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### **Bob Toski**

# Ocean Reef's First Director of Golf

From 1960-1972, Bob Toski shared his passion for teaching and love of golf with the Members of Ocean Reef Club. When he left Ocean Reef, he went on to teach at many other clubs, yet he will tell you today, "my heart belongs to Ocean Reef," calling it, "the best 12 years I ever spent."

His love affair with Ocean Reef has not wavered as evidenced by his visit to Ocean Reef this past weekend with his son, Bruce. It is an annual trip the now 96-year-old Toski makes, arranged by long-time friend **Lida Tingley**. (Mrs.



Bob Toski visits the Ocean Reef Museum and is proud to be a part of Ocean Reef's history.

Tingley started her Ocean Reef journey as the Golf Hostess in the 1960s and now enjoys the Club as a Member).

While here, Mr. Toski sat for brunch at the Grill Room, caught up with Sonny Vasquez (who also worked here during his tenure) and Mike Leone, visited Card Sound Golf Club and the staff, and then ventured over to the Ocean Reef Museum. It is at the Museum where Mr. Toski beams

with pride and perhaps some astonishment saying, "It is wonderful to live long enough to see yourself in a museum." He also says he feels privileged to see all the changes brought about by the Members over

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# The Catalog's Here — Time to do Your Bidding!

By Sarah A. Cart

Check out that insert in today's Ocean Reef Press: It's the All Charities 2023 Auction Catalog! Bigger and bolder than ever before, it boasts a multitude of amazing opportunities for attentive bidders. So, pour yourself a bit of your favorite beverage, get comfortable and help get the fun-raising off to a record-breaking start.

Why? Because All Charities Weekend begins a week from today (**Feb. 10 and 11**), and your shameless generosity will 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. ORCF has distributed over \$50 million since 2008.

How? Use your preferred device to go online to www. bidORC.org. Once you've got your bid number (see sidebar), you'll find bidding is as easily accessible as your favorite app. See something that intrigues you? Be sure to re-read the actual lot listing online, then place your opening bid and set your maximum; the system will respond to competing bids on your behalf up to your established limit (which can always be updated, BTW).

Where to begin? You'll find a couple limited editions – a custom-made Rummikub set tailored to Ocean Reef and a "Heart of Ocean Reef" custom-made Lester Lampert necklace – plus multiple Wonders on the Water, Showcase selections, all sorts of adventures, golf, fishing, Bags & Baubles, and Mind & Body and SO much more (including wine, wine and more wine and other spirits besides)!

Bid on your must-haves. Keep a list. Check it often. Dream. Plan. For the big trips, make phone calls, team up, set strategies. Check your calendar to determine which adventure(s) can happen when.

Online bidding closes at 10:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 11, for everything except the Bucket Raffle for which the drawing will be held at that evening's

#### AROUND THE REEF

#### **SPECIALTY SPIRITS DINNER**

Coming of Age Featuring Komos Tequila

**Thursday, February 9 • 6:30 p.m.** Carysfort Kitchen

Komos Tequila's line of ultra-luxury tequilas will pair perfectly with the delicious dinner menu Carysfort Kitchen Chef Betania Salles has designed for Thursday's Specialty Dinner. \$195. Registration is available by calling 305-367-5931.

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### OR "See"



Mary Bloom, while watching the Australian Open recently, caught sight of this beautiful boomerang in the sky reflected "down under" in the basin.

What have you discovered on your walk, biking or on a daily golf cart ride that you never noticed before?

Email <a href="mailto:orp@oceanreef.com">orp@oceanreef.com</a> and share your discoveries.

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### **Rules Reminder:**

#### Dogs & Pets

It's no secret that Ocean Reefers love their pets as evidenced by last month's Blessing of the Animals, now in its tenth year and requiring two "seatings" to accommodate everyone. Dogs and other pets are invited to several events every year, from Yappy Hours to the Chamber of Commerce's Welcome Back Paw-ty and more.

Outside of any specific pet-friendly event, Club facilities do have rules about pets:

Dogs and other pets, with exceptions for service animals as required by law, are not permitted on the Club's facilities without the approval of the Club. Boat owners are permitted to have pets provided they are kept on the vessel or on a leash in specially designated areas. Members are responsible for any damage caused by a pet owned by the member or under the member's control, and also for cleaning up pet droppings.

ORCA's Dog Park welcomes dogs to two outdoor fenced parks, one for large and one for small, open daily from 8 a.m. to sunset. And when in need of care, a check-up or grooming, there is a full-service veterinary clinic, Grayvik Animal Center, also home to ORCAT, located at 97 South Harbor Drive.

### Gotta Question?

At Ocean Reef, is it appropriate for bikers to ride against traffic or with traffic?

The rules of the road for cyclists, as established by Florida Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (FLHSMV), says that cyclists should ride in the same direction as traffic and stay as far to the right as possible, using bike lanes whenever available. This too goes for Ocean Reef, whether riding in the car lane or golf cart lane.

Bicyclists should also obey all traffic laws, including signs, signals and lane markings, when riding on the roadway.

Additional guidelines provided by FLHSMV apply to those driving a car or golf cart:
•Drivers must give bicyclists a minimum of three feet

of clearance when driving



alongside or passing them.

- •When turning, yield to any bicyclist in the car or cart lane and make your turn behind the cyclist.
- •Avoid using high beam headlights when you see a bicyclist approaching.
- •Before opening a car door, check for bicyclists who may be approaching from behind.

#### **EDITOR'S NOTE:**

If you would like to submit a question, email the *Ocean Reef Press* at orp@oceanreef.com.

### Prepare to Rock Your Block



by Sarah A.

Fun plans are falling into place for Ocean Reef Club's 75/30 Anniversary celebratory weekend **April 13-15**, and there's room for every Equity Member to play a part in it.

A brief history: Seventy-five years ago, Ocean Reef consisted of an inn, some small yachtels,

a coffee shop, a lounge, a gas station, a few rental boats and the iconic water tower. Then in the spring of 1993, as South Florida worked to recover from Hurricane Andrew, Ocean Reef Club transformed itself, becoming Member-owned with a roster of 250 patron and 933 charter members.

It was time to rejoice!

To quote from Richard
Farmer and Shirley Shipley's
On the Reef, "What a celebration
it was! ... A series of cocktail
parties held in the different
neighborhoods kicked off the
celebration."

Fast forward 30 years, everyone:

From Thatch Palm Way to Cardinal Lane, the Ocean Reef

Marina and Villa Cay to Cannon Point, Snapper Point and Anglers, **come Thursday**, **April 13**, **it'll be time to** *rock your block*.

As Kyle Landers, Director of Member Events & Services, explains, "We'll divide the Club property into eight 'Party Zones' and reach out to the Advisory Council representatives of each neighborhood to get started." The team at Member Events & Services is ready to help everyone party like it's 1993, with a checklist of "how to's" and an outline of options from the Club.

No matter which you choose, the Club will provide tables and chairs at no cost.

Can we have a simple BYOB potluck? Absolutely. Work among yourselves to coordinate the sign-ups and offerings and party on.

How about BYOB with food provided by the Club? Yes, you can — make it as merry as you'd like — maybe someone in the neighborhood has a sound system to play songs that were hits 30 years ago.

What if we'd like the Club to handle everything "from soup to nuts"? Of course — say the word and the team at Member Events & Services will make it so.

How do we get started?
Reach out to your neighbors and your Advisory Council representative (wondering who that is? You'll find a listing on page 47 of the ORCA 2022 Directory). Once you have an idea of how you and your neighbors would like to rock your block, contact Member Events & Services at via phone (305-367-5874), email (memberguestservices@oceanreef.com).

As you plan, and then as you party, you'll be honoring and celebrating this amazing Club of which we all are blessed to be a part, and as a bonus, you'll be forging memories that can be chronicled the next time the Club's history gets updated/memorialized in print.

The point? A time to rejoice, and FUN FOR ALL!

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cocktails. Saturday night's Live Auction is black tie, reservation only, and sold out ... but proxy bids are allowed.

See something you HAVE to have? Call the All Charities office (see below) to discuss possibilities.

Please note, item descriptions are provisional and subject to change. Some items have been updated and a few more items have been added online since the catalog went to print; please check actual lot listing online or in person before placing a bid. So much great stuff – check out all of it!

Come taste the wine (and bourbon): Check on your dream list items during the \$50 Opening Night Wine & Bourbon Tasting & Silent Auction 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 10, at Carysfort Hall. Or if Friday night isn't an option, or you can't get to everything, return between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday, and enjoy complimentary "Burgers, Beers and Bidding" courtesy of the Ocean Reef Chamber of

Commerce from noon to 2 p.m. Also on Saturday, take in the NetJets aircraft display at the Airport 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Questions? Visit

oceanreefcommunity
foundation.org, or contact All
Charities at 305-367-5996 or
AllCharities@OceanReef.com.

The best way to honor All Charities' past and build for its future? Bid early, often and outrageously!

#### GETTING YOUR BID NUMBER

Members registered for the Feb. 11 gala should find an email in your inbox this morning from the auction bid site (AES Auctions dot org) containing the link to your personal bid number.

Those not planning to attend but still wishing to browse auction items and bid online just need to follow three simple steps:

1.Go to <u>www.bidorc.org</u>2.Click 'Create Account' at bottom left

3.Enter your name and email and click 'Register'

That's it — congratulations! You're an All Charities Bidder!



# NEW MENU ITEMS ADDED

Nachos with Crispy Tortillas

Burritos, Fajitas Both with choice of Chicken, Skirt Steak or Shrimp

# TACOS & TEQUILA TUESDAYS

Every Tuesday from **6 to 9 p.m.** enjoy any house margarita and two tacos for **\$26** 

No reservations required.

Visit "The Cantina" Fridays through Tuesdays 6 to 9 p.m.

(Closed Friday, February 3 for a private event)



#### **Bob Toski**

# Ocean Reef's First Director of Golf

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the past few years and all of the good decisions that have been made, adding "the story of Ocean Reef is really the story of the Membership."

Mr. Toski recalls that Ocean Reef was "just a fishing village" when he was here - the clubhouse and dining facility were where the Baker family lived. He notes while it was nothing to brag about, the Bakers created a genuine family environment that kept Members and staff coming back year after year.

Toski drove 86 miles a day from Miami to Key Largo and credits the Members as the motivation and inspiration to do so. While here, he established the Pro-Am Tournament, capitalizing on the relationships he had with Golf Professionals. He scheduled it for the Monday after Miami's Tournament at Doral to make it convenient for the players while also guaranteeing them \$100 if they

played, \$5000 if they won. The Pro-Am is still going strong with last month's event having the largest field since its inception.

Golf at Ocean Reef owes much to Bob Toski, yet the story remains that it means just as much to him after a long and storied career. "I know how much the Members of Ocean Reef revere me and yet I know I revere them even more. I am proud of that."

#### **About**

Bob Toski brought a stellar reputation and immediate acclaim to the Club's

golf community. He joined the PGA Tour in 1949 and was the leading money winner in 1954. When he was thirty, he left the tour and later became one of the country's leading golf coaches, working with a list of pros including Tom Kite, Bruce Crampton, and Judy Rankin. In addition to Ocean Reef, he was Director of Golf at Kings Bay and St. Andrew's in FL, Palmetto Dunes, SC and Hound Ear's in Boone, NC. In 2013, Bob Toski was inducted into the PGA Golf Professional Hall of Fame and was also the first living instructor to be inducted into the World Golf Teachers Hall of Fame.



Bob Toski conducts a clinic.



Bob Toski, Sonny Vasquez and Mike Leone this past Saturday.



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# Introducing the 2023 ORC **Nominating** Committee

The Ocean Reef Club Nominating Committee is an autonomous committee charged with selecting the annual slate of candidates for the Club's Board of Directors. The goal of the Nominating Committee is to provide the best leadership possible. Working together, the committee members carefully consider a variety of factors in their selection process; including leadership, past participation in Ocean Reef committees, use of the Club, financial acumen, known to various membership constituents and most importantly, whether they have the time, energy and a real commitment to serve on behalf of the Membership.

Members of the 2023 Ocean Reef Club Nominating Committee are Committee Chairman Bob Manzo (Immediate Past Chairman of the Board), Ray Larkin, Current Board Chairman, and Charlie Johnston, Vice Chairman, along with Members at large Keith Bozeman, Robert Hoyt, and Amy Upjohn.



#### Keith Bozeman

Keith and his wife Parris first visited Ocean Reef in 2014 when Parris gave him a Christmas gift of a long weekend for just the two of them. As soon as they set foot on the property they knew this was the place for their family. They joined as Social Members that weekend. They looked at multiple houses the next few years before purchasing a lot in 2017 and building their current

After spending five months at The Reef with their three college-age kids during Covid, it became clear to them that they could live here full-time. The following year they sold their Maryland home and are now full-time residents of Ocean Reef.

