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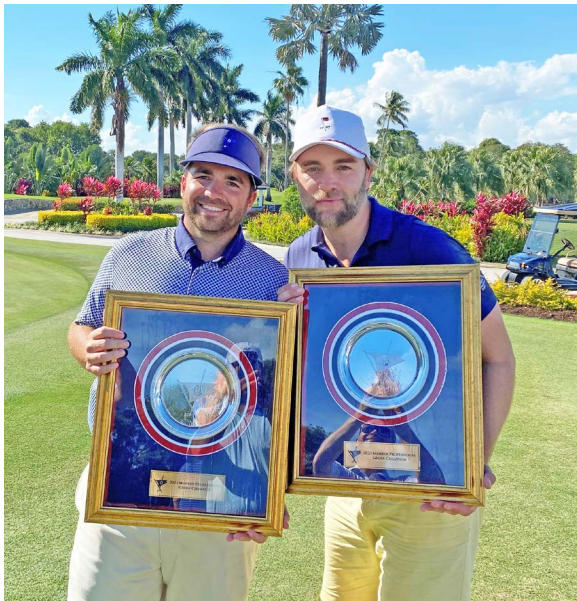
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Member-Professional Golf Tournament

This year's Member-Professional Golf Tournament had one of the largest fields ever with more than 80 players participating and 21 current and past Professionals representing both Ocean Reef Club and Card Sound Golf Club. In fact, the Net Champion Professional Tommy Gibson is not only a former Ocean Reef Club Professional but also the son of current ORC Pro Tom Gibson. With such strong representation from Ocean Reef Professionals in this tournament, it's a true testament to the high caliber of golf talent here at The Reef. For full results, see page 39.



Tom Miles and David Lutterus, 2023 Member-Professional Gross Champions



Rick Chambers (right) and Tommy Gibson, 2023 Member-Professional Net Champions

AROUND THE REEF

IN CARYSFORT KITCHEN...

**With Chef Rolando Beramendi:
Autentico Italiano Class**

Monday, January 30
9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Vine to Table Dinner with Gaja

Tuesday, January 31
6:30 p.m.

For reservations, call 305-367-5931.

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50 Years of Member-Guest Tennis

2023 marks some significant Ocean Reef Club milestones – namely reaching 75 years as a Club and 30 as Member-owned - but another milestone fitting of this historic anniversary year is approaching. **February 3-5**, one of Ocean Reef Club's oldest and fondest traditions, the Member-Guest Tennis Tournament, will turn 50.

Tennis has been a notable thread in the fabric of the Ocean Reef Community ever

since the first court was built in 1955, and for the past 50 years, the Member-Guest Tennis Tournament has been the Tennis season highlight. Founded in 1973 by **Bob Ecuyer**, Ocean Reef Club's Director of Tennis at the time, and the late **Dick Garbisch**, the Member-Guest Tennis Tournament quickly became and has remained a great success.

In fact, the tournament has unique origins, as it once effectively aimed to not only provide another way for Members to compete in the game they loved, but to also expose tennis-playing potential Members to Ocean Reef Club and entice them to join. After

a potential Member visited their friend at Ocean Reef for a weekend of great food, great parties, great tennis, and great fun, how could they not want to join?

Maybe that's why earlier years of the tournament focused so much on the "party" aspect. When reflecting on

the tournament 30 years ago, Tennis Professional Jim Morton, former ORC Director of Tennis, described a wild weekend of costumes, dancing, imbibing, and obviously tennis. In the tournament's heyday in the late 80s early 90s, when it would

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SAVE THE DATE "BURGEE JUBILEE"

Anniversary Celebration Weekend is April 13 – 15

Stay tuned for details on the Rock the Block parties, Beach Bash and Concert Celebration.

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OR "See"



This stunning sunrise welcomed the Sandrita crew last Saturday as they headed out for their final day of Sailfish Classic fishing. Photo submitted by Jim Morton. See full Sailfish Classic results on page 40.

What have you discovered on your walk, biking or on a daily golf cart ride that you never noticed before?
Email orp@oceanreef.com and share your discoveries.

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HAPPENINGS

March Flying Club Trip to Bimini

Join the Flying Club on their first trip of the season, activities to include fishing, casino gambling, beach combing, and a good time for all. The trip is scheduled for departure March 21, returning on March 24. Please contact **Nancy Eaves** (nancy@swensonrealty.com) if you are interested as either a pilot or participant. You do not have to be a member of the Flying Club to attend.

Kappa Kappa Gamma Gathering

Calling all Kappas! On **Monday, January 30** at 9:30 a.m., gather with your fellow Kappa Kappa Gamma sisters on the Town Hall porch for coffee and a chat.

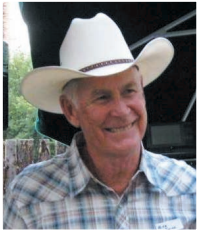
It's Taco & Tequila Tuesday at Cantina!

Tuesdays will soon become your favorite day of the week with the new addition of Taco & Tequila Nights at Palm Court Nights Cantina. Every Tuesday from 6 to 9 p.m., Cantina will offer your choice of any house margarita and two tacos of your choice for \$26. Palm Court Nights Cantina is open Fridays through Tuesdays from 6 to 9 p.m. (closed Friday, February 3). No reservations required.



MAKING HISTORY

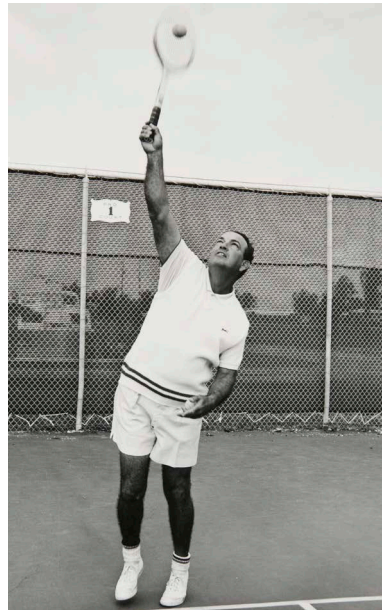
Love is in the Air



by Mike Smith

In those early days of Ocean Reef Club's operations, Morris Baker recognized the need for guests to be able to do things other than fishing. In 1955, he built a single tennis court and probably never realized the approaching tennis craze. That court was placed directly across Ocean Reef Drive from the concrete block Villa Cay homes also being constructed. In 1966, Juan Weiss, five-time National Tennis Champion in Cuba, was hired as the first Director of Tennis. Soon, two more courts were added with a tennis pavilion. In 1969 after the Bakers sold out to a firm headed by Harper Sibley, **Bob Ecuyer**, a highly-rated tennis pro from New Orleans, joined Weiss and became Director of Tennis in 1972.

Over the next several years, more courts were added, all in the central core area, bringing the total to fifteen. But still, court time remained a premium causing the Club to limit play to one hour at a time. In 1974, a group of homeowners led by the late **Dick Garbisch** approached Sibley asking to purchase some land to form their own club in the same way the group from Card Sound Golf Club had done. Sibley was very receptive to the idea, but his creditors, who held liens on the entire property, would not allow the sale of any portion. An agreement was struck with the new group in which a parcel of land would be leased at a very minimal charge. The new group, now The Ocean Reef Racquet Club, built twelve hard courts and a clubhouse. The Racquet Club quickly sold out their memberships and



Juan Weiss, five-time Cuban National Champion and Ocean Reef's first Director of Tennis.

had a waiting list to get in. In 1993, they hired Jim Morton, the then assistant to Ecuyer at Ocean Reef, as Head Tennis Professional.

Another group of Members headed by Ed Sabol, driven by the demand for even more courts, formed the Health and Tennis Club. To attract members, they built a new clubhouse featuring a whirlpool, sauna, player's lounge and juice bar. This club opened in 1980.

In 1993, after the buyout, Bob Ecuyer became Director of Recreation for Ocean Reef and Jim Morton was hired as Director of Tennis.

In the meantime, the Ocean Reef Club courts were being encroached upon by the expansion of facilities such as Town Hall. Constructed in 2005, Town Hall eliminated eight courts and the tennis pavilion, leaving only five courts. With continued demand for space in the central core area, in 2012 Ocean Reef purchased the Health and Tennis Club with its twelve courts and clubhouse. The structure was improved to include a much-needed card and game center and is today called the Tennis & Games Center. The last two courts remaining in the core area were removed in 2020 when Waterside took its place.



Aerial view of the Racquet Club which opened in 1976.

Over the years, the Ocean Reef tennis program has hosted a myriad of top players in the world such as: Margaret Court (1975), Stan Smith (1987), Arthur Ashe (1988), Gabriella Sabatini (1989), Mary Jo Fernandez (1990), Pam Shriver (1990), Cliff Drysdale (1998),

Andy Roddick (1998), Monica Seles (2014) and Mats Wilander (2014).

Jim Morton retired as Director of Tennis in 2022 and now teaches tennis seasonally at the Tennis & Games Center. Bob Ecuyer now leads the real estate firm Swenson & Ecuyer.



LOUNGE

IT ISN'T JUST FOR COCKTAILS ANYMORE...

CH Lounge offers an incredible array of craft cocktails, wines by the glass and hand-selected whisky - but did you know you can also order caviar, raw bar selections, hors d'oeuvres and small plates to share?

A FEW MENU FAVORITES INCLUDE:

- CH Seafood Tower – Dirty Oysters
- Steak Brochettes – Crispy Asian Chicken
- Short Rib Croquettes

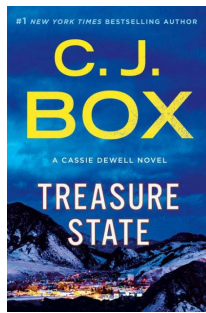
Reservations are not needed but a jacket and trousers are required for men.

CH LOUNGE IS OPEN
Wednesdays - Sundays at 5pm.

Library Corner



by Susan Bohan

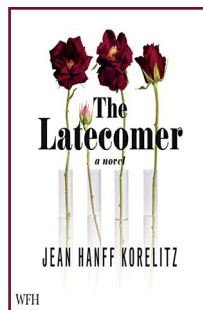


"Treasure State" by C.J. Box – 6th Cassie Dewell novel takes the reader on an action-packed wild ride through Montana in search of liars, secrets, deceptions and more

"The Maze" by Nelson DeMille – A John Corey novel ends in a fiery finish of interlocking crimes and suspects

"The Boys From Biloxi" by John Grisham – A return to Mississippi finds 2 friends on opposite sides of the law with the author's trademark twists and turns ending in a stunning finale

"Demon Copperhead" by Barbara Kingsolver – An arresting and illuminating story of one man's endurance through endless hardships in a world where beauty and desperation live side by side



"The Latecomer" by Jean Hanff Korelitz – An ingenious family epic set in New York with 3 dislikeable triplets whose lives you might find relatable anyway

"A World of Curiosities" by Louise Penny – Inspector Gamache returns in a heart-stopping thriller of second chances, redemption and forgiveness

"Mad Honey" by Jodi Picoult – Provocative exploration of the strength that love and acceptance require is co-written with Jennifer Finney Boylan

"Righteous Prey" by John Sandford – Lucas Davenport and Virgil Flowers battle a vigilante group with an eye on vengeance to find out if their motives are what they seem

"Distant Thunder" by Stuart Woods – Stone Barrington may have met his match in a game of cat and mouse between the CIA and nefarious foreign forces

Now that the Library has increased its hours to Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., it is easier for all Members to find a good read. Whether you are not sure which of your favorite authors have a new novel or want to try a new genre, most of the Volunteers can make suggestions, or perhaps the following recent works of fiction recently added to the Collection will inspire you:

"Long Shadows" by David Baldacci – FBI Consultant Amos Decker heads to South Florida to solve a bewildering double homicide

Your support of the All Charities Weekend strengthens entities, like the Library, that enhance Ocean Reef Club's Unique Way of Life and enables the Ocean Reef Community Foundation to provide for thousands in Key Largo, Homestead and Florida City. Call 305-367-5996 to learn more.



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The All Charities Countdown



by Sarah A. Cart

Behind-the-scenes arrangements are progressing fast and furiously for the **Feb. 10 and 11** All Charities Weekend (ACW) and its Live and Silent auctions. With **online bidding and "First Dibs" opening a week from today**, now's the time to think about your team and prepare strategies so when your catalog (as large as ever) arrives, you can initiate your action plan.

