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The Catalog's Here – Imagine the Possibilities & Start Bidding NOW!

By Sarah A. Cart

Check out that insert in today's *Ocean Reef Press*: It's the All Charities 2024 Auction Catalog. The time has come to imagine the possibilities, so pour yourself a bit of your favorite beverage, get comfortable, and help get the fun-raising off to a record-breaking start.

Why? Because All Charities Weekend begins a week from today (**Feb. 2 and 3**), and your shameless generosity

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Dibs occasions, Showcase selections, opportunities to get on the water and/or travel the world, golf, fishing, Bags & Baubles, and Mind & Body and SO much more (including wine and other spirits)! Or turn to the catalog's page 20 to Support What Touches Your Heart, or pages 52 and 53, where exclusivity and luxury meet rarity.

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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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NEWS & HAPPENINGS

Ocean Room Asian Buffet - New Date!

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Gotta Question?

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are also different colored cards that indicate if you're a Board Member, Founding Club Member, Summer Only Member, and even Member Employee. To find out the meaning behind all 12 of the different Membership Cards, you can reach out to Membership at 305-367-5921.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

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

The Club's Newest Acquisition: The Plaza Building



Announced just ahead of the New Year, December 29, 2023 was the Club's official closing date on the purchase of the Plaza Building, the commercial property located at the four-way intersection of Ocean Reef Drive and Anchor Drive.

The Club spent four weeks performing due diligence on the Building to make sure there wouldn't be any surprises. The inspections proved that there were no areas of concern, including that a new roof had been installed in the past few years. Based on this thorough review, the Club does not anticipate any major expenses and has no plans of making

any significant changes to the building at this time.

The Plaza Building has more than 40 tenants with two spaces currently available for lease. For many years, it has been home to shops and services highly valued and frequently used by Members, including UPS, Bank of America, the Pharmacy at the Reef, and more. Marquis Management along with Manager Karina Dominguez will also remain as the management team for the near term.

Questions Answered

Upon announcing the purchase

of the Plaza, Club Chairman **Charlie Johnston** and President Alex Tonarelli set up a conference line for any Equity Members looking for more information or to ask questions about the purchase. After recapping the purchase process and reasons behind the decision, Charlie opened the floor for questions, all of which were positive.

Johnston and Tonarelli have also since held a well-received Meet & Greet with the tenants of the Plaza Building. Tonarelli said, "We felt it was important for us to not only match faces with names, but

to also share with the tenants that we are excited to own the building, here to support them, and available to answer any questions."

Going forward, Gemma Matthews, the Club's Commercial Property Manager, will work closely with the tenants in the same way that she does the other Club tenants in the Fishing Village and Business Center – liaising between them and the Club and providing the necessary assistance to help them provide the quality services our Members have come to expect.

"In every decision we make, our priority is to serve the needs of our Members," said Johnston. "With the Club's ownership of the Plaza Building, we've now secured the ability to protect and preserve the best interests of the Membership by avoiding all potential for incompatible development. We are excited to now own one of the most frequented buildings on The Reef."

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Have FUN while doing GOOD. Online bidding closes at 10:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, for everything *except* the Bucket Raffle for which the drawing will be held at that evening's cocktails. Saturday night's Live Auction is black



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much great stuff – check out *all* of it!

Come taste the wine (and bourbon): Check on your dream list items during the \$50 Opening Night Wine & Bourbon Tasting & Silent Auction 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2, at Carysfort Hall. Or if Friday night isn't an option, or you can't get to everything, return between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Saturday, and enjoy complimentary "Burgers, Beers and Bidding" from noon



"Heart of Ocean Reef" custom-made Lester Lampert bracelet.

to 2 p.m. Also on Saturday, take in the NetJets aircraft display at the Airport and/or tour the Lazzara Yacht in ORC Marina's slip F1 between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

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

The best way to turn the All Charities possibilities you imagine into reality? Bid early, often and outrageously!

GETTING YOUR BID NUMBER

Members registered for the Feb. 3 black tie gala should find an email containing your bid number in your inbox.

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

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Israeli Ambassador Michael Oren to Visit Ocean Reef Club

By Michael L Weiss, Member since 2019

It is with great pleasure we welcome former **Israeli Ambassador Michael Oren** to address our entire Ocean Reef community **on January 28, 5 pm at the Ocean Reef Chapel and Fellowship Center.**

Ambassador Oren, renowned for his multifaceted career as a statesman, historian, soldier, author, and ambassador, has been a prominent contributor to both



Ambassador Oren

Israeli and international affairs. Born in New York, educated at Princeton and Columbia, and having held professorships at Harvard, Yale, and Georgetown. Oren's academic accolades also include fellowships from the US State Department and the British and Canadian governments. He received four honorary doctorates and holds four degrees in Middle East history.

Ambassador Oren's journey took a significant turn in the 1970s when he moved to Israel and joined the Israel Defense Forces (IDF). Serving

as a lone soldier in the paratroopers, he fought in the 1982 Lebanon War and later held the role of army spokesman, achieving the rank of major.

His diplomatic career is marked by pivotal roles, including advisor to Israel's delegation to the UN, former Foreign Minister Abba Evan, and Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin. Notably, in 2009, Oren was appointed Israel's ambassador to the United States, a role in which he interacted with major American institutions over strategic issues like the Iron Dome defense system and the Iran nuclear threat.

Oren's tenure in politics continued with his election to the Knesset, where he served as Deputy Minister in the Prime Minister's Office, overseeing diplomacy. His international influence has been recognized by *Politico*, the *Forward*, and *the Jerusalem Post*, ranking him among the most influential thinkers

in both America and worldwide.

The Ambassador is an accomplished author of both non-fiction and fiction. His award-winning *New York Times* bestsellers include *Six Days of War*, *Power, Faith, and Fantasy*, and *Ally: My Journey Across the American-Israeli Divide*.

As a frequent Middle East analyst for CNN and CBS and in print publications across the globe, Michael Oren's expertise speaks to a career that is a rare blend of diplomatic service, scholarly achievement, military dedication, and literary talent. His contributions to Israeli and global discourse on key issues continue to resonate, making him a figure of lasting influence and respect.

As a preview of his visit, I am pleased to share one of his latest articles concerning the war and the impact felt throughout the country on the grim milestone of the 100th day of fighting.

Conversation on the Hundredth Day

By Ambassador Michael Oren

Today marks the hundredth-day anniversary of the atrocities of October 7th, the massacre of 1200 Israelis by Hamas and the taking of more than 240 hostages, 132 of whom remain in captivity. Their suffering is incalculable, brought on by torture, deprivation of lifesaving medication, and sexual abuse. The mere thought of what they have endured for those 100 days torments every Israeli.

Yesterday, on Shabbat, I sat for lunch with a typical Israeli family and had what's become an inescapable Israeli conversation. The topic was not, as might be expected, US Secretary of State Antony Blinken's recent criticism of Israel's conduct in the Gaza war or even Israel's need to defend itself against the charges of genocide in the International Court of Justice. The sole subject was the hostages.

"The government has to do everything in its power to bring the hostages home," began the mother as she laid bowls of

hummus and tahini before us. "The state sent those people to live on the Gaza border and didn't protect them and now it must get them home even if it means freeing all the Palestinian terrorists in our jails."

The father agreed, stressing, "If the state fails to redeem the hostages, no one will be able to send their children to the army again. Pidyon shivum," he noted, the redemption of captives, "is the most sacred Jewish value."

"No way," the daughter interjected while passing around the kebabs. "We know what happened the last time we released prisoners in exchange for one hostage, Gilad Shalit. They all became the leaders of Hamas and killed even more Jews." Her hand landed flat on the table. "In ten years from now, I'll have to fear that the terrorists we release today will kill my children. I am unwilling to live with that fear."

Then came my turn to comment. The terrorists, I noted, are in jail because they killed Israelis. And in releasing them, the state would have to explain to the bereaved families why the murderers of their loved ones get to go free. "The terrorists will go home to a hero's welcome while those they killed will never

come home at all." The effects on Israel's national morale would be devastating, I predicted, but not as harmful as the encouragement it would give to terror. "Hamas will conclude that taking hostages pays off and will seek to take even more of them in the future. Terrorists will kill Jews knowing that they'll only spend a few years in prison before they are released in a prisoner-for-hostage exchange."

My remarks should have been an appetite-killer but, this being an Israeli family, nothing deterred us from proceeding with the Shabbat meal. Only when dessert came, did the son hasten to add that Hamas leader Yahya Sinwar showed no signs of being interested in any exchange agreement whatsoever but rather seemed intent on achieving either victory or martyrdom. "We're all talking as if there is actually a deal on the table," he said sadly. "There may be, in fact, no deal. There may not even be a table."

This, finally, ended the conversation and, with it, most of the meal. Dessert and coffee were served in silence.

No doubt similar discussions were conducted around Shabbat tables throughout Israel, and perhaps even around the Jewish world. Frustratingly, excruciatingly,

everyone's position is right, and yet no one answer is correct. This is the horrendous dilemma that has fettered Israel for the last hundred days and seems destined to shackle us for the foreseeable future. It appears we have no choice but to continue our campaign to corner Hamas and force it to release hostages and end the terrorists' rule over Gaza.

Today, some 120,000 Israelis gathered in Hostage Square for a 24-hour assembly demanding the hostages' release. Among the posters and exhibits profiling each of the 132, was a table set with a similar number of settings and chairs—all of them empty. For those who still have the privilege of sitting freely around their tables, we ask one thing.

We ask American and all Diaspora Jews to understand the depths of our dilemma and to continue to stand by us in our hour of pain. While much of the world condemns us for war crimes and denies us the right to self-defense, Jews everywhere must remember the words of Rachel Goldberg-Polin, mother of hostage Hersh Golberg-Polin. "It will take a molecule of the weight that I am carrying off of me knowing that you are carrying it as well." January 14, 2024.

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Rock the Block Returns

Last year Ocean Reef marked 75 years since it's founding and 30 years of Member ownership. Stories, events and parties acknowledged so many of the traditions that were born throughout the Club's history. One such gathering, or should we say 17 such gatherings, were the neighborhood "Rock the Block" parties. These get together held primarily on the same night, brought the community together in a way that hadn't been done since the 1993 Member buyout. The individual parties generated a tremendous amount of collective buzz, and for that reason the Club wants to encourage Members to make it an annual tradition.

2024 How-To

There is no set date for this year's event in order to allow



Marina slip owners cleverly celebrated "Rock the Dock."



Fairway Lakes contingent.



Celebrating the 70's and the Halfway Road neighborhood's beginnings.

each neighborhood to choose a date that works best.

