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Edyth Bush – an accomplished dancer, actress, playwright and philanthropist – established the Edyth Bush Charitable Foundation 45 years ago and left a legacy of caring leadership in Central Florida. Years earlier, while she was running her own theater in St. Paul, Minnesota, she placed her dowry and her full support into her husband’s career at a struggling sandpaper company. Archibald Granville Bush moved up quickly from junior bookkeeper to CEO and – along with Edyth – the largest shareholder of that company which eventually became known as 3M. When Archibald died, Edyth established her permanent home in Winter Park, Florida. Dedicating herself to “alleviating human suffering and helping people help themselves,” she created the Foundation bearing her name to advance her work. The Foundation has since awarded more than \$112 million to education and human service efforts. In addition to providing funds, significant resources are dedicated to strengthening nonprofit leadership in the community, in part through the founding and support of the Edyth Busch Institute for Philanthropy and Nonprofit Leadership. The Institute provides management training and professional development for 4,000 nonprofit leaders annually.