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Centerpiece Class with Kathryn Parrish



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Soaring to Vintage Weekend

Enjoy These Events Dec. 1-3

The 27th annual Vintage Weekend is finally here! Two weeks ago (Nov. 17th edition of the Ocean Reef Press), you read about all of the weekend's events you can enjoy by becoming a Vintage Weekend passholder (visit oceanreef. com/VintageWeekend if interested). But even for non-passholders, there are so

many ways to enjoy this year's exhibits, which total more than 100 classic automobiles, yachts and aircrafts in attendance.

Along with beautifully restored vintage conveyances, this unparalleled weekend also features exciting celebrations, breathtaking airshows, and several other distinctive events that don't require a ticket:

No Ticket Necessary!

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1 Viewing of the Road Rally

A rally to Alabama Jack's will kick off the celebrations! Vintage cars will line up at 11 a.m. and leave from the Yachtsman Parking

Lot. Watch the procession along Ocean Reef Drive, Anchor Drive, Sunset Cay or Gatehouse Road.

NEW! Tour & Commentary on Boat

A similar concept to the Tour and Commentary on Aircraft, a Vintage Weekend staple for years, the Tour and Commentary on Boat is a new way to view the yachts like never before and learn from an expert all about what makes them special. These tours will depart from The Dive Shop at The Reef in the Fishing Village at 2 p.m., 2:45 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. and are first come, first served. If you want to participate in one,

you can sign up on Friday at The Dive Shop at The Reef.

Aeroshell Aerobatic Team Shows

The Aeroshell Aerobatic Team is back by popular demand. The Team, accompanied by other air show performers, will perform

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OR "See"



Poppy Doolan, daughter of Todd and Cynthia Doolan, snapped this beautiful shot earlier this week of the moonlight hitting Buccaneer Island just right.

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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Back to The Reef

There is a bit of sheer delight, when crossing Card Sound Bay, And knowing just beyond the bridge, lies our precious hideaway. The memories come flooding back, of precious time with friends, And weeks spent with the family, where sunshine never ends.

Greetings at the gatehouse, familiar palm-lined streets, Remind us of the treasure, of our paradise so sweet. Staff that offers service, way above the norm, They make us feel we're safely home, sheltered from life's storms.

A morning stroll around The Reef, some sun at Buccaneer, Can send our troubles packing, now that we are here. Classes at the Art League, some pickle or croquet, Golf, tennis, or some fishing, to brighten each new day.

There's so much to be grateful for, each warm and kindly smile, The sunsets and sunrises, so unique to this fair isle. The lovely birds and flowers, each adding to the views, The splendor of a golf course or a garden's stunning hues.

Each member has a memory, a time that they hold dear, That draws them back to Ocean Reef, with fondness most sincere. So as another season starts, full of promise, joy and fun, Embrace our peaceful island, and give thanks when day is done.

By Annie Miles

Gotta Question?

I'm interested in participating in Club-sponsored tournaments, such as golf or tennis. How can I stay informed about upcoming tournament dates and register to participate?

Ocean Reef tournaments can always be found on the website calendar (go to oceanreef.com/events), online and printed copies of This Week at The Reef – these are dispersed in various locations around The Reef like Reef Treats, Membership, Wynn's and the Front Desk – and the Ocean Reef Club app.

To stay up-to-date, ensure you're receiving Club emails, as weekly eblasts highlight the Club's activities. If you're not receiving these emails, reach out to our Membership department at 305-367-5921 or email



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com. Both teams can help you
update your email address or
your account settings. (Please
remember, if you attempt to opt
out of one type of Club email,
you will opt yourself out of all of
them).

Furthermore, golf and tennis offices offer directories detailing all tournaments for golf, pickleball, croquet, and tennis. For more details on tournaments and registration, call the Golf Shop at 305-367-5912 or the Tennis & Games Center at 305-367-6583.

Happy playing!

EDITOR'S NOTE:

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

Soaring to Vintage Weekend

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another spectacular night show over Buccaneer Island on Friday, December 1 at 5 p.m. (arrive at 4:45 p.m. to get settled in) and again Saturday, December 2 at 12:30 p.m. On Friday, you won't want to miss the grand finale surprise set at dusk. Something never-beforeseen at Vintage Weekend and guaranteed to spike your adrenaline.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2 Concours d'Elegance Drive-By

No ticket needed to watch the vintage cars roll down the runway! Vintage Weekend Committee member Bill Parfet, along with fellow auto-enthusiast Bill Johnston, will share their expansive knowledge and stories of every striking car you see, including this year's feature - the "Brass Era" highlighting cars built between 1900 and 1915. Begins at 10 a.m. in the Yachtsman Parking Lot.

Yacht Viewing, Air Show & **Aircraft Commentary**

Between automobile admiring, you can also visit the classic yachts docked along the Marina seawall - opens at 10 a.m. and continues through 4 p.m.



Then following the Saturday air show at 12:30 p.m., head to the Airport at 2:30 p.m. to tour the vintage planes and listen to commentary given by Professional Air Show Announcer Herk Strumpf.

Reef weekend better than a round of golf. Join the Golf Team for the Ocean Reef Club Vintage Open. The alternate-shot format tournament begins with a 12:30 p.m. shotgun start on the Dolphin Course. Call 305-367-5912 for more details.

Fly-Out

End this weekend to remember by sending off the vintage aircraft as they leave the Ocean Reef Airport together at 11 a.m.

For the full schedule of events, visit oceanreef.com/ VintageWeekend, see page 36, or contact Member Events

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3 Vintage Open

Nothing completes an Ocean

at 305-367-5874.

ORC Boat Channel Closures

In order to comply with FAA regulations for the Vintage Weekend air show, the Main Channel and North Homeowners Channel will be closed to all boat traffic on Friday, December 1st from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. and on Saturday, December 2nd from 12 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

In addition, no boats will be allowed in the area extending 34 mile seaward from The Point. This area will be patrolled by local, state and federal agencies as per FAA air show regulations.





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ORCA NEWS

New E-Bike Regulations for Enhanced Safety

The Ocean Reef Community Association is taking proactive steps to boost safety and minimize incidents related to e-bikes by introducing a new set of regulations for their use within the community. The updated regulations are printed in the Member Handbook on page 57, under the Vehicles, Rules & Regulations section. Here's a breakdown of the key provisions:

1. The State of Florida defines electric bicycles (e-bikes) as a bicycle or a tricycle equipped with fully operable pedals, a seat or saddle for the use of the



rider, and an electric motor of less than 750 watts.

- 2. Only Class 1 and Class 2 e-bikes will be permitted to operate throughout the Ocean Reef Community and shall not exceed 20 miles per hour.
- 3. All e-bikes are required to be registered with the Ocean Reef Public Safety Department or at the Welcome Center and be issued a decal that will be affixed to the frame of the e-bike prior to use throughout the community.

- 4. As required by law, all e-bikes shall display a label that is permanently affixed in a prominent location that contains the classification number, top-assisted speed, and motor wattage.
- 5. E-bikes shall have a functional headlight, taillight, and reflectors when ridden at night.
- 6. E-bike riders must be a minimum of 14 years old to operate an e-bike.
- 7. An operator of an e-bike is required to obey all traffic laws, including traffic signals and traffic control devices.
- 8. An e-bike may not be used to transport more riders at one time than the number for which it is designated or equipped. An e-bike operator may not tow or ride any other person or item by

means of a coaster at any time.

- 9. DOT-approved helmets are required for all e-bike riders that are under the age of 16 years old.
- 10. A person riding an e-bike upon and along a roadway, cart path, and along a crosswalk shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian and golf cart operator, and ride in the designated direction of travel.
- 11. E-bike riders shall not exceed 17 MPH when using the golf cart paths. While on the roadway, e-bikes must travel on the far-right of the lane to ensure that they do not obstruct the flow of vehicular traffic.

These regulations are enacted to ensure everyone can enjoy a secure and well-regulated environment for e-bike usage within our community.



Driving My Cart Through Standing Water

To Do or Not To Do?



by Mary Brady

Speaking to Members after the recent storm, many were relating stories about navigating the streets.

Because of downed trees, the chainsaws were out in force and debris was being swept up by the truckful. People were confronted with delays caused by huge trees across the roads, but thankfully, prompt action by the Club and ORCA helped to get

everyone back up and running quickly.

For me, after getting around the trees and riding to the Key Largo Building, I came across a river of water by the Inn. One brave Member pushed on into the river of brackish water only to find that his brakes failed him on the other side. I tried to skirt around the river myself and thought if I went on the edge of the river, it would be more shallow. I hit the accelerator to get through quickly and do less damage, but alas, my brakes failed me as well.

What to do?

Here are some tips from our own Israel Salgado, Director of Cart Repair, Solid Waste & Service Station, on how to navigate this in the future:

The water surge in any storm is critical. If the water gets too high, it can hit some components of the golf cart that could damage it, causing it not to work. On the bottom of the golf cart, you have

the motor and the electric controls as well as the brakes. If the brakes get wet, they still may work, but when the motor gets wet, your golf cart is done for. You will have to change the motor.

• You should never have the water pass more than at the golf cart's lowest level.

The electrical components are located underneath on the back of the golf cart, and they should not get wet. The best advice I can offer is not to drive in deep water at all.

- Before a storm, try to park your golf carts on higher ground. Carts are meant to withstand the elements of rain and wind, but not to have the electronic parts and motor underneath the cart immersed. Brackish water is extremely harmful to the motor.
- When driving through a large body of water, **try to**

cross at the shallowest point (on the edge) and drive slowly. Driving fast will cause the tires to spray up a great amount of water, which will negatively impact the motor. When coming out of the puddle, try to pump your brakes first to help the braking process.

Now that I know what to do in the future, what do I do if I've already driven my cart through water?

If you have already driven through deep water, it is best to take your cart home and let it dry out in the sun for one day. This will give any components that may have been infiltrated with water the time they need to dry. Do not run the cart again for 24 hours. At that point, if your cart is working...great! But if alas, you're noticing problems, call Cart Repair at 305-367-7658 and we will help you with next steps.

Ocean Reef Art League Holiday Lights at Night

VISIT ZOO MIAMI AFTER HOURS

Saturday, December 9
Motor Coach Departs the Art League at 4:00pm







This night is full of surprises – grab your family and friends to stroll through the Zoo at your own pace and enjoy more than one million bright and dazzling lights, a 26-foot Christmas Tree, and Santa sightings.

In addition to the holiday festivities, you will have a rare opportunity to see nocturnal animals wide awake as well as possible meet and greet experiences with select animals and their care teams. We will enjoy a nice dinner at White Lion before we make our way up to the zoo.

ORP Over the Years

2013: The "New" ORP

As you may have read in the November 17 edition of the Ocean Reef Press, this season marks the 10-year anniversary of the Ocean Reef Press as it's known today. To commemorate this milestone, the ORP 10th Anniversary Magazine was created with the goal of procuring a little feeling of nostalgia for Members to look back and be reminded of all the Club has accomplished. celebrated and triumphed through in the past decade.

To keep the memories alive, the Ocean Reef Press will continue to highlight different photos and stories, under the headline "ORP Over the Years", that correlate with the ORP Anniversary Magazine and represent each of the past 10 years of community at Ocean Reef. The year 2013 is where this series begins, and more specifically, with the front page

The new Ocean Reef Press

More color, better quality, and green certified printing

By Molly Carroll Ocean Reef Press Editor

We are delighted to debut our We are delighted to debut our brand new, redesigned Ocean Reef Press. There are several distinct features that come with the new look and feel. First, the Ocean Reef Press is now all color throughout bringing more life and better quality to all of our photos and advertisements. Second, we are printing on a brighter, whiter paper so combin that with the new layout and the content is much easier to read. (And, no residue on your hands!)

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printing".

headline that streamed across

the first edition of that inaugural

"new" ORP reading, "The new

Ocean Reef Press: More color,

Yes, the Ocean Reef Press

but the papers were of lower

and produced and printed out

of Key West. 2013 marked the

in-house designer, which also

meant the beginning of creative

hire of the first Ocean Reef Press

better quality, and green certified

existed before November 1, 2013,

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The Heat is on this Halloween



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control publishing in full color!, and the eventual expansion and refinement of the publication to where it is today.

In the series of "ORP Over the Years" articles you'll read in the coming months, while we celebrate the "new" Press, what we're really celebrating is Ocean Reef Club. The Press is merely a vehicle to display all of the amazing and newsworthy happenings and accomplishments year in and year out. Without the article submissions, the Clubs

"The new Ocean Reef Press: More color, better quality, and green certified printing."

within the Club, the Member News photos, the poems written. the events attended, the dedicated Editorial Advisory Board, and even the advertising, there would be no Ocean Reef Press. So over the course of the season, relish in reliving articles and photos from the past 10 years as not just a way of celebrating the Ocean Reef Press, but celebrating the Club and the unique way of life that is intertwined in everything Ocean

If you did not receive the Anniversary Magazine, please stop by the Membership Office or email ORP@oceanreef.com and we will mail it to you.



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ORC MEMBERS - NEWS, VIEWS & TIDBITS

Memberabilia Ocean Reef's Amazing Vintage Weekend



by Joan Birsh

For over a quarter of a century, our Ocean Reef Club has hosted a three-day event featuring the country's most prized antique boats, cars and airplanes.

I love Vintage Weekend! And this year (11/30 thru 12/3) like many (maybe even most) Ocean Reef Members, I look forward to boarding (shoes off) the historic yachts; scanning the skies for the breathtaking antics of the antique planes; and being a part of the appreciative audience for the Concours d'Elegance, the parade of magnificent classic cars.

Currently Vintage Weekend is celebrating 27 years of continuing success. The event that began with a small collection of antique yachts has expanded over time to include a huge presentation of antique cars (62 registered this year) and an interesting collection of restored and still flying antique aircraft, that now present multiple exciting air shows.

Of course, none of this "just happened". Much of the credit for the Ocean Reef Vintage Weekend's unrivaled success belongs to a few Members — Vicki Goldstein, Ron Elenbaas, Bill Parfet, Lenny Sikora. Their hard work and expertise are responsible for the amazing presentations by SEA, LAND and AIR.

