

# Impact 100 Baldwin County MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

February 2018

## Calendar

February - March 2018

# Membership Drive Events and Community Events

<b>February 15</b> 5:00-7:00 pm	Standard Furniture Membership Drive Event 801 US-31 Bay Minette
<b>February 21</b> 5:00-6:30 pm	Flora-Bama Membership Drive Event 17401 Perdido Key Dr. Perdido Key
February 28 12:00 NOON	JUST FOR FUN Southwood Kitchen 1203 US 98 Suite 3-d Daphne
<b>March 13</b> 4:30-6:30 pm	M&F Casuals Membership Drive Event 380 Fairhope Avenue Fairhope
March 27 8:30-12:00	GRANT WORKSHOP* Baldwin County Annex 22251 Palmer Street

April 11	CELEBRATION
4:30 p.m.	Nix Center
	1 Bayou Drive
	Fairhone

Fairhope
\*Impact members are welcome to attend.

## From our President

In February we celebrate Valentine's Day, and although most associate the day with romantic love, I like to think it is a day to celebrate all love.

Celebrate humanity in all of its diversity, as it is our differences that make us unique. Love that uniqueness!

During our membership drive, I have had the opportunity to meet many of our members and potential members at various events. These women are from all over the county, each with a unique perspective, with a different set of life



**Melanie Harris** 

experiences. Some have lived all over the United States or even the world. Some are homegrown Baldwin County residents. I have enjoyed meeting them and learning their stories. I am awed by the backgrounds and talent of these women.

We are joined by our desire to help others. Together we are empowered and share a devotion to making Baldwin County a better place for all of its residents. When we come together, there is no limit to what we can do!

Share our story. Invite your friends to meet us. Join us!

Melanie M. Harais

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#### **CHANGE IN DATE!**

The Impact Celebration will be held **April 11** at the Nix Center in Fairhope. Be sure to add it to your calendar so you can come celebrate the successful conclusion of our membership drive and find out how many grants (and how much!) we will be able to award in 2018!

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**VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT – Women Making an Impact** 

# Suzanne Thornburg

Suzanne Thornburg didn't know anything about Impact 100 when she started seeing Impact signs and



**Suzanne Thornburg** 

banners on Fairhope's Section Street. Curious, she did some research. "I was amazed what the Impact organizations across the U.S. were accomplishing and felt drawn to learn more. After reading about the mission and vision of Impact 100 Baldwin County and how this group of women were

coming together to transform our cities and county, I knew I had to be a part of it."

And that she is! Since becoming a member in 2014, Suzanne has become very involved, immersing herself in focus groups, as well as in membership and corporate sponsor recruitment. She joined the board in 2017.

This year, Suzanne is working with Ann Rumley and the Membership Committee, specifically focusing her efforts to recruit more members from North Baldwin.

Serving as North Baldwin membership drive co-chair, her goal is to "have at least 10% of our total membership increase come from North Baldwin this year." She's dedicated herself to making that happen, too, recently cohosting a members-and-guests-only event at Standard Furniture, where the Bay Minette company showcased their *Magnolia Home by Joanna Gaines* collection to everyone's delight.

Suzanne has served on a focus group every year since joining Impact in 2014. She particularly enjoys being a part of the Health and Wellness Focus Group because the category covers so many programs and benefits so many people.

Her favorite grant so far is our 2017 grant to Care House. "I remember walking into the room for the site visit, and the diverse group of board members who were present was shocking. From law enforcement agencies, program staff, community members, supporters and donors, each person in that room had one single, shared mission in mind – to take care of the physically and sexually abused children of Baldwin County and to prevent this from happening to another child ever again."

Suzanne also appreciates "the wealth of knowledge I have received about the community I live in and truly feeling that I am making a solid investment and positive difference in the county my children grow up in." She particularly appreciates the professionalism and

thoroughness of Impact's grantmaking process. "Every piece of this brilliantly designed puzzle is completed by a group of dynamic, organized and philanthropic women!"

