out to us via email @ info@leadershipmcalumni.com. The BOD nominating committee begins their review starting April of each year, with final selection taking place no later than June of each year.



Dear Fellow Alumni,

We are now accepting annual membership dues for the 2023-2024 program year!
Your \$75 annual dues are a charitable donation to a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization!

Your dues help fund:

[Martin Youth LEADERship Program](#)
[College Scholarship for Youth LEADERship graduates](#)

- Networking Events
- LEADERship Educational Opportunities
- Monthly Newsletter
- Online Alumni Directory

The LEADERship Martin County Alumni Board of Directors is busy coming up with great educational and networking opportunities for the upcoming program year. Please make sure your profile (especially your contact information) is correct so you don't miss any of our important updates. And don't forget to follow us on [Facebook!](#)

If your business requires a paper invoice for payment, you can request one by contacting info@leadershipmcalumni.com.

Here's to another great year of LEADERship!
Sincerely,

[LEADERship Martin County Alumni Board of Directors](#)

Alumni Community Ambassador - Cher Fisher

Cher Fisher is a proud LEADERShip Class 29 Graduate. After retiring from a 28-year career as an account executive with a leading title insurance company, traveling all of south Florida, she wanted to discover more about her hometown of Stuart, a resident since 1989.

Among her several forays into community service, she joined Kiwanis Club of Stuart in 2015 and became President of the successful club after her retirement, for an unprecedented three year term, from Oct 2019 to Oct 2022.

During Cher's term as President, the club enjoyed several major accomplishments. For the first time in the 70 plus life of the club, Kiwanis Club was designated as the State Club of the Year, among almost 300 clubs in the state! Notable for the club and the community was the renovation of its youth park in downtown Stuart. The \$285,000 renovation featured a "tot lot" for 2-to-5 year-old children and a Sensory Sensitive Garden play area for children with autism, sensory or physical issues. The Community Build Day was held early 2022, and neighbors, police officers, firefighters, community leaders, and Kiwanians worked together to put together the renovation in record time.



Cher is thrilled that her and her club's vision to finish the final phase of the park, for older children 5-12, will be completed within the first quarter of 2024. The City of Stuart owns the property upon which Kiwanis Park is situated and has donated toward the funding the club has raised to ensure the project is completed.

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

August 8, Tues., 7:45am, Business B4 Breakfast, C&W Technologies , Chamber CC, 1650 S Kanner Hwy., Stuart
August 15, Tues., 7:45am, Business B4 Breakfast, Florida Computer Care , Chamber CC, 1650 S Kanner Hwy., Stuart
August 16, Wed., 5:00-8:00pm, Business After Hour & Tournament, Jensen Beach Bowl , 2303 NE Dixie Hwy, JB
August 22, Tues., 7:45am, Business B4 Breakfast, South State Palm City , 2991 SW High Meadows Ave., Palm City
August 29, Tues., 7:45am, Business B4 Breakfast, Western Governors University , Chamber CC, 1650 S Kanner Hwy., Stuart



Bulletin Board

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Chad Hastings

(20), with Lesser, Lesser, Landy & Smith PLLC, has been selected by them as a Super Lawyer of 2023. Being recognized as a Super Lawyer is an exceptional achievement and a title given to only the top 5% of attorneys in each state.



Sheriff William Snyder

(7) and his son, State Representative John Snyder are being recognized by Place of Hope who are building affordable transitional housing in the Treasure Coast. The first complex to be built within the village will be named after them.



Tami Karol

(32) has been honored by Girl Scouts of Southeast Florida as one of five extraordinary women from Martin County at the inaugural Emerald Awards. She was selected for her strong leadership qualities, role model for young women in our community, a problem solver, dreamer, changemaker and doer.

Alumni Class Representatives

We have not heard from you as to what your class is doing. Please let us know if you are meeting for any projects or just to stay in touch. As your class representative YOU should keep your class active and helping in alumni and community events. Hope to see you at the SIMSOC SOCIAL

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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