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## Executive Board

### 2025-2026 EXECUTIVE BOARD

Co-Presidents: Amy Gillette & Jane McCloskey

Secretary: Patti Coleman

Treasurer: Annie Lump

Directors: Jan Falkum, Heidi Jungwirth, Joy Sullivan, Kathy Nash, Ellen Vaughan

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## Presidents' Letter

Dear Members,

Wow, we have been busy! We hope you were able to participate in all the fun.

Our April meeting will resume our 5pm start time at the Pancake House. Hopefully traffic will be better by then.

The Shrimp Parade was a success. Although hot, there were crowds lining San Carlos waving and cheering as the floats went by. Nicole Rettig did a great job organizing her truck into a Flamingo float with the decorations and costumes.

The St. Patrick's Day parade was another huge success. Kathy Dollins did a great job and our float won third place in our category with a nice \$200 check! Great job to all, especially Kathy's husband whose truck we used and was our driver.

Patti Coleman organized another dinner at the Ronald McDonald House where we made a deliciously smelling lasagna dinner for the families staying there. Patti has asked if any people living here in the summer want to continue to volunteer to cook dinner at the Ronald McDonald House, please let her know.

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Joy did a wonderful job with the Pickleball Tournament. Everyone had a great time, and we raised over \$4,000.

In April, we look forward to the King of Diamonds Casino Night being held this year at the Margaritaville Beach Resort on April 11. The tickets are now available for purchase on our website for \$125 which includes parking! Yeah! We can use donations for our baskets such as gift cards or items for auction. Please contact Kathy Nash at 410-703-9559 with any donations. We hope to see you all there.

We will be collecting more ACT donations at our April meeting. See the article in this newsletter. Thank you in advance for helping these unfortunate woman and children.

Jane and Amy

**Pickle Ball Tournament**

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Joy Sullivan ran another successful Pickle Ball Tournament on March 21st. The day started with Mayor Dan Allers and Town Manager Will McKannay playing against Kim and Ed Ryan. It was a great day with over \$4,000 raised for the Foundation.

### **March & April Birthdays**

Please help us wish a Happy Birthday to these lovely ladies celebrating this month!

Annie Meehan  
Sandy Sandness  
Nicole Rettig  
Jane McCloskey  
Margaret Riley

### **Casino Night**

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There is still time to get your tickets!  
This event is so much fun, do not miss out!

**Friends of Bay Oaks**



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During our March lunch meeting our speaker was William Murphy from the Friends of Bay Oaks. He told us of some ambitious plans they are contemplating.

### Shrimp Parade



Our own pink flamingos in the Shrimp Parade. Thank you Nicole Rettig for chairing this fun event!

### St. Patrick's Day Parade

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Kathy Dollins did a great job with our float and volunteers had a lot of fun. We even saw Alex King and his wife Nina at the after party.

## New Members



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Amy Gillette welcomed Rebecca Link and Ann Marie Wingert as new members at our last meeting.

### **ACT-Abuse, Counseling and Treatment**

Abuse Counseling and Treatment, Inc. has several locations in Fort Myers, Florida. They strive to empower survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking through community support. We have supported them for many years. In the past we have made welcome bags with needed personal essentials (tooth brushes, tooth paste, soap, shampoo, etc), then we did a wish list of items the past few years. This year they have asked for gift cards and large size diapers. Please bring any gift cards and or diapers to our April meeting. Thank you in advance for supporting women in need, during their worst days.

Gift Cards requested for:

Haircuts

Target

Walmart

Publix

Fast food

Bus Passes

Kohl's

even some places where Moms and children can enjoy a few hours of fun:

Movies

Putt Putt

Barnes & Noble

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