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FERTILIZING LAWNS CAN POLLUTE OUR BAYS AND WATERWAYS

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Fertilizers are used to keep lawns green and promote healthy garden growth, but those same fertilizers are deadly to our bays and waterways because they feed algae and kill sea grass. That's why beginning Sunday, May 15, the start of the rainy season, up until Nov. 1, it will be illegal to use nitrogen and phosphorus fertilizer anywhere in Miami-Dade County. Typically, lawns will get fertilized four to six times a year.

"When it rains, it rushes right off the soil directly into the bay and it ends up fertilizing the algae which eats all the oxygen which kills our fish," Miami-Dade Commissioner Eileen Higgins said. We saw it happen in the summer of 2020, when more than 27,000 marine species died in one week from a dramatic drop in oxygen caused by the hot, over-polluted water in sections of the North Bay. The executive director of clean water watchdog group Miami Waterkeeper, Rachel Silverstein, has long been advocating for a fertilizer ban to help save the bay, which for decades has been being poisoned by deadly nutrients from sewage breaks and septic leaks, dirty storm water and fertilizer runoff coming from local yards, especially when the rain washes it all away before plants and grass can even use it.

"The fish kill was a horrible tragedy for the bay, but it did result in people becoming more aware of the dangers facing Biscayne Bay," said Silverstein. "So, it's wasting time and money for you and it's causing pollution problems for Biscayne Bay." In April of last year, Miami-Dade County passed the strongest fertilizer ordinance in the state, sponsored by Higgins. "Nobody thinks that they are killing the bay when they're trying to fertilize their lawns, but that's exactly what happens when we fertilize during the rainy season," she said.

Many landscapers and lawn maintenance companies have spent the past year preparing for this. For lan Maguire, co-founder of Plant Health Care Systems, it means using alternatives. "It definitely creates a unique challenge, although we've been aware of the ordinance, so we've adjusted our methodology. This is an example of the fertilizer that we developed with our supplier that has no nitrogen or phosphorus, and also has micronutrients to help with the greening of the grass without damaging the bay."

Chad Moreschi, the President of Natural Resources Organic Pest Control, has stopped using the harmful stuff all together. "We don't even use any fertilizers anymore," he said. Moreschi's company uses bio-organics to not only keep lawns looking green, but to also kill pests. We're not using any fertilizers, we figured out a formula using



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Thank You

FROM PHYLLIS BERKE: Thank you so much for the lovely thank you note in the Beacon.

FROM KATY MITRANI: I love being home again and read cover to cover the paper version of the Beacon I picked up in the clubhouse. I loved the cover story, the reprint of a 1991 article in the Beacon. You always find a way to express your love for our community in every issue. I aways come away feeling a sense of pride. That article about our history was just terrific and once again you hit the mark. You asked about what or who we are grateful for. Jack and I have so much to be grateful for. Our family, our newest grandchild's birth, our first great-grandchild's 1st birthday, our friends, and our health. But we as a community are grateful for you. The 21st Century Club has been so fortunate to have you as a friend.

FROM LOIS WIESLER: I want to say a special Thank You to Ed Willey and Carol Unger. Ed and the Ed Band kept many folks happy - singing and dancing - during our Covid lockdown and continue to do so. Carol kept folks happy with her cheery chalk markings and lovely painted rocks. They have not sold their house as of this writing but they will be missed in Rainberry Bay when they do. Wishing them happiness wherever they land.

In Loving Memory

- MELVIN B. "MEL" SNOW, 94, of West Palm Beach, Florida, formerly of Rainberry Bay, on Wednesday, September 28. The funeral was held in Brookline, MA on Sunday, October 2, 2022. Selma, his wife of 71 years, informed us of the passing of her beloved husband. Mel had served Rainberry Bay on the Homes Board, was Chair of the Clubhouse committee, operated the sound booth in the theater at most of the professional Social Club shows and was the Vice President of the Social Club. Mel served over 15+ years on Parking Enforcement for the City of Delray Beach. He and Selma were great contributors to our community for all the years they were here.
- With condolences to the family, we report the passing of neighbor, ANDREW ORENSKY, 26th Av, who passed away on October 7, 2022. He and wife Eileen, lived here since 2004.
- ROBERT C. YOUNG, formerly of Rainberry Bay during the years 1992-2020, on May 2, 2022. Beloved husband of Katherine. He had many friends and loved living on NW 12th Street and will be remembered for his outgoing, friendly personality and his hearty, "Hello There" greeting and big sincere smile.

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Some of you may wonder what volunteer board members do as part of the job you elected us to do.

I call it 8 days a week because it seems that way – and yes, we're "on duty" almost every day. There are numerous calls and emails daily from residents with questions, sharing information or raising issues. As Master Board president, I always try to direct these to the board member or management personnel who can best address them.

On our community's behalf, board members listen to webinars covering a variety of topics which include staying current on changes to the statutes and laws, understanding reserves, approving new residents, and emotional support animals. We are each required to complete a certification course to be on the board of directors which includes information about the statutes (we are governed under Florida Statutes 720 and 617), our Documents, and Rules and Regulations. Each of us is also a liaison to a few of our numerous committees (as listed in the Beacon) and often attend those meetings and give support and information when requested.

Personally, as Master Board President, I



am busy with board work including looking at a variety of vendor proposals (tree and landscaping contracts, security, roads, and so many others); I review and sign all sale, rental and occupant applications. I am a member of CERT and am thankful that we only needed to do a "dry run" as lan passed us by. I also proofread for the Beacon, as well as writing a monthly column and I sit in on many meetings to stay informed. Those include landscaping oversight, management oversight, budget planning, security, the Council of Clubs, Documents and Rules committees and, of course, Master board meetings. Each of our board members has a list of their own that fills many hours each week and their own unique ways of giving back to the community.

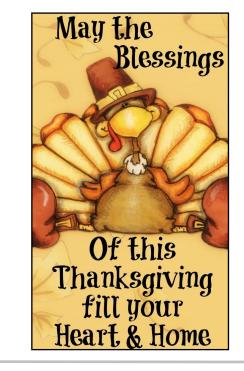
At the October 12th meeting, the board

approved raising the application fees to \$150 per person. They also unanimously voted to change the amount we charge for replacement barcodes to \$25 per barcode. This change becomes effective November 1, 2022.

It often seems like some of the projects our board works on take forever and causes frustration for our residents but when they finally move forward (roads, bathroom refreshing, etc.) there is a sense of accomplishment which feels great!



"In case I'm not busy enough, I can help the road crew."



Karen Clouser

As the fall grows near so do all the holidays. I am asking all of you to please remember these things as you decorate the outside of your home. Last year you all did a fantastic job.

Make sure your wiring is enclosed in such a way that the mowers and weed whackers will not damage them. Palm Beach Broward will not be responsible for any damage.

In some cases, they will not be mowing or weed-whacking within 12 inches so they do not get too close. Therefore, the grass will grow higher around the decorations. So many of you did such a wonderful job of decorating in and around your homes and villas last year, I can't wait to see everyone "show off" their decorating style again this year with their Hanukkah and Christmas decorations.

