LEADERlines



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LEADERship Thanks Joe

On May 4th 32 leaders of Class 32 graduated from the LEADERship Martin County Program; on April 18th 40 students of Class 24 graduated from the Martin Youth LEADERship Program; and on April 20th Melody McAfee the 25th recipient of the Nancy Sailer Youth Scholarship, was awarded \$8,000. All these accomplishments were achieved because in 1989 the new CEO of the Stuart/Martin County Chamber of Commerce, **Joe Catrambone**, decided to start a LEADERship Program in 1990.



It was a celebration on May 4th with a room full of alumni welcoming 32 new alumni to our LEADERship family of 907 graduates of the program. Volunteers from the planning committee, past presidents from the alumni boards, Tim and Sharon Kinane, Joanne Zarro, Cindy LaConte, George Stokus. Lisa Satur, Chamber Board Chair and of course Nancy and Jack Sailer. Joe, has supported the LEADERship Alumni and Youth Program with the use of his facilities at the Chamber of Commerce since they were established.

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Class 32 Graduation

It was an evening to celebrate Class 32 graduating at *The Stuart Yacht and Country Club*. They were joined by many of their family and alumni friends. Congratulations to Joanna Greene, the Class 32 Representative, who spoke about how awesome the program was for the class. Our thanks to the LEADERship Planning Committee members and sponsors for the evening: Joe Catrambone, LaConte Engineering, LEADERship Martin County Alumni, Stuart/Martin County Chamber of Commerce and Tim Kinane.



Has it been a year already? - Cindy Groover

Yes! It is that time again. Time to renew your membership AND renew your commitment to our mission of developing future LEADERS in Martin County through our **LEADERship Youth Program**. As a reminder, our 501(c)3 Alumni Organization is named:

LEADERship Martin County Alumni Foundation for Youth, Inc.

There is a reason for that. We represent thousands of dollars and volunteer hours helping prepare our youth for future LEADERship roles. AND we ensure ongoing LEADERship development among our Alumni group via Events, Networking, and Continuing Education. This is all possible thanks to the donations our Alumni make in the form of paying their annual \$75.00 dues.

This year, for the first time, we are joining the ranks of "save the trees" and asking you to pay your dues via the website payment link. No more trees will be sacrificed to send an invoice when alternative options are available. You will be provided with a receipt upon payment, however, if you still need an invoice in order make a request for payment from your business, we can accommodate that as well. Just drop us an email @ info@leadershipmcalumni.com with your request, including all the Alumni names you are renewing on behalf of. We will be happy to email an invoice. And, while you are on the website paying your dues, take a look at your profile and confirm your information is up to date. If you have any changes, they should be emailed to the same info@leadershipmcalumni.com. Bottom line, we need your support in the form of paying dues in order to continue supporting our wonderful programs. As the saying goes, we are "paying it forward" and in our case, continuing to reap the benefits.



Class 30 Strong Alumni got together at Cindy Groover's house to celebrate the six new babies who have joined them since they graduated. Also to offer support to Joan Goodrich who has been selected to compete in Dancing with Martin County Stars. Only one baby (Tyler Raynes) was able to make the event along with Robert Shaffer, Terry Eve, Tyker Raynes and baby Jack, Mary Ann Searle, Cindy Groover, Missi Campbell, Lisa Tufo and Joan Goodrich.

Alumni Volunteers for Martin Youth LEADERship's Program Class 25

Martin Youth LEADERship holds sessions similar to those held in the adult LEADERship program, typically on the third Tuesday of the month. MYL is always looking for volunteers to learn more about or volunteer to help with our sessions. Sessions start at approximately 8am and end at approximately 1:30pm, so volunteers can still spend time at their place of work on those days.

Please contact Jeanne Dunn at <u>martinyouthleadership@gmail.com</u> or 772-486-4695 if you would like to learn more about the amazing things our students do as they learn about leadership and Martin County. The session topics and dates are listed below:

September 19	Art & Culture Day	January 16
October 17	Health & Wellness Day	February 20
November 21	Career Day	March 19
December 12	Capstone & Graduation Day	April 24
	October 17 November 21	October 17 Health & Wellness Day November 21 Career Day



BOARD OF DIRECTORS INSTALLATION



Thursday, June 22nd 5pm to 8pm

Please join us for appetizers & drinks as we welcome the LEADERship Martin County Alumni board of directors for the 2023-2024 year.

