

**MARCH 2023** 

**SHARING COMMUNITY NEWS** 

### **SAVE THESE DATES**

Wednesday, March 1 **Board of Directors Election/Annual Mtg** 

Thursday, March 2 OnSpot Dermatology

Friday, March 10 21st CC, Rocketman Show

> Saturday, March 11 Shredding Event

Wednesday, March 15 OnStage Show

Thursday, March 16 M-n-M Club, LRC Game

Friday, March 17 M-n-M Club, St. Patty's Day Fun

> Saturday, March 18 Women's Club Bingo

Tuesday, March 21 Bocce Pizza Party

Saturday, March 25 21st CC, The Boss Project

March 24-26 Tennis "G. Moscowitz" Championship

# Rose Weisman Honored at Bike Station Dedication

# ANNE BARRON



Sunday, February 5, cyclists, friends and neighbors braved the rain to gather at the Theatre to present the Bike Repair Station to the Rainberry Bay Community on behalf of the Bike Club and honor Rose Weisman for her 15+ Photo by Deb Peters years of leadership.

Residents and neighbors were thanked for supporting the Bike Club's fund raising activities. A huge Elephant Sale was held in 2019, organized by John Brown and Monique Goudreau. Scott Aijo and Ray Morris donated an entire household of goods and about 2/3 of the revenue came from that donation.

In 2020, just as the pandemic was gearing up, the Bike Club hosted a tour of Rainberry residences that had been recently remodeled and/or decorated. Nine residents opened their doors, donated their time and 59 residents braved the unknown to view them. It was worth it!

John and Monique thanked Rose for her steadfast Presidency for the 20+ members of the Club and many more participants. A lot of years and a lot of work went into organizing bike rides, tours, trips, monthly meetings with breakfasts, and of course fund raising. Fundraising and charities were a big part of what the Bike Club did. Rose

and her team organized super White Elephant Sales and donated the money to Toys for Tots, Shriner's, Camps for kids, Firefighters & Marines, and would help with toy drives etc. Rose's dedication to the group, the incredible amount of time put into the activities and trips, and her resourcefulness made this a huge, successful Club with enduring power.

Rose acknowledged it was a lot of work, but she enjoyed doing it. Rose reviewed the history of the club recognizing friends and volunteers. She thanked the wonderful team of community members, George, her husband who was always behind Rose helping, Loretta Toder, Roz Elfman, Steve, the sergeant at arms to start the meetings, Helen Wasserstein, Claire Parker and many more.

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Photo by Deb Peters L. to R. Lois Wiesler, Monique Goudreau, Rose Weisman, Anne Barron, Scott Aijo, John Brown

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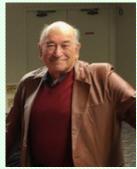
# **CAREGIVER SUPPORT MEETINGS**

As we all get older and need more physical, emotional, and/or mental help, there's a great resource for anyone that is a caregiver. Are you interested in going to a caregiver support meeting? This meeting is not for the person for whom you are caring . . . It's for YOU! The meetings are held at Verena at Delray, 5624 Linton Blvd., Delray Beach. They are held on the third Wednesday of every month from 10:30 am to 12 noon. They are free and are headed by Marcia Teele, 561-876-8276. Marcia works for Arden Courts and is a memory care expert. Please feel free to call Marcia; or email me if you want more information at mhincken@gmail.com.

# A NOTE TO OUR RAINBERRY COMMUNITY:

Please join us in offering our prayers and deepest sympathy to Neill and Debrah Klein as they mourn the loss of their beloved 12 year old grandson, Noah Klein, who passed Friday, February 17, 2023.

# Rainberry Bay's Legacy



 Our longtime friend and neighbor, GEORGE MOSCOWITZ, beloved husband of Nusha Moscowitz, passed on February 14, 2023. George was an avid tennis player, active in the Tennis Club, a past member of its board, and worked on the club's charter and bylaws. George was an amazing painter and an incredible woodworker and sculptor. He was also a wonderful friend and lived in Rainberry Bay since 2003. George and Nusha were very sociable and could be

found at parties and events all around the community. Burial was upstate NY. If anyone wishes to make a donation in George's name, please send it the Heart Association.

Our sympathy goes to the family of GLORIA AUSTER upon her passing in February, Gloria, whose beloved husband, Jack, predeceased her, loved to dance and cavort around Pool 5. They were a very active couple, enjoying and performing in Rainberry shows. She was the lady with the beautiful white streak in her black hair. Gloria and Jack lived in Rainberry Bay since 2000.

This month's predictions indicate that "February is a month that encourages us to make changes"... And so it is with a sad heart that I wish to share news that my beloved husband, GERALD AXEL, chose the month of February to make his grand change. Jerry (89) passed peacefully through this life on Valentine's eve (2/14/23) at 8:36 pm. He was surrounded by LIGHT (candles surrounded him), LOVE (his daughter, Rachelle and I formed a loving team), and CHOCOLATE (dark, of course...his favorite). My daughters, Felice and Michele had just been with Jerry the week before we called in the hospice team, both visits and "daughters" he adored.

There was a sign that sat in his room that read, "We have so many reasons to be happy"...and a family photo nearby. Jerry and I had decided together weeks ago, when we knew his time was near, that we were going to be happy during these last weeks for the amazing life we shared for almost 25 years...and we were...to the

We decided that rather than immediately having a funeral (Jerry wished his remains cremated), we would have a Celebration of Life Ceremony next month at The Gardens of Boca Raton, allowing his family the privacy and time to heal somewhat from the initial sadness and loss over this great man.

Dr. Seena Axel



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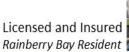
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# Homes Board News John English

# **DOCUMENTS REVIEW UNDERWAY!**

The Homes Association has a set of governing documents that is separate and apart from the Master Association. They are:

- ARTICLES to establish the entity known as Rainberry Bay Homes Association as a not-for-profit corporation and set the responsibilities and functions of the Board. Other key components are the rights of the homeowners to vote, how elections are managed, the duration of officers, etc.
- BY-LAWS describe the requirements for managing the Homes Association; it delineates how Board Members are nominated, how mandatory meetings are scheduled, how minutes are published, etc.
- **DECLARATIONS** In unison with the Articles and By-laws, the Declarations go deeper into the accountability of the notfor-profit corporation and sets the rules and boundaries for executing responsibilities. This includes the specific duties of the board members, how assessments (payments you make) are established and approved and the legal requirements attached to that process set by state law. This is where you will find the obligations of the Homes Association to perform exterior maintenance for your property. It describes what is included and excluded.

You may ask why we are doing this. There are many good reasons.