We have ordered new lighting for our entrance and are planning lots of events during the holiday season. Welcome back to life at Rainberry Bay.

The gift of wonderful neighbors is one of the nicest blessings. It is not what we say about our blessings but how we use them that is the true measure of Thanksgiving.

STEPHANIE BRAUNSTEIN

It is that time of the year again: we start seeing cooler weather; we welcome our Snowbird neighbors back; and we budget for the upcoming year.

As we battle to keep our aging community's infrastructure sound, we are faced with new challenges. Covid, war in Europe, and general inflationary factors are all conspiring to make it more expensive to run and maintain our fortyplus-year-old neighborhood. The costs of roofing and fencing have doubled in the last twelve months, and our service suppliers are raising their prices in order to keep up with their escalating expenses.

As a result, we will see an increase in our maintenance fees for 2023. The most diligent efforts have been made to keep that increase as low as possible; however, there is only so much we can do to fight the inevitable. With age comes more work to maintain our



-Robert H. Schuller

we always know what in a situation is.

Reserve Study done. The study itself would not take place until next year, but I am currently collaborating with a company that can accomplish that study.

Remember that Rainberry Bay will continue to be a bargain with so many amenities and services available to us, so keep a positive attitude as we go forward!

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PLANTING AND CARE OF SWAMP MILKWEED

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Most milkweeds prefer full sun. They tolerate a wide variety of soil conditions, from clay to sand. Many Florida species used in the



Swamp milkweed (Asclepias incarnata) is a Florida native milkweed with pink blooms. Credit: David Cappaert, Bugwood.org



larva (caterpillar), both feeding on milkweed. Credit: Rob Routledge. Sault College, Bugwood.org

landscape prefer dry, sandy soil and are moderately drought tolerant.

Milkweeds generally grow quickly, reaching a final height of one to four feet tall, depending on the species. You can plant them closely, about 18-24 inches apart. And whether or not the milkweed is being installed as part of a butterfly garden, plant multiple plants. Too few and you will be left with leafless milkweed and hungry caterpillars! Planting multiple species can also increase the attractiveness to butterflies and other pollinators.

As a host plant for a number of pollinators, use of pesticides on milkweed is discouraged. As a result, expect some aesthetic damage throughout the growing season. Install milkweed behind ground covers or mounding plants to hide the stems but show off the blooms. Monarch caterpillars can consume a plant's leaves quickly, but do not usually damage the plant long-term. Aphids can also cause damage. Keep these in check with a blast of water from the hose instead of applying pesticides.

Milkweeds get their common name from An adult monarch and a monarch the milky sap they exude. This sap can irritate skin and is toxic if consumed in large quantities. Keep pets and small children away.

For more information about milkweed and other pollinator species. contact your county Extension office. This concise, easy-to-read guide is from Gardening Solutions, a program of the University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (UF/IFAS).



ARE RECEIPTS RECYCLABLE? THE Answer Depends Upon One Factor ANNA GARRISON

Cultivating a sustainable lifestyle isn't only about recycling your plastic bottles and cardboard boxes. There are plenty of items that we encounter in our daily lives that can be recycled. Although many businesses are moving to an eco-friendlier model by emailing receipts, many stores still print paper receipts for their purchases.

The answer to the question "are receipts recyclable?" is a little more complicated than yes or no. The first part of the answer is about the materials from which receipts are made. According to Treehugger, there are two kinds of receipts: one is a "crispy" paper printed with "pale ink," and the other is "shiny, soft thermal paper" that is frequently used in stores or cash machines.

The thermal paper is made with a chemical compound known as bisphenol A (BPA) or bisphenol S (BPS). True to its title, Treehugger also says that "thermal" paper uses heat from a printer to make the letters and numbers appear, with no ink required. Due to the chemicals used in the creation of the receipt, it generally cannot be recycled, or risk contamination of other paper products during the recycling process.

A 2018 study from EcoCenter reveals that combined, BPA and BPS were found in 93 percent of all receipts tested in a study of 173. Only 2 percent of the total were chemical-free. However, these receipts may be recyclable in some locations.

For example, in New York City, according to the Sanitation Department, paper receipts can be recycled with other paper products. Sometimes, as suggested by Recycle Coach, communities have a special take-back program specifically aimed at taking care of thermal receipts. The easiest way to determine if your receipt is recyclable in your community is to check public works websites and sanitation departments.

However, on the off-chance that you have receipts that are BPAand BPS-free, you should be able to recycle them with the rest of your recyclable paper and cardboard. To determine this, investigate your receipt. Is the lettering faded? Does it feel dull? If so, it is fully recyclable. The same goes for a handwritten receipt. But if your receipt appears shiny and the lettering is a vibrant black, it is coated with BPA or BPS.

Are receipts compostable? Similar to the issue with recycling receipts, it's recommended that BPA-coated receipts are not composted either. The reason for this, according to Almost Zero Waste, is that not only is there not enough data on the effects of BPA and BPS on the soil. Both chemicals are harmful contaminants for people, so why would you want to put them back into your soil, especially if that soil is used for gardening purposes?

How can you dispose of receipts? The best and most recommended way to dispose of receipts is, sadly, to throw them in the trash. Be sure to also wash your hands after to isolate the BPA and BPS and prevent harmful chemicals from entering your body. Thankfully, there are some types of receipt paper out there do not contain BPA or BPS, per POS Supply Solutions. If you happen to get one of these faded, non-shiny receipts, you can definitely recycle it.

However, until these papers are used widely, it's always better to play it safe. The best solution to going zero waste with your receipts by asking for them to be emailed or asking cashiers if they can skip printing your receipt entirely!

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21st Century Club Ready for Season 22-23?

The 21st Century Club booked a fantastic array of very talented bands. This season will be one we won't forget. If you like great music all of these shows are "must sees." You can preview them on You Tube.

Book your tables early for the best seats. We provide bottled water and ice with buckets. BYO snacks and drinks. All shows are cabaret style. We will start selling tickets every Monday and Thursday from 4 to 5 PM in the Theater starting October 31, 2022. If you would like to make a reservation or buy a ticket in advance, contact **SUE DRESNER** @ 917 882 0973.

*FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 8 PM , THEATER, TICKETS \$20 MEET LOAF

The Ultimate Tribute to Meat Loaf

If you love the music of Meat Loaf, get revved up because Meet Loaf really ignites and faithfully captures operatic vocals along with the epic theatrical show Meat Loaf fans have come to love.

**NOTE: DATE CHANGE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 8 PM , THEATER ALMOST ABBA



The #1 Tribute to Abba

This fabulous group must be seen and heard, especially if you love ABBA. They perform all the hits and will have us singing and dancing like "Dancing Queens" to "Mamma Mia," "Fernando," "Waterloo" and many more.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 8 PM , THEATER WILDFIRE BAND



The WildFire Band is the loving, "refiring" of the beloved Blue Fire Band. With their core members, they have been performing and wowing crowds, including here at Rainberry Bay, for years. They are a 5-piece band with amazing chemistry and musicianship.

FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 8 PM , THEATER THE ROCKETMAN SHOW



Starring Rus Anderson

Hand-picked by Elton John, it was Rus's own live tribute production, "The Rocketman Show," which got him noticed. Rus recreates the magic and live persona of a young Elton like no other. He storms around the stage with a fun-loving sense of flamboyance; part diva, part soccer player, killer vocalist, fierce piano player, all rock and roller. Rus's painstaking

attention to detail includes wearing gorgeous colorful and spectacular costumes. This is clearly the most authentic Elton John tribute show in the world.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 8:30 PM-12:30 AM THEATER, TICKETS \$25 THE FLYERS



Let's bring in the New Year together, close to home. Join us as we have a blast with one of Rainberry Bay's favorite bands, The Flyers. For those who don't know them, they are a rock band based in Delray Beach. They have a great repertoire of classic sounding Rock, Funk, Blues and Soul. They are a multi-

instrumentalist band.

RING IN 2023 WITH A BAND THAT WILL HAVE YOU DANCING AND HAPPY. THE CHAMPAGNE AND PASTRIES AT EACH TABLE ARE COMPLIMENTS OF THE 21ST CENTURY CLUB.



SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 8 PM , THEATER ABSOLUTE QUEEN



Queen Tribute Show Band Absolute Queen is the most authentic Queen Tribute Show band on the planet. All of the hits are covered, including the **BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY** movie soundtrack.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 8 PM , THEATER CHROME '57



This band is a premier oldies band, the ultimate '50's band that performs throughout Florida. The bandleader leads the band with an amazing horn section, and a male and female vocalist. It is a high energy stage show that always packs the dance floor. They are polished performers who are the preferred vendors for Disney and Universal.

FRIDAY, MARCH 25, 8 PM , THEATER THE BOSS PROJECT

Bruce Springsteen Tribute Band

This premier Bruce Springsteen and E Street Band tribute is an

unstoppable powerhouse ball of energy that brings audiences to their feet, singing and dancing every second of the show! If you can't see Bruce himself, then you MUST see The Boss Project.



LIBRARY NEWS

The library has begun to bustle with activity. As you can see, not many new DVDs have been purchased because there were not many movies created during the pandemic. But the library has a treasure chest of classic movies, award winners, children films, and action films. Stop in, get a movie, get a book, and chat with our great staff of volunteer librarians.

NOVEMBER '22 DVDs

WHERE THE CRAWDADS SING1	8
ELVIS	0
BLACK PHONE5	4
SECRETS OF DUMBLEDORE5	5

NOVEMBER '22 BOOKS

	THIS TIME TOMORRW	STRAUB, EMMA
	RISING TIGER	THOR, BRAD
	WHAT HAPPENED TO THE BENNETS (LP)SCOTTOLINE, LISA
\square	OUR MISSING HEARTS	NG, CELESTE

UNTIL THE LAST PAGE, I COULDN'T STOP READING

DEB PETERS

Don't know if you ever do reviews, but I think a lot of folks in our community might enjoy this book i just read, Shadows, by Robert Boris Riskin.

Dear Robert Boris Riskin,

It's 12:30am and I just finished your book, SHADOWS. I rarely read a book that I can't put down. You're a skillful and creative writer. And I



seem to have identified with many of the sub-plots in your story. Thank you for your work and for sharing your talent with us. I will be buying more copies of SHADOWS and giving them to friends. I'll also request that SHADOWS, by Robert Boris Riskin, be put in my over-55 community's library and additionally suggest it for the Delray Beach libraries. Keep on writing. You're an inspiration and I've become a true fan. Next up— SCRAMBLED EGGS and the rest of your Jake Wanderman Mystery series.



LIBRARY HOURS

Monday-Friday, 1-3 pm

1-3 pm

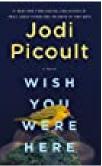
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JUNE - AUGUST:



NANCY EFFRAIN



This month's book, "Wish You Were Here," by Jodi Picoult, is relevant and timely because, unfortunately we are still in the grips of Covid. Jodi Picoult wrote this book while confined during the pandemic, and Covid is the backdrop of the story. One theme is the reexamination of choices made as a result of living through a pandemic, and according to Picoult, the novel is about "the resilience of the human spirit in a moment of crisis" - a lot to discuss.

The protagonist, Diana, a successful art specialist at Sotheby's, has decisively planned out her life. She, and her long time boyfriend, Finn, a doctor at a NYC hospital (who Diana has penciled in for a future marriage) are ready to leave on vacation for the Galapagos. Covid makes its presence, and Finn is not able to leave the hospital, but does convince Diana to go without him. The island closes due to Covid, and she remains on the island, has new experiences, and meets new people who influence her, while Finn is on the front lines fighting an ever expanding surge of Covid. The story continues on two fronts, and stay tuned for some very surprising twists.

All are welcome to attend. So you can actively participate in the lively discussion, please read the book, which is widely available at the RB library as well as other libraries and online. See you Nov. 17, at 1:30 in the Mens Card Room.

For questions, call Nancy Effrain 561-877-9166.



The 4th Annual Holiday Art, Craft, and Flea Market

Sunday, December 11, 2022 Tennis Center Grounds (Outside) 10:30 am to 3:30 pm

Come see, enjoy, and/or purchase hand-made works of art and other items. This is the perfect time to buy your holiday gifts.

Visit with your neighbors and friends. Don't forget to call in your visitors. We have the most artistic and creative people around.

Prepare to be amazed!

CDC health regulations will be in effect on this day.

Interested in a table? Fill out and return the application below to the Classes mailbox outside of the library in the Clubhouse by December 3, 2022. Contact Joyce Poses - 561-276-7594

ARTS & CRAFTS PROGRAM

- BEAD & BITCH will begin again in November on Monday evenings at 7pm. You can bring beads or buy them there. Bitching is always free. Call Karen Miller at 302 743 7702.
- Crafty Tuesdays can keep you busy every Tuesday morning with,
 - BABS FLOWER MAKING/CRAFT CLASS, 1st & 3rd Tues.
 10:00 am. These flowers look so real, you will keep smelling them. Join the fun.
 - MADELINE'S CARD MAKING WORKSHOP, 2nd & 4th Tues. 10:15 am. All supplies provided. New projects every class. Cards, journals & collages. \$4.00pp.
- The Clay Studio, Friday 10-12. Call Joyce Poses for info, 561 276 7694.

EXERCISE PROGRAMS let you MOVE your bodies without fainting from the heat in our air conditioned clubhouse

- EZ FITNESS CLASSES muscles in motion, M W F 9-10am Call Madeline Bochner 561 279 2062
- YOGA, call or text Deb Mayes at 607 302 0009. Both classes are in the Men's Card Room & cost \$20 month/\$10 class.
 - CHAIR YOGA, Monday, 10-11 am, no mat needed
 - GENTLE YOGA, Saturday, 10 11 am, on the mat
- WATER AEROBICS CLASS with Nan Robb, Wednesdays 11:30 am, Pool 5, no charge.

