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AROUND THE REEF

50th Annual Member-Guest Tennis Tournament



This year's historic Member-Guest Tennis Tournament celebrated half a century of tennis tradition and camaraderie. Read more on pages 42 & 43.

IN THE FISHING VILLAGE...

Valentine's Day in the Fishing Village Tuesday, February 14

11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Complimentary champagne, deals and goodies for you and your loved one.

10th Anniversary Art & Fashion Walk Saturday, February 18

11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Enjoy local artists, live music, and the Fashion Show beginning at 1 p.m.

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Bob Ecuyer and Jim Morton, both former ORC Directors of Tennis, have become a part of Ocean Reef history having worked here collectively for more than 80 years.



Member-Guest Tournament Chairs Sheila Menn (left) and Rose Pelton (right), pictured with Tennis Committee Chair Wally Hayward.

Time to Honor the Past & Build for the Future!

By Sarah A. Cart

It's **All Charities Weekend** (ACW) – time to build for the future! If you're new to the event, know that it's easy and fun. Whether or not you've already been bidding online at bidORC.org, plan to come to

Carysfort Hall tonight between 4 and 7 p.m. for the Silent Auction Showcase. Your \$50 admission (included in your ticket if you are already a Patron or Trustee), covers the wine tasting that selects the Members Choice offerings for Ocean Reef's dining establishments for next season, and for the second year in a row, a bourbon tasting, too. It's also a great time to connect with your friends and neighbors, and the first eyes-on occasion to investigate closely the wondrous record-breaking collection of items available for

your bidding pleasure. Your task couldn't be simpler:

- Browse. Marvel. Bid.
- Sip. Spit. Vote.
- Revisit. Bid again.
- Chat. Laugh. Reconnect.
- Sip some more. Bid anew.
- Have fun. Do good. Thank all the chairs, and volunteers, and staff for countless hours of devotion and creativity.

Bid with a hunger to win. Keep track of your bids at bidORC.org.

Honor the past. Build for the future. Make miracles happen.

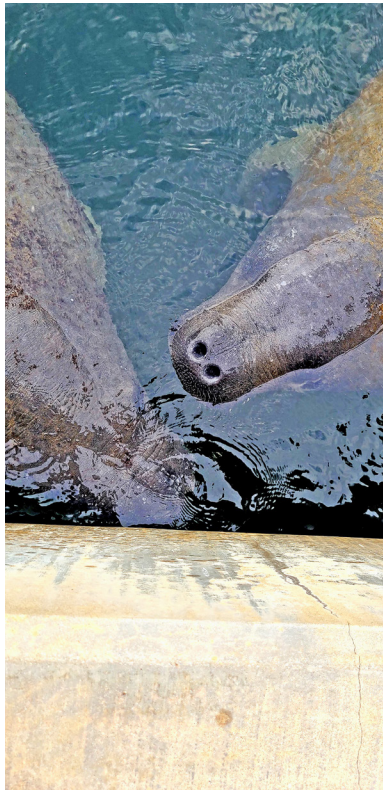
Why? By the time Silent

Auction bidding closes at 10:30 p.m. tomorrow (Saturday), the tradition of giving that defines this amazing community will once again have enabled

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Stacey and Tim Wills had their cameras at the ready when these manatees came up to say hi on Anchor Drive.

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

Email orp@oceanreef.com and share your discoveries.

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Your Equity Member Survey Is On Its Way

Member satisfaction has always been a primary measure of success for Ocean Reef Club with Member surveys being the ideal way for management to garner feedback. Therefore, the Club is pleased to have begun sending out Equity Member surveys over the last two weeks.


The Club's goal is to make it easy for Members to share where the Club is exceeding expectations and where it might need improvement. Members will be asked how much they're enjoying this season, what they like about the various offerings and activities, and how they feel about Club Management and Associates along with programming

and services. They'll also be asked to provide feedback on the changes the Club implemented this season to dining and amenity availability.

All Member surveys are also now 100 percent anonymous, unless the Member chooses to disclose their name. Both the Primary and Secondary on the Equity account will receive a survey as long as the account has two separate email addresses listed.

If you have yet to receive your survey invitation, not to worry! You will in the next six weeks. Your survey invitation will come from express.medallia.com or express.sea1.medallia.com.

The Club looks forward to your feedback to help continually improve Ocean Reef Club experiences. When you receive your survey, please take a few minutes to share your thoughts. It goes a long way towards upholding this unique way of life.



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Greetings,

The Club management team is committed to creating exceptional member experiences and we would greatly appreciate your feedback.

Our Member satisfaction surveys are anonymous. However, if you choose to, at the end of the survey you will have the option to leave your name and indicate whether you would like a member of the management team to contact you.

[Start Survey](#)

Look out for this email in the coming weeks. It's your Equity Survey invitation!

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Please join us **Wednesday, February 22** at Palm Court at 12 p.m. We would like to welcome those Members and prospectives for a casual get-together. Look forward to seeing you there. RSVP by emailing franmurphy1284@gmail.com

-Gayle Tallardy, Fran Murphy, Sally Weisleder, Candy Sutfin



Rules Reminder: Guests of Members

As a private club there are a host of rules surrounding sponsored guests, several of which are specific to the membership category of the sponsoring member. Below are select rules from the Club's Rules & Regulations. For the full document, visit oceanreef.com/rules.

The sponsoring member shall be responsible for the conduct of his or her guests. If the manner, department or

appearance of any guests is deemed to be unsatisfactory, the sponsoring member shall, at the request of the Club cause such guests to leave the Club.

The Club reserves the right to limit the number of guests that may accompany a member on any given day or the number of times guests other than member's house guests may use the Club's facilities. Currently, guests, other than member's house guests, are limited to using the Club's facilities for no more than two 14-day periods during any five-year period.

Guests of equity members are to register in advance of

their arrival. Guest cards will be issued by the Reservations Department at the Inn.

Guest privileges may be extended under the rules and regulations established by the Club from time to time. Guests of social, local and legacy members must be accompanied and registered to stay overnight at the Club.

A social, local or legacy member of the Club shall be permitted to bring up to six (6) day guests to the Club at one time. Social, local and legacy members must accompany their day guests. Social, local and legacy members cannot provide Club access when they are not at

the Club.

Guest privileges may be denied, withdrawn or revoked at any time for reasons considered sufficient by the Club.

Guests shall have the opportunity to pay their charges at the Club. The sponsoring members shall be responsible for all such charges incurred but not paid by their guests, unless the guest registered an acceptable credit card (i.e., American Express, VISA, etc.) with the Club.

For the full set of rules and regulations regarding sponsored guests, please visit oceanreef.com/rules.

Time to Honor the Past & Build for the Future!

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future magic, which is, after all, THE POINT. Shameless generosity enables 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. Over \$50 million has been distributed since 2008.

You'll find adventures on The Reef, across the country, and beyond the Gulfstream and the Atlantic. Delicious meals and fine wines to savor. Rare vintages for your cellar. Awesome artwork. Great golf. Fantastic fishing. Bags and baubles. Unique experiences for mind and body. Make the most of this opportunity to garner extraordinary and memorable experiences for yourselves.

Return Saturday between

11 a.m. and 3 p.m. to keep tabs on your favorite items. Enjoy complimentary "Burgers, Beers and Bidding" from noon to 2 p.m. courtesy of the Ocean Reef Chamber of Commerce. Continue browsing, connecting and bidding. Leave time to visit the display of NetJets aircraft at the Ocean Reef Airport between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Both tonight and tomorrow, purchase Bucket Raffle tickets for wonderful items from the practical to the fanciful, the drawings for which will be at 6:30 p.m. Saturday.

And from 4 p.m. today through tomorrow evening, jeweler Lester Lampert will be at Carysfort with beautiful pieces for your consideration (no matter the price tag, Lester donates 20 percent back to All Charities).

The Silent Auction closes at the end of the Live Auction.* The highest bidders at that time will be the winners (you do not need to be present to win) and can be identified at "My Bids" on the bidding site. Item pick up will be between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Sunday at Carysfort Hall.

Not able to attend but itching to take part via surrogate bidding? Contact the All Charities office at 305-367-5996 or via AllCharities@OceanReef.com to make arrangements.

Questions? Visit oceanreefcommunityfoundation.org.

(Pssst! Don't forget to bid early, often and outrageously: It's the best way to honor All Charities!)

** For those who have RSVP'd, Saturday night's black-tie All Charities Gala and Live Auction begins at 5:30 p.m. with cocktails in Carysfort Hall, followed by 7 p.m. dinner, auction and dancing in Town Hall.*



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Thursday	Turkey Dinner
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Visit oceanreef.com/Dining for Grill Room brunch, lunch and dinner menus.

Best Sellers



by Terry Baxter

Over the last few months I have written a number of columns about our vibrant culinary scene: our remarkable chefs, menus new and old, and dishes that I liked. You are surely bored with my opinions. So today I come armed with facts, laboriously compiled by Chris Patterson, Executive Director of Food & Beverage. Many thanks, Chris. He scoured our records for the most popular dishes in each of our venues. Not by survey comments, but by what Members have actually ordered over the last two months. The results might help you discover some



Islander favorite – the Melanie Roll Member favorites you have never tried. The number one crowd-pleasing venue? **The Ocean Room Breakfast Buffet** with 3416 patrons in the last two months. Ocean Reef's best selling entrée can be found at the **Islander, the Melanie Roll** (2153 ordered). This is no surprise, as the Ocean Reef classic has been honored as far as the Master's Tournament where it is called the "Augusta Roll." Tiger

Woods requested it for his Champions Dinner. Congrats Sushi Chef Eric. The fish favorites at the Islander are Yellowtail followed by Hogfish.

For the **Ocean Room dinner menu, Pad Thai is number one.** Who knew? I'll have to try it. The Red Snapper is a close second. At **Palm Court lunch, the Chinese Chicken Salad** is number one (this is Fair Patricia's favorite, I'll have to find out what I have been missing). Second favorite is Mahi Tacos, and third is Spicy Tuna Roll. At **Palm Court Nights Cantina, Tacos de Tinga** is the favorite, followed by the Guacamole and the Steak Taco. Nachos have been added to the menu too recently to measure, but they are terrific. Ask for extra cheese sauce, it's habit forming.

At **Gianni** their most popular item is **Caesar Salad,**

one of the best on The Reef. And top entrée is **Chicken Parmesan,** my long-term favorite. Third, which I haven't tried, but have heard raves, is the Yellowtail Dentice. That leaves plenty of fresh pastas still to explore.

At **CH Prime,** the top three scores describe my favorite dinner perfectly. The **6oz filet** (1437 ordered), the Wedge Salad (928 served), and the Oysters Rockefeller (920). **My two cents;** the food is as beautiful as the new Clubhouse. CH Prime has expanded their days of service this season to meet the growing demand.

If Ocean Reef were a country, our national dish would be... a **cheeseburger!** The Raw Bar sold nearly 3000 in the last two months. Add the cheeseburgers ordered at the Burgee Bar (1400, their number one item, where wings and French Onion soup are also popular); the Beach Grill (945 cheeseburgers, their #3 scorer just behind the Tender Bucket and Mahi Tacos); and the Grill Room (866 cheeseburgers, their #2 item, where Mahi Tacos and ORC Club also star). There are also untold sliders at the Ocean Reef Lounge and the CH Lounge. It is clear that cows are endangered at Ocean Reef. Oh, and the favorite order from Reef Eats? You guessed it – a cheeseburger. Jimmy Buffet would be proud.

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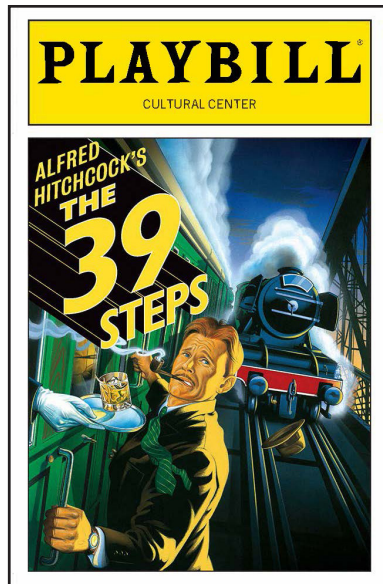
URGENT!

Buy a ticket now for **39 Steps** (2/15) at the Cultural Center

OK, maybe my title is a little extreme, but I really want to urge you not to miss this splendid production of the zany award-winning comedy *39 Steps*.

Zoetic Stage, whose home base is the Adrienne Arsht Center in Miami, is presenting *39 Steps* for one night only and for one audience only – members and guests of Ocean Reef Club.

That's right. The actors have learned and rehearsed their roles,



the set, costumes, lighting and sound experts have made their magic; and the esteemed Zoetic director Stuart Meltzer has put it all together – just for us! The result, I assure you, will be an amazing night of live theatre.

"The Play's the Thing"

That's Hamlet, not Hitchcock. And I am pretty sure that, were I to quote Hitchcock, he would say

"The Movie's the Thing."

The play *39 Steps* is in fact a spoof on the 1959 Hitchcock film *North by Northwest*, starring Cary Grant and Eva Marie Saint. The plot follows an advertising exec, who goes on the run after being mistaken for a government agent by a group of foreign spies. He falls for a woman, whose loyalties he begins to doubt.

