Dear Friends:

This year, the Beaches Area Historical Society will host its 39th gala Beach Legends. The fun, which includes a cocktail hour, silent and live auctions, and a seated dinner, begins at 6:30 p.m. Friday, September 20, at TPC Sawgrass Clubhouse. Proceeds will go toward educational programs and operational needs of the Beaches Museum. Your auction donation is needed to make the 2019 Beach Legends fundraiser a success!

Recognizing that tomorrow’s history is being made today, the highlight of the evening will be our annual awards presentation honoring well-known, contemporary individuals. These Legends have made, and are making, significant contributions to the on-going history of Mayport, Atlantic Beach, Neptune Beach, Jacksonville Beach, Ponte Vedra Beach and Palm Valley.

The 2019 Legend Honorees are shown in the attached information.

Since the first meeting on February 22, 1978, the Beaches Museum has worked to ensure “a future for our past” thanks to the support of individuals, organizations and people like you!

If you will support us this year, please return the enclosed sponsor donation form and payment as acknowledgement. Visit beachesmuseum.org to learn more about the work the Beaches Museum does to preserve our coastal heritage. Our success depends on the help and support of all sponsors and donors. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated!

Sincerely yours,

Beach Legends Auction Committee
2019 BEACH LEGENDS

SHERRI ANTHONY

Sherri Anthony celebrated her thirty-third year as the Nease High School girls' basketball coach with a 29-2 season and runner up Florida State Champion. Coach Anthony has led her Panthers to more than 600 wins and countless titles and honors over these years. But she is most loved and respected for her fierce dedication to her players. Sherri Anthony has taught several generations of girls to love the game, to be loyal and to be true to their school.

KELVIN (BERNIE) BLUE

Bernie Blue is a lifelong athlete with a love of football, basketball and track. He was a member of the original staff of Nease High School in 1980 and as Head Coach, he fostered the athletic skills, love of sports and team spirit in generations of Nease Panthers. Coach Blue was also Dean Blue. He was loved as a role model with a firm but fair way with students. He retired from education in 2016 but has remained at Nease as the Head Track and Field Coach, continuing his emphasis on commitment and loyalty.

KATHY JOHANSEN MARVIN

Generations of Beach residents have written their family histories at restaurants owned by Kathy Marvin and her family. Kathy and her parents before her owned Le Chateau, The Homestead and First Street Grill – all places where locals visited after the prom, proposed to their sweethearts and celebrated family occasions. Kathy understands the importance of good food served in unique and timeless settings and the role that restaurants play in building communities.

FELICIA RHODEN

A dancer since childhood, Felicia Rhoden has been performing and teaching for over 50 years in cities up and down the east coast. She is the beloved Director of Dance Ministry at Christ Church in Ponte Vedra, where every December for the last 23 years she has been producing her own joyful version of “The Nutcracker.” This program has grown from 18 performers to an ensemble of over 300, ranging in age from 2 ½ years to 100.

DR. JOHN TANNER

With an opioid crisis gripping many families and communities, it is appropriate this year to recognize the cutting edge work of Dr. John Tanner. Dr. Tanner has been the medical director of addiction facilities or psychiatric hospitals since 1985, providing treatment, professional training and research into new therapies. He was one of three principal investigators for the phase II/III research leading to DEA approval of Suboxone Film, part of a hopeful treatment for opioid dependence.
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