

#### October 2024

#### 2023-2024 EXECUTIVE BOARD

President: Julie Fite Vice President: Kelly Smith Secretary: Robin Nuccio Treasurer: Patti Coleman Directors: Jan Falkum, Susan Krajewski, Jane McCloskey, Linda Sanford, Joy Sullivan, Kathy Nash

### **President's Letter**

Dear Members,

As we "Fall" into our busy season, I hope you all are geared up to make this season the best that it can be! We've already secured many dates for fundraising events that you can check out in this newsletter. We're excited to form some committees and start making things happen. We will have a full agenda for our first meeting of the season on October 23rd. We will be at the Island Pancake House once again! Times and menu options are included in this newsletter as well. I will be sending a few e-mails with attachments out prior to our membership meeting. In order to get an idea what our Board of Directors have taken on as far as responsibilities, here is a brief description of those breakdowns:

Kelly Smith-Vice President, Casino Night Committee Head, Social Dates and Meeting Speakers. Patti Coleman-Treasurer, Budget, Monthly Treasurer's Report, Putt and Pub.

Robin Nuccio-Secretary, Minutes for BOD Meetings and Membership Meetings and Merchandise.

Jan Falkum, Director-Membership Portal, Communication, Website.

Susan Krajewski-Director, Scholarship Committee Head, Fashion show Committee Head, Drag Queen Bingo date coordinator.

Joy Sullivan-Director, Pickleball Tournament Director, Calendar, Merchandise.

Kathy Nash-Director, Newsletter, assist Jane with Membership responsibilities. Jan McCloskey, Beach Clean ups, Membership responsibilities.

Since Hurricane Helene hit us all more than we would have liked, we noticed that FMB Strong was asking for cleaning items and anything else to assist our community. The BOD voted to donate some funds and our members voted a majority of votes to donate \$2,500.00 to FMB Strong. It was given to them on 10/3. We are off to a generous start folks! I look forward to seeing you all at the October meeting. Thank you for all that you do.

Julie

#### **October Member Meeting**

For the Oct 23rd membership meeting at the Island's Pancake House, dinner is being offered with:

Light Appetizer Salad Meat Lasagna or Veggie Lasagna (please choose) Dessert(tbd)

Our speaker will be Jennifer Rusk sharing her new educational coloring book on beach animals.

Please respond to <u>FMBCFmembership@gmail.com</u> by Monday Oct 21st if you will be attending and if you wish to have dinner, please specify either meat or veggie lasagna.

A \$22 fee will be paid at the door, for those choosing to eat, and they have a full cash bar.

Dinner begins at 5pm and the meeting begins at 5:30

Hope to see you there.

#### **Be Social!**

Come to Happy Hour with FMBCF members on Wednesday, Oct 30th! We will be at Snug Harbor from 4-6pm.

Day Before Father's Day Pub Crawl



On June 15th, 2024, Ed and Kim Ryan hosted a Day Before Father's Day Pub Crawl. The event raised \$4000 for the FMB Community Foundation by way of 50/50 drawings, generous raffle prizes awarded at each stop and Individual donations.

It was a great event attended by many, including The Yellow Army and members of the Community Foundation.

The day began at License to Chill, and made multiple stops, including The Lighthouse Tiki Bar, La Ola, Rude Shrimp Company, Nervous Nellies, while ending at Wahoo Willies.

The Community Foundation wishes to sincerely thank, Beach Talk Radio, all the restaurants that made it possible, the generous donations from multiple businesses and all the wonderful volunteers!!

We can't wait til next time!!





International Coastal Cleanup

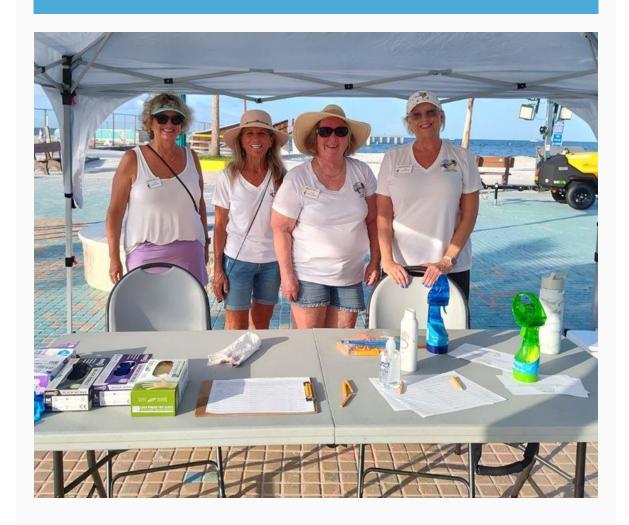


International Coastal Cleanup on Sept 21st. Amy Gillette and her husband, Tre, helped Jane MCloskey register the volunteers as well as hand out the supplies. We also had 2 people from Keep Lee County Beautiful there.

At FMB Elementary, we had 200 volunteers and collected 450 pounds.

Overall, Keep Lee County Beautiful had 19 sites in Lee County with 975 volunteers and collected about 5,836 pounds.

## July 5th Beach Clean Up



# **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Fort Myers Beach Community Foundation seeks to empower our members and our community by encouraging philanthropy to improve the overall quality of life in Fort Myers Beach. We respond to the changing and emerging needs of our community by providing support for education, health and welfare, and the preservation of our natural environment and history.

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