- The base documents are 43 years old and were created before the PC was invented.
- There have been several amendments and the documents are not easy to read or understand. Unfortunately, we also found that not all amendments were properly filed with the County of Palm Beach. Our examination, discussion, research and rewrite will clean it up!
- To ensure the board is doing its work properly and remains compliant with state law, we have added the approved state "Kaufman" language that aligns any future changes from the Florida Legislature in several parts of our Homes documents. This will reduce the need for future amendments.
- It gives all homeowners a clean version that will be available in both paper and PDF format. In short, we are creating a new set that we call "AMENDED AND RESTATED". For those with the blue binders, you can take out the old Homes Association papers and replace them with a new 2023 version.

# How do we know the committee is getting this right?

- The group assembled every document findable in our archives and from the County of Palm Beach and City of Delray
- We had committee members and a law firm skilled in Florida HOA statutes go through the various documents to ensure we could start the review and recommendation process successfully.
- After we completed this process that began in mid-2022, we invited several additional homeowners to join us to seek opinions and ask questions. We included a Master Board Members to ensure we are not suggesting changes that would be in conflict with the Masters Board Documents.

# What happens next?

- Create an easy-to-read document for homeowners to see what's changed.
- Provide before and after sets to allow homeowners to review and digest the changes.
- Meet publicly to go over any questions you may have with the law firm we engaged present to ensure homeowners are comfortable with these recommended changes.
- Finish with an election asking you to vote ves on the amended and restated documents.
- File the documents with the County of Palm Beach.
- Email or mail all homeowners a copy of the finished version.

# WE URGE YOU TO VOTE ELECTRONICALLY

# Char Lane

We're approaching the Board election and the Homes Document's Committee is working on Amended and Restated Documents that you'll start hearing more about after the 3/01/23 Board election. Signing up to vote electronically will make it easier to vote in these and subsequent elections, but you'll need to sign up soon for it to be effective for the Board election on March 1. 2023..

There are many benefits to electronic voting, with some noted here. It increases participation by providing a safe and secure means of voting from home or voting when you are away from Rainberry. It helps to ensure accuracy and eliminate mistakes and the possibility of fraud when using paper ballots. It helps to achieve quorums by instantly and accurately recording ballots. It saves money by eliminating some

paper and mailing costs, It lets you do a variety of reporting with the results and much more. Overall, it just makes it easier and less costly to accurately vote and be counted.

Here's a link to the Member Consent to Electronic Voting form on the Rainberry website:

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https://www.myrainberrybay.com/ and click on the E-VOTE FORM button at the top of the page. If you've not already done so, please

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# **BOARD MEETINGS**

ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

# ANNUAL BOARD ELECTION 6:30 PM THEATER MARCH 1, 2023

ANNUAL RESIDENTS' MEETING 7:00 PM THEATER MARCH 1. 2023

> HOMES MEETING 7:00PM AUD & ZOOM MARCH 7, 2023

RESIDENTS' CONCERNS 6:30PM MASTER BOD MEETING 7:00PM-AUD & ZOOM MARCH 8, 2023

Recordings of all meetings are available on myrainberrybay.com/videos and are password protected.



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# **Master Board News**

### LOIS WIESLER

On March 1 we will be electing new members to our board of directors and we are fortunate this year to have multiple candidates running for each association. Serving on the board is a great way to give back to our community and help make decisions that will positively impact our residents. It is also a great learning experience. Board members learn about the statutes that govern an HOA as

well as our documents and rules and regulations. They work with management, become familiar with budgets and contracts and all the processes that make the community operate.

After the election we will be choosing committee chairs and matching them with a board liaison. The list of committees is in the Beacon so please take a look and see if there

is something that appeals to you. Whatever your "secret" talent or interest, consider sharing it by serving on a committee.

By the time you read this you will have received your ballot in the mail or in an email for the upcoming election. If you didn't receive one or are having difficulty voting please contact the office, but most importantly VOTE!

# Making Things Happen

### **HOMES BOARD**

JOHN ENGLISH, PRESIDENT JEANETTE RUBIN, VICE PRESIDENT NORMA KOFF, TREASURER

## MASTER BOARD

LOIS WIESLER, PRESIDENT SHELLEY GLASS, VICE PRESIDENT DAVE KULICK, TREASURER

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NO MOVIE THIS MONTH

MARCH '23 DVDs				
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TILL	16			
TICKET TO PARADISE	19			
FABLEMANS, THE	20			
BLACK PANTHER: WAKANDA FOREVER	21			
POKER FACE	22			
PARADISE CITY	26			

MARCH '23 BOOKS	
CARRIE SOTO IS BACK	REID, TAYLOR JENKINS
SPARE	PRINCE HARRY/ DUKE OF SUSSEX
LIGHT WE CARRY, THE	OBAMA, MICHELLE
SOMEONE ELSE'S SHOES	MOYES, JO JO
CABINET OF DR LING	PRESTON & CHILD
HOUSE AT THE END OF THE WORLD	KOONTZ, DEAN

# USING OUR LIBRARY

# Esther Mendelson

Rainberry Bay Readers: Welcome back! Five books that appear on best seller lists or have outstanding recommendations are added monthly to the library's collection, available for a two week loan. Volunteers are in the library Monday through Friday from 1-3pm to answer questions, assist in book selection, and clarify library procedures. There is a telephone (561 279-07466) to reach volunteers during 1-3pm to request a renewal of a book you currently have on loan unless there is a hold on it. Our volunteers are diligent in following up on delinquencies which shortens waits for on demand books. In addition, we have walls of books you can borrow without a time limit or need to sign out. You can frequently find books written by authors you enjoy reading and may have previously missed. DVDs are also added monthly, many of which are current films and are on overnight loan.

The library works in conjunction with the monthly Books for Discussion program and copies of the selections may be taken out per regular library rules (2 weeks but no renewals). Contact Nancy Effrain who can eagerly provide additional information.

I have been a volunteer for several years and waw overjoyed when our library reopened. We take pride in having a facility that looks and functions (of course on a much smaller scale) as the Hagen Ranch and Atlantic Ave. branches and it s right here on site. Come in, check us out, share your opinions and suggestions. We welcome meeting our residents, discussing books they have (or have not) enjoyed reading and learning what books they would like to add to our shelves.

## LIBRARY HOURS

SEPTEMBER - MAY: JUNE - AUGUST:

Monday-Friday, 1-3 pm

Mon, Wed, Fri, 1-3 pm

# Attention Tennis Lovers:

Carrie Soto is Back by Taylor Jenkins Reed tells the fictional story of the best tennis player in the world, her retirement and coming out of retirement, and her relationship with her father/coach.



