



# NEWS & Views



Fall 2014

## Golf Tournament brings in nearly \$500,000 for college scholarships

Nearly a half-million dollars was raised for scholarships at the Founders Fund 2014 Ed Brennan Memorial Golf Tournament and Banquet. The fundraiser, held at The Club Pelican Bay on April 7, 2014, had more than 180 golfers and over 250 for the evening banquet and auction. Auctioneer Scott Robertson energized the crowd and brought in over \$200,000 during the live auction and 'raise the paddle for scholarships' portion of the evening. The 'Paris to Normandy' Ama Waterways River Cruise, donated by Preferred Travel of Naples, brought in \$15,000 alone. The Founders Fund has awarded over \$2.8 million dollars in scholarships to Collier County students since its inception in 1991 and now has a scholarship commitment of over \$200,000 annually.



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Bruce Carlon, Terry Isselhard,  
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## A Group of Founders Fund Supporters Enjoying Salzburg

Connie Moody of Preferred Travel of Naples hosted a group of 42 passengers, mostly Club members and their friends, on a Danube Cruise aboard the AMASonata. Starting with three nights in Prague, the group then cruised through the scenic Wachau Valley on the way to Vienna for a Mozart/Strauss concert in a magnificent palace. The cruise ended with an illuminations cruise of Budapest.

## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Joan Thomas



As I begin my term as Chair of the Founders Fund Board, I look forward to working with my fellow Board members to fulfill our mission of providing college scholarships for deserving Collier County students.

Last April, at the Ed Brennan Memorial Golf Tournament & Auction, over 185 members of The Club Pelican Bay, along with our generous corporate sponsors, opened their hearts and checkbooks to raise a record amount for the Founders Fund. The event will take place again in April 2016.

To sustain the scholarships for our students, we also need your support in the upcoming “non-event” year. When you receive your letter requesting a contribution, we hope you will be as generous as you have been in the past.

Our students have worked hard, facing formidable obstacles in reaching their goal of a college education. Many of them will return to the Naples area and give back to their community.

At the Student Luncheon last January, one of our scholarship recipients who is studying to be a doctor, looked down the line at the other students and said that he would be coming back to Naples to start a community health center. He then pointed to some of the others and said, “And I want you and you and you and you to come back with me!”

These are fine young people who deserve our help. I can assure you that they very much appreciate their scholarships, and the Founders Fund appreciates the support you give to us to make those scholarships possible.

Founders Fund Calendar	
Wed., Nov 5, 2014	Board Meeting 4:30pm - Augusta Room
Thurs., Nov 20, 2014	Board Meeting 4:30pm - Augusta Room
Tues., Dec 30, 2014	Student Luncheon 12:00 noon - Main Dining Room
Wed., Jan 14, 2015	Board Meeting 4:30pm - Augusta Room
Wed., Jan 28, 2015	Counselors' Breakfast 8:00am - Augusta Room
Wed., Feb 11, 2015	Board Meeting 4:30pm - Augusta Room
Mon., Mar 2, 2015	Student Deadline to submit FF apps to Counselors
Fri., Mar 6, 2015	Counselor's deadline to submit apps to Sue Davenport
Wed., Mar 11, 2015	Board Meeting 4:30pm - Augusta Room
March 16 - 20, 2015	CCPS SPRING BREAK
March 23 - April 2, 2015	INTERVIEWS AT SCHOOLS
Wed., April 8, 2015	SCHOLAR SELECTION MEETING 9:00 am – Noon - Augusta Room
Thurs., April 23, 2015	Student Reception 7:00 pm - Main Dining Room

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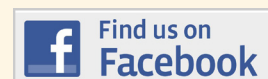
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*Thank you for your  
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# The Founders Ed Brennan Memorial Golf A Day To

## Golf Event



Golfers on the Green



Maureen and Pat Purcell



Fred Luconi, Bob Subin, Bill Warshauer  
and Adam Crescenzi



Bill Feeney, Joe Fitori with Bob  
and Kathy Call



Bill Feeney and Joe Fitori



Cliff Ryan, Tim and Sally Schrader and  
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Tom and Ruthann McCarty with Anita and  
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Rick and Pat Ermler with Mary and  
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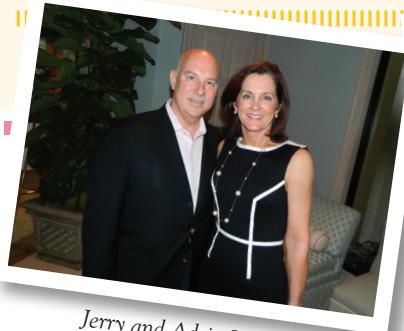
## f Tournament and Banquet