"None of what we do in Baldwin County would be possible if it weren't for every single member and sponsor of Impact 100." "We are such a dynamic group of talented women volunteering together to make a difference."

Suzanne has not always been a banker. After majoring in Animal Sciences Pre-Veterinary medicine at Auburn, she was a veterinary technician/research associate for many years. A job offer in the financial and insurance industry led to her career in banking.

Suzanne and her husband live in Fairhope. Their family includes seven children, three of them currently in college with another on her way in August. Suzanne's also very involved in other civic and community endeavors, including the Community Action Agency of South AL, Junior Achievement of Mobile and Baldwin County, and 3 Circle Church.



### Join us!

Yee-haw, y'all! We're heading to the Flora-Bama for the Boots & Blues Membership Drive Event! If you live on the Eastern Shore and would like to ride the bus, click here <a href="mainton:impact100baldwincountynews@gmail.com">impact100baldwincountynews@gmail.com</a> to sign up. Cost is only \$10 per person, so reserve a spot for you and your guest. It'll be a great, fun, and casual way to introduce Impact 100 to your friends and neighbors! The bus departs from the Fairhope Piggly Wiggly promptly at 3:30 and returns at 8.

Boots & Blues Membership Drive Event Wednesday, February 21 - 5 to 6:30 Flora-Bama,17401 Perdido Key Drive



#### Welcome new members!\*

We want to welcome the following women to Impact 100 membership. We look forward to working with you to help make Baldwin County an even better place to live, work and play!

Brenda Abed Pattie Adcock Vicki Barnes Dawn Beasley Susan Carr Jaime Cooper **Denise Craver** Joy Esposito Kim Gibson Karen Goldv Janet Guarch Ann Hafner Adele Hapworth Susan Hassler Hayden Kaechele Norma Lynch Elizabeth Minto Carson Nicolson Kathryn Redstone Dee Ann Reed Rachel Reese Penny Slawkowski Sadie Solberg Caroline Walters

New members will be listed in the newsletter until the Membership Drive ends. Please help us welcome these philanthropically spirited women when you see them at our events.

\*New members as of 1/31/18.

#### Just for Fun – February 28

Grab a friend and join us at 12:00 on February 28 at a Just for Fun at the **Southwood Kitchen**, 1203 U.S. 98, in Daphne. No rules. No agenda. Just fun.

If you plan to attend, let Jerry Ann McCarron know so we have enough room for everyone. (She will try to accommodate last-minute guests, too.) Email Jerry Ann at jerryann470@gmail.com or give her a call, 251-510-6790.

#### 2018 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

# "How can I help?"

The 2018 membership drive is at the half-way mark. If you haven't already recruited at least one new member this year, we need your help NOW so Impact is able to award five \$100,00 grants, one in each of our focus areas, in 2018.

Doesn't that have a nice ring to it? Five \$100,000 grants. A half-million dollars. (Not to mention that it would also bring our grant total to over \$3 million.)

Don't wait. **Now** is the time to share your enthusiasm about Impact 100 with your friends, neighbors, and coworkers. There are several easy ways to do it. You can:

BRING THEM TO A PUBLIC SOCIAL: We've got some great public socials scheduled. Bring a friend with you. Bet she'll get inspired when she hears our grantees talk about the difference their Impact grant made in their programs and the lives of their clients.

HOST A PRIVATE SOCIAL: A wonderful and personal way to share your enthusiasm for Impact 100 is to host a private social. If you have friends who are curious about or should know about Impact 100, you've got a perfect reason to host one. It really doesn't matter how many people you invite. The size of the group is up to you. Contact Ann Rumley at <a href="mailto:asrumley13@gmail.com">asrumley13@gmail.com</a>, to learn more about hosting a gathering in your home or another fun location. We'll provide the speakers and materials. All you have to do is provide the guests and the location.