### NANCY EFFRAIN



Do you know what the South did for cheap labor once the slaves were freed? They recruited laborers from China to fill the void. However, these Chinese recruits weren't treated much better than the former slaves, and many left to return to China, or elsewhere. In "The Downstairs Girl", which is set in Atlanta in 1890 we are introduced to Jo Kuan, the main character, a Chinese-America young woman, and to her "grandfather," Old Gin. Jo, who is an opinionated, and likeable, 17 year old lives with her grandfather in the basement of the publisher of the local newspaper and his family,

unbeknownst to them.

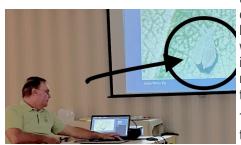
Although Jo is a skilled milliner, she is fired from that position due to racial prejudices. She then becomes a lady's maid to the daughter of a wealthy family where old Gin works as a horse trainer (her day job), and where Jo has had prior bad experiences. Jo finds her voice as an advise columnist, ("Dear Miss Sweetie") for the local newspaper published by family living above her. Much activity occurs during the story, with a concluding story line involving a horse race. Some of the themes are: coming of age, racism, friendship, feminism, family, and love. Please join us on March 16, 1:30, in the clubhouse MCR for a lively discussion of "Downstairs Girl" by Stacy Lee.

"Downstairs Girl" is available in the RB library, as well as local libraries & on line. Grab a copy, enjoy the read, and join us for a lively discussion. Call Nancy Effrain at 561-877-9166.

# WHITE FLY AND EVERYTHING FICUS

## VINNIE ARDILLO AND KAREN APRILL

In January, Dennis de Zeeuw, Sustainability Cultivator from Sustainscape, the Green Committee's guest speaker, presented **Everything Ficus**. The well-attended evening offered money-saving options for our ficus care and a potential replacement plan for



unhealthy hedges in our community. Attendees learned how to identify white fly—the harmful insect that is currently ravaging ficus plants throughout Florida.

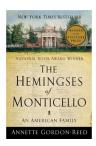
The benefits of replacing toxic chemical use (i.e. root drench method

containing neonicotinoids) with environmentally safe methods (i.e. Cedar oil) were explained. The current use of monoculture planting of the same shrubs throughout communities was also reviewed. This current culture proliferates and increases the white fly population as well as other harmful insects. A suggested program of systematic removal and replacement of ficus, (Rainberry has 6 miles of ficus) as well as the elimination of toxic chemical spraying could diminish and potentially eliminate the White fly population in our community.

# Non-Fiction Book Group

## **ALLAN TRUST**

The February Nonfiction Book Group meeting when **Deb Peters** presented **Toxic Legacy**, **How the Weedkiller Glyphosate is Destroying our Health and the Environment**, by Stephanie Seneff, PhD, was stimulating and informative. Different opinions and respectful debate, lunch and further discussion were all fodder for a good time and a lot of fun.



Going forward, **Cliff Guinyard** will present **The Hemingses of Monticello**, by Annette Gordon-Reed, at 11AM, on Tuesday, March 14, 2023.

In 1776, when Thomas Jefferson wrote "of mankind's unalienable right to liberty," Jefferson personally owned more than 100 slaves. He needed them as laborers on his plantation and farms to generate enough money to support his privileged white Virginian male lifestyle.

In 1789, Jefferson returned from Paris where he served as American minister, accompanied by Sally Hemings, a 17 year old slave, bearing their unborn child, per a "treaty" between them. They had seven children, three of whom died in infancy.

Historians have long wondered if Sally Hemmings was Thomas Jefferson's concubine, or, was this a consensual relationship based on love.

Read the book, or not. Attend the meeting as Cliff leads the discussion about the complex relationships arising from slave ownership and effects, immediate and well into the future.

# THE 21ST CENTURY CLUB

## KATY MITRANI

WE HAVE TWO TERRIFIC SHOWS LEFT FOR THE SEASON WITH GREAT SEATS REMAINING. DON'T MISS OUT ON THEM!

# FRIDAY MARCH 10

# THE ROCKET MAN SHOW

STARRING RUS ANDERSON
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It was Rus's own live tribute production, "The Rocket Man Show" which got him noticed. Rus creates 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.

# SATURDAY MARCH 25 THE BOSS PROJECT

### **BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN TRIBUTE BAND**

Our last show of the season will be a very special one. The doors open at 7PM to begin the evening with a happy hour (we provide the cocktails, you provide the goodies) for all ticket holders! The Margarita Man will be back with Frozen Margaritas compliments of the 21st. Century Club. Our show will begin at 8 pm.



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!

Tickets are sold in the theater Mon. and Thurs. from 4 pm to 5 pm All Tickets are \$20. Be sure to wear your dancing shoes for these two shows!

We provide bottled water and ice with buckets. BYO snacks and drinks. All shows are cabaret style in the Rainberry Bay Theater. Invite your friends!

If you need help with tickets, call Susan Dresner at 917 882 0973.

## Rose Weisman

Continued from front page

The arrival of the pandemic marked the end of the Bike Club as we knew it. During the pandemic it came to our attention that volunteer Board members of Bike Clubs could be personally held liable and sued for any bike accidents of its members. None of the Bike Club members were willing to serve so we temporarily shut the Club down during Covid.



The Club members met in January 2022 to officially shut the Club down. But it's not over.

Cycling enthusiasts in Rainberry Bay now get together, informally, as the Not a Bike Club. No dues. No charters. No Boards or elections. Just an email list. So if you, or someone you know, are interested in biking with new friends, reach out to any of our participants. Members of the Not a Bike Club were recognized and thanked for their creativity in keeping cycling going and bringing cycling enthusiasts together. When new residents see this equipment, we hope they will realize there is an active cycling community here in Rainberry Bay and seek us out.

The following are key residents who organize regular outings: Peter Giurato arranges 30+ mile rides, Deb Peters leads rides to Wakodahatchee, John Brucks heads the Wednesday bike & breakfast rides, and Anne Barron heads the easy 10 mile Sunday morning rides.

Like to Bike? Like to Try Different Breakfast Spots? Try the NABC (Not a Bike Club). We invite you to join a group of Rainberry friends who ride their bikes on Wednesdays from 8am to 10:30am



Photo by Deb Peters

Lourdes Alfonso, Cliff Guinyard, Joan Schneider, Jon Brucks

various breakfast to destinations. The group meets at the Rainberry Clubhouse at 8 am and decides where we should breakfast-and then our leader guides us there. The ride is about 10 miles, mostly on main roads with bike lanes. Cyclists of all levels participate. Helmets are mandatory. If you're looking for something fun to do. ioin us! The breakfast conversation is wide

ranging, and the group is welcoming. Bring your beach bike, road bike or e-bike and give us a try. For more information, contact nabcdelray@gmail.com to learn about the 10 mile. If you are interested in longer rides, or leading a ride, contact us at the above email.