Once again, the collection of items offered will include myriad amazing opportunities – that means it's time to prepare to honor the past by doing once again what Ocean Reef has repeatedly proven it does so well:

Bid early, often and outrageously, all for a great cause.

From gourmet gatherings, phenomenal golf rounds, fabulous fishing, spectacular cruises and cultural opportunities here and abroad, shopping sprees from the practical to the extravagant, artworks, wines and jewelry, every Ocean Reef Member can find a way to take part.

To post the winning bid for some of these items you will just have to be lucky, but for others, it will help to plan ahead and gather a crew together. Many of each year's offerings, from First Dibs dinners to opportunities to indulge in lobster or duck to once-in-a-lifetime trips domestic and abroad, are more than meals or adventures to be had, wines consumed or miles to be traveled – they're opportunities to deepen friendships and strengthen our Ocean Reef community.

Imagine: Multiple options for visiting Europe, for wine, for food, for golf. Eight nights in

Africa or 12 nights in East Asia for four. The Indy 500 for four. N'Orleans twice, once for jazz, another for Mardi Gras. New York City for dinner, theatre and tennis. Fishing in the Seychelles. Two different Kentucky experiences, each for three couples and three nights: Bid on horses or bourbon (or both)!

If you'd rather bid singly or as a pair without leaving The Reef, you can sign up for a sommelier class, night golf on the Dolphin Course, the Napa Cult Wine Dinner, or the Sunset (Strip) Cay party when dozens of the Reefers who live in that neighborhood will take over Carysfort in November to kick off the All Charities season. Or plan to play golf or tennis or pickleball, invest in a bike, a smoker, or an inflatable paddleboard. Go birdwatching. See Roger Daltrey or Steve Miller Band here at the Cultural Center, or *Wicked* at the Adrienne Arsht Center.

Why do we do this?

To enable the Ocean Reef Community Foundation's distribution of financial grants to assist thousands of our neighbors in Key Largo, Homestead and Florida City plus local entities vital to Ocean Reef: The Medical Center, Cultural Center, Academy, Art League, ORCAT and Conservation Association. Thanks to everyone's generosity, over \$50 million has been distributed since 2008.

For your calendar: Next Friday morning, online bidding. Friday evening a week later, Feb. 10, Wine & Bourbon Tasting & Silent Auction Showcase. Saturday daytime, the Ocean Reef Chamber of Commerce's Burgers, Beers & Bidding and a NetJets display. And Saturday night: Dinner, dancing and the Live Auction. And at 10:30 p.m., the close of online bidding.

Questions? Visit oceanreefcommunityfoundation.org, or contact All Charities at 305-367-5996 or AllCharities@OceanReef.com.

The All Charities tradition at T minus two weeks? Strategize. (Good luck befalls those who build for the future).

CULTURAL CENTER



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8:00PM

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6:15-7:15pm • Performance

Late Show – 7:30PM

7:30pm • Cocktails
8:15pm • Dinner Served
9:00-10:00pm • Performance

For tickets visit the Cultural Center website at:
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Move beyond your expectations.



1 Osprey Lane | Ocean Front
4 BD, 5.5 BA | \$25,900,000 | 2256

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Artist's Concept

40 Cardinal Lane | 40cardinallane.com
Ocean View | 5 BD, 6.5 BA | \$21,900,000 | 2308

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19 Sunrise Cay Drive | Ocean Front
31,021 Sq. Ft. Homesite | \$13,500,000 | 2335

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42 Cardinal Lane | Canal Front
29,210 Sq. Ft. Homesite | \$9,475,000 | 2428

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Pumpkin Cay 3B | Canal Front
4 BD, 4 BA | \$6,700,000 | 2456

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29 Baker Road | New Construction
4 BD, 5 BA | Water Front | \$6,995,000 | 2332

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3BD, 3BA | \$4,200,000 | 2460

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2 BD, 2.5 BA | \$3,500,000 | 2453

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1BD, 2BA | 36' Dockage | \$1,950,000 | 2436

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44 Cardinal Lane | Ocean View
4 BD, 4.5 BA | \$11,839,900 | 2309

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Artist's Concept

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5 BD, 6 BA | \$10,500,000 | 2364

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The Sanctuary Orchid 102 | First Floor
3 BD, 3.5 BA | \$6,500,000 | 2431

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11 Perky Road | Central Location
3 BD, 3.5 BA | \$5,850,000 | 2447

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Artist's Concept

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5 BD, 5.5 BA | \$5,100,000 | 2377

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5 BD, 4 F/2 H BA | \$12,995,000 | 2403

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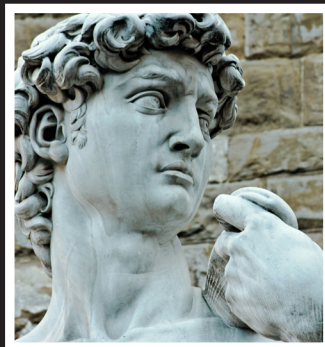
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Ask About Next Trip to Sicily June 4-11, 2023!



Great Decisions: America's Global Affairs Discussion

With Dr. Jeffrey
Morton

The Campus at the Cultural Center is happy to bring back the Foreign Policy Association's virtual series "Great Decisions". It is the largest non-partisan citizen education effort of its kind and has provided quality information and tools for over fifty years. The Foreign Policy Association (FPA) publishes a Great Decisions Briefing Book that highlights the year's most significant foreign policy issues. This optional briefing book can be purchased on their website at fpa.org.

Dr. Morton will deliver nine lectures in this series where he builds factual basis for informed discussions and gives a deeper



understanding of the critical issues our world faces. He specializes in International Law with a principal focus on the laws of armed conflict. He is considered a pragmatist in his conceptualization of world affairs and U.S. foreign policy. He will be at the Cultural Center in person on March 23 as part of the Campus Speaker series.

Join us **Wednesday, February 1** at 5 p.m. at the Cultural Center for the first complimentary Great Decisions lecture – Energy Geopolitics.

Film Society: "Blind Ambition" Monday, February 6

A Heartwarming Wine Movie

This totally inspiring documentary follows the underdog story of four Zimbabwean refugees who find a new life in South Africa. Each of these men have escaped tyranny and starvation in their homeland. Their journey unexpectedly leads them to careers in the world of wine. This is a tale of four friends with captivating personalities who reach unimaginable goals.

Our third Film Society evening of the Season will begin with an introductory presentation by Rechna Varma, Professor of Producing and Practice at the School of Communication at the University of Miami. Following the film, a delectable dinner created and designed by Philippe



Reynaud, Senior Director of Culinary Operations, will be served. Along with the menu, wines from South Africa will be offered, chosen by Micah Winecoff, Port O'Call/Wine & Spirits Education Manager.

Join the Film Society to view all films and programs. Optional dinner is available only with reservations as space is limited. All dinner participants must be a Film Society member to attend.

Contact the Cultural Center at orfilmsocietyseries@oceanreef.com for more information.

Please Join Us

Monday, February 13,
10:30 a.m.

Cultural Center

A Presentation by René Silvin & Frank Lloyd Wright

The Dramatic Life of America's Most Controversial and Creative Architect

By Katy Sherman and Rosalyn Smith, Questers Communications

Frank Lloyd Wright, whose homes transformed the way we live, has been called the greatest American architect of the first half of the 20th century. During a career that spanned seven decades, he designed over a thousand projects: homes, office buildings, churches, and museums.

Wright's tumultuous personal life was punctuated by many professional vicissitudes and scandals. And so the telling of his story - as Mr. Silvin will illustrate - unfolds like a dramatic work of fiction. Born in rural Wisconsin in 1867, Wright married three times, fathered eight children, and remained productive and creative until the day he died in 1959 at age 91. René Silvin uses over 200 pictures and videos to give a modern context to Wright's extraordinary life and body of work.

Wright is the inventor of "organic architecture" and the open plan for family life,



Frank Lloyd Wright, American architect

expressed in different ways through his horizontal Prairie Style homes, the textile-block structures, the carport, and the more affordable "Usonian" houses.

Wright's most famous residence - *Fallingwater* in Mill Run, Pennsylvania - was named by *The American Institute of Architects* the "best all-time work of American architecture." *The Smithsonian Institution* lists it as "one of the 28 places to see before you die." Built in 1935, the breathtaking structure is still studied by dozens of architecture students and visited by hundreds of thousands of tourists yearly.

Wright is also known for the controversial *Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum*, which he claimed would make the nearby *Metropolitan Museum of Art* "look like a Protestant barn." His work on the unique, cylindrical structure began in 1943 and opened six months after Wright's death in 1959.

Wright's legacy lives on due to the unique contribution of



René Silvin

his styles and because of the on-going work of his many disciples, who studied at *Taliesin West*, Wright's former winter home and desert laboratory in Scottsdale, Arizona.

About Richard René Silvin

A Palm Beach resident and the former Chairman of the Palm Beach Landmarks Preservation Commission, Richard René Silvin is the author of five books including a history of Palm Beach seen through the eyes

of the famous society architect Addison Mizner, a historical novel about the magnificent 1930's French line flagship the SS *Normandie*, and a memoir about his friendship with the late Duchess of Windsor who treated him as the son she never had.

Mr. Silvin has become a sought-after lecturer on his books as well as on the history of transatlantic ocean liner travel; the history of *Mar-a-Lago*; on the tragic lives of 11 very wealthy women, on Marjorie Merriweather Post; and on the supersonic marvel of technology, *The Concorde*.

Frank Lloyd Wright: The Dramatic Life of America's Most Controversial and Creative Architect is a brand new presentation that René Silvin created last summer. This event is sponsored by the Questers chapters of Ocean Reef: Reef Seekers, Keys Searchers, and Choose & Cherish. All are invited to attend, free of charge.

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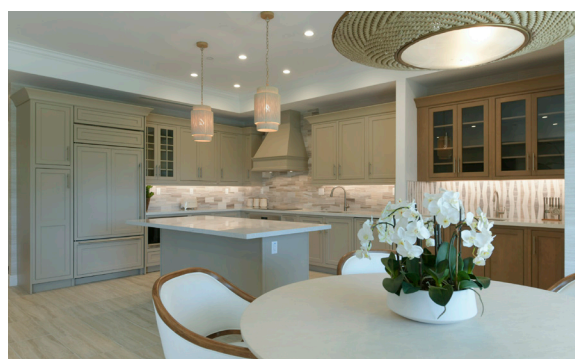
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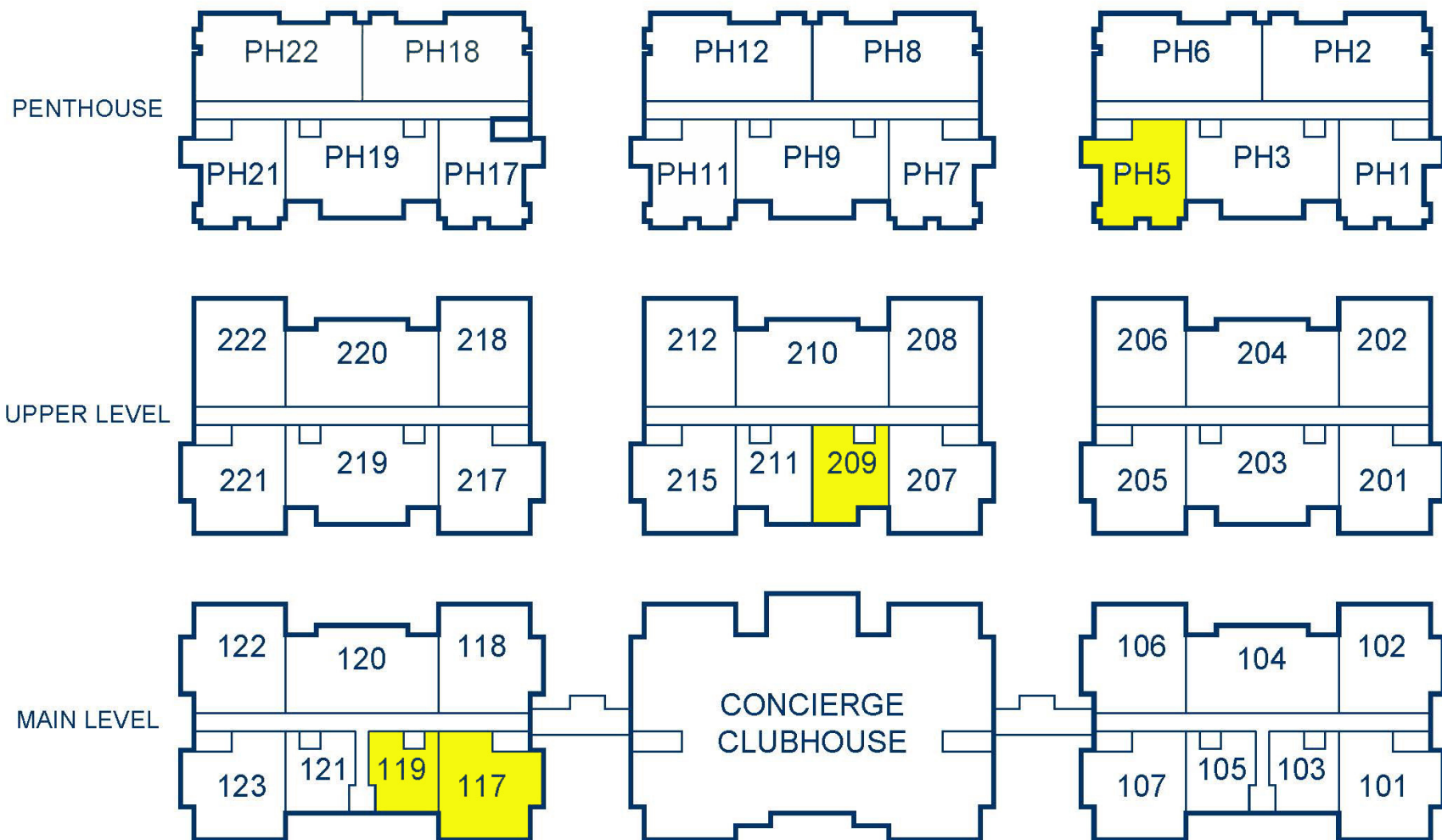
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His Life Cast a Long Shadow



