

Annual Meeting / Board Election

Wednesday, March 24, 2021

WE DID IT! With all the changes we had to employ due to the pandemic, Rainberry Bay had a successful Election Season, culminating in an Annual Election and ballot count via Zoom. We social distanced our registration process outside the Theater for those residents who wanted to vote in-person. We opened our new electronic election voting to those residents who opted-in for it. And we continued our absentee balloting for the remainder of the population. Thank you all for voting, no matter how you chose to do so. Very few people showed up at election but we got a good return on the electronic voting.

We want to thank the outgoing Board Members: **LOIS WIESLER, CC CRUTCHFIELD** and **STEPHANIE BRAUNSTEIN** for their service. We appreciate the hard work they put in, especially during these unprecedented times but regret that the passage of the new documents was defeated. We remain with our outdated documents once again.

We want to welcome our new Director **SHELLEY GLASS** to the Master board, joining **DAVID KULICK** and **ROBERT COHEN**; **STEPHANIE BRAUNSTEIN** for her second term, and **TERRY BARBERIO** for a first term on the Villas board, joining **RAY CLAYTON**. **KAREN CLOUSER** was affirmed in her uncontested position for the Homes board, remaining with **JOE ZOOB** and **RHONA CAMPTON**. The announcement of officers will be made at the next board meeting.

Join us in a warm, thank you for the volunteers on the Election Committee. As always, they did a fabulous, thorough job, under the new conditions imposed by Covid-19 precautions. Also, thank you to the FirstService team of **JOHN MULREY, MARK PALMIOTTO, TATSIANA SHABATSKO, ALICE DENOBREGA, & SELENA SALAZAR** for their guidance prior to the election and assistance at the tally and meeting.

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- From RUTH RAZZETTI: Immediately after the last issue of the Beacon came out, Ruth called me to express her gratitude to all the people who were involved in celebrating her 100th birthday in February, especially her beloved Women's Club.
- ♦ From ROBERT NUSSBAUM: "Neat issue of the March Beacon. Colorful pictures and interesting articles. You must have a professional staff."
- From Phyllis Shpritz: "You continually manage to make "The Beacon" interesting and educational for the whole time we have been under the Pandemic. I can't wait until next month to see who the new board members are. I am so glad to know my friends in Rainberry have been masking and social distancing to keep everyone safe. Keep up the good work."



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We Remember . . .

▼ CAROL MEISELMAN passed away on Wednesday, February 24, 2021. Carol was an active member of our community and served as President of the Women's Club, the Council of Clubs, and the 21st Century Club, and was a member of several clubs. She was an avid card and mahjong player. For many years, she celebrated Halloween at Rainberry dressed as the Cat in the Hat. Services were private. Donations in her memory can be made to a charity of choice. Messages of sympathy can be sent to her daughter, Michelle Pincus, 3 Kristen Drive, Succasunna, NJ 07876.









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From the RB Board Presidents

Lois Wiesler, Outgoing Master Board President

I promise, this is really my last article as board president and a good time to go over some responsibilities as a member of a Homeowner's Association (HOA).

FROM AN ARTICLE OF TIPS FOR LIVING IN AN HOA COMMUNITY, SOME SUGGESTIONS ARE:

- Read Governing Documents (Declaration, By-laws, Rules, etc.). Understanding all the community's rules, policies, and procedures will benefit you to understand the role of the association and the expectations of its homeowner members.
 For example, you should know that you must call the gate for anyone you are expecting. The guard may try and contact you but, if you don't answer, your guest or contractor may be turned away.
- Know how to contact our Management Company, FirstService Residential. They are in the office and can be reached Monday- Friday 8:30-4:30 (561-272-6560). They can answer questions, put in

- work orders, and help you understand procedures.
- Prior to our annual budget meeting in November, a draft budget is sent out. If it does not change, it becomes your 'final' copy. An audit meeting is also available for all to see.
- Pay your maintenance on time. To avoid late fees, It must be processed before the 30th of the month-quarterly. You can pay by mailing a check, using a charge card (there is a fee), or signing up for ACH, an autopayment system, which has no fee. To avoid late fees with ACH, remember to change the amount coming out of your bank account when the assessment changes.
- Know your Architectural Control (ACC/ ACB) application process. Your projects likely need approval and may need permits. Forms may be obtained on the website (myrainberrybay.com) or from the

- office (call before heading over). For some projects, you may need a survey of your property. You may not plant or remove trees without approval (and no fruit trees may be planted).
- Rainberry Bay communicates through weekly eblasts, management eblasts, our website and the Beacon, which prints 10 issues a year.
- Come to a board meeting (currently on Zoom) and hear first-hand the ongoing projects within the community.
- Join a club or committee and watch a board meeting to stay current on what is happening in your community.

Again, it has been my honor serving as your board president. Help keep the progress going!

WITH GRATITUDE

Karen Clouser, Homes Board President

On behalf of the Homes board and the residents, we want to thank **Lois Wiesler** for all of her accomplishments during her 4-year term. She led our meetings both the in-person and now on Zoom, with efficiency and decorum. She has worked diligently to bring us through the pandemic, worked hard to update the Master documents, and drove our roads project.

She has earned her time to rest and relax. She won't be going away. Right now, we know she will remain as a proofreader for the Beacon and continue the weekly eblast she began. Who knows what she will contribute her considerable talents to for the future. Her devotion to Rainberry Bay and its growth for the future is evident.