CLASS	Day	RM	Тіме
EZ Fitness	M-W-F	AUD	9-10a
Chair Yoga	М	MCR	10a
Canasta	М	MCR	2-4p
Beading	М	ART	7-9p
Nia	T, F	MCR	10a
Flowers/Crafts	T (1st & 3rd)	ART	10a
Card Making	T (2nd & 4th)	ART	10:15a
Water Aerobics	W	Р 5	11:30a
Current Events	Th	MCR	10:30a
Book Discussion	Th (3rd)	MCR	1:30p
Clay Studio	F	ART	10a-12p
Mat Yoga	S	MCR	10a

Updated: 10-12-22

• NIA classes, Tuesdays & Fridays, 10 am, Men's Card Room, when was the last time your workout actually brought you "JOY" or a sense of healing energy as well as conditioning? Why do people who travel or move to Delray Beach seek out our class? First of all, we have the only Nia teacher in Delray Beach right here in Rainberry Bay, even though Nia is in 45 countries. Secondly, people who love Nia don't want to live without it. Free Introduction to Nia on the 1st Tuesday of the month. For more information, call Helen Sohne 561-376-9789/niadelray@ gmail.com.

OUR FAVORITE EXTRAS

- CURRENT EVENTS with Jack & Nancy Effrain, Thursdays, 10:30 am, in the Men's Card Room.
- CANASTA CLASSES, with Phyllis Berke, Mondays 2-4pm, a group of players, with beginning to advanced skills, meet to gain or refresh their skills, playing the game. They meet in the Clubhouse Men's Cardroom. No need to register, just show up. If you have questions, call Phyllis at (561) 865-5948.
- BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP, with Nancy Effrain, 3rd Thursday of the month in month in the Men's Cardroom. For more details on this class, see page 11.

If nothing here suits your fancy then eat chocolate.

SOCIAL SECURITY ANNOUNCES 8.7% BENEFIT INCREASE FOR 2023

MARK HINKLE, PRESS OFFICER

PRESS RELEASE DATED THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2022

Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits for approximately 70 million Americans will increase 8.7 percent in 2023, the Social Security Administration announced today. On average, Social Security benefits will increase by more than \$140 per month starting in January.

The 8.7 percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) will begin with benefits payable to more than 65 million Social Security beneficiaries in January 2023. Increased payments to more than 7 million SSI beneficiaries will begin on December 30, 2022. (Note: some people receive both Social Security and SSI benefits). The Social Security Act ties the annual COLA to the increase in the Consumer Price Index as determined by the Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics.

"Medicare premiums are going down and Social Security benefits are going up in 2023, *"Medicare premiums are going down and Social Security benefits are going up in 2023"*

which will give seniors more peace of mind and breathing room. This year's substantial Social Security cost-of-living adjustment is the first time in over a decade that Medicare premiums are not rising and shows that we can provide more support to older Americans who count on the benefits they have earned," Acting Commissioner Kilolo Kijakazi said. Some other adjustments that take effect in January of each year are based on the increase in average wages. Based on that increase, the maximum amount of earnings subject to the Social Security tax (taxable maximum) will increase to \$160,200 from \$147,000.

Social Security and SSI beneficiaries are normally notified by mail starting in early December about their new benefit amount. The fastest way to find out their new benefit amount is to access their personal my Social Security account to view the COLA notice online. It's secure, easy, and people find out before the mail arrives. People can also opt to receive a text or email alert when there is a new message from Social Security--such as their COLA notice--waiting for them, rather than receiving a letter in the mail. People may create or access their my Social Security account online at www.ssa.gov/myaccount.

Information about Medicare changes for 2023 is available at www.medicare.gov. For Social Security beneficiaries enrolled in Medicare, their new higher 2023 benefit amount will be available in December through the mailed COLA notice and my Social Security's Message Center.

HELPING VOTERS WITH DISABILITIES PARTICIPATE THOMAS HICKS, CHAIRMAN, US ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

Voters with disabilities face unique obstacles when casting their ballots. The Help America Vote Act ensures that all voters with disabilities have the right to mark, cast, and verify their ballots privately and independently.

The Election Assistance Commission (EAC) helps voters with disabilities register to vote and understand their options to cast ballots.

As the November midterms approach, here are tips and resources to help those with disabilities fully participate in our democratic process:

Know your rights to accessible elections

As a voter with a disability, you have the right to:

Vote privately and independently.

Vote in an accessible polling place with voting machines for voters with disabilities.

Seek assistance from workers at the polling place who have been trained to use accessible voting machines.

Bring someone to help you vote.

You can also ask your local election officials ahead of the election to tell you about available voting aids, voting assistance, and mail-in or absentee ballot procedures.

The EAC developed a pocket-sized voter card and a large print version in braille that serve as guides about voting rights for voters with disabilities.

Use trusted sources of information to help you vote, contact your state and local election officials

With the rise of social media, election information can come from a range of sources and often varies from state to state. Make sure you use official sources of information about registering to vote, updating your registration, and casting your ballot.

What sources of information should you use? The best sources for election information are your state and local election officials. At the local level this is often, but not always, a county office. These election officials can address any questions you may have about the voting process as well as available accommodations if you have a disability. To find your state and local election office, go to EAC.gov/vote.

Learn about the various methods to register and vote in your state

An increasing number of states and voters use alternative means of voting. According to the EAC's Disability and Voting Accessibility in the 2020 Election Survey, voters with disabilities are more likely to vote by mail than in person. Go to EAC.gov/vote to learn more about your options.

Other ways the EAC is helping to improve voting access for people with disabilities

During the 2020 general election, over 80% of voters with disabilities reported voting independently without any difficulty. Only 5% of voters with disabilities surveyed reported having difficulties using mail ballots. While this

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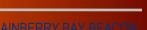
Photos: Karen Jensen

The October free concerts in the parking lot will be the last ones for the season. Thank you, Ed & Carol for all you did to keep the community entertained during Covid and thereafter. You helped so many of us maintain our sense of community (and sanity) during such hard times.





Madeline's Card Class October 11, 2022, photography by Karen Jensen. From left: Madeline Hincken, Instructor, Babs Heller, Rhonda Newman, Joyce Poses, Karen Jensen, and Sue Schulman



Michael and Sandy lost their beloved Cio-Cio San last year and found this adorable guy at Tri-County Animal Rescue. He charmed the staff and they renamed him Grover, after the Sesame Street character. He's a cute, furry, loveable older dog, somewhere between 11 and 14, who is very happy in his new home. He's smart and has attitude which he can get across with a look that he pretty much reserves for Michael. He can panic his parents and he clearly rules his roost. He's a real sweetie.

GROVER CANTWELL



Frank & Diane got Scooby, their Chihuahua, at a Syracuse, NY nokill shelter when he was 3. Five vears later, his favorite toy is Freddie and he likes to steal socks. He doesn't like costumes, clothes, collars, snow or swimming. He doesn't play well with other dogs, likely due to negative shelter experience. He does like people and loves being pushed in his stroller because it gives him a better view of his surroundings. He's pretty quiet until another dog comes near him. He's a cutie. SCOOBY MANION



LILA SHAW

When Barbara retired, she knew she wanted to work with fosters and Lila was her very first foster. Lila was rescued from an agricultural area near Miami where she had been left in a cage in deplorable conditions (prerescue picture above). She's been a blessing for Barbara for 7 years and is quite happy to be where she is now. Lila dances and twirls for a treat; she's quite the little Miss Personality.