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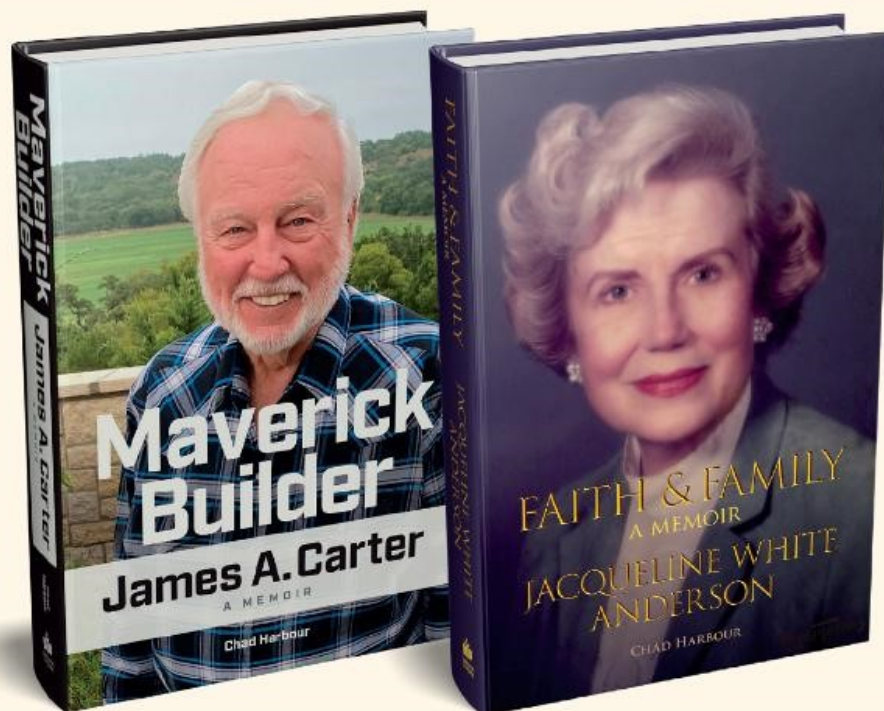
added for a fee and the Catering Team will handle your food and beverage if desired.

Like last year, a Member Events associate will be assigned to the event for all planning elements, including liaising

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ORCA NEWS

A Recap of Joyful Community Events with a Focus on Safety

As the holiday season unfolded, our community came together to create memorable moments filled with joy, laughter, and a strong commitment to safety. In this holiday recap, we would like to highlight the wonderful time that was had within our community, while also celebrating the notable decrease in accidents and disruptive behavior, thanks to our collective dedication to keeping safety at the forefront.

There was no shortage of opportunities for community members to come together and celebrate the season and what set this holiday season apart was the community's unwavering commitment to safety. Keeping our community safe is a collaborative effort between the Club and ORCA's Public Safety. The Club's plentiful events require extensive planning to include a safety component for your wellbeing. The Club's well-coordinated planning is augmented by Public Safety and law enforcement to ensure safety and security of all members and guests.

The results of this year's holiday events were quite impressive as no significant security incidents or medical emergencies were reported at the many venues. Longtime

Club associate and well-known Director of Safety and Security Sonny Vazquez coordinates many of the measures with Public Safety. "In all my years that I can remember, there has never been a holiday period such as this Christmas and New Year. Other than a few fake IDs, there were no security incidents to report," exclaimed Sonny about the successful Holiday Season.

We're thankful to the event organizers who prioritized the importance of safeguarding the well-being of everyone with comprehensive safety measures that included a security presence, clear signage, and designated areas to ensure the smooth flow of festivities while minimizing potential risks.

As we reflect on the holiday season, it's essential to express

gratitude to everyone who contributed to the success of our community festivities. From event organizers to volunteers, law enforcement, and the community at large, the combined efforts made it possible to create a joyful atmosphere while prioritizing the safety of all participants.

The holiday recap leaves us with a heartwarming sense of accomplishment as we look back on the fun we had within our community. By emphasizing the importance of safety, we not only ensured the well-being of all participants but also set a positive precedent for future celebrations. As we move forward, let this season be a reminder of the power of community unity and the impact it can have in creating joyous and safe festivities for everyone.

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4 BD, 5.5 BA | \$25,900,000 | 2256

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26 Channel Cay Road | Canal Front

4 BD, 3.5 BA | \$13,500,000 | 2533

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24 Tamarind Lane | Lake Front

5 BD, 6.5 BA | \$6,900,000 | 2495

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42 Island Drive | Canal Front

4 BD, 4.5 BA | \$18,750,000 | 2499

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3 Exuma Road | Canal Front

4+ BD, 3F/2H BA | \$14,750,000 | 2611

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3 Ocean Reef Dr. | New Construction

7 BD, 7F/3H BA | \$11,950,000 | 2580

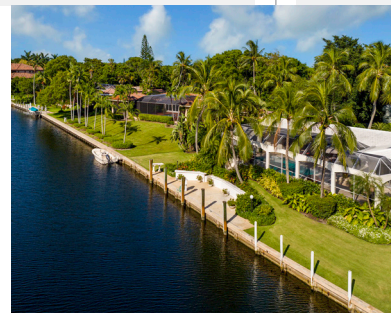
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15 Harbor Island Dr. | Canal Front

5 BD, 5.5 BA | \$11,800,000 | 2594

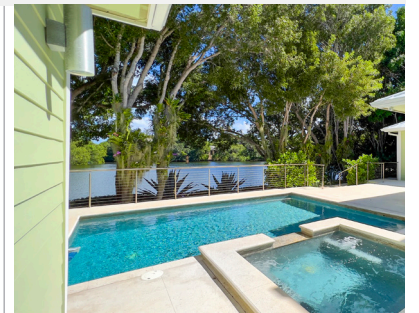
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11 Grayvik Drive | Canal Front

3 BD, 3 BA | \$11,450,000 | 2552

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175 South Harbor Dr. | Lake Front

4 BD, 5.5 BA | \$7,995,000 | 2599

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437 South Harbor Dr. | Golf /Lake

4 BD, 4 BA | \$5,900,000 | 2607

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36 Bay Ridge Rd. | Central Location

3 BD, 3 BA | \$5,850,000 | 2601

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8 Halfway Road | Golf Course

3 BD, 2BA | \$5,795,000 | 2595

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426 South Harbor Dr | Lake Front

3 BD, Bonus Room, 3.5 BA
\$5,790,000 | 2619

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3 BD, 3 BA | \$5,490,000 | 2609

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32 Bay Ridge Rd | Central Location

3 BD, 3 BA | \$5,125,000 | 2498

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36 Bay Ridge Road

3 BED / 3 BATH MLS #2601 \$5,850,000



500 Coral Lane

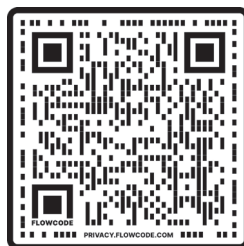
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201 OCEAN REEF DRIVE HS-11 MLS #2620



\$4,200,000



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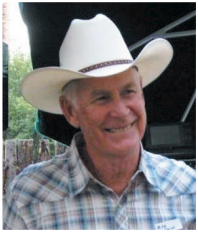
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How We Got Here



by Mike Smith

Celle, Germany 1945

Little Ulrich Westen was playing in his front yard when he noticed a man slowly walking down the street toward him. Ulrich's first thought was the man had to be a vagrant or a beggar, of which there were more than a few who had lost everything in the war. The man was emaciated and wore ragged clothes covered with grime and coal dust. His cheeks were hollow, and his shoulders slumped. Ulrich thought of running into the house, but the man's eyes froze him in his tracks.

"I'm your father," the man said simply. Ulrich stood there, frozen, his young mind struggling to comprehend the weight of the man's words. The father he had only known through stories and faded photographs was standing right before him, a living testament to the resilience of the human spirit.

It was a day Ulrich would remember forever. His father had been imprisoned in a Russian labor camp for the past four years, and his mother had given up looking for him, assuming he was dead like most of the others who had the same plight. But he wasn't, and the family thrived. The father had been a language teacher and knew the value of an education. As time went by, Ulrich studied at Sorbonne University in Paris, studied business, and worked as a bellhop part-time, his first exposure to the hospitality business. He promptly enrolled at the famed École hôtelière de Lausanne in Switzerland.

After getting married in Gibraltar to an English woman,



Diane Hill with her mother outside their Ocean Reef home in 1964.

Joan, they embarked on a new journey, moving to New York City. It was a city of dreams, a place where opportunities in the hospitality field were readily available. His first big job was as a manager at a large hotel in Puerto Rico, a stepping stone that led him to become the Dorado Beach Hotel (Ritz Carlton) manager, marking a significant milestone in his career.

Then, Ulrich received an important phone call. It was from Roger Baker, then owner of the Ocean Reef Club, who realized his rapidly growing club in North Key Largo needed its first professional manager. It was 1964, and the Ulrich moved into a cinder block home in the Villa Colony with Joan and their young daughter, **Diane**.

Diane, in particular, loved Ocean Reef and spent a lot of time mesmerized by the sea life in the new aquarium in the Madeira Lounge. When her father told her the Club had brought in two dolphins, she wanted to swim with them. After much coaxing, the trainer, Jerry Lively, said that she could if she learned to tread water for fifteen minutes. It took several weeks and a lot of inhaled water, but she determinedly kept at it and was finally allowed to join the now beloved dolphins, Angel and Caesar, in their own habitat.

That experience may have been the spark that strongly influenced the rest of her life. She grew up and went to the



Ulrich Westen, Diane's father and Ocean Reef's first General Manager, on Buccaneer Island.

University of Miami, earning a degree in Oceanography and a master's in Geological Engineering from Texas A&M. There, she met another young geologist, **Keith Hill**. They were married and enjoyed traveling and working in many different corners of the world.

Years later, the Hill's found their way back to Ocean Reef, almost full circle for Diane. When she learned there were plans for a new Ocean Room/

Reef Lounge she instantly thought about the magic and long-standing tradition of the aquariums in that space. Diane spoke with then Chairman **Bob Manzo** who assured her that aquariums were a part of the renovated space. He also quickly recognized her passion for aquariums and invited her to be a part of the design process. The circle was complete.

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One of the most popular artists in modern country music, Vince Gill is famous for his top-notch songwriting, world-class guitar playing and warm, soaring tenor, all wrapped up in a quick and easy wit. Amy Grant's career spans more than 40 years and stretches from her roots in gospel into becoming an iconic pop star, songwriter, television personality and philanthropist.



TWO SHOWS - ONE NIGHT
Tuesday, February 6 - 8:00PM
5:00PM SHOW ADDED!

\$300 Donor • \$325 Non-Donor

Ocean Reef welcomes back the extraordinary David Foster, a sixteen-time Grammy award-winning musician, songwriter and producer along with Grammy award-winning trumpeter and composer, Chris Botti. This special event will also feature acclaimed singer, television and Broadway star Katharine McPhee.



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CULTURAL CENTER

Harmony Unleashed

David Foster, Chris Botti & Katharine McPhee Join Forces for a Spectacular Performance at the Cultural Center

Embark on a day of musical brilliance with not one, but two spectacular performances by David Foster, Chris Botti, and Katharine McPhee at the Cultural Center on **Tuesday, February 6**. The newly added show at 5 p.m. and the original show at 8 p.m. promise an evening filled with captivating melodies and masterful performances. David Foster, a legendary composer and producer with 16 Grammy Awards, will showcase his timeless melodies and piano mastery. Chris Botti, an incomparable trumpet virtuoso, known for soulful and melodic playing, joins him, along with the vocal brilliance of Katharine McPhee.



David Foster, Katharine McPhee and Chris Botti

This collaboration guarantees a symphony of musical excellence, seamlessly blending pop, jazz, and classical genres. Don't miss the extraordinary opportunity to witness the convergence of musical genius. Secure your tickets now and prepare for a spellbinding evening as Foster, Botti, and McPhee leave an everlasting imprint on the hearts of all in attendance.

Two Shows – One Night
Tuesday, February 6 • 5 p.m. & 8 p.m.
For tickets, email tickets@oceanreef.com or visit our website at ORCulturalCenter.org.

Library Corner



by Susan Bohan

Russian warfare unit aiming to damage the West. All must be handled by Mitch Rapp in a plot that could change the world.

“The Exchange: After the Firm” by John Grisham – Mitch McDeere returns in a riveting sequel to the book that launched the author's career where he once again finds himself in the middle of a sinister plot with international implications.