Parris and Keith raised their three children in the Annapolis area of Maryland. He spent his career in Information Technology Staffing and Services, retiring in 2015. After retiring, he joined an early stage venture capital group based in the Washington, DC area and has been investing in early stage cyber security companies.

Keith has served on the Golf Committee for the past two vears and is currently Chairman of the Greens Committee.



#### **Robert Hoyt**

Bob and his wife Christine have been enjoying Ocean Reef since the early 1980s when friends first introduced them to The Reef as a departure point for family cruising in the Bahamas. They became Equity Members in 1998 and regularly boat to their northern home in Avalon, New Jersey, where they spend their summers with their three Ocean Reef Legacy Member children and their families.

Bob has an extensive financial background and retired in 2006, after founding a turnaround management firm. Since joining Ocean Reef Club, Bob has been

actively involved in a range of organizations that includes serving on the ORC Finance Committee, participating as Chairman of the Finance Committee for the Boards at the Racquet Club and Reef Consulting & Investment. Bob is a Navy veteran and Past Commodore of the Ocean Reef Yacht Club. As an avid boater who enjoys fishing, golf, and pickleball, he has experienced firsthand many of the unique offerings of our Club.



**Amy Upjohn** Amy and husband Brad VandenBerg, have been Members at Ocean Reef Club

since 2004. They have three children and four grandchildren who all love visiting Ocean Reef. When not at Ocean Reef, Amy and Brad spend time at their home in Michigan.

In Michigan, Amy has served as a trustee at The Kalamazoo Community Foundation since 2015, chairing the Grants Committee and serving as a member of their Anti-Racism Transformation Team. She has been a Trustee at Kalamazoo College since 2000 and is currently chairing the College's Endowment Campaign. She sits on the Athletics Advisory Board at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo and is also chair of the Lakeside for Children Foundation Board and is on the Board of her family's charitable

At Ocean Reef, Amy serves on the Ocean Reef Community Foundation Board and the ORCF Grants Committee.

The nominees for the Ocean Reef Club Board of Directors will be announced in early March.



#### 6:00-8:00 P.M. • Golf Pergola

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2023

WELCOME COCKTAIL **RECEPTION** 

**KARAOKE NIGHT** 

10:00 P.M.-12:00 A.M. • Burgee Bar

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2023

Morning Activity Options:

**RAVE SPIN CLASS** 

9:00-11:00A.M. • Fitness Center

**BEACH VOLLEYBALL** 

9:00-11:00 A.M. • Marlin Beach

Afternoon Activity Options:

PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT 2:00-4:00 P.M. • Tennis & Games

**MIXOLOGY CLASS** 

2:00-4:00 P.M. • Town Hall Waterside

WINE TASTING

5:00-7:00 P.M • Port O'Call

**DINNER** 

7:00-10:00 P.M. • Town Hall Waterside

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2023

Morning Activity Options:

**TENNIS GÀMEIO** 

9:00-11:00 A.M. • Tennis & Games

**SNORKELING** 

FEBRUARY 9-12, 2023

WHAT DOES YOUR WEEKEND LOOK LIKE?

9:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M. • Fishing Village

Afternoon Activity Options: **GOLF SCRAMBLE** 

**TOURNAMENT** 12:00 P.M. · Hammock Course

**SPA SERVICE** 

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**FULL MOON DINNER PARTY** 7:00-10:00 P.M • Main Beach

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2023** 

**CLOSING BRUNCH** 

10:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M • Ocean Room

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For more details, please call 305-367-5874

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2BD, 2.5 BA | Bonus Room | \$3,500,000 | 2465

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Angelfish Cay 71B | Canal Front

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

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44 Cardinal Lane | Ocean View

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406 Carysfort Road | Villa Cay 3BD, 3BA | \$4,200,000 | 2460

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# Here's What's New at Port O' Call



by Micah Winecoff, Port O'Call Manager

The Port O' Call team is excited to announce new features that are now available to enhance the Member experience - a new element of convenience via an online ordering system, which will provide efficient access to our core inventory, expanded menu items, and Instagram and Facebook pages to keep you up to date with the latest Port O' Call happenings.

#### **New Menu Items**

The charcuterie board has been a big hit over the years, but it is due time for a refreshment along with additional offerings. With the assistance of Chef Jonathan Kaiser from CH Prime, we have added a few light bites; Foie Gras Torchon, J5 Jamon Iberico, caviar and tinned conservas from Jose Gourmet. The charcuterie board will still be available of course! We will continue to explore new ideas and run occasional specials to keep selections fresh. Nothing too fancy as the focus will still be on wine. These new menu items will increase our ability to offer wine pairings, as well as provide you with an additional outlet to

enjoy a casual light lunch or predinner appetizer.

#### **Online Ordering System**

The new online ordering system will provide the opportunity to place orders for pick up or delivery, making wine and spirit purchases as easy and convenient as possible. Orders will be placed through a platform similar to Reef Eats. We will have a selection of core items with the option to write in special requests and inquiries.

#### **Social Media Page**

For better or worse, social media continues to grow and has become part of the fabric of our daily lives for many of us...I likely spend more time than I reasonably should scrolling through Instagram. Port O' Call is in the process of launching an Instagram and Facebook page for Members. We will utilize these platforms to announce our tastings, new wine releases and for those that wish to be seen, pictures of Members enjoying each other's company at the bar. Our goal is to provide interested Members with the option of following the page thereby staying well informed of our latest planned and perhaps spontaneous events and happenings.

#### February Tastings Thursday, February 9 -Sanford Winery \$75.00++

Located in the Sta. Rita Hills, Sanford & Benedict Vineyard became the first vineyard in what would become a world-class, cool climate winegrowing region. Sanford Winery has been a pioneer in the Sta. Rita Hills from the beginning and the vineyards and winery continues to thrive, innovate and excel under the vision, guidance, stewardship, leadership, and hands-on participation of the Terlato family. Join us as we present a selection of 3 Chardonnays and 3 Pinot Noirs.

Wednesday, February 15
- Wines of Thomas Rivers
Brown \$70.00++. Responsible for a portfolio of over 40 wineries producing some the finest and most sought-after Cabernet in the world, Thomas Rivers
Brown went from the bottom

rung of the wine world to wine consulting king. With a focus on organic viticulture and a handson vineyard approach, TRB has made a name producing for the likes of Schrader, Tor, Hestan, Quill and many more. His name on a bottle has become akin to a watermark for quality wines the world over. And if you ask him, at 48 he's only getting started. For this tasting we will be presenting a Sauvignon Blanc, a Red Blend and 2 different Cabernet Sauvignons with the option of tasting the 2018 release of Schrader "Heritage Clone" from To Kalon Vineyard for an additional \$65.00.

#### **CULTURAL CENTER**

# Dining with the Authors

Mo Rocca

Humorist, journalist, and actor Mo Rocca who is best known for his off-beat news reports and satirical commentary will be at the Cultural Center, Thursday, February 23 for our Dining with the Authors series. This popular dinner and speaker program will begin with cocktails at 6 p.m. followed by the presentation, then a specially prepared dinner. During dessert, you will hear answers to written questions submitted by your table and others.

Mo is currently a correspondent for CBS Sunday Morning. He is also the host of the CBS series The Henry Ford's Innovation Nation. The show pays tribute to some of the world's greatest inventions – past and present – educating and inspiring audiences with stories of creativity, hard work, and passion.

In January of 2019, Rocca's podcast *Mobituaries* debuted at #1 on iTunes. Rocca's long love of obituaries led him to launch the project, an irreverent but deeply researched appreciation of the people (and things) of the past who have long intrigued him – from an unsung



Mo Rocca

Founding Father to the first Chinese- American superstar, from Neanderthals to the station wagon.

The Mobituaries book was published in November 2019, coinciding with the podcast's second season, and offers new, original stories combined with expanded "Mobits" from the show. It quickly became a New York Times best-seller.

Moderating this event is Patron Senior Legacy Member Corey Hajim, daughter of Patron Members Barbara & Ed Hajim. Corey Hajim is the Business Curator at TED and has spent her career both working in and writing about business.

Reservations required
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# Polishing Perfection



by Terry Baxter

After my first interview with Chef Jonathan Kaiser, I told you he was a perfectionist. His commitment was instilled by a series of demanding mentors in increasingly prestigious kitchens. It was honed when he became Chef de Cuisine for Joel Robuchon, the esteemed three-star restaurant of the MGM Grand - the only three-star restaurant in Las Vegas. He brought that rigorous mindset to CH Prime when he joined us last year (along with a handsome beard - you can always trust a man with a beard).

As perhaps the most-credentialed Chef at Ocean Reef, introducing a brand new facility, he challenged our vendors and suppliers to secure ingredients that met his standards. He refused to settle for "almost as good." Even the kitchen itself had to release its secrets: Jonathan searched for two weeks to find a corner with the right temperature to hold the hollandaise sauce where it wouldn't separate. The ovens



Chef Jonathan Kaiser

and stoves had their own characteristics and hot spots to discover and master.

And Jonathan doesn't spare himself from the scrutiny. Like most of the other chefs at Ocean Reef, he searches out Stagier Programs, where he volunteered to work for free in another chef's kitchen. "It's not about money," Jonathan says, "It's about the experience. It's about expanding your culinary skills." In October, Jonathan spent a week working in Washington, DC's Jont, a cutting edge, twostar restaurant. "It's a team of young, inspired chefs, using simple, yet luxurious, ingredients from around the world with significant influence from Japanese cuisine," Jonathan explained. "I spent a week rotating through every station. The most challenging was the grill. We use binchotan, a unique Japanese charcoal. It is long burning, odorless,

smokeless, and fifty percent hotter than black charcoal. It has a hard, white surface, and a metallic sound when it is struck. We could sear scallops directly on the *binchotan*. It is perfect for our CH Prime Wolf Fish."

The Jont kitchen uses an elaborate rack system to position the food at different heights above the grill, including hanging it near the ceiling to slowly smoke it. Jonathan said, "Seeing the ingredients was like a whole new world. They dryaged fish (yes, fish!), which tenderizes it and creates a more complex flavor. They introduced me to shio kombu, Japanese seaweed that has been dried and ground into a powder. Used as a seasoning, it explodes with umami." Jonathan gave me a tiny sample, it's a sensation.

Jont is famous for its duck preparation. It is cooked at different levels of heat, rotating around the rack like clockwork. "It is the kind of precision I like," Jonathan said, "By the end of the week, I had gained their trust. I cooked their signature duck crown for customers on the last night. The techniques I discovered there changed the game – how to harness the fire, cooking vertically, customizing the kitchen capabilities. This can translate to every dish at Ocean Reef."

Jonathan has already arranged for two weeks this summer at Jordnaer, a top fifty European restaurant in Copenhagen. Jonathan said, "They are minimalists, use luxury products, and put all their love into the sauces. I can't wait."

As you are reading this, Jonathan is completing an enlargement of the CH Prime kitchen to accommodate an adjustable rack arrangement above the grill.

I am excited to find shio kombu as an ingredient on the Ocean Reef menu.

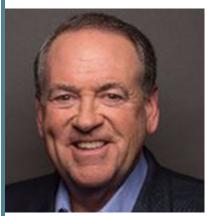




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# Join us for guest speaker Mike Huckabee and music by Wintley Phipps

Sunday, February 5 at 9am



MIKE HUCKABEE attended Southwestern **Baptist Theological** Seminary in Fort Worth, and was a Baptist minister at several churches in Arkansas. After serving as Governor of Arkansas, Huckabee ran for U.S. President in 2008 and 2016. Huckabee provided political commentary to

the Fox News channel and was given his own weekend talk show, Huckabee, which first aired in 2007. He has also hosted several talk-radio shows. He and his wife, Janet, have three grown children.



#### **WINTLEY PHIPPS**

is a world-renowned vocal artist, education activist, motivational speaker, pastor, and CEO and Founder of the U.S. Dream Academy. Mr. Phipps has been the featured speaker and performer for many notable occasions around the world. Phipps has attracted an entire new

generation of fans as his performance of Amazing Grace has received over twenty million cumulative viewers on YouTube. He and his wife, Linda, have three grown sons.



Welcome **Visiting Priest Father Timothy** P. Kesicki



Please help us welcome our second visiting priest of the season, Father Timothy P. Kesicki, S.J. Father comes to us at the invitation of **George** and Lora Blaha. He will be celebrating Mass at noon on Sunday, February 12, 2023. Father Kesicki is the President of the Jesuit Conference of Canada and the United States. Headquartered in Washington, D.C., the Jesuit Conference promotes common goals and oversees international projects for the Society of Jesus. As Conference President, Fr. Kesicki works with the Jesuit Provincials of the United States and Canada in implementing programs, represents the Conference internationally, and serves as the religious superior of the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry and the Jesuit School of Theology

of Santa Clara University in Berkeley, California, He serves on the boards of Jesuit Refugee Service/USA and America Magazine.