RAINBERRY RESCUES

CHAR LANE, copy & photos

Thanksgiving is the time to express gratitude. It is something you'll experience every day from a rescue dog and something you'll feel every day for your rescue dog and family member. Rainberry has quite a few rescue dogs in residence.

Aside from saving and changing a pup's life, all the human lives have been positively impacted, and have unconditional love from and for their rescue dogs. Shelter dogs are thoroughly checked and brought up to date on their shots. When you choose to bring one home, you'll have someone to focus on and love, someone to keep you active, and someone to keep you entertained, Your dog will be loyal to you forever for having been rescued.

If you're considering getting a dog, check the local shelters. You'll find a variety of dog breeds and sizes and ages from which to choose. A benefit to adopting an older dog is that they are trained and grateful to be in a real home. Take a chance, adopt a shelter dog, save a life, make a pup happy and make yourself happy, too.



LULU LAMPEL

Steve and Ava adopted Lulu from Tri-County. She came from Puerto Rico after the earthquake and shared a cage with Milton Klusner. Lulu is a Carkie, a hybrid of Yorkshire and Caim Terrier and is quite a character, feisty, and fun. She's little but can pull Steve down the street on their walks. She enjoys chasing and catching lizards, chasing rabbits and squirrels and exploring Rainberry. She loves her food and treats but hates white trucks.

After losing their dog, Aby, Anne & Robert wanted to adopt another dog. When they saw Ruby, who was scheduled to be euthanized that day, and she jumped on Robert's lap, any other dog was forgotten. They literally saved each other and she has been with them for 13 years. She's lost all but one tooth, but she's an expert at gumming it and eats well. She loves to go for walks in her stroller, which gives her a better view than walking. Another lady pup with lots of personality, beautiful eyes, and a mind of her own.

RUBY COHEN



Charley found "Charley" at Big Dog Ranch. He leaned on her leg and it was all she wrote. As there were already two Charley's in the family, he was renamed Chester. He's 8 and was $1\frac{1}{2}$ when he joined their family. He can be quirky - he only eats on the carpet and loves peanut butter. His favorite activities include bringing home avocados to hide (Charley once found one under her pillow), and chewing on The Delray Democrat, which he sometimes delivers. He's quite content, as are his humans.

CHESTER HARRELL-THOMAS



Lexi was adopted at 6 weeks by John & Kelly from Destiny for Dogs. They regret not also adopting Lexi's sister, who now lives with friends of Kelly and John, and they visit. Lexi is 7, part Schnauzer and Chihuahua, and quite the tiny, gentle lady. She loves to walk and interact with people. She's not a fan of other dogs, but is very friendly with people. When there's a potential treat in sight she runs as if in an Iditarod, struggling to pull John along behind her. She's smart lively, full of curiosity and loves cookies.

LEXI CANCELMO-HAYES





Cody was in a Miami kill shelter and sent to Big Dog Ranch where Alan adopted him on 7/01/16 Alan wanted a companion during his wife's illness and says it's a question of who rescued whom. Cody's 8 and quite feisty. He growls, barks and lunges at trucks and sometimes golf carts. He loves his CBD treats and walks Rainberry daily. He tries to be gruff, but he can be sweet. He's a great watch dog and good friend to Alan.

CODY GOLDSTEIN



D'ARCY & WINSTON DORAN

Megan has two of the cutest pups. D'Arcy was her first adoption and she found her at Denver Dumb Friends League. She's a dark-colored fluff ball who is about 13 and Megan's had her for 12 years. D'Arcy likes to sleep, lay in the grass and is very friendly. She kind of wraps around your leg like a cat and enjoys love, attention and treats.

Winston was found in an abandoned house in Texas and Megan got him at a shelter in Boulder, Colorado six years ago. He's about 6 years old, light in color and fluffy with a serious aspect. He enjoys rolling in the grass, spinning and eating. Both D'Arcy & Winston are friendly and curious. They like their walks and tend to stretch Megan's arms in different directions. Diane and Vic rescued Milton on 2/28/20 because they wanted to honor their beloved Mitzi. He was evacuated from Puerto Rico after an earthquake and shared a cage with Lulu Lampel on the trip here. Per Diane, Milton is loving, kind, funny and handsome, but not conceited. He is also a great guard dog. Having encountered Milton many times I've found him sweet, gentle and would describe him as having an "air of aristocracy" in the way he carries himself.

MILTON KLUSNER



Steve adopted Baby when she was one, at the start of Covid. She had been born under a porch and Steve fostered her for 3 months. It worked for Baby & Steve. She's a terrier and chihuahua mix and is the sweetest pup, but very clingy and doesn't get too far from Steve. In his truck, she sits by him on the console and enjoys walking around Rainberry and seeing other humans. Baby is a gentle soul and

> they are quite the happy pair. BABY BUSH





ODY APRILL-STEWART Odysseus "Ody" is one of 4,000 beagles rescued from a breeding lab in VA. His first 7 months were in a cage with 19 other beagles. Karen & Bob lost their rescued beagle, Avett, last year and were ready to adopt again. He was under -weight and didn't like to eat food or drink water, so they hand-fed him. He's scared of the kitchen but likes the master bedroom. He gets along great with their grandkids, loves to walk around the lake, and enjoys people. Ody is just fine. Jon and Paula adopted Ollie when he was 7 months old. He was the last of the litter and living in a cage in a neighbor's basement. Up North, he ran through the woods and chased deer. He's 13 and enjoys pulling Jon through Rainberry's scents and artifacts, and can overwhelm other dogs. Ollie likes people, belly rubs, attention, and food. Ollie is a sweetheart and playful teddy bear.

Ollie Lieberman



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Meetings 1st Thursday of Month 4:00 pm—MCR

VINNIE ARDILLO & KAREN APRILL

CELEBRATE NATIVE GARDENS

Sunday, November 6, 2022 9am - 3pm

2022 Native Garden Tour

Featuring 6 unique gardens in southeastern Palm Beach County



The map and descriptions of gardens is on this website: palmbeach.fnpschapters.org If interested in going and can provide a ride or need a ride contact vardillo@aol.com or text 330-256-5822

VEGETABLE GARDENING WORKSHOP

Add some spice and fun to your life with our vegetable gardening workshop. Did you know that winter is the prime vegetable growing season in South Florida? Fred Stein, a Rainberry Bay home owner, will once again show us how to pot herbs and tomatoes so you can grow them on your own. By attending this workshop, you will be shown how to pot your plants, and you will receive one tomato plant, one basil plant, and one parsley plant, to pot and take home with you. Join us at the Tennis Center at 2:00 PM on Wednesday December 14, 2022.

You can register for the class by emailing: Helen Sohne - helensohne@gmail.com

Cost is \$15 for the class, which includes 3 plants: a tomato plant, a basil plant, a parsley plant, 3 large potting containers, and top quality potting soil to fill the containers. Class size is limited so make sure to be among the first 20 to respond!