—Jon Brucks & Joan Schneider



# **EVENTS**

DEBBIE ARRIGO, CHAIR

We had a great turnout this past month and the ONSPOT Mobile is returning. Feel free to set an appointment up ahead of time! They were extremely professional and proficient in their field!

The Events committee has been busy lining up free Lunch and Learn presentations for you. We are trying to bring in topics of interest for everyone pertaining to different health issues on everyday life. You can ask questions either while the speaker is presenting or afterward if you need to speak with them privately. They bring a wealth of information and handouts. They are all specialists in their fields. They are not here to sell themselves to you, although you can choose to visit them. They are here to help you understand symptoms and treatments.



# **Mobile Dermatology**

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I hope you will make a note regarding the list of days and times which will all be held in our clubhouse. Any questions, feel free to contact Debbie at 646-235-4086.



Photo by Deb Pete

Standing in front of the mobile unit, containing two examining rooms, Rainberry Bay residents check-out ONSPOT Dermatology at the Theater. The mobile unit returns in March and again next January.

# CELEBRATE LAKE DELRAIN

SUSAN JONES, DEB PETERS, KAREN APRILL, VINNIE ARDILLO

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# **EVENTS & EDUCATION TABLES:**

- Water Birds
- 2. Water Plants
- 3. Nature Photography
- 4. Monarch Butterflies
- 5. Fishing
- 6. Use of Lake
- 7. Mechanics of Lake
- 8. History of Lake
- 9. Let It Rot-composting
- 10. Compostable Poop Bags
- 11. Kent —Sustainability Officer for City of Delray Beach
- 12. Rainberry Clubs sign-up and information
- 13. Earth Day Pledge and Commitment

## **ENTERTAINMENT:**

- Guitar and singing
- \* Ed Band
- \* Flutes
- Music fun
- \* Craft
- \* Dog Parade

A COMMUNITY EVENT
SATURDAY

APRIL 1, 2023

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# **REFRESHMENTS:**

- 1. Homemade Raisin Oatmeal Cookies
- 2. Watermelon Slices
- 3. Iced Green Tea
- 4. Water for you and your dog

5. Surprise treats for you and your dog

Drummers
String & Wind
Performers

We NEED COOKIES WATERMELON WATER ICED GREEN TEA

If you would like to help with tables, entertainment, refreshments, or the Dog Parade, Please reach out to Deb Peters at (5-ONE-6) 516-987-8618 or DLP0003@GMAIL.COM

# **DOG PARADE**

SPONSORED BY THE GREEN COMMITTEE

Saturday, April 1, 2023 11am-12 noon

Photo: Char Lane

A Celebration sponsored by the Green Committee as part of our Earth Month Celebration.

You may find the Lake Delrain Rules and Waiver requirements and forms to enter your dog in the Dog Paradein the Clubhouse or downloaded at:

www.myrainberrybay.com

Organized by Joan Schneider

# WEIGHT ROOM UPDATE

# **SHELLEY GLASS**









There was a nice turnout this week for an introduction to using the new resistance band system in the weight room. Many thanks to Joe Maltezo and Cathy Ruggiero for demonstrating how to use this equipment safely.

We have installed a full-length anchor bar for use with resistance bands in the weight room next to the gym. There are a number of different level bands, ankle

straps for leg work and a large poster showing the varying exercises. Resistance training is especially beneficial for seniors to increase muscle strength, balance, flexibility and range of motion.

There will be 4 upcoming sessions held to demonstrate the safe use of the equipment, how to change the bands for the desired level of resistance and proper form to prevent injury.

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CLASS	Day	RM	Тіме
EZ Fitness	M-W-F	AUD	9-10a
Chair Yoga	M	MCR	10a
Canasta	M	MCR	2-4p
Painting Studio	M	Art	11a
Nia	T, F	MCR	10a
Flowers & Crafts	T (1st & 3rd)	ART	10a
Card Making	T (2nd & 4th)	ART	10:15a
Water Aerobics	W	Р1	11:30a
French Classes	W	Cr	1:30p
Current Events	Th	MCR	10:30a
<b>Book Discussion</b>	Th (3rd)	MCR	1:30p
Clay Studio	F	ART	10a-12p
Mat Yoga	S	MCR	10a

### **ARTS & CRAFTS PROGRAM**

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.

### **OUR FAVORITE EXTRAS**

- CURRENT EVENTS with Jack & Nancy Effrain, Thursdays, 10:30 am, in the Men's Card Room. For additional information, see page
- ◆ 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 the Men's Cardroom. For more details on this class, see page 8.

**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 1, no charge.
- ♦ NIA LOW IMPACT DANCE AEROBICS are held in the Men's Card Room of our Clubhouse on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10:00-11:00 am. Learn how to move with ease, build stamina, improve balance and have a blast dancing with us to great music from around the world. Nia is the original body, mind, emotion, spirit workout combining the dance arts, martial arts and healing arts. It is low impact and appropriate for all fitness levels. Only \$5.00! For more information call or email Helen Sohne: 561-376-9789 / niadelray@gmail.com



March 2023			AUD = CLUBHOUSE AUDITORIUM  ART = CH ARTS & CRAFTS RM  MCR = CH MEN'S CARD RM  WCR = CH WOMEN'S CARD RM  CFR = CH CONFERENCE RM		TH = THEATER TC = TENNIS CT PC = PKLBALL CT BC = BOCCE CT ZM = ZOOM	P1 = POOL 1 P2 = POOL 2 P3 = POOL 3 P4 = POOL 4 P5 = POOL 5
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stadium lighting with play from 8:00am to 10:00pm, with Monday night league teams headed

Jill Forshey



Lourdes Alfonso



Deb Mayes & Tim Mooney



by 8 captains.

Mel Gelman & Karen Lagomarsine



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Bravo to Rainberry Sings performers I. to r. Peter Leonard, Tom Zarega, Judi Lemoine, Carol Lynn, Diane Fane, and Irwin Rifkin Look for a full Picture Gallery in the Beacon's April issue.