by Rev. Dr.
Bob Henley

There is a figure of speech that best describes the life of a person who has had considerable influence on other people or events. You say their life cast a long shadow.

One of the distinguishing features of Ocean Reef Club is the remarkable concentration of such people who comprise this community. The other is how unpretentiously many go about the business of living their lives.

A great privilege of serving as Chaplain in Residence is the opportunity of coming to know both the person and the story of some of those remarkable people. One such person was **John Boll**.

John's story is well known. The child of Dutch immigrants, John fell head-over-heels for a beautiful Rockette, **Marlene Miller**, while he was serving in the Army. He inflated his resume a bit when they first met. Rather than admitting he and his buddies were training to be medics, he told Marlene they were all in medical school, hoping to become doctors!

John and 'Mar' as he affectionately called her, went on to create a success story that as John loved to say, could take place "only in America."

John began his work with a "wheelbarrow and a shovel in the trunk of his powder-blue 1949 Mercury." Those humble beginnings, his Dutch determination, and their creative partnership went on to re-define the image of manufactured home communities across the country.

The accolades the Bolls have received for their philanthropic work through the John A. and Marlene L. Boll Foundation are numerous. My wife and I saw some of it firsthand during a visit to their beloved Detroit several



John Boll

years ago.

But there is one moment that stands out among many during that visit. It was a personal moment that gave a window into the mind and heart of who John was.

The two of us sat in the media room of their home at the end of a day touring the city. Their daughter Kris had produced a 35-minute video highlighting all the organizations and places John and Marlene had supported through the years. Many tributes expressed gratitude for the positive impact their influence and investment had made.

As the video ended, I looked over at John. The expression on his face seemed to capture a sense of his being stunned by the cumulative story that he saw. All he could say was, "Oh my."

It became clear to me in that moment that John had not done any of this to make a name for himself. He did it because he believed in the work of those many organizations he and Marlene supported. In lending his name and support, his great hope was that it would inspire others to join in. And it did.

The last great project John undertook was the new Chapel and Fellowship Center at Ocean Reef. He willingly served as the Honorary Chair. He and Marlene gave the first major gift, in hopes many others would join them. And they have.

Anyone who knew John knew that his faith in Christ motivated everything he did. He had a God-

given zest for life and for living!

He flourished, living with integrity in every sphere of his life – his marriage of 68 years, with his family, among his friends and business associates, and in the communities

he so loved.

This past Memorial Day, we held the first service of worship in the new chapel. John and Marlene were in the front row. Following the service, a reception was held in the John and Marlene Boll Chapel Garden. We treasure the pictures that captured the morning. We were all saddened to hear the news of John's passing, just weeks later, on August 24th.

There will be a celebration of John's life and faith in the new Chapel and Fellowship Center at Ocean Reef. It will be held on Thursday, February 2, at 2 p.m.

We hope you'll be there to remember this man whose life cast such a long shadow. He truly had an influence on so many lives, in so many places. We will always be grateful.

CHAPEL & FELLOWSHIP CENTER NEWS

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FRIDAY, JAN 27
AA Meeting
7:30 a.m., Chapel Board Room
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Jewish Shabbat Service
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5:45 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary

Jewish Dinner
7 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary,
Cantor Happie Hoffman

SATURDAY, JAN 28
Shabbat Torah Study
9:30 a.m., Chapel
Cornerstone Room

Catholic Mass
4 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary,
Monsignor Bill Cleves

SUNDAY, JAN 29
Traditional Worship Service
9 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary, with
guest speaker Alistair Begg

A Journey Together
10:30 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary,
Chaplain Bob Henley

Kids Matter
10:30 a.m., Chapel Kids Room

Catholic Mass
12 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary,
Monsignor Bill Cleves

MONDAY, JAN 30
AI-Anon Meeting
9 a.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall B
Rosary Prayer
4:30 p.m., Chapel Living Room

AA Meeting
7:30 p.m., Chapel Board Room
Call 305-390-4983 for additional AA Meetings

TUESDAY, JAN 31
Catholic Way Bible Study
9 a.m., Chapel Living Room
Potluck Gathering
6 p.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, FEB 1
Intercessory Prayer
8 a.m., Chapel Board Room
Episcopal Service
9 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary,
Rev. George Ronkowitz
CWC Small Group Bible Study
10:30 a.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall

THURSDAY, FEB 2
Men's Community Bible Study
8 a.m.
John Boll Memorial
2 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary

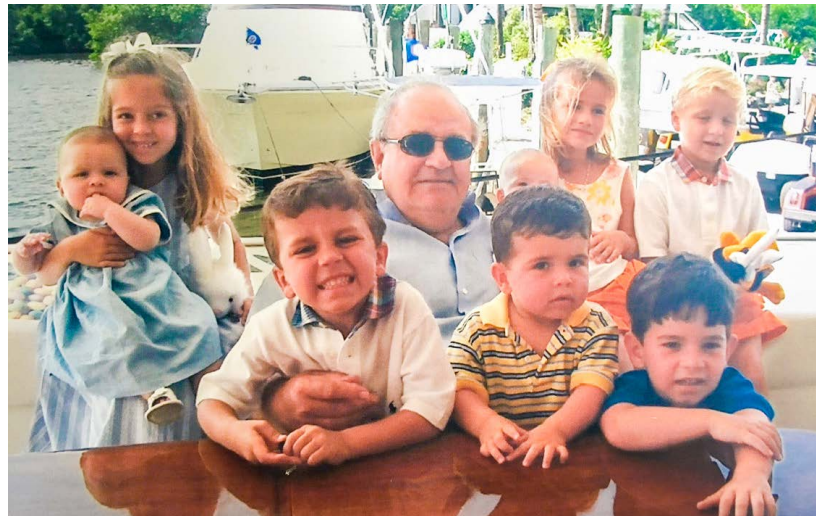
We Mourn the Loss

Antonio (Tony) Fraga

Antonio O. (Tony) Fraga, Ocean Reef Club Member since 1979, passed away on January 1, 2023, after a brief illness. He was a beloved father, devoted husband, adoring grandfather, admired businessman, and patriotic American.

Tony is survived by his loving wife Isabel A. Fraga and his children from a previous marriage: Olga Maria Fraga, Antonio Carlos Fraga (Cori Basulto), Alberto Javier Fraga (Carmen Obregon) and Alexander William Fraga (Claudia Ramirez,) as well as eleven grandchildren of whom he was extremely proud.

After the Cuban Revolution and graduating from New York Military Academy, he began his business career at IBM in New York where he had a meteoric



rise - starting in the mail room and ending as Area Manager in Detroit, Michigan. Tony then moved his family to Miami, Florida and in 1979, founded the successful commercial real estate company FIRC Group, Inc. Shortly thereafter, the company expanded to commercial and residential development, and then into hospitality development and management. Along with his son Alex, Tony grew the FIRC Group into a real estate and

hospitality powerhouse.

He and his family enjoyed Ocean Reef Club Membership for decades. Whether staying on his boat the Altomar, or renting homes on the property, Tony shared his enjoyment of ORC with family and friends. He also passed down the love of Ocean Reef – his three sons and their families cherish their Memberships.

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Memory-Corner Café

By Cynthia Weglarz

The Memory Corner Cafe met at the Chapel Fellowship Center this past Tuesday, January 17 with a very lively agenda. Guests arrived at 10:30 a.m., to a welcome by volunteers **Tricia Woodman**, **Kristen Perryman** and **Julia Rushmore**, who prepared a craft project for all to make, hats with a sparkling array of rhinestones, feathers and flowers. Guitarist, **Bob Blackburn**, serenaded the group while they created. Afterwards, the group participated in a musical exercise video and a karaoke singalong.

Visit www.memory-corner.com for more information.



Memory-Corner Café participants enjoyed craft projects, live guitar by Bob Blackburn and a karaoke singalong!



Julia Rushmore, Tricia Woodman and Kristen Perryman prepared a fun craft project for the group.

Share Your Favorite Club Tradition

Does your family have a favorite Club tradition? The Ocean Reef Press is asking you to reflect on the Club traditions from any time of year that mean the most to you and your family, and share them with us! If you have a favorite Club tradition, please submit it to orp@oceanreef.com.



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Counting One Too Many Sheep?

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Insomnia

This is the most common sleep problem, classified by short-term insomnia and chronic insomnia. Short-term tends to be triggered by stress and is generally short-lived. Chronic insomnia is identified when it occurs three times a week and lasts longer than three months.

Sleep Apnea

A condition that causes you to stop breathing while you're sleeping. It can be due to



a blockage in your airway (obstructive sleep apnea) or because your brain isn't controlling your breathing correctly. The word "apnea" is Greek for breathless. Survival instincts wake you up to breathe and in turn causes sleep disruption. Sleep apnea can place stress on your heart and create other serious health problems.

Restless Leg Syndrome (RLS)

This usually occurs at bedtime and creates an uncontrollable

urge to move your legs or sometimes arms. Because of these uncomfortable feelings, the need to move disrupts your ability to fall asleep. RLS can be managed and is sometimes due to low iron or other health-related factors.

Factors that cause sleeplessness can be one or more of the following:

- Physical (pain)
- Medical
- Depression/anxiety
- Environmentally created –

- (alcohol or other factors)
- Circadian rhythm upset (night work schedules)
- Medications and aging
- Genetic conditions (like narcolepsy)

Want to learn more about sleep disorders and ways to manage it? Dr. Harneet Walia presents "Better Sleep = Better Life" on **Thursday, February 9**, 6-7 p.m. during "Ladies' and Men's Night Out at The Medical Center." Following the presentation will be cocktails and hors d'oeuvres.

Please RSVP to jenniferr@mcor.org.

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March 24, July 7

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A Birding Hole In One



by Harold Brewer

About 25 miles from our front gate is one of the many access points to Everglades National Park. Both in the park and in the areas surrounding the park there is an incredible variety of interesting things to see, hear, explore and enjoy.

Early on a recent crystal clear morning, I headed to the southeastern edge of the park hoping to get a photo of a reported "rare" bird in south Florida. (More on that later in another article).

While slowly walking through ankle-deep wet grass,



I noticed a sizable orange-colored shape on a distant fence. My first thought was that it was a bobcat or perhaps a fox. Using several trees for cover I was able to get much closer without disturbing my sighting. I was very surprised to identify a mature male Barn Owl perched on an old fence. Broad daylight and wide open in bright sunlight is definitely not where you would expect

to find a Barn Owl. Preening and completely ignoring me while I was snapping photos was a bonus. One in a million opportunity.