Drop off cash or checks to Vinnie Ardillo's home at 2515 NW 13th Ct., made out to Vinnie Ardillo or Anne-Marie Blondin, $% \left({\frac{1}{2}} \right) = \left({\frac{1}{2}} \right) \left({\frac{1}{2}} \right)$

DO NOT PUT IN THE MAILBOX PLEASE.

IMMEDIATE NEED: HELP OUR SHELTERS

Rainberry Bay has always been a very dog and cat friendly community. The Green Committee usually does a donation drive in April for Tri-County Animal Rescue (a no kill shelter in Boca Raton). Recently Tri-County has accepted **125 HURRICANE IAN RESCUES** and Peggy Adams Animal Rescue League in West Palm is at capacity with rescues.

We are sponsoring a special donation drive November 7-12. We will have a donation box in the front lobby of the Clubhouse. The following items are being requested:

- TRAINING PADS
- PET BEDS (ESPECIALLY LARGE DOG BEDS)
- DOG CRATES AND CAT CARRIERS
- DURABLE DOG TOYS- NO RAWHIDE OR GREENBRIAR
- CAT TREATS
- THE FOLLOWING DOG TREATS
 - PUPPERONI AND BEGGIN STRIPS,
 - JIF® OR SKIPPY® CREAMY PEANUT BUTTER, KONGS
- 1 AND 2 GALLON ZIPLOC® BAGS
- WASHED WASH CLOTHS
- BABY BLANKETS
- AA BATTERIES
- CLEAR KARO® SYRUP
- 1 GALLON BLEACH BOTTLES
- ♦ BLACK SHARPIE® MARKERS
- Post-it® notes
- NON CLUMPING CAT LITTER
- WASHED COMFORTERS

Soles 4 Souls Shoe Drive

Don't know what to do with your gently used shoes or shoes you bought that just didn't work out? Keep them out of landfills and do some good for those in need by bringing them to us in Rainberry. We will drop off at a local collection site or mail directly to Soles 4 Souls. Our shoe drive is planned for January—dates to be determined. So please keep your pairs of shoes together in individual bags until we confirm the dates. More details to follow next month. Email Helen Sohne helensohne@gmail.com for more information

ADDITIONAL COLLECTIONS:

Please save anything Brita, used contact lens, lens bubble cases, and eye glasses for collection during the shoe drive. Tennis balls can be recycled in the box available at the Tennis Center.

• BLUE REFLECTORS: Please consider keeping our landscaping company from applying pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers on your planting beds by signing up for the blue reflector program. The protocol and registration form are available in the kiosk at the Clubhouse. This is a beginning to keep some of the toxic chemicals out of our environment.



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- Cover bowls or dishes when cooking in the microwave. Coffee filters make excellent covers.
- Clean windows, mirrors, and chrome... Coffee filters are lint-free so they'll leave windows sparkling.
- Protect China by separating your good dishes with a coffee filter between each dish.
- Filter broken cork from wine. If you break the cork when opening a wine bottle, filter the wine through a coffee filter.
- Protect a cast-iron skillet. Place a coffee filter in the skillet to absorb moisture and prevent rust.
- Hold tacos. Coffee filters make convenient wrappers for messy foods.
- Stop the soil from leaking out of a plant pot. Line a plant pot with a coffee filter to prevent the dirt from going through the drainage holes.
- Put baking soda into a coffee filter and insert it into shoes or a closet to absorb or prevent odors.
- Use them to strain soup stock and to tie fresh herbs in to put in soups and stews.
- Use a coffee filter to prevent spilling when you add fluids to your car.
- Use them as a spoon rest while cooking and clean up small counter spills.
- Can be used to hold dry ingredients when baking or when cutting a piece of fruit or veggies. It saves on having extra bowls to wash.
- Use them to remove fingernail polish when out of cotton balls.
- Use them to sprout seeds. Simply dampen the coffee filter, place seeds inside, fold and place it into a plastic baggie until they sprout.
- Use coffee filters as blotting paper for pressed flowers. Place the flowers between two coffee filters and put the coffee filters in a heavy book.
- Use as a disposable "snack bowl" for popcorn, chips, etc.
- Use them to hold screws and nails as you put together or take apart your latest project.
- Entertain the grandkids making coffee filter butterflies, apples, bats, and flowers. There are hundreds of crafts you can do with coffee filters. Just look up "Coffee Filter Crafts."





RAINBERRY RESIDENT DIRECTORY CHAR LANE

The 2023 Rainberry Bay Directory will be published in the spring. The Directory is a valuable resource when you want to contact someone or obtain phone numbers for emergency or other services, the office and guard house.

Our Rainberry Directory is a continuously evolving document and it's important that you make sure that your information is current. **Please review your information in the 2021 electronic Directory for correctness and note any changes on a Directory form.** An electronic version of the Directory is on the password-protected FSR-Rainberry website on the main page under Forms and Documents. *If you don't see it there, please contact the office.* If you don't have computer access, please complete a form so we're sure to have good information.

The 2023 print version of the Directory will be sourced from the (updated) electronic Directory. Remember to update your information whenever you change telephone numbers or email addresses or other relevant data or circumstances. If you had different information in the print and electronic versions in 2021, you'll need to complete a new form.

New residents need to make sure they complete the Directory Inclusion form provided to them by First Service or the Welcome Committee. They'll receive a hard copy of the Rainberry Directory, copies of which were given out at multiple distributions and / or hand delivered during the past year. Copies are also available by contacting the FSR office.

Telephone numbers are <u>automatically included</u> in the Directory <u>unless you write "NO"</u> in the box next to each phone number you want to have excluded.

Email addresses will be included in the Directory only if you write "YES" in the box next to each email address on the form. If your email addresses were in the 2021 electronic Directory, they will be in the 2023 directory.

THERE IS A BLANK DIRECTORY INCLUSION FORM on the next page that can be used. Make certain whatever form you use says FORM REV 9/22 on the lower left side. More forms are available in the clubhouse lobby wall display, on the Rainberry website or in the FSR office.

Please make sure you complete a Directory Inclusion form to ensure we have your current information and take your completed form to the FSR Management office or scan and email it to Rainberrybay@FSResidenti al.com or mail it to FSR at the address on the form.



