## **April BSDA Newsletter 2025**



#### President's Message – April 2025

From the desk of the President:

Driving on our SW Florida roads is getting more bearable every day. The snowbirds are definitely headed North.

The City threw a great party last weekend, and Celebrate Bonita drew in a decent crowd this year. Many were in attendance for the various schools and dance troupes, followed by the two musical acts. The multi-day lighting of the park also brought people downtown to enjoy a stroll through Riverside Park. I saw many people

hanging out in the park each night, it was a beautiful sight.



Congratulations to Antonio and the Bonita Springs Short Film Fest Board for their 10th annual film fest the other night. The theater was packed, and the short films were great. They have been attracting talented people to make films; the youngest this year was only 10! I also want to congratulate Alex and Ben from Alligator Bay Distillery on receiving their permits to start on the Mojito Bar. Our downtown transformation continues with them and the soon to open Canary Club by Brandon and Caitlin from Downtown Coffee & Wine and The Bohemian.

Our speaker this month is our new County Commissioner David Mulicka. I hope you all can make it out to get to know him. Many of the major things we would all like to see done, can't be done by the city alone. We all need to encourage him to help us get the investment from the Commissioners that we deserve, as a lot of our tax money goes up to the county. The county has jurisdiction over our beach accesses and most of our major

roadways and could be a partner in turning BERT into a reality.

I want to thank our sponsor this month, Super Science & Amazing Art.
Congratulations on your 20th anniversary; we appreciate you guys! We also appreciate the Shangri La for always hosting our group and catering the meeting!
Super Science & Amazing Art is offering a discount to our members and friends and family of members for their Bonita Springs location for summer camp.

Use code **BONITACAMP** for \$20 off a week of camp at www.supersciencefl.com

I would also like to take this opportunity to ask that if any of you would like to sponsor an upcoming meeting (looking for July and later), please reach out to me and I'd be happy to get you set up. Sponsors help defray the food costs for the meetings and get a chance to talk about their business at the meeting and get showcased in the newsletter.

I'm taking suggestions for future speakers for our meetings, looking for July and later; who would you all like to hear from? Thanks.

See you all tomorrow!

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# Tuesday, April 22nd is This Month's BSDA Meeting, Shangri-La Springs at 5:30 p.m.



BSDA is Excited to Announce Our April Speaker!

#### Lee County Commissioner, David Mulicka District 3

Commissioner David Mulicka's family has been in Southwest Florida for more than 100 years. Growing up in Cape Coral and Pine Island, he excelled academically, graduating from Cape Coral High School with honors at just 16 before attending the University of Florida.

In 2003, David founded HONC Destruction, which he grew into Southwest Florida's largest demolition and recycling company. With more than 20 years of business leadership, he has developed a keen understanding of solving complex problems, managing budgets, building relationships and working with local government.

David is deeply committed to protecting individual liberties, supporting small businesses and enhancing our region's waterways to preserve the quality of life for future generations.

He has served on many boards and supports numerous nonprofits. He and his wife,

State Rep. Jenna Persons-Mulicka, are the proud parents of two sons, Charles John and

Hunter Powell Mulicka. His sons are seventh-generation Lee Countians.

Family roots trace back to John Powell, one of the original settlers of Fort Myers. Mr.

Powell served on the first Lee Board of County Commissioners in 1887. His photo is in the

Lee County Courthouse.

# Please RSVP for BSDA Meeting's!

**Contact:** lee@shangrilasprings.com

Thank you to Our April Sponsor BSDA's Members and Board Appreciate You!



Super Science & Amazing Art offers exciting STEAM education for students to help them discover their love for learning. Since 2005, Mr. Glen and his team of scientists have been bringing science to life for preschool and elementary school students. Engaging students through fun experiments, kinetic movement, and an engaging learning environment, Super Science is guaranteed to make your students excited about learning!

Super Science & Amazing Art is now celebrating their 20th anniversary, to celebrate their STEAM education and summer camps, they are now offering a discount for alliance members to use at their Bonita Springs location.

Use code: BONITACAMP for \$20 dollars off a week of summer camp

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# FRIDAY & SATURDAY

6PM - 9PM

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BSDA is a community-driven organization that brings together businesses, non-profits, and local residents dedicated to the growth, promotion, and preservation of Old Downtown Bonita Springs, maintaining its unique old Florida charm.

Bonita Springs Downtown Alliance Inc. is organized exclusively as a

business league. We are a Florida nonprofit corporation and IRS 501(c)6 organization with Federal tax FEIN ID #81-1385933.

The annual Membership period is from September 30th - October 1st JOIN OR RENEW AT: <a href="https://bonitadowntownalliance.com/membership/">https://bonitadowntownalliance.com/membership/</a>



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