Unlike our more familiar local Great-horned Owls, the Barn Owls do not hoot, they hiss and snap their bills. Very skilled hunters facilitated by their sharp hearing and excellent night vision, they can catch and swallow whole up to a thousand mice a year.

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Barn Owls are widely distributed throughout much of the world. In fact, they are considered to be the most widely distributed of all land birds. In spite of this, their secretive and largely nocturnal behavior makes them difficult to spot and even more difficult to photograph. To find a healthy adult male showing off in the morning sun was as much, maybe more, about luck than skill. One thing for sure about a hole-in-one is to make one, you have to be playing golf.

And if you want to get a truly unusual photo of anything wild, you have to be out there looking.

For more information on Owls or other birds, check out Cornell University's Birds of the World and Audubon's free Owl app that is available on iTunes.

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What's In a Name?

By Mary Brady

In our Ocean Reef Community, our tapestry is spun with some very special threads. These silver and gold stitches go a long way to make our lives at Ocean Reef better and richer. Below are six people so intricately woven in the community that they only require one name.

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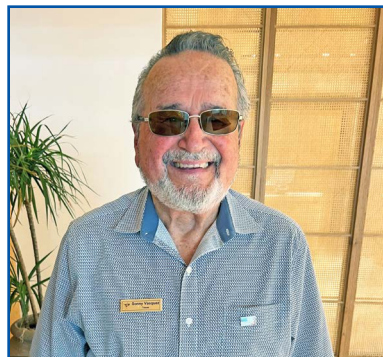
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I commend Linda also for her sense of urgency in marketing our newly listed Angelfish Cay condominium. The day we signed the listing papers, several of our ORC friends told us they just saw Linda's email promoting our new listing. Linda is on it!

*With many thanks,
Rudy Schupp*

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By Susan Bohan

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Just head over to the Farmer's

Market and within minutes, the planning is done. I picked up wings from Harvey's BBQ, cheeses from LaMontagne Des Saveurs French Cheese, lamb chops from Lomelo's, lasagna from Pasta Amore, salad fixings from Jerry's Here, herb focaccia from Salsa y Sabor, and fruit tarts from Le Petit Pain. When arranged on our buffet table outside and the candles lit, the feast was a success. And "since I did all the cooking", they even handled clean up so I could rest!!

Thank you to all the vendors who helped me cheat!



COMING UP! Cars & Coffee

Saturday, February 4



Ron Franklin

Calling all car enthusiasts! The monthly Cars & Coffee event is back again on **Saturday, February 4**. All are welcome, no reservations required, whether you plan to truck along your own vintage automobile, sports car, or "cool" conveyance, or you desire to simply admire them while fueling up with complimentary coffee and lite breakfast bites.

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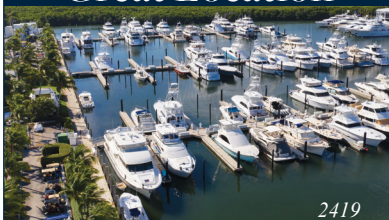


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The following individuals are being considered for Ocean Reef Club membership. Direct communication concerning these nominations to Executive Director of Membership, Islande Dillon, at 305-367-5921 or idillon@oceanreef.com.

Equity Membership

Kelly & Michael Kennedy are Social Waitlisted Members applying for Equity membership. Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy are purchasing 81 Snapper Lane, unit A from Michael Marzano and the equity from the resale list. They are residents of Cherry Hills Village, CO. They belong to Denver Country Club. Their sponsors are John Couzens and Sue Anschutz Rodgers.

Helen & John Drawbert are Social Members applying for Equity membership. Dr. and Mrs. Drawbert are purchasing 1A Cay Harbor and the equity from William Hartmann. They are residents of Fall Creek, WI.

Their sponsors are Rick Kocera, Cathy Langham and Charlie Johnston on behalf of the Board of Directors.

Arleigh & Ron Tysoe are Social Waitlisted Members applying for Equity membership. Mr. and Mrs. Tysoe are purchasing 18 Halfway Road and the equity from Steven Martin. They are residents of Cincinnati, OH. Their sponsors are Kathy Bahl and Doug Hynden.

Susan Lloyd is applying for Equity membership. Ms. Lloyd is purchasing Dock AS-4 and the equity from Charles McKenney. She is a resident of Wellington FL. She belongs to Palm Beach Polo. Their sponsors are Cynthia Egan and Sally & Tom Davidson.

Sr. Legacy Membership

William Dixon is applying for Sr. Legacy Membership. Mr. Dixon is a resident of Kissimmee, FL. His sponsors are Peggy Dixon, Janis Broton, Kathy White, Andrew Dixon and Frank McKee on behalf of the Board of Directors.



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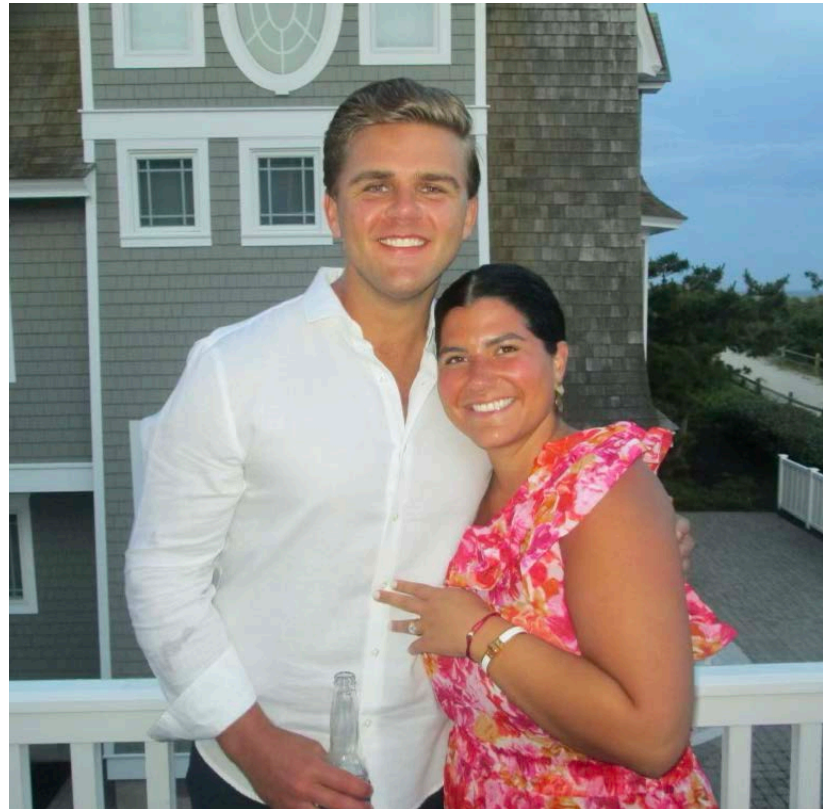
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MEMBER NEWS



Jackie and Conrad Love were recently married in Paducah, Kentucky on November 5, 2022. Their wedding wasn't complete without the inclusion of their dapper dog, Cliffe!



Thomas and Frederica Paulus are pleased to announce the engagement of their son Hunter Docherty Paulus and his fiancé Jacqueline Rose Conners. Hunter and Jacqueline's relationship started back when they went to senior high school prom together. After a long distance college relationship, they now live in Philadelphia where their wedding will take place this June.

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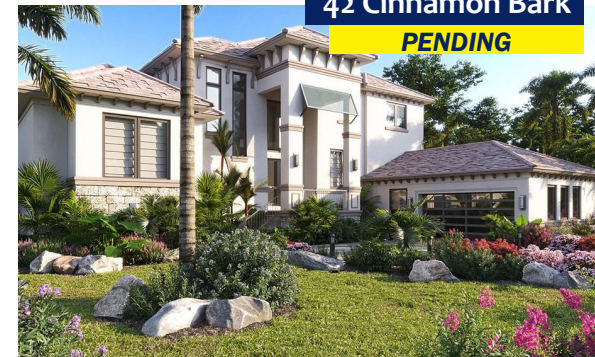
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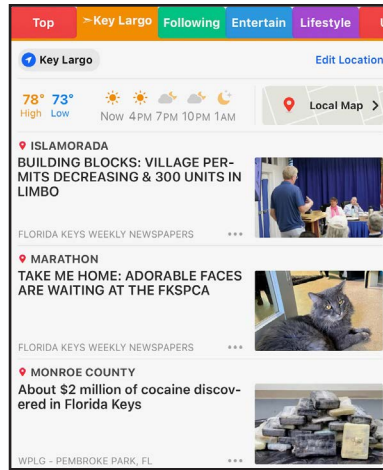
Society News: Go Local!



“Dot.calm”
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It seems like only yesterday: the electronic age as we know it began in the 1830s with the telegraph followed by the invention of the radio, the telephone, transatlantic underwater communication cables, and then the leap to satellites. Our quest to communicate with the world led to even further advances during the “information age” launched in 1991 by British scientist Timothy Berners-Lee when he made his invention of the world wide web available to the public. I would imagine that Berners-Lee, who is now almost 68, never foresaw that his information-sharing system for scientists and universities would morph into cute cat videos, talking dog memes, and TikTok challenges.

There was a time when the only media we turned to was our local newspapers. It was the epicenter of small-town America – the one place we all relied on for news, weather, events, and snapshots of the world around us. Since the Boston News-



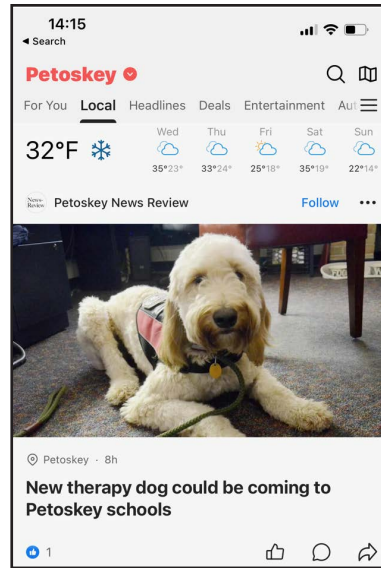
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hometowns and enhance a sense of belonging. (For Smartnews, download the app to access local markets not accessible from the website).

Both award-winning local news apps are free (so yes there are ads) and have been downloaded by tens of millions of people. The apps analyze national, international, and local news articles and TV stories each

day and synthesize them into targeted notifications specific to your interests and location. Smartnews has a “News From All Sides” link at the top of the Politics tab which brings you to an option to filter your news from either side of the aisle and political spectrum.

I love these apps’ simple and easy-to-use interfaces. When you click on a local story it takes you right to the actual local newspaper’s or TV network’s website where you can continue reading the whole publication or live stream. It is a great way to keep track of your communities all in one place.

To read Ocean Reef’s hometown paper, login to the Members-only website at www.oceanreef.com/members and click Quick Links. Scroll down to Ocean Reef Press where you will find every issue since 2014.



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OR Chamber Welcomes Police Major George Perera

February 1 Luncheon Speaker



by Christina Sarmiento, Executive Director Ocean Reef Chamber of Commerce

Protecting your assets is a central part of any wealth management strategy. While most of us may plan for the usual threats, taking precautions such as installing home-security systems and working with trusted advisers, not all of us are vigilant about the possibility of cybercrime.

On **Wednesday, February 1**, the Ocean Reef Chamber of Commerce invites Members to attend their upcoming Chamber Luncheon where Police Major George Perera will give a high-level overview of what to consider when protecting yourself in an ever-increasing cyber risk environment.

To register for the event, email director@oceanreefchamber.org or visit www.oceanreefchamber.org.

About Major George Perera

Major George Perera is the Commander of the Miami-Dade Police Department's Strategic Innovation and High Technology Crimes Bureau (SIHTCB) and the South Florida Cyber Crime Task Force, the largest cyber task force in the country. SIHTCB has the primary responsibility of investigating all facets of technology-related crimes as well as identifying

new technology for the department. Additionally, he performs special projects of departmental interest and serves as the departmental research body to assist in recommending and establishing new and innovative ideas as well as best practices.

A sworn member of the department for over 30 years, he has worked everything from Patrol to Major Crime Investigations, from Administration to Technology. Perera serves as vice chair of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Computer Crimes and Digital Evidence (CCDE) Committee and chair of the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) SAFECOM Cybersecurity working group. He is also a Department of Justice, National Institute of Justice, Technology Grant Evaluator.