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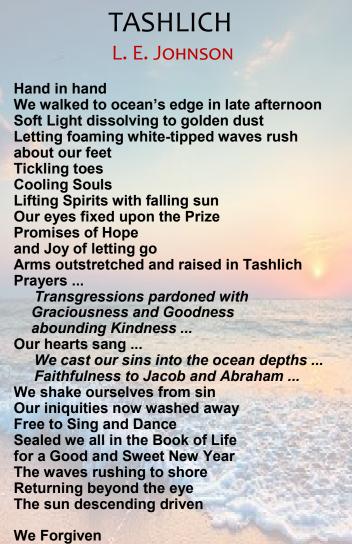
Rainberry Bay Directory

Hard Copy (Printed) & Electronic (password protected) Directory

Please provide the information you want to have included in the next Directory. Please PRINT clearly so there are no mistakes. Thank you. Name: Name: Address: Names, addresses & phone numbers of all residents will be included in the directory. Write NO in the box to the left of each number that you DO NOT WANT in the directory. Land Line (if any): or Cell Phone: (Name: Name: Cell Phone: (Name: Cell Phone: (Email address(es) WILL NOT BE INCLUDED in the Directory without your written permission. Write YES in the box next to each email address that you WANT in the Directory. Email Address: Name: Email Address: Name: Email Address: Name: Information will be the same in both the print and electronic directories when the next print directory is published in 2023. The electronic directory on the website will be updated on a continuing basis. Signature Date Signature Date Please take or mail the completed form to the management office at: Rainberry Bay 2801 Rainberry Circle Delray Beach, FL 33445 - OR -Scan & email the completed form to RainberryBay@FSResidential.com Thank you. Char Lane, Directory Chair Form Rev. 9/22

POETS CORNER LAWRENCE E. JOHNSON

One of Rainberry Bay's favorite storytellers, poets, and writers has agreed to join the Beacon staff and share his work with us. Lawrence Johnson moved to Rainberry Bay in 2011 with his partner, Irving Camiel. Both men immediately became contributors to the Rainberry Bay community. Lawrence joined Joyce Poses' Brainberry U and became an instructor for our Opera series. Hopefully, we will learn more about him in the coming months.



We Forgiven Cleansed We cry out Tashlich! Next year, Jerusalem!

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To all residents of Rainberry Bay;

We hope those of you who do fast for Yom Kippur had a meaningful and easy fast this year Please be advised that our last meeting of Oct 14, 2022 was cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. Our next meeting will be held on Friday Nov. 11, 2022 at one PM in the men's card room in the clubhouse. Hope to see everyone there.







CLAIRE SALTZ, VICE PRESIDENT

October Bingo in the Afternoon! - has been rescheduled to February 9, 2023. Sales from tickets provide the prize money for the games - \$ 550.00 at our spring bingo - and to give away at least the same amount again, enough tickets were not purchased. Members of the Women's Club Board had very generously offered to pay for refreshments and supplies needed. At press time, the November cards and games party is being rescheduled for January 12, 2023.

We will be donating gift cards, as we did last year, to the Pine Grove School here in Delray for the holidays. Last year's cards were for Walmart so the children and their families could purchase items they needed, or wanted, for the holidays. Some donations for school supplies were received after our event ended, and we will use those funds, in

addition to contributions from our always very generous Women's Club Board. We are a charitable organization and hope that other Rainberry clubs and residents will join in with us to aid those who are in need.

We, the children at Pine Grove and their families, appreciate your generosity. Checks payable to RB WOMEN'S CLUB can be deposited in our club box near our RB library. Thank you.

We are looking forward to our next event on January 12, 2023, and will keep you posted when plans are finalized. If you have any questions or suggestions please call club President Carol Shore at 561 862-7228, or call or email club Vice President Claire Saltz at 561 450-7241 or WCRBayClaire@aol.com.

Mix-n-Mingle Club/Committee

Hi everyone! Hello November! I hope this finds all of you beautiful Rainberry residents doing well! The Mix-n-Mingle club has some fun events lined up and we hope to see as many of you as possible!

Our opening event for season 2023 "Aloha Rainberry Bay" is to be held Sunday, January 8, at the theater from 2-4 pm. It is a free welcome party for all residents as well as newcomers. Let's celebrate life together. We hope everyone will mix-n-mingle and meet their neighbors. We have a surprise musician/songwriter from Delray to join us for your musical entertainment! We are fortunate to have him! We will also have a Hawaiian photo booth with a backdrop to have fun taking pictures with different props as well as a stand-up to put your face into to look like you are at an actual luau party! With 50/50 raffles & lots of luau decorations, we want you all to join in and have fun! It's a bring-your-own-bottle (BYOB). To provide a headcount for our food order, please text or email me to let us know you will be attending. Debbie 646-235-4086 or themixnmingleclub@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you all there!!

- Tuesday evening, January 24, at 7 pm, we have planned "A Night ٠ at the Races!" in the Theater. Admission will be \$10.00/per person. Bring your own bottle or snacks; we will be serving hotdogs, beans, and dessert. More info will follow.
- All aboard!! January 31 will bring a bus load to try our luck at the Isles casino. For those of you who are avid gamblers, the IsLES CASINO is undergoing some wonderful changes! The Casino is expanding, and they are building a hotel! It's been bought by

Harrah's so your play cards will be recognized by all total reward casinos everywhere!! Your accumulated comp monies do not expire. So come try your luck! Call or text Debbie at 646-235-4086 or email themixnmingleclub@gmail.com to save your seat!!



- January 17 at 10:30 am, there will be a Brunch-n-Learn, "Sound Hearing" presentation held in the theater. Please call or text Debbie for food head count at 646-235-4086 or email themixnminaleclub@amail.com
- On Friday, January 27, in the theater parking lot, we have arranged a visit from a Dermatology Mobile Service. It is a free service open to all Rainberry Bay residents. More info to follow.

We have many other wonderful Lunch-n-Learn speakers lined up to visit us here in Rainberry. All information will follow. Please post these dates on your personal calendar and check in on our Rainberry Bay website www.myrainberrybay.com. It has a world of information.

Remember to smile, it's contagious! Hope you all have a spooktacular Halloween!



21st Century Club DATE HAS BEEN CHANGED TO FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 8 PM, THEATER



This 6-piece band will have you singing and dancing!

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We are looking for talent. We need singers, dancers, ticket takers, ushers and technical people. We need new and experienced performers who are eager to appear on stage.

To be part of the show, scheduled for Feb. 19, 2023 Contact: Neill Klein 561-271-2219 onstage.rainberry@yahoo.com

Continued from page 1 FERTILIZATION

biological control and essential oil-based insecticides to give the aesthetic results that residents want without any harmful chemicals," he explained.

ordinance, but they're all stakeholders in this most important mission to protect our backyard. For those of us who live here in South Florida, making an effort is on all of us.

Remember, it is always illegal to fertilize anywhere near the bay, canal, or waterway, or near a storm drain. Commercial operators that are found violating the ordinance will be fined \$500. First time offenses for homeowners will be \$50 and then go up from there for repeat offenses.

**For more information, visit:

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Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday @ 9 am Monday, Thursday@ 6 pm



As we welcome "fall" in Florida and the arrival of our snowbird family, the bocce courts are getting busier and we will, once again, be providing a sign-up so everyone can play on a first-come, first-serve basis.

We are grateful to the Board for the addition of a shed to house equipment for both bocce and shuffleboard. Some additional renovations are being planned to improve

New storage shed for bocce and shuffleboard equipment.

the area surrounding the courts to make it safer for participants and allow more room for players and guests.

Plans are underway to participate in the 2023 Palm Beach County Bocce League. Jack Mitrani and Barry Nissinoff have agreed to co-chair the League this year. Scrimmage games with Bellagio were played last month in preparation for the upcoming schedule which will begin in January.

New members are always welcome. Annual dues, which are \$10 a year, are now being collected.



