



Plantation Community Foundation

February 2021 Newsletter



The Plantation Community Foundation Board of Directors held its first meeting of the new year in January with goals to continue development of exciting fundraising programs, grow membership and create a higher level of awareness in our community.

We wish to acknowledge the tremendous support and enthusiasm our volunteers give to our mission of **"Making a Difference"** in the lives of those less fortunate.



Your current Board is made up of returning members President Donna Kubik, Vice President Brenda Eckard, Treasurer Ray Leather, Secretary Kathleen Braglia, Fundraising Chairperson Kathy Mason, and Volunteer Chairperson Bruce Hamlin.

In October 2020 they were joined by new members Don Broman and Linda Decker. In January 2021, Bruce Kilroy filled a vacancy created by the resignation of Steve O'Regan due to Covid restriction in Canada.

Congratulations Ray Leather



In October 2020, Ray Leather, Board Member and Treasurer of the PCF, participated in the first remote learning class for governance training provided by the Invest in Incredible division of the Gulf Coast Community Foundation of Venice, Florida. The 5 hour class met once a week for 4 weeks via Zoom with presentations provided by experts in the non-profit arena and with participants collaborating in virtual break-out rooms.

There were thirty-seven participants representing other non-profit organizations throughout Sarasota County. The information gleaned from the class will facilitate PCF's ability to rise to the challenges encountered in an ever-changing non-profit environment faced with increased needs. Overshadowing this environment is the ever-increasing competition for limited and scarce charitable donations.

Upcoming Events

Our first event of the Fall fundraising season, Bluegrass & BBQ, was a great success. Be sure to **Join Us** for one or all of our remaining events. Remember, our goal is to raise monies throughout each season for the Grant Awards Program.

OUTDOOR CHARITY CONCERT AND DINNER



For over a decade, The Alter Eagles have been astonishing audiences across the United States with their inspiring tribute to the number one selling band of all time in North America. The Alter Eagles will be selling their guitar pick jewelry with 10% of the proceeds being donated to the Plantation Community Foundation.



3:30 Sunday, March 7, 2021

Plantation G&CC lawn

\$75/pp Member Donation

All Others \$80/pp Donation

Dinner Included

Silent Auction

50/50 Raffle

***Front & center premium seating is available at \$125/pp, which includes 2 beverages of your choice. Premium seating limited to 10 tables of 4.**

For more information and to register call 941-497-4826 or go to www.plantationcommunityfoundation.org/events



**Tea It Up for the Troops and Plantation Community Foundation
invite you to join us**

**Sunday, March 28, 2021
Entry Fee: \$250/pp**

- Registration at 7:00 AM
- Opening Ceremony at 7:45
- Shotgun at 8:15 – Scramble
- Continental Breakfast
- Outside BBQ Lunch
- “Goodie Bag”

Sponsorship Opportunities
* Walk of Honor \$50 * Hole Sponsor \$200 *
* Corporate Sponsor \$2,000 * Corporate Sponsor \$,1000 *

Proceeds from this event will benefit a South County Veteran and Southeastern Guide Dogs.



For more information, please contact:
PCF Office – 941-497-4826
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Lucky Ducks are Coming!

Landing in the PG&CC pool on April 15th!!

Make sure you don't miss out!!

It's a Covid Careful fundraising event, and you don't need to attend to win.

**Buy your Duck Chances - \$20 for one or 6 for \$100.
We'll contact you with your numbers.**

On **April 15th**, **4-6:00**, we'll pluck the ducks from the pool. If we pull a duck with your number, **YOU WIN!!** Prizes! Prizes! Prizes! Cash, gift cards, and more! Music! Entertainment! Cash Bar!

How do you buy chances?

- Watch for **Duck Forms** that will be mailed soon to PCF members.
- Stop in to see **Dorothy at the PCF office.**
- Go to our website **plantationcommunityfoundation.org**. You can use a credit card
- Look for **Duck Agents** selling chances: Patsy Scuzzo (Head Agent), Lizz & Charlie Bridge, Frank & Toni Walls, Ruth Ruud, Myrna Bianco, and Trixie Freind.

Who can buy chances?

Anyone and everyone can purchase Lucky Duck Chances! PCF Members, Residents of Plantation, Residents not in Plantation, your friends, your neighbors, your relatives!

Duck Notes: Your purchased duck(s) will be assigned a number and held at the PCF Office. On the day of the event, volunteers will place your duck(s) in the pool for the "Duck Plucking".

Grant Spotlight



Neuro Challenge Foundation for Parkinson's

Over the years Neuro Challenge Foundation for Parkinson's has been a Grant Recipient. Neuro Challenge is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization created to improve the quality of life of people with Parkinson's disease and their caregivers. Neuro Challenge provides individualized Care Advising and over 50 monthly virtual and community-based education, therapeutic and support programs in Sarasota, Manatee, Pinellas, Highlands, Marion and Charlotte counties. All Neuro Challenge essential services and programs are offered at no cost to people with Parkinson's disease and their loved ones.

When the pandemic shelter-in-place mandates began in March, Neuro Challenge immediately recognized how critical it would be for people with Parkinson's disease and their caregivers to get and stay connected.

The Neuro Challenge Care Advisors in the local North Port office located at Peace River Church began outreach calls and continued tele-care advising services and saw service to the Parkinson's community increase through the pandemic.

Neuro Challenge became a lifeline to many who faced isolation, were suddenly without respite programs or therapeutic exercise opportunities. Neuro Challenge connected the North Port area Parkinson's community virtually in ways that suddenly reached people with Parkinson's and their caregivers in the safety of their homes.