TALK ABOUT IMPACT: If someone asks you what you've been up to lately, take the opportunity to tell them about your involvement with Impact, the wonderful women you've met, our grantmaking, our Just for Funs, the comradery, and the other cool stuff we do. Tell them why you're a member. Share your enthusiasm and ask her to join you in the fun. There's no better way to make a difference or get to know her community!

# IMPORTANT NONPROFIT DATES & DEADLINES

If you know a nonprofit that you think should apply for a 2018 Impact 100 grant, be sure to let them know about these important dates:

March 27 Free grantwriting workshopApril 11 Announcement of number and

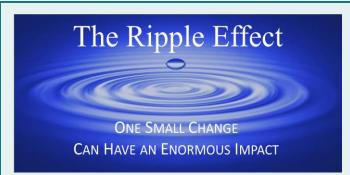
amount of 2018 grants

May 1 Final day to submit a Letter of Intent
June 5 Final day to submit a grant application

For more information on this year's grantmaking, go to the "Apply for a Grant" tab on our website, www.lmpact100BaldwinCounty.org.

#### In Memorium

We want to extend our sympathies to the friends and family of Impact member Jill Lyn Teumer who passed away on February 8. A former Green Bay Packers cheerleader, she was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. She was also active in Mardi Gras mystic society. Read her obituary here: Jill Lyn Teumer obituary



It's time to renew! Never forget that your membership provides an enormous ripple effect of hope and opportunity throughout our community. Be part of the positive change that is Impact 100 by renewing your membership today. (And don't forget to invite a friend or two to join you!) Click here to renew: Renewal Form

# Invite a friend to join you at one of our remaining Membership Drive Events

As we reach the half-way mark in our Membership Drive, we invite you to bring a friend and join us at one of these final, upcoming membership socials. Not only will it help remind you why you're a member, but it's a perfect way to get someone else excited about membership in Impact 100!

February 21 Flora-Bama

5:00-6:30 pm 17401 Perdido Key Dr., Perdido Key

Co-hosts: Tash Blum, Lucy Douty, Monica Leonard, Nora Mandoki, Jerry Ann McCarron, Claudia McDade and

Lucy Smith

February 22 Stowe's Jewelers

Cancelled due to flu and husband's surgery. Will be rescheduled in

March.

March 13 M&F Casuals

4:30-6:30 pm 380 Fairhope Avenue, Fairhope

Co-hosts: Carol Eberlein, Barbara

Levitt and Ann Miller

#### Recent Membership Drive Events

The January 25 membership drive event at the Wolf Bay Lodge in Foley was a great success. Attendees loved the great facility and the great food co-hosts Char Haber and Frances Holk-Jones provided. The February 15 event held at Standard Furniture was also a great success. Hosted by Melanie Harris, Susan Lovelady, Ann Rumley, Karmen Still and Suzanne Thornburg, it was attended by over 40 women who wanted to learn more about Impact 100 and were curious about Standard Furniture's *Magnolia Home by Joanna Gaines* collection. What fabulous evenings both events were, featuring great speakers and great Impact hospitality. Many, many thanks to Impact members Char Haber, owner of Wolf Bay Lodge, and Karmen Still, CFO of Standard Furniture, for their fabulous support of Impact 100 Baldwin County.













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Now that the 2018 Membership Recruitment Drive is officially underway, we want to thank the following women who have renewed their membership as of January 31. We'll update the membership list in each newsletter until the membership drive is over. If your name isn't already on this list, we look forward to seeing it here next time!