Hard to believe it's almost mid-October and our new season will be kicking off November 1. We will have had a jump on it with our annual poolside Halloween Party on October 31. Time flies by quickly and by the time you read this, this event will have been completed. Our next

big event will be the Delray Beach Open Mega Mixer Qualifying event in mid-November.

We came through Hurricane lan here at Rainberry with little damage. Our heavy duty court maintenance and lights installation was pushed back a week while minor repairs to wind screens and court surfaces took place.

Our first ladies fall team match was held on October 10th. The free clinic participation has increased since September.

Our Sports Director, **SHARIQ KHAN** along with his great pros and maintenance staff should keep our tennis center busy and hopping with activity and fun events that haven't been seen in a long while!



Sports Director Shariq Khan

Hope to see you all on the courts in November!

STICKBALL If You Build It, They Will Come (Part 2) MICHAEL CANTWELL

When we last left off, **JOE CHRISTENSEN**, **TIM BENNETT**, and I were certain the ghosts of stickball past would soon arrive. And come they did.

Came they from the pickleball courts (MIKE MORGANO and GREG MCGANN); came they from the tennis courts (the two MARK/C*s, KURTZMAN and BEILINSON); came they through knowledge acquired by reading the Beacon (JIM REILLY), came kith and kin (BRIAN ANDERSON, PETER CAMACHO, JOE GERRISH, TOMMY HENIGMAN, and JOE VASTANO). So when are YOU coming?

Stickball Rules

It goes without saying that "stickball rules," in the same way that "dogs rule," but good rules make good games, and we've had nothing but good games. Our rules are created and enforced by the Rainberry Bay Stickball



Photo: Char Lane

From left to right: Michael Cantwell, Joe Vastano, Gregory McCann, Joe Christensen, Mike Morgano, James Reilly.

Rules Committee, which consists of, well, anyone who shows up to play on Wednesday afternoons at 4 PM.

It's important to note that we don't look

upon the rules promulgated by the Founders of stickball as "too sacred to be touched." Like Thomas Jefferson, we recognize that "laws and institutions must go hand in hand with the progress of the human mind" and must "keep pace with the times" as "new discoveries are made, new truths disclosed."

A case in point was our decision to move the pitcher's mound back from the batter's box not once but twice, after someone uncovered and uttered the truth that he'd like "another half second to react" to Peter Camacho's fastballs.

The Long Hot Summer

It's been a long, hot summer, but we soldiered on, even when reduced to three players and three-inning games in the mid-90 heat. Now the snowbirds are starting to return, and soon we'll be back to seven innings and full rosters. Play ball.



The Southern Handcraft Society Madeline Hincken

Guess what? It's our 29th spectacular year for our art and craft show, An Olde Fashioned Holiday. We are still at Old School Square, The Fieldhouse (formerly The Vintage Gymnasium). If you have ever been to one of our shows, you know each year brings new crafts of all kinds. Yes, we keep getting better and better. This show is the most incredible, longest running, indoor art and craft show in Delray Beach.

Our local crafters and artists create one-of-a-kind works of art and crafts of distinction. Our gift and holiday items always include: Thanksgiving, Christmas, Hanukkah.....along with items that are appropriate for any occasion.



We have jewelry, cards, journals, shell art, glass art, gourds, hand painted and turned wood pieces, ornaments,

soaps, purses, quilts, hand-knit hats, sweaters, blankets, headbands, local honey and so much more. Prepare to be incredibly amazed by all of our local talent. In fact, we have many new items this year.

We will be following the CDC guidelines which will be in effect each day of our show per the city of Delray Beach.

Admission is free with convenient parking across the street at one of the city's parking garages.

DATES AND TIMES OF SHOW: Thursday, November 17, 2022, 10 AM to 8:00 PM Friday, November 18, 2022, 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM Saturday, November 19, 2022, 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

The Fieldhouse is located on the property of Old School Square on the corner of NE 1st Street and NE 1st Avenue in beautiful downtown Delray Beach, FL 33444. Make it a day and take in the shops and restaurants that are right around the corner on Atlantic Avenue. Please contact Madeline at mhincken@gmail.com for any questions.



Photo: Char Lane Pool 5 after being emptied, acid-washed, and being refilled for use in the fall.

HURRICANE ED

Hurricane season officially ends at the end of November. But we can tend to become complacent when the temperatures begin to cool and the holidays draw closer. With climate change we see storms earlier as well as later than the "traditional" hurricane season June 1st to November 30th. That's why it's important to review your supplies from time to time and keep your "go bag" packed.

Besides hurricanes, power outages can occur during any strong storm. So keep a flashlight handy and make sure you would be safe if the lights suddenly went out. Check that your area rugs are secure (taped down or on non-skid pads) and minimize small pieces of furniture in pathways you would normally walk in. Plan ahead, be prepared and be safe!





This free, pet-friendly event will have something for everyone. Meet adoptable dogs looking for a forever home. Enjoy tasty treats for people and pups. Start your holiday gift shopping. K9 Working Dog Show by DPD. Fun activities for kids and dogs

> Delray Is Going to the Dogs is a festive day that supports Pets in Need and hosted by Pets Broward.

Continued from page 14 Helping Voters with Disabilities Participate

is an improvement over previous elections, the EAC understands there is more work to be done. As part of their efforts, the EAC equips election officials with best practices on accessible voter registration, in-person voting, and voting by mail. The EAC also conducts research to identify accessibility gaps and other resources.

Safe, secure, and accessible elections are the foundation of our democracy. This November, we encourage every voter to understand their rights and use trusted sources of information before casting your ballot. You can find a comprehensive list of resources for voters with disabilities on EAC.gov, the US Election Assistance Committee website.

As a Voter with a Disability, you have the right to:

- Vote privately and independently
- Have an accessible polling place with voting machines for voters with disabilities

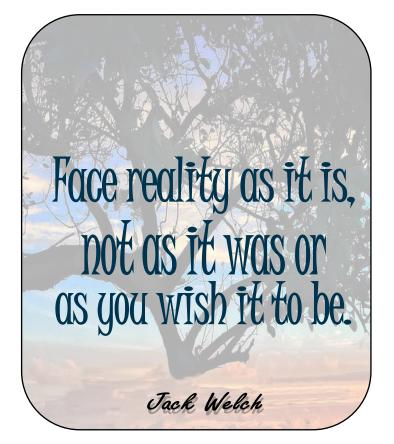
You may either:

- Seek assistance from workers at the polling place who have been trained to use the accessible voting machine,
- Bring someone to help you vote

You may request your local election officials to tell you about any voting aids, voting assistance, and absentee ballot procedures that are available.

Ensure your right to accessible elections. For more information, contact the U.S. Election Assistance Commission By phone at 866-747-1471 or by email at clearinghouse@eac.gov.ps://www.eac.gov/QR/ fedvtrights.aspx

The EAC has distributed more than 25,000 Braille Voting Rights cards over the past two years. To request, please email: clearinghouse@eac.gov.



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"Carrie and Allan did a great job listing and helping me sell my villa in Rainberry Bay. It took about three weeks from Listing to SOLD. They helped in everything the could to get the best price and to help in every part of the process. They're the Best." Laurel L



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