After a year of being cooped up, here is a way to get out and try something different. A series of food trucks will come to Rainberry Bay, giving you the opportunity to have "take out" come to you! The first two were here on March 23 and were well-received. You can thank Rita Zoob for bringing them to Rainberry. Enjoy.

For all trucks, it is suggested you call 6 hours in advance. When picking up your order, wear your mask, remain socially distant and enjoy the food at home.

Menus will be posted at Pools 4 and 5, and the Clubhouse window. The April Food Truck menus are on page 18 in this issue of the Beacon. Check them out and see the instructions for ordering. Remember, it is order ahead, drive up to pick up order and go home to eat. No eating on site.

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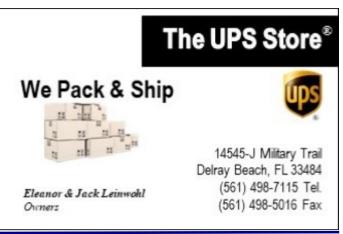
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MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR:

STEVE KATZ

Phyllis Berke

Can a boy from Queens find happiness working on one of America's most iconic comedies? **STEVE KATZ** did!



Born in Mount Vernon, New York, Steve started his career as a ceramics teacher in Poughkeepsie, New York. He was the faculty advisor for the yearbook and also directed all the high school's theatre productions.

During this time he took a weekend vacation to Provincetown, Massachusetts, on Cape Cod. Walking down Commercial Street, he saw a row of stores being built. Impulsively, he walked in and leased a store. Five minutes before, he had no idea that that impulse would be the start of a business that would last for almost fifty years. He taught school most of the year and worked in Provincetown during summers.

The store went through several incarnations. . .Mad Hatter, a hat store; Beachy Attitudes, a bathing suit store; and, his favorite, Norma Glamp's Rubber Stamps. Years before, Steve had seen a Mexican restaurant in New York City directly across from a gas station. It was called, "Mexico Across From Texaco." At that point, Steve knew his next store had to rhyme. Norma Glamps was one of his best friends and Glamps rhymed with stamps, so Norma Glamps Rubber Stamps was born.

Poughkeepsie was not exactly the center of the universe in 1979. Steve left his job for

the big city. His next job was teaching ceramics to elementary students at The Browning School, a private school, in New York City.

During this time, he was watching *Cheers* one Thursday night and noticed one of the credits read "Robert Tanella, Head Costumer." Robert had been Steve's roommate at New Paltz College. Steve hastily wrote a letter to Robert, and he replied, *"If you are ever in California, I have a job for you on Cheers.*" Two weeks later, Steve was in Los Angeles.

Steve became a "background artist." In other words, extras, the people you see in the background talking and moving silently as the principal actors recite their lines.

The extras had to supply their own clothes. They would each bring in a garment bag bulging with outfits and spread them out so the staff could decide what they would wear that day. When the costume staff realized Steve was the only one of the extras to own a suit, he was destined to wear the same tired suit in every episode for the next three years.



Experience on *Cheers* won him jobs on *Who's The Boss, Married With Children*, and *Golden Girls*. The taping season would end every April. . .just in time for Steve to return to his store.

Working on the Paramount lot was a thrill. He got to see many stars and see other shows being produced. He was dining with the crew on the set of **Golden Girls** when the

four golden women entered the room dressed in matching pink fuzzy slippers, pink flannel robes, and shower caps. They spent time saying hello to everyone and couldn't have been nicer.

Early in 1993, Steve met his partner HERB O'BRIEN. They were in a writing class in Provincetown and Steve asked Herb out for coffee. They began dating. At one point, Herb explained that he was scheduled to go on a three-month trip. "If you're still available when I get back, we can resume our relationship." Steve gladly waited the three months and the rest is history. They have been together twenty-eight years.

For twelve years during winters, Steve and Herb had lived in a golf community in New Port Richey on the west coast of Florida. Most of the residents were from the Midwest. Steve and Herb felt like outsiders. An invitation from Rainberry residents, JANET EISENMAN and MARTY BERGER, brought them here. While sunbathing at the pool, Steve heard Brooklyn, Bronx, and New Jersey accents and knew instantly he had found his home! He purchased a home in Rainberry in 2012 and has been very happy with the wonderful friends and neighbors he has met. Steve is very active in the bocce community.

Steve and Herb still return to Provincetown every April to open the store they own. The Memories Gallery features Steve's work and the work of eleven other artists. "It is a privilege to have lived in Provincetown all these years. Provincetown features America's first art colony and is known for its beautiful dunes and beaches. Our population swells from 2900 in the winter to 60,000 on a hot summer day." he told me.

On the other hand he knows that retirement is on the horizon. He looks forward to becoming a full-time resident and enjoying Rainberry Bay all the more . . . and finally retiring that grey suit!