# RAINBERRY BAY REAL ESTATE MARKET UPDATE JAN 2023

ADDRESS	SOLD\$	AREA	TYPE	BE-BA	DOM
1325 NW 23rd LN	\$270,000	1,283 SF	VL	2-2	20
945 NW 29th AVE C	\$265,000	1,384 SF	TH	2-2 1/2	35
2935 NW 15th ST	\$400,000	2,423 SF	SF	2-2	85

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# WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15 AT 7:30 PM

RAINBERRY BAY THEATER

\$15

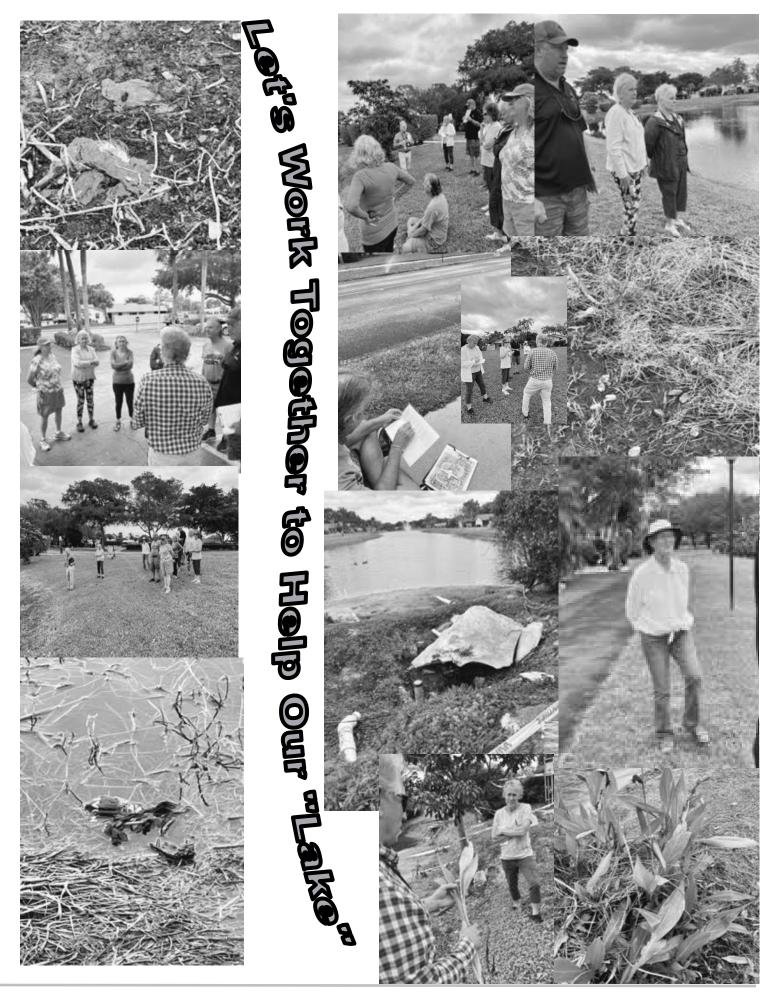
As an actor, the songbook of Gwen Verdon Is both a challenge and a golden opportunity to express myself on stage,

"What a joy it is to be able to briefly slip into the shoes of some of the characters that Gwen has played on Broadway: Lola, Charity Hope Valentine and Roxie Hart."

Included are songs from Gwen Verdon's albums that she selected . . . gems that express her point of view and love of life.

If not now, Gwen?





# PARTICIPATE IN THE FIRST RAINBERRY DOG PARADE

## JOAN SCHNEIDER

Show off your prized pooch (no cats or other animals allowed) at the Rainberry Dog Parade which is part of the Celebrate Lake Delrain event being sponsored by the Rainberry Bay Green Committee.

**DATE:** Saturday, April 1, 2023

**WHERE:** Assemble at the Rainberry Theatre parking lot, owners and dogs parade around a portion of the lake, and return to the Theatre for the Awards Ceremony.

**TIME**: 11:15am Owners and dogs gather

11:30am Parade around Lake 12:00pm Awards ceremony

WHO CAN ENTER? Dogs that live in Rainberry and are:

Registered with the office

Vaccinated for rabies

On a 6 ft non-retractable leash

# ALL DOG PHOTOS BY CHAR LANE





Registration-waiver forms are located on the Rainberry Bay website www.myrainberrybay.com and at the Clubhouse on the wall to the right of the entrance. Each owner must fill out the registration-waiver form and bring it to the event to participate.

Parade numbers will be given out on a first come, first serve basis, For safety purposes, if your dog is not people or other-pet friendly, please do not enter them for the event.

**PRIZES:** Prizes will be awarded at the Theatre at noon for the following categories:

- Cutest dog
- Best dressed dog
- Most creative carriage
- Owner pet look-alike

**RAIN DATE**: There is no rain date for the Rainberry Dog Parade and Celebrate Lake Delrain event. An email will go out from the Rainberry office if the event is cancelled.

**COST:** Event entry is free, but owners are asked to bring a can or bag of dog food to donate to the Tri County Animal Rescue, a nonprofit animal shelter often championed by Rainberry Bay.

# BRING YOUR DOG AND JOIN THE PARADE! SPECTATORS ENCOURAGED ALONG THE ROUTE











# **INFORMATION PLEASE**

# REPURPOSING COFFEE FILTERS

## LOIS WIESLER

I HAVE BEEN POSTING THIS COLUMN FOR ABOUT FIFTEEN YEARS AND HAVE CONSIDERED STOPPING. HOWEVER, EACH TIME I SAY THAT, I AM ASKED TO CONTINUE. SO, IF YOU WANT ME TO CONTINUE, PLEASE EMAIL MYRAINBERRYRIC@YAHOO.COM.

Coffee filters are a household essential for many of us who need a jolt to get going in the morning. But their simple shape and lint-free design makes them helpful in lots of other ways, too.

- Place them between stacked plates. Protect your favorite dishes from chipping and scratching by slipping coffee filters between
- Place them between chicken or meat when freezing them. Makes it easier to take out a smaller portion or separate the pieces.
- Use one as a snack bowl. Substitute a coffee filter for eating popcorn, crackers, or other small bites. The filter's shape is the perfect size and shape for a snack.
- Clean windows and mirrors. Since coffee filters are lint-free, you can use them to give windows a no-streak shine.
- Place one in the bottom of a flower pot. Before you pour potting soil into your container, place a filter in the bottom hole. This way, excess water can escape, but the dirt stays in its place.
- Dust your TV or other screens. A coffee filter is great for grabbing debris from screens both big and small.
- Line a colander or sieve. If the perforations in your strainer are too large to catch small bits of food, line it with a coffee filter first.
- Dry glassware. If you spy that your glasses are still a bit damp coming out of the dishwasher, reach for a coffee filter. It will leave your stemware spotless and sparkling.
- Prevent microwave messes. Pop a filter over your leftovers to avoid annoying splatter.