\$30 per person, includes food and drinks

Twisted Tuna, 4290 SE Salerno Rd. Stuart

Register at: www.leadershipmcalumni.com/events

SEARCH FOR APPLICANTS

What an exciting LEADERship year we have had! On May 4th Class 32 "Heck of a Crew" graduated as the best class ever this year. Every year the class will ask me if they are the best class we have had in the program, and I know Nancy would agree every year is the best ever that year.

Martin County LEADERship Program's success and growth is due to our Alumni volunteers and our Community Partners. We would not be able to put forth the awesome program we do without these partnerships. The Stuart/Martin County Chamber is fortunate to have these partnerships.

The days continue to be enhanced each year, by including what is relevant in the community, from Economic Day and a discussion on Affordable Housing to Health and Human Resource Day discussing if Martin County



is a Healthy Community. The Leadership skills sessions, thanks to Alumnus Tim Kinane, continue to enhance the program and add a valuable educational experience. The year goes fast ultimately with the class experiencing their Capstone Day with both excitement and a little sadness that their year has come to an end so soon. If you haven't been to a Capstone Day in a while, plan to stop by next year, it's always the first Thursday in May, you won't be disappointed. We are always looking for volunteers for the different days. If you would like to get involved in next year's preparation, please call or email me at claconte@stuartmartichamber.org. Our Planning Committee meets the second Thursday of each month at 8 AM in the Chamber Conference Center.

We have started our search for applicants who are ready to take on a new challenge and explore Martin County. If you have someone in your business or organization, or know someone in your industry, please let me know and I will get an application to them. I would like to thank the Planning Committee for the awesome job they do all year long planning, scheduling, and following through on the various days. These Alumni have taken the leadership role seriously and have gone the extra mile. They are fulfilling the on-going mission of LEADERship Alumni. I invite all Alumni to join us, or the Youth LEADERship Planning Committee at any time during the year. Call me for more information at 772.341.6096 or email me any time at claconte@stuartmartinchamber.org.

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

June 6, Tues., 7:45am, Business Before Breakfast, Three Little Birds, 740 SW Federal Highway, Stuart

June 13, Tues., 7:45am, Business Before Breakfast, Harbor Place Senior Living, 3700 SE Jennings Rd., Port St. Lucie

June 14, Wed., 11:45am, Business At Lunch Legislative Wrap-up, Crane Club at Tesoro, 2000 SE Via Tesoro, PSL Sponsored by: FPL, Recovery Ins. Adjusters, RV Johnson Ins., Live Hearty

June 20, Tues., 7:45am, Business Before Breakfast, My Living Media, 2081 SE Ocean Blvd., Stuart

June 21, Wed., 5:30-7:00pm, Business After Hours, Sandhill Cove, 1500 SW Capri Street, Palm City

June 27, Tues., 7:45am, Business Before Breakfast, Comcast Business Chamber CC, 1650 S Kanner Hwy., Stuart

SAVE THE DATE - B2B - BUSINESS 2 BUSINESS EXPO, Wednesday, July 19th - 5:00-8:00pm Indian River State College - call Debbi at 287-1088, ext. 112



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Mike Dadko, CFP Class 12, was appointed by Governor DeSantis to the 19th Circuit Court Judicial Nominating Commission. He is the only non-attorney on the

commission. Dadko is the Executive Vice President/Wealth Management of Sailfish Wealth Management Group.



Joseph (Ned) Kenna, Class 4, born on April 10th 1938, in Elizabeth, NJ, passed away on April 16th, 2023, survived by his wife Joyce and son Pat-

rick. He leaves behind a legacy of entrepreneurship, sportsmanship, and an unforgettable personality. As the owner of the Triangle Bar and Lounge he catered many alumni events.



Pete Lashenka, Class 20, is head of the Personal Property and Estate Sales division of Elliot Paul & Company Auctions, leading experts with 30 years'

experience in the sale of real estate and personal property at auction.



Chelsey Matheson, Class 30, recently started a new position as the Associate Director for Research Communications at Florida Atlantic

University. She was previously with the Kane Center. She serves on our Alumni Board. We wish her the best as a leader in her future career.

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 LEADERship Alumni P.O. Box 794 Stuart, FL 34995-794