There's food for farce in that plot and in 2008, the adaptation by Patrick Barlow, which featured a cast of four, won the Tony for Best Play.

The Cast of Four

In Zoetic's production one actor (Gabriell Saigado) plays the hero and one actress (Lindsey Corey) plays the three women with whom he becomes romantically involved. The other two actors (Jeni Hacker and Michael McKeever) play every other character in the show – men, women, children, heroes, villains, even the occasional inanimate object.

Michael McKeever is not only

an actor and the scenic designer of the Zoetic production of *39 Steps*, he is also a successful playwright. And along with the equally acclaimed Artistic Director Stuart Meltzer, he is the founder of Zoetic Stage.

Michael told me that there were two things that convinced him that *39 Steps* would be popular at Ocean Reef. The first: "Stuart and I and the other three actors laughed throughout every rehearsal. The second: "When I am acting in someone else's plays, the playwright in me is always on the lookout for something I might steal and adapt." Michael then confessed that *39 Steps* offered some very good loot.

Last Word

Just do it! Get your ticket for *39 Steps*. I promise you will have fun. Wednesday, February 15 at 8 p.m. \$150 Donor – \$175 Non-Donor. Pre-performance dinner \$62++. Tickets & Reservations: tickets@oceanreef.com

19 Harbor Island



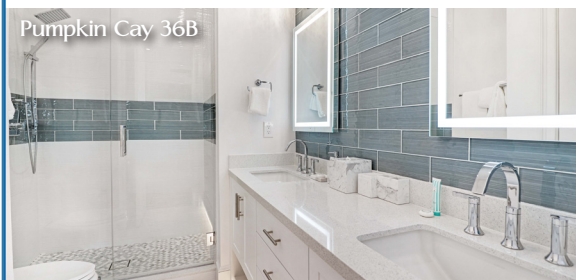
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SATURDAY, APRIL 15

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FEATURING:

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BRETT YOUNG

SUNDAY, APRIL 16

FAMILY FUN ZONE

APRIL 13-16

Tickets for Saturday night's Country Night on the Range will be general admission and go on sale through Member Events beginning March 1.

For details, please call Member Events at 305-367-5874.

**AFTER HOURS PARTY IN THE FISHING
VILLAGE RETURNS!**

1948

Minneapolis developer Morris Baker opens his fishing camp. It consists of an inn, some small yachtlets, a coffee shop, a lounge, a gas station, a few rental boats and the water tower.



1952

Using fill from the dredged channel and marina, the beach and swimming lagoon are created.

1955

A nine-hole golf course opens and Dolphin #14 is the original first hole.

1956

A two thousand foot airstrip is built.



1959

Three hundred home sites become available; priced from \$4,750 to \$17,500.

1960

The Ocean Reef Golf & Country Club opens. The Baker home becomes The Clubhouse and Bob Toski is named Director of Golf.

The Madeira Room and Reef Lounge open on the site of the Ocean Room.



1964

Ocean Reef's first wedding joined Constance Hughes and Kenneth Montgomery at the home of Bob and Betsy Trier.

1965

The first dolphins, Angel and Caesar, arrive. Dolphin performances would continue for the next twenty-nine years at the inlet next to the bridge at Buccaneer Island.

1969

The Tennis Pavilion is built and the first Ocean Reef Tennis Center opens.

The Christmas Caroling Boat makes its inaugural musical voyage.

The Fishing Village construction begins.

1970

Ocean Reef's first resident physician is hired and a medical office opens.

1971

The Ocean Reef Chapel opens.

1976

The Ocean Reef Art League is formed and given the use of a trailer on Barracuda Lane.

The Sunrise Bridge is built.

1977

The first Bag Room Open Tournament is held.



1986

The Reef Cup Invitational Sailfish Tournament debuts with 25 boats.

The fire department and security force are combined and named "Public Safety."

1989

The Little Red Schoolhouse opens with 12 students.



1990

Grass croquet courts are built.

Chef Jacque Pepin instructs a cooking class and the culinary school is born.

First edition of the Ocean Reef Press is published.

1993

The privatization of the Club is completed on March 1. The sale of Patron and Charter equities fund the purchase. A parade and celebration are held to honor member ownership.



1994

Vintage Weekend debuts displaying antique yachts, later adding automobiles and aircraft.

The Ocean Reef Foundation is established.



1998

The 4 year \$18 million capital improvement plan is complete including a Member Fitness Center, The Wine Cellar at Carysfort Grille, and a new building for a food market, post office, dry cleaners and entertainment room.

The Club acquires Chase's Restaurant and renames it Reef Hut. A new Salon and Spa is opened below the Fitness Center.

New croquet courts open. The Club hosts the U.S. Croquet Association.

The Ocean Reef Cultural Center opens providing a theater, library and museum.

Ocean Reef Business Center opens to house the offices of ORC and ORCA.

The Little Red Schoolhouse moves to a new facility and is renamed The Academy.

2004

The Public Safety building that includes the fire station opens.

2005

The Town Hall Building opens replacing the tent previously used for special events.

Summer Camps begin for Reef kids.

2006

A new state of the art, 22,000 square-foot, Ocean Reef Medical Center opens.

The Grayvik Animal Care Center opens its new facility housing the successful ORCAT program.

Team Ocean Reef is formed.



2007

Ocean Reef Community Foundation announces the combining of multiple charity auctions into one All Charities Weekend.

2008

New Art League building is opened. Ocean Reef Dog Park opens.

2011

On the Reef: The Legendary Ocean Reef Club and the People Who Made it Great, written by Members Dick Farmer and Shirley Shipley, is published.

The Member Fitness Center and Salon and Spa reopen after a major renovation and expansion.

Gianni Ristorante opens.

New Ocean Reef Club Tennis & Games Center opens.

2014

The first Blessing of the Animals is held on the Chapel lawn.

Inaugural Food & Wine Festival is held.



2016

Carysfort Hall opens on the site of the former Carysfort Restaurant and Heron Hall. The building includes the new cooking school facility called Carysfort Kitchen.

First Pickleball Courts are built at the Tennis & Games Center.

2018

The Members Point reopens more than one year after Hurricane Irma made landfall.

The Fitness Pool at the Member Fitness Center opens.

2019

The Islander, suffering tremendous hurricane damage, reopens after an 18-month renovation.

Hank and Corinne Greenberg Park opens on Card Sound.

2020

Port O' Call Wine Shop opens in its new location, complete with tasting bar and outdoor seating.



2021

The Ocean Room, Reef Lounge and Lobby reopen after repairs and renovation.

The renovated Golf Clubhouse opens.

2022-2023

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There is so much more to the Club's storied history, all of which has been preserved by the Ocean Reef Historical Society in the Museum located at the Cultural Center, as well as chronicled by Members Shirley Shipley and the late Dick Farmer, in the book they co-authored, "On The Reef: The Legendary Ocean Reef Club and the People Who Made it Great".

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From Schindler's List to the Shoah Foundation

Preserving the Untold Histories of Holocaust Survivors – Including My Grandfather

By Eryn Ittleman (*Ocean Reef Member since 2016*)

Emmy Award winning producer **Louis Schmidt** will visit Ocean Reef on **Thursday, February 16** to share his experiences as an interviewer with the **Stephen Spielberg USC Shoah Foundation**. I sincerely hope that all of you will be able to attend **"The Untold Stories of How the Stories Were Told"** at **5:00 pm in the Sanctuary of the Ocean Reef Chapel**. This event is complimentary and open to the entire ORC community.

Launched by Spielberg in 1994, the Shoah Foundation is dedicated to recording and sharing the stories of Holocaust survivors, educating the public about these atrocities, and creating a historical record to ensure that it will never happen again. As Spielberg has said, "It's not about archiving the past, but it's about understanding, empathy and using testimony to shine a light."

Louis Schmidt has interviewed hundreds of Holocaust survivors. These video testimonies are a crucial part of preserving the historical record which might otherwise be lost with the passing of time.

As the acclaimed author, Nobel Laureate and Holocaust survivor **Elie Wiesel explained**, **"Whoever hears a witness becomes a witness themselves. These stories must not die with them."** The Holocaust is a central



The author, her Zeide and son Joseph aspect of our shared history, and the first-hand accounts of survivors reveal a sharper focus than any book or movie possibly could.

In many ways, this is the story of my life. My maternal grandparents, Isidor and Lillie Schonberger (Bubbie and Zeide, Yiddish for Grandmother and Grandfather), were Holocaust survivors. They met in an internment camp after their liberation from the concentration camps. They were both born in Czechoslovakia and deported from their childhood homes with nothing more than the clothes on their backs following Germany's invasion in 1938. My Bubbie was born into a well-to-do Jewish family and sent directly to Auschwitz at the start of the War. I know that her parents were immediately sent to the gas chambers, and my Bubbie was tattooed and put to work in concentration camps for most of her teenage years. Like many survivors, she never talked about her history, and I'm sure there was a good reason for that. But when she died suddenly in 1995, so too did her story, another missing piece in the larger story of the Holocaust.

When I was a child, my Zeide never talked about the Holocaust either, but he agreed to be interviewed by the Shoah Foundation after Bubbie died. I still remember when he was interviewed at



Zeide and Bubbie after the War, Italy 1949

my house in 1996. I was 12. The interview lasted 9 hours, and at the end, my sisters, mother, aunt, and I appeared on camera with Zeide. I remember how proud he was to have lived to pass his life on to future generations.

I never watched the interview until 2011. My mother kept the tapes in a safe and could barely acknowledge their existence, much less share them with me. So, when I became pregnant and was considering names for my little boy, I contacted Shoah directly and received copies, which my husband and I watched over the course of the next three nights with our jaws on the floor throughout.

Today, the **Shoah Foundation's Holocaust Survivors Database** summarizes my Zeide's story by listing the ghetto to which he was deported as a 14-year-old, his escape during his deportation and subsequent hiding in cellars, the eight concentration camps he survived in Hungary, Austria, Germany, Czechoslovakia, and Poland, and his "forced (death) marches" as the War was ending. That was his childhood. When the War ended, my Zeide was 21, but the tapes go further by describing how he met my Bubbie, how they ended up in America, and how he found success as a nightclub and liquor store owner in Washington, D.C. with a loving family surrounding him.



The speaker for the event, Louis Schmidt

Watching the recording of his Shoah interview opened a new layer of my relationship with my Zeide, one where we could talk about his experience -- although he would always prefer to do so with as few words as possible. It was through this experience that Zeide chose the name Joseph for our son, in honor of his eldest brother, Joseph, who ended up in Russia after liberation. When our son Joseph was born, he and Zeide established a deep and instant bond. I'll always remember the light in Zeide's eyes seeing baby Joseph, the first male descendant of Zeide's family since before the War (complete with blonde hair and bright blue eyes just like a young Zeide).

Zeide died in 2015 when Joseph was only 3. I will always be grateful for the time they had together, and my pictures and videos of Zeide looking happier than I had ever seen him. I am also eternally grateful to the **Shoah Foundation**, for capturing my Zeide's history, allowing us to talk about it, and for preserving a critical part of human history that connects us all.

Please join our family, Congregation Ocean Reef and the entire Ocean Reef Community for this important presentation. This event is presented by Congregation Ocean Reef and sponsored by **Ruth and Leonard Perfidio**.

Never Forget



by Rev. Dr.
Bob Henley

Memories are the storehouse of human experience. Memory according to a Harvard University study is "the ongoing process of information retention over time." This ongoing process of neural activity in our brain first records, then stores, and finally retrieves (sometimes) the information stored there. How it all works is still something of a mystery.

As you reach a certain age, the retrieval mechanism seems to develop a 'short' in the circuitry. You walk into a room and stand there for a moment trying to remember why the heck you came there! Those are affectionately referred to as "senior moments." As we all say, "It's real."

Many of us have friends or loved ones who have experienced or are experiencing some degree of dementia or Alzheimer's disease. It is painful to watch as the light of recognition slowly dims from the eyes of a loved one or friend. My paternal grandmother spent the final 25 years of her life, sitting in a rocking chair, patting her knee. My grandfather always called her his "sweetie."

There are many wonderful experiences in life we want to always remember, to treasure. There are also painful experiences that we must never forget. Some of those painful experiences can be so severe that we repress them, hide them in some neural closet and throw away the key.

What is true of our lives as individuals also applies to events taking place on a larger, societal scale.

One such event was the diabolical "final solution" of Hitler's Third Reich. Their unconscionable goal was to make the world *Judenfrei* – to "cleanse" the world of Jews. The Holocaust, or *shoah*, resulted in the death of more than six-million Jews – women, men, and children.

What is sobering is the alarming rise of anti-Semitism today, both in the United States and across the world. Particularly distressing is the increasing number of those who deny that the Holocaust took place at all.

My wife and I have walked in stunned silence through the ovens of Auschwitz, and along the rail tracks leading to the acres of barracks and remains of the gas chambers at Birkenau.

On every visit to Israel, we take our groups to Yad Vashem, the Holocaust Museum in Jerusalem where the horrific reality of the *shoah* is on full display.

The holocaust is an abomination in human history that must never be forgotten, never allowed to be removed from our collective memory.

Thankfully, one man has made it his mission to "Never Forget." That man is Louis Schmidt, and he is coming to speak at Ocean Reef.

