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## BVF Programs MORE THAN JUST EVENTS

When you glance at the monthly calendar of events, you may not stop to wonder which events are made possible by the Bentley Village Foundation. Please allow us to explain.

BVF Programs are designed to complement those offered by Vi Lifestyles. Vi's extensive programs for wellness, off-campus activities, birthday/anniversary celebrations, and holiday events, plus our shared sponsorship of the FGCU Speaker Series, supplement residents' needs for social activities and staying fit. BVF Programs add a little extra spice to your life.

Our mission is to enrich the lives of residents, employees, and others in Southwest Florida, enhancing cultural, intellectual, emotional, and physical well-being. That's not just a statement—it's a daily commitment brought to life through the programs YOU help make possible.

So, what exactly do your generous donations support?

Let's start with the joy of music. From the high-energy Mardi Gras celebration with the Naples Jazzmasters Dixieland Band and the Broadway-style sparkle of Whitney Grace's one-woman show to our own Belles & Beaus, these unforgettable evenings happen because of your support. Each performance—curated by our dedicated volunteer Program Committee—is a gift to our community, funded entirely by donations earmarked for the **Program Fund**.

Behind the scenes, music becomes therapy. Each week, the Foundation sponsors **music therapy sessions** in Assisted Living, the Care Center, and Independent Living—totaling over 240 sessions a year. These sessions don't make headlines, but they make a difference—supporting emotional well-being, memory, and communication in deeply meaningful ways.

For opera lovers, your generosity streams the Metropolitan Opera directly into the Bentley Theatre. Six world-class performances are scheduled for 2025—giving you an opportunity to experience the richness of opera without ever leaving home.

And remember—your donations do more than fund events. They build community. They spark connection. They enrich lives.

And that's the very heart of our mission.



*Whitney Grace took the audience and Jeff Hutzler (pictured) on an unforgettable journey through the magic of song*



## Dollars For Scholars

### 9th Annual Golf Tournament

- Putting & Chipping Contest
- 50/50 Raffle - Online Auction
- Cocktails on the Patio - Awards Banquet

# CONNECTING through Ideas



*Pictured left to right, Forum Committee members Frank Halas and Jeannie Hutzler (chair), Collier County Manager Amy Patterson and Trinity Scott, Collier County Transportation Management Services*

For those who crave ideas as much as art, the Foundation's **Forum** series brings thought-provoking speakers on topics that matter. Earlier this year, Forum programs explored growth in Collier County and challenges and opportunities in Immokalee. In the coming months, topics will include water quality and environmental stewardship plus what hospice is and how it can enhance your life.

Music is more than a performance—it's participation. Your donations bring music into the hearts and voices of Bentley Village. The ever-popular **Belles and Beaus** choral group, resident ukulele groups, and weekly sing-alongs with Doug Williams all offer chances to engage, laugh, and connect. Belles and Beaus Fall rehearsals begin September 30. Contact Sherry Bailey (239.273.4838) to participate.

International music majors from **FGCU's Bower School of Music** delivered an exceptional program of classical piano masterpieces, showcasing their remarkable talent and passion. Their dynamic performance captivated and delighted our residents, leaving a lasting impression.

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

July 29, August 12 & 26	4:30 PM	<b>Doug Williams Sing Along</b>	Seaside Lounge
August 13	2:00 PM	<b>FORUM: What's in our Water?</b>	Palmetto Room
August 16	12:30 PM	<b>Metropolitan Opera -</b> Il Barbiere di Siviglia	Theater
September 6	12:30 PM	<b>Metropolitan Opera - Nabucco</b>	Theater
September 9 & 23	4:30 PM	<b>Doug Williams Sing Along</b>	Seaside Lounge
October 7 & 21			
October 23	7:00 PM	<b>Piano Gems featuring</b> <b>Konstantin Soukhovetski</b>	Palmetto Room



# s and Art



In May, Konstantin Soukhovetski captivated a packed Palmetto Room with his dazzling performance of **Classics in Hollywood**, a highlight of the Grand Piano Series. Blending classical masterpieces with iconic scenes from the silver screen, he delivered a glamorous, cinematic experience that left the audience spellbound.