Prior to leading the Jesuit Conference, Fr. Kesicki served from 2008 through 2014 as the Provincial of the Chicago-Detroit Province of the Society of Jesus.

A frequent contributor to CNN and MSNBC, Fr. Kesicki hails from Erie, Pennsylvania, where he attended local Catholic schools before earning a bachelor's degree in political science from John Carroll University in Ohio.

Fr. Kesicki entered the Society of Jesus at Loyola House Jesuit Novitiate in Berkley, Michigan, in 1984. His formation as a Jesuit included philosophy studies at Loyola University Chicago, theology studies at the Jesuit School of Theology and studies in educational administration at Teachers College, Columbia University, New York.

From 1988 to 1991, Fr. Kesicki worked at the University of Detroit Jesuit High School and Academy, where he taught theology, directed the service program and served on the pastoral team. Following his 1994 ordination, Fr. Kesicki worked for a year at the Jesuit Refugee Service in Adjumani, Uganda, and then taught theology at Loyola High School in Detroit. From 2000 to 2008, he served as president of Saint Ignatius High School in Cleveland.

#### **SHABBAT** SERVICES



#### **SAVE** THE DATE

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3<sup>RD</sup>

No Services

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10™

6:00pm - Cornerstone Room

Join us as we welcome Shabbat together as a community with a brief service.

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH

5:00pm - Sanctuary

"The Untold Story of How the Stories Were Told"

Louis Schmidt will talk about his involvement with Steven Spielberg's USC Shoah Foundation as an interviewer, documenting the personal histories of Holocaust survivors.

ALL EVENTS AT THE OCEAN REEF CHAPEL

#### **Two Voices**



by Rev. Dr. Bob Henley

This Sunday, we welcome two nationally recognized leaders to the 9 a.m. Worship Service of the Protestant Congregation at Ocean Reef.

These two leaders share much in common. They are both engaging personalities. Each is known for expressing their faith in the public square. They both have formal theological training and have served as pastors. One of them is a renowned vocalist and the other recognized for playing an electric bass guitar. They are each invested in the mission of making a difference in the lives of children. Like the keys of a piano, one is black and the other is white.

Wintley Augustus Phipps will bring his remarkable vocal artistry to the morning. His resume of appearances reflects the power of his voice and the winsome appeal of his person.

Born in Trinidad, West Indies, Wintley was twice nominated for Grammy Awards. The author of two books, he has been the featured speaker and performer for many notable occasions around the world.

He has sung for presidents and at the funerals of General Colin Powell and Congressman John Robert Lewis. At Oprah Winfrey's request, he spoke at the opening of her Leadership Academy for Girls in South Africa. He has performed with the Boston Symphony Pops. He sang at the Congressional Gold Medal Ceremonies for Mother Teresa. He appeared on the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., TV special and has twice sung at the annual European Prayer Breakfast in Brussels. He was guest soloist at Billy Graham Crusades and at the Vatican where he met Pope John Paul II. He was the featured artist at the Rosa Parks Birthday Celebration. Phipps has



Governor Michael Dale Huckabee performed on Saturday Night Live and been the special guest on the Emmy award-winning series Super Soul Sunday.

Wintley is also the Founder, President, and Chief Executive Officer of the U.S. Dream Academy, Inc., a non-profit, afterschool program that provides mentoring and tutoring for children of incarcerated parents, having served over 10,000 young people in seven cities.

Governor Michael Dale Huckabee will be our guest speaker this Sunday. He is widely known as a political commentator, the former Governor of Arkansas, an ordained Baptist minister, musician, a two-time presidential candidate, and the father of the current Governor of Arkansas, his daughter Sarah Huckabee Sanders.

Born in Hope, Arkansas, Governor Huckabee has been the host of a daily radio talk show and televised talk show on the Fox Network where he played the bass guitar with his band. He is also the author of several bestselling books.

An advocate for civil rights, he courageously encouraged his all-white Baptist church to receive black members as part of the congregation in the mid-1980s.

He summed up the impact of his pastoral experience writing, "Dealing every day with real people who were genuinely affected by policies created by government gave me a deep understanding of the fragility of the human spirit and vulnerability of so many families who struggled from week to week. I was in the ICU at 2 a.m. with families faced



Wintley Augustus Phipps

with the decision to disconnect a respirator on their loved one; I counseled fifteen-year-old pregnant girls who were afraid to tell their parents about their condition; I spent hours hearing the grief of women who had been physically and emotionally clobbered by an abusive husband; I saw the anguish in the faces of an elderly couple when their declining health forced them to sell their home, give up their independence, and move into a long-term-care facility; I listened to countless young couples pour out their souls as they struggled to get their marriages into survival mode when confronted with overextended debt."

This experience has shaped his compassion and concern for people and how government policy impacts their lives.

In 2011, Governor Huckabee as co-founder, launched the educational initiative Kids Guides. The mission is to help kids learn about the topics that matter most, whether it is American history, current events, skill-building or the Bible and faith.

We invite you to join us for this uplifting morning of worship in song and word in the Chapel and Fellowship Center at Ocean Reef with these two outstanding leaders.

#### **CHAPEL & FELLOWSHIP CENTER NEWS**

#### Ocean Reef Chaplain Rev. Dr. Robert Henley

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## FRIDAY, FEB 3 AA Meeting

AA Weeting

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

#### **NO Shabbat Services**

#### SATURDAY, FEB 4

#### **Catholic Mass**

4 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Father Hilley

#### SUNDAY, FEB 5

#### **Traditional Worship Service**

9 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary, with guest speaker Mr. Mike Huckabee & Musical Guest, Wintley Phipps

#### **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, Father Hilley

#### MONDAY, FEB 6

#### **Al-Anon Meeting**

9 a.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall B

#### **Rosary Prayer**

4:30 p.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall B

#### **AA Meeting**

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

#### TUESDAY, FEB 7

#### **Catholic Way Bible Study**

9 a.m., Chapel Living Room Call 270-210-7305 to register.

#### **Potluck Gathering**

6 p.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall

#### **WEDNESDAY, FEB 8**

#### **Intercessory Prayer**

8 a.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall B

#### **Episcopal Service**

9 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary, with Robert Deshaies

**CWC Small Group Bible Study** 10:30 a.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall

#### THURSDAY, FEB 9

**Men's Community Bible Study** 8 a.m., Chapel Board Room

#### **NEWS FROM THE MEDICAL CENTER**

# Medical Lecture Series Presents: "Brain, Aging, Dementia & You"

Please join us on Monday,
February 13, 2023, 5 p.m. at the Cultural Center Theatre for a presentation by neurologist Dr. Dylan Wint entitled "Brain, Aging, Dementia and You."
Dr. Wint is the Director of the Cleveland Clinic Lou Ruvo Center for Brain Health in Las Vegas, Nevada. His clinical interest is optimizing the diagnosis and management of neurodegenerative disorders and he has been in practice

more than 20 years.

The Alzheimer's Association describes dementia "as a group of symptoms associated with a decline in memory, reasoning, or other thinking skills. Dementia is not a normal part of aging. It is caused by damage to brain cells that affects their ability to communicate, which can affect thinking, behavior and feelings. Many different types of dementia exist and many conditions cause it. Mixed dementia is a condition in which brain changes of more than one type of dementia occur simultaneously. Alzheimer's disease is the most common cause of dementia, accounting for 60-80% of dementia cases."

Lifestyle can have a major impact on brain health. Cleveland Clinic recommends following the Six Pillars of Brain Health which are:

- Physical Exercise
- •Food & Nutrition
- •Medical Health
- •Sleep & Relaxation
- •Mental Fitness
- •Social Interaction

Following the lecture will be a cocktail reception. A special thank you to Healthnetwork Foundation for sponsoring this lecture. Please save the date of **March 14, 2023**, for the next Medical Lecture Series presentation of "Robotic Knee Surgery: Where We Are Today and Where We Are Going."

Visit us on the web at <u>www.</u> mcor.org.

Your support of the All Charities Weekend strengthens entities, like the Medical Center, 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.

# FORGETMENOTS FEBRUARY MEETING

The Ocean Reef
ForgetMeNots cordially
invite caregivers and
care receivers to the
monthly meeting to
be held on **Tuesday**, **February 14** in the
Medical Center meeting
room on the second
floor at 12 p.m.

A round table discussion will be held, with guests encouraged to ask questions and share experiences with the group. Lunch will be served. To reserve a place at the meeting, please call Cynthia Weglarz at 708-476-6350 or Dr. Frank Gudicello at 305-394-8208.



# "Better Sleep = Better Life"

A Night Out at the Medical Center - Ladies & Men's Night
Thursday, February 9, 2023
5:00 p.m. Lecture
6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres
The Medical Center at Ocean Reef

Please join us in welcoming Harneet Walia, M.D., FAASM who will discuss the impact that quality sleep has on lifestyle. Dr. Walia is the Director of Sleep Medicine and Continuous Improvement at Miami Cardiac & Vascular Institute where she specializes in sleep medicine. Dr. Walia has led numerous clinical trials and real-world research projects on sleep-disordered breathing and health outcomes. She and her colleagues demonstrated that improving sleep disorders can improve the quality of life. Her research has been published in a number of high impact peer-reviewed publications, including The Journal of Clinical Sleep Medicine. In 2020 she was the recipient of the Gidwani Mid-Career Scholarship award by the Women's Professional Staff Association at Cleveland Clinic. Dr. Walia believes in strong patient-physician partnership with the focus on the patient. When she is not treating patients, Dr. Walia enjoys running outdoors, dancing, reading and spending time with her family.

#### VISITING SPECIALIST SCHEDULE

Please bring your identification and insurance cards to each visiting specialist appointment. They bill separately from the Medical Center.

To schedule with a visiting dermatologist, please call their office directly. For all other specialists, please call 305-367-6702.

**Audiology Daisy Elwick**Feb 9, 16, 23

Cannabis & Pain Medicine Michelle Weiner March 24, July 7

Cardiology Howard Bush Feb 9, March 16, April 13 Jorge Cuello

Feb 8, 22, March 8, 29

Colorectal Surgery Dan Ruiz Feb 20, April 17

**Dermatology** 

**Alysa Herman 305-444-4979** Feb 16, March 2, 16

**Debra Price 305-670-1111** Feb 3, 17, 24

**Varee Poochareon 305-740-6181** Feb 8, 15, 22

**Jill Waibel 305-279-6061** Feb 13, March 6

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**Endocrinology Jeremy Bleicher**Feb 13, March 6

**Heberto Valdes** Feb 3, March 3, April 7

**Gastroenterology Sandra Rodriguez**Feb 14, March 7

Gynecology Jason James Feb 9, March 9, April 13 Jila Senemar Feb 7, March 7, April 4

Holistic Medicine David Coppola 305-451-1819 Feb 7, 9, 14,16

Nephrology Anthony Farias March 27, April 24

Neurology/Neuro Spine Nancy Epstein (Spine) 561-739-9270 Feb 15, March 22

Raul Vasquez-Castellanos (Spine) Feb 28, March 21, April 18

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Victor Faradji March 2, April 6

Ophthalmology Bascom Palmer 786-530-2289 Feb 7, 23, 28

Zach Segal Feb 21, April 18

**Optometry Lauren Nicholas** Feb 10, 24

**Susanna Tamkins** Feb 17, March 17

Orthopaedic Hand Surgery Roberto Miki Feb 24, March 24

Orthopaedic Sports Medicine Michael Swartzon Feb 16, March 17

Orthopaedic Surgery Derek Papp Feb 9, March 2

**Joseph Fernandez** Feb 17, March 17, April 21

**James Voglino** Feb 13, March 3, April 7, May 26 Pediatrics Rosa Fernandez Tele-Med 954-385-6277 (Option 1) Feb 17

Podiatry
Pedro Abrantes
Feb 17, March 3, 17
Sophia Masri

Psychology Joseph Mora Feb 20

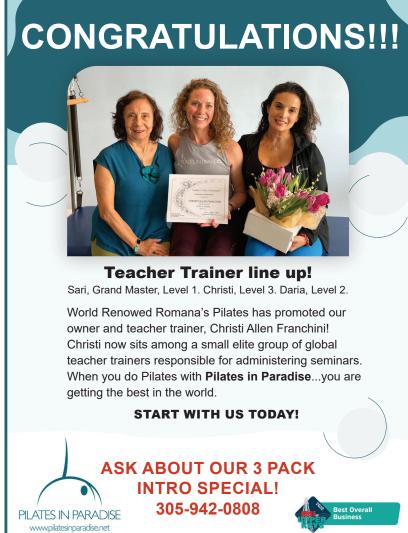
Feb 10, 24

Pulmonary & Sleep Disorders Raul Valor Feb 10, March 3, 31

Spine Care & Pain Management Ronald Tolchin Feb 21, March 7, 21

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Feb 15, March 15, April 19









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KCF Angel Luncheon Chairs Michele Welch, Karen McKee and Didi Streit with guest speaker Lauren Bush Lauren, entrepreneur, philanthropist and Founder of FEED.