Absorb excess oil. Drain French fries or bacon on a filter to help pull away excess fat, or cut one into smaller pieces to use as a face blotter in a pinch.

Clean and polish stainless steel. Just like coffee filters can leave your windows gleaming, they also work magic on your appliances and faucets.

# RAINBERRY RESIDENT DIRECTORY

### CHAR LANE

Directory Inclusion forms are available in the clubhouse lobby wall display and on the Rainberry website. Please take your completed form to the FSR Management office or scan and email it to Rainberrybay@FSResidential.com or mail it to FSR at the address on the form.

Please complete a Directory Inclusion form. Telephone numbers are automatically included in the Directory unless you opt out of having your number(s) included by writing "no" in the box(es) to the left of each number. Unlike phone numbers, email addresses are not included unless you opt in to have your email address(es) included by writing "yes" in the boxes to the left of your email address, or you completed a form for the 2021 Directory and have no changes.

We're coming to the end of the update process and will be publishing in late March / early April.

New residents who have not completed a form should do so or contact me ASAP. There won't be an opportunity to add to or make changes to the 2023 Directory after March 5, 2023. Any additions or changes received after that date will be made in the 2025 Directory. And if you have changes that you've not yet submitted, please don't wait until March 5, 2023.

If a committee member or I have emailed you or left a voicemail, please reply. We're just trying to make sure everyone's information is current and accurate.

Please remember to update your information whenever you change telephone numbers or email addresses or other relevant data or circumstances.

An electronic version of the directory is on the passwordprotected FSR-Rainberry website on the main page under Forms and Documents. If you don't see it there, please contact the office.



and After...Repurposed Art-Repainted by Carol Unger

# Mix-n-Mingle Club

# DEBBIE ARRIGO, PRESIDENT

residents! A special shout out to all of you (92 in all) who galloped on over to the clubhouse and enjoyed our first NITE AT THE RACES! We had a hootin', tootin' good time with everyone riding horses, eating, laughing and most importantly,: mix and mingle with neighbors and friends. We had raffle winners and plenty of food. It was a fun evening for all and we hope those of you who missed this one will watch for our next Nite at the Races and come join the fun.

a bite to eat! You'll be glad you did! Remember privately. So come on and check them out!

On Tuesday, March 14 at 11am in our Clubhouse, we are having a Holocaust Luncheon on March 17 from 2-5pm in the suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact Presentation. We have a leading director from clubhouse. The cost is \$10.00PP and you must me at either 646-235-4086 by phone or text or the city schools who is truly proficient in this call topic. If any of our Rainberry Neighbors are themixnmingleclub@gmail.com to RSVP no mailbox #17 in the clubhouse is always available Holocaust survivors and you would like to join in later than Monday, March 13. We need a for notes as well.

Howdy to all you beautiful Rainberry Bay and speak that day or you have photos anything you'd like to share, please contact me and let me know, 646 235-4086. We welcome and soda bread with lots of green goodies! you with open arms. This is an event of utmost Please get in the spirit and wear Green! We interest and you should not miss presentation. It promises to be a great one.

Ok People! You asked me for it and we are doing it! Bring your friends and neighbors. BYOB and snacks to share for a fun night playing Left, Right, Center (LRC)!!!! Bring \$9.00 in singles. It for the trip to Kennedy Space Center as is \$3.00 per game. I have the dice and we are planned, and I had to cancel it. I do have the Come to hear an interesting topic and have ready to go!! Meet in the clubhouse Thursday evening March 16 at 7:30pm. Get ready for lots each of our presenters are experts in their field. of fun and laughs and possibly win a nice sized They will gladly answer any questions openly or pot of gold! Looking forward to seeing you there!!

minimum of 40 heads and a head count for food purchasing. We will have Shepherd's Pie, salad this realize many of you already do St Patty's Day parties, but I thought it would be a nice afternoon to see your neighbors and have lunch

Although we did not have enough people names of all 20 individuals interested in going and we can plan for another trip in the future.

Thank you to all the residents in Rainberry Bay who have contacted me. Hopefully, attendance will grow at upcoming functions. If We are planning a St. Patrick's Day you have any questions, comments or Debbie 646-235-4086 or email email (themixnmingleclub@gmail.com). Our



# Women's Club

# CLAIRE SALTZ, VICE PRESIDENT

Our February 4th Bingo was a HUGE success! Thank you to all who attended and a special thank you to the volunteers who helped us set up that afternoon and add additional tables. We had 25 lucky winners who went home with door prizes that included restaurant gift cards, a basket filled with Italian dinners and antipasto, and CASH - the top bingo prize was \$200.00. We had refreshments, everybody enjoyed the evening and had so much fun that we are doing it again next month!

If you had a great time, or if you missed February, be sure to buy tickets for March BINGO! We will be hosting the evening Bingo here in our theater on Saturday March 18, at 7:00pm. We will be selling \$ 10.00 tickets for three boards on 3/2, 3/6, 3/9, 3/13 and 3/16 from 4:00-5:00pm in our theater. We will sell tickets at the door, but buying them in advance will assure you can sit with your group. Getting a group of tickets works best, as many of you did last time and we appreciated that.

Thanks again to Irv Schulman for turning the reins over to our club and for the many successful Bingo nights he has run over the years. We are planning on carrying on his Bingo tradition. Come, bring your friends & family, and join the fun!

If you have any questions or suggestions please call club President Carol Shore (561) 862-7228, or club Vice President Claire Saltz at (561) 450-7241.

# Meetings

1st Thursday of Month 4:00 pm—check calendar

ommilitee **VINNIE ARDILLO & KAREN APRILL** 

Thank you to all residents who made the Hazardous Waste Collection a success. Batteries, aerosol cans, bulbs, chemicals, and even an old TV were disposed of at SWA. Thank you to the committee members for taking everything to SWA.

The Green Committee, FSR, and the Board of Directors are committed to keeping Lake Delrain healthy and thriving. An educational walkabout was held with Delray

Sustainability Officer Kent Edwards who provided valuable information about our lake. Lake water testing and evaluation will be done in the near future.

Money saving options for ficus care and potential replacement were presented at our "Everything Ficus" lecture. Attendees learned how to prevent white fly and the benefits of replacing toxic chemicals. (see page 9,).