Perera is a nationally-recognized subject matter expert for the DHS and a member of multiple Cyber Security Working

Groups. He is frequently called upon by the DHS as well as the IACP to participate in policy-related forums as well as speaking engagements. Perera is a NENA Emergency Number Professional (ENP) since 2005; has earned a Bachelor of Science from Florida International University, a Master's degree in Public Administration at Lynn University, and a Master's degree in Security Studies at the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School. He is also an adjunct faculty member at Florida International University where he teaches courses in digital crimes and Acting Director of the Cybersecurity Master's program as well as a professor at St. Thomas University School of Law where he teaches courses in cyber security.

Join Police Major George Perera, the Ocean Reef Chamber of Commerce, and your fellow Members on Wednesday, February 1 from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Town Hall Waterside.

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MEMBER NEWS



After seeing that the Cultural Center is hosting its next Dining With the Presidents on Thursday, February 2, Dan Cohen submitted this photo of his daughter, Ariel Cohen, lighting the Menorah on the fourth night of Hanukkah during the annual White House Hanukkah reception on Monday, December 18, 2006, as President George W. Bush and Laura Bush watch on. Pictured at right are Ariel's parents, Dan and Rachel Cohen, and sister Alison, 11. White House photo by Shealah Craighead.

New Quilting & Painting Classes at the Art League



by Susan Bohan

Quilting With Lizzie Stebbins

There is a fun new class at the Art League designed for beginners through experienced and when I stopped by this week, there were two Members who definitely were the latter. "Quilting with Lizzie Stebbins" is a six-lesson class per Session and each attendee will leave with a quilt of the color and design of their choosing.

Both **Jane Schaefer** and **Susanne Kramer** have done



Lizzie Stebbins

some quilting along with their other sewing projects, but both decided to take the class to "learn how to do it properly", according to Jane. Suzanne added, "I did it with my mom but would like to learn from an experienced teacher." Mission accomplished!

If you are interested, there



Jane Schaefer and Susanne Kramer

are a few spaces in the session beginning March 6 with sewing machine and fabric included.

Painting Dramatic Coastal Scenery With Robert J. Simone

Another new class that still has a few openings is "Painting Dramatic Coastal Scenery with Robert J. Simone". The course will explore the beauty and drama all around us and expand

your knowledge of techniques to bring what you see to life. Bring photos and your curiosity **Monday & Tuesday, January 30 & 31** from 9am to 4pm.

Your support of the All Charities Weekend strengthens entities, like the Art League, that enhance Ocean Reef Club's Unique Way of Life and enables the Ocean Reef Community Foundation to provide for thousands in Key Largo, Homestead and Florida City. Call 305-367-5996 to learn more.

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Ala Von Auersperg Spa Trunk Show



“Spa Notes”
by Jillian Barron, The Spa Director

Ala von Auersperg, artist and designer, is bringing her designer collections of apparel to ORC Spa once again! We are so excited to host our 2nd Ala Von Auersperg trunk show on **Tuesday, Jan. 31**, and **Wednesday, Feb. 1** from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Ala prints designs that originate from her paintings and drawings onto luxurious and travel-friendly fabrics that look elegant and flattering, but feel comfortable and flexible. How perfect is that?! It is important



Ala Von Auersperg

to Ala that women feel beautiful and empowered, and she believes when you look great, you feel great, and as we saw at our Spa trunk show last season, you certainly do while wearing her designs!

All About Ala

Ala is a designer, philanthropist, mother, grandmother, and founder of Ala von Auersperg, the clothing and accessories brand celebrating women of all ages and sizes with effortlessly elegant silhouettes. A longtime painter with a penchant for travel and

deep love of nature, Ala launched the eponymous label in 2017 with the goal of dressing women in styles that exude confidence and comfort. Founded in 2015 by Ala Isham, the Ala von Auersperg collection celebrates the joy in life through feminine silhouettes and vibrant proprietary prints that complements and enhances a woman’s body and spirit.

From signature separates to figure-flattering dresses, the collection is designed to be layered and to move beautifully, accentuating a woman’s figure or merely hinting at it.

As a child, Ala visited Parisian couture houses with her mother, Sunny Crawford von Bülow, and grandmother, Annie Laurie Aitken, an experience that trained her eye to appreciate the beautiful craftsmanship and the way custom clothes flawlessly fit. This, paired with her mother’s and grandmother’s inherent style, inspired Ala’s vision.

From painted canvas to printed clothing, Ala has beautiful apparel with print detail that includes

floral, nautical, foliage, plumage and exotics.

Other Spa News:

Try our new Boy’s Club Barber Package, just for you gentlemen! If you want a little more pampering with your men’s haircut, then book a little extra time with Perry the Barber in the Barbershop and request one of our newest men’s packages. You do need some extra time, so if you already have a haircut scheduled, call to book with Perry, and extend the time. Simply ask for our new ORC Boy’s Club Barber package!

The Boy’s Club Barber Package introductory special is \$95 and includes:

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All hands on deck! The stars of our Food & Beverage Team worked together to produce another memorable Vine to Table Dinner, which received a standing ovation. From left to right, Carysfort Sous Chef Cameron Kihnel, Food & Beverage Manager Jacqueline Hosmer, Director of Beverage & Wine Operations Sean Carroll, Executive Chef Jared Reardon, Carysfort Kitchen Chef de Cuisine Betania Salles, Sr Director Culinary Operations Phillippe Reynaud, and Vice President of Food & Beverage Erwin Pals. – Terry Baxter

USCG Auxiliary Course “Suddenly in Command”

**Thursday, February 9
1-3 p.m.
Key Largo Building (opposite
Carysfort Hall)**

This course is intended to provide guidance for those boat occupants such as guests, friends, spouses, etc., who may find themselves “Suddenly in Command” if the boat captain is no longer able to operate the boat for whatever reason. You are now in charge! Learn what to do in an emergency situation on the water.

Topics include:

- How to use the VHF to call for help
- Using MMSI/ DSC/ EPIRB to call for help
- How to determine your location in any body of water and give that information to rescuers
- Flare usage, life jackets, anchoring, emergency gear etc.
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CLUB SHOPPING

Joan the Shopper

THE DRESS CODE.....The owner of this trendy boutique **Suzi Gleason** (pictured) is no stranger to Ocean Reef. Over the last five years her peripatetic store – *The Dress Code* – has taken up residence in the Plaza Building, Fishing Village and for a short time last season in a small space on Barracuda Lane.... Now at last, *The Dress Code* has found a home! The enlarged and beautifully renovated store just opened in the Barracuda Lane area, which is quickly growing into an Ocean Reef mini mall.... In my guise as amateur fashion photographer, I took the following three pictures – a sampling of what you can find at *The Dress Code* Top: Suzi is displaying two Bera cotton dresses that are one size and come in many colors (\$275). Middle: This red paisley *Gilmer Farrar dress* would be *purrrfect* for the ORCAT luncheon on Feb. 20. (\$298 – for the dress, not the lunch). Bottom: This sophisticated outfit with a bolero-wrapped jacket (\$459) and matching mermaid skirt (\$459) is from a collection of Italian hand-woven garments, that Suzi crossed the ocean to personally hand-select.... Not shown, but if you are looking something to wear at the All Charities Gala on Feb. 11,



there's lots of glitter available at The Dress Code.... Last Word: Any resemblance of The Dress Code to the *Ocean Reef Dress Code* is purely coincidental.

by Joan Birsh

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The Academy Earns Recognition for Protecting Our Ocean

By 6th-grade Academy students Natalie Blackburn, Edward Brown, Jack Sperling & Teddy Davies

The Academy at Ocean Reef has been a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Ocean Guardian school for five years now. We are the first Florida school to be recognized for five years of stewardship protecting the health of our ocean. On January 12, The Academy at Ocean Reef was awarded a recognition plaque and banner by Marlies Tumolo, Education, Interpretation and Outreach Team Lead at the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary.

Reducing the amount of garbage and plastic in the ocean is our goal. So earning this recognition is a big deal. From 2017 to 2022, we were able to collect a whopping 3579 pieces of trash. In our most recent land-based and coastal cleanups, we collected 304 pieces of trash. We have also helped collect and recycle 1,305 lbs of monofilament over the last two years. We did this by sending out 24 monofilament



Grade 6-8 October 2022 Coastal Cleanup

recycling bins to dockside residents and businesses. These are very useful because people use these to recycle fishing lines. In addition, we cut 53% of plastic waste in our school in only our second year of being an Ocean Guardian school.

The Academy loves to help the environment with frequent coastal and land-based cleanups. The Recreation Team at Ocean Reef also helps us do these coastal cleanups. One third-grader named Jonathan Gabriel said, "I just want to help animals" when asked what made him decide he wanted to do the land-based cleanup. This is a main focus for the cleanups because it inspires young people to protect the environment. Spreading awareness is key to success when it comes to a group trying to help the environment.

Another area we do not want trash to go is the

mangroves. Mangroves are very important because they are habitat for fish and other sea life. In addition, we have to be careful to not snap any of the branches because they can hold mangrove seeds. Mangroves also are areas where many wildlife such as snails, barnacles, bryozoans, tunicates, mollusks, sponges, polychaete worms, isopods, amphipods, shrimps, crabs, and jellyfish live after they hatch.

In conclusion, helping the environment any way you can - whether you do it via coastal cleanup, land-based clean ups, or just picking up trash if you see it is very important. Don't just leave it, pick it up because it will help keep our wonderful environment clean. Another thing you can do is Zero Waste Week, where you try to use the least amount of plastic at meals. It is also proven that it costs less to use reusable plastic containers at lunch. Remember we are not alone to help and, piece by piece, we will heal the world.

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Ladies' Poker Night – A Great Success



by Gregg Van Dyke, Director of Card & Games

Last week's Ladies' Poker Night was a great success. We had 44 ladies who enjoyed cocktails and appetizers while playing Texas Holdem. My thanks To Mike Neves and the rest of the Recreation Crew for dealing and co-hosting with me.

We will host another Ladies' Poker Night on **Thursday**,



Ladies' Poker Night attendees Laura Fitzpatrick, Caylee Valentine, Alison Ward, Shari Vinje, Rose Pelton, Nanette Watjen, Mary Heffner, Staci Berry and Sheila Scalia, pictured with Bridge Director Gregg Van Dyke and Recreation Supervisor Doug LaFond.

March 16 and the Men's Poker Night will be on **Monday, February 20**. Put it on your calendars and let's party!

See page 36 for full results.

Pick Up Games

I am hosting Canasta Pick Up Games on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Just show up at the Card & Games Room between 12 and 1 p.m. and we will put games together. If you need to learn or brush up on your skills, lessons are available Thursdays at 12:30 p.m., or just stop in and watch. This is a wonderful way to meet people.

Mah Jongg Pick Up Games are also available Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 4 p.m.

Upcoming Special Events

An Evening of Bridge in the Ocean Room will be held on **Monday, February 27** and An Evening of Canasta in the Ocean

Room will be held on **Monday, March 13**. For both, play will start at 4:30 p.m. followed by wonderful dinners in the Ocean Room.

I am also excited to announce that Patty Tucker, American bridge player and teacher, will be coming to Ocean Reef on **Thursday, February 16**. She will be teaching "Learn Bridge In A Day." This is a course to teach people the beginnings of how to play bridge. Patty holds the honor and rank as American Contract Bridge League Grand Life Master. Sign up early for this so you don't get left out by calling 305-367-6609.

Card & Games Schedule Update

Card & Games schedules are available in the Card & Games Room. Of note on the schedule:

- Bridge lessons are available on any subject you are having trouble with Tuesdays and Thursdays after 3 p.m.
- Backgammon lessons are available in the Card & Games Room on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. Call to let me know you are coming. I have backgammon games that you may check out and take home to practice.
- Monday, Wednesday and Friday are all Live Duplicate Bridge Games starting at 1 p.m. See you at the table!

CARD ROOM

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Try Texas hold 'em, and win a few
Enjoy Monday Men's Poker Nights
While women love their nights out too

Duplicate bridge 3 times a week
Deal the cards, the game has begun
Decide on slam, perhaps one No trump
Doubt has no place, with it you are done

Some lessons Gregg will happily provide
Find a game where challenge reigns
Do try with friends, old and new
As you learn you reap the gains



Congratulations to Shari Vinje, who made the High Hand with a Straight Flush – KQJT9 of Hearts.

Bridge Tip of the Week

When the Bidding Goes:

1 Club – Pass – Pass -?

When a 1club opening bid is passed to you, keep in mind partner was not strong enough to overcall 1 Club.