Lee Westervelt, KCF Board member, with speaker Catherine Guinovart, a graduate of "Take Stock in Children", a grant program supported by Keys Children's Foundation.

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





#### **SUPER BOWL LVII**

Sunday, February 12

Cultural Center Theater & Compass Room

Kansas City Chiefs vs. Philadelphia Eagles
Pre-Game: 5:00PM • Kick Off: 6:30PM
Complimentary Admission – reservations are not required

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# Everyone's a Winner



'Dot.calm" by Jane Silverman Berman

Over the years, I have reconciled myself to the fact that I will never medal in the Gobble Wobble Fun Run at Thanksgiving, Reindeer Fun Run in December, or Bunny Hop race at Easter. I enjoy sports and being sporty but the only medals I have ever won were in high school a zillion years ago (for choir) and more recently on the water which entailed hours of non-aerobic "fishing" followed by a few intense minutes of "catching."

That's why the Conqueror-Virtual Challenges and Medal app https://www.theconqueror. events is so appealing! You can win medals at your own pace by running, walking, cycling, rowing, skiing, or swimming, and virtually travel over 50 historically interesting courses around the world, download

the free app and pay for each

challenge including the Giza

Pyramids (46 miles), the Camino



Get rewarded with real medals for completing virtual challenges, like "conquering" the Giza Pyramids, through the Conqueror- Virtual Challenges and Medal app.

de Santiago (480 miles), and Route 66 (2280 miles), among others. Advance at your own pace for however long it takes and know that at the end you will receive a medal. Map your progress on the app as you go and unlock virtual postcards exploring your journey's history and culture.

Why bother? Because not only do you get seriously beautiful medals (listen to your inner voice: Must. Have. Medals.) made out of metal that you can hang on your wall-- but each race also plants one tree with the Eden Project https://www.edenproject.com (fyi - their massive indoor glass biomes in Cornwall, UK amazing to visit). You can also choose to stop plastic bottles from entering the ocean through Plastic Bank: **Empowering the World to Stop** Ocean Plastic (stopping plastic before it reaches the ocean) https://plasticbank.com.

The best part besides a sense of accomplishment? Take your medals and donate them to **Medals4Mettle** www. medals4mettle.org (who doesn't love alliteration??). M4M takes your medals and presents them to children and adults battling cancer and other serious illnesses in the race for their lives. Don't just hang your medals on a wall when they can be presented and hung on the neck of real heroes: it's the ultimate message of compassion and support.

Not into this virtual thing? Guess what? It's not too late to register for the **Keys 100 Ultramarathon** https://keys100. com. Race down the Florida Keys with the turquoise beauty of the ocean on one side and the Gulf of Mexico on the other May 20-21. This 100-mile race from Key Largo to Key West is for individual runners or 6-person teams (16.6 miles each!). Too far? They also have the 50-mile option from Marathon to Key West (8.3 miles for each team member) and a 50-kilometer (36.6 miles) individual race from Big Pine Key to Key West.

Not so sporty but love sports? Keys100 is on the hunt for **volunteers** to fill positions including runner check-in and packet pick-up in Key Largo, Marathon, or Big Pine Key; route timing monitors along the way; medical support; finish line support to hand out medals, food and drink distribution; and photographers to capture the finish lines and 100 miles of endurance. Contact race founder Bob Becker bob@ultrasportsllc. com and let him know you are an Ocean Reefer and want to help!

# 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.
- -A discussion of pertinent navigational and weather cell phone apps
- -Demonstration of recommended safety equipment as well as a question and answer period
- -Please RSVP to pljr51@gmail. com and give your name and contact phone number



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# Keeping Your Youngster Happy at Ocean Reef



by Jim Leenhouts

I had a recent four-day opportunity to have two greatgrandsons, ages 4 and 7, visit me with their father. Based on observing the many rear seat occupants in golf carts, Ocean Reef is seemingly inundated with youngsters. Without constant supervision from the front seat, the scene in front of me as I drive is the same chaos that approximated the first of the two days of "TIME OUT" and TEARS" inside my own

I mentioned my frustration

at my weekly meeting of a dozen Ocean Reef Members. A lively conversation ensued that developed a jackpot of marvelous suggestions.

The suggestion that made the next day so very productive was a trip to the Everglades National Park. While not on the "Reef", such tours can be arranged at the Nature Center.

However, my hopes for this concept are much broader than the list I thankfully received at my meeting. I believe the Ocean Reef Community needs an active published inventory of "Youngster-Tested Activities" preferably within Ocean Reef developed from Ocean Reef Members' own experiences. The Ocean Reef Press Editors have agreed to publish them in time for Spring Break. Such activities could be "in-home" or "out and about". I found a floor puzzle "USA map" very effective.

Consider helping your community and its visiting children (and parents) by sharing your own short report sent to the Ocean Reef Press (orp@oceanreef.com) of what has worked for you.

# The Dramatic Life of America's Most Controversial & Creative Architect, Frank Lloyd Wright

Monday, February 13 • Cultural Center



Fallingwater, a 1937 house in Pennsylvania, designed by Frank Lloyd Wright, American architect

Please join The Questers chapters of Ocean Reef on Monday, February 13, 10:30 a.m. at the Cultural Center for a complimentary presentation by René Silvin, Frank Lloyd Wright: The Dramatic Life of America's Most Controversial and Creative Architect. The telling of his story - as Mr. Silvin will illustrate - unfolds like a dramatic work of fiction. René Silvin uses over 200 pictures and videos to give a modern context to Wright's extraordinary life and body of work.

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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# All Good News from The Academy

By Jerome Murphy, Academy Head of School

After spending the last few years hunkered down at The Academy due to the pandemic, we are all so excited to be taking advantage of experiential and other off-campus learning opportunities with our students again this school year

As part of our new Field Studies program, all of our students, Kindergarten through 8th grade, are enjoying the opportunity to engage in several handson learning experiences with their classmates and faculty. By partnering with such organizations as the Everglades Foundation and the impressive Everglades Literacy Program, Island Dolphin Care, Marine Lab, Frost Museum of Science, Everglades Alligator Farm, and Model UN, The Academy is able to bring to life what the students are learning about in their respective classrooms.

This past week, many of our students participated in some exciting trips off campus. Between hiking or slough sledding through the Everglades, kayaking around the historic state park at



Academy students exploring Indian Key.



Everglades Alligator Farm adventures.

Indian Key, and navigating through the Everglades Alligator Farm, our young pioneers and their teachers (thank you all!) happily made it back safely and are better off for the experience! Amidst all of these adventures. The Academy was proud to be recognized for the 5th consecutive year as an Ocean Guardian School! Next, our Kindergarten and 1st graders are looking forward to visiting Island Dolphin Care next week.

In their preparation for the upcoming Model UN

Conference in March, the Academy Middle School students spent last Saturday at the University of Miami preparing and defending their particular positions. Each student delivered a prepared speech reflecting their role as sponsors or signatories on a resolution that passed regarding the topic of limiting screen time/social media.

As part of another busy and exciting week at The Academy, we also took time out of our day to recognize and celebrate our year-long character education initiative. We were pleased to honor this month's "Commitment" award winners at a special assembly last Friday morning. Congratulations to all for demonstrating and best exemplifying the value of commitment!

In preparation for this year's Valentine's Day, our Academy choral group, "Treble in Paradise", is excited to hit the road again to provide in-person Valentine's Day serenades



"Commitment" award winners (front to back and left to right) Rori Howell, Siena Wright, Luke Neves, Oliver Thomson, Lily Thurkettle, and Breanna Abreu, with Head of School Jerome Murphy.

on Tuesday, February 14th to any ORC and/or Academy family interested in arranging a nice surprise gift for their Valentine. For more information, please contact Head of School, Jerome Murphy, at 305-367-2409 or <a href="mailto:jmurphy@oracademy.org">jmurphy@oracademy.org</a>. Love is in the air....don't miss a special performance for your loved one!

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# TENNIS TRUNK SHOWS

**Saturday, February 4**Tennis & Games Center

#### Lucky in Love

8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Enjoy a 20% discount on all items at the Lucky in Love Trunk Show.

#### **Bisous Glasses**

8 a.m. to 2 p.m. For details, call the Tennis Pro Shop at 305-367-6583.



# Farmer's Market Favorites

By Susan Bohan

The grills at The Reef are in full use it would seem if the lines at Lomelo's are any gauge. Jorge Lorenzo is busy every Monday and Thursday selling his many cuts of beef as well as his mouth-watering lamb chops until he runs out. So get there early next week if you are planning to grill for Super Bowl Sunday!

Another source for the big game is Harvey's BBQ, which has made hosting your Philadelphia or Kansas City friends easy. They have put together a few easy menus:

- The Full Sampler (serves 6 8)
- The Junior Sampler (serves 2-4)

Both include chicken, pulled pork, beef brisket, ribs and choice of three sides (slaw, potato salad, baked beans, mac 'n cheese).

Also available are grilled wings and an a la carte menu of any of the above. They will deliver to Ocean Reef Members Sunday between 3



Jorge Lorenzo with Lomelo's Meat & Seafood

and 5pm for the "Big Game" through the exclusive website: harveysbbqkitchenoceanreef. square.site or by calling or texting Natalie at 305-439-4732. Or, stop by next week and order direct. Orders must be submitted by February 9 but the earlier the better!

#### John's Jungle Returns

On Monday, February 6, John's Jungle will be back to the Farmer's Market. Many Members have asked about the beautiful multi-colored purses and baskets whose sales benefit the hundreds of families in Ghana. He will also bring a woven dog bed and a few other surprises so please stop by and perhaps even stay for lunch!

# Proposed for Membership

Through Feb. 9, 2023

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 Alice & Michael Meehan**are Sr. Legacy members
are applying for Equity
membership. Mr. and Mrs.

Meehan are purchasing 38A Moorings and the equity from Andrew Rein. They are residents of Gwynedd, Pennsylvania. Their sponsors are Lou Polisano and Ray Larkin.

Cindy & Ralph Antolino are new Members applying for Equity membership. Mr. and Mrs. Antolino are purchasing 131 Beach Road, unit 104 and the equity from Leigh Sansone. They are residents of Enighed, St. John. They belong to Athletic Club of Columbus. Their sponsors are Rick Kocera, Cathy Langham and Charlie Johnston on behalf of the Board of Directors.



# What Will Interest You At the Art League?



by Susan Bohan

Last week the Art League had two classes that were particularly interesting but for different reasons.

"Hands on Clay with
Stacey Frisch" was the third
class of Session 2 and had
both established artists like
Gail Noyes and Nancy
Hillenbrand and newer
Members, Meg Sellig and
Christine Holland. Meg
used to own an art school in
New Jersey but concentrated
on working with fabrics and
paint herself. She commented,



Meg Sellig and Christine Holland enjoy Hands on Clay with Stacey Frisch.

"I haven't done clay in a long time and it is good therapy!" Christine moved to The Reef in July from Virginia Beach. "Now that my kids are in the Academy every day I finally have time to stimulate my brain." This is her third art class and although she claims she has no artistic talent, I think she may discover that she does!

The "Genealogy with Tamara Hallo" course was beginning its introductory class with 9 Members learning how to do family searches with a step-by-step methodology. They were learning that there are numerous programs available with some public and others private and how to load them onto their laptops. By the sixth and last class of the Session, it will be interesting to follow up with some of the attendees to see if their goal of family discovery was reached.

The Art League truly has something for everyone, even those who do not consider themselves artists. Sign up for a course and see how much you can expand knowledge and creativity that you never realized you had!

# Painting Ocean Reef Opening Show

Don't miss the Opening Show tonight, 5pm to 7pm to see the works of the "Painting Ocean Reef" at the Art League. The 20 Master Artists who have been painting all over



Tamara Hallo guides Members through a genealogy course.

The Reef since Thursday will have all their works on display until February 10. You can find your favorite place painted by your favorite artist to bring home to enjoy every day! Those scheduled are Natalia Andreeva, Linda Apriletti, Greg Barnes, Cathy Berse, John Caggiano, Kathleen Denis, Sally Evans, Timothy Forman, Catherine Hillis, Lizzie Hunter, Gisella Llorens, Andres Lopez, Brian Murphy. Kathleen Newman, Gerald Obregon, Morgan Samuel Price, Jacqueline Roch, Tom Sadler, Julie Skoda and Carol Strock Wasson.