Katherine Allen Vivian Allen Susan Ankrom Karen Atchison Deanna Auner Julie Bagwell Lila Bailey Suzanne Barnhill Allison Beard Lee Beck Michelle Bigler Tash Blum **Becky Bolling** Kay Braswell Moren Braswell Susie Bridges Caroline Brown Christine Bruenn Cathy Brumback **Aurelia Bryars** Foncie Bullard **Andy Burton** Rita Byers Sue Cade **Sharon Cain Bonnie Cameron** Kim Campbell Rebecca Canale Katchie Cane Suzanne Carden **Deb Carlson** Terri Carlton Aeana Carpenter Barbara Casev Linda Chavers **Eebie Cheshire** Suzan Christensen Carol Cleverdon Amy Cockrell Barbara Corte **Beth Craft** Cathy Crosby Jackie Crum Jeanne Cummings Jackie Dahlman

Judi Darnell

Ann Davis Wanda Dobson Sheila Dodson **Buffy Donlon Donna Dorriety Gwen Dorriety** Vera Douglas Lucy Douty Kelly Durden Jolane Edwards Jane Feagin Mary Finger Sandra Fisher Amelia Fletcher Marti Foster Tanya Fratto-Blair **Debbie Freund** Susan Gaberino Nancy Gaskin Linda Glaze Carol Gordon Jerry Lynn Graham Elizabeth Griffiths Pamela Groner Laura Gross Bonnie Gulsby Clarice Gustin **Darlene Haas** Sheila Hale Abby Hamilton Kit Hamilton Elizabeth Hammock Patti Hanafourde **Becky Harris** Melanie Harris **Debbie Harty** Phyllis Helms Toni Henry Jan Herndon Veronica Herndon **Dottie Hill** Sandy Hodgson Virginia Holder Celeste Hollands Stacey Howell **Betty Huff** 

Evelyn Hume Anne Irving Betty Jackson Kim Jardine Traci Jarvis Mimi Johnson Lexie Jones Rose Keel Kyla Kelim Alice Kenan Ann Klumb Leigh Knosher Micki Kohn Theresa Korycan Nancy Lambe Margaret Lane Kate Lavelle Linda Lavelle Tance Lavelle Monica Leonard Barbara Levitt Dedra Lipscomb Susan Lovelady Liz Lowery Kit Lursen Nancy Lutz Sherri Mack **Edythe Makin** Elizabeth Manci Nora Mandoki Cindy McBrearty Melissa McCarty Anne McCormick Claudia McDade Sydney McDaniel Nancy McKinnon Suzy McLean Susan McWilliams Anne Meyercord Ann Miller Carol Miller Merrill Miller Gayle Mitchell Lee Mitchell Joan Moore Judy Moore

Melanie Moore Eileen Mueller Gillette Muller Claudia Mullins Barbara Mundy Martha Muscat Anna Myers Weezie Myers Sara Neal Jennifer Nelson **Pud Nelson Deborah Newberry** Judy Newcomb Judy Niemeyer Andie Noonan Sharon Olen Nickie Olson Cari Palesano Leigh Parks Brenda Parnell Karen Pera Mary Ann Peters Lydia Pettijohn Janette Pike Jan Pruitt Karen Qiu Brenda Rackley-Pisarkiewicz Corinne Ramming Laura Ray Mary Redditt **Betty Riley** Mary Riser Ann Rumley Martha Ryan Jamie Saad **Becky Sappington Beverly Schaffer** Brenda Schmucker Pauline Schrock Rita Scott **Anita Sharpless** Sara Shipman Susan Siegel Joey Skaff

**Beverly Smith** 

Lucia Smith Lucy Smith Patricia Smith Teresa Smith **Shannon Spinks** Marcie Stanley Sandra Stepan **Robin Stephens** Sandy Stewart Susan Storey Carolyn Strickland Laurie Strite Cathe Tappan Mary Alice Taylor Barbara Thames-Johnson Judy Thompson Suzanne Thornburg Celeste Thorson Katherine Thurber Anita Toler Jean Van Uden Alice Villadsen Gina Walcott Donna Walker Susie Wallace Claire Webb Angela Weil Chan West Vickie Weyand Lynn Wilson Prissy Wilson Savan Wilson Jamie Windham Toni Wineman Nancye Wolfe Tracey Woodham Contina Woods Jeanne Yancey Travis Youngblood Cindy Zebryk

#### Women Together Making a Difference