March 11, 2023, there will be a shredding event held at the Theater on from 10AM-Noon. Shred all of those unwanted papers safely and quickly. This is a free Rainberry event but donations are accepted to offset the cost of the truck. Saturday, April 1, 2023 will begin the celebration of Earth Month. The Lake Delrain Lakeside Fair will be held from 9AM-Noon. As part of this celebration, there will also be a dog parade from 11AM-Noon. Rules and waiver requirements can be downloaded at www.myrainberrybay.com. Mark Your Calendars:

April 12 Green Cay Outing April 22 Earth Day More Details to Come!

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# RAINBERRY SPORTS FACILITIES - NEW DIRECTOR, NEW DIRECTION

## **DAVID KULICK**

As our community ages, the expense of maintaining our facilities has risen dramatically and caused the Board to look for ways to maintain the facilities while spending our dollars wisely. Our sports facilities are heavily used and are a major attraction to new buyers, but ours needed some serious help.

Historically we hired one person who was responsible for court maintenance and all other aspects of the tennis program. It has become obvious that the scale of the job was too much for any individual, and our courts were in poor and unsafe condition with high lines causing falls, courts full of algae and weeds, and residents being embarrassed to bring guests here. In addition, converting the two clubhouse courts to eight pickleball courts (32 simultaneous players), meant that two courts that were in terrible condition now required substantial reconstruction and posed an even greater maintenance burden.

When we parted company with the most recent director, a search committee was formed to find a replacement. We received a proposal for \$95,000 plus additional money for storm prep and court refurbishing, and a \$62,500 bid plus an additional \$60,000 for refurbishing courts. The final candidate was Axis Tennis proposing a unique arrangement.

For the same \$62,000 paid to the previous director, they provide expert, in depth court maintenance, restoring all courts with no extra charges and provide an onsite pro to handle court scheduling, leagues, and clinics. In return, they wanted the use of a portion of the tennis courts in the afternoons, when no residents are playing, to train highly skilled and disciplined young players aspiring to professional play or University teams.

After the attorney reviewed the contract, the board weighed this proposal carefully and decided it was a significant benefit to accept this arrangement. This provided much needed upgrades to our facilities we could not otherwise afford. In the past seven months the courts have been restored to conditions not seen in ages. Axis staff cleans the tennis center bathrooms and grooms the courts after student play, ensuring they are ready for our residents each day. The pickleball courts are groomed twice daily and a longstanding drainage issue was resolved. Our bocce committee reports their courts are in great shape for competition and play. It is gratifying to see our residents enjoying our safe and well-kept facilities once again.

# STICKBALL

# MICHAEL CANTWELL



Photo by Char Lane
Front: Greg McGann,
Michael Cantwell,
Peter Camacho
Back: Tim Bennett,
Mike Morgano, Marc
Beilinson, Mark
Kurtzman, Frank
Sivillo, Jim Reilly

The snowbirds are back, along with the cool weather. Two weeks ago, 11 people turned out for a 6-on-5 game. Come out and join us – we play every Wednesday at 4:00 pm at the wall in the Tennis Center.

"Stickball, It's a Man's Game." I trust most readers will appreciate that I'm being ironic, as I detest macho metaphors and their makers. Moreover, the claim is both at odds with prior posts touting the relative safety of stickball and is ridiculous on its face. I doubt anyone would say of stickball, as Rafa Nadal has said of tennis, that the human body is simply not designed to play the sport at the professional level.

Caveat Pitcher. Although it's unlikely stickball will dislodge pickleball as the favorite sport of orthopedists anytime soon, I'd be remiss not to warn that the game is not without risk. We've had two mild concussions to date, both suffered by pitchers. While backpedaling to catch a ball hit back to the mound last year, Tim Bennet lost his balance and hit his head on the asphalt. More recently, I became aware of one player's "best hit of the day" only when it made contact with my mouth, probably the least vulnerable spot on my body.

# Bocce Club

# KATY MITRANI, PRESIDENT

Mornings: Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday @ 9 am

Evenings: Monday, Thursday @ 6pm

Beginners: Tuesday @ 6:30pm

Beginner's Bocce Training takes place every Tuesday evening at 6pm. This is a fun evening of teaching with no pressure, learning the bocce rules, how to throw the balls, the fun of seeing how points are decided, or if you are a current player and just want to sharpen your bocce skills with very good teachers. If you are shy, Tuesday's Beginners Bocce is for you. We have lots of fun.

Bocce is also a time for us to get together and chat, talk about our families, travels, "past life", sports, etc. Simply put, Bocce is very social. We are having our annual Bocce Member's Breakfast on March 6th. If you are interested please contact Rose Ann Niosi.

Our Bocce League games are going strong. They have turned into social events as so many bocce players and residents love to come to

our home games and cheer the team on. We won yesterday against a visiting community and all our chairs were taken...standing room only. Fun times. Our next home game will be Friday, March 17th at 9 am. All are welcome. Come join us for a cup of coffee and some snacks and watch some great bocce competition!



Photo by Shelley Glass

At the Bocce Competition



# Tennis Club

# PENNIE CERINO, PRESIDENT



The Palm Beach County Senior Tennis League matches have been going on since early January and will continue into mid-March. The schedule this year for some of the teams has been more challenging than last year since some of the levels have been consolidated. It is too soon to know whether any of our teams will go to playoffs. Some of the teams have been practicing weekly with Calvin Wellman and found that it helped their play.

The Club held a Round Robin to commemorate President's Day. Nancy Abel and Linda Dagenais organized the event. All the players enjoy round robins. They provide an opportunity to play with mixed levels of players.

The Delray Open in February is a major event for our town. Our Club members have volunteered to work at the Open for many years. This year those volunteers included Nancy Abel, Anne and Paul Barron, Dave Kulick, Ann LaFortune, and Jim McMorrow. Two Rainberry Tennis Club members, Ken and Jeanette Rubin, sponsor the annual Delray Beach Open Mixed Doubles Mega

Mixer. It was held on February 10th in 2 locations. There were a record amount of entries this year, more than double the usual amount. Due to Rainberry's improved tennis court conditions, which are comparable to the

Mark your calendars for March 24-26 for the season-end community tennis championships at the Tennis Center. Champions will be crowned for women's, men's, and mixed doubles. Registration opens at 9am Monday March 20 at the Tennis Center. Here's your chance to get your name and picture on the Rainberry Bay Tennis Wall of Fame!

This year's event is being held in honor of the late **George Moscowitz**, a long time Tennis Club member and contributor.

—Anne Barron

Delray Beach Tennis Center, Rainberry was sanctioned to host the first Mega Mixer out of

the two planned. Each participant received a box seat ticket to the Friday night champions tour matches featuring the Bryan Brothers, free drink voucher, free tournament t-shirt voucher, preferred parking pass and a participant medal. The Rainberry Bay winners in event #1 were Mel Gelman and Leslie Gottschalk over Pat Catania and Nancy Abel.