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# Gorgeous for the Gala — ORC Spa Valmont Facial Event



Spa Notes" by Jillian Barron, The Spa Director

Just in time to get gorgeous skin before the Gala, The Spa is excited to host a special facial event with Valmont, Anti-Aging Swiss Cellular Cosmetic Experts since 1985. For over 35 years, Valmont facials have exemplified aesthetic expertise while offering a moment of well-being and self-indulgence. In 2022, La Maison Valmont launched a new menu of facials that leave the skin visibly transformed and glowing in newfound youth.

On Friday, February 10th, just in time for the Gala, we have a limited number of facial appointments available with Valmont's National Educator and Esthetician, Melissa Marin to receive Valmont's specialized anti-aging facial – Energy of the Glaciers Treatment.

After several years of development, the Valmont facial treatments have been elevated and enhanced with new movements and products to touch all the senses and modernize the client experience. Not only will clients get to experience more of Valmont's amazing products, they will also see a visible difference in their skin, proven by the trial testing that was conducted when these treatments were developed.

Valmont's iconic Energy of the Glaciers Facial erases signs of fatigue for a fresh, energized and radiant complexion. This treatment revitalizes the skin by stimulating the oxygenation of cells with an energizing and relaxing facial massage, working with the vascular system. In just one treatment there is a 10.2% reduction of dullness and grayness. Designed for all skin types; this treatment is especially recommended for clients who suffer from dull, devitalized skin or those who are looking to erase signs of fatigue for a healthy, youthful appearance.

You can request to book an appointment by calling The Spa at 305-367-6506. Special pricing for this facial event is only \$150 and also gives you a \$150 credit to use on Valmont's skincare products to take home! (24-hour cancellation notice is required to avoid a 100% charge.)

#### **Boy's Club Barber Package**

Gentlemen, we also still have our Boy's Club package with Perry the Barber available for the \$95 special introductory price through 2/14/23! You do need extra time, so if you already have a haircut scheduled, be sure to call and ask to see Perry, and extend the appointment time. You can ask specifically for the

ORC Boy's Club Barber package!

# The Boys Club Barber Package introductory price is \$95 and includes:

- Tailored Haircut with Shampoo / Conditioning Treatment & Scalp Massage
- Neck Shave
- Hydrating Hand treatment
- Hot Towel and Facial Massage

#### **UPCOMING SPA EVENTS:**

- Friday, 2/3: Irresistibles Jewelry
  & Accessories Trunk Show 9 am
   3 pm
- Saturday, 2/4: Aura Headpieces
   Accessories Trunk Show 9 am
   3 pm
- Monday, 2/6: Idalia Baudo
   Trunk Show 9 am 3 pm
- Tuesday, 2/7: Idalia Baudo
   Trunk Show 9 am 3 pm
- Friday, 2/10: Zoe's Empire Trunk Show 9 am – 3 pm
- Friday, 2/10: Valmont Facial Event 10 am – 5 pm (appointment required – limited spots available)

# Tiara Yachts NOW Available at Ocean Reef®





Everything at Tiara Yachts centers around the enjoyment of family, friends, and the water. This focus is brought to life through thoughtful and sophisticated design. Every model from Tiara Yachts is visually stunning, incredibly comfortable, and technologically advanced assuring you a great day on the water, every time you enjoy your yacht.



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#### **WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS**

#### 3 FRIDAY

AA Meeting

7:30m • Chapel Board Room Call 305-390-4983 for additional AA Meetings

Tai Chi Class

7:30am • Member Fitness Center

MGA Old Buddy Tournament Day 3 9am • Dolphin & Hammock Course

**Gameio Tennis Clinic** 

10am • Tennis & Games Center

**Tennis Member Guest Tournament** 2-5:30pm • Tennis & Games Center

Come Sail Away: Bullseye Sailing 2pm • Card Sound Sailing Club

**Golf Clinic with Dave Vihlen** 3pm • Driving Range

"Whitney Houston: I Wanna Dance with Somebody" (PG13) 4:30 & 7:30pm • Cultural Center

#### 4 SATURDAY

Danish & Coffee 7-10am ● The Point (Members Only)

Cardio Boxing Class & Yoga Nidra Class

8am • Member Fitness Center

**Tennis Trunk Show** 

8:30am-3:30 • Tennis & Games

**Tennis Member Guest Tournament** 9am-1pm • Tennis & Games Center

Cars & Coffee

9-11am • Business Center Parking Lot

**Grand Seafood Buffet** 

5:30-10pm • The Ocean Room

#### **5 SUNDAY**

**Danish & Coffee** 

7-10am • The Point (Members Only)

**Tennis Member Guest Tournament Finals** 

8:30am-1pm • Tennis & Games Center

**Gameio Tennis Clinic** 

10am • Tennis & Games Center

**Guided Eco-Kayak Tour** 

10am • Meet at Pool Desk

**Aqua Cardio Class** 

11am • Member Fitness Pool

**Golf Clinic with Tom Gibson** 3-4pm • Driving Range

"Whitney Houston: I Wanna Dance

with Somebody" (PG13) 4:30 & 7:30pm • Cultural Center

Cocktails

5–8pm • The Point (Members

#### 6 MONDAY

**Sweat Class** 

8am • Member Fitness Center

**Beach Yoga** 

8am • Buccaneer Island

**Farmer's Market** 

11am-4pm • Field at Four Corners

**Women Wickets & Wine** 

3:30-5pm • Croquet Lawn

**Ladies Invitational Dinner** 

6pm • Town Hall

Men's Card Night 6:45pm • Card & Games Room

AA Meeting

7:30pm • Yacht Club Room Call 305-390-4983 for additional AA Meetings

#### 7 TUESDAY

**Cycle Class** 

6am • Member Fitness Center

**Master Swim Class** 

7am • Member Fitness Pool

**Pickleball Cardio** 

8am • Tennis & Games Center

**Ladies Golf Invitational Day 1** 

9am • Member Fitness Center

**Golf Clinic with Tom Gibson** 

3pm • Driving Range

#### 8 WEDNESDAY

Intercessory Prayer 8am • Chapel Fellowship Hall B

**Gameio Tennis Clinic** 

10am • Tennis & Games Center

**Golf Clinic with Dave Vihlen** 

10am • Driving Range

Mah Jongg, Canasta & **Backgammon Open Play** 

10am-4pm • Card & Games Room

Chair Yoga Class

11am • Member Fitness Center

**Stretch & Mobility Class** 

3pm • Member Fitness Center

**Lifebreathe Class** 

4pm • Member Fitness Center

**Gameio Tennis Clinic** 

4:30-5:30pm • Tennis & Games Center

"Whitney Houston: I Wanna Dance with Somebody" (PG13)

7:30pm • Cultural Center

#### 9 THURSDAY

**Cycle Class** 

6am • Member Fitness Center

Men's Pickleball League

8am • Tennis & Games Center

Mah Jongg, Canasta & **Backgammon Open Play** 

10am-4pm • Card & Games Room

**Gameio Tennis Clinic** 

10am & 11am • Tennis & Games Center

Farmer's Market

11am-4pm • Field at Four Corners

**Crocquet Crocodile Cup** 

2pm • Croquet Lawn

**Raw Bar Lobster Bake** 

5-9pm • Raw Bar

**Specialty Dinner: Coming of Age** 6:30pm • Carysfort Kitchen

**Burgee Bar Karaoke** 

9pm • Burgee Bar

#### = For full list of events pick up a copy of This Week at the Reef! =

#### **OCEAN REEF STORE HOURS**

#### **Member Fitness Center**

Mon.-Fri. • 6am − 7pm Sat. & Sun. ● 7am – 5pm 305-367-5820

#### Peter Millar

Sun.-Thurs. & Sun. ● 10am – 5pm Fri. & Sat. • 10am – 6pm 305-367-5820

#### The Burgee Shop

Mon.-Thurs. & Sun. ● 9am – 5pm Fri. & Sat. • 9am – 7pm 305-367-2611, ext. 5515

#### Port O' Call Wine & Spirits

Mon.-Thurs. & Sun. 11am-8pm Fri. & Sat. • 11am – 9pm 305-367-5999

#### Golf Shop

Daily • 7:30am − 5:30pm 305-367-5912

#### **Tennis Pro Shop**

Daily • 8am − 5:30pm 305-367-6583

#### Ocean Reef Gift Shop

Daily 7am – 7pm 305-367-2611, ext. 7139

#### **TACO & TEQUILA TUESDAY**

#### **PALM COURT NIGHTS CANTINA**

Tuesdays • 6-9pm

Enjoy any margarita served with house tequila and any two tacos on the menu for \$26.

No Reservations Required.

# ON SCREEN & STAGE

General Admission \$12, Donors \$10 Children (under 12) \$6 Movie Hotline: 305-367-6306



#### "Whitney Houston: I Wanna Dance with Somebody" (PG13)

Fri. February 3 • 4:30PM & 7:30PM Sun. February 5 • 4:30PM & 7:30PM Wed. February 8 • 7:30PM Runtime: 2hr 24min

Stars: Naomi Ackie, Stanley Tucci, Ashton Sanders

A joyous, emotional, heartbreaking celebration of the life and music of Whitney Houston, one of the greatest female R&B pop vocalists of all time, tracking her journey from obscurity to musical superstardom.

#### WAR

Sat. February 4 • 8 PM \$200 Dinner • \$225 Non-Donor Pre-performance dinner \$62++

WAR has been sharing its timeless music and message of brotherhood and harmony for over 4 decades before millions across the globe. The long list of hits includes "Low Rider," "The World Is A Ghetto," "Why Can't We Be Friends," "The Cisco Kid," and many more.

#### Food & Film: Blind Ambition

Mon. February 6 • 4:30 PM \$63++ Optional Dinner

Must be a Film Society Member to attend. Four Zimbabwean refugees journey to South Africa for a better life. They miraculously form a friendship and team to compete as sommeliers in the "World Wine Tasting Championships" in France. This uplifting story with passion and spirit will capture your heart. South African Cuisine/Wine

#### Laura Benanti - Cabaret

Thurs. February 9 • 5 & 7:30 PM \$200 Donor • \$225 Non-Donor

Ticket price includes dinner Tony® Award-winner and five-time Tony® Award nominee Laura Benanti is a highly celebrated stage and screen actress.

**Cultural Center Museum** 

Daily 9am-4pm • Open During Movies

**Library Hours** 

Monday - Thursday • 10am-2pm

#### **CLUB SHOPPING**

#### **Joan the Shopper**













All Charities Shopping
Opportunities....I love All
Charities! It's such a big deal and
the Gala— really is gala.... But
I'm a shopper, so it's no surprise
that one of the things I especially
enjoy about the AC weekend
is browsing the catalog for
biddable items that personally
intrigue me.... What follows are
just a few suggestions. Think of
it as an appetizer.

## PICTURED Beast and the Beauty

The first two pictures on the top row show the work of two painters, who specialize in creating personal portraits. Linda Salisbury has developed a following for her wonderful dog portraits.... As for the second painter Lyndsay Segrave, it is apparent from the portrait that appears here, that she is very good at capturing faces. If there are any devoted husbands out there, a painting by Lyndsay might make a great Valentine's Day present.

**Dress-Up** (top row r.) .... Some young lady is going to love this three-tiered floral dress accessorized with a pink ORC hat and beaded handbag. From *Gloss by Anne*, a favored Fishing Village shop.

#### A Penny for your Knife

That Shun Premier Knife Block Set would make a great gift but don't forget to add a penny. It

is an old tradition that prevents cutting off your friendship. In addition to the penny this handforged Japanese-crafted knife set comes with a \$1000 William Sonoma gift certificate.

#### Timing is Everything

So what could be better than this 20-inch clock that is set in the style of a traditional Nantucket basket with cane and reed construction. Plus, if you look at midnight, you will see a familiar Ocean Reef burgee. The clock is a donation from the *Art League*.

#### **OR Signature Bag**

This bag has the Ocean Reef montage that is my design (Joan Birsh). I donate two of these bags to the All Charities Auctions each year. I love seeing nice ladies carrying my bag and I hope two nice ladies will be the successful bidders this year. I'll be looking for you!

