



Executive Board

2025-2026 EXECUTIVE BOARD

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Presidents' Letter

Dear Members,

Welcome back to those who have traveled this summer and returned. We'll be seeing more members as the season progresses.

We were very sad to lose one of our members, Betty Simpson. She passed away on September 6th. A donation of \$100 has been sent to The Estero Island Historic Society in her name.

The summer lingers but the fall activities are starting already. We hotsed the International Coastal Cleanup at the Beach School this month, Sept 20th, and had a nice group of volunteers. Then Monofilament Madness will be on October 25th. We don't have a launch place yet, but if you have a kayak and would like to paddle along the bay and collect trash, you can sign up and learn more at the Keep Lee County Beautiful website: www.klcb.org.

In October, we will be starting up the monthly socials, a good time to get together with friends who have been off on various vacations. Feel free to invite friends, male or female, who might be interested in joining the foundation.

We are excited about hosting a new event, the Halloween Carnival Pub Crawl which will involve about 8 pubs, games at each venue and prizes at the Whale. We hope to build this up in the future years to become a good money maker for us.

We have secured 2 parking lots for the Sand Sculpting event from Nov 21 – 24 so we hope to do as well as we did last year or better. We will need volunteers.

Our first meeting is on October 15th, again at the Pancake House. We hope you all can join us then when we discuss and vote on this year's budget and any rule changes that come up.

We will have a sign-up sheet at the October meeting for the various events this year, so think about signing up with other foundation members and join in the fun!

Looking forward to this season.

Jane and Amy

International Coastal Cleanup



Our Coastal Cleanup on September 20th. We collected over 300 pounds of trash!

New Event-Haunted Carnival Pub Crawl



October Dinner Meeting

Our October Dinner Meeting will be back at the Island Pancake House on Wednesday, October 15th. We will meet at 5pm. Fee will be \$25 for dinner with a cash bar. Keep an eye out for emails that will detail meal choices.

We will discuss the upcoming year and events, along with reviewing the budget and any needed rule changes. Jan Falkum will also do a demonstration on how to use the website portal that some members are having difficulty with. This will be a great time to catch up and get ready for a busy season!

October Social



On Wednesday, October 22nd we will have our first social of the season. We will meet at SOB's on Old San Carlos Blvd. Come join the fun from 4-6pm.

We need Volunteers and Members!

PLEASE, consider volunteering to help with our events this year. We welcome all members to help with projects we have planned. We will be asking for help and having sign up sheets at our meetings. Please consider helping with at least one event this year, you will have fun!

Also, as with all groups our membership is declining. Consider bringing friends to our meetings and events to let them learn about us. We do so much good for the island, we should all be proud to be part of the Fort Myers Beach Community Foundation!





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