



## Tomorrow's Leaders



One of the most challenging days of the **Adult and Youth LEADERShip Program** is **C.O.P.E. Day**. Read what our Students learned from their experiences that will make them **"Tomorrow's Leaders"**.

- Understand your teammate better & know their strengths & weaknesses
- I learned the importance of communicating with my group
- Trusting your peers is one of the biggest aspects of working in a group
- It's important to listen to everyone's comments in a group so that we can better contribute to that group
- To communicate my thoughts and have more trust in my teammates
- It is harder to work with a large group compared to a small group, but if a large group can agree, the success will be better
- Being there for your teammates and encouraging them through their uncertainty is a big help
- I learned how important it is to communicate with your group and support each other when you encounter a problem
- If your team has trust in you, you should have trust in your team
- When I trust and communicate with my team, we are better able to achieve our task
- You need to work together and cooperate in order to accomplish harder/more challenging goals
- The day really solidified my trust and my vulnerability in my group
- I LOVED Leap of Faith!
- I learned how to overcome fear and therefore accomplished tasks
- Using problem solving skills to complete the task, with other teammate's support
- Trusting others can help you form connections with them

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## Leaders Give Thanks

LEADERship Alumni held its first Thankful Leaders Breakfast at the Elliott Museum on November 1<sup>st</sup>. Rob Raineri from House of Hope and Meghan Shirey from the Boys and Girls Club of Martin County educated our group about food insecurity in Martin County and what their teams are doing to help feed the hungry. Alumni brought in canned goods for those in need during this holiday season.

Stacey Raineri (Class 10) and her team at The Firefly Group were proud sponsors of a great event that educated our alumni, served our community and brought us all together for some networking time as 2023 comes to a close.



*The Martin County NLAPH Team* participated in National Public Health Leadership Program that centers on raising awareness of Adverse Childhood Experiences. **Michelle Miller**, CPM (Class 31) and **Joanna Greene**, M.S. (Class 32), who are both with Martin County Human Services, have spent the past year participating in the program. Their goal has been to educate parents about these events in order to empower them to promote resiliency in their families. Ms. Miller and Ms. Greene presented the project at the 2023 Department of Juvenile Justice statewide conference in October this year.





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## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY



United Way of Martin County

## UNITED WAY HOLIDAY PROJECT



**DECEMBER 13 & 14**

Shift Times Vary

**MARTIN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS**

Stuart

**Be an elf in the Martin County outpost of Santa's Workshop!\***

**To register,  
scan the QR code or visit  
[unitedwaymartin.org/HolidayProject](http://unitedwaymartin.org/HolidayProject)**

\*Remember to wear your  
LEADERship Alumni shirt!



## Class 33 Back In Classroom

**LEADERship Class 33** went back into the classroom for Education Day, thanks to Martin County School District. They spent the day visiting and getting updates. The Class also enjoyed a great lunch at Martin County High School Tiger's Den.



The lunch was sponsored by Palm City Chamber of Commerce: Missi Campbell class 30 and Children's Services Council of Martin County; Nicole King class 20 and Cheree Ramirez class 27.



Martin County Superintendent Michael Maine joined the class for lunch and an update, with Dr. Leslie Judd, Principal of Clark Advanced Learning Center and Dr. Tracey Miller, Deputy Superintendent of M.C. Schools.



A special thank you to LEADERship Alumni and the Planning Committee: Tim Kinane class 1, Beth Beltran class 28, Dr. Leslie Judd class 21, Cheree Ramirez class 27, Jeanne Dunn class 28 and Dr. Tracy Miller class 27.



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

Dec 5, Tues., 7:45am, Business B4 Breakfast, *The Grace Place*, 1550 SE Salerno Road, Stuart

Dec 12, Tues., 7:45am, Business B4 Breakfast, *Jensen Beach Bowl*, 2303 NE Dixie Highway, Jensen Beach

Dec 14, Thur., 5:30-7:00pm, Business After Hours, *Hobe Sound Farmer's Market*, 1425 SE Bridge Rd., Hobe Sound

Dec 19, Tues., 7:45am, Business B4 Breakfast, **Martin County School Board**, 1939 SE Federal Hwy, Stuart  
Sponsored by: **RJF Environmental**

## *Youth LEADERship Students Learn the Ins and Outs of the Economy*

Youth Students participated in **Economics Day** on November 14. It was coordinated by **Kate Muscarella** (29) from EW Consultants, Inc. and **Joanna Greene** (32) from Martin County Government. The day began at Seacoast Bank in Stuart where Amber Shirk, VP and Banking Center Manager, provided the students with an interactive game on budgeting. Students broke into smaller groups and later shared their very creative approaches with the rest of the class. They also learned the basics on establishing good credit, and why that is so important.

MYL students then went over to O'Donnell Windows, where they heard from owner Bob Thornton and **Amy Thornton** (32) on building businesses and how important it is to get involved in one's community. Students toured the facility and one lucky student (Greg Watkins from JBHS) got to operate a handheld drill to piece together sheet metal into a hurricane shutter. 5 Squared's next stop was to the Robert Morgade Library, where Assistant County Supervisor **George Stokus** (25) discussed the economy. Students learned about the funds which go into our local economy through salaries, benefits, taxes, sales of products, investment, etc. and how these funds also leave our economy through spending in a variety of needs and wants.

The final stop was at LAHIA (Living and Hope in Action), a non-profit which serves our community's homeless and residents dealing with food scarcity, health, transportation and other issues.





# Bulletin Board

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**Carolyn Timmann (C5)**, Clerk & Comptroller for Martin County, was recently appointed to the Criminal and Juvenile Justice Information Systems (CJIS) Council by Governor Ron DeSantis. The CJIS Council is responsible for statewide oversight of justice information systems and data. Additionally, the Council is tasked with developing plans and policies to facility the coordination of information sharing while ensuring appropriate access and security. Carolyn was previously appointed to this position in 2014 by Governor Rick Scott and served as the Chairperson of the Council from 2019 through 2021.



**Frank Fender (29)** was elected last week to the Vice Mayor role for the Town of Se-walls Point. He has been a resident for 18 years and was first elected to the town commission in 2016. Frank is a technology Advisor with Team Logic IT and also a director on the LEADERship Alumni Board.



## 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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