#### **Last Word**

You have until next Saturday (when online bidding closes at 10:30 p.m.) to select, bid and hopefully succeed in buying some of the exciting possibilities the catalog offers. And no guilt! The money you spend at the All Charities auction goes to worthy causes. For more information about the auction and how to bid online, see the article on page 1.

by Joan Birsh

#### WINING & DINING

#### MONDAY, FEB. 6 - SUNDAY, FEB. 12

#### Palm Court

Lunch Daily 11:30am-3:30pm

#### **Palm Court Nights Cantina**

Dinner Mon., Tues., & Fri. 6-9pm • Superbowl To-Go Pick Up Sun. 2:30-6pm

#### **Beach Bar & Grill**

Beverages Daily 11am-8pm Food Daily 11:30am-5pm

#### Islander & Sushi Bar\*

Mon.-Thurs., & Sun. 5:30-9pm Fri. & Sat. 5:30-10pm Equity Member Only Night Thursday

#### The Ocean Room

Breakfast Mon.-Sat. 7-11am • Sun. 7am-12pm (Buffet Sat. & Sun.) Dinner Tues.-Thurs. 5:30-9pm • Fri. & Sat. 5:30-10pm Equity Member Only Night Tuesday

#### **Gianni Ristorante\***

Dinner Mon.-Thurs. & Sun. 5:30-9pm Fri. & Sat. 5:30-10pm G the Bar opens 30 min. before dinner Equity Member Only Night Monday

#### **Raw Bar**

Lunch Daily 11am-4pm • Dinner Daily 4-9pm Lobster Bake Thursday

#### Port O' Call Wine & Spirits

Mon.-Thurs. & Sun. 11am-8pm • Fri. & Sat. 11am-9pm

#### **Reef Treats**

Mon.-Thurs. & Sun. 7am-9pm • Fri. & Sat. 7am-10pm

#### **Reef Hut**

Lunch Mon.-Sat. 11am-4pm • Dinner Mon.-Fri. 5-8pm

#### Reef Eats

Breakfast Daily 7am-11am Dinner Mon-Thurs. & Sun. 4-10pm ● Fri.-Sat. 4-11pm 305- 367-5898

#### Fitness Café

Mon.-Fri. 7am-5pm • Sat. & Sun. 7am-3pm

#### The Point (Members Only)

Coffee Sat. & Sun. 7-10am • Cocktails Fri.-Sun. 5-8pm

#### Burgee Bar

Dinner Ďaily 5-10pm Cocktails Mon.-Thurs. & Sun. 5pm-12am • Fri. & Sat. 5pm-1am

#### Reef Lounge

Small Plates Daily 5-10pm Cocktails Mon.-Thurs. & Sun. 5-11pm Fri. & Sat. 5pm-12am

#### CH Prime (Members Only)\*

Dinner Mon.-Thurs. & Sun. 5:30-9pm • Fri. & Sat. 5:30-10pm Equity Member Only Night Wednesday

#### CH Lounge (Members Only)\*

Small Plates Mon.-Thurs. & Sun. 5-9pm  $\bullet$  Fri. & Sat. 5-10pm

#### Toski's

Open Daily 9am-4pm

#### **Town Hall Waterside**

Dinner Wed., Thurs., & Sun. 5-9pm • Fri. & Sat. 5-10pm

#### Grill Room (Members Only)

Lunch Mon.-Fri. 11am-4pm • Brunch Sat. & Sun. 9am-4pm Dinner Daily 4-9pm

#### **Rum Runner**

Open Daily 9am-4pm

Visit oceanreef.com/Dining for menus and weekly specials. For dining reservations, call 305-367-5931. \*Reservations required.





# Dining Special Events

#### COOKING SCHOOL CLASSES:

FLAVORS OF FRANCE

with Chef Philippe Reynaud Monday, February 13 · 9:30am - 12:30pm

#### **MODERN TRADITIONS**

with Chef Scott Drewno Monday, February 20 · 9:30am - 12:30pm

#### **GRAND SEAFOOD BUFFETS:**

Saturday, February 4 & February 18 6:00 to 8:30pm Seatings • Ocean Room At these elegant buffets, diners sample delicious, freshly-caught seafood, masterful recipes and unique flavors from waters around the globe.

#### SPECIALTY DINNERS:

#### **COMING OF AGE**

Thursday, February 9 · 6:30pm Carysfort Cooking School Featuring Komos Tequila.

#### **BOURBON INDULGENCE**

Thursday, February 16 · 6:30pm Carysfort Cooking School Whether you are a new connoisseur or a bourbon OG, this dinner is sure to indulge your

#### VINE TO TABLE DINNERS:

Embark on a very special series of dinners that pair exquisite wines with an array of culinary delights.

#### A NIGHT IN PARIS

Tuesday, February 14 · 6:30pm Carysfort Hall

#### ALL IN THE FAMILY

Tuesday, February 21 · 6:30pm Carysfort Hall

#### **BASIC INSTINCT**

Tuesday, February 28 · 6:30pm Carysfort Hall

> Details & Reservations: 305-367-5931



#### **EQUITY MEMBER GET-TOGETHER:** CRAFT YOUR OWN COCKTAIL

Wednesday, February 1 · 4–6pm Carysfort Cooking School Details & Registration: 305-367-6516

#### RAW BAR LOBSTER BAKE

Thursday, February. 2, 9, 16 & 23 · 5-9pm Enjoy fresh, succulent Maine Lobster and a complete selection of sides. Details: 305-367-5818

#### MEMBER-GUEST TENNIS TOURNAMENT February 3, 4 & 5

Tennis & Games Center

Watch or compete in the 50th Annual Member-Guest Tennis Tournament! The weekend will have a cocktail reception on Friday and an awards presentation on Sunday. Details & Registration: 305-367-6583

#### **CARS & COFFEE**

Saturday, February 4 • 9-11am Business Center Parking Lot Members are invited to bring vintage automobiles, sports cars or any cool conveyance, or just stop by for a morning of "car talk" over coffee and lite

#### **GOLF CROQUET DOUBLES CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**

breakfast bites. Complimentary.

Friday, February 10 · 1-5pm Croquet Lawn

Golf Croquet is a cross between putting a golf ball and shooting pool. It is strategic, skillful, fun and social. Details & Registration: 305-367-6583

#### **EQUITY MEMBER GET-TOGETHER:** WINE & CHEESE SOCIAL

Friday, February 10 · 5-7pm Clubhouse Pergola

Taste wine selections and enjoy some lite bites with fellow Equity Members. Details & Registration: 305-367-6516

#### ALL CHARITIES WEEKEND

February 10, 11 & 12

Support nonprofits on and off The Reef. Bid online at www.bidorc.org. Details: 305-367-5996

#### SUPER BOWL LVII VIEWING

Sunday, February 12 5pm Pre-Game, 6:30pm Kick Off Cultural Center Theatre & Compass Room Watch the Super Bowl live on the big screen. Kenny Channels will be performing in the courtyard. Complimentary. Food and drinks available for purchase. Details: 305-367-6300

#### VALENTINE'S DAY IN THE FISHING VILLAGE

Tuesday, February 14 · 11am-1pm Shop & stroll through the village with your loved one and enjoy complimentary champagne, sales and more.

#### FAMILY TRIVIA NIGHT Friday, February 17 • 7pm

Carysfort Hall

Enjoy a night of competitive trivia and fun for the whole family. Details: 305-367-6516

#### ART & FASHION WALK

Saturday, February 18 11am – 2pm • Fishing Village

Enjoy a wide array of art, caricatures and much more. Fashion show begins at 1:00pm in the Reef Treats parking lot.

Details: 305-367-6516

#### LADIES' & MEN'S DOUBLES TENNIS **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**

February 18 & 19 • 9am Tennis & Games Center

Come watch your fellow Members battle it out in the finals! Details & Registration: 305-367-6583

#### FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Saturday, February 18 • 5-10pm Town Hall Waterside

Stop by to participate in complimentary activities the whole family can enjoy. Details: 305-367-6516

#### ALL MEMBER GET-TOGETHER

Monday, February 20 · 8-10am Town Hall Porte-cochère

Enjoy a coffee break and delicious surprises with your fellow Members. Complimentary. Details & Reservations: 305-367-5921 or membership@oceanreef.com

#### FAT TUESDAY CELEBRATION

Tuesday, February 21 · 6-8pm Field at Four Corners

We've turned the Field at Four Corners into a Fat Tuesday Celebration. Complimentary activities, food and beverage will be available for purchase. Details: 305-367-6516

#### YAPPY HOUR

Wednesday, February 22 · 4-6pm Dog Park

Pets and their owners are invited to pick up a complimentary tasty treat! Details: 305-367-6516

#### TRIPLE GOLF CLASSIC

February 22 - 25

Men and Ladies' two-player teams compete in the Club's own unique golf event. Details & Registration: 305-367-5912

#### LADIES' & MEN'S PICKLEBALL SENIOR **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**

Monday, February 27 · 8:30am Tennis & Games Center Members 60+ are invited to participate in this fun new competition! Details & Registration: 305-367-6583

#### **EVENING OF BRIDGE IN** THE OCEAN ROOM

Monday, February 27 • 4:30pm Ocean Room

Join your fellow Members for a friendly game of bridge followed by cocktails and dinner at 7:00pm. Details & Registration: 305-367-6609

# **SPORTS**

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# ORYC Parties in Key West



by Sarah A. Cart

Key West welcomed 26 boats and more than 100 Ocean Reef revelers with the Ocean Reef Yacht Club (ORYC) as January drew to a close. The outing, hosted by Commodore **Don** and Commodora **Denise Bermant**, included three nights of great gatherings and days full of independent explorations.

While some cruised down to the Conch Republic a day early, the first official event was Wednesday evening docktails arranged by Fleet Capt. Craig Wierda. Served off the aft deck of Past Commodore Henry and Suzanne Stout's Truant, the get-together on the floating dock of the Galleon Marina included the firing of a sunset cannon and the blowing of the conch by Commodore Bermant. Later that night several ORYC carousers gathered upstairs at Irish Kevin's to enjoy comradery, laughter and song.

Thursday morning saw



The upstairs of Irish Kevin's was a fun spot for those ORYC members who had the energy to carry the partying into the night.

many of the mariners gather at Pepe's Café for breakfast. After a day of exploring the city (only one mile wide and four miles long, the largest city in Florida until 1900), and its shops, galleries, museums, restaurants and pubs, the crowd descended on Papa's Pilar Rum Distillery, Hemingway Rum Company. There an exuberant trio of musicians, one a flapper clarinetist/saxophonist, played toe-tapping music that brought a 1930s speakeasy to mind. In addition to tasting the various rums, attendees enjoyed cocktails tailored to ORYC, with clever names including Don's Old Fashioned, Midnight at Sea, Riding High Daiquiri, Yacht Club Express, Ocean Reef Colada and Rising Tide during a Hurricane.

After additional independent



Commodore Don Bermant (at right) welcomed Ocean Reef Yacht Club members to the first evening of the ORYC "Cruise to Key West" with celebratory docktails in the Galleon Marina.

explorations, including many taking in the music of the concurrent Mile 0 Festival, the crowd gathered again Friday evening. The occasion was a farewell dinner at the Hot Tin Roof, Ocean Key Resort, and the main topic of conversation

proved to be the weather as that would dictate which route to take and when to head home. As the weekend dawned, some braved the wind and headed north to Key Largo while many chose to wait a day or two until it laid down.

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## Dynamic Duo

#### Academy of Golf Teaching Pros Honored By Golf Digest

By Holly Houser, Ocean Reef Press

Those who've taken a golf lesson know the high caliber of Golf Professional talent here at Ocean Reef. When that talent is also acknowledged on the national level, it's harmonious.

Last week, two members of Ocean Reef's Academy of Golf instruction staff. Director of Instruction Derek Swoboda and PGA Teaching Professional Stef Shaw, were named to Golf Digest's prestigious Best Young Teachers in America list for 2023-2024. "We are extremely proud that Golf Digest has recognized Derek and Stef for their accomplishments as both outstanding teaching professionals, and as ambassadors for Ocean Reef in the golf world," said Alex Tonarelli, Club President.

Golf Digest has published their biennial list since 2008 as a way to identify the country's most talented golf instructors in their 20s and 30s. Every other year, the publication receives a vast number of applications submitted from all corners of the United States, and all go through extensive vetting processes, ultimately being voted on by panels of judges comprised of industry experts.

"This year the Best Young Teachers selection process included more applicants than ever, and the competition was



Director of Instruction Derek Swoboda and PGA Teaching Professional Stef Shaw – Academy of Golf dynamic duo – at Pinehurst.

fierce," Senior Editor Golf Digest Ron Kaspriske said in an email to Swoboda. "We're confident we've identified the instructors under age 40 who are making the biggest impact on the industry and in more ways than ever..."

Swoboda has been Ocean Reef's Director of Golf since 2018 and most recently won the SFPGA Southern Chapter Teacher of the Year Award in 2020, Golf Digest's 2021-2022 Best Teachers in Florida, and GOLF Magazine's 2021-2022 Teachers to Watch. Shaw, who has been an Ocean Reef teaching professional since 2021, that year, was recognized as both a Golf Digest Best Young Teacher in America and a Golf Range Association of America Top 100 Growth of the Game Teaching Professional.

"As a young teaching professional, it is an honor to receive this recognition alongside Stef," said Swoboda, who has been nominated as a Best Young Teacher in years past. "I feel privileged to join the throes of many of the best teachers in the country and I am proud in the

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way our team has represented Ocean Reef."