VINTAGE YACHTS – Vicki Goldstein has always been involved with boats. For 30 years she and her husband Alan Goldstein raced their restored 1907 sailboat out of Winter Harbor, Maine.



Vicki Goldstein presents the annual People's Choice Award to the yacht which had the highest number of "shoes on the dock."

It was a classic yacht show in Maine in the early 90's that proved to be Vicki's inspiration for the first OR Vintage Weekend. "I thought it was an event that might bring new members to Ocean Reef." On her return to Maine the following summer, Vicki immediately took on the formidable task of creating an antique boat show for Ocean Reef.

The first order of business was finding and selecting the yachts for exhibit. Vicki used her connections with yacht brokers, boatyards, maritime museums, classic boat societies and yachting magazines to help persuade the owners of the most desirable classic boats to participate. The yachts had to be at least 25 years old and carefully restored to be eligible.

Twenty accepted the invitation and the first Ocean Reef Vintage Weekend was launched.

VINTAGE AUTOMOBILES

In a planning session for the second annual Vintage Weekend, it was decided to include classic automobiles. Ocean Reef Members, who were car enthusiasts, were called on to help. **Bill Parfet** answered the call and agreed to enter some of his own impressive antique cars. He also invited **Bill Johnston** and Ron Elenbaas to bring some prize winners from their collections.

Ron Elenbaas subsequently joined the Club and for the next 20 years, he remained deeply involved with Vintage Weekend. Now, Bill Parfet and Bill Johnston



Bill Parfet will engage spectators as host of Saturday's Concours d'Flegance

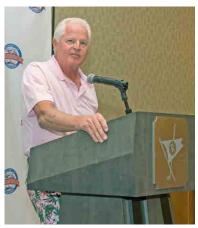
have taken on many of the Vintage Weekend tasks previously performed by Ron, who relocated to Hawaii.

The most important job of "the two Bills" (Parfet and Johnson) is to act as announcers for the *Concours d'Elegance*, the parade of magnificent classic cars, which is the highlight automobile event (10 a.m. on Sat. 12/2. Free to Members and guests).

Bill Parfet was a perfect choice to sign on as an important Vintage Weekend "car guy". In addition to being a successful entrepreneur and generous philanthropist, Bill is a lifetime car enthusiast, which is probably part of his DNA (his grandfather is the founder of the Gilmore Car Museum, North America's largest auto museum, located in Hickory Corners, MI, near Kalamazoo).

Bill's hands-on involvement with cars began at an early age. As a teenager, he spent his summer vacations at the garage where his grandfather and his cronies were restoring old cars. And when he matriculated to Lake Forest College in Illinois, Bill made it his business to buy and restore old cars and then sell them at a profit.

Shortly after receiving an MBA from the U. of Michigan, Bill Parfet began seriously collecting antique cars. He favored top-of-the-line extravaganzas, like his prized 1935 Duesenberg. Over the years his collection of awardwinning antique automobiles continued to grow ("Nothing short of spectacular," said one car magazine). The number now is alleged to be in the hundreds.



Lenny Sikora manages all things aviation, including the 2018 addition of the Aeroshell Aerobatic Show over Buccaneer Island.

Look for a sampling of them at this year's Vintage Weekend.

VINTAGE AIRPLANES –

Lenny Sikora began flying at age 15. He got his pilot's license at 18 and from then on flying was not just a hobby, it was his favored means of transportation for business and pleasure.

Lenny's lifelong interest and experience in flying made him an obvious choice to revamp the airplane elements of Vintage Weekend, which at the time amounted to little more than a flyover at Alabama Jack's. It was agreed that more excitement was needed, and Lenny came up with an interesting idea. Why not have a Vintage Weekend air show that everyone could enjoy?

But planning an air show at Ocean Reef was not an easy task. The Federal Aviation Administration has rules regarding air shows and required a waiver that would ensure the safety of all Ocean Reef spectators.

Several years and countless hours were spent acquiring the waiver and lining up the talented pilots to perform. But at last about 14 years ago, the Buccaneer Island air show finally took flight.

Then in 2018 the Aeroshell Aerobatic Team added a Friday night show to their scheduled Saturday afternoon air show. Ocean Reef Members and their friends found the sight of four aircraft performing their stunts in the darkness, enhanced only by their lights and smoke, an extraordinary experience.

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Wondrous Waterside



by Jody Steele

Town Hall Waterside is now open. You will be impressed with your updated "Al Fresco Eatery". It is amazing to see that this wonderful space can be even better, and it IS!

The Food Station Trailers

Philippe Reynaud, Senior Director of Culinary Operations, shared how this project began in May with the help of a huge professional team from Food and Beverage, Engineering, and Banquet. It has taken a dedicated effort to make this happen and open the "new" Waterside on time. Club President Alex Tonarelli



Enjoy Raw Bar favorites, like the New England Lobster Roll or the cheeseburger.

recalls how important the venue was during COVID, "we saw what a special place Waterside was for families to gather during the pandemic and wanted to make it a permanent space for years to come." More information on the building of these custom trailers and kitchens will be shared in a subsequent article. Each food station trailer is a complete kitchen with all facilities intact. This enables the staff to prepare your order

on site as fresh as it could be.

The Menus Lots of

Lots of choices

here—returning favorites and new cuisine with something for everyone.

The *Pizza Palooza*, with its famous pizza oven from Italy, is always a hit with traditional pizza and now flatbreads that are absolutely delicious.

Cantina Fiesta offers guacamole served with chips or nachos. Chef Javon, Chef de Cuisine is especially pleased with the tortillas made on site. Tacos, steak fajita, and a variety of quesadillas round out this authentic menu.

BBQ Pit Stop has three different BBQ sauces to complement brisket, chicken and pork sandwiches, spare ribs, and chicken wings. A good variety of sides go along with this BBQ feast.

Asian Fusion has morphed in to a selection of sushi and Asian delectable dishes. Again, all of these meals are prepared as you wait comfortably at your table for the staff to deliver to you as Marisa Bozzo, Manager explains has not changed.

Raw Bar now has another location and it is at Town Hall Waterside. You can line up to order a lobster roll, a cheeseburger, or a crab cake—and there is even more.

Desserts Bliss if you are still



Kathy Bahl and family enjoying dinner and dessert at opening night at the "new" Waterside.

hungry or maybe would like to pop in to Waterside for a late night sweet. Soft serve ice cream with toppings, a brownie with ice cream, churros, and fried ice cream could satisfy your cravings.

I really enjoyed the skirt steak quesadilla and the famous guacamole from the Cantina while my hubby headed right for the BBQ and liked the pulled pork sandwich. Chef Philippe highly recommended the fried ice cream so we savored one dessert with two sauces. Of course, we need to go back and try everything.

The Bar

This beautiful open-air bar has been updated and TV's have been added along with a new Town Hall Waterside Wine List. New colorful furniture and special lighting also enhance the ambiance of outdoor dining.

So welcome back to wondrous Waterside where the nights are dreamy, the lights twinkle, and the cuisine appeals to foodies of all ages.

Town Hall Waterside is open Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday from 5-9 and Friday and Saturday from 5-10.



2023: The Year of The Celebrity Bio Binge



Felicia M. Koretsky, Member Since 2010

This was the year of the celebrity documentary, nostalgia for decades past, and as usual, finding our beloved South Florida in the news again- and not for anything good.

Celebrity Bios

It seemed like every celeb, dead or alive, had a documentary about their life come out in 2023. Pamela, Anna Nicole Smith, Little Richard. Here are a few that caught our attention.

Being Mary Tyler Moore (Max): This one didn't get a lot of recognition, but any fan of Mary in the Dick Van Dyke Show, The Mary Tyler Moore Show, Ordinary People, etc., and her advocacy for diabetes awareness will be intrigued by this two-hour documentary. Robert Levine, Moore's (third) husband of 34 years, is an executive producer and appears in the film.

Arnold (Netflix): Even if you aren't a big Schwarzenegger fan, you still should give this one a chance. It's much more than a story about a movie star, it's about drive, intellect, and perseverance. This self-narrated three-part docuseries is divided into the different areas of his life; "Athlete", "Actor", and "American." If you passed on it earlier this year, we think his fascinating life is worth your time.

Still (Apple TV+): Often painful to watch, Michael J. Fox gets personal on his rise to fame to his 1991 diagnosis with Parkinson's at the age of 29-something he thought was an "old person's" disease. Through masterfully woven clips of his TV and work to tell his real-life story, Fox, a high school dropout turned megastar, shares his



most intimate struggles with his remarkable sense of humor.

Beckham (Netflix): It's hard not to be a bit apprehensive about watching a bio on a global sports icon and his glamorous wife, singer Victoria (Posh Spice, The Spice Girls), but this one was refreshingly honest and gives the viewer great access to the couple and their family and friends.

Stephen Curry: Underrated (Apple TV+). If basketball is a religion in your household or you love rooting for a lateblooming underdog, we would recommend this nearly two-hour documentary on this inspiring life of the Golden State Warrior point guard's love for the game.

The 80s and 90s:

Wham! (Netflix): "Wake me up before you go, go" started as words written on a note that Andrew Ridgeley left his mother as a reminder to wake him up. Bandmate George Michael turned it into a hit song. Any fan of this British 80s duo will delight in all the great details revealed in Wham!

The Super Models (Apple TV+): Still gorgeous and now in their 50s, follow the 1990s first supermodels on the catwalk to fame. Naomi Campbell, Linda Evangelista, Cindy Crawford, and Christy Turlington share their stories in a four-part docuseries. Features interviews with famed fashion designers Marc Jacobs, Donna Karan, and Isaac Mizrahi and other fashion insiders.

Florida In The News:
Take Care of Maya (Netflix):



The true story of how a St. Petersburg, Florida 10-year-old, Maya Kowalski, was taken into custody after a hospital accused her mother of making up her illness. This is an important movie any parent should watch. Google late-breaking updates on this story once you've watched.

First Divorced: Then Dead (20/20 Season 46, Episode 7. Available On Demand, ABC): A two-hour news story covering a 9-year period following the

2014 murder of Florida State University professor, Dan Markel. His Coral Springs-based ex-inlaws become prime suspects. Google late-breaking updates.

The End of the Affair (Dateline Season 32, Episode 12. Available On Demand, NBC): A Coconut Grove man's dead body is found in the Everglades. Turns out, he was having an affair with the wife of the successful owner of South Florida-based Presidente Supermarket, one of the largest Hispanic-owned groceries in the nation.

B.S. High (Max): Since so many Reefers are from the Midwest, we're tossing this sports documentary in as both an Ohio and Florida pick. Watch the chronicled scandal of a non-existent high school football team from Columbus, Ohio, take on the IMG Academy Ascenders in Bradenton, FL. After two massive losses to the elite Florida sports academy, the fake walls of Bishop Sycamore High begin to crumble.





Join Port O' Call for an Unforgettable Evening With E. Guigal



by Micah Winecoff, Port O'Call Manager

Mark your calendars! Thursday, December 7th promises to be an exhilarating day for our team and, more importantly, our wine-loving Members. Port O' Call is set to host an exclusive tasting featuring the wines of Rhone Valley icon, E. Guigal. Renowned for crafting a diverse range of wines from over 10 different AOC (the

basic designation for French wine regions of quality), Guigal offers selections spanning from under \$20 to over \$500.

In a bid to cater to a broad spectrum of palates and budgets, we're excited to present two distinct tasting tiers. Reservations are available between 5 and 7 p.m., providing you the opportunity to savor 6-8 exquisite wines. As an added treat, we are collaborating with Chef Jared Reardon to create delectable small dishes carefully curated to complement the wines. For reservations or any inquiries, please don't hesitate to call 305-367-5999.

The Lure of the Rhone Valley

While regions like Napa, Bordeaux, Burgundy, and Tuscany are familiar to most wine enthusiasts, lesser-known areas, such as the Rhone Valley, deserve more recognition. The Rhone is divided into two basic areas—the Northern and the Southern Rhone. In the Northern Rhone, Syrah takes the spotlight as the sole red grape, while Viognier, Marsanne, and Roussanne grace the vineyards as white grapes. Producing less than 1/10th the amount of wine compared to the Southern Rhone, the quality is consistently high. Hermitage and Cote-Rotie stand out as the most prestigious AOC for reds and Condrieu AOC boasts the world's best Viognier.

On the flip side, the Southern Rhone is renowned for Grenache-based reds. with Chateauneuf-du-Pape AOC being the shining star. Translating to "The Pope's new castle," this appellation is intricately intertwined with papal history. The name stems from Pope Clement V's decision to relocate the papacy to the town of Avignon in 1309. For those who relish discovering great value, the Rhone might be France's top region, offering delightful Cotes-du-Rhone, Crozes-Hermitage, and Saint-Joseph wines at a fraction the price of their more famous counterparts.

The History of E. Guigal

The Guigal domaine's roots trace back to 1946 when Etienne Guigal founded it in Ampuis—an ancient village nestled in the heart of the Cote-Rotie appellation south of Lyon. Nearly 80 years later the domaine remains under the meticulous care of the Guigal family. While they have retained their familial touch, their influence has expanded considerably, even encompassing their own cooperage—a fancy term for a barrel-making facility.

Diversifying their offerings, the Guigal family presents a spectrum of wines, extending from Tavel—an AOC that exclusively produces rose—to Condrieu in the far north of the Rhone Valley. Amidst this rich tapestry of wines, the crown jewel undeniably remains the famed "La La"

wines from Cote-Rotie. These exquisite creations are among the most coveted Syrah's globally, rivaling even the renown of Penfold's Grange.

Please join us on December 7th to savor the epitome of Rhone quality and revel in the opportunity to taste one of the remarkable "La La" wines, an experience that encapsulates the very essence of fine Syrah craftsmanship. Make your reservations now for a night of exceptional flavors and wine exploration. Cheers!

GET READY FOR UNIQUE HOLIDAY GIFTS AT PORT O'CALL!

The holiday season is upon us, and at Port O' Call, we're all about creating connections and discovering special gifts for your loved ones. Building on the success of last spring's event where we hosted an engraver to personalize bottles of Patron "El Alto" Tequila, we're excited to announce their return on **Saturday**, **December 23rd.**

Imagine the recipient's joy when you bestow them a one-of-a-kind, engraved bottle. As a gift to you, we've decided to offer special pricing on the Patron products available for this promotion.

Anticipating high demand, we encourage you to take advantage of our pre-order option. By pre-ordering, you not only secure your customized bottle but also help us ensure we have sufficient inventory and time to make this experience seamless for everyone.

Stay tuned for more details as we get closer to the date. In the meantime, we wanted to provide you with ample time to plan and make your holiday shopping at Port O' Call an extraordinary experience.



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Upcoming Chamber Luncheons

Emily Johnson to be Dec. 6 Speaker



by Christina Sarmiento, Executive Director Ocean Reef Chamber of Commerce

As we approach the new year, the Ocean Reef Chamber of Commerce is excited to announce its lineup of luncheons that promise to be both enlightening and enjoyable. From environmental conservation to hilarious anecdotes, expert advice on small business development, and a celebratory reflection on the year's successes, our upcoming events are tailored to cater to the diverse interests and needs of our unique community.

2024 Luncheons: **January 3- Chamber Networking Event (Bring a Friend!)**

This special luncheon is designed for members and their friends to connect, share ideas, and expand their professional networks. Bring a friend along to introduce them to the vibrant community that makes our Chamber thrive. Networking activities, icebreakers, and delicious food await, making this an event you won't want to miss.

February 7- Dr. Carlos Smith & **Amy Walton: Medical Center FITMED Overview**

In February, we are honored to host Dr. Carlos Smith and Amy Walton, who will present an overview of The Medical Center at Ocean Reef's FITMED programming. This luncheon promises to provide valuable insights,

focusing on the innovative approaches offered by FITMED. Whether you're interested in personal wellness or staying abreast of the latest in healthcare, this session is sure to be enlightening.

March 6 - Captain David Dupree: Tales from the FWC

Get ready for a dose of laughter and dynamic storytelling on March 6 as we welcome Captain David Dupree to the stage. A Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) officer, Captain Dupree will regale us with his humorous and insightful experiences working in wildlife conservation. This promises to be a unique luncheon filled with entertaining tales and a glimpse into the world of FWC.

May 1- Florida SBDC at FIU **Panel: Navigating the Small Business Landscape**

On May 1, join us for an invaluable session featuring a panel from the Florida Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at Florida International University (FIU). They will guide us through the dos and don'ts of starting a small business, providing expert advice and practical tips for entrepreneurs. Whether you're a seasoned business owner or considering venturing into entrepreneurship, this luncheon is a must-attend.

June 5- Annual Celebration: Reflecting on a Great Year!

June 5 marks our annual celebration, a time to reflect on the achievements and milestones of the past year. Join us for a festive luncheon as we come together to acknowledge the successes of our community, express gratitude to our members, and set the stage for another year of growth and collaboration. It's an event filled with

camaraderie, appreciation, and a look forward to the exciting possibilities ahead.

We invite all Members to save these dates and be part of these enriching luncheons. The Ocean Reef Chamber of

Commerce provides valuable experiences that contribute to the prosperity and unity of our local business community.

Join us on this journey of learning, laughter, and celebration!

LUNCHEON REMINDER:

Avian Biologist Emily Johnson

Exploring Florida Bay's Ecosystem



Wednesday, December 6 * 11:45am-1pm

Since 2021, Johnson has lead the Roseate Spoonbill monitoring and capture program, a vital initiative for Audubon Florida. During the Luncheon, Emily will share her experiences and insights into the challenges and successes of monitoring and capturing Roseate Spoonbills in the picturesque Florida Bay. This is a

unique opportunity to delve into the world of avian biology and environmental conservation with a rising star in the field.

Join us at the Cultural Center. RSVP at 305-340-8905 or Director@oceanreefchamber.org.



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Advent Hope



by Rev. Dr. Bob Henley

Years ago, a friend introduced me to the writing of Ambrose Bierce. His book, *The Devil's Dictionary*, was once selected as one of the Great Masterpieces of American Literature. Likely suffering PTSD from his service in the Union Army during the Civil War, Bierce's literary genius comes across as his being either a 'cynical curmudgeon' or a 'curmudgeonly cynic.'

His jaundiced perspective is reflected in his many quotes, including his definition of faith. "Faith," he says, "is belief without evidence in what is told by one who speaks without knowledge of things without parallel."

It is reported that in 1913, tired of American life, he went to Mexico, then in the middle of a revolution led by Pancho Villa. His end is a mystery, but a reasonable conjecture is that he was killed in the siege of Ojinaga in January 1914. Bierce separated from his wife, lost his two sons, and broke many friendships.

Perhaps for Bierce, as T.S. Eliot writes in one of his Four Quartets, 'Burnt Norton,' "human kind cannot bear very much reality."

My curios attraction to Bierce perhaps stems from a time early in my life, like many in the 60's, when I was drawn to the stark ideas of the French existential writers – particularly Sartre and Camus.

What later stunned me, and was part of strengthening my own spiritual awakening, was the discovery that Sartre in the end, could not live with what one writer calls his "militant atheism." Toward the end of his life, according to his friend Pierre Victor (a.k.a. Benny

Levy), Sartre had a "drastic change of mind about the existence of God."

According to Levy, on his deathbed, Sartre professed, "I do not feel that I am the product of chance, a speck of dust in the universe, but someone who was expected, prepared, prefigured. In short, a being whom only a Creator could put here; and this idea of a creating hand refers to god." It is said that he requested baptism by the pastor of the American Church of Paris before his death.

Increasingly during the past several years, the lines between those who profess faith and those who, not simply denying faith, but are overtly hostile to faith, have become more sharply defined. In the words of the thoughtful Yankee catcher, Yogi Berra, it feels like "déjà vu all over again."

Times like these can be unsettling, bewildering. Is faith, as Bierce alleges, "belief without evidence in what is told?" Am I, as a faith leader, among those who, as he says, "speak without knowledge?"

My answer to both is an unequivocal, "No!" But that answer is not defensive blustering. The reason for my certainty is because of the hope we have been given - Advent Hope.

Advent is a 'season' of expectation. It is the four weeks in the worship life of the Christian church leading to Christmas – the celebration of the birth of Christ.

The roots of Advent are to

be found in the life and faith of the Jewish people. Writing sometime in the fifth or sixth century before the birth of Christ, the prophet Zechariah wrote words of hope, not just for Israel, but hope that would come through Israel, for all the nations of the world.

The prophet reveals God's promise of a king, "who is coming to you, righteous and having salvation." This king will "speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea." God's people are described by Zechariah, as "prisoners of hope."

Both Jewish hope and Christian hope are Messianic – invested in the promise, the hope of God's Messiah. We differ on whether he has already come, but we are united in the hope based on God's promises that he will come, fulfilling the hope for all creation.

We are living in a time when there is a dearth of hope. We invite you to come and explore the reason for our hope – to express the hope you possess.

Each week of Advent is a reminder that God has a track record in history. There is evidence for the hope we profess. The hope we speak of is without parallel. The knowledge that informs our faith is grounded in the acts of God in history – in all that God has done and continues to do. Our hope is in the faithfulness of God. Come and join us in the Chapel as we celebrate our hope during these weeks.





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WORSHIP ON WEDNESDAY SERVICE

Emilie Wierda to Lead the Episcopal/ Anglican Service

By Joan Birsh

Ocean Reef Member and ordained Anglican minister, Reverend Emilie Wierda, will lead the Episcopal/ Anglican weekly service at the Chapel (10 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 6).

Emilie's special interest is in Christianity's Jewish heritage, as reflected in the Old Testament.

So in addition to a reading of the Scripture and singing of selected hymns, the congregation can expect



Emilie Wierda

to learn some interesting church history.

Emilie ("Em" to her countless friends) was ordained in 2019 after over three years of intensive online study and periodic week-long live meetings and lectures at Western Theological Seminary in Holland, Michigan.

In addition to Emilie Wierda's involvement with the religious activities at Ocean Reef, she has developed a sizable online congregation for a weekly Sunday program *The Ingathering*. Her co-host is frequently David Nekrutman, an Israeli Bible scholar.

Ocean Reef Members, some of whom have participated in *The Ingathering* over the three years of its existence, report that the discussions after the Scripture reading are interesting and enlightening."

Emilie Wierda has an unofficial personal ministry at Ocean Reef. She is a compassionate counselor for many OR Members who have suffered a loss, an illness, a financial set-back or who just need someone to listen.

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FIRST MEETING OF THE SEASON

Tuesday, December 12th

The Ocean Reef
"ForgetMeNots", a caregiver
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caregivers and care receivers
to the first meeting of the
2023-2024 season on **Tuesday**, **December 12th** at the Ocean
Reef Medical Center secondfloor conference room. The
meeting will begin at 12 noon.

Guests will be welcomed by co-chairs Dr. Frank Gudicello, Cynthia Weglarz, and Ron Sekura. Lunch will be served.

To reserve a seat at the meeting, please email Cynthia Weglarz at cynthiaweg@icloud.com by December 10th, or call 708-476-6350. Space is limited.



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

Cornerstone Room - 6:00 pm

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

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8

Sanctuary - 5:45 pm

Led by Rabbi Anne Feiibelman and Cantor Adina Scharfstein. Followed by dinner on the Sailfish Patio.

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CHANUKAH CANDLE LIGHTING DECEMBER 7 – DECEMBER 14

Chapel Garden - 6:00 pm

SAVE THE DATE

COMMUNITY GUEST SPEAKER SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

Chapel Sanctuary - 6:00 pm

Mr. Ken Wollack - Chair, National Endowment for Democracy Connecting The Dots: Global Conflicts, Authoritarianism and the Future of Democracy.

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DECEMBER 3, 10, 17, 24 ADVENT SUNDAYS



CHAPEL & FELLOWSHIP NEWS

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FRIDAY, DEC. 1

AA Meeting

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

Shabbat Service

6 p.m., Chapel Cornerstone Room

SATURDAY, DEC. 2

Catholic Mass

4 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Fr. Hilley

SUNDAY, DEC. 3

Traditional Worship Service

9 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary, C, Dr. Tom Hendrikse

Kids Matter (4-8yrs)

9 a.m., Children's Room

Journey Together

10:30 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Chaplain Henley

Kids Matter (9yrs & up)

10:30 a.m., Children's Room

MONDAY, DEC. 4

MICHUAI, DEC.

Al-Anon Meeting 9 a.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall

Rosary Prayer Group

4:30 p.m., Chapel Living Room

AA Meeting

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

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 6

Intercessory Prayer

8 a.m., Chapel Living Room

Episcopal Service

9 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Rev. Emilie Wierda

Chapel Women Connect Fashion Event

2 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary

THURSDAY, DEC. 7

Ocean Reef Men's Fellowship 8 a.m., Fellowship Hall

Chanukah Candle Lighting

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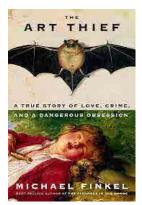
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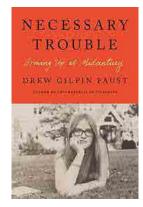
By Susan Bohan

The Library has added two new non-fiction books that, although about two very different people, share a common theme. Each has a passion that they act upon disregarding any consequences:



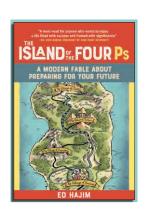
"The Art Thief: A True Story of Love, Crime, and a Dangerous Obsession" by Michael Finkel – Master thief Stephane Breitwieser carried out over 200 art heists in 8 years, not for the money, but rather for the joy of possessing beauty at any cost. This is a

riveting tale of how one man's hubris as he traveled and stole masterpieces throughout the cathedrals and museums of Europe finally came tumbling down.



"Necessary Trouble: Growing Up Midcentury" by Drew Gilpin Faust – A privileged white girl raised in conservative, segregated Virginia rejects the life of willful blindness to both racial inequalities and gender subordination to eventually become a historian of the conflicts she witnessed. This is a brave and poignant memoir of coming of age in turbulent times that still, in many ways, continue today.

ED HAJIM BOOK DISCUSSION



On **Thursday, December 7** at 5 p.m. in the Cultural Center, all are invited to hear Member **Ed Hajim** discuss his latest book, "The Island of the Four P's: A Modern Fable About Preparing for Your Future", followed by refreshments and book signing (\$20 in cash only).

This allegorical tale provides a road map to the principles on which he has based his successful life in both business and family life. Definitely an hour well spent whether at a crossroads yourself or know someone who is!





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John Fogerty - Outdoor Concert • 2/17/24

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NEWS FROM THE MEDICAL CENTER

Neck & Back Pain Symptoms

The Medical Center has an excellent choice of visiting specialists, diagnostic equipment such as MRI, CT Scanner, X-ray, and a Physical Therapy & Sports Medicine Program to assist with analyzing the causes of neck and back pain.

In a recent interview with visiting specialist, Neurosurgeon Dr. Nancy Epstein, she answers some of the most frequently asked questions:

What is causing my neck/back pain and what should I do about it?

"As we get older, everything starts to hurt. This is not surprising. However, if you feel pain going down an arm or leg, with numbness and tingling, or even weakness, it is time to see a doctor. The first thing the doctor will do is take a history, which includes your medical conditions, medications, allergies, and prior surgery. Next, they should perform a neurological exam to document possible problems. that is weakness, loss of sensation, etc. This exam will determine what studies (e.g., x-rays, CAT scan, MRI scan), if any, are needed."

What are the causes of pain?

"Neck and back pain are commonly due to normal osteoarthritic changes (arthritis) associated with age. However, these 'arthritic' changes can also contribute to the narrowing of the spinal canal (spinal stenosis), the bony structure that houses the spinal cord and nerves.

These 'arthritic' changes can cause compression of the spinal cord and nerves, resulting in neck, back pain, etc. In addition, these same symptoms may be caused by herniated discs with or without the accompanying stenosis."

How do we tell what is causing the pain?

"To determine the cause of the pain, X-rays followed by magnetic resonance (MRI) exams are usually performed. But X-rays have limited value; they just show whether the bones are aligned properly. However, the MRI documents if there is pressure on the spinal cord or nerves, along with other possible causes that include blood clots or tumors. CT scans are sometimes used to show bony changes."

What should be done?

"Most neck and back problems can be managed without surgery. Surgery should only be considered if the MRI findings are consistent with the neurological exam. In particular, the site of the pain or weakness or sensation loss on the exam must correlate with the abnormal MRI findings. Finally, pain alone is not a sufficient reason for surgery."

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Audiology Natalie Crespi Dec 6, 13, 20, 27

Daisy Elwick Dec. 4, 5, 11, 12

Cannabis & Pain Medicine Michelle Weiner Jan. 12

Cardiology Julio Barcena Dec. 8, Jan. 19

Howard Bush Dec. 7, Jan. 11

Colorectal Surgery Dan Ruiz Dec. 18, Jan. 15

Dermatology Alexandra Price

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Alysa Herman (305) 444-4979 Dec. 7, 21, Jan. 4, 18 **Debra Price** (305) 670-1111 Dec. 1, 15, Jan. 5, 19

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Gynecology Jason James Dec. 14, Jan. 11, Feb. 8

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Neuro Spine Nancy Epstein Dec. 20, Jan. 17, Feb. 14, March 20

Raul Vasquez Castellanos Dec. 14, Jan. 16

Ophthalmology Bascom Palmer 786-530-2289 Dec. 5, 6 Zach Segal Dec. 19, Jan.16

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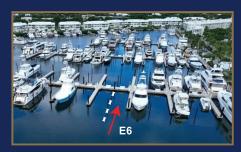






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Destination: Nature Center

By Jody Steele

Tucked away behind the Fishing Village, is one of the most interesting destinations on The Reef. The Nature Center is an intriguing stop for families and friends. Looking ahead to holiday activities, this is a place you could easily add to your "what is scheduled for today" calendar. The Nature Center also directs some unusual adventures on and off The Reef.

Jeanette Rivera is our Recreation Naturalist. Her enthusiasm for sharing knowledge about our South Florida fauna never wavers. She is always ready to identify a creature, explain its behavior, and discuss its habitat. We met recently to review the Nature Center activities scheduled for the



It's feeding time at the Nature Center! Here, the tortoises, in their outdoor enclosure, rush to feast on their delectable salad. One young onlooker declared them messy eaters

weeks ahead and there are a number of great choices for all ages.

The Nature Center has indoor and outdoor facilities. The indoor space is filled

with a variety of animals and reptiles with hands-on opportunities for the curious visitor. Lots of photo ops abound, with the chance to hold a snake, a guinea pig, or a lizard being a favorite activity. The outside space, freshly renovated, has a huge climbing gym for the active visitor and comfortable benches for adults. The tortoise enclosure is another popular spot with tortoises of all sizes, ages, and types that actually move around quicker than you would imagine especially at feeding time. The Nature Center is now open Thursday-Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m.

In order to really understand our South Florida

environment, Jeanette suggests one of the following tour experiences that can be scheduled with the Club's Member Guest Services Team (305-367-6516):

The Alligator Farm
Tour includes an alligator
feeding/show and an airboat
ride through the outskirts
the Everglades along with
a special treat on the way
back to The Reef at "Robert
is Here". (Fridays-9 a.m. to
12:30 p.m.)

Eco-Kayak Tour meets at the Pool Desk and then heads out to the Buccaneer Island beach for a 90-minute kayak tour into the mangroves to see marine life up close. (Saturdays and Sundays at 10 a.m.)

Stand Up Paddleboard Tour leaves the Buccaneer Island beach for a 90-minute tour - the destination depends on wind conditions. (Sundays at 1 p.m.)

Private tours can be arranged for Thursday mornings at any of these locations. This is always a good outing for families, but space is limited and reservations are required.

Coming up on **December 27th** is a Zoo Miami event at the Nature Center from 2 to 4 p.m. with an outreach program and experience about wildlife and conservation. Details to follow.

This is a good time to think about adding a Nature Center activity to your holiday calendar.

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By Valerie Gabriel, Academy Grade 8 Student

It's Book Fair time! If your family is like me and loves to read, you can find the perfect holiday gift for the special young people in your life at The Academy's Scholastic Book Fair.

Explore a world of stories filled with excitement and curiosity at The Academy at Ocean Reef's annual Book Fair, which will be open from December 6 to December

8. Come check out the diverse genres ranging from captivating fiction to spine-tingling horror! You have plenty of time to choose the perfect book for the holidays!

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The Academy Book Fair

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The Book Fair will be artfully arranged in The Academy's beautiful Atrium at 395 S. Harbor Drive, next to the Ocean Reef Club Member Fitness Center. Trust us, you don't want to miss this reading extravaganza, December 6 (8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.), December 7 (8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.) and December 8 (8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.)!



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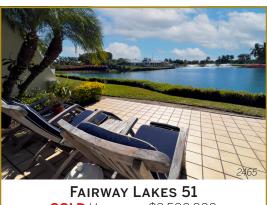
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Art League Off Reef **Excursions**



by Susan Bohan

Karen DiMaura, Off Reef Excursion Chair for the Art League, has organized six great trips again this year. Experience an aspect of Florida not available to most people. All transportation is included so you can just sit back while being transported to your new adventure:

Zoo Miami Holiday Lights Saturday, December 9 – Departs 4pm

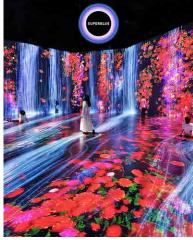
Stroll through parts of the zoo with dazzling lights, see nocturnal animals in their natural habitat and interact with select animals and their care teams. Santa sightings too!

Art Deco Walk & Tasting Tour Wednesday, January 17 -**Departs 9am**

Beginning at the Institute of Contemporary Art Museum, your Miami Art and Culinary Tour Guide will take you on a journey of unique creativity and flavor as they combine to make Miami a special cuttingedge city of food and art.

Superblue Immersive & **Experiential Art & the Rubell Family Collection** Friday, January 19 – Departs 9:30am

Experience innovative artists as they push creative boundaries with immersive art installations. Then cross the street for lunch at Leku before viewing one of the most significant and far-ranging collections of contemporary art at the Rubell Museum.



Superblue Immersive & Experiential Art & the Rubell Family Collection, Jan. 19

Sit Back & Rel-axe! Friday, February 16 - Departs

Whether you are into the sport of axe throwing, wish to learn how or just find it fun to watch the professionals, this is an exciting and unique way to spend an evening topped off with dinner at Golden Rule Seafood before heading back to The Reef.

Biscayne Bay Stiltsville Boat Tour with Historian Dr. Paul George

Friday, March 1 - Departs 9am Share in stories of the

notorious past of Biscayne Bay beginning in the 1920s from nefarious gangsters to elite socialites through the ever-growing Miami of today. Only 7 of these unique homes have survived over the years and are only accessible by boat. Lunch is included.

Mrs. Doubtfire the Musical -Saturday, April 13 – Departs 12:15

Based on the beloved film, enjoy the story of what one zany dad will resort to for the love of his family followed by a delicious dinner in Ft. Lauderdale.

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



Zoo Miami Holiday Lights, Dec. 9



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ART LEAGUE

Artists in the Making

Art League goers Mary Brady, Lauran Parker, Amanda Parker, Mary Johannson, Instructor David Bader, Jocelyn Barford, and Victoria Barford enjoyed this great workshop with acrylic paint on canvas. Mary Brady said, "It was a fun night with beverages and hors d'oeuvres. We all started out with a blank canvas, and we all ended up with a very different and unique result!"



MEMBER NEWS

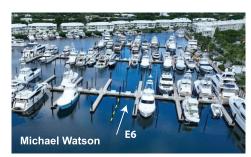


Fiona and Randy Woods recently traveled to England to welcome a new grandson, Woodson Alexander Pout, to their Anglo-American family. Pictured are the Woods with Dorothy, Woodson, James and June, plus their dog, Tony, at their 18th-century farm cottage in the Somerset village of Babcary.



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Tis the Shopping Season

By Meg Shields, Member since 1984

Tis the season for holiday shopping and gift giving! If you're looking for fresh and exciting brands, look no further than the Holiday Gift Gallery held at the Cultural Center at Ocean Reef, on December 4th and 5th, from 10am - 6pm. This exciting new event is focused on supporting small brands led mostly by women. The Gift Gallery features a curated collection of dresses, shoes, sweaters, swimwear, loungewear, handbags, and jewelry. But that's not all! You'll also find stationery and gifts, towels and robes, childrenswear, baby gifts, toys, and tableware.

The Holiday Gift Gallery will bring shopping to you!!

The event is organized by Mandy Kennedy and Meg Shields, who both have fashion retail experience and have worked with many brands over the years. Their concept is to give Ocean Reef Members an opportunity to shop for all of their loved ones as well as items on their own list.

Rather than sitting in front of your computer and ordering items online, this event will give you an opportunity to shop more personally. You can touch and feel the fabrics and merchandise, try on the shoes, and more. This is the only time these select vendors will be bringing their merchandise to Ocean Reef, so don't miss out!

This not-for-profit event was organized solely for the benefit of Ocean Reef Members and guests. Happy shopping!

OUT & ABOUT



There's nothing better than when your best friends return to Ocean Reef for the season. Back row, from left to right: Gardiner Bridge, Courtney Bridge, Rachel Kelley, Kim Robinson, Beth Joyner. Front row, from left to right: Mike Robinson, Steve Kelley, Inc. Joyner.



Tim and Christy Sheehan hosted an informal chat for Senator Joe Manchin in the Beacon House of 121 Marina. Pictured left to right: Tim, Christy, Joe Manchin, Pat Baxter and Gayle Manchin. Submitted by Terry Baxter.

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MEMBERSHIP GIVING TREE

Ocean Reef Club is collecting holiday gifts for low income and needy children living in the Keys. You can help! Purchase a gift for a boy or girl ages 0-17. Drop off your wrapped or unwrapped gift to the Membership Office between now and Wednesday, December 20. We are also collecting \$20.00 gift cards that will be delivered to the children currently staying at the Children's Shelter in Tavernier. Amazon gift cards are also appreciated as the Children's Shelter can send items via Amazon Prime. They really enjoy their special trips to Bealls to purchase items that they might need while staying at the shelter! Your generosity and holiday spirit will be much appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact the Membership Office at 305-367-5921.

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Farmer's Market Favorites



by Susan Bohan

Some people dread Mondays as they head back to work but here at Ocean Reef, it is a day to look forward to because of the Farmer's Market! I like to plan five meals at a time since, ironically, I like to cook but hate to shop, so the Four Corner's vendors are perfect when I just do not feel inspired. Here's a sample:

Day 1

Harvey's BBQ has the perfect pulled pork and Salsa y Sabor has the herb bread to help you mop up the extra



Harvey's BBQ

barbecue sauce on your plate. Freshly made coleslaw and done!

Day 2

Grilled lamb chops from Lomelo's accompanied by baked potatoes and grilled asparagus and carrots from Jerry's. Yum!

Day 3

Fresh pasta and sauce from Pasta Amore and a burrata salad from Gemita's. Just add a bottle of red wine from Port O'Call. Delicious.



Pasta Amore

Day 4

The quiches from Le Petit Pain with grilled Brussels sprouts make a wonderful light but filling meal. Afterward, the fabulous brownies a sure thing!

Day 5

Begin the evening with great cheese from La Montagne Des Saveurs and then throw together a large kale and spinach salad with lots of vegetables from Jerry's.

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WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

1 FRIDAY

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8am • Member Fitness Center

"A" Flight Level Cardio Tennis 8am • Tennis & Games Center

Cardio Pickleball Clinic 8am • Tennis & Games Center

Everglades Alligator Farm Tour 8:45am • Meet at Nature Center

Cardio Tennis Clinic 9am • Tennis & Games Center

Vinyasa Yoga Class

9am • Member Fitness Center

Zumba Class9am • Member Fitness Center

105 Tennis Tournament 11am • Tennis & Games Center

Watch the Road Rally

11am •Ocean Reef Drive, Anchor Drive, Sunset Cay or Gatehouse Road

Nighttime Airshow

5pm • Buccaneer Island

Shabbat Service

6pm • Chapel Cornerstone Room

Live DJ at The Burgee Bar 9pm • Burgee Bar

2 SATURDAY

Danish & Coffee

7-10am • The Point (Members Only)

Sweat Class 8am • Member Fitness Center

Cardio Tennis Clinic 8am • Tennis & Games Center

Intro to Pickleball Clinic 9am • Tennis & Games Center

Reef Club Kids Open 9am-1pm • Reef Rec Room

Concours d'Elegance Drive-By 10am • Yachtsman Parking Lot

Yacht Viewing
10am-4pm • Ocean Reef Club
Marina

Marina Airshow

12pm • Buccaneer Island **Reef Rec Room Open**

3-10pm • Reef Rec Room

Pickleball Organized Play

4pm • Tennis & Games Center

Cocktails 5–8pm • The Point (Members Only)

Live DJ at The Burgee Bar 9pm • Burgee Bar

3 SUNDAY

Beginners Sailing Clinic 9:30am • Meet at the Pool Desk

Gameio Tennis Clinic

10 & 11am • Tennis & Games Center

Fly-Out

11am • Ocean Reef Airport

Junior Tennis Clinic

11am • Tennis & Games Center

NFL Sunday at Burgee Bar 12pm • Burgee Bar

Vintage Open Golf Tournament 12:30pm Shotgun • Dolphin

Croquet Mixer Open Play 2-5pm • Croquet Lawn

Reef Rec Room Open 3-10pm • Reef Rec Room

Cocktails 5–8pm • The Point (Members Only)

4 MONDAY

Chutes and Ladders Class 6am • Member Fitness Center

Beach Yoga Class 8am • Member Fitness Center

Cardio Pickleball Clinic 8am • Tennis & Games Center

"A" Flight Level Cardio Tennis 8am • Tennis & Games Center

Reformer Pilates Class9am • Member Fitness Center

MGA Weekly Event 9am Shotgun • Hammock

Cardio Tennis Clinic 9am • Tennis & Games Center

Holiday Gift Gallery 10am-6pm • Cultural Center

Farmer's Market
11am-4pm ● Field at Four Corners

Pickleball Organized Play 4pm • Tennis & Games Center

Men's Night Tennis League 5:30-7:30pm ● Tennis & Games

5 TUESDAY

Cycle Class

6am • Member Fitness Pool

Master Swim Class
7am ● Member Fitness Pool

LGA Weekly Event 8-10am • Hammock

Cardio Tennis Clinic 9am • Tennis & Games Center

Vinyasa Yoga Class

9am • Member Fitness Center

Strength & Cycle Class

9am • Member Fitness Center

A Flight Croquet League 9am-12pm • Croquet Lawn

Holiday Gift Gallery 10am-6pm • Cultural Center **Aqua Cardio Class**

11am • Member Fitness Pool

Intro to Pickleball Clinic

2:30-3:30pm • Tennis & Games Center

Men's Night Pickleball League 5:30-7:30pm ● Tennis & Games Center

6 WEDNESDAY

Sweat Class

8am • Member Fitness Center

Reformer Pilates Class

8am • Member Fitness Center

"A" Flight Level Cardio Tennis 8am • Tennis & Games Center

Ladies' Pickleball League 8am • Tennis & Games Center

Racquet Club Open Play 10am-12pm • Croquet Lawn

Intermediate Croquet Clinic 2:30pm • Croquet Lawn

Mobility & Recovery Class 3pm • Member Fitness Center

Importance of Sleep, Rest & Recovery

4pm • Member Fitness Center

Pickleball Organized Play 4pm • Tennis & Games Center

7 THURSDAY

Cycle Class

6am • Member Fitness Pool

Master Swim Class

7am • Member Fitness Pool

Sweat Class

8am • Member Fitness Pool

"A" Flight Level Cardio Tennis 8am • Tennis & Games Center

Cardio Pickleball Clinic 8am • Tennis & Games Centerr

Beginner Pickleball Clinic 8am • Tennis & Games Center

Cardio Tennis Clinic 9am • Tennis & Games Center

B Flight Croquet League 9am-12pm • Croquet Lawn

Silver Fit Class
10am • Member Fitness Center

Chamber Luncheon 11:45am-1pm ● Cultural Center

Raw Bar Lobster Bake

Burgee Bar Karaoke 9pm-12am • Burgee Bar

5-9pm • Raw Bar

Ed Hajim Book Discussion 5pm • Cultural Center

Port O'Call Wine Tasting 5-7pm • Port O'Call

ON SCREEN & STAGE

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



"Dumb Money" (R)

Friday, December 1 • 4:30 & 7:30pm Sunday, December 3 • 4:30 & 7:30pm Wednesday, December 6 • 7:30pm Runtime: 1hr 45min

Premise: Dumb Money is based on the insane true story of everyday people who flipped the script on Wall Street and got rich by turning GameStop (yes, the mall videogame store) into the world's hottest company.



"Stop Making Sense" (PG)

Friday, December 8 • 4:30 & 7:30pm Sunday, December 10 • 4:30 & 7:30pm Wednesday, December 13 • 7:30pm Runtime: 1hr 28min Genre: Music/Performing Arts

Premise: The greatest concert film of all time, Stop Making Sense brings to the screen Talking Heads at Hollywood's Pantages Theater in December 1983: David Byrne, Tina Weymouth, Chris Frantz, and Jerry Harrison, alongside an ecstatic ensemble of supporting musicians. Renowned filmmaker Jonathan Demme (Silence of the Lambs) captures the band at their exhilarating best, in this new and complete restoration for the film's 40th anniversary.

Cultural Center Museum
Daily 9am-4pm • Open During Movies
Library Hours
Monday & Thursday • 10am-12pm

CLUB SHOPPING

Joan the Shopper

J.McLaughlin - Last Friday my granddaughter Stephanie and I went shopping in the Fishing Village. Steph is a Duke graduate, a civil engineer and a young married, who lives and works in D.C. She is also (except for my late husband Arthur) the most organized person I have ever known. So it was not a surprise that, without a moment's hesitation, she headed straight for J. McLaughlin. And in short order, she was ready to be photographed for this column in her newly purchased white Marlowe Blazer (\$398) That's the magic of McLaughlin - their highquality tops, pants, dresses, etc. are always comfortable and well-designed (a touch on the conservative side) and are suitable for any age.... Everyone I know buys pants at J.McLaughlin. I love the Ivy pants that come in that soft stretchy Catalina fabric. I have them in black, navy and white.... Also, don't miss the new Heather Fair Blue Brock Pants. These are a classic with the flattering straight leg style and front zipper (\$198).... Top the pants with a Denver Silk Shirt (\$248). This



Stephanie Elgart

is a subtlety patterned shirt in a combo of 51% silk and 49% Viscose. I don't know what Viscose is, but it makes this shirt look better than "all silk"..... I am going to end this column "in the red". It is the Christmas color and I am hoping to find the bright red Arlette Metallic Turtleneck under my tree on Christmas morning. It qualifies as a cashmere "feel-alike" (\$178).... Another holiday gift, this one I am giving, not receiving, (Stephanie, shut your eyes!) is the red Deeda Puffer Jacket (\$278).... Last Word: Is it really better to give than receive? I vote for the latter.

by Joan Birsh

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WINING & DINING

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4 – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

Palm Court

Lunch Daily 11:30am-3:30pm

Beach Bar & Grill

Beverages Daily 11am-8pm Food Mon.-Thurs. 11:30am-4pm • Fri.-Sun 11:30am-5pm

Everton's Rum Bar

Beverages Thurs.-Sun. 3-8pm

Islander & Sushi Bar*

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

The Ocean Room

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

Gianni Ristorante*

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

Raw Bar

Lunch Daily 11am-4pm Dinner Daily 4-9pm (Lobster Bake on 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

Dinner Mon.-Thurs. & Sun. 4-10pm Fri. & Sat. 4-11pm 305- 367-5898

Fitness Café

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

The Point (Members Only)

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

Burgee Bar

Dinner Daily 5-10pm Cocktails Mon-Thurs., & Sun. 5pm-12am Fri. & Sat. 5pm-1am • Lunch Sat. & NFL Sun. 12-5pm

Reef Lounge

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

CH Prime (Members Only)*

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

CH Lounge (Members Only)

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

Toski's

Snack Bar Open Tues.-Sun. 9am-4pm

Town Hall Waterside

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

Grill Room (Members Only)

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

Rum Runner

Open Daily 9am-4pm

Food Truck

Lunch Open Mon. 11am-4pm at Four Corners

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



2023 Vintage Weekend Schedule of Events

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

11:00 a.m. • Line up, Road Rally* & Lunch at Alabama Jack's* • Yachtsman Parking Lot 2:00 p.m., 2:45 p.m. & 3:30 p.m.. • New! Tour & Commentary on Boat • Fishing Village 4:30 p.m. • Cocktail Reception* • Buccaneer Island 5:00 p.m. • Aeroshell Aerobatic Team Night Show • Buccaneer Island 6:00 p.m. • Dinner Under the Stars • Palm Court



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

10:00 a.m. • Concours d'Elegance Drive-By • Yachtsman Parking Lot 10:00 a.m. − 4:00 p.m. • Yacht Viewing • Ocean Reef Club Marina 12:00 p.m. • Luncheon* • Buccaneer Island 12:30 p.m. − 2:00 p.m. • Vintage Aircraft Aerobatic Show • Buccaneer Island 2:30 p.m. • Tour and Commentary on Aircraft • Ocean Reef Airport 6:30 p.m. "Vintage Goes Broadway! " Costume & Dinner Party* • Town Hall



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

9:00 a.m. • Farewell Breakfast & Presentation of Awards* • Town Hall 11:00 a.m. • Fly-Out • Ocean Reef Airport

For more information, please call: 305-501-5529. *Event pass required.





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David Celentano spent the afternoon with his family watching an Osprey perched on the mangrove island hunting for bait fish in front of their home on Sunrise Cay. Even a pelican joined the watch.



 Did Daniel Attridge happen upon a new member of the ORCA Public Safety team?

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You Asked, We Listened

LiLash Eyelash Serum at The Spa



Spa Notes" by Jillian Barron, The Spa Director

For those of you who have asked, we have listened, and we now have a new product for thicker, fuller, longer lashes and eyebrows available at the Spa. LiLash® Purified Eyelash Serum conditions and nourishes lash follicles to boost the appearance of length, thickness, and curl of your lashes, so you can be your best, authentic self. Just one swipe a day at bedtime and you'll soon experience the magic of LiLash®. Start



seeing results in as little as 30-45 days with full results in 90

When Cosmetic Alchemy entered the lash serum market with LiLash® Purified Eyelash Serum back in 2007 it was with the express goal to create the most effective lash conditioning serum available without a prescription.

The results were spectacular and the brand blossomed quickly due to waves of customer-inspired testimonials and pics.

LiBrow® Purified Eyebrow Serum entered the market one year later, to great success, as the very first brow conditioning serum on the market.

Fast forward 11 years and the Cosmetic Alchemy brand has built a loyal international following of lash and brow aficionados who have come to rely on the magic of both LiLash® and LiBrow®.

Featured in Forbes, Shape Magazine, Byrdie, and the Zoe Report, this amazing product is physician-formulated, ophthalmologist-tested, and safe for sensitive eyes and contact lens wearers. Never tested on animals and paraben-free.

Application Directions For LiLash®

Commit to 90 days of use for fuller and thicker eyelashes. Apply once daily to clean, dry skin—a single application is all you need.

1. Remove the applicator from the tube and wipe off

excess serum

- 2. Apply LiLash® directly to the upper eyelid skin* along the lash line.
- 3. Allow serum to dry for 2-3 minutes before going to bed.

*Do not apply to the lower eyelids or directly to the lashes.

For sensitive eyes, apply every other day during the first 10 days.

Not limited to just eyelashes, our other product, LiBrow® Purified Eyebrow Serum, is the gold standard solution for treating eyebrows. Using advanced technology and a unique, physician-formulated blend of the highest quality ingredients, LiBrow® conditions and fortifies hair follicles to give you fuller, thicker eyebrows.

Stop by the The Spa to check out LiLash and LiBrow or call 305-367-6506 for more info.





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2 Bedrooms / **2** Baths / \$4,219,000 Includes 31' Private floating dock, impact glass and so much more. Must See to appreciate.

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3 Bedrooms / 3.5 Baths /\$12,950,000 Over 22,000sf home site in the heart of the Club. Completely renovated! Approx. 3,000sf under air & 40' floating dock.

Andy Hofmann



3 Bedrooms / 3 Baths / \$6,575,000
Top floor, corner unit offering a bonus bunk room for kids & oversized screened-in porch perfect for enjoying water views of Fisherman's Cove. Assigned 31' floating dockage.





4 Bedrooms / 3 Baths /\$6,500,000 Completely renovated in and out! Ocean Views & Breezes 29' Dock. Best location! Dan Guerrieri



2 Bedrooms / 2 Baths / \$6,250,000 Pvt. street w/townhomes on one side. M/BR w/ water views, 2 car, 2 cart large garage & workshop. Bay Views from almost every room + 50' Dock. Nelson Gordy



4 Bedrooms / 4.5 Baths / \$16,750,000
Ranch home, w/floor to ceiling windows & water views. Indoor/outdoor living. Large workflow kitchen & open floor plan. All ensuite w/walk-in closets. Updated 81' concrete seawall/dock. Garage for multiple cars & carts. Andy Hofmann



3 Bedrooms / 3 Baths / \$1,439,000 Key Largo Home MM 103. 80' Dock. **Nancy Eaves**

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITY

535 CORAL LN. cls #2287 • \$5,900,000 Pre-Construction 5 BDS/5.5 BA **Olga Grant**

16 HARBOR ISLAND DR. cls #2423 • \$6,995,000 Pre-Construction 7 BDS/7BA w/80' Dock. Completed price \$14,950,000.

Bob Ecuyer

7 PERKY ROAD cls #2481 • \$4,295,000 15,695sf Lot with plans by Renowned Architect, Max Strang. **Wendy Brainard**

FS-11 70' Marina Dock cls #2614 • \$2,150,000 *Linda Jaikins*

FS-25 70' Marina Dock cls #2330 • \$2,355,000 **Dan Guerrieri**

Docks include: Water, cable, electric, internet, & 1 parking spot

15 OSPREY LN. cls #2464 • \$6,995,000 31,000sf canal front lot on Sunrise Cay. **Bob Ecuyer**

305 S. HARBOR DR. cls #2512 • \$5,500,000 3 BDS/2 BA Private Hammock Course home **Wendy Brainard**

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SPORTS

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Thanksgiving Fitness Challenge Results



'Fitness Focus" by Luis Bracamonte, Director of Fitness & Wellness

The stoic philosopher Seneca writes: "No man is more happy than he who never faces adversity. For he is not permitted to prove himself." Fitness training is commonly viewed and used to improve physical health, appearance, and performance. But another powerful benefit is that it allows us to challenge ourselves and push our limits under controlled situations. That is why we created the Club Fitness Championship and its eight challenges throughout the season. The challenges allow members to test themselves and push past discomfort, building physical and mental resilience. The challenges are also annual tests that motivate us to improve each year.

The season's first challenge took place this past Saturday, November 25th. Here are the results:

Challenge: 1-Minute on Airdyne Bike for max calories

Top 10 Men:

- 1. Mark Foreman 66 calories 40 points (Club Record)
- 2. Jason Beans and Mark Burish 49 calories 16 points (tie)
- 3. Brian Krouskos and Pat Shields 47 calories 14 points (tie)
- 4. Conor Shields and Rick

Kocerha 46 calories 12 points (tie)

- 5. George Musto, Pete Liashek, and Robert Schwartz 44 calories 10 points (tie)
- 6. Chris Beyer 43 calories 8 points

7. Mark Ruston, Stephen Kocerha, Randy Furshman, and David Rountree 41 calories 6 points (tie) 8. Tyler Jefferson 40 calories 4

- 8. Tyler Jefferson 40 calories 4 points
- 9. Paul DiMaura 39 calories 2 points
- 10. Louis Metzman 38 calories 1 point

Top 10 Ladies:

- 1. Savannah Gossweiler 36 calories 40 points (Club Record)
- 2. Meg Shields 34 calories 16 points
- 3. Penny Dinsmore, Nicole Krouskos and Angeline Materna 30 calories 14 points (tie)
- 4. Sindee Furshman 29 calories 12 points
- 5. Lindsay Shields 28 calories 10 points
- 6. Stephanie Foreman and Cathy Langham 27 calories 8 points
- 7. Dawn Ruston 26 calories 6 points
- 8. Kathleen Metzman 25 calories 4 points
- 9. Amy Shields 24 calories 2 points
- 10. Linda Fernandez 20 calories 1 point

*Total calories include handicap.

Next Challenge: Swim Sprint Challenge on Thursday, December 12th, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The challenge will consist of a timed 50-yard swim sprint at the MFC Fitness Pool.

For more information on the Fitness Championship, group classes and personal training programs contact us at 305-367-5820.



Nancy and Megan Vamvakas foam rolling together at the start of their workouts.





Pack St Clair and Mike Berman training with Whole Body Electrostimulation System (EMS).



Masters Swimming class with Coach Jon Olsen is every Tuesday and Thursday at 7am



Improve your flexibility and increase range of motion with Yoga for Golfers taught by Moorey-Margaret Myers



IMPORTANCE OF SLEEP, REST & RECOVERY WITH HANNAH WHISTLER

Wednesday, December 6th at 4 p.m.

Member Fitness Center

Sleep! We all do it; however, not everyone sleeps as effectively as possible. Studies say that insufficient sleep is experienced by about 30% of the general population over the age of 18. If you don't get enough sleep regularly, you may:

- Feel tired throughout the day
- Lose your ability to remain focused and efficient during the day
 - Weaken your immune system
- Make it more difficult for your brain to process and store new information

We spend a third of our lives sleeping, so we must understand what happens during our sleep and why it is crucial to our health, wellness, and recovery. This workshop aims to offer comprehensive education and delve into critical concepts surrounding the intricacies of sleep, the significance of quality rest, and practical strategies for achieving enhanced sleep patterns.

NEW THIS WEEK! ORC RUNNING CLUB

Trainer: Izabella Rose

Saturday, December 2nd at 7 a.m.

Meet at the Outdoor Gym by the Member Fitness Center All running/jogging levels are welcome.



SAVE THE DATE

Member-Guest Tennis Tournament

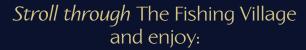
January 26 - 28, 2024

Mark your calendars for the 51st annual Member-Guest Tennis Tournament. There will be more tennis than you can imagine with cardio clinics, gameio clinics, and most importantly, tournament play! Plus, cocktails to celebrate the weekend. Registration is now open by visiting oceanreef.com/MGT.

For more information or assistance, please call the Tennis & Games Center at 305-367-6583.

Home for the Holidays FISHING VILLAGE OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, December 16 • 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.



Deals and specials for last-minute holiday shopping

Pictures with Santa for kids and pets from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

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- Dockside Living
- J McLaughlin

- Burgee Shop
- Golf Pro Shop
- Sandpiper
- Island Garden
- Zoe's Empire
- Adobe Home
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Season's Greetings from the Fishing Village

Gobble Wobble 5K Results

FEMALE WALKERS

1st Place: Colleen Redlich 2nd Place: Christina Loaiza 3rd Place: Anita Mayor

MALE WALKERS

1st Place: Hunter Redlich 2nd Place: Jacob Down 3rd Place: Curtis Francois

WHEELED

1st Place: Lila Van Pelt 2nd Place: Sam Van Pelt 3rd Place: Ashley Swirbel

FEMALE RUNNERS 8 & Under

1st Place: Gabi Loaiza 2nd Place: Riley Farmer 3rd Place: Ella Daysh

9-12

1st Place: Elle Mashek 2nd Place: Brooke Robertson 3rd Place: Millie Martin

13-19

1st Place: Walker Turner 2nd Place: Lucy Ward 3rd Place: Cate Turner

20-29

1st Place: Annie Vreeland (1st Place Overall Female) 2nd Place: Meg Vreeland 3rd Place: Natalie Garcia

30-39

1st Place: Ashley Orleans 2nd Place: Kristin Shufelt 3rd Place: Jackie Minnehan

40-49

1st Place: Antonio Hernandez 2nd Place: Bonnie Underwood 3rd Place: Kathryn Martin

50-59

1st Place: Bonnie Zeigler 2nd Place: Amy Prancois 3rd Place: Sabrina

60-69

1st Place: Tricia Holbrook 2nd Place: Ruth Coremski 3rd Place: Caroline Harrison

70+

1st Place: Kathie Markell 2nd Place: Barbara Olcott 3rd Place: Lois Delligatti



Annie and Luke Vreeland, winners of the Gobble Wobble collecting their On Running shoes prize at MFC.

MALE RUNNERS 8 & Under

1st Place: Rhys Farmer 2nd Place: Braden Kurz 3rd Place: Jack Singer

9-12

1st Place: Gage Olcott 2nd Place: Mathew Martin 3rd Place: Nico Loaiza

13-19

1st Place: Landon Cummings 2nd Place: Taylor Underwood 3rd Place: Dylan Wagner

20-29

1st Place: Christopher Carlson 2nd Place: Esteban Penagos 3rd Place: Mike Nicklaus

30-39

1st Place: Luke Vreeland (1st Place Overall Male) 2nd Place: Taylor Frank 3rd Place: Eric Lengerich

40-49

1st Place: Scott Barry 2nd Place: Jeff Nickell 3rd Place: Eric Lengerich

50-59

1st Place: Justin Kelly 2nd Place: Joe Lacher 3rd Place: Bob Reid

60-69

1st Place: Gerrit Vreeland 2nd Place: Tom Swirbel 3rd Place: Lowndes Harrison

70+

1st Place: Mickey Gilbert 2nd Place: Dennis Kelly 3rd Place: Charles Dietzel



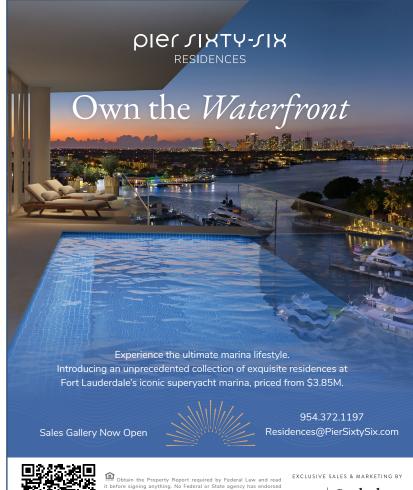
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Mickey Gilbert

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5th Annual Pickleball Member-Guest Tournament



'Center Court"
by Justin
Romero,
Director of
Racquet
Sports

It is hard to believe that it has been 7 years since our permanent Pickleball courts were installed at Ocean Reef. Time flies, and the game has grown substantially within those 7 years bringing family and friends together, hosting some of the greatest Pros in the sport, and a contagious energy that adds great value to the Tennis & Games Center.

One of the highlight tournaments that has always



2022 Pickleball Member-Guest Tournament

been a hit since day 1 is our Member-Guest Pickleball Tournament. December 8th through the 10th we celebrate our 5th Annual and it will not disappoint. Boasting over 70 players this event starts with a 6:00 p.m. Check-in and Cocktail Party Friday night. Play starts Saturday at 9 a.m. with Men's Doubles kicking off the tournament. The Ladies are to follow starting at 11 a.m. After lunch, we will start our Mixed Doubles Flight at 2 p.m. All Teams who finish at the top of their respective flights will

be invited to the Semi-Finals on Sunday which kicks off with 9:30 am Mixed Doubles semi-finals and finals. Men's and Ladies' Semi-finals will kick off at 11 a.m. and following the finals will be the award ceremony and champagne toast. Come support and watch some great Member-Guest Pickleball played this weekend at the Tennis & Games Center Pickleball Courts.

XGLOsive Tennis and Pickleball return to Ocean Reef!

Spaces are limited so sign

Contact Parris

up today. **December 18th** and 19th XGLOsive turns traditional Tennis and Pickleball into a fun, no-pressure, social experience for people of all ages and abilities. \$75pp. Light bites are included and cocktails will be available.

Croquet

The Hillsboro Club has challenged and invited Ocean Reef Club to a croquet match. Dec. 13th-14th at the Hillsboro Club. There are 8 spots available. Space is limited. Please let me know if you would like to join. Hillsboro Club will visit ORC for a croquet match on Feb. 21st – 22nd.

Also, this Season starting in December is our Croquet Leagues. Please email me if you are interested in participating.

- A Flight Tuesdays 9 am
- B Flight Thursdays 9 am
- Singles
- Prizes awarded at the end of 10 weeks to the winners/finalists

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American Beverage Marketers have held their Annual Meeting at ORC since 1998...26 years. For 23 of those years, owners and ORC Members William Hinkebein (current ORC Croquet Chair), George Wagner, Charlie Wagner and Anne Hinkebein have organized a company croquet outing at Ocean Reef, saying it's always the highlight of their activities. Impressive "selfie" by William Hinkebein.

TENNIS RESULTS

MEN'S "B" NIGHT TENNIS RESULTS

Monday, November 27

First Place (tie): Bill Sport

First Place (tie): Mark Murphy

> Second Place: David Jackson



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Pickleball Volleys



by Nick Scheller, Tennis Professional

In this week's tip of the week, we'll dive into the different types of pickleball volleys, exploring their versatility for various in-game scenarios.

Roll/Swinging Volley:

Ideal for adding spin and adding more aggression into your play. Use this when time is on your side, giving you the freedom to execute with finesse.

Punch/Counter Volley:

Your go-to when faced with an opponent's attack. Use it to turn the tables, transforming defense into a potent counterattack that keeps your opponent on their toes.

Block/Reset Volley:

When the opponent's attack requires a defensive approach, opt for the block/reset volley. Soften the ball, regain control, and strategically aim for the kitchen to dictate the pace.

Remember the golden rule:

Swing Up! Elevate your volleys by emphasizing an upward swing, unlocking power and precision in each shot. Mastering these volley types can be a game-changer, offering a strategic edge on the pickleball court.

In pickleball, mastering the art of volleys can elevate your game. By exploring the diverse spectrum of these volleys, players unlock a wealth of strategic possibilities. So, grab your paddle, practice these volleying techniques, and dominate the court with confidence!

Pickleball

Player of the Week

Aristotle Chu (Ari)

Ari is this week's Tennis & Games Center Player of the Week. Coming in from Dallas, Ari had a tough week out on the courts taking on our very own Pros here at Ocean Reef on the pickleball court and showed out with some very entertaining play. Ari's favorite pickleball player is in fact our very own Pro Zach; Ari mentioned he loved Zach's athleticism out on the court. When asked what his favorite part about playing pickleball at ORC is he said the convenience, but more importantly, meeting new people while trying to beat the pros (he's still



trying). Ari loves playing with people that are better than him since it helps keep him motivated. Ari is looking forward to trying to improve his forehand roll this season at the Club. Good luck Ari and we look forward to seeing you on the courts!



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2023 Turkey Shoot



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

Another great turnout for the 2023 Turkey Shoot! The flights were jam-packed with MGA, LGA, 9 Hole LGA, and their family members. Each one of these players had one goal in mind, to be the last player standing.

The Turkey Shoot is a unique 3-hole shoot-out format where each player was placed within a flight. They competed individually against those players inside their flight. After the 3rd hole, the winners of each flight met at hole #9 of the Dolphin Course to determine the Overall Champion. Congratulations to our Flight Winners, Christopher Noyes, Jerry Henn, Bob



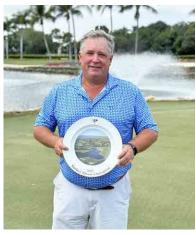
Flight Winners Christopher Noyes, Jerry Henn, and Staci Berry.

Brainard, and Staci Berry!

The first player to hit on the final hole was Jerry Henn, who hit a solid short iron shot to 20 feet, applying pressure to the other 3 players. Mr. Bob Brainard also hit a solid shot just outside of Mr. Henn's ball. After a stressfree two-putt par, Mr. Brainard was able to secure the victory for this year's 2023 Turkey Shoot Championship!

MGA Monday

Another MGA Monday is now in



2023 Turkey Shoot Champion Bob Brainard.

the books. The format played was ABCD - 1, 2 & 3 Best Balls of the Foursome. In this Best Ball format, teams recorded 1 BB on the Par 5's, 2 BBs on the Par 4's, and 3 BBs on the Par 3's (Gross & Net). With this format, performing well on the par 3's is crucial to gain an edge on the field.

On the Gross side of the competition, the team of Mark Nuccilli, Roger Rodriguez, James McCann & Daniel Attridge escaped all 5 of the par 3's at 2 over par for a final round score of 2-over-par, 139. On the

NET side of the competition, the team of **David Ross, Mark Burish, and Rich Riley** (with a little help from their blind draw) lit up the par 3's going 4-under for these holes and a 13-underpar round of 124. Great playing Gentlemen!

Our Closest to the Hole contests were on Holes #5 & #11. Roger Rodriguez claimed #5 by knocking it to 8'10". Then **Bill Miller** stuck it to 2' 6" on #11.

LGA Weekly Event

What a pristine morning we had for our fourth event of the season. 57 LGA Members teed it up looking to go low. The format of Best Nine Holes is a friendly one, only requiring nine successful holes. By the looks of the scores, most participants turned Best Nine Holes into their Best 18 including our gross winner Regina Fink who posted a career-low score of 79! Well done. The competition is strong and everyone's game is rounding into form as we head into the heart of the Golf Season.



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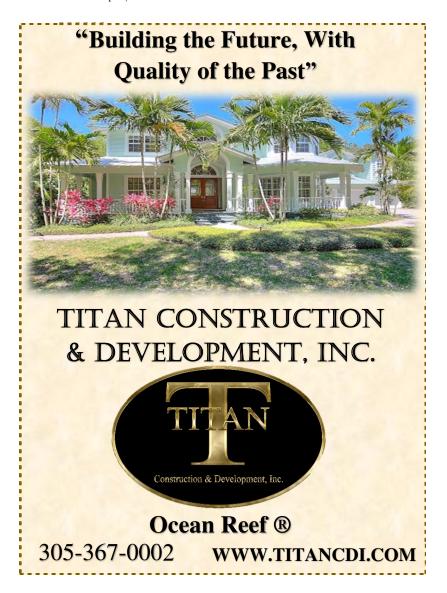
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GOLF SCOREBOARD

2023 Turkey Shoot Thursday, November 23

Flight 1 Winner: Christopher Noyes Flight 2 Winner: Jerry Henn Flight 3 Winner: Bob Brainard Flight 4 Winner: Staci Berry 2023 Turkey Shoot Champion: Bob Brainard

MGA Weekly Event Monday, November 27

1st Place Gross: Mark Nuccilli, Roger Rodriguez, James McCann, Daniel Attridge 2nd Place Gross: Bill Wonfor, Buck Schottland, Rudy Schupp, Pat Shouvlin 1st Place Net: David Ross, Mark Burish, Rich Riley 2nd Place Net: Dragos Alexe, Jay Guarch, Leonard Turowski, Ray Smith 3rd Place Net: Mirek Fajt, Doug Totura, Geoff Noyes, Luis Arguello Closest to the Hole #5: Roger Rodriguez Closest to the Hole #11: Bill Miller

LGA Weekly Event Tuesday, November 28

1st Place Net: Patti McGrath 2nd Place Net: Elizabeth Zug 3rd Place Net (tie): Lynne Thompson and Joan Flippin 1st Place Gross: Regina Fink 2nd Place Gross: JoAnn Titley Closest to the Hole #6: Lynne Thomson Closest to the Hole #12: Margaret Shouvlin

9 Hole LGA

Thursday, November 30

1st Place Team: Tania McCann, Penny Dinsmore, Sabrina David, Michelle Musto 2nd Place Team: Sharon Greenstein, Lisa Schultz, Gina Kaplan, Terry Ferrarone 3rd Place Team: Bettina Schottland, Angie Materna, Susie Hassett, Ellen Wooten Closest to the Hole #5: Charlotte Drinkwater Long Drive #8: Carolina Canida

Meet Putting Instructor Bruce Rearick

Bruce Rearick is a 30-year PGA member, and owner of Burnt Edges Consulting. He is considered a pioneer in putting instruction, putter fitting and putter design. His research as a team member for Science and Motion Puttlab in the United States lead to the development of the Nine Putting Profiles. Most recently he has applied the findings of the "Ultimate Golf Lesson" pertaining to movement tendencies, to his research. The findings of this collaboration are now being used by instructors, fitters, and putter designers around the world. Bruce currently has clients on every professional tour and in 17 different countries. He publishes a blog related to



those findings at brucerearick. substack.com. Formerly, he was a golf professional in the Arnold Palmer organization and was Head Professional at the Latrobe Country Club, in Latrobe Pennsylvania for 11 seasons. He was recently recognized by Golf Digest Magazine as one of the top instructors in Indiana and was Indiana's 2022 PGA Teacher of the Year.

Bruce Rearick will be on The Reef for a week each month through the winter. See page 51 for the dates.



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for more information 305-367-6583

FESTIVAL OF THE WREATHS Wednesday, December 20

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LETTERS TO SANTA

Thursday, December 21

10 a.m.– 12 p.m. • Town Hall Waterside No reservations required. Complimentary

COOKING SCHOOL: "FOOD FOR THE SOUL"

Friday, December 22

9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Details & Reservations: 305-367-5931

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Friday, December 22

4 – 6 p.m. • Town Hall Lawn No reservations required. Complimentary

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Saturday, December 23

10 a.m. • Field at Four Corners Complimentary. Details: 305-367-2049

GINGERBREAD TEA

Saturday, December 23

1 – 4 p.m. • Town Hall

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SANTA ON THE BEACH

Sunday, December 24

5:45 p.m. • Buccaneer Island Santa arrives at 6 p.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Sunday, December 24

10 a.m. • Chapel & Fellowship Center

8 p.m. • Fishing Village

11 p.m. • Chapel & Fellowship Center

ELF TUCK-INS

Sunday, December 24 Starting at 7 p.m.

To be sure your home is on the elves' list call: 305-367-6516 Reservations required.

SANTA'S SLEIGH WRECK GOLF TOURNAMENT

Monday, December 25

8 a.m. Tee Times • Dolphin Course Details & Tee Times: 305-367-5912

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December 26 - January 1

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MOTHER-DAUGHTER TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Tuesday, December 26 · 6 - 8 p.m. Please call the Tennis & Games Center for more information 305-367-6583.

DRIVE-IN SUPER BINGO

December 26 · 7 p.m. Start. Town Hall

December 30 · 7 p.m. Start.

Business Center Parking Lot Reservations required, \$40++ per Bingo pack. Details & Reservations: 305-367-6516

COOKING SCHOOL: "COOL KIDS COOKING"

Wednesday, December 27

9:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.

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Wednesday, December 27

11 a.m. – 1 p.m. • 121 Marina Parking Lot Complimentary.

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Wednesday, December 27

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FESTIVAL ON THE GREEN

Friday, December 29

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Saturday, December 30

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NEW YEAR'S EVE GALAS

Sunday, December 31

Seatings at 6:00 & 8:30 p.m. Carysfort Hall Seatings at 6:30 & 9:00 p.m. Palm Court Details & Reservations: 305-367-5931

NYE CELEBRATION & FIREWORKS DISPLAY

Sunday, December 31

8:30 p.m. & 12:00 a.m. • Buccaneer Island

HANGOVER OPEN

Monday, January 1

8:00 a.m - 1:30 p.m Tee Times Dolphin & Hammock Course

CHRISTMAS DINNER BUFFETS Sunday, December 24 · Monday, December 25 4:30 & 7 p.m. Seatings. · Carysfort Hall

GRAND SEAFOOD BUFFET

Saturday, December 23 & 30 5:30 – 9:45 p.m. • Ocean Room

HOLIDAY BUFFET

Sunday, December31 5:30 – 9:45 p.m. • Ocean Room

STARLIGHT DINNERS

December 26, 28 & 30 Various Times & Locations

LOW COUNTRY BOIL

Monday, January 1

6 p.m.. • Marlin Beach

Details & Reservations: 305-367-5931

SWING TIP

The Obvious Reasons We Miss a Putt

By Bruce Rearick, Academy Putting Instructor

Here are the top three obvious reasons to miss a putt:

- 1. I chose the wrong start line.
- 2. I chose the wrong speed to match the start line.
- 3. I didn't match the face at impact to the start line.

Let's discuss what I will call the Big 3. I don't think the Big 3 are new information for anyone reading this. Hence the title, "obvious reasons." The key to not making these mistakes often comes from understanding the contributing factors. The following is an attempt to identify some of those factors.

1. You can't putt scared.

The greatest influence on your ability to make a putt is to approach the Big 3 with a level of commitment. You can't let fear change your plan. Fear shows up in several ways during the process of hitting the putt. It would take a book to discuss them all. The key is to remember one of my favorite sayings, "In golf, there is no failure only feedback."

2. You can't make the stroke you want if you are not balanced in your set up.

When you are in motion, unless you make a conscious effort, your body will seek a position of balance. This movement or adjustment almost always changes the geometry of your putting stroke. This has an immediate influence on numbers 2 and 3 of the Big 3.

You might have planned

the putt perfectly, but an adjustment mid-stroke, due to balance issues, will ruin everything. It is hard to predict how a player will react to being off balance. The hands and the head are the lead indicators. No matter how hard you try to force control of these movements, without considering how you are anchored to the ground, the reactions will always be there.

3. You can't fight your tendencies.

Everyone has tendencies. Visual or physical. The best thing you can do for yourself is to learn to use your tendencies to your advantage, rather than try to correct them based on popular opinion. When I'm coaching a student on their putting, I use the tests prescribed by the Ultimate Golf Lesson. These tests tell us your balance and motion

tendencies. We use these tendencies to define a stroke that is described by The Nine Profiles in my system. Then with the help of my custom practice mats, we can help you enhance those tendencies.

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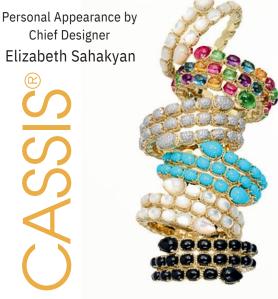
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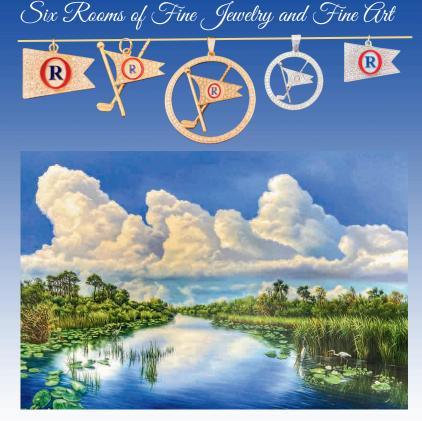
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December Card & Games Room Schedule



by Gregg Van Dyke, Director of Card & Games

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Sunday Funday

To kick things off, mark your calendars for Sunday Funday on December 10th, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. This special event is tailored for beginners or those who want to re-learn bridge.



Men's Poker Night

For the poker fans, don't miss Men's Poker Night every Monday at 6:45 p.m. A chance to showcase your skills and enjoy the game with like-minded individuals.

Canasta

Canasta enthusiasts, rejoice! Starting this December, pick-up games will run on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays between 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. No need to RSVP—just drop by, and we'll organize games just

like the good ol' pre-COVID days. If you're looking to polish your Canasta finesse or learn the ropes, join our beginner lessons on Thursday, December 7th, at 12:30 p.m. It's an excellent way to improve your skills.

Mah Jongg

Mah Jongg fans, we've got you covered too! Tuesdays and Thursdays are your days, from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. Plus, stay tuned for a Mah Jongg teacher joining us in December to elevate your gameplay.

Bridge

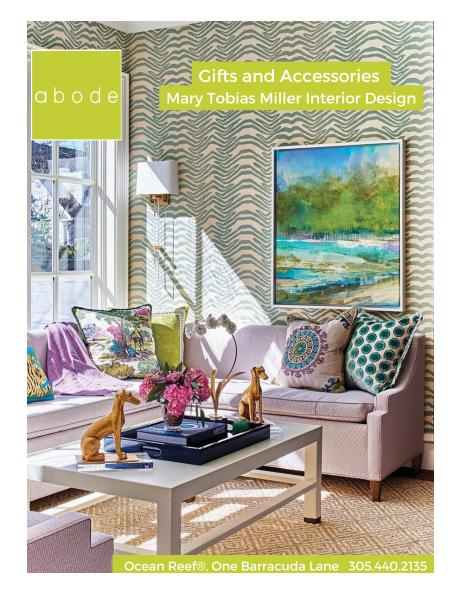
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Bridge Tip of the Week

by Gregg Van Dyke, Director of Card & Games

A no-play is not a zero — rather, your percentage for the rest of the session is applied to that board (the same as when you have a sit out and others don't) — if you have a no-play, and you add up your board scores, you will notice that your total score is higher than the sum of your board scores, and now you know why

Help keep the game on time:

Make your opening lead face down (when someone points out that it wasn't your lead, you just put it back in your hand) — and do it before entering the contract in the Bridgemate or writing it on your private score — same goes for tabling the dummy — and if you actually look at the score you're accepting, players who see that board later won't have to lose time calling the director to report an obviously wrong result

You should always shuffle your cards before returning them to the board, but please be sure to shuffle if the board was passed out — it is illegal for a player to draw any inference if he takes his cards out of the board and finds them sorted, but not everyone knows that, so help keep those folks from transgressing

CANADIAN WEEKEND RESULTS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

CLAY SHOOTING WINNERS

Mike Car & Miyila Dolikon

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

FISHING TOURNAMENT WINNERS

Laura Wilson, Mary Johannson, Barbara Kansun & Shelley Parr

CROQUET TOURNAMENT WINNERS

John A. Barford, Jocelyn Barford, Paul Wildridge, Charlene Wildridge

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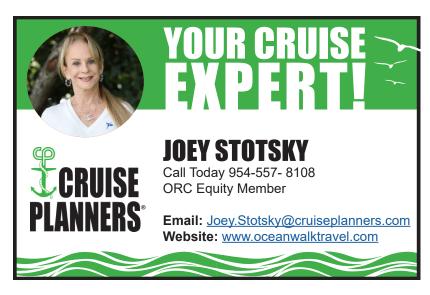
Diana Tweedy & Bob Jacob

PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT WINNERS

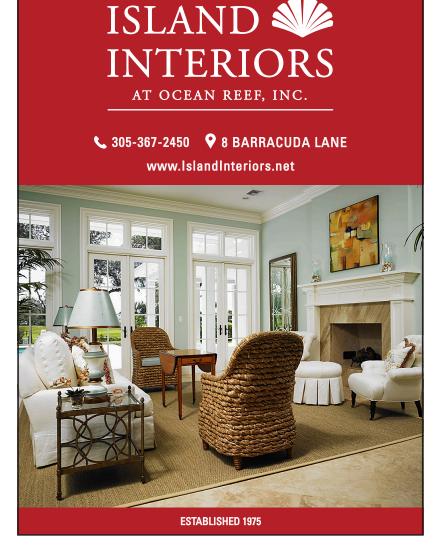
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Card Sound Sailing Club Wild Turkey Regatta



by Currie Wooten, CSSC Commodore

The Card Sound Sailing Club sends happy wishes to all. We hope everyone enjoyed good family time for Thanksgiving, feasting on turkey and all the sides and fixings! The sailors were near and far for the holiday, but luckily there were enough to race in the fun Wild Turkey Regatta this past Saturday.

The Wild Turkey Regatta doesn't count in our regular series, so there was a relaxed atmosphere. Since the race was canceled last week, the fleet was eager to get back on the water. The day



First place winners, the Sayias.



A good time was had by all at Saturday's Wild Turkey Regatta. Photos by Bob Broton.

boat, helmed by **Tom Snyder** with **Gerrit Vreeland**, set up the course and it was "tiller time".

The first race did have its moments as the crews worked off the rust and tried to put it all together. Spinnakers, in particular, did not want to co-rate, but with the energetic urging from some skippers, it all was straightened out. By the second race, everything began to come together. The third start found all the boats on the starting line, going fast, in the right direction. Afterward, it was back to Baker Harbor for "Nooners" and various small plates.

When the smoke cleared, the **Sayias** ended up winning, with **Skip Shumway** and **John Reid** second and **Luke** and **Annie**



Vreeland third. First prize was of course a bottle of Wild Turkey that the fleet was happy to help consume. A good time was had by all

This Saturday, all the members will be enjoying Vintage Weekend. We will resume our Dingley Series with Race #2 on Saturday, December 9, which will also be our first Hot Dog Day of the season. Hot dog days are usually at the beginning of each month.

Check out our new website at <u>cardsoundsailingclub.com</u>. Members will be using this full-time this season, so please log in and try it out. It also provides great information to anyone who is interested in our club and who would like to join us.

Bullseyes. The Race Committee, Bob Broton and Whitney Reid, were ready to go. Attendant

turned out to be a beautiful debut.

The wind was from the North,

10-12 knots, just perfect for our



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USCG Auxiliary Boating Emergency Reminders



by Peter Liashek, Jr. DDS, Flotilla Public Education Officer

As we return to ORC for the season, I'd like to review some actions you should take in the event of an emergency while cruising on our waters.

Life Jackets

Anytime something unusual takes place on your boat such as loss of power, running aground, being caught in

one of our brief, but intense, afternoon rain storms, your first act is to have everyone put on their life jacket! Taking care of your crew is your first responsibility and should the event escalate into something more serious, your crew will be prepared!

Channel 16

In a mayday or medical emergency, call the Coast Guard on channel 16 on your VHF radio. The USCG monitors channel 16 24/7, and you can speak to them immediately! Of course, this assumes you know how to turn on your boat radio (VHF), turn the volume up so you can hear, and know how to transmit on the microphone. If not, learn how to do so now so you are not flustered during an emergency. It is always advisable to turn on the radio BEFORE you leave the dock!

Cell Phone

The cell phone is NOT your primary communication to the USCG because as noted above, you can speak to the USCG immediately rather than dialing 911, which is answered by Public Safety, and then has to route the call to the USCG. Much time is lost attempting this route.

Safety Equipment

Do you know the location of your flares, fire extinguisher, first aid kit, and most importantly, where your life jackets are stowed on the boat? Hopefully, the life jackets are readily accessible and by federal law, you need one life jacket for each person, and they must be of the appropriate size.

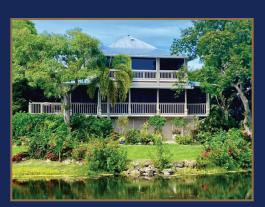
Vessel Safety Check

The USCG Auxiliary here at Ocean Reef offers a Vessel Safety check for your boat, which is a courtesy, nonpunitive, inspection of all federal and state-required safety gear for your boat. Our goal is to meet with you and review a checklist of items to ensure your boat is ready for the season. Upon completion of this inspection, the owner is given a VSC decal to be placed on the windshield of the boat, which notes his/her efforts to keep the boat and crew safe! You may contact myself or any of our other examiners to arrange for a check (see article in the November 24 edition of the Ocean Reef Press for more information).

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USCG Flotilla Spreads Awareness & Boating Safety



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

The US Coast Guard Auxiliary continues its thrust to ensure as many folks as possible are aware of what our volunteer shipmates offer at ORC and Northern Key Largo. These duties include but are not limited to, helping any captain or owner regardless of home port or vessel size, encouraging a full safety inspection, and offering boating classes, tips on radio use, helpful equipment (referred

to MarineMax), internet links, and more.

To that end, we joined the local businesses with our own tent and service table last Friday at the Shop 'Till You Drop Fishing Village event.

Despite the day's early drizzle, we were able to set up to offer items and possible membership in a well-received meet and greet. Secret fishing spots were held in confidence for hungry Auxiliarists.

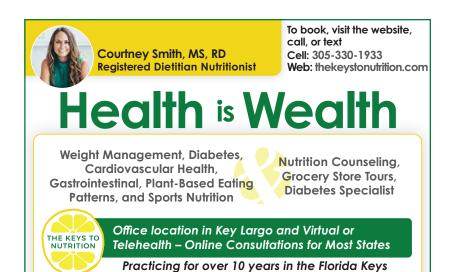
The rain steadily increased but so did the backlog at the Raw Bar, helping folks waiting for a table to investigate what we were doing. Everyone was in good holiday spirits and hopefully purchased the holiday bargains in other tents.

My thanks to Officer **Randy Woods** who initiated the new thrust, Officer Susan Shimamoto, and Officer **Jan Broton** who staffed the table with me.

Stay safe out there.



USCG Flotilla 13-4 Commander Bob Broton and Office Susan Shimamoto set up at the Fishing Village during the Club's Shop 'Till You Drop event.



Books Recs for the Anglers in Your Life



by Christine Patton, Rod & Gun Club

Between Black Friday and Christmas, we will all do some shopping, and for some, it can be a challenge. Choosing a gift for someone, especially someone special, can be an agonizing process — you want something personal, but not too intimate. Something of value, or import, but not too ponderous. And spending too much or too little sends a message all its own.

What to do? My answer is always: a book.

A book can be fun or serious,

and there is no area of interest that isn't to be found in the bookstore. For the sports man or woman in your life, there are wonderful, classic fishing books that never go out of date, in addition to the beautiful, massive cocktail table books of photography. If your sportsperson can't be out there doing it, then the next best thing is reading about it!

For the Fly Fishermen

For the fly fishermen in your life, "The Longest Silence - A Life in Fishing" by Thomas McGuane is the best place to start. Its forty different pieces cover every corner of the fishing world, fresh and salt, local and exotic. They talk about techniques and quirky characters, all with McGuane's perceptive eye and loving words. There is bound to be an essay on your angler's favorite fishing spot.

For the Armchair Sportsman

John Gierach's "All Fishermen are

Liars" is more concentrated on North American fly fishing, but has an eye for the humor in a life spent fishing, both doing it and writing about. His introspection is a happy contemplation of the oddities of the sport — and a firm conclusion that it is always better to be fishing than not. For the armchair sportsman, this collection of articles is almost as good as being there.

For All – Whether a Fisherman or Not

"Illuminated by Water, Fly Fishing and the Natural World" on the other hand, is a beautiful testament to the poetic side of fishing. Author Malachy Tallack describes the fleeting moments that can only be preserved in memory, but are the powerful essence of a day spent on the river, silently watching the teeming world around you. An inspiring read, whether for a fisherman or not.

For the Lover of the Lyrical

"Body of Water" by Chris Dombrowski is a highly personal meditation on Bahamian flyfishing, a study more of the "why" than the "how" that takes the reader through the author's own evolution and reinforces the spiritual nature of fishing. For the lover of the lyrical.

For the Flats Fisherman

"Seasons on the Flats, an Angler's Year in the Florida Keys" by Bill Horn is a unique study of every aspect of our local fishery — tides and feeding patterns, seasonal winds and temperatures, how they influence fish and fishing tactics seen through the eyes of a dedicated practitioner and guide. For the flats fisherman who goes out most days, Bill Horn will be a wise companion.

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Beyond Diving

The Dive Shop's Journey in Coral Conservation & Community Collaboration

By Jesseca Dale, The Dive Shop at The Reef

In a world where our marine ecosystems face a precarious future, The Dive Shop at The Reef has joined the beacon of hope in the Florida Keys. This year, they continue to dedicate themselves to conservation, striving to help reverse four decades of reef decline. Efforts include cleaning up trash in both high-traffic dive and fishing spots, coral restoration, and student outreach.

The health of the Keys reef system requires a multitude of solutions, and The Dive Shop's involvement in NOAA's



Results from a Dive Against Debris Trip.

Goal Clean Seas contributes significantly to these efforts. The Dive Shop initiated its marine debris cleanup efforts on August 9th, 2018, with the inaugural dive featuring the then-president of the National Marine Sanctuary, Kris Sarai. Since that initial endeavor, The Dive Shop has successfully extracted over 8,527 pounds of debris from our local reef system, a tally that encompasses 14,527 feet of line. Notably, Academy at Ocean Reef and The Shop's Eco Camp students actively engage as enthusiastic participants in these cleanup endeavors.

In addition, The Shop has introduced guided snorkel tours as a subtle yet engaging means of involving Members and guests in our conservation initiatives. The tour provides guests with insights into interactions within the marine environment that they might not easily observe on their own. A trained staff member serves as both an instructor and lifeguard in the water, ensuring a safe and enjoyable experience for all participants. This year, snorkel tours have proven

especially popular among families with younger children. Some of the educational highlights include: pointing out coral restoration sites, symbiotic relationships, and fish identification.

Coral nurseries play a crucial role in coral reef restoration efforts, especially in regions like the Florida Keys where coral decline has been significant. The Dive Shop has partnered with Coral Restoration Foundation (CRF) founder and the Keys-based director of Reef Renewal Foundation International. Ken Nedimyer. Reef Renewal has granted our shop access to offer our Members and guests a firsthand view of one of the primary stages in coral restoration: the coral nurseries. Upon request, the nursery has been accessed by both snorkelers and divers. When weather is optimal, staff members will accompany Ken

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in harvesting corals from the nursery and then outplanting them directly onto the reef. This summer students from the Shop's annual Eco Camp experienced firsthand the maintenance that is required to keep the corals alive and happy while they await to be outplanted.

The Dive Shop at The Reef actively joined CRF's annual Coralpalooza, the largest participant coral outplanting day of the year. Stretching across the keys, dive shops unite in a collective effort to plant as many corals as possible. Remarkably, The Dive Shop at The Reef holds the distinction of being the first shop along the stretch to participate. Each year, Members and guests are encouraged to sign up for this impactful restoration day,



Eco Camp student cleaning a Reef Renewal Nursery Staghorn Tree.

underscoring the belief that it takes a village to nurture and restore the reef.

Summer 2023 unfolded with picturesque days, yet those who ventured to the reef witnessed a stark transformation in the corals. Peering into the water, one would observe areas of bright white, a departure from the usual orange hue of the reef. With water temperatures soaring into the 90s on the bayside—exceeding the natural range—NOAA reported an average increase of 2°F-4.5°F in the Keys this



Frazier Nivens captures Jesseca Dale monitoring Elkhorn Corals' bleaching progression.

summer. The resultant surge in water temperature triggered a widespread bleaching event across the keys. Coral practitioners swiftly mobilized during the peak of the event, working diligently to safeguard as many genetically diverse corals as possible. Many of these corals found refuge in land-based nurseries until water temperatures stabilized to more optimal conditions. The Dive Shop Team aided in monitoring Reef Renewals' coral nursery and outplants. Fortunately, the coral nursery overall did well in face of such abnormal

conditions.

The Dive Shop extends heartfelt gratitude to both our valued guests and dedicated Members for their active participation in this year's conservation endeavors. Owners Lisa and Kevin Cassidy and co-owner Jesus Gudino deeply appreciate the enthusiastic support from the community and are eager to continue growing these collaborative efforts. Together, we look forward to fostering a stronger commitment to the well-being of our marine environment.





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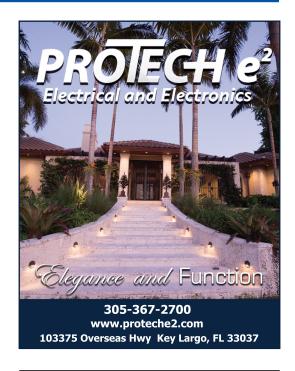
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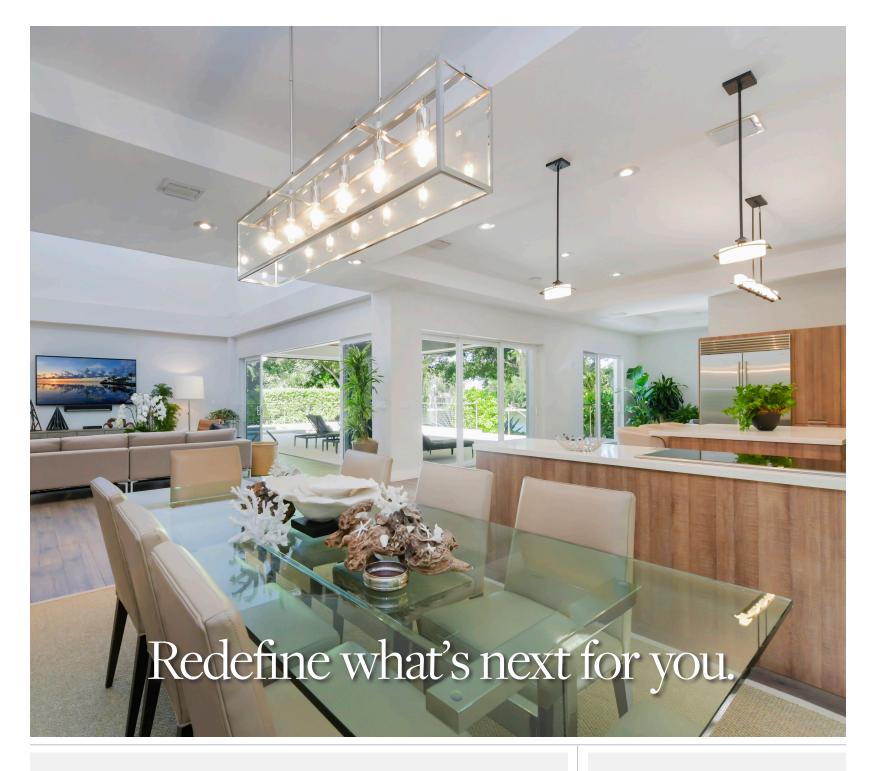








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