“12 Months to Live” by James Patterson and Mike Lupica – Tough-as-nails defense lawyer Jane Smith shows why she is the best character created by this writing team as she is hip-deep in murder with an expiration date looming.

“Judgment Prey” by John Sanford – Lucas Davenport and Virgil Flowers join forces to discover a family's killer hampered by misdirection that just may lead to the truth.

The Library is now open Monday through Thursday, 10am to 2pm, and has added the following suspense novels by your favorite authors to the Collection:

“The Secret” by Lee Child and Andrew Child – Jack Reacher heads an interagency task force formed by the DOJ to solve a string of mysterious deaths. Will he find the culprit or be the fall guy for failure?

“Code Red: A Mitch Rapp Novel” by Kyle Mills – a new Syrian highly addictive drug, a powerful crime lord, and a

CULTURAL CENTER

Film Society: Food & Film

My Big Fat Greek Wedding (2002)
Monday, February 5 at 4:30 p.m.

The talented Nia Vardalos not only stars in this heartwarming comedy, but she also wrote the screenplay. This romance comedy focuses on a lonely thirty-year-old woman who falls in love with a shy sort of man. Her Greek family is shocked, eccentric and controlling and then the craziness begins. Great performances by the cast and hilarious scenes make this film an "ethnic" classic.

Rene Rodriguez, former Miami Herald film critic, current manager of the Cosford Cinema Theatre and professor

at the University of Miami will introduce "My Big Fat Greek Wedding" and give his input to the making of this film and its long-lasting popularity. A dinner will follow (by reservation only) inspired by the enormous array of food shown in the film. Ocean Reef Club's outstanding Culinary Department guided by Chef Philippe Reynaud, Senior Director of Culinary Operations, will prepare a Greek menu.

It is necessary to join the Film Society to view all films and programs. The optional dinner is available only with reservations as space is limited. All dinner participants must be a Film Society member to attend.

Contact the Cultural Center at orfilmseries@oceanreef.com more information.

Richmond Forum: Virtual Series on the Big Screen

**Award-Winning Photographer,
Conservationist, Author & Speaker:
Joel Sartore**

Join us for an inspiring virtual lecture featuring Joel Sartore, the 2018 National Geographic Explorer of the Year! As the founder of the Photo Ark, a remarkable 25-year documentary project, Sartore is dedicated to documenting endangered species and landscapes worldwide. His work supports conservation efforts and sparks action through education.

In the PBS special "RARE," explore Sartore's journey capturing some of the Earth's most endangered creatures. A regular contributor to prestigious publications like National Geographic, Audubon, GEO, The New York Times, and Smithsonian, Sartore has left an indelible mark on the world of conservation photography.

Discover the stories behind his books, including "Photo Ark: A World Worth Saving," "The Photo Ark Vanishing: The World's Most Vulnerable Animals," "Birds of the Photo Ark," and "RARE: Portraits of America's Endangered Species." Recognized for his outstanding contributions, Sartore was inducted into the International Photography Hall of Fame and Museum in 2021 and received the Ansel Adams Award for Conservation Photography from the Sierra Club.

Don't miss this incredible opportunity to attend Joel Sartore's complimentary virtual lecture on **Wednesday, January 31st at 5 p.m. at the Cultural Center**. Experience the passion and dedication behind the Photo Ark project and be inspired to join the mission of saving our planet's precious wildlife and habitats.

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

Dining With the Presidents: In-Person & On Stage

The Dramatic Tale of the 1986 Reykjavik Summit: A Turning Point in Ending the Cold War with Ken Adelman

Relive the 1986 Reykjavik summit's gripping tale, a pivotal event in ending the Cold War. President Ronald Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev took the stage in this historic weekend, with Ken Adelman, UN Ambassador, detailing the narrative. In October 1986, their planned brief meeting in Reykjavik transformed into a forum addressing global issues, from the Strategic Defense Initiative to nuclear disarmament. These negotiations marked a turning point, leading to the most comprehensive arms agreement the following year. The Reykjavik summit stands as a testament to



Ken Adelman

diplomatic dialogue's power in shaping global history. Experience this transformative moment with Ken Adelman, immersing yourself in its dramatic significance.

This lecture is complimentary and will be held in the Cultural Center theater, **Thursday, February 8 at 5 p.m.** Following the lecture, an optional dinner featuring a Q&A with Ken Adelman will take place. Aligned with the theme, ORC's Chef Philippe has crafted a distinctive three-course menu featuring Icelandic cuisine. Reservations for dinner are required, please email tickets@oceanreef.com.

Upcoming Guest Speakers

Sunday 9-10 am

February 4
Rev. Alistair Begg



February 11
Dr. Joe Coffey



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Change the World? An Inspiring Story!



by Rev. Dr. Bob Henley

The results of a search for organizations aspiring to change the world can generate a list several pages long. Given the breadth of challenges faced in our world, it seems obvious the scope of need is beyond the capacity of any one organization to meet the needs, much less change 'the world.'

Outstanding organizations bringing about change 'in the world,' are those that target a specific area of need and make that the focus of their efforts.

Ed Glover, this Sunday's speaker in the Chapel, has founded two such organizations. Ed's story is one of selflessness, meaning and inspiration.

Overwhelming Need

Our home was in Los Angeles for 16 years. My first visit to the city was in the summer of 1967, shortly after the deadly Watts riots. We moved there a decade later, leaving in 1993, several months following the destructive Rodney King riots.

While there, we served on the staff of a large congregation involved with and supporting



Tammy and Ed Glover

the work of several organizations seeking to make a difference in the urban core of the city. An honest assessment would conclude that all the dedicated effort seemed like the little boy trying to stop the leak in the dike with his finger. The needs were overwhelming.

That's why I'm so impressed with the work Ed Glover and his wife Tammy have accomplished in the city of Pittsburgh since 1995.

An Outstanding Organization...

Ed founded Urban Impact Foundation in 1995 to help address the profound and unique challenges facing today's urban communities, like we saw in Los Angeles. Ed witnessed it first-hand every day for over nine years as a resident of Pittsburgh's North Side as pastor at Allegheny Center Alliance Church.

With A Focused Purpose...

Ed realized that changing the world of our urban communities was like the proverbial challenge of eating an elephant – one bite

at a time. He realized that the trials of children and families in urban communities could only be effectively addressed through holistic development of the mind, body, and spirit through Christ – one person, one family, one block at a time. That's how Urban Impact was born.

What have the results been? Has their work made any difference? Have they made an impact on the world of Pittsburgh's North Side? Or are they like the little boy sticking his finger in the dike?

Producing Extraordinary Outcomes...

Today, Urban Impact has a ministry site in 15 of the 18 North Side neighborhoods. Each point of interest represents an Urban Ministry home, a ballfield, school, church, or other program site where they operate. Each touchpoint deepens the impact of their ability to reach the hearts of students and their families.

Urban Impact's goal is to create and grow generational change for the Kingdom of God. Whether students are plugged in to Performing Arts, Athletics, Education, or Options, this holistic, Gospel-centered ministry helps kids discover their true identity in Christ, rather than having their culture tell them who they are.

The special events outreach of Urban Impact now involves many of the professional athletes from the Pittsburgh sports teams.

Urban Impact has changed the world of thousands of students and families so far and are looking forward to serving thousands more in the future.

And Receiving Significant Recognition!

In 2011, Ed received the

prestigious 'Restoring Places Award' at the Epoch Missions Gala in Atlanta, GA. In 2014, Urban Impact was also awarded the inaugural 'True Inspiration Award' for the northeast region by the Chick-fil-A Foundation in recognition of their "groundbreaking practices and visionary leadership" with innovative education.

Working Local – Growing Global

Ed founded Global Impact USA as well. This annual, one-day mission event has given students the charge to respond to the call of God in their lives and put it into practice. For 24 years, his leadership has inspired more than 55,000 kids from 19 cities to participate in Global Impact Mission. Because of this event, there are over one thousand pastors and missionaries serving around the world.

Come Hear This Remarkable Leader

Has the work of Urban Impact 'changed the world?' Of course not! But it has changed a challenging part of the world in the North Side of Pittsburgh. Without question. How have they done it? The answer is obvious. They have done it through holistic development of the mind, body, and spirit through Christ – one person, one family, one block at a time – for over 30 years.

Ed and Tammy still live on the North Side of Pittsburgh. They are the parents of four children, three daughters-in-law, and six grandchildren.

Ed will be speaking in the 9 a.m. Worship Service of the Protestant Congregation this Sunday in the Ocean Reef Chapel and Fellowship Center. Prepare to be inspired!





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WORSHIP ON WEDNESDAY EPISCOPAL SERVICE

All are invited for this community service each Wednesday at 9 a.m. in the Chapel Sanctuary. This **Wednesday, January 31**, Reverend Bernard Griffin will return to lead us.

CHAPEL & FELLOWSHIP NEWS

FRIDAY, JAN. 26

Catholic Mass

7 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Fr. Brian Sullivan

AA Meeting

7:30 a.m., Chapel Board Room

For additional AA Meetings: 305-390-4983

Shabbat Service

6 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Rabbi Micah Greenstein

SATURDAY, JAN. 27

Catholic Mass

4 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Fr. Jim Greenfield & Fr. Brian Sullivan

SUNDAY, JAN. 28

Worship Service

9 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Dr. Ed Glover

Kids Matter (4yrs-8yrs)

9 a.m., Children's Room

Journey Together

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

Catholic Mass

12 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Fr. Jim Greenfield & Fr. Brian Sullivan

Israeli Ambassador to the US

5 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Michael Oren

MONDAY, JAN. 29

Al-Anon Meeting

9 a.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall

Rosary Prayer Group

4:30 p.m., Chapel Living Room

Pre-Lenten Retreat

5:30 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Fr. Jim Greenfield

AA Meeting

7:30 p.m., Chapel Board Room

For additional AA Meetings: 305-390-4983

TUESDAY, JAN. 30

Catholic Bible Study

9 a.m., Chapel Living Room

Pre-Lenten Retreat

5 p.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Fr. Jim Greenfield

Potluck Gathering

6 p.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 31

Intercessory Prayer

8 a.m., Chapel Board Room

Episcopal Service

9 a.m., Chapel Sanctuary, Bernard Griffin

Chapel Women Connect

10:30 a.m. & 4pm, Chapel Fellowship Hall

THURSDAY, FEB. 1

Ocean Reef Men's Fellowship

8 a.m., Chapel Fellowship Hall

**Welcome Visiting Priests
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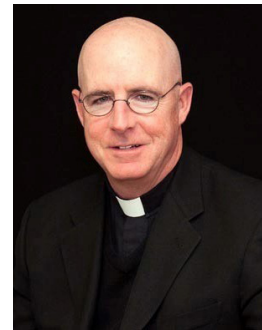
CATHOLIC MASSES:

Saturday, January 27 • 4 p.m.

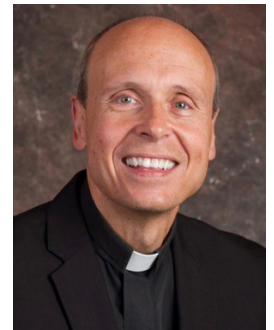
Sunday, January 28 • 12 p.m.

Chapel & Fellowship Center

Father Brian, Pastor of the Church of Christ the King in New Vernon, NJ, and Father Jim, President of DeSales University and an Oblate of St Francis DeSales, will lead this weekend's Catholic Masses. Additionally, Father Jim will provide two evening retreats at the Chapel on **Monday, January 29** from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. and on **Tuesday, January 30** from 5 to 6 p.m. Please join us in welcoming them to our community.