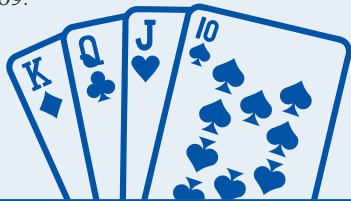
When a 1club opening bid is passed to you, look at your club length. If you are short, partner may yet have a good hand. If you have club length, a good chance partner is weak.

- 1) S- Q4 H- 876 D- K976 C- AJ95
- 2) S- Q98 H-A954 D-KJ87 C- 84

With (1), pass because partner is probably short in clubs and probably weak not to be able to bid at the one level. Opener probably has the 18- 19 point balanced hand and wants to get back into the bidding.

With (2), double your club shortness indicates that partner may have a good hand with clubs after all.

For more Bridge tips like this, contact Bridge Director Gregg Van Dyke at 305-367-6609.



Weekly Bridge Results

Wednesday, January 18, 2023

Section A North-South

1. Fred Bacher - Ed Kavanaugh
2. Judie Berry - Martha Kavanaugh
3. Paula Pendergast - Monica Phillips
4. Joanne Wills - Denny Morgan

Section A East-West

1. Dorothy Kemp - Gail Yoh
2. Beverly Platner - Brian Platner
3. Pamela Harding - Cynthia Comenos
4. Carolyn Fovel - Paula Davidson
5. Suzanne Sayia - Garret Sayia

Friday, January 20, 2023

Section A North-South

1. Ed Kavanaugh - Fred Bacher
2. Joyce Fowler - Ted Fowler
3. Cynthia Comenos - Nancy Grote

4. Joanne Wills - Kay Meinhardt

Section A East-West

1. Pat Richwagen - Linda Pelts
2. Kathie Markel - Pamela Harding
3. Ann Petersen - Hollis Petersen
4. Suzy Heilpern - Pat Henry

Canasta Score:

Brenda Sport – Angeline Materna
9585 One Hand

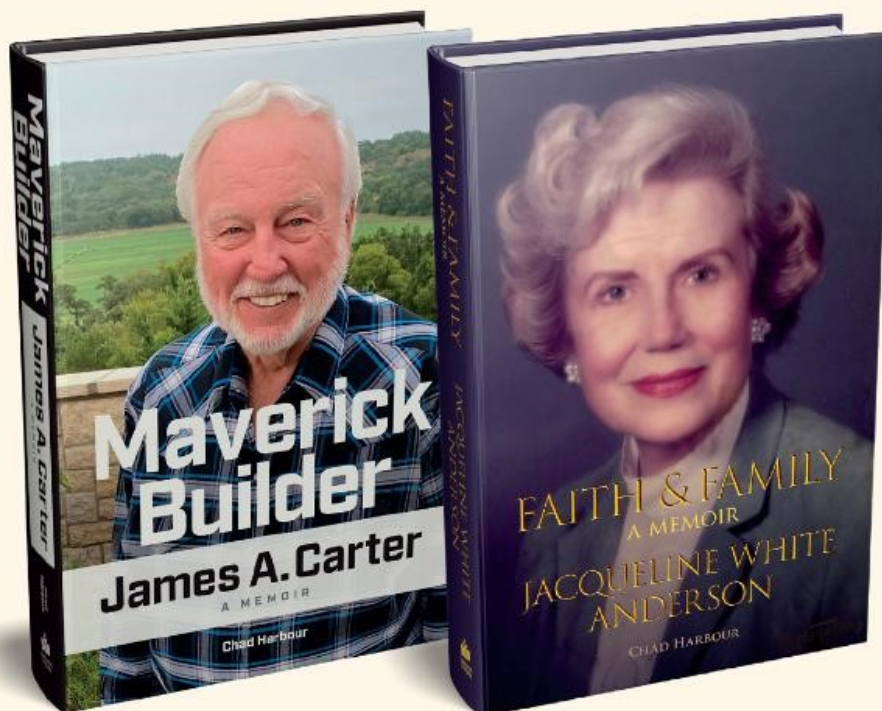
Ladies Poker Night Winners

Table 1: Sharon Halpryn, 2nd – Elaine Bolash
Table 2: Suzy Heilpern, 2nd – Amanda Asman
Table 3: Emily McGetrick, 2nd – Susan Gross
Table 4: Mary Hefner, 2nd – Shari Vinje
Table 5: Heather Hogarth 2nd – Colleen Hogarth

High Hand

Shari Vinje Straight Flush – KQJT9 of Hearts

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26th Annual Member-Professional Golf Tournament



"From the Gold Tees" by Michael Leone, Director of Golf

On behalf of the Ocean Reef Club Professional Staff, we would like to thank our Members for participating in the 26th Annual Member-Professional Golf Tournament. This event would not be possible without the help of many teams here at the Club. First, we would like to thank Eric Bennett, Ryan Oliver, and their Maintenance teams at Ocean Reef and Card Sound, for presenting the golf courses in pristine condition for all of the Members and Professionals to enjoy. Additionally, we would like to thank the Food & Beverage Team at Ocean Reef Club for their efforts.

Day Two of the tournament followed suit to Day One with immaculate weather and course conditions, setting up for low scores. In the Member-Professional Gross Division, our Day One leaders continued their success on Day Two. The team of **Tom Miles** and David Lutterus fired a 69 after their impressive



Andreas Halvorsen, 2023 Member-Professional Low Professional

score of 59 on Day One, taking home the Low Gross title with a two-day total of 128.

The Net Competition turned out to be a tight race as well. The team who fired the lowest net score of the day took home the title. The team of **Rick Chambers** and Tommy Gibson came out on top to claim the title of Net Champions after an outstanding score of 59.

For the Low Professional competition, the final leaderboard was stacked with both Tour Professionals and Club Professionals. However, no one was able to take it lower than Andreas Halvorsen. He continued his Day One success by posting a round of 70 on Day Two and a two-day total of -8 to capture the honors of Low Professional.

With all of the birdies made

in Day Two's round, none stood out more than our skins winners. Card Sound had no skins as all holes were tied, but Dolphin had three skins winners. The impressive shots continued in our contests on both courses with Longest Drive and Closest to the Hole champions. See page 39 for the full results.

MGA Monday

While the Member-Professional Tournament was going on, we also had another great showing for MGA Monday. We could not have asked for better weather as 55 players took to the Hammock Course in an individual quota format. There was some good golf out there as well with five players exceeding their quota. Congratulations to **Richard Greco** for beating his quota by 9 points on his way to victory.

Our Closest to the Hole contests this week were on Holes #2 & #17. **Paul**

Rubinstein claimed #2 by knocking it tight to (2'1") and **Al Rex** took #17 by also hitting it close (3'5"). Great shots by both players.

LGA Color Wars

What a perfect day we had for our Color Wars event last Tuesday. 80 participants were divided into four teams, all competing to win this exciting event. This format can allow for thrilling holes with multiple points on the line. One of our foursomes tied 8 holes in a row and **Sally Newman** was able to capture 9 points for her team by winning that particular hole. Most of the foursomes had even numbers at the end of the day, but **Shirley Shumway** stood out amongst the field with an event-high point total of 12. Shirley Shumway earns MVP for the Red team as she lead them to victory with a team point total of 106!



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SWING TIP

Quick & Easy Speed Drill



by Stefanie Shaw, Golf Teaching Professional

One of the most asked questions I receive is how to hit the golf ball further. Derek and I have a lot of great ways to help you do this, but an easy drill to do on your own is simply flipping the club over.

To the hit the ball further, you need to swing your arms faster. Back faster and through faster. It should be equal both ways.

We find many people trying

to bring the club back slowly and then faster through. Take a driver and flip it over in your hands. Let it hover above the ground and take some swings and see if you can make a "whoosh" sound. If there's no whoosh, let your arms and wrists relax and swing it faster! If there is a whoosh sound, make sure it's happening where the golf ball would be. The sound comes where the fastest part of your swing is happening and we want that to be where the ball is!

Take three or four swings back and forth without stopping, then flip the club back to normal and see if you can recreate it!

For more tips like this, schedule a lesson at the Academy of Golf by calling the Golf Shop at 305-367-5912.



To practice hitting the ball further, turn your golf club around and practice making a "whoosh" sound where you would usually make contact with the ball.



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9 Hole LGA Ringer Tournament

Thursday, January 19

First Place: Susan Reichardt

Second Place: Sandra Fish

Third Place: Betty Hamilton

Closest to the Hole: Louise Owens (#5)

Longest Drive: Kelly Hertzman

Member Professional Tournament

Monday, January 23

First Place Gross: Tom Miles & David Lutterus

Second Place Gross: Scott Heffner & Brad Miller

Third Place Gross: Ricky Fortis & Piri Borja

First Place Net: Rick Chambers & Tommy Gibson

Second Place Net: Jay Gurach & Andreas Halvorsen

Third Place Net (Tie): Chris Noyes & Christian Bailey

Third Place Net (Tie): Tim Brammer & Brian Cairns

MGA Weekly Event

Monday, January 23

First Place: Richard Greco

Second Place: Kevin Gurry

Third Place: Paul Rubinstein

Closest to the Hole: Paul Rubinstein (#2), Al Rex (#17)

LGA Weekly Event

Tuesday, January 24

First Place: Red Team, MVP Shirley Shumway

Second Place: Purple Team

Third Place: Blue Team

Closest to the Hole: Amy Joseph (#2), Gretchen Riley (#4), Cathy Zumkehr (#6), Karen Davidson (#12), Joan Del Papa (#17)

Pickleball

Player of the Week

Jack Villamizar



How old are you?

10 years old

Where are you from?

Long Island

How long have you been playing pickleball?

One month

What is your favorite shot?

High Volley

What else do you do for fun here at Ocean Reef Club?

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2023 SAILFISH CLASSIC

A Friend Indeed



by Christine Patton

This weekend was the Sailfish Classic tournament. I will leave it to the organizers to announce the winners, but here's a

story of behind the scenes that you won't get from the officials, although it caught my attention.

At the end of Day One of fishing, the boat Catchin' Zs had motor troubles, and it looked like the boat would not be able to fish Day Two. When **Carmen Sferrazza** (Rod & Gun board member and Range Chairman) heard the news, he quickly came to the aid of his

friends **Scott and Jodi Zifferer**. Carmen, fishing on Heartlander, was currently in second place. He selflessly gave his friends the use of his boat Carma (aptly named) and the Zifferer's promptly went on to win the tournament with a total of 8 sails. The Zifferer's returned the good karma by presenting Carmen with one of their winning trophies. In the end, there were smiles all around.

OVERALL RESULTS

Top Lady Angler
Peggy Johns (Triple Threat)
300 Points

Top Male Angler
John Grunow, Jr. (Hope)
400 Points

1st Place Team
Catchin Z's - 800 Points
Scott Zifferer, Jodi Zifferer,
Mort Zifferer

2nd Place Team
Triple Threat - 600 Points
Peggy Johns, Brittany Rhonhouse, Tom Grote, Scott Farmer, Doug Hynden

3rd Place Team
Sandrita - 600 Points
Kevin Fish, Sandra Fish, Larry Easa, Spencer Newman, Richard Wallace, Wally Hayward



1st Place Team, Catchin Z's - Mort Zifferer, Captain Tucker Resek, Mates Andres Garcia and Kevin Lamadrid, and Jodi and Scott Zifferer.



2nd Place Team, Triple Threat, and Top Lady Angler Peggy Johns (center).



3rd Place Team, Sandrita.

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Time to Enter Bonefish Bonnies' Offshore Tournament



by Sarah A. Cart

Cheers to all the Bonefish Bonnies headed to today's Cast & Blast – may you powder the targets as they cross the sky and may your flies land where you aim!

Next tournament March 6: When you return from Card Sound Range, start putting your team together for the Bonnies' "Reel Women Love Sails" offshore tournament set for **March 6** (and note the

obligatory, and fun, Anglers' & Captains' Meeting with beverages and snacks on your calendar. It'll be 5-6:30 p.m. **March 2** on the Ocean Reef Yacht Club terrace – above the Dockmaster's Office).

As a blue-water fishing adventure, this is a great opportunity to pursue sails rather than shop sales. Enjoy the thrill of the hunt and watch the amazing acrobatics and colors sailfish display when hooked. Whether you're new to offshore fishing or an old hand, the experience is always exhilarating.

