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BENTLEY VILLAGE FOUNDATION

Happenings

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Bentley Wings Scholarships

The "Bentley Wings" Competitive Scholarships assist many recipients and have spawned many heartwarming stories about the impact of receiving this award. One family story comes from a well known Vi at Bentley Village employee and her family. Michelle Rose is Manager of the Lakeside Grille, and her daughter Hannah, is a recipient of a Bentley Village Foundation Scholarship.

Hannah and Michelle Rose

Hannah is attending UCF in Orlando, and working towards a Business Management Degree with a minor in Education. She is in the transition period between her sophomore and junior year of study. Hannah says that although she may want to teach, she recognizes the need to be flexible when entering the job market which is why she is also studying business.

Hannah also has another scholarship plus she works part time at the school student union to supplement financing her education. With her limited free time, she volunteers with SALT, a charitable organization serving the homeless.

Michelle is a 20 year employee of Vi at Bentley Village, starting her career as a server, and working up to her current position as Manager Lakeside Grille. Looking back a few years, Michelle's son Dillan Rose was also a recipient of a Bentley Village Foundation scholarship, and earned a two year certificate. Dillan is currently working in the Orlando area.

Saruthna Fleury

Another scholarship recipient story is that of Saruthna Fleury, who not only has a scholarship from the Bentley Village Foundation, but also has an additional scholarship from Collier Community Foundation (CCF). Saruthna's mother is a licensed practical nurse at Bentley Village. Both Saruthna and her mother have expressed their appreciation for the scholarship program and how helpful it has been for furthering her education.

The Foundation has awarded 85 scholarships since the program began in 2016, and is currently funding 36 active student recipients. The award grant for current year recipients is $6,000 for a school year.

Six new awardees were granted scholarships this year (2022),

Gabriella Fernandez –Employee – Pursuing a Doctorate of Nursing

Andree Ducasse – Dependent – Planning to study Master's in Public Health with a concentration in Epidemiology

Lory Garraux – Dependent – Planning to study Health Science

Antonio Francois – Dependent - Planning to study Biology

Hannah Rose – Dependent – Studying Business and Education

Cyntia Marcelin – Dependent – Planning to study Biology

Events

The Foundation continues to provide a variety of programs which are designed to lift your spirits and be therapeutic as we struggle to emerge from the veil of COVID restrictions.

The event that put a crowning touch on the first half of this year was the July 8 **Jukebox Saturday Night** appreciation concert with dancing that rocked the rafters and walls of the of the Palmetto Room. The event honored our donors, sponsors, volunteers and partners.

Kay & Art Gayla

Mary & Bruce McCarthy

Barbara & Doc Repice

Earlier in the year the Foundation sponsored several well-attended presentations and programs including Joey Evans' humor and magic in March and the famous Jimmy Keys in April. Jody DeSalvo and sons delighted the audience with their renditions of hits from the 60's and 70's in March, and in May, Angela Tarquini-Sanders provided a very helpful instruction on Mindfulness Techniques. On selected Tuesday or Friday evenings Doug Williams tickled the keyboards for pre-dinner sing-along concerts and musical trips down memory lane.

March – Bentley favorites, Jody DeSalvo and her sons brought back the hits of the 60s and 70s.

March – Joey Evans' humor and magic was a welcome relief after two-years of Covid restrictions.

April – Jimmy Keys brought laughter and music to over 200 residents.

May – Angela Tarquini-Sanders guided residents in mindfulness techniques.

Doug Williams brings music from a variety of decades and invites residents to sing along.

SW Florida Outreach

Early this year the Foundation made a grant of $20,000 to the Naples Senior Center for their Arts and Crafts Program for seniors. This program provides a variety of therapeutic activities to participating seniors. The accompanying picture shows a group of Art Class participants proudly displaying their work. The Bentley Village Foundation participates in this type of senior-to-senior outreach as part of fulfilling our Mission, and also as part of maintaining our not-for-profit status consistent with IRS regulations.

Membership Campaign

2022 has been a banner year for the Foundation Membership Campaign with 289 gifts received through July totaling over $275,000! We anticipate exceeding our membership goal of $300,000 before year-end.

Your contribution each year to the Scholarship Fund or the General Fund enriches the lives of our residents, employees and other seniors in Southwest Florida enhancing their cultural, intellectual, emotional and/or physical well-being for all.

Your financial support allows the Foundation to continue our mission of making life-changing education, therapeutic music programs, and bettering lives of seniors, here in Southwest Florida. We are grateful for everyone's ongoing support!

Dollars for Scholars Golf

Mark your calendars for the Foundation Dollars for Scholars Golf Tournament scheduled for November 18.

This year's tournament will feature:

- Putting & chipping contest
- Hole-in-one contest
- Golf Prizes with some new surprises
- On-line & in person Silent Auction
- Banquet
- Raffle Drawing

Dollars for Scholars Committee started planning and working months ago to bring you an exciting and fun-filled event in 2022.

Stan Geer, Golf Pro, presents Harlan Parrish, FineMark Bank, with the 2021 Putting Contest Award

Brian Hitch, 2021 Bentley Village Foundation President, and wife Janice get ready to participate in the tournament.

Jerry Weis on Hole 8

Memorials and Tributes for the First Half 2022

In Memory

Al Elders
Susan Goodwin and
Braxton Hinchey

Alan G. Merten
Sarah Merten

Barbara Folkertsma
Marian Marx

Carolyn Brown
Ramona & Marty Barrett
Marvin & Barbara Marcus
Alan & Karen Rosenstein
Marian Marx

Collette Dierker
Ric & Mary Beth Huttenlocher

Dan Morton
Marilyn Olson

Dick Timbers
Arlene Birnbaum
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Nancy Wallace
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Eugene Blanchard
Al & Carolyn Fulton
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Braxton Hinchey
Marian Marx
Blanche Coffey
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Alan & Karen Rosenstein
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Braxton Hinchey
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The Family of Ruth Hilado
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Tony Mercorella
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Braxton Hinchey

William Aiken
James & Sheila Ware

William Cordier
James & Sheila Ware
Dave & Marcia Courtney
James & Natalie Wismar
Lee & Caryl Koenig

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Cynthia Carlson
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Susan Sterner

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The Foundation thanks everyone who has chosen to honor those you love with a contribution in their name.
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