NOTE FROM PHYLLIS BERKE:

Please tell me of other neighbors with different past experiences about whom I may write.
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LIFE IN RAINBERRY BAY: THEN AND NOW

Herb and Barbara Kessel

Relaxing on our chaise lounges in our screen porch in Rainberry Bay allows us to enjoy a lovely view of a perennial garden interspersed with native shrubs, all planted many years ago. But it's never been the garden view or the fresh air that's uppermost on our minds when we are on the porch, it's the memories of my parents, ABE and HELEN KESSEL, who moved to this special community back in 1983. They were moving into a new area of Rainberry Bay that was just being built out and many of the native plants surrounding our house today are ones that my father himself planted so many years ago. The house which has seen some minor renovations, still holds many of their paintings, furniture, dishes, and even an ironing board built into the wall (my father couldn't imagine a house without one). I expect that many residents like my wife and myself who inherited our homes from our parents feel a special sentimental attachment to Rainberry Bay.

Spending winters in Rainberrry Bay was in some ways a new experience for my parents. Prior to buying a new home in this 55+ gated community, winters in Florida for my father's family meant seasonal rentals at the White House Hotel on South Beach in Miami Beach. Moving 50 miles up the coast, a "great" Jewish migration out of Miami, meant for many people the possibilities of a new retirement lifestyle inside one of the many new adult communities that were being built in the 1970's and 80's.

In Rainberry, my parents found a beach and two pools, a theater and the lake with its recreational trail that were all within easy walking distance from their new winter home at 1390 NW 29th Ave. Their journey to Rainberry was followed closely by the arrival of my mother's brother and his wife, SAM & SYLVIA RIBOK, who moved into the house next door where their daughter and my special cousin, BARBARA GOLDBERG, now lives. VIC & ESTELLE COHEN and RUTH & IRVING FARBER, dear friends, also moved into Rainberry Bay after my parents and remained here for many years.

In some respects, the continuity between the life of my parents in the 1980's and our life now is quite striking. As they did in the 80's, we still shop for fruits and vegetables at the Boys, order pastrami sandwiches, chicken soup, and



Abe & Helen Kessel

latkes from 3 G's, Chinese food from China Gardens, hamburgers at Lindburgers and shop for groceries at Publix. In our twice-a-year visits to my parents in Rainberry, we were surprised to learn that restaurants in Southern Florida stopped serving as the clock approached the end of the time for the "Early Bird Special!" This was something that we never thought much about up North.

Just as in my parents' day, Rainberry Bay still provides an escape for our children and grandkids from the harsh Northern winters. I expect my parents must have wondered as we do today, how grandkids can spend so many hours in the pool (in our case pool 5) without ever getting bored. No trip to Rainberry Bay in the 1980s was complete without shopping for the kids and grandkids at Bealls or the delightful flea markets off Federal Highway and Sample Road and attending a play or two at the Delray Playhouse, the Crest Theater, the Pope Theater, or the Caldwell (now the Wick) Theater. Theater was an important part of their life as it is for us today.

Time doesn't stand still and much has changed over the years at Rainberry Bay. When my parents first moved into Rainberry, the community was fairly homogeneous, with lots of Jewish and some Italian families. Like much of America, the community is now more diverse ethnically and in many other ways. While the demographic profile has changed over the years, the strong sense of community and friendliness, without pretension, that my parents first experienced back in the early 1980s is still with us today. When my parents

first moved into Rainberry, they planted a grapefruit and an orange tree and within just a few years, they were so proud to be able to pick fresh fruit seasonally for us from these prolific trees and would even send us home with a box of home-grown fresh citrus fruit. But many years later, sadly the county would take the fruit trees down, fearing the spread of citrus canker.

Bocce and pickleball today play a significant role in the athletic lives of many Rainberry residents, sports that were missing from the community in the 1980's. There have always been clubs at Rainberry Bay, some formal, others less so. In the 1980's, there was a very active Yiddish Club that my parents, both of whom could speak Yiddish, participated in. Obviously, fewer people today speak Yiddish and I expect the orientation of the club has changed with the times. And some of the "clubs" in the 1980's and 90's were best defined by where people came from such as the Baystaters, the North Shorers, and Lynners, each composed of people who were from the Boston area, or maybe these were all the same club but the names changed from year to year.

I remember some of their activities such as their card parties and organized bus trips for a show and dinner at one of the big Miami hotels. My wife and I felt like anthropologists on one of these bus trips, at the time, we were at least 20 to 30 years younger than the others on the bus, and we were expected to participate in singalongs, led by a miked RUTH FARBER who would pass out the lyric sheets to the bus riders, with music from the 1930's and 40's.



Herb & Barbara Kessel

Visiting my parents at Rainberry Bay also meant attending weekly shows at the Rainberry

DELRAY BEACH



CDC GUIDELINES FOR VACCINATED PEOPLE

Evan Kushner

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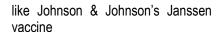
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relatives who all live together) without masks, unless any of those people or anyone they live with has an increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19.

- If you've been around someone who has COVID-19, you do not need to stay away from others or get tested unless you have symptoms.
- However, if you live in a group setting (like a correctional or detention facility or group home) and are around someone who has COVID-19, you should still stay away from others for 14 days and get tested, even if you don't have symptoms.

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HURRICANE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Helen Sohne

While it's not yet Hurricane season, it's never too early to take stock and stock up.

- This is a great time to look at the expiration dates on your canned and packaged food and to see if you need water or batteries.
- It's also a great time to make sure that your flashlight or lanterns as well as your battery operated fans and radios are still in working order. Consider a backup battery for your tv, computer and cell phone.
- Gather your important documents and make copies as well as protect them in Ziploc® bags. Review your emergency plan and decide if you would be able to ride out a storm, with or without electricity, at home.
- Get to know your neighbors and see who may need your help or who is able to help you in an emergency.