Fr. Brian Sullivan



Fr. Jim Greenfield

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THE CHAPEL AND FELLOWSHIP CENTER**

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Ramar, Craig Reynolds, Mark Shasha,
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Tomova Clark, Carol Strock Wasson

We Mourn the Loss

Nancy Maurine (nee York) Strayer

Nancy Maurine Strayer passed away peacefully in her "happy place" of Ocean Reef on November 28, 2023, at the age of 99, only months before her 100th birthday.

She was born on January 21, 1924, in Indianapolis, IN, the second of four children of Carl R. and Maurine (Stubbs) York: sister Jean Kitzmiller Wagner (Bill Kitzmiller and Miles Wagner, dec), and two brothers, Charles R. York (Marjorie, dec) and Richard D. York (Carol, dec).

The family moved to Erie, PA where she attended Mercyhurst Seminary (Preparatory School) which she fondly remembered. Her classmates were her lifelong friends, and she was always happy to hear through her daughters



how the school was developing.

Nancy married Roger L. Strayer who all will tell you was the love of her life.

Whether at home, the cottage or hunting camp they were a team.

Both Nancy and Roger, Vice President of the Erie Strayer Co, embraced the company, often considering the employees both inside the office and in the plant as extended family.

They married January 28, 1944 and had three children. Maurine

Ann Strayer Ripple (David, both deceased), M Martha (Martie) Strayer Russel (Philip), Wm Guy Strayer (Ann, Janet). She loved and will always be remembered by her 3 grandchildren, Gretchen and Carl Ripple, and Christopher Strayer, and her many nieces and nephews and their families.

Always one to enjoy her friends young and old, she often entertained whether in Erie, PA, Sanibel, FL, the cottage on the Severn in Georgian Bay or Ocean Reef. Her home was always open to all and there was always room at the table for whoever came through the door.

Nancy also had a quiet philanthropic community commitment wherever she lived. She embraced the community, and they embraced her. The Junior League of Erie and the League Club of Naples, The Erie Home for Children and Adults, and Girl Scouts both of which she served as Board President. In Sanibel, she enjoyed being a docent at the Sanibel Historical

Museum and Village and the Shell Museum. These are but a few of the organizations that benefited from her involvement.

In her early years tennis was her game of choice. A lifelong bridge player even to a month before she died was her pleasure. Whether playing online or in her home, her Ocean Reef friends were always there for her.

Her passion for life was exemplified in her personal motto and the way she lived: "Live, love and laugh," which she did to the very end and for which she will be remembered. Her love of family, including her beloved cat Cooper, and friends was limitless and had no bounds.

A Celebration of Life took place on January 21, 2024, which would have been her 100th birthday.

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Wintertime Dry Skin

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- Limit yourself to one 5–10-minute bath or shower daily and use lukewarm instead of hot water. Hot water strips away the natural oil in skin.
- Minimize soap and try a moisturizing soap, such as Dove, or any of the other moisturizing soaps on the market. Limit the use of scratchy bath sponges,



loofahs and overly scented soap.

- It's helpful to moisturize skin immediately after bathing to help seal in the moisture.
- Frequent hand washing, while important during cold and flu season, is particularly rough on wintertime hands. Follow up with a good moisturizer after washing and reapply several times a day. Extremely dry hands can progress to cracked

or bleeding skin. An effective hand moisturizer is Aquaphor, a petroleum product, which is clinically proven to restore smooth skin. It is also fragrance and preservative free for those with sensitive skin.

- If the humidity level in your home is low (under 60%) try using a humidifier to increase moisture in the air. This also helps if you suffer from dry eyes.

- Stay hydrated – drink water throughout the day. Visit us on the web at www.mcor.org to see a listing of several visiting dermatologists who can assist with skin care and treatment.

Mark your calendars for **Tuesday, January 30** for "A Night Out with the Medical Center." Neurosurgeon Thomas Wicks will discuss vascular malformations of the brain and advances in management. This lecture is sponsored by Baptist Hospital and will be held in the Pelican Room, Carysfort Hall at 5 p.m., followed by a cocktail reception.

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Jill Burgess brings 35+ years of healthcare leadership, starting with managing a private physician practice in Fort Lauderdale, 18 years with Cleveland Clinic Florida and most recently the Executive Director of Clinic Operations and Business Development for NSU Health at Nova Southeastern University. During her time at Cleveland Clinic, she was appointed to open the

Clinic's new strategic location in West Palm Beach so that the Palm Beach community could access care closer to their home. This location provided concierge services, and under Jill's leadership experienced tremendous growth, resulting in the expansion of services and an eventual opening of a Palm Beach Gardens location.

Jill has a Bachelor's Degree in Health Care Administration from Florida Atlantic University and obtained her M.B.A. from

Nova Southeastern University. She enjoys playing pickleball, working out, cooking, fishing and is a dedicated Miami Dolphins fan.

Jill states, "I am thrilled to be joining such a wonderful team of caregivers who provide such caring and quality healthcare to the patients of The Medical Center. I am looking forward to working with Keith Young, CEO, the Medical Center Board of Directors and staff to continue their stewardship and that my past experience can further enhance the patient experience and daily operations."

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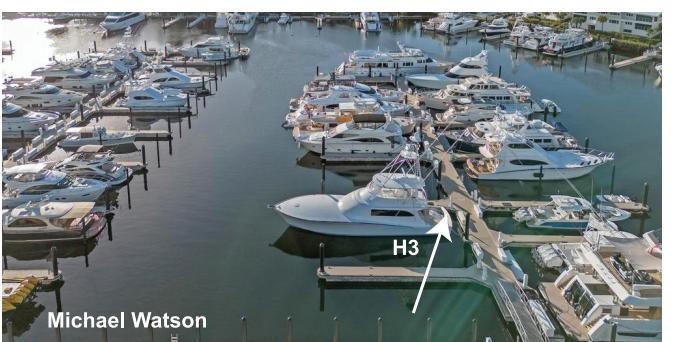
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The Making of the Manager of the Year



by Terry Baxter

A little more than a year ago I introduced you to Nico DiPerna. He had just come from Palm Beach where he managed the Morton's Steak House. He was recruited to become our new manager of the Ocean Room (and all the ancillaries of the Ocean Room kitchen – the Grand Seafood Buffet, the Breakfast Buffet, the Reef Lounge, and Reef Eats). At the time, I noticed him as "Mister Big Personality." Over the last season, I've had a chance to observe what an outstanding



Nico DiPerna

manager he is. Obviously, Club management took notice, because Nico was named Manager of the Quarter by the middle of the season. How does this happen? Easy – consistently exceptional performance.

The Club's Management Team (the seven Vice Presidents and President Alex Tonarelli) meet every week to evaluate the many challenges facing the Club. A prime mission is Member satisfaction. Closely allied is motivating and recognizing Associates. A program was

developed to reward deserving Associates, Supervisors, Managers and Teams each quarter, culminating with one from each category being named the person (or people) of the year.

Candidates are nominated by their supervisors or managers. Once a quarter, all the proposed honorees are called together for a breakfast or lunch meeting, where their sponsor speaks for them and outlines their accomplishments. Alex Tonarelli said, "The award conclave is an honor in itself. Nominated managers from across The Reef mingle with their peers and listen to other Associate success stories. Every participant is recognized and deserves the pride they leave with."

Nico DiPerna was one of those singled out. Mister Big Personality started with many natural gifts. He was full of energy and it radiated to his staff and customers. Sean Carroll, Director of Beverage Operations, observed, "Nico was so upbeat, that we wondered if he could sustain it. Thankfully, he did. Nico is more than just a persona. He has created real change."

Nico is happy in his job and shows it with a ready smile. He leads by example. He treats his Associates as a team and motivates them to constantly focus on service. Chris Patterson, Executive Director of Food & Beverage, said, "Nico has been a fantastic addition not only to the Ocean Room/ Reef Lounge/ Reef Eats operation, but to Ocean Reef generally. Nico has an authentic passion for hospitality that has really connected to our

Members." Nico relentlessly circles the Ocean Room and Reef Lounge, dispensing welcoming words and soliciting feedback. Survey results for the Ocean Room have surged. The happy attitude permeates the staff. Nico often calls recipients of a Reef Eats order to ask if the food was everything they expected. He improved the food quality of the Grand Seafood Buffet and regularly fills the room. A recent innovation was to introduce the popular Asian Buffet, which **Felicia Koretsky** so delightfully reviewed on page 26 of this week's paper.

Words I heard to describe Nico are dapper, ubiquitous, caring, inclusive, generous and cheerful... someone other Associates would aspire to be. Chris Patterson concludes, "Nico is a heck of a cook and a fashion plate too." It doesn't hurt that a nice bonus goes with the recognition.

I once noted in an earlier article that, like the British Empire, the sun never sets on the Ocean Room. When the last number is finished in the Hal Roland Saturday night Reef Lounge dance fest, the ovens are already warming in the kitchen to prepare the Sunday Grand Breakfast Buffet. It is a huge management challenge. Somehow, incredibly, Nico is always there to meet it. Congratulations. Nico is Manager of the Year from the "front of the house." Next week we will introduce the Manager of the Year from the "heart of the house."

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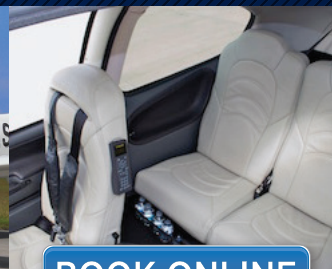
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Farm to Table at Ocean Reef



by Jody Steele

The phrase, "farm to table" means that the food on the table is locally sourced, fresh, and comes directly from farms without going to a market or store.

Location, Location, Location

Ocean Reef Club is fortunate enough to be perched on the edge of rich farmland in Homestead and the Redlands, not far from our Front Gate. We are also within a few hours' drive from the Loxahatchee family farms area in South Florida. The seasonal array of produce is delivered from these farms, sometimes even by the owners themselves to our Commissary within hours of being harvested. Aren't we lucky?

The Team

Recently, I met with Chef Philippe Reynaud, Senior Director of Culinary Operations, and Chef Jackie Pena, Chef de Cuisine of Banquets, to find out more about our local farm program. They explained that this trend is based on building relationships with local farmers. Chef Jackie and Chef Betania visit these nearby farms to see crops grow from the beginning



Who knew mushrooms could be so beautiful? These are fresh from Gratitude Gardens Farms.

of the planting season to the time they are ready to be picked. This commitment strengthens the respect between farmer and chef along with building an awareness of the produce available for all of our Ocean Reef Chefs.

The Farms

Chef Jackie shared that in the last ten years, the number of local farms that supply our Ocean Reef Culinary Department has grown immensely. One of the first was *Michael Borek Farms* who still delivers weekly some of the best Heirloom tomatoes found anywhere; planted in October these special tomatoes are now arriving at The Reef. *Mr. Greens* is a source for melons, pink pineapple, and other specialty fruit you might not have known existed. *Gratitude Garden Farms* is the best place for mushrooms, but they also supply okra, turmeric, and exotic fruits. Another great supplier is *Harpke Farms* that supplies edible flowers to decorate your plates, micro produce, and a variety of unusual



Just some of the fresh farm produce and specialty pineapples available through Mr. Greens.

greens. This is just a sampling of our local South Florida farms that deliver their produce by truck to our door. Boxes of glistening produce of assorted colors and shapes arrive and are quickly sorted and delivered to the kitchens at The Reef.

Our Chefs

These farms send their lists of what produce is available weekly to our Culinary Department. This array of fresh ingredients inspires our chefs to design

special dishes. They also rely on this bounty to utilize the best seasonal produce for their menus as they each create their own order for the week and send it on to the farmer.

