



November 2024

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President's Letter

Dear Members,

Welcome November and our members that are returning to Southwest Florida for the winter. The license plates have been changing color so it must be time!!

Due to two hurricanes, our schedule was adjusted slightly for October meetings and our Happy Hour. We were fortunate to have our membership meeting and dinner at the Island Pancake House. Brian and Stacy were lovely and everyone commented on how "normal" it felt to be there and we certainly grab onto whatever normalcy comes our way since Ian. Jen Rusk, a fellow member of the Community Foundation, and our MERTF contact spoke and shared the coloring books that have been distributed as a learning tool for our youth in the area.

Our Happy Hour was at Snug Harbor and we had a wonderful turnout with some spouses coming along! It was a great time and Alex King and his team came and presented us with a \$20,000.00 check for our fundraising costs this 2024-2025 season. Thank you Alex and the King Family Foundation. Sanibel Captiva Community Bank presented us a check for \$5,000.00 to assist with beach residents after Hurricane Helene and Milton. Thank you so much!

Our next membership meeting will be held at the Island Pancake House on Wednesday, November 20th with dinner at 5pm and our meeting at 5:30pm. Look forward to seeing you

all!

Julie Fite
President FMBCF

November Member Meeting



11/20/2024
Island Pancake House

Appetizer
House salad
Chicken, Pineapple skewers with a Honey Bourbon Sauce
Pumpkin Squares with a cream cheese frosting

Vegetarian option is
Mushroom, pineapple skewers with Honey Bourbon Sauce

Please reply to FMBCFMembership@gmail.com by noon Monday Nov 18 if you will be attending and with your choice of meal. The meals are \$25 and a cash bar is available.

If a Reservation is made and not cancelled by Monday, Nov 18 at 12:00 noon the member will be charged.

The doors open at 4:45, dinner is server at 5:00 and the meeting will begin at about 5:30.

Our speaker is Dawn Thomas, the Women's Club President.

Sanibel Captiva Community Bank Donation



Amy Quegge VP-Director of Marketing from Sanibel Captiva Community Bank presented Julie Fite a check for \$5,000.

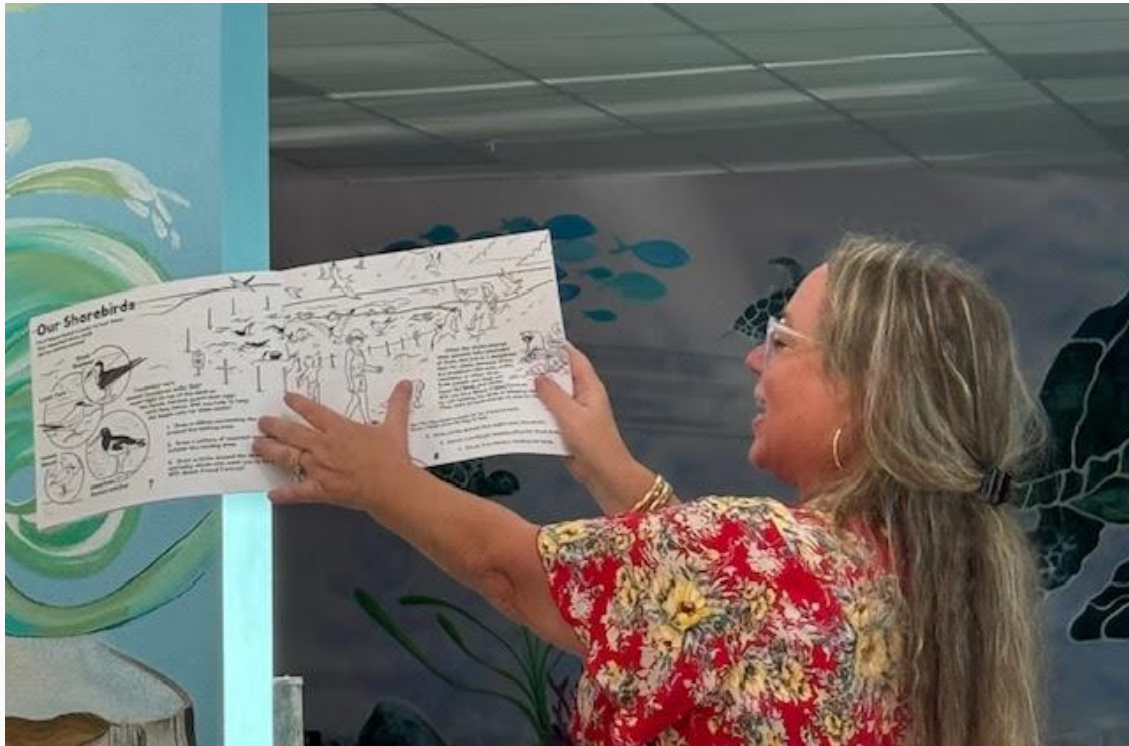
October Dinner Meeting Pictures







Annie Lump giving our inspirational message.



Jennifer Rusk showing the coloring book we helped purchase.

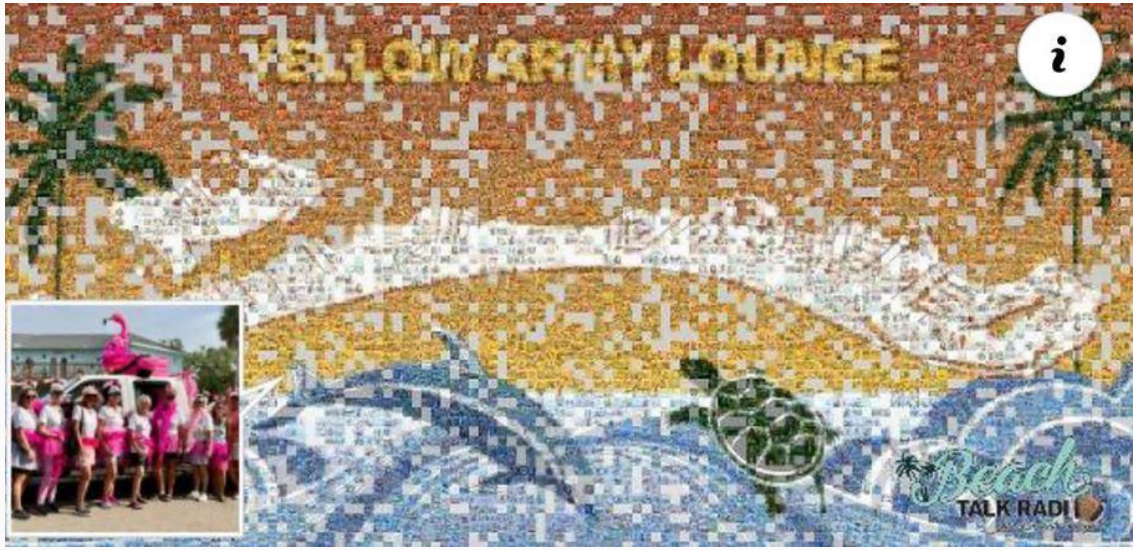
Alex King Helps Us Again



Thanks to our special guest at happy hour at Snug Harbor on October 30th—Alex King from the King Family Foundation—who presented us with \$20,000 to cover expenses for our 2024-2025 winter fundraisers!

FMB Woman's Club Yellow Army Wall

We have submitted 5 pictures to go on the Yellow Army Wall at the new Woman's Club. Learn more about this at our November meeting.







Monofilament Madness



Jane McCloskey, Jan Falkum, Karen Paine and Ellen Vaughan helped collect monofilament at the Mound House.



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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