Download pricing details plus the entry form from the Bonnies' website (www.BonefishBonnies.com) or pick up a copy from the drawer below the Bonnies' bulletin board in the Reef Treats lobby. The entry and cancellation deadline is **Feb. 13**, but because it's easy to lose track of time on The Reef, now's the time to handle the paperwork! The 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

March 6 tournament will be followed by an Awards Reception with beverages and generous hors d'oeuvres at 6:30 that evening on the Town Hall Terrace, at which spouses, partners, captains, mates and all Bonnies with reservations will be welcome! Questions? Contact **Allison Freeland** (305-989-2971) or **Michele Battle** (305-613-0304).

But first: "Tight lines!" to all Fishin' Funatics participants, and a reminder to attend next Thursday's (**Feb. 2**) Anglers' & Captains' Meeting from 5 – 6:30 p.m. at 14 Harbor Island Drive (yes, that seems early to prepare for the Feb. 6 tournament, but there's something called Super Bowl going on over the weekend in between...).

And make your reservations for the 1 – 4 p.m. **Feb. 10** *Gyotaku* class to be taught by **Mary Bloom** and **Diane Hill** at the Art League. This ancient art of fish printing is a way of having your fish and eating it, too. Participants will be asked

to bring a fish or the tail of a fish that has been kept for eating (if you hook a fish worth keeping in the Feb. 6 event, you can freeze it and bring it with you). To sign up, email your name and ORC number to BonefishBonnies1@gmail.com or drop your check off at PakMail PMB 1 before the Feb. 6 RSVP deadline; cost \$50. Class size is limited to 15, but a waitlist will be kept "because life happens."

Bonnie FAQs:

The Bonefish Bonnies have been enjoying fishing fun and friendship-expanding adventures via monthly luncheons, educational programs, travel adventures and local tournaments since 1999. The group is open to all women of Ocean Reef and Key Largo Anglers Clubs and their mothers, daughters or granddaughters. Individual events are priced separately, and newcomers are welcome to join any time throughout the season.



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“Fitness Focus” by Luis Bracamonte, Director of Fitness & Wellness

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Health, Fitness, Wellness Benefits of EMS:

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Push-Up Challenge Results

The first of four Member Fitness Championship challenges occurred this past Wednesday, January 18. Here are the results and points awarded:

Ladies:

1. Kathleen Metzman and Cynthia Doolan 42 (tied) - 20 points each
2. Karen DiMaura 25 - 16 points
3. Alyson Caldwell 22 - 14 points
4. Sarah Cart 21 - 12 points
5. Paige Rice 17 - 10 points
6. Phyllis Gorson 17 - 8 points
7. Angeline Materna 16 - 6 points
8. Cathy Breuer 15 - 4 points
9. Christine Patton 13 - 2 points
10. Annie Aran 12 - 1 point

Men:

1. David Goodman 104 - 20 points
2. Bob Schwartz 84 - 16 points
3. Paul DiMaura 69 - 14 points
4. John Metzman 62 - 12 points
5. Louis Metzman 57 - 10 points
6. Brian Mckernan 56 - 8 points
7. Steve Levin 54 - 6 points
8. Greg Wroclawski 40 - 4 points



Mike Berman training with ORC EMS Specialist Carlton Huggins.



Kathleen Metzman tied Cynthia Doolan for the Push Up Challenge with 42 push-ups each.



Marcia Martel, Marianne Florio and Anne Liashek with Instructor Masha Volt wearing their “Masha’s Girls” t-shirt’s for their favorite instructor.

9. Jeff Levitetz 39 - 2 points
 10. Matt Shoumlin 32 - 1 point
- *Handicap is included in the total push-up tally.

Next Challenge:

Pull Up Challenge
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Engine Cut-Off Switches (ECOS) & the ECOS Link

Saves Lives if Captain Falls Inside or Off the Boat

By Bob Broton, Commander, & Linda Benn, Public Affairs Staff Officer, Ocean Reef Flotilla, USCG Auxiliary

The US Coast Guard Boating Safety Division has a recent article on their website about Engine Cut-Off Switches, where as of April 1, 2021, any "Recreational Vessels," which includes "any motorized boat with 3 or more horsepower that is less than 26 feet in length", comes under the Federal law that requires the operator of a boat with an installed Engine



Kill switch clipped to Captain's clothing

Cut Off Switch (ECOS) to use the ECOS link. Larger vessels have factory switch installations. The link is usually a coiled bungee cord lanyard at the helm or back by the outboards in a stern piloted vessel. This is clipped onto the operator's Personal Flotation Device (PFD), or clothing and the other end attached to the Cut Off Switch. We prefer to add a larger clip to give

it noticeable wearing weight and ease of connection/removal to a belt loop or shoe lace.

The Federal law applies on all "Navigable Waters of the US." Most US boat manufacturers have installed an ECOS on their boats, especially after December 4, 2018 when Congress passed a law requiring that boat manufacturers install an ECOS on new boats.

See the photo of an ECOS and lanyard clipped to the captain's clothing. There are many variations available for purchase, including electronic wireless devices. The latter has a wireless range of about 30 feet. This has advantages when you momentarily leave the helm (in neutral) to grab a dock line. The engines continue, but is not optimal if you fall, pass out from a medical condition or have an accident. Test yours at the dock to be sure you

understand how it works for you.

For more information, go to the USCG website www.uscgboating.org or call **Bob Broton**, Commander of the Ocean Reef Flotilla, to schedule a vessel exam.

SAVE THE DATE:

**Safe Boating Day
Thursday, April 6
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

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Stay tuned for a full schedule of events.

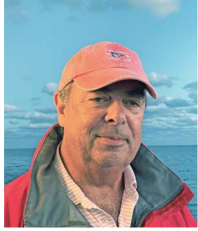
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A Beautiful Day to Not Sail



by Bill Reynolds,
Card Sound Sailing Club Commodore



Well, Saturday was a beautiful day to do almost anything at Ocean Reef. Sunbathing at Buccaneer, scuba diving, snorkeling, a little fishing, golf, even flying would be perfect. However, sailing was out of the question with the absence of even a light breeze. Our race committee made the wise decision on Friday to cancel the races for Saturday.

However, all was not lost for the week. As in

past seasons, **Gary Sayia** planned a sailing clinic for the following Tuesday and Wednesday to instruct and refresh starting tactics and spinnaker handling. These clinics raise the abilities of the less experienced skippers and crew and remind the more vintage of us lessons we may have grown complacent about. Sailing vocabulary is reviewed during the session

with terms such as barging, guys, shrouds versus stays, lines versus rope, twangs and the need to calmly and occasionally use the word "please" when addressing crew. As many Bullseyes in the fleet have been very nicely upgraded, a part of the starting tactics included the art of avoiding other boats.

As was pointed out in class, if you sail you will eventually, 1. Run over your spinnaker sheet; 2. Loose a spinnaker pole over board; and 3. Swap paint with another boat.

Our schedule called for the beginning of Beer Can Racing this week, however, conditions forecast is for wind beyond our safety limits both for Friday and for our regularly-scheduled Saturday races so we may be Harbor bound for a second consecutive week. Ugh.

Better sailing days are

ahead of us soon! We will conclude the Connors Series on **February 4th**. (Hope for good conditions). On **February 9th and 10th** CSSC will hold a two-day Pelican Landing Invitational hosting members from Boca Grande on the Florida west coast who lost their fleet and club in the recent hurricane.

February 11th begins the Magic Series and marks our Mid-Season Luncheon. It's hard to believe we are halfway through the season!

If you are interested in participating, please stop by Baker Harbor any Saturday or contact Gary Sayia, 201-919-7432 or **Bill Reynolds**, 614-296-7592. You can also find some members of both the Card Sound Sailing Club and Card Sound Model Yacht Club on Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. at the lagoon on Buccaneer Island.

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“Dreaded Red” Returns to the Pond



by Windsor D. Coffin, CSMYC Commodore

Throughout the long history of the Card Sound Model Yacht Club (CSMYC), sailors have come and gone but, at least in recent memory, Don Wright was certainly one who left an indelible mark on our sailing club. For years, Don sailed “Dreaded Red” AKA “Mr. Nice Guy” on the waters of the Pond. A wily sailor who was almost always at the sharp end of the fleet and from time to time courted a little bit of controversy, Don became synonymous with his red boat. But times change as do the custodians of the boats we sail. Don has moved away from Ocean Reef, but a freshly refurbished “Dreaded Red” is back on the waters of the Pond with a new owner, **Joe Robillard**. If Joe’s first Sunday on the Pond is any indication, “Dreaded Red” is in excellent hands and will undoubtedly remain in its usual position at or near the front of the fleet.

Last Sunday, the sailors experienced warm southeast breezes that finally returned to the Pond with timing such that we had a higher tide for the first half of racing. While these two elements combined to give us a large raceable area of the Pond, our unique racing venue still offers those head-scratching moments that confound even the most experienced sailors. You just never know what to expect. As my wife, **Erin Coffin**, is keen to remind me “never stop racing.” She has been reminding me of this after a race in our now 117-year-old Winter Harbor 21 in Maine.



Joe Robillard adjusting his new EC12, sail #1904 as Al Hill looks on. Photo by Erin Coffin.

We were so far behind at one point we could not tell the colors of the other 31-foot boat hulls off in the distance but we ultimately won the race after Erin’s persistent prodding to just keep racing. You just never know what can happen and there were a few of those moments, good and bad, in last Sunday’s races. Unexpected lifts or shifts that put you ahead or behind, catching mark retrieval lines...that sort of thing. Having said that, the results were like the previous Sunday. Winning the day was **Al Mast** once again by a single point over the second place finisher, yours truly, **Windsor Coffin**. It reminded me of the old TV show “Get Smart” where Maxwell Smart would frequently utter the phrase, “Missed it by that much,” as he held his thumb and forefinger close to one another. Finally in third place for the day and the winner of Race #4 on his first outing racing “Dreaded Red” was Joe Robillard. I sense that the top CSMYC sailors have a great new sailor in a familiar boat to watch out for.

With the return of “Dreaded Red” and the pre-race testing of a new boat to the fleet, “Super Bee,” the CSMYC continues to grow. So come out this Sunday and check out the racing. Forecasts at the time of this writing are looking fantastic.

The Card Sound Model

Yacht Club races every Sunday (except Easter Sunday) until the end of April at “the Pond.” So, swing by the Buccaneer Island lagoon if you are curious or have questions. Racing begins at 10 a.m. Our sailors are always willing to discuss our racing model yachts and, for interested sailors, there are even a few currently available

for sale here at Ocean Reef. If you would like more information about our model yachting club and our EC12 model yachts, please contact me, Windsor Coffin, at csmyc12@gmail.com.

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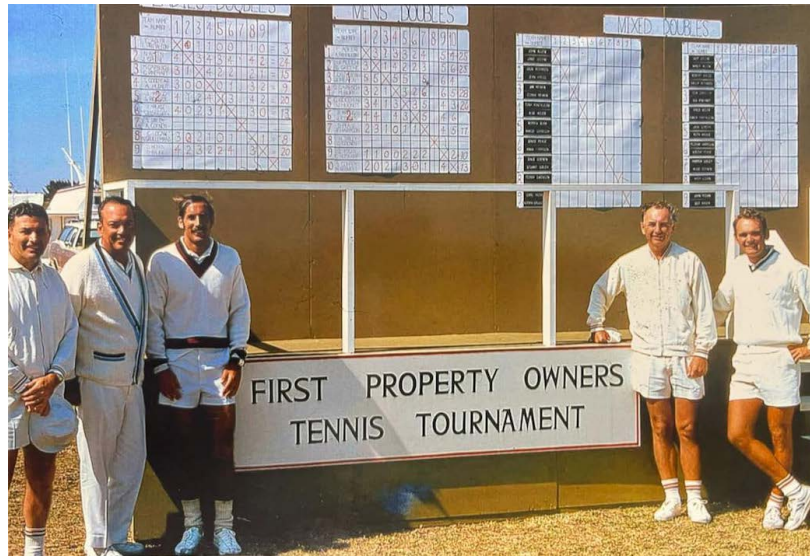
Member-Guest Tennis

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max out around 120 players, the most memorable parts were often the elaborate, themed Sunday evening awards parties.

"The most fascinating thing I remember," recalled Jim, "was one year when the theme was Hollywood. Everyone at the awards dinner dressed up as a Hollywood celebrity and paraded into Heron Hall as was typical during that time. Then-Tennis Chairman **Bill Sport** and his wife **Brenda** were dressed up as Roy Rogers and Dale Evans. What made the year unusual was that they rode into Heron Hall on a horse. But it gets better..."