A Win-Win

Chef Philippe and Chef Jackie are happy we can support our local farmers who provide produce that is fresh, high quality, and nutritional. Chef P said, "It is the right thing to do". The farmers are delighted and proud to sell their produce to a local community that appreciates their dedication to growing outstanding crops. Our chefs are thrilled with the top-quality product. The next time you enjoy fresh produce on your plate at one of our restaurants, think of it as "farm to fork" that was harvested not too many miles away from The Reef.



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Loosen Up Your Belt for the Asian Buffet



by Felicia M. Koretsky

We counted the days until we could indulge in The Ocean Room's newest concept: The Asian Buffet.

One of our guests was so excited, she got dolled up and ready a night early.

"Uh, it's tomorrow," we texted her after she called for a ride over to the Inn.

Our 6:30 p.m. reservation couldn't have come fast enough. But not a single parking space was open in front of the Inn. Like Food Olympians springing to the starting block, we threw



Andres Sagrero mans the poke station.

caution to the wind by handing off our golf cart to someone in a navy collared shirt. We weren't even sure he was with Bell Stand or just looking for a new set of wheels.

Walking past the handsome crowd assembling around the bar at the Reef Lounge, we sat down at a cozy booth and ordered a round of Pinot Grigio. We scanned the stations in front of us



It's not an Ocean Room buffet without tanks of fresh seafood, but Chef Rey Alvarez is committed to the Asian theme.

and drew a collective breath. All-you-can-eat sushi? Tuna nachos for hours? Endless bowls of miso and egg drop soups? How late did it stay open?

Our hostess then did something unexpected. She handed us a mini-menu listing additional hot plates. What? More food? Honey hoisin duck, filet mignon, coconut-crusted prawns, chicken pad Thai, and vegetable stir fry. We had never been to a buffet within a buffet. Was this a Club within a Club type idea?

Still figuring out our attack plan, we peered over to the center of the room and noticed gatherings of Members around large glass tanks filled with cold crustaceans. Spearing into piles of cold shrimp, mounds of cracked stone crab, and luscious tangled crab legs, everyone was grinning.

We said hello to F&B Big Wigs Chris Patterson, Executive Director of Food and Beverage, and Jared Reardon, ORC's Executive Chef, and headed to the dim-sum station. We quickly found ourselves in a very awkward situation. How many spring rolls can I get you? A large or small portion of edamame? How many dumplings did you need? Pork or vegetable? We were not prepared for such complicated questions. Whatever fits on this plate, we are coming back anyway, we said to inquiring ladies behind the counter.

A few feet down we noticed beckoning bowls of seaweed, classic Caesar, Thai kale, and

chopped Asian salads and cold soba noodles. Then we spotted Andres Sagrero, managing the poke and nacho station. He artistically topped our wonton chips with tuna, cucumber, cilantro, and spicy mayo. It was so yummy, we stopped to see Andres a few more times. Nice guy and a helluva listener.

The Ocean Room's General Manager and dapper dresser Nico DiPerna and Chef Rey Alvarez were particularly proud of the matching décor presented at the theme night. Rice farmer hats, Japanese Lucky Cats and a large katana sword were on full display. Sadly, the bonsai tree was on back order.

Three hours after our arrival, it was time to call it a night. But there was one more station that couldn't be left abandoned.

After a couple of bites of Chinese almond cookies, lemon meringue and five-spice cake bites, our youngest guest's eyes lit up when she sampled the warmed spiced toffee date cake she found hiding in a chafing dish. The rest of us thought it would be best to confirm her rating by taking our own forks to it. By far the best dessert of the night!

We left the Ocean Room hoping our golf cart was lost. It wasn't. But we decided it was best to burn off a few of those calories and walk home.

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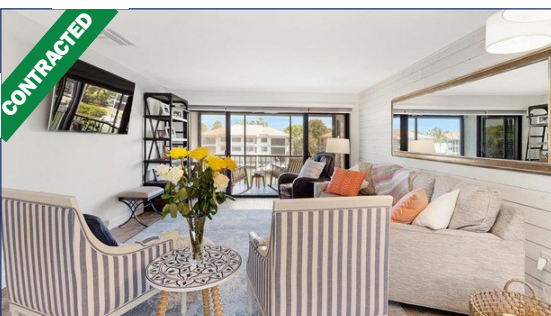
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OUT & ABOUT



Connections made at this year's Keys Children's Foundation Luncheon! Steven Smith (pictured right) shared that his father, Lyle Smith, and John Rooney, the grandfather of KCF Speaker Lt. Col. Dan Rooney, were good friends growing up together in Kankakee, IL. Smith attended the KCF Luncheon and was pleasantly surprised to find his grandson, Lyle Smith, at the Luncheon as well performing the National Anthem with The Academy. The three pictured here met for the very first time before the Luncheon, where they spoke fondly of their family-friend connections. After the Luncheon, Smith said Rooney's presentation was "as good a talk as he's ever heard."



Sporting the ORC logo, 4th generation Member Carter Miles enjoys his first trip to the Islander with Legacy Member mom Steph Miles and great aunt Pam Reeves.

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Feb. 7 Luncheon Speakers



Dr. Carlos Smith

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Amy Walton

and share their expertise, shedding light on innovative approaches to holistic well-being. Whether you are passionate about personal wellness or simply intrigued by the latest advancements in healthcare, this luncheon promises to be enlightening.

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by Christina Sarmiento, Executive Director Ocean Reef Chamber of Commerce

The Ocean Reef Chamber of Commerce invites all Club Members to join our next Chamber Luncheon on **Wednesday, February 7**, where we have the honor of hosting Dr. Carlos Smith and Amy Walton from The Medical Center at Ocean Reef. This gathering is not just an opportunity for networking but a unique chance

Event Details:
The Secrets to Health & Wellness: Unveiling Lasting Weight Loss Secrets with Dr. Carlos Smith and Amy Walton

Wednesday, February 7
11:45 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
Cultural Center at Ocean Reef
Dr. Carlos Smith and Amy Walton will discuss the Medical Center's FitMed weight and lifestyle management program

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Farmer's Market Favorites



by Susan Bohan

Many Members were enjoying another beautiful day at the Farmer's Market on Monday and their reasons for being there were as varied as the vendors themselves.

Tom Snyder was at a picnic table enjoying a pulled pork sandwich from Harvey's BBQ which looked delicious. Nearby, **Lisa Barnhill** could be found at Le Petit Pain. "Besides enjoying Charles' big smile, I look forward to my favorites: authentic

French bread and the apple pastries", she commented when I queried her on why she enjoyed the market. She added these were her "go to's" every Monday. I agreed with the smile and promised to try the pastries!

Linda Kaplan and **Denise Bermant** were among the many Members gathering vegetables, fruit and dips at Jerry's Here Fresh Market. Both agreed it was the best produce anywhere. Denise added that since she and her husband often leave for weeks on their boat, it is vital that their vegetables stay fresh. "Even their lettuce has a much longer life because it is fresh when we buy it. The display is also so beautiful it makes you want to buy everything."

If you have not recently, come by the Field at Four Corners on Monday or Thursday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and see for yourself what your favorite stop is!



Tom Snyder enjoying Harvey's BBQ.



Denise Bermant selecting vegetables at Jerry's Here.



Lisa Barnhill at Le Petit Pain.



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WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

26 FRIDAY

Tai Chi Class

7:30-8am • Member Fitness Center

Member-Guest Tennis Tournament

8am • Tennis & Games Center

Moda Baronessa Trunk Show

9am-5:30pm • The Spa

Everglades Alligator Farm Tour

8:45am • Meet at Nature Center

The Judy Ladies Singles Croquet Tournament

9am • Croquet Lawn

Chamber Music Festival: Youth Concert

10am • Cultural Center

Silver Fit Plus Class

2pm • Member Fitness Center

Come Sail Away (Bullseye Sailing)

2pm • Card Sound Sailing Club

Stretch and Mobility Class

3pm • Member Fitness Center

Live DJ at The Burgee Bar

9pm • Burgee Bar

27 SATURDAY

ORC Run Club

7am • Member Fitness Center

Mixed Couples Golf Championship

9am Shotgun • Dolphin Course

Gentle Yoga & Cycle Class

10am • Member Fitness Center

Reformer Pilates Class

10am • Member Fitness Center

Gameio Tennis Clinic

10 & 11am • Tennis & Games Center

Rod & Gun Club Sporting Clays

10am-3pm • Card Sound Range

Grand Seafood Buffet

5:30-9:45pm • Ocean Room

Live Performance: Vince Gill & Amy Grant Outdoors

8pm • Cultural Center

Live DJ at The Burgee Bar

9pm • Burgee Bar

28 SUNDAY

Member-Guest Tennis Tournament

8am • Tennis & Games Center

Cardio Pickleball Clinic

8 & 9am • Tennis & Games Center

Reformer Pilates & Vinyasa Yoga Class

9am • Member Fitness Center

Reef Club Kids Open

9am-1pm • RCK Clubhouse

Beginners Sailing Clinic

9:30am • Meet at the Pool Desk

Aqua Cardio Class

11am • Member Fitness Pool

Junior Tennis Clinic

11am • Tennis & Games Center

Chamber Music Festival: Grand Finale Matinée

1:30pm • Cultural Center

29 MONDAY

Tai Chi Class

7:30-8am • Member Fitness Center

Cardio Pickleball Clinic

8am • Tennis & Games Center

MGA Old Buddy Golf Tournament

9am Shotgun • Dolphin Course

Studio Verandah Spa Trunk Show

9am-3pm • The Spa

Farmer's Market Open

11am-4pm • Field at Four Corners

Men's Night Tennis League

5:30-7:30pm • Tennis & Games Center

30 TUESDAY

Cardio Pickleball Clinic

8am • Tennis & Games Center

LGA Challenge Cup

8:30am Shotgun • Dolphin Course

Cardio Tennis Clinic

9am • Tennis & Games Center

Walker & Wade Spa Trunk Show

9am-3pm • The Spa

Rod & Gun Club Sporting Clays

10am-3pm • Card Sound Range

Intro to Pickleball Clinic

2:30-3:30pm • Tennis & Games Center

31 WEDNESDAY

Tai Chi Class

7:30-8am • Member Fitness Center

Sweat Class & Reformer Pilates Class

8am • Member Fitness Center

"A" Flight Level Cardio Tennis

8am • Tennis & Games Center

Learn Bridge in a Day

8:30am • Card & Games Room

MGA Old Buddy Golf Tournament

9am Shotgun • Dolphin Course

Walker & Wade Spa Trunk Show

9am-3pm • The Spa

Food for the Soul: Chef Suzanne Bar

9:30am • Carysfort Kitchen

Racquet Club Open Play

10am-12pm • Croquet Lawn

Gameio Tennis Clinic

10 & 11am • Tennis & Games Center

Yappy Hour

3-5pm • Dog Park

Gameio Tennis Clinic

4:30pm • Tennis & Games Center

1 THURSDAY

ORC Swim Club

7 & 8am • Member Fitness Pool

Cardio Pickleball Clinic

8am • Tennis & Games Center

Men's Pickleball League

8am • Tennis & Games Center

LGA Challenge Cup

9am Shotgun • Card Sound Golf Club

9 Hole LGA Interclub

9am Shotgun • Hammock Course

Deena K Jewelry Spa Trunk Show

9am-3pm • The Spa

Rod & Gun Club Handgun Range

10am-2pm • Card Sound Range

Rod & Gun Club Sporting Clays

10am-3pm • Card Sound Range

Farmer's Market Open

11am-4pm • Field at Four Corners

Croquet Mixer Open Play

2-5pm • Croquet Lawn

Raw Bar Lobster Bake

5-9pm • Raw Bar

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Runtime: 1hr 45mins

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"Ferrari" (R)

Friday, February 2
• 4:30 & 7:30pm
Sunday, February 4
• 4:30 & 7:30pm
Wednesday, Feb. 7
• 7:30pm
Runtime: 2hr 10mins

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Wednesday, January 31 • 5:00PM
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CLUB SHOPPING

Joan the Shopper



All Charities Shopping

I'm a shopper, so it's no surprise that one of the things I especially enjoy about All Charities Weekend (Feb. 2 to 4) is browsing the catalog online for items in the Silent Auction that might be just right for me. This year I found some nice biddable donations, many from FISHING VILLAGE STORES....