Shaw too said she is excited about being named a *Golf Digest* Best Young Teacher in America. This will be her third time securing a position on the list. "The Best Young Teacher award is very special to me because it is voted on by our peers in addition to industry experts," expressed Shaw. "It is a prestigious award and I am very proud to have been selected and to be able to share that recognition with someone I

consider not only my director but also my friend."

Over the past few years, the talent displayed by the team of Academy Teaching Professionals - made up of Swoboda, Shaw, Dave Vihlen, and Tom Gibson has brought the Academy of Golf to another level. "Derek and Stef, as well as the whole Academy of Golf Team, have been wonderful assets to the Golf Operation at Ocean Reef Club," said Director of Golf Mike Leone. "With hundreds of teaching professionals in the running, this truly is an amazing award to receive. It is a real testament to the talent we have here at the Academy of Golf. I look forward to seeing what more is in store for these two and our Golf program at Ocean Reef."

To schedule a lesson with any of the Club's Teaching Professionals at the Driving Range, Academy of Golf, or on the golf courses, call the Golf Shop at 305-367-5912.



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# Mixed Couples Golf Championship & More



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

We would like to thank everyone again for the largest field to ever compete in the Mixed Couples Championship. The Championship format was Better Ball of Partners Shamble where both players needed to be on top of their game in order to climb the leaderboard.

For our gross division, it came down one shot. **Andy Andrews'** impressive bogey-free round led his team to victory with a gross team score of 64. Congratulations to Andy and **Carol Andrews!** In



Carol and Andy Andrews, Mixed Couples Golf Gross Champions

the net division, many teams were in the hunt but the **Seale** team was a match made in heaven for the risk/reward (shamble) format. Erin Seale took advantage of her eagle opportunities throughout the day in route to an impressive net team score of 53. Congratulations to Jim and Erin Seale for winning our net division.

Please see right for full results from the 2023 Mixed Couples Championship.

#### **Upcoming Demo Days**

Titleist – February 4th Ping – February 10th



Erin and Jim Seale, Mixed Couples Golf Net Champions

Stop by the Driving Range to test out the latest and greatest equipment on the market. This time of the year is when the top manufacturers are releasing their new lines. We are lucky enough to have representatives from each company come down and allow our Members to test these out. Any orders placed on these demo days receive a 25% discount. Appointments are available and may be made by calling the Golf Shop (305-367-5912).

#### 9 Hole LGA Ringer Tournament

The perfect weather on Day

3 must have inspired the 9 Hole LGA group. There were plenty of low scores in this two-week tournament, but only one was better than the rest. Congratulations to **Karen Gregorich** with a net score of -9 27. Great playing!

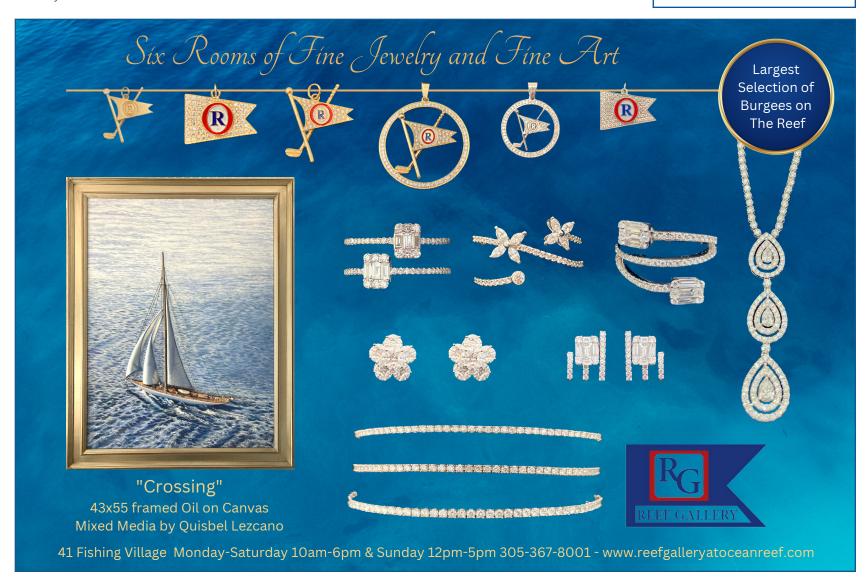
#### **GOLF SCOREBOARD**

#### 9 Hole LGA, Ringer Tournament Thursday, January 26

First Place: Karen Gregorich Second Place: Sandra Fish Third Place: Susan Reichardt Closest to the Pin: Heidi Hoyt Longest Drive: Stacey Lahey

# Mixed Couples Championship Saturday, January 28

First Place Net: Jim & Erin Seale Second Place Net: John & Pam Gibson Third Place Net: George & Amy Joseph First Place Gross: Andy & Carol Andrews Second Place Gross: Max French & Kelsey Thiele Closest to the Hole: Max French (#2), Carol Andrews (#12)



## Windy Conditions on the Pond



by Windsor D. Coffin, CSMYC Commodore

While our friends at the Card Sound Sailing Club endured the third Saturday in a row where their Bullseyes sat at the dock due to wind conditions beyond stated safety limits, the CSMYC model yacht sailors simply switched to our smaller, heavier air "B" rigs and went racing. That is the difference between sailing aboard a boat or safely sailing one from the shores of a lagoon. One thing is for certain, the windy conditions make things interesting on the racecourse.

I arrived early on Sunday morning, as I always do, but this



Lynne Mast, starter horn in hand, discusses racing while waiting for the fleet to be ready for the next race. Photo by Erin Coffin.

time it was to test some repairs to Erin Coffin's "A" rig for her EC12 model yacht. Most of the repairs were fine (except for one) but it was immediately apparent that for racing the "A" rig was going to give too much sail area for the conditions. With that, the "A" went back into the sail box and out came the "B" rig. There was a little bit of discussion on the shore whether someone might try the "A" rig anyway, but during the first race it was clear that even the "B" rig was on the borderline of too much power. Though the wind velocity did make things a little more challenging, it did help to fill in some of the usual calm spots on the pond and it quickened the pace of racing. As such, we were able to get six races instead of the usual five races. When racing was over a new name was atop the leaderboard as Ioe Robillard took his first winning day at the CSMYC! Joe's sailing on the day was full of great starts and solid, uneventful racing. His strategy was simply to keep out of the melee... something he did exceptionally well. In second place for the day was yours truly, Windsor Coffin. My day was full of bad starts which meant constantly clawing back through the field, so second place does, in many ways, feel like a win. Rounding out the top

three was **Al Mast**. Once again, **Lynne Mast** was there running the Race Committee and we are tremendously thankful that she has been coming out to lend a hand, so Erin does not have to pull double duty racing her boat and running the races.

Early forecasts for Sunday, February 5 are showing wild inconsistency. By the time this article is published we will know what the conditions will be like on race day, but right now it is anyone's guess.

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.



# This Big One Didn't Get Away



by Christine Patton, Rod & Gun Club

When I think of fishing, I think of the quiet lapping of water against the bow of a flats boat, and the gentle drip, drip, drip of the water off the end of the guide's pole as he quietly repositions it for the next thrust. By marriage, and therefore by training, I am a fly fisherman, but I know too, the pleasures of patch fishing, especially in a boat of fellow lady anglers, where the conversation is always more productive than even



You may remember seeing this photo of Larry Johnston and his 440-pound swordfish as last week's Recent Catch, but below, you can read the story.

the best day's catch. Standing around the gunnels, watching the line for a telltale twitch, I have shared healthcare adventures, local gossip and heartfelt confessions, all of which are, at the end of

the day, as satisfying as the catch of mutton snappers and yellowtail. But what I have not experienced, and what I think is high drama at sea, is sport-fishing for marlin, sailfish and swordfish. Bigger boats, bigger quarry, bigger stakes. A recent outing by an Ocean Reef Member is a good illustration.

Seas the Day, with Larry Johnston and his captain, John Wolf aboard, went out one day this month for some deep sea fishing. Off Ocean Reef in about 1500 feet of water, they hooked a Swordfish, a big one that took them for quite a ride, the quarter-ton fish dragging the 37-foot Boston Whaler 18 miles away from where they originally hooked her up. The massive fish fought for 6 1/2 hours, giving the two fishermen plenty to do. She took out 600 feet of harpoon line, aired out 3 times, and pulled the dart on

the buoy. Compare the scene on this boat to a quiet day on the flats... At some point some might have thought the monster would get off, maybe when the harpoon was lost overboard or when they had to jury rig a flying gaff by marrying a meat hook and a deck brush handle! But finally the 440-pound fish, an outstanding size if not a record (the record of 462 is held by the father/son team of Bud Copeland and Capt. Wade Copeland and recorded on the board outside of Reef Treats), was landed. It all worked out in the end, but what a fight she gave. As Larry said, "It was fun." I think it sounds like something out of Hemingway.

Hats off to Larry Johnston and John Wolf, and here's to the fishermen/women of Ocean Reef, who have the option to fish in so many different ways, all right out our door.

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# Boating Safety #11 Coast Guard Auxiliary Patrol - Chugs & Rustics



by Robert Broton, Flotilla Commander, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary-Ocean Reef

On patrol all day Thursday under orders to patrol the reef line observing boater anchoring, dive flags, fishing in the special protected areas. Special lookout for illegal vessel overloads or migration. Though we have no authority to enforce - we are the eyes and ears of the Coast Guard while under orders on patrol.

The massive unauthorized influx of people from Cuba,



Engine and drive train

Haiti, Africa and others has prompted the Governor to call out the National Guard to support the Coast Guard. Their helicopters passed overhead several times during the mission. We had no migrant encounters and discussed the situation with US CG Station personnel at lunch. While all of the individuals intercepted at sea are repatriated by the USCG, those who abandon ship and reach land often escape.

The large number of abandoned vessels known as Chugs if powered or



Rudder

Rustics if sail only, now litter our shoreline and reefs. These become the responsibility of Florida Fish and Wildlife (FWC) who are inundated with calls for removal. With only 39 officers in the county, they cannot respond quickly, leaving the vessels for months due to lack of staff and a tangle of regulations, legal and environmental. Last month, a chug entered a small harbor in Key Largo, sunk it in the middle, and escaped. After weeks of pleading the harbormaster received permission to remove it. See photos of the clever



Siding and tar

makeshift vessel, powered by an old tractor motor, wood frame and building siding, tar, plate rudder, pulled from the bottom. If you see something call FWC 888-404-3922 or Coast Guard 305-664-8077.



# Card Sound Weather **Triangle**



by Bill Reynolds, Card Sound Sailing Club Commodore

We are in the Card Sound Weather Triangle. It's either too much wind or too little. We are looking for a new kind of "wind insurance". It is difficult to find one that suits our needs. Honestly, it is a little difficult to write about a non-event so this week I will share with you the work of one E.I. Goodwin simply titled "Sailing". It hangs on my wall and, no doubt, the walls of many sailors. Feel free to substitute grandchildren for children in the essay.





#### **SAILING** By E.I. Goodwin

I want my children to sail boats just as soon as they become reasonably proficient at swimming. I see in my mind much clearer that I can convey in words, a group of boys and girls eight to ten years of age, sailing a class of small centerboard boats with all the assurance of an adult driving his car. On the water as a group, they are safe and

learning to make decisions and to abide by them. They are gaining in balance and poise and will walk better, be surer on their feet.

If properly instructed in racing, the children will develop a set of rules that will do them very well if applied not only in racing but to most all of the problems of living with other people. A lot of time and good brains have been spent to develop the "No Barging" rule, and I find in my associations with adult that many of them, unfortunately, have never learned the "No Barging" rule.

Yes, I want my children to learn to take orders, and later give them. They will learn the importance of carrying out orders with dispatch and not "in due time". They will learn to take order, not only from adults, but from equals, and from those not their equals, all of which is good. They will learn patience in calm

fluky days when they have to hunt wind and move the boat almost with their own determination, to the first of the fleet to catch a freshening breeze, they will learn the joy of battling a storm, they will learn to decide whether to reef or carry full sail, and the consequences; which will be more emphatic and lasting that anything I could tell them.

They will learn, I hope, the importance of keeping things "ship shape", and how it pays off in the unexpected squalls. They will learn that is the ability of the skipper that wins races and that the small pennant representing a first place are not bought with dollars.

Sailing is a family sport that can be enjoyed by young and old together, so I hope my children may learn to sail, race and love small sailboats.

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by Juan Gonzalez, Member Fitness Center Specialist

Fitness has been related to our health and well-being for as long as humans have roamed the Earth. Physical activity and good health were and continue to be essential for our bodies to function optimally, but in today's time, technology and its advancements require us to remain in sedentary positions, depleting us of physical interactions and activity. These prolonged sedentary positions then cause our bodies to adapt to our environment in a nonbeneficial manner and can lead to pain and discomfort, which could make a person's everyday life much more difficult. The ACE Orthopedic Exercise and NASM Corrective Exercise specialties are professional certifications with the purpose of building training programs for individuals with chronic pain and susceptibility to injuries, identified through a series of observations and assessments, all with the goal of improving your daily life.

