Welcome New Board Members!

In 2020, we welcomed 2 new Board Members: Dr. I. David Byrd, Chief Operating Officer for Dickey Consulting and Natasha Milijasevic, MBA, PhD, Director at Trillium Health Partners. Their leadership brings a total of 21 Members with Pat Kublin inducted as President. To date, 76% of our Board has committed gifts to the capital campaign with 100% anticipated shortly.

Capital Campaign Update:

With 50% of our $2,000,000 goal achieved, we salute our most generous supporters and partners!

- Our new Celebration Courtyard will be named The Dwight and Virginia Rogers Celebration Courtyard with support received from the Rogers Family Foundation

- The Broward, Palm Beaches & St. Lucie REALTORS® for underwriting and naming The REALTORS Event Pavilion

- The Egret Classroom was provided by a generous Family Foundation who wishes to remain anonymous

- Our catering kitchen area has been designed AND underwritten by Kitchenworks and will be named The Kitchenworks Hospitality Center

Other stellar financial and in-kind gifts include:

- EDSA for planning and landscape gardening including the New River Patio
- Leo Hansen, owner of Hansen Associates Architecture and Design for architecture and design services
- Broward County Board of County Commissioners
- Broward County Tourism Development Tax
- City of Fort Lauderdale
- Allied Kitchen and Bath for the interiors and fixtures
- Atlantic Litho for printing services
- State of Florida Division of Historical Resources
- The Fritch Foundation
- The Salah Foundation
- The Stranahan House, Inc. Board of Directors
- SunTrust (now Truist) Foundation

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Capital Campaign Cabinet

Debra Vogel, Co-Chair
Christine P. Yates, Co-Chair
Stephen Buckley
Sandra Casteel
Nugene Harvey, Jr.
Pat Kublin
Matthew McAlloon
Natasha Milijasevic
Doug Smith

April Kirk, Executive Director
Patio Completion:

As of December 2020, funds received totaling $260,275 provided for the initial engineering, permitting, and planning work plus the completion of the seawall and River Patio. Strahanan House received $104,000 from the State of Florida towards this project!

Dedicated on October 21, 2019, the Stranahan House Annual Meeting and Ribbon Cutting took place to officially open our River Patio. In attendance was City of Fort Lauderdale City Vice Mayor Steve Glassman and Commissioner Ben Sorensen. Pictured left is Executive Director April Kirk and Vice Mayor Glassman cutting the ribbon.

Since that time, a number of special events have occurred on the patio including educational programs, fundraisers, weddings, concerts, and tours.

Thank you for making this happen!! At this time, here are additional naming opportunities:

- River Patio - $500,000
- Welcome Center and Gift Shop - $500,000
- Museum Archives and Operations Center - $150,000
- Endowed programs and activities beginning at $50,000

In Progress:

- An agreement with Hugh Morris of Marks Morris Construction as the project manager. Hugh Morris served as the contractor for the original house restoration in the 1980’s and his wife is a descendant of Ivy Cromartie Stranahan.
- A special permit package to present to the City of Fort Lauderdale Historic Preservation Board. The certificate of appropriateness is required to define The Stranahan House property as a "Historic District" in the City of Fort Lauderdale.
- A donation agreement with the City of Fort Lauderdale for a generous $100,000 contribution
- Formation of a Planned Giving Advisory Board to assist in securing gifts for the endowment fund
- Capital Campaign Cabinet continues to identify and approach interested partners and potential funders

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