J. McLaughlin is offering a Private Shopping Event. I like this. If I come up with the winning bid, I will receive a \$500 gift certificate and a chance to redeem it for those pants that I've had my eye on. I can also invite up to 20 of my friends to join me at the store for an after-hours shopping spree.... **Island Garden**, the charming little boutique, that recently moved into the corner spot in Fishing Village next to Lilly, is also offering a \$500 gift card. If I win, I will buy that nice *Junie* Tunic Dress (shown) **Vineyard Vines** is auctioning a printed silk tie that you can personalize with a family burgee, business logo, boat name, etc. Then VV will produce 40 replicas of your tie, to share with relatives and friends.... Also from **Vineyard Vines** – A gift card for a Classic Couple Package, that gives the winning lady– a dress or skirt and blouse and the gentleman – pants and a button down shirt....

Dockside Living has filled a woven blue beach bag with everything from fancy hand soap and lotion to the store's signature Key Lime Breezers embedded with white chocolate chips....**Gloss by Anne** offers a \$250 gift card and suggests you might spend it on a comfy white *LoveShackFancy* Calix tee.... **Lilly Pulitzer** has an interesting entry. It is a limited edition of the *Lilly + JB Stand Up Paddle Board*. It is enhanced, of course, with a traditional Lilly design.... **Dannels Jewelry** (located in the Plaza Building) has donated two burgee pendants – one is 14K yellow gold. The other is all silver....**Reef Gallery** has donated an elegant evening bag, that is an artistic creation – silver and gold plated and covered with Cabochon rubies (shown). It's my second favorite bag of the many beautiful handbags in the Silent Auction.... It's a little immodest of me, but my first favorite bag is the white leather tote with my Ocean Reef montage (shown). Donated by Joan the Shopper (aka Joan Birsh)....

by Joan Birsh

Bid online at bidORC.org now (9 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.) until closing on Sat. Feb. 3
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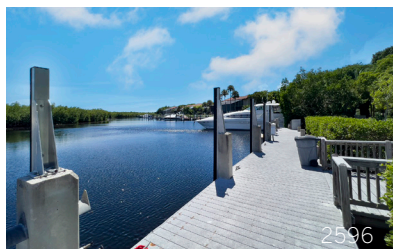
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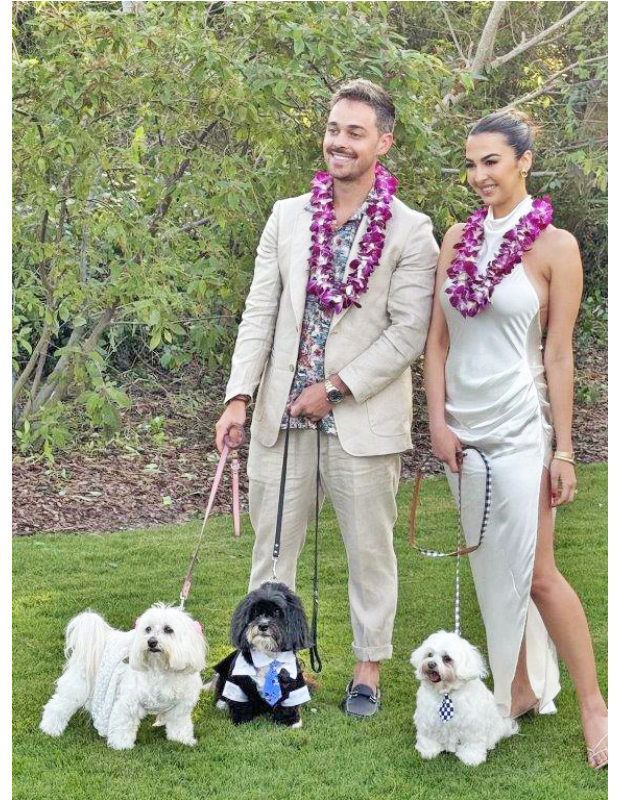
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NATURE NOTES

Shooting Stars



"Nature Notes" by Nancy Zakon

Shooting stars- magic! Sign of good luck, of love, of positive futures. **Mary Brady's** grandson took this photo of a shooting star here at The Reef during the Holidays. Other than magic, what are they - and whence do they come? Let's play like giants and look down to see what orbits around the Sun. Planets, sure. Those closest to the Sun are of solid material like ours (Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars). Passing Mars, we see a circular "belt" of leftover solid debris that didn't make it to planet-hood- like crumbs



after eating cookies. This ring of "crumbs" around the Sun is called the Asteroid Belt, made of, you guessed it - asteroids. (You occasionally read about fearing an asteroid that will hit us and smush us like the one that killed all the dinosaurs - but NASA is taking care of this). Only the larger, solid "crumbs" are called asteroids; smaller

crumbs are meteoroids. Back to being a giant, after passing the solid planets (mentioned above) you come to the gaseous, icy, space debris planets (Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune). Out past Neptune are more "crumbs" from the gas-ice planets. These form another "crumb" ring called the Kuiper Belt. Now, we have the picture:

the Asteroid Belt of solid bits, and the Kuiper Belt of gassy, icy, debris bits. And furthest out is the Oort Cloud of icy debris "crumbs"- home of most comets. (But that's another story - you're saying, "Whew!") Now, that we have the Belts in mind, back to our question of shooting stars. These "crumbs" can be bounced out of their Belt-rotation, be drawn by gravity towards the Sun, speed at 100,000 mph, go into the Earth's atmosphere, and burn brightly in our oxygen! Ah ha! We see them! It's wonderful! Interestingly, meteoroids (as little as a grain of sand) fall through our atmosphere all the time - they say half-dozen an hour- day and night. Mary's son was lucky to see this very bright one!

See Mary's article below for more on this story.

A Grandmother's Story

By Mary Brady

It was 22 years ago on January 9, 2002 that I saw my first shooting star. Riding in my golf cart one evening after dark, I spotted a remarkable shooting star on the 5th Hole of the Hammock Course. I heard my mother's voice (who died the year before) distinctly say, "A little soul just left heaven." It gave me chills. When I got back home, the phone rang and my son-in-law told me my daughter, who was pregnant with my first grandson just gave birth to a 5-pound preemie baby boy. I remember reading something about "Babies are bits of stardust blown from God's hand."



That little star is 22 years old this January 9, 2024, and he has grown into a handsome young man graduating from FGCU with a 4.0 GPA his entire 4 years of college, and headed to Law School. He took me on a cart ride after dark this past weekend, and lo and behold we spotted a shooting star. Coincidence? I don't think so. Miracles are before us every day if we just are still enough to observe them.



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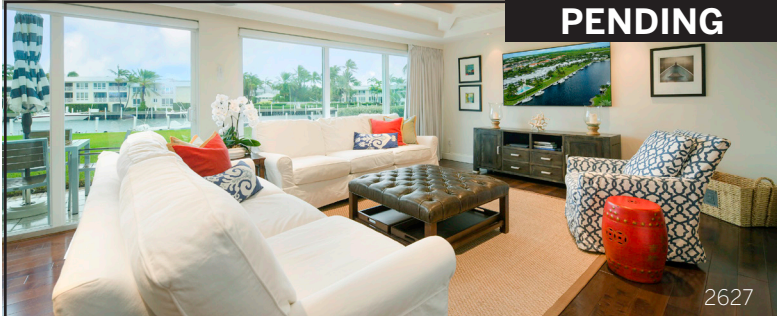
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Meet Studio Verandah's Founder Anjali Mehta Patel



"Spa Notes"
by Jillian Barron, The Spa Director

The Spa is so excited to introduce you to one of our favorite line creators, owner, and founder, Studio Verandah's Anjali Mehta Patel. Coming from Mumbai, India, Anjali will be with us for one day only, on **Monday, January 29th** from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. If you have not seen this beautiful clothing line, you are in for a treat, as Anjali is the queen of styling, and can help you pick the best possible silhouette out of this gorgeous collection, which is more like art than clothing. Every time I wear one of her beautiful hand-sewn beaded pieces, people stop me all day to ask me where it is from. Unique and beautiful, these are pieces that you will have in your closet for decades and wear time and again because they are so well made.

You can immediately see the quality craftsmanship that goes into each piece, and you won't find another line quite like this. Anjali does not typically do trunk shows, and only a select few of her accounts have met her in person, so we are grateful to be able to have the opportunity to host and have her meet our Members. She is a huge golfer, and is so excited to see Ocean Reef as well! You can find Studio Verandah on Worth Avenue in Palm Beach, Bergdorf Goodman, Neiman Marcus, Intermix, Four Seasons, the Only in Dubai, and select luxury resorts and Clubs. The line has been showcased at Fashion Week and they participate in leading trade shows across Miami, New York, and Paris.



Anjali Mehta Patel

An ex-investment banker, keen traveler, golfer, beach, art, and design lover, active mother of two, and alumnae of Wellesley and the Indian School of Business, Verandah was born while Anjali was on a break from a decade-long career in Investment Banking, while looking for a chic resort and loungewear to enjoy her stay in. She wanted to create customized, boho-luxe, chic, fuss-free, travel separates. Her collection is made using ultra-soft and artisanal fabrics and handwork from India. Her mission is to create a joyful Indian luxury label inspired by the sights, smells, and contours of her land but presented in a contemporary fashion.

She wants people to say, 'Wow, where did you get that?' when her customers wear her designs, and wear their pieces a thousand times, and I can personally attest to the fact that they do and will! What sets Verandah apart from other resort wear lines is its prints and patterns, butter-soft fabrics, vibrant colors, and delicate embroidery and craftsmanship. Each piece tells a story. Stop by The Spa on Monday the 29th to meet Anjali and view the curated collection she is bringing to us!

Upcoming Spa Events: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

- Friday, Jan 26 & Sat, Jan 27 – Moda Baronessa Spa Trunk Show
- Monday, Jan 29 – Studio Verandah
- Tuesday, Jan 30 – Walker & Wade Spa Trunk Show
- Wednesday, Jan 31 – Walker & Wade Spa Trunk Show
- Thursday, Feb 1 – Deena Kausar jewelry
- Friday, Feb 2 – Deena K Jewelry Trunk Show and Zoe's Empire
- Friday, Feb 2 – Deena K Jewelry Trunk Show and Zoe's Empire

Know the Founder

Art Around The Reef



by Deborah Goodwin Geller

The "2024 Plein Air Artists of America Painting Ocean Reef" event is coming up **February 1 and 2**. What a special opportunity to watch artists at work painting our favorite locations at The Reef.

Each artist will be positioned at a specific location and tasked with painting that view while Members watch and ask questions. The artist is hosted in one of our Members' homes for the two days and over the years special bonds have formed with many looking forward to seeing each other year after year. (Some have even received paintings as



A sample of last year's Plein Air artists.

gifts.) If you'd be willing to host, please contact Sherri Harris at the Art League at artleago@bellsouth.net or 305-367-2359. After viewing the artists at work, you may want to sign up to host the next event.