As a fitness professional, the skills and techniques learned and applied through corrective and orthopedic exercise are great tools to have in an industry where injury is prominent, and we want to do our best to avoid and prevent it as a whole. Using these tools, one would be able to assess compensatory movements, whether they be weak or strong, then design and implement a program that focuses on the more in-depth approach of the specific parts of the body that need attention through a series of exercises or functional movements. For example, a trainer would use inhibition and



Members like Loretta Mackay love

lengthening techniques such as percussive release (Hypervolt) or myofascial rolling (foam roller) and dynamic stretching on areas that would otherwise be restricting or impairing your desired movement. Following inhibiting and lengthening said overactive muscles, you would strengthen the underactive muscles in the movement through isolated strength training with low-to-moderate resistance. After addressing the overactive/underactive muscles you've identified, we then would work towards promoting "intermuscular coordination," which can be described as; the coordination within different muscles and groups of muscles. This can be achieved through a multitude of integrated dynamic movements. The neuromuscular system then takes the improvements in range of motion, stability, strength, and control of the joints established in the previous three phases and utilizes them in positions where they can be challenged functionally against gravity in multiple directions, environments, intensities, and speeds.

"An estimated 50 million Americans experience chronic pain, and 8.6 million Americans are affected by injury, often leaving them with decreased mobility, strength, or function." (ACE.1). In a society where working from home in a seated position or looking down at an electronic device for extended periods of time is so prominent, it's incredibly easy to cause alignment issues in your posture

if not "treated" with some form of corrective exercise to account for the compensations your body makes when in those positions. On the other hand, we see postural malalignments and gait compensations that present themselves due to joint stiffness or muscle weakness that are attributed to injuries, reoccurring or present. These injuries, if not appropriately healed, manifest themselves in compensations the body makes, which eventually lead back to the lack of an ability to do "everyday things" like reaching your arm up in the top cabinet to grab a cup, bending over to tie your shoes or even something like walking for extended periods of time due to pain in either your hips or knees. Whether it be by injury or constant malalignment, these are both significant factors that inevitably lead one to have chronic pain and suffer from restricted daily living. Through assessments and programs implemented, an individual can counteract the effects of chronic pain by eliminating pain as a whole and even become less susceptible to further injury that may be presented in the future. Improving everyday living is what we strive for, "finding wellness in fitness."

#### Upcoming Events at MFC: What to do Post Physical Therapy with Hannah Whistler Wednesday, Feb. 8, 3pm

This is a half lecture/half interactive class that helps you integrate the gym back into your routine after rehab.

Whether you are a fitness pro or want to incorporate more intentional movement into your regime, this specialty class will give an introductory talk on ways to help you get into a new fitness routine after your physical therapy rehabilitation and provide you with a few personalized exercises to get you started.

## LifeBreath with Beth Bielat Wednesday, Feb. 8, 4pm

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#### Heart Chakra Sound Healing & Restorative Yoga with Elisabet & Moorey-Margaret Friday, Feb. 10, 5:30pm

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### Join the Fun

50th Annual Member-Guest Tennis Tournament



'Center Court"
by Justin
Romero,
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The 50th annual Member-Guest Tennis Tournament is set to take place this weekend at Ocean Reef Club. This event is highly anticipated by tennis enthusiasts, who come together to compete and celebrate their love for the sport.

For the past 50 years, the Member-Guest Tournament has been a staple in the tennis community, drawing participants from all over the country. The event is open to both Club Members and their Guests, and



provides a platform for them to showcase their skills and compete against each other in a friendly and fun environment.

This year's tournament will feature a range of events, including Men's, Ladies', and Mixed tournaments for both men and women. The tournament will also have categories for different skill levels, so that everyone can participate, regardless of their playing ability. The Staff and Tennis Committee have also arranged for some exciting prizes for the winners, including trophies, swag, water bottles, and more. Tennis Committee

Member **George Pino** has graciously donated (4) tickets to the Miami Open 72 Club, which will be raffled off during the awards ceremony on Sunday.

The 50th Annual Member-Guest Tennis Tournament will not only provide a fun and competitive environment for the players but also a great opportunity for them to socialize and connect with other tennis enthusiasts. The tournament will be kicked off with Mixed Doubles and then followed by a cocktail party at Town Hall Terrace, where participants can relax and enjoy good food and drinks, as well as share their experiences from the tournament.

With its rich history and exciting events, the 50th Annual Member-Guest Tennis Tournament is sure to be a hit with tennis fans of all ages. Whether you're a seasoned player or just starting out, this event provides a perfect opportunity to showcase your skills, meet new people, and have a great time.

All in all, the Tournament is

an event not to be missed. So, if you're a tennis enthusiast, head on down to the Tennis & Games Center this weekend and join in the fun.

If you would like to catch the excitement take a look at the below schedule:

- Friday, February 3 2 p.m. Mixed Doubles
- •Saturday, February 4 9 a.m. Men's and Ladies' Doubles Flight Play
- 2 p.m. Mixed Doubles Finals
- •Sunday, February 5

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#### **OUT & ABOUT**





TOP: Barbara Pearson, Linda Jaikins, Eva Rubinstein, Mary Lou Krause, and Beth Noyes recently competed in a golf interclub event in Fort Lauderdale. Each Member represented Ocean Reef on a four-person team where they were partnered with members from other clubs, which included Doral Country Club, Fort Lauderdale Country Club, La Gorce Country Club, Riviera Country Club and Deering Bay Yacht & Country Club.

**LEFT:** Congratulations to Linda Jaikins (front left) and her team for winning first place in the Interclub event! Mary Lou Krause and her team came in second place.

## Tennis

## Players of the Week

Johnny, Hope & Betty Grunow



#### What grade are you in?

Johnny: 1st Grade! Hope: Kindergarten Betty: Toddler Class

#### What is your favorite ice cream to get from Reef Treats?

Johnny: Ice cream sundae with cherries.

Hope: Ice cream sundae with cherries, sprinkles & gummy

bears.

Betty: Strawberry ice cream!

#### What is your favorite game to play at tennis?

Johnny: I love to rally! Hope: Caterpillar

Betty: Jail

#### What do you like to do when you are not playing tennis?

Johnny: When I am not playing tennis, I like to play pickleball! Hope: I like to have play dates

with my friends.

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## Winners, Players, Events & Fun On the Beautiful Croquet Lawn

by William Hinkebein, ORC Croquet Chair

#### The Judy

January croquet is in the books including the ladies-only singles golf croquet tournament called The Judy where eight players battled it out playing roundrobin in two groups. Group one saw Gordana Schneider not lose a single game although two of those games were close at 4-3. Group two results were very close with last year's champ Carol Blackburn coming out on top. In the final, Gordana was still hitting the ball extremely well. Carol fought back with many clearing shots. Ultimately this was Gordana's day as she prevailed. Congrats to Gordana Schneider!

#### **Golf Croquet Lessons**

Coach Paul Fecteau is continuing lessons on Saturdays on-going. Paul is a championship-level player and a certified USCA Referee. Those taking lessons with Paul have all expressed positive comments and shown good results. Paul has a natural way to make a player understand how to hit the ball and proper strategy to follow. Long-time Pros and croquet coaches Jim Morton and Justin Romero are giving lessons during the week. Call the Tennis & Games Center (305 367-6583) to book lessons now.

#### Woman, Wickets & Wine (WWW)

The WWW continues every other Monday 3:30-5pm on February 6, 20, March 6, 20 and April 3. No sign-ups needed.... just show up and play.

#### **Crocodile Cup**

The Croc Cup league continues on Thursdays and is now three



The Judy winner Gordana Schneider, Coach Jim Morton and The Judy finalist Carol Blackburn



Laura and Kendall Hendrick accepting multiple awards at the National Croquet



The Judy participants

sessions complete. If you played in at least one of the first three sessions, you are eligible to play in the final four sessions. The final sessions are February 9, 16 and 23....all Thursdays. Then the grand final and awards is Sunday, February 26.

## ORC Golf Croquet Doubles Championship

The 2023 doubles club championship will be held on **Friday, February 10** beginning at 8:30am. There are many teams who aspire to be the club champions but only one will make it. Practice now and often and sign your team up by calling the Tennis & Games Center at 305 367-6583.

## Hot Dog Day & Three-Wicket Tournament

Our second Three-Wicket Tournament of the season will be held on **Sunday**, **February 19** from 2pm until finished. This fun event is played with teams drawn from a hat. Sign up at the Tennis & Games Center. A fun and healthy Hot Dog buffet with all the fixings will be on hand in the Tiki Hut for all participants.

## Florida Golf Croquet Regional Tournament

This event was held January 26-29 at the National Croquet Center in West Palm Beach. Two players from ORC (and KLAC) played in this tournament: Laura and Kendall Hendrick. Congrats to our friends the Hendricks who are certainly two of our very best players at ORC and KLAC. In doubles, they reached the finals of the first flight just missing out on the win. In singles, Kendall made it to the quarter-finals and Laura to the semi-finals. This is a tournament with some of the best players in the country. We are all very proud of and thrilled for Laura and Kendall. They have embraced golf croquet in

such a strong, competitive an enjoyable way. Way to go!

#### **Golf Croquet Tips**

Coach Paul Fecteau continually states the importance of the following three shots in a game:

- First shot to the next wicket: The first player shooting to the hoop has a huge advantage. Place this shot in a position to score. If you can do this, your opponents are forced to try to clear your ball away from scoring position, which is not always easy. Theoretically, the player who has that first shot at a hoop should be able to score on their second shot.
- •Clearing: Clearing is the act of knocking your opponent's ball out of scoring position. You must be able to hit straight and sometimes long to clear your opponent's ball away from in front of the hoop.
- •Scoring: Obviously one cannot win a game if they cannot score. While defense, including clearing, is huge and important, you still have to ultimately score hoops.

#### TENNIS RESULTS

#### MEN'S "B" NIGHT LEAGUE Monday, January 30

1st Place: Glory Roper 2nd Place (tie): Ricky Fortis &

Andy Hofmann 3rd Place: Blair Bynum

# Card & Games Corner

Learn Bridge in a Day with Patty Tucker



by Gregg Van Dyke, Director of Card & Games

We have a busy week coming up in the Card & Games Room. Lots of things for you.

#### Join Patty Tucker To Learn Bridge in a Day

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 Evenings in The Ocean Room

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.

#### Men's Texas Holdem Poker Tournament

The next Men's Texas Holdem Poker Tournament will be held **Monday, February 20** so mark your calendars! Sign up by calling 305-367-6609.

#### **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 12:30 to 4 p.m.

## February Card & Games Schedule

- •The February Card & Games Room schedule will be available at the Card Room. Of note:
- •Bridge lessons are available on any subject you are having trouble with Tuesdays and Thursdays after 3 p.m. I will

be doing lessons on how to fill out the Convention Card on Tuesdays this month at 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. I will host Backgammon at Town Hall Waterside on **Thursday**, **February 9** from 6 to 8 p.m.
- •Monday, Wednesday and Friday are all Live Duplicate Bridge Games starting at 1 p.m. Unit 128 Sectional Bridge Tournament at Clubs (STaC) will be held **February 13, 15 and 17** at the Card & Games Room.

For questions or registration for any of the above happenings, call Gregg Van Dyke at 305-367-6609. See you at the table.



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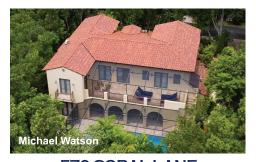


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#### WEEKLY BRIDGE RESULTS

#### Monday, January 23, 2023 Section A North-South

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- 2. Joyce Fowler Ted Fowler
- 3. Paula Pendergast Monica
- 4. Cynthia Comenos Brian Platner

#### **Section A East-West**

- 1. Suzy Heilpern Beverly Platner
- 2. Kathy Bahl Bessie Connelly
- 3. Ann Donnovin Betsy Caldwell

#### Wednesday, January 25, 2023 Section A North-South

- Paula Pendergast Monica Phillips
- 2. Beverly Platner Brian Platner
- 3. Dedie Nutt Dorothy Kemp

#### **Section A East-West**

- Pamela Harding Cynthia Comenos
- 2. Suzanne Sayia Garret Sayia
- 3. Suzy Heilpern -

Sam Wardwell

4. Marianna Brink - Barbara Gooch

#### Friday, January 27, 2023 Section A North-South

- Paula Pendergast Monica Phillips
- 2. Beverly Platner Dorothy Kemp
- 3. Nancy Grote Cynthia Comenos
- 4. Joanne Wills Kay Meinhardt

#### **Section A East-West**

- 1. Kathie Markel Pamela Harding
- 2. Pat Richwagen Marianna Brinck
- 3. Pat Henry Suzy Heilpern

#### **Canasta Score:**

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