### Remember

### Dinner & Action



Jim, Maryla and Judy Brennan, Barbara MacClaverty, Carol Brennan, Nancy O'Donnell, Patti and EJ Brennan, and (seated) Kelly and Debbie Collins



Jerry and Adria Starkey



Diana Curchy Horan, Wilma Boyd and Connie Moody



Jon Vollmer, Maureen O'Gorman and Sheila Keady



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Scott Robertson – Auctioneer



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*Would like to thank the following for their support during our 2014 Event!*



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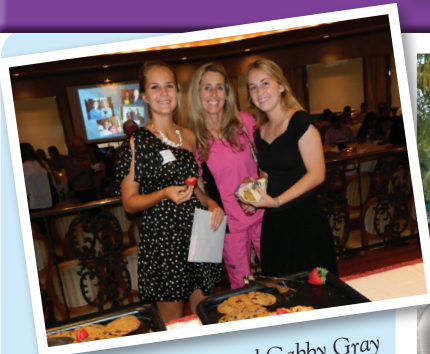
**Mission:** The mission of The Founders Fund is to provide financial assistance to young men and women from Collier County in their pursuit of post high school education and training.

Over 2.8 million dollars have been awarded to over 590 local students from 11 Collier County high schools who have demonstrated both the need and the outstanding merit required to receive the scholarship award from The Founders Fund.

The Founders Fund was created in 1991 by the Golf Members of The Club Pelican Bay, a private golf club, and is classified by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) non-profit, tax-exempt charitable organization.

The Founders Fund, Inc. is supported by Golf and Social Members of The Club, as well as many corporate sponsors which include prominent local and national businesses. Individuals and businesses in support of the cause now have the opportunity to back Sponsored Scholars. Fundraising activities support annual scholarship grants of approximately \$200,000 per year. Since its inception, fund scholarship awards have totaled more than \$2.8 million dollars.

# The Founders Fund Awards 2014 Scholarships to 28 Colliers County Students



Alexis, Carolyn and Gabby Gray



2015 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



Rob McNaghten, Sarah Cox  
and Connie Moody



Kristin McMillin and  
Glenna Potter



Frank, Miles and  
Kathleen McMullen



Abby Lambley,  
Daniela Herrera  
and Martha Ceballos



Ethiana Previlus

The Founders Fund awarded \$224,000 in scholarships to 28 Collier County students on April 30. The presentation took place at the Club Pelican Bay and was followed by an ice cream social for the students and their families.

The Founders Fund awards scholarships to Collier County students seeking financial assistance in order to pursue a higher education. Students receive their renewable scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 each year, amounting to an \$8,000 scholarship commitment for each student maintaining a B average or better in their college studies.

This year's 28 recipients plus, the 73 students already in the Founders Fund program, means 101 students will receive scholarships this fall. The budget needed is over \$200,000 each year and funded through our golf event, donations from Club members, and generous support of local businesses.

The Founders Fund, Inc., a non-profit/tax-exempt charitable organization founded in 1991, has awarded over \$2.8 million in scholarships to more than 590 local students since its founding.

The scholarship fund, originally set up to help the children of the Club Pelican Bay employees, has expanded over the years to include Collier County high schools. Employees of the Club Pelican Bay and their families are also eligible for scholarships. This year, one employee and two children of employees were chosen to receive scholarships.



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## — COLLEGES 2014/2015 —

We currently have 105 students  
attending 28 different colleges

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Elon University	Rhodes College
Emory University	Rice University
Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU)	Ringling College of Art & Design
Flagler College	Saint Mary's College
Florida A & M	St. Vincent College
Florida Atlantic University	Stetson University
Florida International University	The Culinary Institute of America
Florida Southern College	University of Central Florida
Florida Southwestern State College	University of Florida
Florida State University	University of Miami
Georgia Institute of Technology	University of North Florida
Harvard College	University of South Florida
North Carolina State University	Yale University

## 2014/2015 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**Barron Collier High School:** Sarah Cox, Allison DeLacruz, Miles McCullem and Garrette Parsons

**Community School:** Maria Alejandra-Munoz and Jose Sandoval

**Everglades High:** Kristin McMillin

**Golden Gate High School:** Arletys Gomez, Kimberly Nguyen and Sarah Tseng

**Gulf Coast High School:** Marlon Equitz and Benjamin Krinsky

**Immokalee High School:** Jaine Flores, Jeffrey Flores, Mayra Parra and Ethiana Previlus

**Lely High School:** Gage Daly and Sanya Prabhakar Lorenzo Walker: Tyler Hernandez and Daniela Herrera

**Naples High School:** Kara Dudley, Trenton Rocco and Davis Vertin

**Palmetto Ridge High School:** Keturah Lansiquot and Shelby Sorrell

**St. John Neumann:** Makena Henell and Alexis Gray

**Club Pelican Bay:** Andreea Gonzalez