*Le Phuong Pham captivates with quiet focus and perfect notes during the FGCU Bower School of Music Event.*



*With "Classics in Hollywood", Konstantin Soukhovetski reimagined film music history, connecting the majesty of classical works to unforgettable silver screen moments as far back as early 1900s.*



*Striking a chord of tradition and talent: **The Belles and Beaus Barbershop Group**, branching from the beloved Belles and Beaus.*

## BVF OUTREACH



BVF's Outreach Program awarded a \$5,000 grant to Avow Hospice, supporting their commitment to compassionate end-of-life care. Many Bentley residents have benefited from their services. On November 12, Avow will present a program on hospice, bereavement, and palliative care at BVF's Forum, providing valuable insights and support to the community. This partnership reflects BVF's dedication to fostering comfort and connection.

# Memorials & Tributes - First Half of 2025

## *In Memory*

### **Bruce Anderson**

Bob Larson

### **Evelyn Bain**

Patricia Cohen

Frank & Diane Halas

### **Roger Brown**

Dave & Sue Leonard

Marvin & Barbara Marcus

Tammra Sigler

### **Blanche Coffey**

Carolyn Fulton

Frank & Diane Halas

Ric & Mary Beth Huttenlocher

Dave & Sue Leonard

Karen Rosenstein

### **John Elliff**

Nelda Elliff

### **Jan Elliott**

Karen Rosenstein

### **Joan Geoghegan**

David & Joan Boardman

Nancy Bruce

Evelyn Caldron

Dave & Marcia Courtney

Ira Dash

Bud Edwards

Alan Einhorn & Vickie Cooper

Carolyn Fulton

Lois Gallea

Frank & Diane Halas

Elisabeth Hartung

Donald & Ann Herring

Patricia Hoover

Dolly Howard

Herbert & Carroll Koelling

Dave & Sue Leonard

Diane & Tom McNulty

Karin Moe

Balaji & Mohini Mundkur

Elisabeth Myers

Robert & Carolyn Myers

Karen Rosenstein

Amy Samoylenko-Russian

Tammra Sigler

Roberta Smith

Edson & Joyce Taylor

Peter & Gail Wilson

### **Kathleen Harrick**

Karen Rosenstein

Dan & Lyn Scanlon

### **Jean Kowalski**

Wayne Antworth & Bev Gromek

Jane Burton

Evelyn Caldron

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Arthur & Catherine Galya

Frank & Diane Halas

Chester & Nancy Hobert

Dolly Howard

Terry & Susan Lake

Dave & Sue Leonard

Marilyn Lightner

Dallas & Carolyn Mulder

Robert & Carolyn Myers

Carole Rambo

Karen Rosenstein

Brenda Schlegel

Joyce Shields

Tammra Sigler

John & Angela Toth

Rosemary Ufheil

Emma Lou Van Atta

Peter & Gail Wilson

### **Beloved Casey Leonard**

Frank & Diane Halas

Eric & Helena Thom

### **Sam Levine**

Eric & Helena Thom

### **Tom Mackelfresh**

Dave & Marcia Courtney

### **Mary & Frances Mazzeo**

Mary Ann Fithian

### **Marilyn Olson**

Emma Lou Van Atta

### **Don Rowe**

Dave & Marcia Courtney

### **Joanna Ryan**

Marianna Gundolf

### **Carol Shaw**

Genevieve (Genny) Esayan

David & Claire Spencer

### **Fred Smalstig**

Peter Van Kleeck

### **Ermina Van Kleeck**

Peter Van Kleeck

### **Larry Winston**

Dave & Marcia Courtney

Chet & Nancy Hobert

Carole Kaplan

### **Ermina Van Kleeck**

Peter Van Kleeck

## *In Tribute*

### **Ira Dash**

Judith Howe

Balaji & Mohini Mundkur

Jean Prokopow

### **Bob & Nancy Jaycox**

William & Patricia Grafstrom

### **Bobbie Smith**

Patricia Cohen

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