A complete list of recommended supplies can be found at www.discover.pbcgov.org. Enter "Hurricane Guide" in the search bar. More information will be coming your way throughout the season.

SNOWBIRDS - BEFORE YOU FLY AWAY

- Please: Inform the office that you will be gone during the hurricane season and leave contact information for yourself and an emergency contact either in Rainberry Bay or close by.
- Clear your yard before leaving for a day, month or season from June 1-November 30.
- Leave a key with a neighbor before traveling.
- Inform key holder of location to shut off water main.
- Leave house alarm code with neighbor if applicable.
- Know who can help with your

- shutters or outdoor furniture if necessary.
- The Fire Department recommends that you do not close your shutters on an empty house, for the season.
- Have your shutters serviced before you leave.

ALSO REMEMBER TO:

- Leave the a/c on at recommended "away" setting.
- Lock your windows and doors.
- Change your mailing address with the post office.
- Empty your refrigerator.
- Unplug appliances.
- Turn off water under sinks and to unused appliances.

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Thursday, April 22, 2021, is the 51st anniversary of Earth Day. This year the theme is "Restore Our Earth." The Green Committee is planning a day for community celebration and sharing at 2418 9th St and at the cul-de-sac on 9th St. Our plans include:

A display of green friendly, plastic alternative items set up at 2418 9th St

Free samples of hair shampoo soap and free raffle of earthfriendly items

- Sign-up sheet for those interested in more information on how to have your property be chemical free
- Accepting your donations for the Tri-County Animal Rescue here on this day. Donations include linens, rugs, pet supplies and toys, pill bottles (remove the labels) and newspapers (bundled or in paper bags) will be accepted. They do not accept pillows or any food bags that have been opened.
- Representatives from our community CERT team will have information handouts: Create your family Emergency Communication Plan, Family communication fillable cards. CERT Brochures
- Bring old candles that will be used in the future for new candles And more. . .

In addition to the activities at 2418 9th St, we will be starting a project of converting Lawns to Wildflowers on the 9th Street cul-de-sac

grassy circle. Our plans are to plant native firebush (Hamelia Patens) in the center and in the near future converting the remainder of the lawn to native shrubs and wildflowers. According to Dr. Doug Tallamy, Dr. Nash Turley, and the Florida Native Plant Association: Habitat loss is the greatest single threat to biodiversity generally and native plants and pollinators specifically. The vast expanse of turf grass lawns contribute to that habitat loss but also have the

opportunity to be restored to benefit native plants and pollinators. Dr Turley states that really only 10% of our food depends on pollinators, but of that 10%, fruits and nuts depend almost 100% on pollinators. Pollinators are declining 9% per year mainly because of habitat loss.

Times:

- 9-11 Planting the cul-de-sac
- 10-2 Information tables at 2418 NW 9th St., accepting donations for Tri-County Animal Rescue and left over candles
- 9-2 Masks required and social distancing encouraged

TOGETHER, WE WILL RESTORE OUR EARTH

SUSTAINSCAPE PRESENTATION RECOMMENDATIONS

Thank you to all the Green Committee members and Rainberry residents that attended the presentation by Dennis de Zeeuw of Sustainscape: "Practical Design Tips for Maintainable, Sustainable Native Landscaping". We apologize to those that Zoomed. We know that the sound was difficult to hear because of the windy day. Hopefully, our next presentation will be in our Clubhouse.

Here are some recommendations from this presentation:

- Ground covers: mimosa (pink fluffy flower, but does need to be watched for weeds, can be mown and walked on); spotted bee balm; frog fruit (can also be mown and walked on, but better at keeping weeds out)
- Shrubs: marlberry, lantana (this is a shrub with small white flowers, do not get confused with the highly invasive, multicolored lantana ground cover for sale at big box stores)
- Mulch: Greensmart (palm fronds and fibers), pine straw, pine nuggets; avoid red, due to a high level of arsenic (red is made from treated used pallet wood and then dyed)

Specific suggestions for replacement of diseased, dying, plants or for shrubs that require a lot of chemicals to keep healthy:

- REPLACE FICUS WITH wax myrtle, Florida privet; recommended that a variety of privacy hedges be used throughout development for diversity Rainberry is now replacing all dead Ficus with green arbor cola, i.e. schefflera actinophylla.
- REPLACE HIBISCUS WITH tegrazygia, a flowering plant in the Glory bush family.
- Bougainvillea: necklace pod with soft, feathery leaves, yellow flowing flowers

RETHINK

When you are removing and/or planting in your yard, please do the following:

- Notify the office for marking of irrigation lines
- Fill out Architectural Control Board form (get at the office)
- If anything structural, a city permit is needed
- Call 811 for free utility markings
- Know your property line

PLANT NATIVE

Brainberry **A**

Joyce Poses

As of publication of the Beacon, the Clubhouse is still closed until future notice. For changes, check our website. Certain classes are being held virtually over Zoom. See the Calendar and check the information in this Beacon.





Over the past couple of weeks, I have been asked about our Bowling League. We stopped bowling because of Covid-19 in March, 2020.

I would LOVE to see the league bowl again. My thought is to start the last Thursday in September, 2021. By then everyone should be vaccinated and we should all be ready to start bowling again.