For more information on the Plein Air event, see the ad on page 18.

Whether you are passionate about art or just curious about the different styles and processes it's worthwhile to get the map and set aside time to check them out.



Look for the Yellow Aprons! Locations they will paint at are: The Fountain, Bakers Harbor (Sailing Club), The Point, The Lagoon, The Chapel, The Dolphin #1 or #13, Greenberg Park, Bonefish Bonnie Bronze, and all around The Fishing Village.

There is an Opening Reception and Wet Painting Sale Friday, February 2nd from 5:00 - 7:00 pm. The finished works will be exhibiting through February 10th at The Art League.

Calling All Member Artists

We are collecting personal works from our Ocean Reef Members for our Members New Works "You Be The Judge" show February 13 - 24. Submit your pottery, needlework, painting, photography, ceramics and any other art form you have! I personally love this show! It's great to get to know some of our fellow Ocean Reef Members through their hobbies, passions and art expressions.

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2024 Sailfish Classic Tournament



Top Female Angler Jodi Zifferer and Top Male Angler Michael Valentine.



First Place Team, Heartlander.



Second Place Team, Catchin' Z's.



Third Place Team, Triple Threat.

OVERALL RESULTS

Top Female Angler

Jodi Zifferer

400 Points

Top Male Angler

Michael Valentine

400 Points

1st Place Team

Heartlander - 800 Points

Michael Valentine, Kevin Scalia, Tom Davidson, Carmen Sferrazza

Captain: Chase Varnadore

Mate: Joe Milazzo

2nd Place Team

Catchin' Z's - 700 Points

Jodi Zifferer, Scott Zifferer, Mort Zifferer

Captain: Tucker Erseck

Mate: Andres Garcia

3rd Place Team

Triple Threat - 600 Points

Peggy Johns, Tom Grote, Lori Sommer, Davo Johnson, John Sevo

Captain: Matt Rabenstine

Mate: Jake Turke

What Goes Around, Comes Around

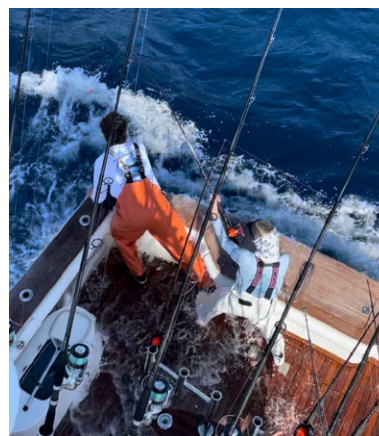


by Christine Patton, Rod & Gun Club

Last week was the two-day Sailfish Classic, a single-target contest covering January 19-20. Friday the weather opened up calm and water smooth as glass, but by Saturday, the wind had come up

and there were 6-8 foot seas and 30-mph gusts to rock the biggest boats. Fishing was, to say the least, a challenge.

You may remember the story from last year's tournament, when the **Zifferer** boat Catchin' Z's, had motor trouble and would have had to drop out, save for the generous loaner of a boat by fellow competitor **Carmen Sferrazza**, who was fishing on Heartlander. The second and final day, the two boats were side by side, Heartlander ahead all the way until the final hour of the day when the Zifferers, in Carmen's loaner boat, caught a late sail to take the title. Some folks are so competitive, they grumbled about the irony of it all, but no good



Jodi Zifferer and mate Andres Garcia

deed goes unrewarded...

This year there was no mechanical problem, but it was the usual rivalry between **Michael Valentine's** Heartlander and Jodi Zifferer's Catchin' Z's. Both

had caught seven sails and were fighting the rough seas for one more, side by side. Just as the "5 minute" warning was sounding, Carmen Sferrazza hooked up and landed the sail that put Heartlander over the top — and the cosmic scales of justice were in balance once more.

Michael Valentine's Heartlander, with Carmen Sferrazza, **Tom Davidson, Jr.** and **Kevin Scalia** aboard was Top Boat.

Catchin' Z's, with Jodi, Scott and Mort Zifferer came in second, while Jodi was Top Lady Angler, with four sails, and Michael Valentine Top Male Angler.

Something tells me that next year's contest could be interesting...

Bonefish Bonnies Celebrate 25 Years



by Mary Bloom, Bonefish Bonnies

The Bonefish Bonnies celebrated their 25th Anniversary this past week. Over 150 Bonnies and guests filled the Carysfort Ballroom for an evening of fun and friendship. (The fishing begins next week with the Fishin' Funatics Tournament on **January 29th.**)

President **Laura Wilson**, Vice President **Jodi Zifferer**, and the rest of the celebration committee: **Nancy Zakon**,



Past and present Bonefish Bonnies board members.

honorary chairperson; **Mary Bloom**; **Jennifer Leonard**; **Esther Vazquez**, and **Liz Zug** had the ballroom decorated in navy blue and white with large photos from over the past 25 years around the room. Every table had white framed photos of Bonnies who were sitting at each table for the Bonnies to take home as a party favor. The surprise touch was the

Bonefish Bonnie logo neon sign, a perfect spot for taking pictures as well as the photo booth with props. DJ Izzy provided the music for after-dinner dancing.

The Bonnies would like to thank **Johanna Carrier** and **Kim Elliott** as well as **Denise Bermant** and **Sarah Cart** for their special contributions. Denise and Sarah entertained the group with a medley of song parodies they had written all about fishing that had the room roaring with laughter. Everyone also enjoyed the slide show that ran through the cocktail hour and dinner with photos going back to the original luncheon from 25 years ago.

The Bonnies would also like to send special thanks



President Laura Wilson and Vice President Jodi Zifferer ready to begin the 25th anniversary celebration.

to Christian Sarquis and the Banquet Team as well as, Kyle Landers from Member Events, and Ricardo and Kevin from Encore, all of whom, helped to make the evening one to remember.

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Jennifer Leonard, Daisy Gonzalez, Esther Vazquez and Bettina Schottland having fun in front of the neon Bonnies' logo. Photos by Carol Ellis.

Member-Professional Golf Tournament



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

We would like to thank everyone for joining us for the 27th annual Ocean Reef Club Member Professional tournament. It is always a pleasure to see former staff members from Ocean Reef Club and Card Sound Golf Club, as well as get the chance to meet everyone's golf professional from their northern club. Both golf courses were in phenomenal condition for the event, and with wind gusts up to 35 mph it

provided a true test of golf for every player in the field. Congratulations to the team of **Tom Miles** and David Lutterus for successfully defending their title in the gross division with a phenomenal score of -7 (135).

It has now been proven that the Ocean Reef Club Bag Room Open champion is capable of competing in any field. Congratulations to the team of Zach Haynes and **Britta Garcia** for winning the NET division with a score of -10 (132).

Over the past few years, many of the Members have had the opportunity to play with Andreas Halvorsen, here at Ocean Reef. Each year he competes hard and this year he was able to capture Low Professional honors with a wonderful two-day total of Even Par.

9-Hole LGA Ribbon Day

This week we were able to host two 9-Hole LGA events, with outstanding participation. The Twilight Wine Night was a great

success where three teams were able to turn in a fantastic score of 27.

On Tuesday, 9-Hole LGA members did not waste any time getting back onto the golf course to participate in our Ribbon Day tournament. 74 players participated in this event and each player was assigned a color for the round. Any time their color ribbon appeared on a flagstick through the front nine of the Dolphin Course, that player's score counted for their team on that hole. There were a lot of teams that worked well together, but one team was able to separate themselves from the rest of the pack on their way to a 2 stroke victory. Congratulations to the team of **Alison Ward, Kelly St. Clair, Kathy Stocker and Corinne Fuller** for winning the Ribbon tournament!

LGA Ringer Tournament

In the second round of the Ringer Tournament, players were looking to improve on certain

holes, but our leaders took it to the next level and played a fabulous 18-hole round. We want to give a special shout-out to **Susan Hopkins** who carded her career-low round, net 65! It was an extremely tight race atop the leaderboard and it had to come down to a scorecard playoff. With an overall score of 59 and a back nine score of 28, our Ringer Tournament Champion is **Lynne Demmerly**!

Next Week: Challenge Cup

The ORC Vs. CSGC Challenge Cup will take place on **Tuesday, January 30th** and **Thursday, February 1st**. The Challenge Cup is the LGA's interclub event with Card Sound Golf Club. 40 players from each team will compete in a two-day Ryder Cup-style event. The Challenge Cup will kick off once again with a cocktail party, where the team captains will select the first-round matches. The excitement at last year's cocktail party was through the roof as matches were selected!

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GOLF SCOREBOARD

9-Hole LGA Ribbon Day

Thursday, January 18

First Place: Alison Ward, Kelly St. Clair, Kathy Stocker, Corinne Fuller

Second Place: Julie Gere, Gordana Schneider, Kathleen Hegenbart, Sheila Wagner

Third Place: Katy Miller, Stacey Lahey, Karen Gregorich, Susan Falk

Closest to the Hole (#5): Tania McCann

Longest Drive (#8): Kelly St. Clair

Member Professional Tournament

Monday, January 22

First Place Gross: Tom Miles and David Lutterus

Second Place Gross (tie): Jay Guarch and Andreas Halvorsen, Frank Strafaci and Tyler Strafaci

Third Place: William Peel and Brendan Peel

First Place Net: Britta Garcia and Zach Haynes

Second Place Net: Art Berry and John Pillar

Third Place Net (tie): George Harms and Brent Studer

Third Place Net (tie): Frank Strafaci and Tyler Strafaci

LGA Ringer Tournament

Tuesday, January 23

First Place: Lynne Demmerly

Second Place: Susan Hopkins

Third Place: Joan Hession

Closest to the Hole #2: Joan Flippin

Closest to the Hole #12: Joli McCormack

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By Kelan McDonagh, PGA Teaching Professional

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As we know the wind can blow quite strong here on the keys and hitting fairways can become more and more challenging.

Next time you are on the practice tee or out playing make these setup changes to help you find more fairways:

- Tee it lower
- Grip down 2 inches
- Stand closer to the ball
- Flare lead foot (left foot for RH player) towards the target
- Make a free-flowing committed golf swing

These simple setup changes



will help promote better contact and a more consistent ball flight which will enable us to control the golf ball easier and hit more fairways.

Have fun out there and if you see me at the driving range, let me know how you got on.

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You may have noticed the range was a bit busy on January 18th and 19th. Director of Instruction and Top 100 Teachers in America, Kellie Stenzel ran an all-women's golf school and over 2 days had 50 women participate! Over Covid, the female golfer pool jumped over 15% and added over 800,000 new women golfers. The majority of the participants were newer to the game in the last couple of years. The school covered full swing, short games, and putting with a nice lunch afterward. A big thank you to all who were part of such a wonderful two days!



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Working Out Like an Athlete



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

An athlete is any person who exercises with purpose and consistency to become better at a specific activity or sport. There is no age limit for who is or can be an athlete. Athletes aim to gain every advantage possible by using the best training and recovery techniques. To get ahead, every athlete must include the following in their exercise routine:

Strength and conditioning: strength is the base for power, speed, and acceleration. Conditioning determines the time an athlete can maintain top form.

Flexibility and mobility: supple muscles and mobile and stable joints perform better and are more resilient to injury.

Sport-specific exercises: rotational sports such as golf and tennis require different movement patterns than linear sports such as running, cycling, and swimming. Adding specific exercises to a gym routine creates a significant sports advantage.