Schmidt is a former Emmy winning producer at NFL films. His career spanned 30 years. Beginning in the 1990s, he trained to record testimony of Holocaust Survivors for the USC Shoah Foundation, then a project of filmmaker Steven Spielberg's DreamWorks Studios.

Mr. Schmidt has interviewed dozens of Holocaust Survivors. Despite the horror of their experiences, he was instructed to remain as professionally detached as possible. In this way, the testimonies he recorded would be as objective as possible and preserved for later generations.

Elie Wiesel, a survivor of

the camps, in his book *Night*, wrote, "For the survivor who chooses to testify, it is clear: his duty to bear witness for the dead and for the living. He has no right to deprive future generations of a past that belongs to our collective memory. To forget would be not only dangerous but offensive; to forget the dead would be akin to killing them a second time."

Only recently has Mr. Schmidt begun to speak about his experiences. We are grateful that he is coming to the Ocean Reef Chapel & Fellowship Center to speak about his own journey on **Thursday, February 16 at 5 p.m.** His presentation, sponsored by Congregation Ocean Reef, will be entitled, "The Untold Story of How the Stories are Told."

Preserving these stories and educating others is

incumbent, not only upon Jews of every generation, but every person of moral conscience. Remembering the atrocities inflicted upon European Jewry in World War II is a moral obligation upon all, in-order-to stand guard against the rise of tyranny in this and future generations.

My hope is that the chapel will be filled to overflowing to hear this timely presentation of such great consequence. With the death of survivors, these events are beginning to erode from the storehouse of our collective memory.

My encouragement, whether a person of faith, or no faith, is to attend this presentation, first to understand, and then be prepared to speak so that the reality of this tragic memory is never forgotten. This must never happen again.

CHAPEL & FELLOWSHIP CENTER NEWS

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FRIDAY, FEB 10
AA Meeting
7:30 a.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall B
Call 305-390-4983 for additional AA Meetings

Jewish Shabbat Service
6 p.m., Chapel Cornerstone Room

SATURDAY, FEB 11
Catholic Mass
4 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Archbishop Thomas G. Wenski

SUNDAY, FEB 12
Traditional Worship Service
9 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary, with guest speaker Dr. Joe Coffey

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

Kids Matter (9yrs & up)
10:30 a.m., Chapel Kids Room

Catholic Mass
12 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Fr. Tim Kesicki

MONDAY, FEB 13
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 14
Catholic Way Bible Study
9 a.m., Chapel Living Room
Call 270-210-7305 to register.
No Potluck Gathering

WEDNESDAY, FEB 15
Intercessory Prayer
8 a.m., Chapel Living Room
Episcopal Service
9 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Fr. Bryan Hobbs
CWC Small Group Bible Study
10:30 a.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall

THURSDAY, FEB 16
Men's Community Bible Study
8 a.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall
Speaker Louis Schmidt "The Untold Story of How the Stories are Told"
5 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary

NEWS FROM THE MEDICAL CENTER

Medical Center's Full-Service Spine Care

The Medical Center's visiting physician program offers a wide range of specialized fields. To provide comprehensive care, it's sometimes necessary for duplication of the same specialty. For example, dermatology has many sub-specialties so varied dermatology groups can provide the broadest scope of care. The Skin Center of Miami, MOHS surgeon Dr. Alysa Herman and the Miami Dermatology Laser Institute all provide services that treat different dermatological conditions.



Dr. Ronald Tolchin and Dr. Raul Vasquez

Another example of duplication is spine care. Two specialists, Dr. Raul Vasquez and Dr. Ronald Tolchin, are both spine specialists providing excellent treatment with different methodologies. Dr. Vasquez was the featured

speaker at the January 17th Medical Lecture Series and this April 4, Dr. Tolchin will present "Current Concepts and Management of Low Back Pain."

Dr. Vasquez is board-certified in neurological surgery and is the Director of complex spine surgery at Baptist Health's Miami Neurosurgery Institute. He specializes in the surgical treatment of complex spinal conditions including tumors, degenerative spine diseases, spinal deformities, scoliosis, kyphoscoliosis and neurotrauma. He has unique expertise in minimally invasive techniques.

Dr. Tolchin specializes in all spine-related disorders, sacroiliac joint dysfunction, rheumatologic and soft tissue disorders, scoliosis and osteopathic medicine

along with his research and education. He performs joint and soft tissue injections, osteopathic manipulation, prescribes all forms of therapy (physical and occupational) and prescribes all required diagnostics.

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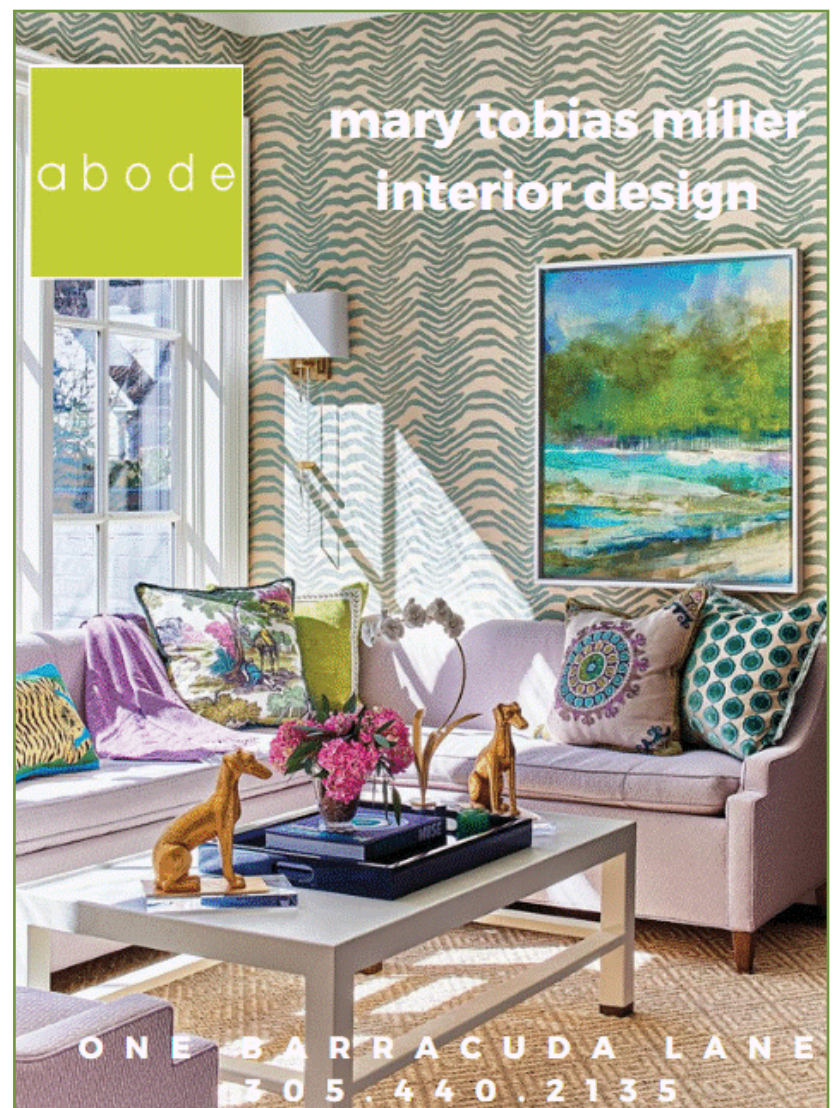
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CATHOLIC MASS:
Sunday, February 12 • 12 p.m.
Chapel Sanctuary

Father Timothy P. Kesicki, S.J., President of the Jesuit Conference of Canada and the United States, will lead this Sunday's Catholic Mass in the Chapel Sanctuary. Please join us in welcoming him to our community.



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Boutique D' Reef

It's the 33rd year of Boutique D' Reef and the carefully-curated vendors from around the country are shaping up to be an outstanding selection. Some returning favorites and some brand-new vendors are sure to please even the most discerning closet!

Year after year the Boutique continues to provide a fun shopping experience and to fulfill its mission of donating a percentage of the proceeds to the Medical Center. To accomplish this goal a lot of help is needed, and the community really steps up to the task.

Behind-the-Scenes Volunteers Shine

It all begins with a committee of

6 women: **Adelaide Skoglund, Chris Fisher, Denny Morgan, Kathy Weiland, Cindy Manzo** and **Lori Young**. Upon the ending of each Boutique, they start planning for the next year. Before opening day, the set-up work required is extensive - the room layout, vendor booths, partitions, drapes – all the details. Once the doors open, the volunteers save the day! Last year 25 Members stepped up to model choices of clothing, shoes, scarves, handbags and more. A rotating roster of 35 volunteers is also needed to staff the front door table for the three-day selling period.

And those long workdays work up an appetite! Ocean Reef Club, Anglers Club and Card Sound generously provide about 85 daily lunches for the vendors and volunteers.

Stay tuned for next week's Boutique D' Reef article for a sneak preview of some fabulous new vendors.



Jeannie Schiavone, Barbara Besse and Bessie Connelly



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Sunday, February 12

Cultural Center Theater & Compass Room

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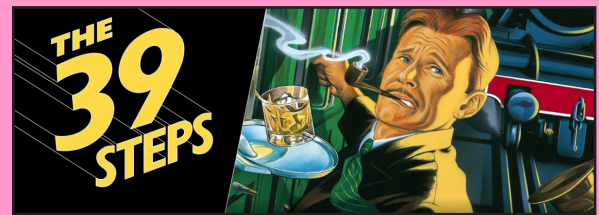
Pre-Game: 5:00PM • Kick Off: 6:30PM

Complimentary Admission – *reservations are not required*

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

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Painting Ocean Reef



by Susan Bohan

Hopefully you were able to see some of the gifted artists all around the Reef Thursday and Friday last week, but if you hurry you can still see the finished framed works at the Art League until the end of today, Friday, November 10.

What was most interesting to many of the observers was how differently each viewed the same beautiful environment or structure. For



Catherine Hillis

instance, Catherine Hillis used watercolors to capture the warm light reflecting off the Chapel, while Charles Dickinson stood only feet apart with oils stressing its majestic lines. Both pictures were 2 of the first to be purchased at Friday evenings' opening!

Many of the artists enjoyed Thursday's sunny morning



Gisela Lorens



Andres Lopez



Brian Murphy

A DAY IN LITTLE HAVANA



Art League trip to Little Havana

Recently, 25 Members enjoyed a day in Little Havana led by historian Dr. Paul George whose 30 years' experience enriched the day. According to **Mary Brady**, "History came alive as we walked down the famous street Calle Ocho, learned the art of cigar making as well as the animal sacrifices by Santeria practitioners. We heard about when Billie Holiday and Count Basie performed at the Ball & Chain and were mesmerized by the serious play of dominoes in Domino Park. We enjoyed samples of sugar cane water,

Cuban coffee and homemade ice cream all topped off with a delicious lunch at Old's Havana Cuban Bar and Cocina as a 1950s style band played and people danced in the street. **Karen DiMaura** planned the perfect day and as all exited the bus, we wondered why we did not do more trips!"

Three trips remain: Brickell Avenue Neighborhood Walking Tour, **Wednesday, February 15**; Zoo Miami VIP Tour, **Wednesday, February 22**; and A Day at the Races, **Saturday, March 4**.

at Buccaneer Island. Lizzie Hunter chose where to paint but then the birds and light changed and it was suddenly a different painting." Member **Julie Skoda** was showing 2 fellow pastel artists, Kathleen Newman and Carol Strock Wasson, to various areas of interest around The Reef. Try to see if their finished works look at all similar.

My final stop on Friday was at Greenberg Park where Gerald Obregon chose the gazebo with its lush greenery around it. A few more artists were just beginning to set up their final painting as the light changed again, dictating a slight change of angle or location.

John Caggiano was in the Fishing Village in front of R.F. Orchids. "This is my favorite place. The colors, shapes and background are often similar but different at the same time each year."

Cathy Berse had not been here for many years and chose the Fountains for her

first stop. "It caught my eye but then the birds and light changed and it was suddenly a different painting." Member **Julie Skoda** was showing 2 fellow pastel artists, Kathleen Newman and Carol Strock Wasson, to various areas of interest around The Reef. Try to see if their finished works look at all similar.

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The entire collection consists of works small enough to fit anywhere in your home here or possibly up north. You also may get inspired to take a course from one of our many exhibitors who are also Reef instructors, like Kathleen Denis, Andres Lopez, Julie Skoda or Robert Simone.



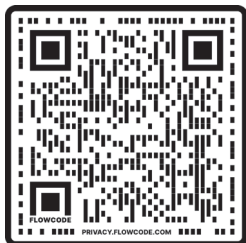
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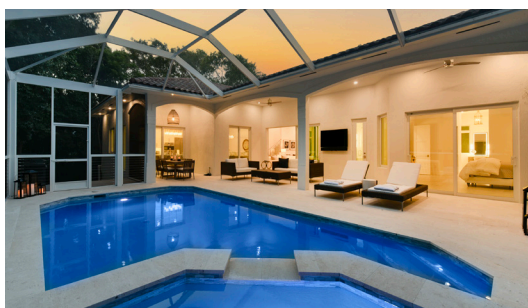
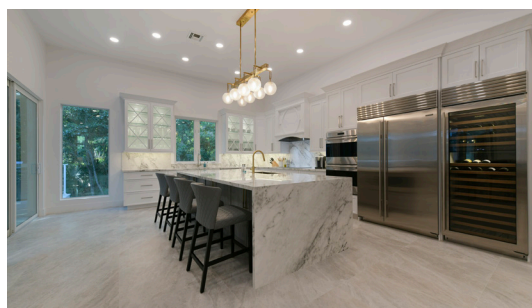


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Mission: Pawssible

18th Annual Catwalk
Monday, February 20
12 p.m.



by Mary Brady

MISSION: PAWSSIBLE is our theme for the 2023 Annual Catwalk Fashion Show and Luncheon. Our mission is indeed, POSSIBLE!