If you would like to join us, please send an email to **mcwolmer@aol.com.** If you have friends outside of Rainberry Bay who would like to bowl, have them email me as well. As we get closer to September, I will provide more details as to costs, times, dates, etc.

Please email me if you have any questions. Looking forward to getting back on the alleys and having lots of fun just like we did before during the years before Covid-19.

Life in Rainberry Bay: Then and Now

Continued from page 10

theater, usually seeing a comedian followed by a singer or a vocal group and some of the entertainers I remember as being quite famous such as Dudu Fisher, who had recently starred in the original Broadway production of *Les Misérables* as Jean Valjean. There are of course still shows and movies in the theater, but the frequency and range of entertainers were much greater in the 1980's and 90's than today.

In the Delray Beach community, we have experienced some lost opportunities, for example being able to pick fresh oranges at Blood's Orange Grove or to find an easy parking spot at the beach but in return, we have gained access to the extraordinary Wakodahatchee and Green Cay wetlands, the Girl's Strawberry Patch, the Delray Marketplace and the award-winning playground, Sugar Sand Park in Boca Raton.

The Atlantic Ave. scene and Pineapple Arts District have populated the city with many more eating and theater options, not to mention, many more young people.

Will our children decide to follow in our footsteps? When we were younger, we never thought we would retire to Rainberry Bay. But in retrospect, this is a legacy we value.



Helen Sohne

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Classes are ongoing. Tuesdays from 10:00 - 10:45 AM, Wednesdays from 10:00 to 10:30 AM and Fridays from 10:00 - 10:45AM (sometimes Fridays are a bit longer).

There is an optional, early "pre-class lesson" on Tuesday and Friday as well as an optional "post-class chat."

If you are interested in learning more about to Nia or joining a class, please call or email **Helen Sohne**: 561-376-9789/ Niadelray@gmail.com . I am happy to speak with you and/or send you some information about Nia with no obligation.



IMPROVE IT VALUE AWARD

Presented by: John Mulrey

The "Improve It" award goes to an associate who significantly improved a team environment, property, or procedure that had a positive impact for a community and/or for our Region





The Winner is.. Mark Palmiotto

Congratulations, Mark, You are number one in our book, too.

-Rainberry Residents



"Mark arrived at Rainberry Bay as an interim property manager to assist in transition. However, as his leadership took hold, the board decided to retain FirstService. In the past three years, he has built a bond with the board through a very strong effort from his team. The comments from the community are overwhelmingly positive, to the point they not only agreed to three more years but rewarded the team with a nice increase. Mark is a very humble guy, but his focus on the constant improvement and development of team has demonstrated incredible results."











Pickleball players on the court are: (from left to right) are Rainberry residents, Faith Vigilio, Mary Kay Macri, Sharon Fischer and Elena Riabive.



Christy said, "That thing was a pain in the ass!" John concurred.



Photo: Deb Peters Deb Sklar brings another beautiful e-bike to Rainberry Bay.



George Moscowitz at the Tennis

Photo: Deb Peters



Photo: Deb Peters Eileen Jardini on Lake Ida, riding home from Wakodahatchee Wetlands.



Photo: Deb Peters Bikers Beth Morrow and Joan Schneider were caught in the rain at Wakodatchee on a Tuesday morning ride.





Masked Bocce Club members proudly display the Club Banner. Vito Tarricone holds the trophy that Rainberry earned for coming in Third Place in the 2020 Palm Beach County Bocce League.



Photo: Deb Peters

Dave Kulick treats movie-goers to another movie outdoors at the Tennis Center. This group gets to wear both masks and 3-D glasses on Sunday nights when weather allows. Dave can supply a dozen pairs of glasses but you can bring your own



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Photo: Deb Peters Dee Dyer Reich helps Bob Reich change a flat during a Rainberry Bay Intermediate Bike Club 26 mile roundtrip ride to Loxahatchee Nature Center in Boynton Beach.



Photo: Steve Katz A unique view of our lake, looking through the tree at the Tennis Center end of the lake.



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APRIL 2021 [18] RAINBERRY BAY BEACON

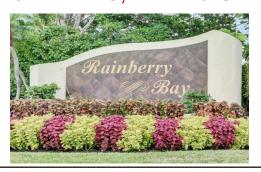
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OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