Massage, sleep, and recovery: regular massage improves the quality of muscle and fascial tissue. Sleep is essential for mental and physical performance and one of the wellness and lifestyle habits we have been paying more attention



Core training set during the new Everesting class on Saturday at 8 a.m. The class develops strengths and stamina specific for hiking.



Michael Watson working on golf fitness with trainer Ryan Lawless

to in the past decade. Other recovery activities such as cold plunging, sauna, red light, and hot tubs are part of an athlete’s regular recovery routine as they help reduce inflammation and relax the neuromuscular system.

Nutrition, hydration, and supplementation: what fuels the body fuels the brain. Eating nutritious foods, drinking plenty of water, and supplementing as needed ensure that our bodies have the macro and micro nutrients required to train, live, and compete at our best.

Mindset: the voice inside our



Runners recovering after a 4 mile run. The ORC Run Club meets every Sunday at 7 a.m.



Mat Pilates with Masha on Sundays 10am and Vinyasa Yoga with Lindsay on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9 a.m.

head is the loudest. Regularly putting ourselves in situations where we can strengthen our willpower makes that voice a powerful force in our favor. One of the most significant opportunities fitness workouts offer is the ability to strengthen our mindset. Every time we push past a point where we want to slow down and stop, our willpower increases. This increase can be measured in the brain region called the anterior medial cingulate cortex, activated by engaging in activities we do not want to do. Stronger willpower leads to better decision-making and the ability to resist cravings and temptations and achieve

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Sound Bath with Elisabet Stadelman

tune" or/and enhancing regulatory function to a body in tune. It has an immediate positive impact on the after-surgery processes like knee or hip replacement and postoperative pain, increasing circulation and reducing muscle/skeletal tension. Through the experience of listening to ourselves, we create a bridge between outside and inside and a beautiful field to explore, expand, and enrich. After this experience, you will find it helpful in different aspects of your life, this attentive

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by Windsor D. Coffin, CSMYC Commodore

It is the time of year when you hope to avoid catching some sort of illness. While others have been lucky enough to escape the ravages of wintertime "bugs," unfortunately, I am not one of them. So please excuse me if this week's report is brief. I missed racing yesterday and I am not doing much better today. Fortunately, I can say that whatever I have is not COVID.



EC12s in pursuit of Al Mast's lead boat. Photo by Erin Coffin.

On to Sunday's racing. One thing I do know from looking out the window of my home is that it was breezy yesterday and all accounts from the sailors was that there was quite a nice breeze on the

Pond. So much so that the fleet was able to race a full eight races and with time to spare. From the looks of the score sheet, it was a back-and-forth battle between **Al Mast** and **Joe Robillard**.

When the best seven of the eight races were tallied up, Al won the day by a single point leaving Joe in second place overall. Coming in third, with a win in Race #6, was **Al Hill**.

This coming Sunday's forecast at the time of this writing looks perfect. Hopefully, it turns out that way and hopefully I am well enough by then to be there to race as well.

The Card Sound Model Yacht Club races every Sunday (except Easter Sunday) until the end of April at "the Pond." Our first race start is at 10 a.m. and, of course, our sailing is dependent on favorable weather. If you would like more information about our model yachting club and our EC12 model yachts, please come by "the Pond" to see us or contact me, **Windsor Coffin**, at csmyc12@gmail.com.

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NYYC Joins CSSC for Non-Race Day



by Currie Wooten, CSSC Commodore

This past Saturday was CSSC's 8th Annual NYYC Invitational Race. This year **Chris** and **Didi Streit** worked hard to match the two clubs' schedules and coordinate the New York Yacht Club sailors with boats that CSSC sailors were kind enough to loan, and to provide prizes. A lot of preparation goes into planning for this event and the NYYC loves it and keeps coming back.

Didi went above and beyond to add some finishing touches to our newly painted tables in our Tiki Hut. She sketched out our CSSC burgee logo and then contacted a group of precise lady painters to help paint 4 logos on our tables. The designs came out great and they were finished just in time for all the NYYC sailors to see!

Thank you goes to another individual who played a big part in the preparation of this race - our PRO, **Jay Beatty**, who had to judge the safety of the race and who kept an eye on the weather from the beginning of the week until the last second. We had a meeting discussing the lessons learned from our last race in which 3 boats took on water and we have ordered new bailers and higher-powered radios to add to our committee boats and we discussed the weather that was approaching us from the north and threatening to cancel our race for Saturday. There was even mention of moving the race to that Friday afternoon, but it was too quick to change everything, so we all met for Thirsty Thursday at Waterside and left the final decision to be made Saturday morning.

Race Day

Commodore **Currie Wooten** and Past Commodore **Sim Wooten**



Bob Schmetterer giving our history at the luncheon.



Sailors awaiting wind decision while NYYC and CSSC burgees are flying.

went out in their motorboat before race time to take readings of the wind and judge the sea state. Just looking down the canal that the sailors have to paddle out looked a little daunting as the waves could be seen that met the calm canal waters at the end. There were white caps and waves at least 2 feet at intervals!! Chris and Jay were not ready to decide on cancelling until 9:30 when we were reporting that the winds had increased and were continuing to climb! At least the NYYC knew we really tried to race this past Saturday.

The only good part about not racing was that the sailors were not wet and soggy like last week for lunch. We had a gourmet buffet thanks to Ocean Reef Club where all the NYYC members and CSSC sailors and race committee gathered at Baker Harbor. **Bob Schmetterer** gave a nice historical summary of Ocean Reef and the Card Sound Sailing Club and the beginnings of this annual event with the New York Yacht Club, which **Dan Harding** had been involved with helping to promote. So the camaraderie and fun sailing stories told by the 2 clubs bonded them together again and we can

only be hopeful for better winds next year.



Sim Wooten measuring the wind. Photos by Currie Wooten.

Coming Up

On that note, the winds look decent for our sailing this Saturday, January 27, for our continuation of the Connor Series, Race #3. Also, **Gary Sayia** will be instructing his fabulous Sailing Clinic on the Bullseyes **Jan. 30 - Feb. 1**. Please contact him at 201-919-7432 if you would like to join the clinic or our club. More information and pictures can be found on our website at cardsoundsailingclub.com.



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

The 51st annual Member Guest Tennis Tournament is set to take place this weekend at Ocean Reef Club. This event is highly anticipated by tennis enthusiasts who come together to compete and celebrate their love for the sport.

For the past 51 years, the Member Guest Tournament has been a staple in the tennis community, drawing participants



2023 Member-Guest Tennis Tournament

from all over the country. The event is open to both Club Members and their Guests and provides a platform for them to showcase their skills and compete against each other in a friendly and fun environment.

This year’s tournament will feature a range of events, including Men’s, Ladies, and Mixed tournaments for both men and women. The tournament will also have categories for different skill levels, so that everyone can participate, regardless of their playing ability. The Staff and

Tennis Committee have also arranged for some exciting prizes for the winners, including trophies, swag, water bottles, and more.

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

With its rich history and exciting events, the 51st Annual Member Guest Tennis Tournament is sure to be a hit with tennis fans of all ages. Whether you’re a seasoned player or just starting, this event provides a perfect opportunity to showcase your skills, meet new people, and have a great time.

All in all, the 51st Annual Member Guest Tennis Tournament is an event not to

be missed. So, if you’re a tennis enthusiast, head on down to the Tennis & Games Center this weekend and join in the fun.

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

Friday, Jan. 26th

- 2 p.m. Mixed Doubles

Saturday, Jan. 27th

- 9 a.m. Men’s and Ladies Doubles Flight Play
- 2 p.m. Mixed Doubles Finals

Sunday, Jan. 28th

- 9 a.m. Men’s and Ladies Doubles Finals
- Strawberries and Champagne Awards Presentation Following Finals

After the Member-Guest Tennis Tournament, you can trade your racquet in for a paddle and compete in the Men’s and Ladies Pickleball Doubles Club Championships **December 10th through the 11th.**

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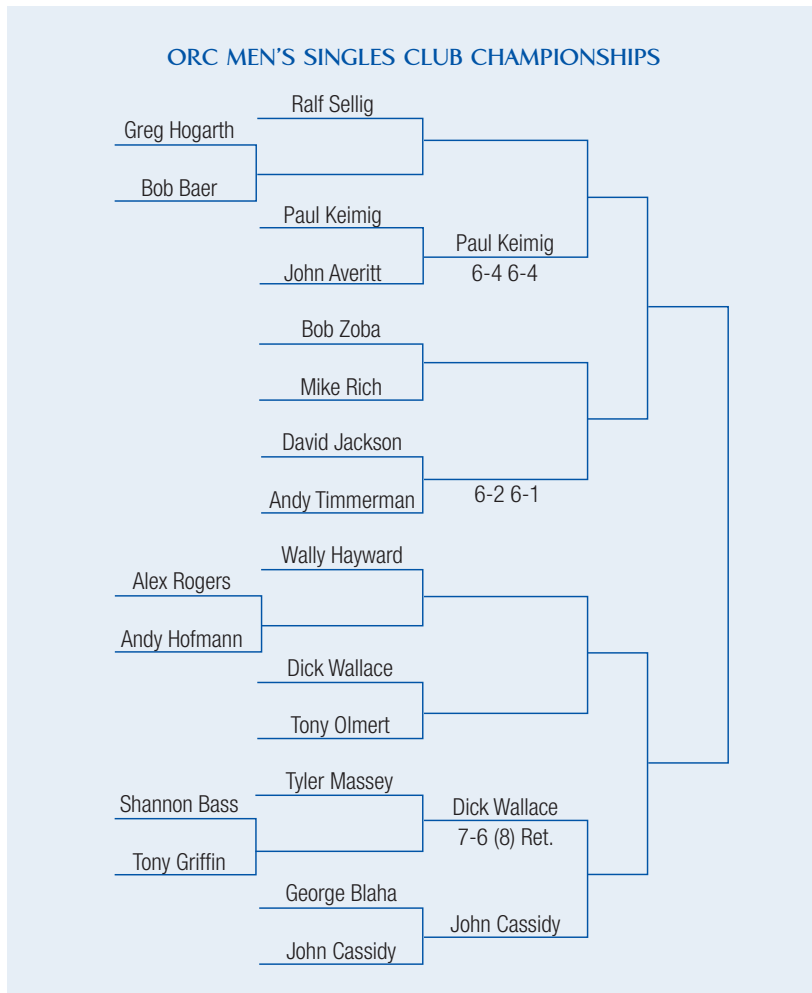
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Using Depth Instead of Pace in Doubles



"Tennis Tip" by Nick Scheller, Tennis Professional

A simple strategy in doubles is using depth over pace. Depth will result in a more frequent short ball from your opponent inviting you to the net to play more aggressively. The further you push your opponent back the more advantage you create for your team.

For example:

- You'll give your partner more time to poach and put the volley away.
- Your opponent will have fewer angles the further you push them back.

Depth is also a safer option than pace. When you are hitting deep you are generating topspin and height to your ball. This results in a higher percentage of shot over hard and flat balls.

Hard and flat is a lower percentage shot because of its low net clearance and speed.

You can be aggressive in doubles by hitting the ball deep rather than fast.

In summary, favoring depth over pace in doubles tennis offers a strategic advantage. Pushing your opponent back results in more short balls, allowing for aggressive net play and giving your partner time to excel in volleys. This approach also limits your opponent's angles and proves to be a safer option with higher shot success rates due to topspin and height. Opt for depth to dominate in doubles, steering clear of the pitfalls of relying solely on pace.

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Card & Games Room Update



by Gregg Van Dyke, