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#### Protecting our Paradise

#### Family

Married to her college sweetheart for 16 years, Kelly and John have two children, Kaitlyn (12) and Alden (9). She is ballet mom, running their daughter 20 hours a week to lessons in Melbourne. When not at the ballet studio, she is on the golf course with their son Alden, who is involved locally with IRGF. As a family they enjoy boating and fishing in the lagoon and traveling.

### **Professional Life**

Bachelor of Arts, UCF; 2001-2005 | Broadcast Journalism; Lead Scholars **Reporter/Anchor/Producer:** WEIU-TV: Charleston, IL WETM-TV: Elmira, NY WKMG-TV: Orlando, FL

Master of Arts, Full Sail University; 2008-2009 Multimedia Education Design and Technology; Summa Cum Laude

**HS TV Production Teacher:** Lake Mary Prep, Lake Mary, FL Indian River Charter HS, VB Sebastian River High School

Kappa Kappa Gamma Eta Eta Charter Sister Served on Chapter Council Eta Eta Chapter Advisor KKG Indian River Alumni

## Who is Kelly Dixon?

Class of 2001

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Basketball, Golf,

**TV** Production

Kelly Dixon is a hometown girl. Moving to Sebastian on Halloween night in 1997, just 10 days from her 15th Birthday, it was a life changing move that had a big impact on her life. It was a fresh start and one she has not taken for granted. Kelly immediately immersed herself into Sebastian River High School, joining the Basketball team on her first day of school. The daughter of a single Mom, one year later she got her first job at the Sebastian Winn Dixie to pay for gas and insurance on a car. Kelly has always been a responsible and driven woman. Balancing multiple jobs or responsibilities with goals of making both her life and the community around her, better. In her last year at SRHS, she hosted a teen talk show, "Young Minds" on the local





Class of 2005 Cum Laude Lead Scholars RTNDA

#### Campaign Bio



# Philanthropy

Kelly most recently served as Costume Committee Chair for the Melbourne City Ballet Theatre. She also served as the Corresponding Secretary on the PTA at Treasure Coast Elementary for the 2019-2020 school year. Kelly volunteers throughout the school year at various school events and as "Room Mom." Kelly Dixon also began a Girl Scout Troop at TCE. In 2017, she met with the Principal of TCE, expressing she felt there was a need for a Girl Scout Troop. Ms. Baysura excitedly said, "Yes!" Together, they worked to find a meeting space and list of girls. Troop 51008 is still thriving today.

### **Business Owner**

PG Events: 2011-2021

- Designing and creating custom party ware for Children's Birthday Parties.
- Kelly loves to be creative and work with her hands.
- Grew from a need she had for her daughter to a highly sought after Etsy Business with repeat customers.

cable station highlighting local teens doing big things in the community. She videotaped and directed School Board and County Commission meetings. At UCF, she shined and quickly earned internships at all the TV Stations in Orlando and beyond. She worked in the midwest at WEIU-TV, she covered the first woman commanded shuttle flight while at WETM-TV and produced an Emmy Nominated Hurricane Special at WKMG-TV in Orlando. She decided covering the stories wasn't making enough of a difference; she wanted to have more of an impact. So she decided to teach. After 9 years away from Sebastian, it was time to move home and raise their family. Sebastian is the perfect place to raise a family. It is a true community. A place where no matter where you go, you run into someone you know. A place where you can count on your neighbor. It is "home." A short Ex-Pat assignment in France for John's job in 2015, the Dixons came back to Sebastian once again with an even deeper love for this community and country. Kelly and her family call Sebastian home. Nothing compares to the community vibe, the pace and natural beauty of Sebastian. Kelly wants to be a leader and voice to guide Sebastian through a thoughtful growth. A planned growth that benefits Sebastian and its community, not the county.