The Grayvik Animal Center is in need of a new building. We have outgrown our current facility and the number of beloved pets at Ocean Reef is steadily increasing. The number of dogs reported on the Ocean Reef Club Census has increased



Diane Steinhilber and Shep, looking dapper at last year's Catwalk.

from 387 in 2010 to 650 in 2020, and our present cat population is 116.

Furthermore, the Blessing of the Animals just celebrated 10 years, and we now have many other dog events, including the Chamber of Commerce Welcome Back Paw-ty and, this year, three Yappy Hours on the Club schedule. With two dog parks as well as these animal

events, it is evident our pets are an important part of life at The Reef.

Our trap-neuter-release (TNR) program is also very successful. People even travel here from other parts of the country to learn about it. It is the humane approach to addressing community cat populations. It works and improves the lives of feral cats. No wonder our present facility needs to be expanded, and the funding from this year's Catwalk will play a large role in making that happen.

At the Luncheon, Neiman Marcus will be doing the fashion show and shopping will be available from 10am-4pm. Sign up for your table or get tickets for the Catwalk Luncheon by contacting **Luisa Benda at 305-367-6309 or catwalk@orcareef.com**. You may also sign up to walk your pet on the runway!

ORCAT - A Brief Bit of History

ORCAT's temporary building was erected in 2006 and generously donated by **Penny and Roe Stamps**. At that time,

we had much fewer dogs and cats. We did NOT have a vet on duty every day as we do now. The building is now 17 years old, and bursting at the seams caring for the various pets now on The Reef.

We are so very fortunate to have Doctor **Lora Cummings** as our wonderful and dedicated veterinarian at the Grayvik Center. Dr. Lora cares for all the animals on The Reef. She also does surgery in the trailer set up in the parking lot. That is a pretty big order considering the number of pets now residing here. There are two full-time groomers working everyday as well as nurses and technicians.

ORCAT is such an integral part of our way of life. It is said over the ages that a community is judged by the way it treats its animals. Animals ask so little and give so much.

Please come and support this annual worthwhile cause and help make this MISSION PAWSSIBLE! It is a special day filled with surprises that never disappoint!

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The Future is Now: OpenAI's ChatGBT & Dall-e 2



"Dot.calm"
by Jane Silverman Berman

If you live on planet Earth, then there is no way to avoid hearing about Artificial Intelligence (AI). It's a term first coined in the 1950s but has embedded itself in our lives in so many ways; it's a future that technology naysayers have predicted for decades -- you know, the one where computers take over the world.

I started to write a paragraph explaining AI and its benefits and then I thought, "let an Artificial Intelligence web site write it for me!"

I typed into **OpenAI's ChatGBT** <https://chat.openai.com/> write a conversational paragraph explaining artificial intelligence, give examples of how it can be used in our daily lives. It generated the response:

"Artificial Intelligence (AI) is a technology that enables machines to perform tasks that typically require human intelligence, such as recognizing speech, understanding natural language, and making decisions. Examples of AI in our daily lives include Siri or Alexa (virtual assistants), Netflix recommendations (based on viewing habits), recommendation systems for online shopping and streaming, and fraud detection by banks."

I thought, "Should I be worried?"

I wrote: *Is ChatGBT good or bad for society? How can*



Do you see anything strange about this image from my New Year's Eve column? I created it with artificial intelligence.

we predict if something has been generated by AI? In milliseconds it responded:

"Whether AI, including ChatGPT, is good or bad for society depends on how it is used. AI can bring great benefits such as improving healthcare, streamlining business processes, and making our lives easier. It also raises concerns about privacy and security, job displacement, and ethical considerations. There are various techniques to monitor AI-generated images and writings. One approach is using machine learning algorithms to detect it as synthetic. Another approach involves creating digital fingerprints of AI-generated content."

Uh-oh. Visions of a dystopic Orwellian future and a computer named HAL 9000 washed over me. Would scientists safeguard our future?

Back in December I needed a photo for my New Year's Eve column. I turned to the also free **Dall-e 2** <https://openai.com/dall-e-2/> and prompted: *someone holding a cell phone and videotaping fireworks*. Dall-e 2 did not disappoint (though if you look closely at the photo above you can see the virtual distortions around the phone and hands). Dall-e 2 can help you create and download any image you can imagine; just type in any prompt like *create a realistic shark smoking a cigar underwater*



I typed "a realistic shark smoking a cigar underwater by a colorful coral reef" - not bad Dall-e 2!

by a colorful coral reef or upload your own photo and create new backgrounds. It's fun for creating party invitations, for social media, and more; sign in and receive 15 free images each month.


While I have not turned to AI to write my column (this one doesn't count) OpenAI's ChatGBT and Dall-e 2 are great sites for graphics or to

help write the first chapter of your book, letters, ad copy, and Facebook posts. Let's dip our collective toes into the murky but brilliant waters of AI. And have some fun.

ChatGBT: *write a funny quote about AI:* "Artificial Intelligence may one day rule the world, but for now, it's just afraid of being unplugged."

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Rene Agenord and Sam Joseph, from Ocean Reef Solid Waste, are known around The Reef for always having a smile on their face.

All Smiles

Rene Agenord & Sam Joseph

By Susan Bohan

We at The Reef are very fortunate to have so many Associates support our enviosus lifestyle. Two of the best workers according to many Members are Sam Joseph and Rene Agenord, from Ocean Reef Solid Waste, who are the smiling gentlemen who pick up your trash on the assigned days or make a special trip if you need it.

According to their Director, Israel Salgado, "Sam who has been here 18 years and Rene for over 25, have one of the hardest jobs here. They work from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. regardless of holidays and no matter the weather. Their positivity is contagious." Israel recalled when he joined the group in 2008, Sam and Rene were already in place. He bragged that he has never had to worry that the job would be done any way but properly and in a timely manner. He has even tried to do each of their routes himself and has yet been able to complete it within their time frame!

Both Sam and Rene are originally from Haiti. Each has family here but say they take responsibility for those who remain in Haiti. Their path here was a circuitous one but their advantage is that they had a CDL or Commercial Drivers License and a hard work ethic instilled by their families.

When I asked how they always have a smile on their face, the answers were similar. According to Sam, "If you make the homeowner happy, it makes me happy. I know who can bring their garbage near the street and whose remains in or near the garage. People trust me and I always make sure they get taken care of." Rene echoes those sentiments and added, "When I come by in the morning the homeowners expect good service and it is important to me that I give it to them."

As I finished listening to stories of their life before Ocean Reef and how they came to be here, it was very apparent that these two men enjoy what they do and make fun out of their work. In fact, Israel added that they often finish their day with "push up" contests and admire their muscles afterwards! Laughing and smiling all the time. How did we get so lucky?



2023

All Charities Weekend

Online bidding starts
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Opening Night Wine Tasting and Bourbon Tasting
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Dinner, Live Auction and Dancing

7 p.m. | Town Hall

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

Silent Auction Item Pick Up

Opulence by Lester Lampert Jewellers

9 a.m. – 2 p.m. | Carysfort Hall

Celebrating the Arts at The Academy

By Jerome Murphy, Academy Head of School

While many of us as parents and educators tend to focus on the core subject areas (English, History, Math, Science) during a student's educational journey, we should be equally mindful of the important role played by the Arts in our children's development.

Providing students from a very young age with the opportunity to engage in both Visual and Performing Arts allows children to develop and explore their creativity in a learning environment that is absent of the structure and routine normally associated with a core subject area



Academy students at Willy Wonka Kids rehearsal.

classroom experience. The Arts promote the pursuit of curiosity and encourage the healthy development of self-expression in our children.

As part of how we validate our Academy students' weekly engagement in art, music, and performing arts classes starting at the age of two, we recognize and celebrate the students' achievement in these areas through an annual Art Show at The Academy and a spring Musical at the

Cultural Center. We are grateful to the Director of the Cultural Center, John Hunt, for opening his doors to The Academy and providing our children with a path to Broadway!

Following a rousing performance by Academy students in 101 Dalmatians last year, we invite all ORC community members to attend one of our two spring performances of Willy Wonka Kids on **May 24**

and **May 25**, 4 p.m., at the Cultural Center. Our aspiring thespians will not disappoint! Spoiler alert..... the 2-5 year olds steal the show!

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

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SHARE YOUR YOUNGSTER-TESTED ACTIVITIES WITH THE ORP

The Ocean Reef Press is seeking suggestions from Members for its parent and grandparent guide to keeping youngsters happy at Ocean Reef, which will be published just in time for spring break. Activities already submitted include a trip to Everglades National Park and a floor puzzle. By **Monday, March 6**, send your best suggestions to orp@oceanreef.com on what you do with your children and grandchildren when the weather is cool, rainy, or you just need time away from the sun!

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75th Anniversary Traditions... Bourbon



by Sean Carroll, Director of Beverage & Wine Operations

With Ocean Reef Club celebrating its 75th Anniversary this year, what better way to carry on "traditions" than with more Bourbon. Your "ORC Tasters" were at it again on our yearly trip to Bourbon Country... Louisville, Kentucky. Being the professionals that we are, we trained vigorously for this trip to make sure our pallets were in prime form.

DAY ONE

Angel's Envy Distillery

This was our first visit to their new distillery and our second barrel with them. Their distillery is amazing and all state of the art. We were allowed to do our barrel tasting in their super-secret Bar Ten/10. This bar was named after a little-known fact that all of Angel's Envy's corks are stamped with the date 10/10, the month and year their whiskey was supposed to be released. The funny thing is, when 10/10 actually rolled around, Lincoln Henderson didn't think Angel's Envy was ready yet. So, they waited another six months until



Old Forester Distillery – ORC 75th Anniversary barrel tasting.

it was perfect. Lincoln was never satisfied with "good enough." Good whiskey is always worth waiting for, and we never want to forget that.

Barrel Selection: 6 Years Old/Warehouse-T/108 Proof

Old Forester Distillery

Our second visit to their distillery as well as our second barrel with them. This year the tasting was set up in the middle of their on-site Rack House which was an amazing experience, with three single barrels to choose from. We were even allowed to drill into these three barrels ourselves to retrieve our tasting samples. Something we had never done on previous trips.

Barrel Selection: 4 Years Old/Warehouse-G/100 Proof

DAY TWO

Woodford Reserve Distillery

Speaking of traditions. this will



Maker's Mark Distillery "birth certificate" for the ORC 75th Anniversary barrel. From left to right, Executive Director Food & Beverage Chris Patterson, Director Beverage & Wine Operations Sean Carroll and VP Food & Beverage Erwin Pals.

be our 8th barrel with Woodford Reserve as this is where it all began. Something new this year was visiting the Woodford Reserve Welcome Center for a handcrafted cocktail. The views of the Thoroughbred farms and pre-prohibition warehouses while relaxing on the veranda are spectacular. The surprise to this visit was we were then taken to Keeneland Race Track to enjoy a day of horse racing. I was very upset I didn't bring my bow tie.

Barrel Selection: 4 Years Old/Warehouse-C/90.4 Proof

DAY THREE

Maker's Mark Distillery

Another ORC tradition as this is our 6th barrel with Maker's Mark. Unique in its own way as we get to truly create the flavor profile we want, using their very own stave selections with five variations to choose from. The highlight was to create this barrel in their new tasting room overlooking one of their limestone water reservoirs. We even saw a few deer. It's like they planned it.

Stave Selections-1 Baked American Pie/3 Seared French Cuvée/1 Maker's 46/5 French Roasted Mendant/4 Years Old/109 Proof

Jim Beam Distillery

Knob Creek Single Barrel

Starting a new tradition as our first ever Knob Creek Bourbon Single Barrel. Knob Creek was created in 1992 by Booker Noe, the sixth-generation master distiller of the Jim Beam

family. Booker's vision was to create a full-flavored bourbon that resembled those distilled before Prohibition. It was named after the creek that ran behind Abraham Lincoln's childhood home in Kentucky.

Barrel Selection: Warehouse O/10 Years Old/120 Proof

Knob Creek Rye Single Barrel

A tradition in its own right as this is our 3rd barrel of Knob Creek Rye. Its success has come from the tradition of Smoked Old Fashioneds in the Reef Lounge over the last 2 years. Obviously, a Member favorite and a must-have experience in the Reef Lounge.

Barrel Selection: Warehouse W/6 Years Old/115 Proof

It is you, the Members, that give us the opportunity to have these great experiences and we hope we are bringing that back to you by bringing these exclusive offerings to Ocean Reef Club. We take so much pride in representing Ocean Reef by only bringing the best of the best. These barrels, which have all been labeled ORC 75th Anniversary, are no exception. Enjoy them at your favorite outlet or head over to Port O'Call and pick up a bottle (or six) to try side by side. More reasons why Ocean Reef Club is a Unique Way of Life...

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Valentine's Day at the Spa

Perfect Pout Lipstick & Mask & Men's Barber Special



"Spa Notes" by Jillian Barron, The Spa Director

Back by popular demand, and just in time for Valentine's Day, the Spa has brought back Kaplan MD's lipsticks, balms and lip masks!

Kaplan MD Lipstick

This is no ordinary lipstick! It is a luxuriously smooth, rich lip color with extraordinary lip-plumping technology, and with each application, it will transform your lips with intense hydration, enhanced fullness and SPF 30 sunburn protection - all in one! Developed by a dermatologist, you can feel good about applying Kaplan MD products to your lips because the ingredients consist of an exclusive complex of 22 certified organic extracts, as well as beeswax to lock in moisture. These plant extracts are nourishing, healing and soothing.

In addition, all of these

lipsticks are anti-aging! As we age, we lose volume in our lips which help add to a more youthful appearance. The Perfect Pout lipstick is filled with peptides that help to stimulate collagen and naturally plump up the lip line with continued use. As if that alone weren't enough, they are also filled with hyaluronic acid microspheres that absorb into the tissue of the lips to hydrate, increase moisture retention, fill in fine lines and crevices and add slight volume for a smoother surface.

Another key ingredient included in the Perfect Pout Lipsticks is sea buckthorn berry extract, which is known for its nourishing, revitalizing and restorative properties. It has a high content of fat-soluble vitamins A and E, and essential fatty acids that are repairing, healing and moisturizing.

Perfect Pout Lip Mask + Lip Balm Duo

This must-have lip-plumping treatment duo - Perfect Pout Lip Mask & Lip Balm exfoliates dry, chapped skin while visibly plumping the lip contour. Using a state-of-the-art 'Gel-Cream' technology, the Lip Mask contains Papaya Enzymes to gently exfoliate away dry flaky skin. The Perfect Pout Lip Balm contains an exclusive complex of 22 Certified Organic Extracts to nourish and repair the skin, along

with Sea Buckthorn Berry Extract to infuse lips with intense hydration and SPF to protect from sun damage. The result is fuller, softer lips - instantly! The Lip Balm that accompanies the Lip Gloss is available in Crystal Clear, Red Poppy, a subtle, rosy hue, and the new Pink Peony, which is a warm, natural pink.

Come by the Spa to see all of our Kaplan MD lip products... and don't think we forgot about the men for Valentine's Day!

The New "Boy's Club" Barber Package

The Spa is so excited that our new men's Barber package, The Boy's Club, has been so well received! So much so, that we decided to extend our introductory special until Valentine's Day so you can try it out! If you want a little more pampering with your men's haircut, then book a little extra time with Perry

the Barber in the Barbershop and request one of our newest men's packages. You do need extra time, so if you already have a haircut scheduled, ask to call to extend the time.

The Boy's Club Barber Package introductory price is \$95 and includes:

- Tailored Haircut with Shampoo / Conditioning Treatment & Scalp Massage
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UPCOMING SPA TRUNK SHOWS:

- **Friday, Feb. 10 & Saturday, Feb. 11** – Zoes Empire Apparel & Accessories 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
- **Thursday Feb. 16 – Saturday Feb. 18** – Caryna Nina Fashion Designs 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- **Monday, Feb. 20 & Tuesday Feb. 21** – Walker & Wade Apparel 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.



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Equity Membership

Adeline & Thomas Marotta are Social members applying for Equity membership. Mr. and Mrs. Marotta are purchasing 218 Residence Club and the equity from Chip Hillyer. They are residents of Lighthouse Point, Florida. They are members of Park Ave Club. Their sponsors are Courtney Chambers & Charles Vail and Gerald Henn.

Sherry & Gary Forsee are Social Waitlisted members applying for Equity membership. Mr. and Mrs.

Forsee are purchasing 1 Residence Club Ln PH 11 and the equity from Residence Club. They are residents of Kansas City, Missouri. They belong to Kansas City Country Club. Their sponsors are Debra & Tom Cafferty and Lowell Bryan.

Meta Reycraft & Peter Fallon are Legacy members applying for Equity membership. Mr. Fallon and Mrs. Reycraft are co-purchasing 44 Villa Ct and the equity from Jack Dunn. They are residents of Pelham, New York. They belong to Pelham Country Club. Their sponsors are Thomas Letarte and Richard Wallace.

Thaddeus Reycraft is a Legacy member applying for Equity membership. Mr. Thaddeus Reycraft are co-purchasing 44 Villa Ct and the equity from Jack Dunn. He is a resident of Pelham, New York. He belongs to Pelham Country Club. Their sponsors are Thomas Letarte and Richard Wallace.



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Lots Going On With the Bonefish Bonnies



by Sarah A. Cart

Bonefish Bonnies have plenty to keep them busy as February keeps its wild pace, from lunching to kayaking, fishing and fun.

Any Bonefish Bonnie hoping to attend this **Wednesday's monthly luncheon** at Key Largo Anglers Club, please note **today is the RSVP deadline**. If you're planning to attend, email your name and ORC number to BonefishBonnies1@gmail.com; your account will be billed \$40 plus tax and gratuity.

Check-in will begin at 10:45, the meal will be Chef Jon's famous Taco Bar, and the day's speaker will be Thomas Watts-Fitzgerald, an assistant U.S. attorney for the

Southern District of Florida who has prosecuted cases from fraud related to the Deepwater Horizon explosion to crimes that violate state and federal fishing rules.

This Monday (Feb. 13), Bonnies will once again join with members of the Rod & Gun Club in a joint **Kayak Clean-Up**. Let Bonnies' Special Events Chairperson **Laura Zausmer** know ASAP of your intention to take part (laurausmer@gmail.com) as well as whether you will be staying for lunch at the Beach Bar afterward.

Arrive at Buccaneer Island by 9:15 a.m. and plan to be on the water from 9:30 to 11:30. While ORC Recreation will provide kayaks, gloves and potable water, Laura suggests bringing your own gloves and water bottle as well as a hat, sunscreen and pickers if you have them. Nets and boat hooks (not gaffs) can be useful as well. (The Club will provide – and dispose of – the adventure's trash bags afterward.)

Also this Monday is the deadline to register for (or back out of) the Bonnies' March 6 "Reel Women Love Sails" offshore tournament, a great opportunity to pursue sails rather than shop sales. Whether you're new to

offshore fishing or an old hand, the experience is always exhilarating.

Please note that there will be a 5-6:30 p.m. March 2 Anglers' and Captains' Meeting on the Ocean Reef Yacht Club terrace – above the Dockmaster's Office – for all competitors. The tournament will run from 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. March 6, followed by an Awards Reception at 6:30 that evening (beverages and hors d'oeuvres) on the Town Hall Terrace, at which all who RSVP (spouses, partners, captains, mates and Bonnies) will be welcome. Entry forms and pricing details can be found at the Bonnies' website (www.BonefishBonnies.com) or pick up a copy from the

drawer below the Bonnies' bulletin board in the Reef Treats lobby. Questions? Contact **Allison Freeland** (305-989-2971) or **Michelle Battle** (305-613-0304).

Bonnie FAQs:

The Bonefish Bonnies promote fishing, fun and friendship via monthly luncheons, educational programs, travel adventures and local tournaments and is open to all women of Ocean Reef and Key Largo Anglers Clubs and their mothers, daughters or granddaughters. Individual events are priced separately, and newcomers are welcome to join any time throughout the season. Visit www.BonefishBonnies.com for more information.

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WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

10 FRIDAY

AA Meeting

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

Tai Chi Class

7:30am • Member Fitness Center

Golf Croquet Doubles Club

Championship

1-5pm • Croquet Lawn

Come Sail Away: Bullseye Sailing

2pm • Card Sound Sailing Club

"EO" (NR)

4:30 & 7:30pm • Cultural Center

Equity Member Get-Together:

Wine & Cheese Social

5-7pm • Clubhouse Pergola

Heart Chakra Sound Healing and

Restorative Yoga

5:30pm • Member Fitness Center

11 SATURDAY

Danish & Coffee

7-10am • The Point (Members Only)

Cardio Boxing Class & Yoga Nidra

Class

8am • Member Fitness Center

Ladies' & Men's Doubles Pickleball

Club Championship

8:30am • Tennis & Games Center

"EO" (NR)

4:30 & 7:30pm • Cultural Center

12 SUNDAY

Danish & Coffee

7-10am • The Point (Members Only)

Ladies' & Men's Doubles Pickleball

Club Championship

8:30am • 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

Cocktails

5-8pm • The Point (Members Only)

Super Bowl LVII Viewing

5pm Pre-Game • 6:30pm Kick Off
Cultural Center Theatre & Compass Room

13 MONDAY

Sweat Class

8am • Member Fitness Center

Beach Yoga

8am • Buccaneer Island

Farmer's Market

11am-4pm • Field at Four Corners

Men's Card Night

6:45pm • Card & Games Room

AA Meeting

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

14 TUESDAY

Valentine's Day Couples Workout

11am • Member Fitness Center

Valentine's Day in the Fishing

Village

11am-1pm • The Fishing Village

Golf Clinic with Tom Gibson

3pm • Driving Range

Reef Rec Room Open

5-10pm • Reef Rec Room

15 WEDNESDAY

Intercessory Prayer

8am • Chapel Fellowship Hall B

Pull Up Challenge

9am-12pm • Member Fitness Center

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

Stretch & Mobility Class

3pm • Member Fitness Center

Raw Food and The Benefits

3:30pm • Member Fitness Center

Gameio Tennis Clinic

4:30-5:30pm • Tennis & Games Center

16 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

Raw Bar Lobster Bake

5-9pm • Raw Bar

"EO" (NR)

7:30pm • Cultural Center

Burgee Bar Karaoke

9pm • Burgee Bar

**All Charities Weekend
February 10 – 12**

Support nonprofits on and off The Reef. Events include Friday's Wine & Bourbon Tasting & Silent Auction Showcase, Saturday's Burgers, Beer & Bidding and a NetJets Display and the finale, All Charities Black Tie Gala. Bid online at bidORC.org. Scan below for a full schedule of events.



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

ON SCREEN & STAGE

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



"EO" (NR)

Fri. February 10 • 4:30PM & 7:30PM
Sat. February 11 • 4:30PM & 7:30PM
Thurs. February 16 • 7:30PM
Runtime: 1hr 28min
Stars: Sandra Drzymalska, Isabelle Huppert, Lorenzo Zurzolo

Follows a donkey who encounters on his journeys good and bad people, experiences joy and pain, exploring a vision of modern Europe through his eyes.

Super Bowl LVII Viewing: Kansas City Chiefs vs Philadelphia Eagles

Sun. 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.

Zoetic Stage: The 39 Steps
Wed. February 15 • 8 PM
\$150 Donor • \$175 Non-Donor
Pre-performance dinner \$62++

Mix a Hitchcock masterpiece with a juicy spy novel, add a dash of Monty Python and you have The 39 Steps! Zoetic Stage returns to the Cultural Center at Ocean Reef with this fast-paced whodunit for anyone who loves the magic of theatre! This two-time Tony and Drama Desk Award-winning treat is packed with nonstop laughs, over 150 zany characters (played by a ridiculously talented cast of four), an onstage plane crash, handcuffs, missing fingers, and some good old-fashioned romance!

Cultural Center Museum
Daily 9am-4pm • Open During Movies
Library Hours
Monday – Thursday • 10am-2pm

Member Fitness Center

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Mon.-Fri. 6am – 7pm
Sat. & Sun. 7am – 5pm
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Fri. & Sat. 10am – 6pm
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The Burgee Shop

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

OCEAN REEF STORE HOURS

Port O' Call Wine & Spirits

Wines by the glass and artisanal cheese and charcuterie boards.
Mon.-Thurs. & Sun. 11am – 8pm
Fri. & Sat. 11am – 9pm
305-367-5999

Golf Shop

All your golfing needs from apparel to equipment and more. Now located in the Clubhouse.
Daily 7:30am – 5:30pm
305-367-5912

Tennis Pro Shop

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Daily 8am – 5:30pm
305-367-6583

Ocean Reef Gift Shop

Sundries, gifts, newspapers & more.
Daily 7am – 7pm
305-367-2611, ext. 7139

The Spa at Ocean Reef

Offering luxury skin and body care products, unique accessories, gift items and more.
Mon.-Sat. 9am – 5pm
Sun. 9:30am – 4:40pm
305-367-6506

CLUB SHOPPING

Joan the Shopper

Hearts and Flowers.... In the excitement of All Charities Weekend, let's not forget that **Valentine's Day** is Tuesday, Feb. 14th. Lucky for us, many of the Ocean Reef shops are well aware of the date and are featuring some appropriate gifts. At **r.f. Orchids**, our fantastic Fishing Village flower shop, there are beautiful arrangements of red and pink roses or other assorted flowers and orchid plants. They all come with a tasty little stash of Valentine chocolates.... **Burgee Shop** has a new red *Sunday Sweat* from NUX, which has a decorative pink heart and coordinating Burgee Logo. Also from the Burgee Shop: white cotton children's tees (like the one pictured here). There are lots of sizes – including onesies. Burgee offers other Valentine choices that feature the ORC heart design – e.g. koozies, water bottles, drawstring bags.... At the **Member Fitness Center** boutique (third floor), check out the heartie bra top and matching tights (pictured). They are perfect for the 14th but will be eye-catchers any old day of the year.... For a really romantic Valentine, you have until 10:30 Saturday night to purchase one of the "Heart of Ocean Reef" diamond necklaces, custom-made by **Lester Lampert Jewelers**. There are only 40 of them and they were made exclusively for Ocean Reef All Charities (\$5000)....



Last Word: Isn't it heart-warming that in Saudi Arabia, where Valentine's Day is illegal, there is a thriving black market of red roses and heart-shaped chocolates in February. The beat goes on!

by Joan Birsh

10TH ANNIVERSARY ART & FASHION WALK

Saturday, February 18

11am – 2pm • Fishing Village

Stroll through the Fishing Village for the 10th Annual Art & Fashion Walk and enjoy street side shopping with an array of vendors.

The fashion show begins at 1pm in the Reef Treats parking lot.

Please call 305-367-6516 for details.

WINING & DINING

MONDAY, FEB. 13 – SUNDAY, FEB. 19

Palm Court

Lunch Daily 11:30am-3:30pm

Palm Court Nights Cantina

Dinner Mon., Fri. & Sun. 6-9pm

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

Gianni Ristorante*

Dinner Mon.-Thurs. & Sun. 5:30-9pm Fri. & Sat. 5:30-10pm
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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 • Sat. 6-8pm

Burgee Bar

Dinner Daily 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 • 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.

BONEFISH BONNIES CAST & BLAST



The Bonnies and staff at the Rod & Gun Club shooting range during last month's Cast & Blast event.



Bonnies and shotguns from left to right - Kristina Ersek, Toni Vreeland, Letty Borbolla, Tina Jones, Linda Jaikins, Jane Silverman, and Bonnie President Laura Wilson.

SHARE YOUR NEWS & PHOTOS

All Members are encouraged to share their family milestones and photos taken both on and off The Reef with the Ocean Reef Press, whether it's a Member engagement or wedding, a birth or a photo of your family and friends enjoying Club-related happenings, or a fishing photo. Please email your news and photos to ORP@oceanreef.com for consideration. Photos are best if sent as jpeg attachments and if from an iPhone, be sure to select "Actual Size" when submitting.



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Bonefish Bonnies' Fishin' Funatics Winners

By Sarah A. Cart

Congratulations to the dozens of Bonefish Bonnies who participated in the Feb. 6 Fishin'

Funatics tournament – it was a great day on the water!

Top honors on the flats went to the team of **Bonnie Rippingille-Schoedinger** and **Karen DiMaura** with Capt. **Paul DiMaura**, while first place offshore went to Catchin' Z's with anglers **Angela Basciano, Johanna Carrier, Kristina Ersek, Tania McCann, Laura Woods** and **Jodi Zifferer**, and Capt. **Tucker Ersek** at the helm

and **Andres Garcia** as mate.

Taking second place offshore were the anglers aboard Sea Monkey: **Linda Jaikins, Adele Acheson, Lisa Desmond, Diane Hill** and **Laura Zausmer**, with Capt. John Wolf.

And Capt. **Chris Chokreff** piloted those aboard Reel Romance – **Anne Hinkebein, Cathy Jansen, Jessica Olefson, Gordana Schneider, Dale Schuble**, and **Joanne Wills** – to third place.



Honored for their Team Spirit in the Feb. 6 Fishin' Funatics Tournament were the Disco Queens who fished aboard Bad Habits: Bettina Schottland, Esther Vasquez, Laura Wilson, Kelly Hertzman, Kristine Voulgaris and Daisy Gonzalez.



Ready for their close up after taking first place offshore in the Bonefish Bonnies Feb. 6 Fishin Funatics Tournament are Catchin' Z's Captain Tucker Ersek and Jodi Zifferer kneeling, and standing left to right, Laura Woods, Johanna Carrier, Kristina Ersek, Angela Basciano, mate extraordinaire, Andres Garcia, Tania McCann.



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Serving on a committee is one of Ocean Reef's great traditions and perhaps one of the most important. As the Club celebrates 75 years, we are reminded that it is the talent and commitment of this historic Membership that makes it thrive and grow.

Consider raising your hand for one of your CLUB COMMITTEES below:

ADVISORY COUNCIL

Represents the various neighborhoods of Ocean Reef and brings issues, policies, concerns, accomplishments and recommendations to the table, as voiced to them by their peers. They also are brought up-to-date on the Club's and ORCA's affairs. Selection is based on area of residence.

Meetings per season: 2



AIRPORT

Reports on the use of the ORC Airport, programs to enhance the member experience and the condition of the related equipment and facilities.

Meetings per season: 3

AUDIT

Audit Committee should be an informed, vigilant and effective overseer of the financial reporting process and the Club's internal controls.

Meetings per season: 2

CARD & GAMES

Consults and advises on matters concerning Club operations involving bridge, mah jongg, canasta, and other game activities.

Meetings per season: 4

CROQUET

Advises the Board on matters concerning croquet activity at Ocean Reef Club.

Meetings per season: 4

FINANCE

Assists management in preparing a five-year operating pro-forma and is responsible for maintaining capital budgeting process, establishing monitoring/control and reporting criteria to the Board.

Meetings per season: 4

HOUSE & GROUNDS

Advises the Board on matters of style and taste concerning decorations, landscaping and alterations, and new project designs.

Meetings per season: 4



MARINE ADVISORY

Advises Board on matters concerning marine activities, operational rules for Members and guests and environmental issues at Ocean Reef Club and surrounding areas.

Meetings per season: 3

MARKETING

Defines the marketing and marketing communications "vision" for Ocean Reef Club and reviews and insures its application across all marketing objectives, strategies and creative platforms targeted towards prospective members.

Meetings per season: 3



MEMBERSHIP

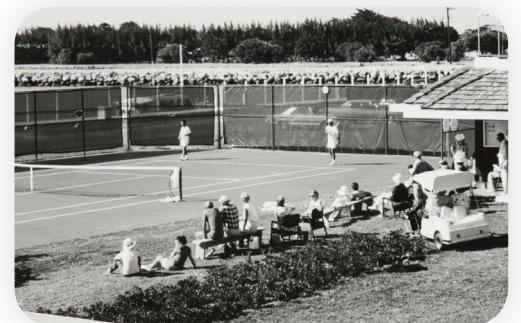
Reviews and recommends action to the Board with respect to Club membership and member conduct.

Meetings per season: 4

SOCIAL

Advises and consults with Ocean Reef Member Events on existing and potential new events where no other committee is in place.

Meetings per season: 4



TENNIS

Advises on matters of rules for Members and guests related to the operations of the Tennis Center.

Meetings per season: 4



Please contact Luann Lowen at 305-367-5817 or lloven@oceanreef.com for a questionnaire.

Questionnaires must be submitted by March 26.

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Rod & Gun Club Fish of the Month



by Christine Patton, Rod & Gun Club

Congratulations to the winner of the Rod and Gun Club's January Fish of the Month - **Fred Flippen**, with an impressive 37-pound Wahoo.

Fred, an inveterate fisherman, was out on **Mike Battista's** boat, the "Tracy Ann", a 37-foot Intrepid with Capt Shawn Albury in charge and fishing pals **Richard Ryon** and Mike on board. They were actually after sailfish, and after loading up on yellowtail had caught a few ballyhoo and speedos for bait. He says they were in their



Congratulations to Fred Flippen, January 2023 Fish of the Month winner with his 37-pound Wahoo caught January 10 aboard "Tracy Ann" with captain Shawn Albury and fishing pals Richard Ryon and Mike Battista.

Secret Spot, somewhere south of Ocean Reef in about 125 feet of water, when they hooked up the wahoo on a speedo. The fish gave a good run, as Wahoo are reputed to do, but the 20-pound test intended for a sail was up to the challenge.

The Rod and Gun's new February contest is for Tuna and/or Snook, and all ORC Members and their guests are qualified to win. Just bring in your catch to the

MarineMax Tackle Shop for weighing — for after hours (after 4:45) weighing for large Tuna, a photo and weight can be acceptable — and the winner gets a gift certificate to MarineMax as well as bragging rights for at least 30 days. Fred gave his certificate to his host, Mike Battista, in gratitude for taking him out — and as for the bragging rights, well, Fred is as a modest guy, so I'll brag for him. Well done!

SAVE THE DATES:

Golf School with Mike Adams, Kelan McDonagh & Derek Swoboda
March 2 & 3

Sign up for a morning OR afternoon session:
Morning attendance: 8 a.m. to noon
Afternoon attendance: 1 to 5 p.m.

Putting Instruction With Bruce Rearick
March 22 & 23

Sign up for both of these opportunities by calling the Golf Shop at 305-367-5912, signing up on Foretees, or emailing Derek Swoboda at dswoboda@oceanreef.com.



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Meet the Ocean Reef Marina Team

Meet your Ocean Reef Marina Team, pictured here, and look out for bi-monthly tips from them in the Ocean Reef Press on marina etiquette, safety, boat handling, and more.



The Ocean Reef Marina Team - Dockmaster Jeff Tetrault (second from left), Marina Attendants Gustavo Granados, Aliesky Navarro and Anthony Perez, and Marina Supervisor Daniel Mirabal (right).

RECENT CATCH



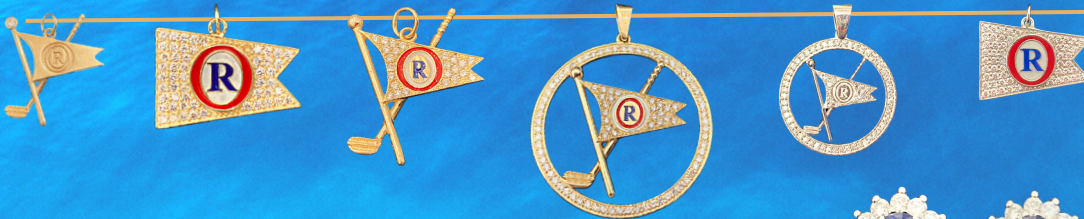
LEFT: Linda Jaikins with the Mackerel she caught on Sea Monkey during the Bonefish Bonnies Fishin' Funatics Tournament.

BOTTOM: Last month, Steve Woodsum caught this 40-inch Snook on fly rod in the Everglades. The fish was released wet and unharmed.



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"Glistening Currents at the Point"
42x61 framed Oil on Linen by Stephen Wood



TRX Training at Member Fitness



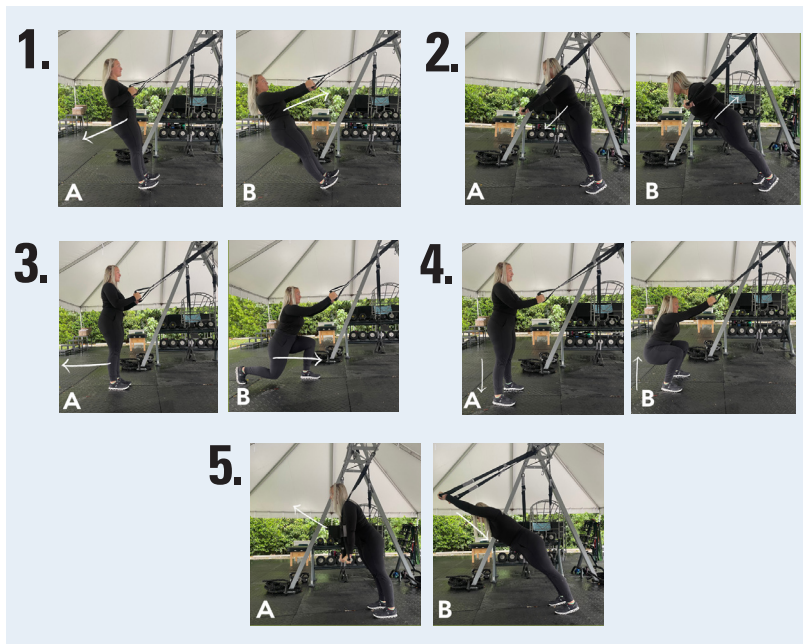
by Hannah Whistler, Member Fitness Center Specialist

The TRX training system, also known as Total Resistance Exercises, was developed in 2005 by former U.S. Navy SEAL Randy Hetrick. TRX is a form of suspension training that uses body weight exercises to develop strength, balance, flexibility and core stability simultaneously. It requires the use of the TRX Suspension Trainer, a performance training tool that turns every exercise into a challenge for your core by using two simple resources: gravity and your body weight. TRX Training can improve mobility and stability, increase metabolic results, build lean muscle, and develop functional strength. Even if you have never used a TRX training system before, you can start by incorporating these 5 moves into your next workout, or join trainer Hannah Whistler at the Member Fitness Center for a TRX strength class offered Wednesdays at 11 a.m. in the outdoor gym to learn more.

1. Move: TRX Low Row

Targets: Back, lats, biceps, abdominals
Difficulty: Beginner

How-to: Stand facing the TRX straps, and grab the handles with palms facing each other. Lean all the way back until your weight is driving down through your heels. Extend arms in front of you and engage your core. Squeeze shoulder blades together and keep core tight as you bend your elbows and pull your torso towards the straps at the belly button or just above. Slowly lower to return to the starting position. To make this exercise more challenging, step



Five TRX moves to incorporate into your next workout.

closer to the straps creating a steeper angle.

2. Move: TRX Chest Press

Targets: Chest, triceps, shoulders, abdominals
Difficulty: Beginner

How-to: Stand facing the TRX straps, with feet shoulder-width apart. Grab the handles with an overhand grip and extend your arms in front of you at shoulder height. With your core engaged, lean forward so your body is at a slight angle. Bend your elbows and lower chest between hands. Mimicking a push up, engage your chest and arms as you push yourself back up to the starting position. To make this exercise more challenging, step further back to creating a steeper angle.

3. Move: TRX Reverse Lunge

Targets: Glutes, quads, abdominals
Difficulty: Beginner

How-to: Stand facing the TRX, holding both handles in front of your waist with elbows bent by your sides. Engage through the core, step one foot back, while bringing the knee to a hover above the ground and extend your arms at eye level. As you drive through the heel of the front foot, bring the back foot up to the starting position. To make this exercise more challenging, drive the back knee upwards toward your chest instead of placing the foot on the ground after standing up.

4. Move: TRX Squat

Targets: Quads, glutes, hamstrings, abdominals
Difficulty: Beginner

How-to: Stand facing the TRX, holding both handles in front of your waist with elbows bent by your sides. Lower into a squat, extending arms in front of you at eye level. Drive through your heels to return

to the starting position. Avoid pulling yourself up with the straps, and focus on squeezing your glutes to help you stand up. To make this exercise more challenging, add a jump while standing up.

5. Move: TRX Ab Rollout

Targets: Abdominals, shoulders
Difficulty: Intermediate

How-to: Stand facing the TRX straps, grabbing the handles in front of your hips with an overhand grip. Engage your core and slowly start to lift your arms keeping the palms facing down, creating an angled straight line with your body. Keep the core engaged the entire time, not allowing hips to drop. Engaging through the shoulders and keeping arms straight, drive hands towards the floor to return to starting position. Do not 'roll-out' further than you are able to pull yourself back up. To make this exercise more challenging, step further back to create a steeper angle.



“The Untold Story of How the Stories Were Told”

Thursday, February 16, 2023 at 5:00 pm at The Chapel at Ocean Reef



Louis Schmidt will talk about his involvement with Steven Spielberg’s USC Shoah Foundation. In the mid-90’s, Louis became an official witness and interviewer for the Shoah Foundation, documenting the personal histories of the dwindling number of Holocaust survivors. More than 50,000 testimonies collected to date provide a unique source of insight and knowledge and offer powerful stories from history that demand to be explored and shared. Louis will discuss his profoundly meaningful experience as an interviewer for the Project. *Q & A and cocktails to follow.*

Louis Schmidt is the winner of three Emmy and four ACE Awards as well as the Silver Medal from the International Television Festival of New York. He was formerly a reporter for Look Magazine and a Senior Producer for the National Football League for 33 years, producing HBO’s award winning show Inside the NFL for 16 seasons.

“For the dead and the living, we must bear witness”

Elie Wiesel

Coming Up at the Member Fitness Center



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

Pull-Up Challenge Wednesday, February 15 9am-12pm

The pull-up is a test of upper body and core strength. For the scoring of championship points, Members must perform regular pull-ups. We will also offer a modified version of the exercise to allow everyone to participate. The Pull-Up Challenge is the second of four Fitness Championship

Challenges that determine the Club Fitness Champions at the end of the season. Fitness challenges are personal and a fun way to compete with others. We encourage all Members to find ways to challenge themselves regularly in the gym. The most uncomfortable our workouts are, the easier the rest of our life gets. We will have trainers working as official counters during the challenge. To participate, let them know that you are ready!

Standards to beat the challenge: Full Pull-Ups:

Ladies:
U55: 4
O55: 2
O80: 1

Male:
U55: 13
O55: 7
O80: 4

Alternative (no championship scoring):

Ladies:
10 assisted pull-ups with half of bodyweight

Men:
15 assisted Pull Ups with half of bodyweight

Competition Handicap:

ladies: 1 pull-up per decade after 40
Men: 2 pulls-up per decade after 40

Valentine’s Day Couple’s Workout with Hannah Whistler Tuesday, February 14 at 11am

A couple’s workout is a fun and romantic idea that can add flair to your usual workout routine. This special Valentine’s Day couple’s workout incorporates partner moves so you can help motivate each other, boost endorphins and work toward

your health goals while spending more time with your loved one.

Raw Food & the Benefits with Kristine Ingold Wednesday, February 15 at 3:30pm

Enjoy a delicious salad, fruit, nuts, and fresh juices from the Fitness Café while learning about the benefits of a plant-based diet and its significant vitamins and nutrients that boost vitality to improve your immune system while enhancing overall body performance and energy.

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Safe Boating Tip #12: Personal Flotation Device (PFD)

By Robert Broton, Commander, & Linda Benn, Flotilla Staff Officer Public Affairs, Ocean Reef Flotilla, USCGAUX

Have you ever offered a PFD to a family member or guest on your boat only to have them say something like, thanks, but I don't need one right now; or I'm a great swimmer, or some other excuse? So what do you do?

First, make sure you know the rules set by the USCG and the State of Florida, which you can learn by attending classes on boating safety given at Ocean Reef by Dr. **Peter Liashek** of the Ocean Reef

Flotilla of the USCGAUX; research the subject online (such as taking the course offered by Boat.Ed/Kalkoney Enterprises LLC); call Commander **Bob Broton** and schedule a free vessel exam where Bob can help you learn if you have enough PFDs on your vessel (as well as answer questions you may have about the numerous varieties to choose from); attend Safe Boating Day at Buccaneer Island on **Thursday, April 6** (where you can see a display of PFDs and get advice from **Mary Brady**, Chair of the event, regarding a vest for your dog.) Then, help the boat passenger understand all the reasons why they should wear a PFD on your boat, and why they should know where you keep the flotation items that you can throw in the water to help someone.

Tell them about the USCG recreational boating statistics for the year 2021: "Where the

cause of death was known, 81 percent of fatal boating accident victims drowned and 83% of the drowning victims were not wearing a life vest."

Captain Troy Glendye, chief of the Office of Auxiliary and Boating Safety at CG Headquarters, states, "A life jacket is one of the most important safety items on your boat. It is critical to wear one when underway as it may be difficult to don in an emergency. The CG reminds boaters to ensure life jackets are serviceable, properly sized, correctly fastened, and suitable for your activity."

To learn more: contact Dr. Peter Liashek, at pljr@msn.com to register for boating classes such as "Suddenly in Command" or "Boating Safely" ; contact FC Bob Broton at rmbdiver@gmail.com to schedule a vessel exam or visit boat-ed.com/florida/studyGuide/Specific-PFDRequirements.

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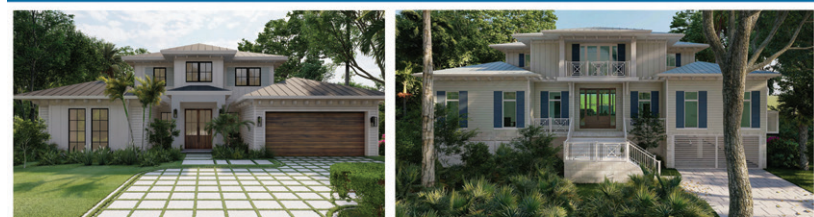
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Stormy Weather Last Saturday!

By Currie Wooten, Card Sound Sailing Club Vice Commodore

All of Ocean Reef was looking closely at the weather Saturday, February 4, as the forecast was high winds and RAIN and it was going to affect lots of events and tournaments that were scheduled. Our Card Sound Sailing weather gurus had been monitoring the weather all week and made the decision 4:00 on Friday that the race would be cancelled! This was the 4th Saturday in a row that we have had to cancel. There were white caps on Card Sound and the wind was threatening to keep increasing by starting time, so it was a good call by the Race Committee.

Safety comes first when making these decisions, which reminds me of the exercise that the club went through in 2019 to prove



This test, set up by George Lucas, showed that with air bags installed in our sailing vessels, the Bullseye will not sink when it's filled with water.

that the boats could be prevented from sinking when capsized as long as we had air bags placed in certain places in the boat. So I thought we'd provide a reminder to our sailors to check their air bags.

March 2, 2019 - Bullseye Forced to Take On Water Safely Off a Dock

This looks like a recipe for disaster, but this was just a test that **George Lucas** set up for one of our past commodores, **Sim Wooten**, and our present commodore, **Bill Reynolds**, to show that with the air bags

installed in the bow and under our seats and stern of our sailing vessels, the Bullseye will not sink even though it is filled with water.

The Sailing Club members who were looking on were then convinced to add the air bags for safety and reminded that the addition of a bailer and a bucket is a requirement to still get all the water out!

As Bill Reynolds has said, "better sailing days are ahead of us!" So the season continues with lots of fun races this week.

On **Friday, February 10th**, the Card Sound Sailing Club



is hosting the Pelican Landing Regatta and hot dog lunch with the Boca Grande members from the west coast of Florida who lost their fleet and club in the recent hurricane.

On Saturday, the 11th, CSSC begins the Magic Series with a race hopefully that morning, and then a Mid-Season luncheon at Anglers happens that afternoon.

If you are interested in participating, please stop by Baker Harbor any Saturday or contact **Gary Sayia**, 201-919-7432 or Bill Reynolds, 614-296-7592.



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Tinnitus, commonly known as "ringing in the ears," is the perception of hearing a sound in your head or ears when no external noise is present. **Over 50 million Americans experience tinnitus on a daily basis.** It's important to understand the signs, causes, and what your treatment options are.

SIGNS OF TINNITUS

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Changeable Conditions on the Pond



by Windsor D. Coffin, CSMYC Commodore

Waking up last Sunday morning, it was questionable as to whether or not we would even be able to take to the Pond for racing. I arrived quite early, as I always do, only to spend some time sitting under a tiki hut on the beach waiting for the rain to stop falling. As I looked at the weather radar on my smartphone I became more hopeful that the conditions would be ideal for racing. But, the beautiful breeze that passed over the Pond when I first arrived was taken away



The fleet navigates the light air after a race start. Photo by Alzbeta Robillard.

when the rain stopped. Left in its wake, were beautiful skies (apart from one quick additional downpour) but light and fluky winds that ultimately required one mid-regatta resetting of the course. This was going to be an interesting day.

With the weather issues and the resetting of the course, we were only able to get four races run before we came to the end of our allotted time on the Pond. One thing I can say is that the light and fluky conditions were maddening as the wind was always shifting.

It was so crazy, that at one point two boats were headed in the same direction, no more than a few feet apart and yet they were on different tacks for a moment. It sounds unheard of but such is the unique nature of our sailing venue, especially when the winds are light. Mastering the changeable winds and winning the day was **Al Mast**. In second place for the day was **Joe Robillard**. Rounding out the top three and the most improved on the day was **Jim Seale** who finished out the day with a race win and a second

place in the final two races.

Early forecasts for Sunday look very promising with breezy conditions coming from the northeast to east-northeast and building. We'll keep our fingers crossed that the winds on the Pond are a little more predictable than they were last weekend.

The Card Sound Model Yacht Club races every Sunday (except Easter Sunday) until the end of April at "the Pond." So, swing by the Buccaneer Island Lagoon if you are curious or have questions. Racing begins at 10 a.m. Our sailors are always willing to discuss our racing model yachts and, for interested sailors, there are even a few currently available for sale here at Ocean Reef. If you would like more information about our model yachting club and our EC12 model yachts, please contact me, **Windsor Coffin**, at csmyc12@gmail.com.

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50th Annual Member-Guest Tennis Tournament



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

The 50th Annual Member-Guest Tennis Tournament was a celebration of a half-century of tennis tradition and camaraderie. The tournament brought together Members and their Guests for a weekend of friendly competition on the courts.

The tournament featured Mixed Doubles, Men’s Doubles, and Ladies’ Doubles matches, with each Member

teaming up with their guest player. Teams were divided into different skill levels, ensuring a fair and competitive match for all participants.

Throughout the weekend, players competed in a round-robin format, with the top teams advancing to the championship round on Sunday. In addition to the doubles matches, the tournament also included a variety of social events, such as a ‘70s themed welcome reception, dinner, and awards.

Despite the friendly nature of the tournament, the competition was intense, with players giving it their all on the court. In the end, on championship Sunday, the weather decided to rain on our parade. Some matches were completed late in the day, while some duked it out on the Ping-Pong table for the final championship match.

The 50th Annual Member-Guest Tennis was a memorable



ORC tennis greats (from l to r) former ORC Director Bob Ecuyer, current ORC Director of Racquet Sports Justin Romero, Racquet Club Director Willie Cakans, and former ORC Director Jim Morton.

event, making a milestone in the history of the Club. It was a testament to the enduring popularity of tennis, as well as the strong bonds of friendship and community that are formed through the sport.

As the tournament came to a close, participants left with a sense of accomplishment, having taken part in a truly special event. They also looked forward to the next

tournament, eager to continue the tradition of friendly competition and camaraderie on the court.

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 Ladies' A: Yalin Murdock/Sue Campbell – Debbie Cantor/Lauren Saperstein
 Ladies' B: Cindy Banigan/Mayra McGuire – Lisa Austin/Krissie Verbic
 Ladies' C: Sindee Furshman/Maggie Patry def. Ana Fernandez/Inma Cortez
 Mixed A: John Feldman/Lauren Saperstein def. Barbara Pearson/John Pearson
 Mixed B: Lisa Austin/Dan Verbic def. Sean Murdock/Sue Campbell

MEN'S "B" NIGHT LEAGUE

Monday, February 6

1st Place: Mark Blackburn
 2nd Place (tie): Dan Cohen
 2nd Place (tie): Richard Weinstein

Pickleball Strategy: Return of Serve



"Pickleball Tip" by Frankie Ngo, Pickleball Professional

The three goals for a return of serve in pickleball:

1. Put the ball back in play–

This may be obvious, but sometimes we get a little bit overzealous and try to smack the ball back as hard as we can. Work on getting your return of serve to land in the court (and the deeper the better).

2. Get to the net –

A strong return of serve that is deep (and in) will help you and your partner get set at the net. It is easier to win points at the net so

the team that gets there first has the advantage.

3. Avoid hitting a short return of serve –

Hitting a short return gives your opponents (the serving team) a better chance to get to the net quickly. Short returns are typically a result of a hard serve – it can leave you feeling handcuffed and reactive. Position yourself further back to receive when you are expecting a hard serve. It's easier to move forward on a shorter serve than backward on a deeper serve.

Attacking a short return of serve in pickleball

A short return of serve is a gift to the serving team because it sets up a strong third shot. You can do two things when you have a short incoming return of serve: a drop or a drive.

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Golf Croquet Club Championship & More

by William Hinkebein, ORC Croquet Chair

ORC Golf Croquet Doubles Championship

The 2023 Doubles Club Championship is today, **February 10**, on the beautiful lawn beginning at 8:30 a.m.

There are many teams who aspire to be the club champions but only one will make it. Come out and watch.

ORC Golf Croquet Singles Championship

The 2023 Singles Club Championship will be held on **Friday, March 3** from 8:30 a.m. until finished. This is the real test of how good is a player. There is no blaming your partner if you do not play well in this event. Sign up for this event by calling the Tennis & Games Center at 305-367-6583.

Valentine's Day & Croquet

On **Tuesday, February 14** regular Open Play will be themed in the Valentine's Day tradition! Bring your love, love of self, love of life, love of our fortunate circumstances, love of the fun and camaraderie of croquet on the beautiful lawn...and the love of your friends, family and/or lover. But don't just wear white on this day...wear a bit of red for the occasion. Also from 2 to 5 p.m., join us for music from the Academy Chorus and a "lucky draw" grab bag.

Hot Dog Day & Three-Wicket Tournament

Our second 3-Wicket Tournament of the season will be held on **Sunday, February 19** from 2 p.m. until finished. This fun event is played with teams drawn from a hat. Sign up at 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.

Woman, Wickets & Wine (WWW)

The WWW continues every other Monday afternoon 3:30-5 p.m. on February 20, March 6, March 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 several sessions in.

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 are Sunday, February 26.

Golf Croquet Lessons

Coach Paul Fecteau is continuing lessons on Saturdays. 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 the strategy to follow.

Long-time Pro and croquet Coach Jim Morton and Coach Justin Romero are giving lessons during the week.

Call the Tennis & Games Center to book lessons now.

ORAC Challenge Invitational To Be Held Friday 3/17 & Saturday 3/18

This annual event is the major competition between Ocean Reef and Anglers Club.

Players must live at their respective club to play for that club team.

Example:

Player **William Hinkebein** can only play for Team ORC since that is where he lives.

Leslie Phillips can only play for Anglers Club since that is where she lives.

To be on Team ORC for the ORAC Challenge:

This is an invitational event.... one must be invited by the ORC ORAC Committee to play in this event. Only 12 ORC players can participate.

Team Ocean Reef will be selected in the next few weeks by

the committee. The way to qualify for Team ORC is to place first or second in any of the main croquet events on the schedule.

A few team members have been invited as they came in first or second place in the following events:

- 11/18/22, Fall Singles Tournament
 - 12/16/22, Winter Doubles Tournament
 - 1/13/2023, Three Wicket Tournament #1
 - 1/27/23, The Judy, Ladies Singles Tournament
- Upcoming events to reach qualification:
- 2/10/23, ORC Doubles Club Championship
 - 2/19/23, Three Wicket Tournament #2
 - 3/3/2023, ORC Singles Club Championship

So far the following players have qualified for the 2023 Team ORC by placing first or second in the above events: **Carol Blackburn, Kendall Hendrick, Laura Hendrick, William Hinkebein, Alan Thomson, Judy Wilson, Mike Love** and

Gordana Schneider.

It is understood that any of the qualified invited team members might not be available for the March 17-18 dates of the ORAC Challenge. Thus, the committee will adjust.

Golf Croquet Tip #1

The following is a simple four-step method to help a player determine what their next shot should be.

Consider these four steps to select your shot.

1. **"Make the wicket"**—make the wicket if you feel you can.
2. **"Hit or block the danger ball"**—the danger ball is the opponent's ball that is up next after you...if it is in scoring position and you are not, you should smash their ball away so they cannot score.
3. **"Help my partner"**—how can you help your partner ball so they are in an improved position?
4. **"Eliminate any threats"**—think through the order of play moving forward and determine what might help you by eliminating an opponent's next good move.

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Another Old Buddy in the Books



“From the Gold Tees” by Michael Leone, Director of Golf

With our largest field size ever, we couldn't have asked for better participation for the 2023 Old Buddy. Round 5 in this tournament always presents suspenseful results with teams making their last charge in attempt to claim their respective flights.

Following the final round last Friday, nerves began to set in for our flight winners as the gallery gathered around for the five-hole shootout where 12 Flight Winners and the Wild Card Winner tee'd off to compete. When all 13 teams striped their shots down the middle of the fairway, we knew we were in store for some tough competition.

Three teams were eliminated on holes 1-3 in order to get down to the final four. On each hole, regular play was not enough to knock anyone out and each hole required a chip-off to determine which teams would advance. Following the third hole, the last four teams standing (all receiving a stroke) competed on Hole #4 to determine the final two teams to face-off in the sudden death, final hole.

The teams of **Joe Urbinati/Michael Heaney** and **Brad Vandenberg/William Johnston** survived the 4th playoff hole to advance with crafty net pars. On to Hole #5 for the final playoff hole. On the first round of the sudden death playoff, both teams hit miraculous shots from off the green, giving themselves good looks at par. Although both putts looked perfect, neither hit the bottom of the cup. Both teams headed back for another round, building the suspense even more. On the second round of this sudden-death playoff, Urbinati and Heaney got up and down



Old Buddy Shootout contestants



Old Buddy Overall Champions Michael Heaney and Joe Urbinati

from the front left bunker (with a back right hole location) to edge-out their opponents and claim the 2023 Old Buddy title.

We would like to thank all the teams and spectators for coming out to this year's Old Buddy. It was a great display of golf and a very deserving victory for Team Urbinati and Heaney.

GOLF ASSOCIATIONS 9 Hole LGA Spin the Wheel Scramble

In this week's format, the teams played a Scramble, but with a twist. On the 8th hole, each player had to spin the wheel on the tee box and the wheel would dictate which club each player had to use for that hole. This created a challenge on the 8th hole for all groups, but one group conquered it and was victorious. Congratulations team **Kelly French, Teresa Ferrarone, Ann Beardsley** and **Susan DiSanto** for winning with a score of 31.

LGA Challenge Cup

The two-day 2023 Challenge Cup was a great event thanks to the enthusiasm brought by the participating members as well as the leadership from team



Team Ocean Reef Club, 2023 Challenge Cup Champions

captains **Hillary Smith** and **Adele Acheson**.

Entering the second and final day of the Challenge Cup, Ocean Reef held a 14-point lead, but the coveted trophy was far from won. The Card Sound team came out firing on all cylinders in efforts to close the gap and have the Challenge Cup back at Card Sound. It would come down to the final few matches, but Ocean Reef held strong. Congratulations to Ocean Reef Club, 2023 Challenge Cup Champions.

MGA Weekly Event

The format for last Monday's

event was ABCD 1 Best Ball of the Foursome. We had a tight right race in both our Gross and Net competitions. In the Gross competition, several teams shot sub 70 rounds. The team of **Andy Timmerman, Roger Rodriguez, Paul Rubinstein** and **Bob Garces** fired a -4 round of 71 to win Gross, with the help of Rubinstein shooting his career low of 78. On the Net side of the competition, team **Robert Aultman, Joe Hertzman, James McCann** and **Andy Woodman** outplayed the rest of the field by posting a -13 round of 58.



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LGA Challenge Cup Ocean Reef VS. Card Sound

Thursday, February 2

Champions: Ocean Reef Club

9-Hole LGA Weekly Event

Thursday, February 2

First Place: Kelly French, Teresa Ferrarone, Ann Beardsley, Susan DiSanto

Second Place: Kelly Hertzman, Connie Murphy, Stacy Scott, Parris Bozeman

Third Place: Ann Liashek, Corinne Tennent, Kathy Stocker, Cynthia Hilberg

Closest to the Hole: Carol Schafer

2023 Old Buddy Tournament

Friday, February 3

Old Buddy Champions: Mike Heaney & Joe Urbinati

Old Buddy Flight Winners

Flight One: Mike Heaney & Joe Urbinati

Flight Two: Steve Woodsum &

Mark Zausmer

Flight Three: Billy Paynter & Steve Torcise

Flight Four: Mike Jones & Gerald Blackie

Flight Five: Jim Kaplan & Rudy Schupp

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Flight Seven: Bill Johnston & Brad Vandenberg

Flight Eight: Andy Hofmann & David Jackson

Flight Nine: Phil Russel & Alan Geller

Flight Ten: Jim Lampman & Chuck Post

Flight Eleven: Harold Zeigler & Dan Murtagh

Flight Twelve: Alex Rogers & Hank Hanneken

MGA Weekly Event

Monday, February 6

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First Place Net: Robert Aultman, Joe Hertzman, James McCann, Andy Woodman

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Card & Games Corner



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 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. There will be no Canasta Lesson available on Thursday, February 16th at 12:30 p.m. due to Patty Tucker Seminar.

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.

- 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.

- 2023 Ocean Reef Mah Jongg Club Championship will be held on **Saturday, February 25th**. Registration is at 8:30 a.m. and play is to begin at 9 a.m.

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

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To determine whether or not you should reopen the



Participants from last month's Ladies' Poker Night. To participate in upcoming events, pick up a copy of the February schedule from the Card & Games Room.

bidding in these situations, keep these general rules in mind:

THE BEST TIME TO BALANCE IS WHEN:

1. The opponents have stopped in a low-level suit part score (1 or 2) - especially if it's possible that you can find a 2-level contract of your

own (they've stopped in 2C, 2D, or 2H or below).

2. The opponents have found a trump fit (they have bid and raised a suit).
3. The opponents have limited their high-card strength (they have willingly stopped in a part score).
4. You have length and high-card strength in the unbid

suit(s).
5. You're not vulnerable. The opponents will be less tempted to double because a set would only score +100 instead of +110 or +140.

THE WORST SITUATIONS FOR BALANCING ARE WHEN:

1. You are extremely weak (fewer than 7-8 pts.).
2. You have a strong holding in their suit or you suspect they have a better contract available.
3. The opponents haven't found a good trump fit (they've stopped in 1NT or had an auction that suggests a misfit). Typical non-fitting auctions are 1H-1NT; 1C-1S-1NT-P; 1C-1H-2C-2H; 1H-1S-2D-P.
4. Your honor cards are in the opponents' suits (especially the suit bid on your left).
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2. Mary Zwirn - Mel Zwirn
3. Paula Pendergast - Monica Phillips
4. Ron Besse - Rod Patton

Section A East-West

1. Dorothy Kemp - Bessie Connelly
2. Mary Ann Poole - Betsy Caldwell
3. Pat Henry - Charles Simms
4. Kathy Bahl - Elizabeth Coleman
5. Barbara Besse - Margie Smith

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

Section A North-South

1. Dedie Nutt - Dorothy Kemp
2. Paula Pendergast - Monica Phillips
3. Suzanne Sayia - Garret Sayia
4. Rosemary Jones - Kay Meinhardt
5. Beverly Platner - Suzy Heilpern

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5. Joanne Wills - Denny Morgan
6. Marianna Brinck - Barbara Gooch

Friday, February 3, 2023

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Canasta Score:

High Game: Regina Fink & Linda Westervelt 10,390

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Schedule of Events:

Registration, 8:30 a.m.
Seminar Begins, 9 a.m.
Lunch, 11:30 a.m.
Seminar Resumes, 12:30 p.m.

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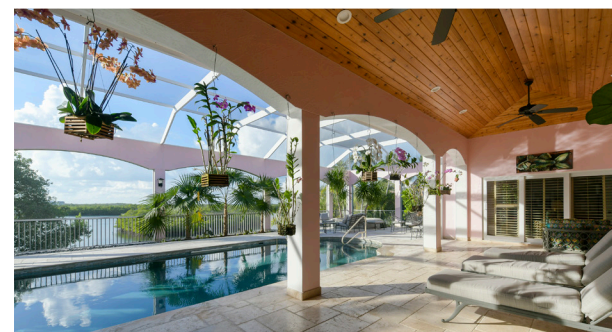
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