Pool 5 6a-11a daily 12:30-5:30 daily 5:30p-7p T & Th Pool 4 12:15-4:30p M-S Pool 2 1:15-3:15p daily ***ALL HOURS HEREIN SUBJECT TO CHANGE AS CIRCUMSTANCES CHANGE.*** At time of publication (MARCH 2021), the following facilities remain closed: CH including Library, Gym, Classrooms and TH. Please refer to MyRainberryBay.com website calendar for latest changes.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 ALL FOOLS DAY 8:30a Tennis Clinic	2 GOOD FRIDAY 10a NIA-zoom	3 9a Bocce 11a Bocce Mtg.
					1p Current Evts-zoom	
				6-8p Bocce		
4 EASTER 9a Bocce	5	6 10a NIA-zoom	7 9a Bocce 10a NIA-zoom	8	9 10a NIA-zoom	10 9a Bocce
				1p Book Disczoom	1p Current Evts-zoom	
	6-8p Bocce	4:30p Truck Food- TH Parking Lot 6p Bocce Pizza 7p CERT-zoom	7p HOMES MTG- zoom	6-8p Bocce		
11 9a Bocce	12 RAMADAN	13 10a NIA-zoom	9a Bocce 10a NIA-zoom	15	16 10a NIA-zoom	17 9a Bocce
					1p Current Evts-zoom	
	6-8 Bocce	4:30p Truck Food- TH Parking Lot	7p MASTER BOD MTG-zoom	6-8p Bocce		
18 9a Bocce	19	20 10a NIA-zoom	21 9a Bocce 10a NIA-zoom	22 EARTH DAY 9a-2p Planting on 9th St Circle, TriCounty Animal Resc.		24 9a Bocce
	1:30p Coun Cl-zoom			Eath Day	1p Current Evts-zoom	
	6-8p Bocce	6-8p Bocce		6-8p Bocce		
25 9a Bocce	26	27 9a 10a NIA-zoom	28 9a Bocce 10a NIA-zoom	29	30 10a NIA-zoom	
					1p Current Evts-zoom	
	6-8p Bocce	6-8p Bocce		6-8p Bocce		

PROPERTIES, RENT & SALE



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RB COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

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- 1) Print clearly your information about what you are trying to sell or rent on a 3"x5" index card.
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FORMS:

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RENTALS:

- We require a minimum of two (2) years of ownership BEFORE a unit may be rented.
- Rentals are allowed once per fiscal year (October 1-September 30) and must be for a minimum of three (3) consecutive months.
- Furnish Terms of lease.
- Landlords MUST furnish a copy of the Landlord Permit issued by the City of Delray Beach with the completed application and lease.
- Copy of signed Rental Agreement

APPLICATIONS FOR SALES AND RENTALS

Include the following forms with any application as well as a non-refundable payment for \$100 per person for background and credit check. These forms must be signed and notarized.

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- ◆ The Certificate of Interview/Approval



PET RESTRICTIONS:

- Community allows a maximum of two common pets, dogs and/or cats, with a mature weight limit of 25 pounds or aggregate weight of 30 pounds for both pets.
- Landlords may determine whether or not pets are allowed in the unit.

APRIL 2021 [20] RAINBERRY BAY BEACON

REUSE AND REPURPOSE

Lois Wiesler

If the global population uses one disposable mask per day, we'd dispose of 129 billion face masks each month.

So, what can we do with them? Some companies are trying to make them of a biodegradable fiber such as banana plants or upcycling them into new PPE. The best option at this time is to wear reusable cloth masks whenever possible.









plastic bag, and every day either wash it if it's a fabric mask or dispose of a medical mask in a trash bin after cutting the ear elastics.

Recycling masks doesn't seem to be a good idea as they would need to be disassembled for upcycling or crafts and many consider it a health risk. If you want to make something else from the textile, wash it in hot water first

Machine-washing reusable masks is the most eco-friendly strategy. However, even reusable cloth masks can shrink, come apart at the seams or the elastic could stretch out. The World Health Organization suggests you not wear a mask that looks damaged, doesn't fit properly, is wet or dirty, or has been worn by others. After each wash check for tears or damage.

The WHO suggests "When you take off a mask, store it in a clean

If you are going dispose of masks, they should not be placed in open trash bins. You can place them in a hazardous waste disposal (medical waste is usually incinerated). Make sure you cut through the ear strings as an animal can get caught in them. If you are putting the masks in your regular garbage, treat them as you might a used tissue or Band-Aid - seal it in a small bag, even if washed or stored for 72 hours first. That will reduce the possibility of exposure to any neighbors or garbage collector.

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Keeping Us Informed

BLOCK CAPTAINS

Anne-Marie Blondin

ANNUAL COLLECTION UPDATE:

We are in the final stages of our 2020 / 2021 annual collection for Delray's Police and Fire departments. As of this writing (mid-March) we have collected \$1500 so far. With another 2-3 weeks left in March, perhaps we may receive an additional few hundred dollars to add to the collection.

I will communicate the final total of our collection in the May Beacon.

Although the donations continue to be significantly less than prior years, **THANK YOU** to all who have generously donated. Your donation greatly assists the Police and Fire departments to purchase items or equipment not previously considered when their budget process was completed months ago.

BLOCK CAPTAINS:

Our next and final meeting for this season is April 5th at 2 pm. Zoom information will be sent prior to the meeting.

Being a grandmother or grandfather does not mean being old, it means being blessed with the most beautiful gift that could ever exist.

RB 2021 DIRECTORY

Char Lane

Thank you to all of you who timely completed and turned in your Directory forms. We made every effort to contact residents, calling and emailing, leaving voicemails, and reply requests. If you didn't complete a form and didn't provide your directory information over the phone or via email to one of the committee members or to me, your listing may contain obsolete or erroneous information.

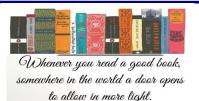
Please remember to update your information with the office whenever you change telephone numbers or email addresses or other relevant data or circumstances.

Blank forms remain available on the kiosk at the clubhouse entrance, on the Rainberry website or in the November Beacon. Please continue to drop your completed forms in the lockbox on the Beacon kiosk at the front entrance to the clubhouse, or scan and email them to the office at RainberryBay@FSResidential.com. You may also mail to the FSR Management office at the address on the form.

