

September

BONITA SPRINGS DOWNTOWN
ALLIANCE NEWSLETTER



DOWNTOWN
TALK

**Tuesday, September 22nd
Is the next BSDA Meeting at
Shangri-La Springs at 5:30 p.m.**

**Speaker: Lee County Property Appraiser Matt
Caldwell**

Sponsor: Newrez

**Interested in sponsoring a meeting? Email
Mike Gibson at bsdaprez@gmail.com**

**Please RSVP for the BSDA Meeting to:
lee@shangrilasprings.com**

**September's Speaker:
Lee County Property Appraiser
Matt Caldwell**



Matt Caldwell is a 7th generation Florida native, whose family came to Micanopy in 1826. Matt was born in Gainesville but grew up in Lee County where he met his wife, Yvonne. They live there today, where they raise their daughter, Ava. In his private life, Matt is a deacon at their church, Gulf Coast Church of Christ and spends time focused on his timber and cattle business. He also enjoys the outdoor lifestyle that Florida offers: fishing, golfing, kayaking, hunting, and camping, to name a few.

After attending local schools in Lee County, Matt received his Associate's Degree from Edison College, a Bachelor of Arts in History from Florida Gulf Coast University, and a Master of Science in Forestry Resources and Conservation with a concentration in Geomatics from the University of Florida. While an undergraduate, he began his career as a real estate appraiser, ultimately joining the firm of Maxwell, Hendry, Simmons in 2004. He has attained the highest state certification in his field and is qualified as an expert witness in multiple state and federal courts.

From 2019 to 2020, Matt was a partner in TM Strategic Consulting until he was elected to serve as the Lee County Property Appraiser,

following the retirement of 40-year incumbent Ken Wilkinson. As the author of numerous Constitutional Amendments, including Save Our Homes, Working Waterfronts, and Portability, Wilkinson set a standard of excellence for public service. Matt is proud to continue Ken's legacy as an advocate for the taxpayer; using the platform as a Constitutional Officer to support good government at the local, state, and federal levels.

September's Sponsor: Newrez Southwest Florida Branch



Newrez LLC is a publicly traded mortgage bank that served over 4.2 million customers nationwide in 2025. The Newrez Southwest Florida Mortgage Group under Nigel Fullick and Gerry Teeven has operated out of Bonita Springs since 2003, with 6 offices from Marco Island to Fort Myers.

Newrez is ranked the 5th largest mortgage originator, 2nd largest FHA lender and non-bank VA lender and, with over \$852 billion in loans and the 3rd largest mortgage servicer in the United States. For information call 239-495-4101 or email nfullick@newrez.com OR; gteeven@newrez.com.

**Shangri-La Springs
Celebrates 100 Years**





**The City of Bonita Springs presented
Shangri-La Springs with a proclamation
to honor its 100th anniversary on Wednesday,
September 9th.**

**Thank you to everyone who helped us celebrate this
milestone in Bonita Springs' history!**

Upcoming Events

SAVE THE DATE!

Oktoberfest 2026

PROST WITH A PURPOSE

PRESENTED BY

Rotary Club of Bonita Naples



SATURDAY

OCTOBER 10, 2026

3:00 - 7:00 PM

RIPTIDE
BREWING COMPANY

28120 HUNTERS RIDGE BLVD.
BONITA SPRINGS, FL 34135

EVERY TICKET HELPS CREATE

Lasting Impact

THROUGHOUT OUR COMMUNITY

ADMISSION

ADULTS

\$35

CHILDREN
(3-12)

\$15

ADMISSION INCLUDES:



ONE BEVERAGE



ONE BRAT PLATTER



COMMEMORATIVE
WRISTBAND



LIVE ENTERTAINMENT BY AN
AUTHENTIC 20-PIECE
GERMAN BAND



⇒ Scan to ⇒
RESERVE YOUR TICKETS!



BEER STEIN CONTEST



RAFFLES



50/50 DRAWING

Rotary
Club of
Bonita Naples



*Creating
Lasting Impact*



RotaryBonitaNaples.org



FOOD



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FRIENDS



COMMUNITY



PURPOSE

Free Flowers

Wednesday October 14th, 2026

Petal It Forward Day!

Stop in and get 2 bunches of flowers
One to keep and one to give away!

Share the joy of **GIVING**
and **RECEIVING** flowers!



27515 Old 41 Road Bonita Springs, FL 34135
(239) 992-LOVE (5683)

Bonita Springs YMCA Charity Golf Scramble
September 25th 7:30 a.m. at Vasari Country Club

Downtown Trick-Or-Treat
October 31st 5-8 p.m.
Dean Street to Wilson Street

[**Click Here to Participate in Trick-or-Treat!**](#)

Do You Have an Upcoming Event?

We invite BSDA members to send us an email with the event details and/or a graphic to be featured in the **following month's email**.

The deadline to submit events and graphics for the October newsletter is Friday, September 25th.

Please email emma@trishleonard.com with your event information or any questions you may have regarding the newsletter.

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The annual Membership period is from September 30th - October 1st

JOIN OR RENEW AT:

<https://bonitadowntownalliance.com/membership/>

Join Today!

BSDA is a community-driven organization that brings together businesses, nonprofits, 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.

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