The Club is excited to bring back CASINO NIGHT on March 4th from 7 to **10pm.** This event is open to all of Rainberry and outside guests are also welcome. We hire a professonal company that supplies a variety of games, tables, and dealers. We provide attendees with \$300 of "money" to play with, a free drink ticket (additional beverages can also be purchased), butlered hors d'ouvres all night, music, a raffle ticket for one of our many prizes, and grand cash prizes for the top winners. It's not too late to get a ticket. The cost is \$45 for Tennis Club members and \$50 for non-members. They can be purchased at the Theater until March 2 from 4 to 5:PM or at the Tennis Center on Wednesday from 11 to 12 noon.

# Pickleball Club

# **CAMILLE MAZZA**

In January 2020, as pickleball grew in popularity, and with the help of **Steve Bodner**, pickleball came to Rainberry Bay. Two tennis courts were converted making 8 pickleball courts. We now have 8 har tru courts with stadium lighting making play available from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. There are currently 154 pickleball club members and the list keeps growing. Pickleball at Rainberry Bay is inclusive of all levels of play.

There is emphasis on learning and improving skills on an on-going basis. Residents volunteer their time to teach beginner, advanced beginner, and intermediate classes. Specialized clinics are done upon request. Rainberry Bay has a Facebook group page which will post important upcoming events and winners from our Sunday Round Robins. In April 2021 a sports APP called TeamReach was

implemented and this allowed all members to communicate and organize games more easily. Pickleball will host special events and gatherings to welcome back snowbirds. This year we had lite bites and a DJ at pool 5. Recently there was an exhibition with propicklers which all residents were invited to. The turnout was amazing. A new committee was formed, and, with that, the Monday night league was born. There are 8 Captains and teams, and skill levels are matched when playing. While the league has brought out our more "competitive" side, it has also driven people to get out there and practice so they can help their team earn points and win. Open-play was re-implemented for Friday nights from 5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. on courts 3 and 4. Open play is open to everyone and for all levels of play.

The 2023 Pickleball Club officers are as follows: President Michael Shultz, 1st VP Nina Diamond, 2nd VP Arnie Yeanuzzi, Treasurer Allen Katronetsky, Secretary Camille Mazza, Terry Barberio Liaison.

Special thanks to our volunteers:

INSTRUCTORS: RON OLESIAK, RAY JENKINS, ROSA-TORRES-TUMAZOS, JACQUIE TURPIE, NINA DIAMOND, JOANNE THOMPSON.

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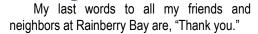


# **CURRENT EVENTS**

# Nancy & Jack Effrain

According to medical experts, mental and social stimulation are beneficial to everyone's well being. That being said, come join us for lively discussions on current event topics: international, national, and local. In other words - "all the news that's fit to print." We meet every Thursday at 10:30AM in the Clubhouse MCR. We welcome all newcomers and respect all opinions. Any questions call Nancy and Jack Effrain (561) 877-9166.

# My Last Words Karen Wells



When my husband Bert and I came to see my mom in Broward Hospital, we knew we had to move to southeast Florida. I called realtors in the Deerfield area where we were staying, and they showed us homes in Pompano, Deerfield, Boca, and Boynton Beach. Online, I had seen listings for Rainberry Bay, but they had not heard of it. So, we explored on our own. When we arrived here, there was a trailer at the gate, lines of orange cones, and a cardboard sign announcing Rainberry Bay. No monuments, no pretty entryway, no quardhouse, and surrounded by a rather sketchy neighborhood. Our first sight of the winding, tree-lined streets and the variety of homes here really appealed to both of us. We knew no one here, nor anything about the community. With a little research and a check from selling our California house, we found it was definitely affordable, and called one of the realtors about a house on 25th Street that appealed to us. The house needed some work, and the lots were unlike any we knew but there was a pleasant atmosphere here. And it was certainly not institutional like Century Village but had many of the amenities we liked.

We loved the sizes of the rooms, the space between the houses, and the gorgeous

grounds. The market was at a high point here, but we were prepared. California prices were exorbitant, and these "high" prices were low. As soon as we saw the house on 15th Street, we fell in love. It was partially furnished, so we could move in with only a few boxes of stuff. And it was currently being rented by a couple whose house was being rebuilt after a fire. We could wait (as we wanted to) until May to close and move in. Perfect! And Gil and Paula Miller became the only people we knew at Rainberry Bay. Rhoda, Pat, and Dianne, you welcomed us to Pool 5 and into your homes once we moved in.

The upcoming years here brought new friends, new opportunities, a lot of personal setbacks, and the loss of my husband, mother, and sister within a year of one another. By giving me the opportunity to work and play here, the community helped me through some of the biggest losses of my life. I was able to sharpen and use my skills to help the community. Steve Bodner and I bonded from the beginning and Steve and Sandi became like family. You shared your family with me, and I will always love you.

My most gratifying accomplishments were being part of initiating the 21st Century Club and helping with RIC, the website, and the Beacon. The entire Beacon staff kept doing



more to make the Beacon something the community could really be proud of. And now, on leaving, I know everything remains in good hands. People who care about this community as much as I do have continued the 21st Century Club to provide new entertainment, added robust bocce and pickleball clubs, expanded the classes programs, and installed more elaborate video and high tech in our theater.

And I saw the light in Deb Peters' eyes as she began to make plans for taking over the Beacon in partnership with Joan Powell and Char Lane. Watching the thoughtful ways that Bob Williams took over the preparation for the upcoming Annual Meeting and board elections assured me that we had chosen well, and I could leave knowing that. Too many people to name will be coming with me, at least in spirit. We did and shared so many things together. Thank you.

I'm going home now to be with my children and grandchildren again, but you will never be forgotten. Anytime you come to Sacramento or San Francisco, you have an open invitation. As soon as I get settled, you will have a place to stay and be welcomed. And that's my last word!

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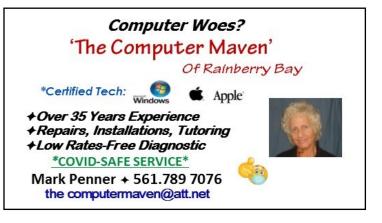
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"Now that our house purchase is complete, I wanted to thank you both for al your help and the great job you did. Your suggestions and information were very helpful and appreciated. You did so many extra things we could not do, as being snowflakes, we were not physically there. Thank you so much." Dennis B

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