Again, many thanks to my committee of wonderful workers and FSR personnel. Thank you to TATSIANA SHABATSKO (FSR) for speedily finding missing information during the final days, and special appreciation and thanks to BARBARA GOLDBERG, JEAN-ELLEN KING, JESSICA KURTZMAN and KAREN LEFEVRE for their proofing during the wrap-up of this project.

I hope that in the process of this rather massive undertaking, we improved procedures and produced a user-friendly and accurate-aspossible product.





RB BOOK CLUB

Allan Trust

Our April offering, "Born A Crime," by Trevor Noah, is presented by Roz Appell on April 8. This presentation has been changed FROM April 1.

Here's why she thinks you'll want to read this book:

The host of "*The Daily Show*," Trevor Noah, was born and raised in South Africa, to a white, Swiss-German father and a black Xhosa mother. When Trevor was born, it was a crime, under apartheid, to have a mixed-marriage. So Trevor had to be hidden, because his mother could have been arrested and jailed for having a mixed-race son. His birth "violated any number of laws statutes and regulations."

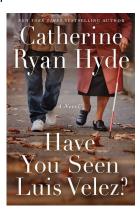
He spent much of his time alone at home. "I didn't have any friends. I didn't know any other kids besides my cousins. I wasn't a lonely kid—I was good at being alone. I lived inside my head. To this day you can leave me alone for hours and I'm perfectly happy entertaining myself. I have to remember to be with people."

His mother, a force to be reckoned with in her own right, made sure Trevor spoke English as a first language, because "if you're

Here is the schedule through June 2021. Please join in at about 12:45 PM so meeting can start on time.

- ◆ APRIL 8: "Born a Crime," by Trevor Noah, presented by Roz APPELL.
- ◆ MAY 6: "Have You Seen Luis Velez," by Catherine Ryan Hyde, presented by JANET EISENMAN
- ◆ June 3: "The Vanishing Half," by Brit Bennett, presented by Nancy Effrain.

*I have four copies of each book provided by the Rainberry Library to loan out so contact me to get on the list for easy pick-up drop off.





black in South Africa, speaking English is the one thing that can give you a leg up."

His father and mother split (they never married) and his mother married Abel, an abusive man who physically assaulted his mother and Trevor as well. Trevor wanted to escape. He spoke many languages, as did his mother who knew Xhosa, Zulu, German, Afrikaans and Sotho languages. A gifted mimic, Trevor learned to use language to gain acceptance in school and on the streets. He would hustle to make money, stealing and getting in trouble with the law.

His quick wit and command of English landed him stand-up comedy gigs, eventually making him the most popular stand-up comedian in his home country. Then on to the US. Unable to break into the business in the US, he headed back to South Africa. But Jon Stewart had noticed him and after watching just one joke by Noah, Stewart declared the Noah would take his place when he retired. And the rest is comedy history.

Sign In Instructions: https://us02web.Zoom.us/j/5771123789 Meeting ID: 577 112 3789



Allan & Carrie Trust

We meet every Friday at 1 PM, via Zoom. Everyone is welcome to join in or listen to lively discussions of the important issues of the day.

TO SIGN-IN:

- 1. CLICK ON LINK (or copy & paste)
- 2. https://us02web.Zoom.us/j/5771123789
- 3. Click Join
- 4. Meeting ID: 577 112 3789

Please join in at about 12:45 PM so meeting can start on time. Any issues signing in, please contact us at: 561-573-7053, or ctrust371@comcast.net.

2020-2021 Season Plans

ON HOLD DUE TO COVID-19 QUARANTINE



The Women's Club and, indeed, the entire Rainberry Family, has suffered a great loss with the passing of CAROL MEISELMAN on February 24, 2021. Check donation details on RB Family page 3.

Carol was a long-time President of the Rainberry Women's Club and an active participant in many events around the community. Us old -timers will never forget her as the "Cat in the Hat" at our annual Halloween parties.

On a happier note, our favorite publicist, RUTH RAZZETTI, turned 100 years old!! In her honor, another large donation was made by the Women's Club to the Jacobson Food Pantry.

Happy Birthday, Ruтн, and many more!!



We're eagerly awaiting the re-opening of the Rainberry Theater with a full line-up of Rock & Roll shows. Looking forward to Saturdays in the Theater. Ready to dance again?



RB MEN'S CLUB





Bill Gates. Warren Buffet. Two of the wealthiest—and the most philanthropic—people in the country. And, they are also bridge partners. They would play (pre-Covid) as a partnership in bridge tournaments all over the country. There are (again, pre-Covid—and, hopefully, soon, post-Covid) bridge tournaments all over the country, every week. Anyone can play, and win Masterpoints for scoring well against people of their own skill level, even when playing in a field of experts.

To achieve the level of Life Master, one needs to amass 500 points. The point leader in America today is Jeff Meckstroth, with over 84,000 points! He played in a regional tournament in Toledo one time and sat down at the table with Wendy and me (we didn't win that round). And who else have we played against in tournaments? In Reno against two of the nicest gentlemen you'd ever want to meet—Bill Gates and Warren Buffet!

And unlike, say, tennis, where you're unlikely to improve your game much if you happen to play against Roger Federer, playing bridge against the best in the world is a phenomenal learning experience. And what terrific people the experts are! Come visit our club when we reopen—you might not meet Bill Gates, but you just might get hooked on the great game of bridge.