The following year, the theme was Out of Africa. **Fred Baker**, that year's Tennis Chair, was not to be outdone by the year before. As the story goes, Fred rode into Heron Hall that year on an elephant.



Ocean Reef Club's first annual Member-Guest Golf Tournament, 50 years ago with Bob Ecuyer in attendance on the far right.

With its unlikely displays like that could ever be topped, things "began to calm down" and the focus shifted away from the parties and the competition moved to the forefront.

With stronger players participating, level of play became the primary focus - the years of champions, many of them defending previous titles, hang on the Tennis & Games Center's Hall of Fame – and the

tournament began to shape into what it is today. The themed awards parties transitioned to Sunday afternoon awards ceremonies with strawberry and champagne toasts. And within the past 10 or so years, the Tennis & Games Center reintroduced themes to its Friday night Cocktail Parties, as a nod to the tournament's wilder years.

Jim, who has been a part of Ocean Reef tennis for more than 34 years added, "Almost no club even has a member-guest tournament anymore. To think that this tradition at Ocean Reef is not only celebrating 50 years, but to host it at this level with so many great players is a sign of the health of the Club and how successful tennis has become here at Ocean Reef."

"The Member-Guest Tournament has become a tradition our Members look forward to, practice for even, all season long," said Director of

Racquet Sports Justin Romero. "In its 50 years, this tournament has represented various roles in the Club Community, but overall it's always maintained three ideals – a strong sense of camaraderie, of pride in Ocean Reef Club's unique way of life, and of exuberant love for the game of tennis."

To learn more about the history and growth of tennis at Ocean Reef Club, see "Making History" on page 3.

NEW THIS YEAR Swinging Into 1973!

While there won't be horses or elephants, this year's Cocktail Party theme will swing it back to 1973, in honor of the tournament's inaugural year. So dress in your favorite 1973 fashion on Friday night!

Plus, new this year are more opportunities for each Member-Guest couple to play tennis. Outside of the regular tournament play will be Play With Your Partner Gameio, Not In Finals Round Robins and other Cardio and Gameio hours to enjoy no matter your position on the leaderboard.

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Are Singles The New Doubles?



“Center Court” by Justin Romero, Director of Racquet Sports

This year, the Singles Club Championship is having one of its biggest years ever with 28 participants throughout 3 flights. The three flights are Men’s A Flight, where defending champion **Tony Baumer** will look to defend his title. Or... will **Wally Hayward** bounce back to reclaim what was once his? This rivalry is in the making and these two have been in the finals the past three years with Tony Baumer in the lead two matches to one.

Tony and Wally are the #1 and #2 seed of the tournament respectively. The other 17 participants in the A Flight are looking make a name for themselves, as previous tournaments have been dominated by the #1 and #2 seeds. Will there be an upset this year? Or will we see another Federer/Nadal final? Excuse me... Baumer/Hayward final?

The Men’s B Flight will be Double Elimination, meaning one has to lose twice to be out of the tournament. This flight has some tough first-round matches with **Greg Hogarth** taking on **Colin Caldwell** and **Bob Baer** taking on **Rick Capps**.

The Ladies’ Flight will also be



Pickleball Monkey Match Champions – the Tennis & Games Center!

a Double Elimination format. Participants looking to take home the trophy are **Deborah Rappaport, Yalin Murdock, Wendy Brainard, Kathleen Metzman, and Bebe Hofmann**.

This tournament will be played over the course of the season with the Finals date set for **Saturday, April 8**. The Tennis & Games Center Pro Shop will have current posted results of the matches once completed. For tournament brackets, see page 51.

Pickleball Interclub Match Tennis & Games Center vs. The Racquet Club

Who doesn’t love a little friendly competition? On Tuesday, January 24, both clubs as next-door neighbors competed against one another. What was on the line? Bragging rights for the year and winner hosts the “Good Looking Monkey” in its trophy case. The “Bad Looking Monkey” went to the club that did not.

This year, the competition was tight and matches were

very close. Once again, it came down to the last match. The Tennis & Games Center won 6 matches to 5. Fun was had by all. Thank you to all participants and players and for supporting your respective club.

On the Croquet Lawn with Coach Paul Fecteau

USCA-certified referee and championship player Paul Fecteau is giving lessons Saturdays from 9am to 2pm on the Croquet Lawn.

Paul has been with us for three Saturdays now and all are very happy with this effort. He has taught players the finer points of aiming and shooting, court strategy, details of the rules, and more. The last hour of Coach Paul’s time the last two weeks has been a Clinic (1-2pm).

To sign up for a lesson or clinic, call the Tennis & Games Center at 305-367-6583. Coach Paul will NOT be available on February 4, March 11, or March 18.

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Managing Stress on the Court



"Tennis Tip"
by Alex Henderson,
Assistant Tennis Professional

After another successful ORC Pro-Am Tournament this past weekend, the topic of anxiety seems very relevant. I was so nervous going into the tournament, but this is not something new to me. Managing anxiety is not necessarily about getting rid of it completely - a small amount can be beneficial to performance. Regulating anxiety effectively is essential for performing at a high level as it can increase muscle tension and fatigue, reduce coordination and focus, and impair decision-making and confidence. There's no substitute for playing and

practicing under pressure so putting yourself out there should be the first step.

While you're out there, my favorite approach to help with nerves is to focus on proper breathing. In high-pressure situations, players tend to forget to sync their breathing with their strokes. I love to encourage exhaling, or even better, grunting at impact. The mind will never forget to inhale, it's the exhale that needs to be trained. Slowing down, developing routines, and deep belly breathing between points are strategies I like to coach on a daily. This is a game, and games are meant to be fun, so enjoy the moment without focusing on the outcome.

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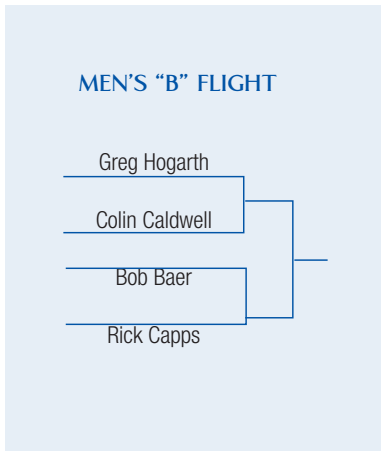
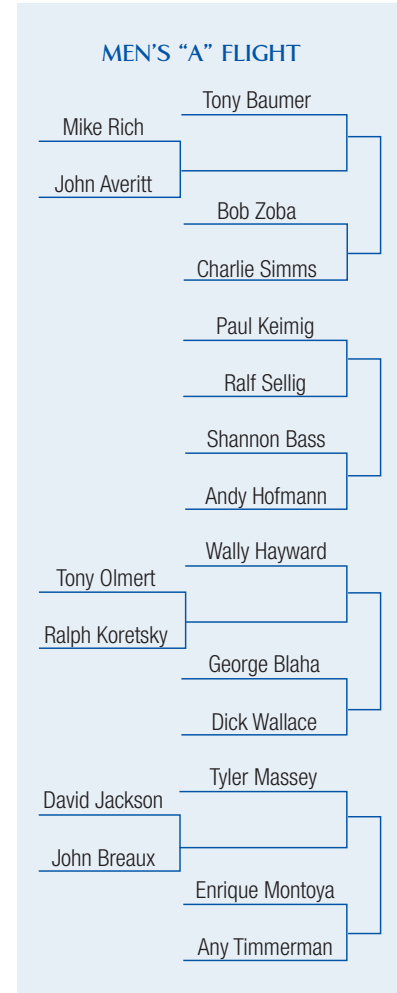
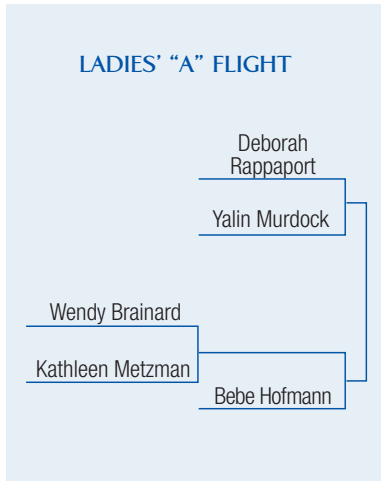
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3rd Place: Bob Zoba

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RECENT CATCH



LEFT: After a 6 1/2 hour fight that took them over 12 miles, Larry Johnston and his Captain John Wolf landed this beautiful 440 pound Swordfish at 2,474 feet off Ocean Reef.

MIDDLE: John Imbesi, with Nick Rangel, recently caught this 403 lb. Broadbill (aka, Swordfish) aboard the Huntress.

RIGHT: Finn Banigan with a 66lb. Mystic Grouper recently caught aboard "Triggers-n-Riggers" while fishing with Cindy Banigan, Eric Darvill and Will Evoy.

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In Search of The Vampire (Fish)

By Mike Love

On October 20th, **Dr. Riley Love, Guthrie Allen, Gary "The Brain" Narramore** and myself, traveled to Columbia, South America, for a multi-species trip with a special focus on the payara, also known as the Vampire fish. It is aptly named for its two very large teeth on its lower jaw that actually extends through the top of its head when its mouth is closed.

After an overnight in Bogata, our charter flight the next morning took us to San Jose Del Guaviare. We were met by representatives of Fish Columbia, who were the outfitters. This area has only been recently developed because of warring locals trying to control the drug trade but has been cleaned up by the Colombian Army (we hoped!).

The Fish Columbia reps took us from the grass airfield to the loading area in the towns, and we packed into a small boat for our five-hour journey downstream.

As night fell and we got closer to our camp, we could see lights ahead perched on top of a thirty-foot embankment. After a quick bite and a shot of rum, we were taken to our sleeping area, which consisted of shared tents with mattresses on wooded floors, but each mattress had its own mosquito net.

After a 5:30 am wake-up call, we gathered our gear and tackle (we had to take all of our own on this trip). For the next two days we fished for many species, but the payara fishing was very good. The team of Dr. Love and Guthrie Allen caught eight amazing payara in one day.

On the second day of fishing, our guide asked if we wanted to make an extra 1 ½ hour boat ride to an area he felt was holding many payara. We agreed and were soon in an area where a



Clearly illustrating why it is named the Vampire fish.



Mike Love holds a orange bellied pacu.



The campsite.



Dinner is served.

small feeder creek emptied into the Rio Guaviare.

I noticed some fish breaking water as we approached. For the next solid hour, my fishing partner Gary and I had many payara strikes. The payara is very difficult to land because of its boney mouth filled with a myriad of teeth.

On one particular cast, I had six strikes and did not land a fish. After retrieving my lure, the majority of the paint had been eaten off the lure and it had to be replaced. On my next cast, I hooked a really nice 30lb payara and was able to land him.

The next day, we moved to a different area at the base of a waterfall on the Mapiariare River. Here we slept in tents with mattresses on the ground, but with our trusty mosquito nets. It was amazing because everything was brought with us. All the kitchen equipment and the four people preparing the

food, guides, boats. All cooking was done on open fires. There was no running water or bathrooms. The restrooms were in the jungle.

The fishing here was very steady, with many varieties. My partner Gary caught a camp record sardinata, while I caught a record Jamu and landed a very nice 20lb orange bellied pacu. The team of Dr. Love and Allen continued to do well on the payara.

We did encounter one particular problem. In one part of this river, there was a particular bush that was flowering. On the bushes were many bees. One must always be ready in the jungle, as these bees could come and land on our shirts and pants. It wasn't uncommon to have 15-20 bees on you at a given time. They wouldn't bother you, except when they would crawl under your shirt or shorts, and you would bump or push them

while making a cast or landing a fish. I had emphasized to the group to wear long pants, long sleeve shirts, socks, face mask and hat at all times. Those who failed to heed this advice had considerably more stings. Mr. Allen led the aftermath total with six stings. I had only one when I sat on one that gave me the full wallop. Luckily these looked like the combed honey bee and the effects of the sting were gone in about 30 minutes.

One other encounter with the insect world was when Mr. Narramore exited the boa on a sand bar to relieve himself. Nothing was thought of it until we got back to camp. "Hey Captain, would you look at this?" On the inside of his legs were over 40 sand flea bites per leg. I had some Benadryl lotion and pills, that seemed to keep everything in check.

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