FRIENDSHIP ALSO SEEMS TO BE THE BOND THAT HOLD COMMUNITIES TOGETHER

ARISTOTLE

IN THE KNOW ABOUT HOLI

Karen Wells, from "An Essay on Holi in English1"

In doing the Calendar for this month, I was struck by how many important religious holidays are occurring in April this year. It feels like such a holy month. The internet is a great tool to explore anything so I did a search on festive holidays around the world and I discovered one I had never heard of. For me, spring has always been a season of color and change while growing up in the North.

Have you ever heard of *The Festival of Colors*, or "Holi?" Holi is one of the important festivals of the Hindus and was celebrated this year on March 28 and 29. It is celebrated on different dates every year. It is a colorful festival of great joy and enthusiasm. Holi indicates the end of the winter and the beginning of the spring season. Phalguna is the twelfth month of the Hindu calendar and corresponds with February/March in the Gregorian calendar and this year is 2077. Holi is celebrated to mark the victory of truth over evil, the victory of Prahlad over King Hiranyakashyap.

Prahlad was a devotee of God. His father, King Hiranyakashyap did not believe in God but believed in his own powers. He failed to accept his son's devotion to God and decided to kill him by burning him alive. Prahlad's sister, Holika, sat with her brother in the blazing fire and asked God to let only her be burned and spare her brother. Prahlad was saved by their belief. The truth, the powers of the Supreme God, defeated the King and the false evil.

During the day, womenfolk worship a stack of wooden logs called Holi. At the end of the day, in the light of the full moon, Holi is burnt. The green ears of barley and grain are heated up in the fire and distributed among friends and relatives. Friendships are made and old enmities are forgotten. Next day is the festive day of Holi. All hearts are filled with joy. Children throw colored water on each other while the elders apply "gulal"* or "abir."** There are noisy scenes as little groups of children move from one locality to another exchanging holi greetings, singing songs and laughing at their own jokes.

This festival is celebrated to bring people together to be happy. They take care not to indulge in bad practices. This makes it one of the best festivals of the year.

LEASH RULES!!

We are still seeing a large number of dogs being walked on leashes that are either too long or retractable. Our sidewalks and lake path are not wide enough to allow for pets being walked on a leash longer than 6 FT. This is stated in



our Rules and Regulations when you signed an agreement to live here.

Pedestrians, cyclists and other residents walking their pets can be injured or intimidated by dogs that are not under complete control and are allowed to walk a significant distance from their owner. Even friendly and well-trained dogs can become excited, or aggressive under certain circumstances and cause an accident.

Most retractable leashes extend over 15 feet, leaving the dog too far away for the owner to react quickly if necessary. Several people are letting their dogs run without leashes. This is also against Rainberry rules.

If your leash is over 6FT or retractable, please replace it with one that complies with Rainberry rules as soon as possible.

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New CDC Recommendations for the Vaccinated

You should still take steps to protect yourself and others in many situations, like wearing a mask, staying at least 6 feet apart from others, and avoiding crowds and poorly ventilated spaces.

Take these precautions whenever you are:

- In public
- Gathering with unvaccinated people from more than one other household
- Visiting with an unvaccinated person who is at increased risk of severe illness or death from COVID-19 or who lives with a person at increased risk
- You should still avoid medium or large-sized gatherings
- You should still delay domestic and international travel
- If you do travel, you still need to follow CDCrequirements and recommendations.
- You will still need to follow guidance at your workplace.

You should still watch out for symptoms of COVID-19, especially if you've been around someone who is sick. If you have symptoms of COVID-19, you should get tested and stay home and away from others.

 For more information, check the CDC website: https://www.cdc.gov/ coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated.html

^{1. 500}essays.online

^{*}Traditional name given to the coloured powders used for the typical Hindu rituals, in particular for the Holi festival

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- Flagler Museum

The Lake Trail affords visitors an intimate encounter with the Palm Beach style, complete with a view that will have you coming back again and again. Palm Beach is a long, narrow barrier island, stretching 16 miles in length, and less than a mile wide. The trail itself is 5 and a half miles long, running from South Lake Drive near Peruvian Avenue North to its terminus just north of the famous Sailfish Club. The trail has two interruptions where walkers must navigate sidewalks and an intersection, but the trail is otherwise complete and well maintained. The trail winds north along the water, offering an expansive view of West Palm Beach and the Lake Worth Lagoon. The Palm Beach Town Docks is your first landmark, a public marina that has provided berthing for yachts of all types since the 1940s. Soon a huge and graceful tree appears along the trail. It is the giant kapok tree, a mammoth with sweeping, octopus-like roots and a smooth, arching trunk. It is a transplant from the Amazon rainforests, brought here as an experimental crop tree in Palm Beach's earliest days. The branches reach out toward the Henry Morrison Flagler Museum, a palace-like home designed and built by the man who brought Palm Beach to life.

SOME TIPS FOR ENJOYING THE LAKE TRAIL:

Since the trail largely passes through residential neighborhoods, it is wise to carry water and take a restroom break before heading out.

**Taken from: https://www.thepalmbeaches.com/blogs/walkingbiking-palm-beach-lake-trail. Lots more information at this website.

Note to Bikers: Please be careful around pedestrians and cars in the community. Walkers and drivers don't always see you as you approach, especially from behind.



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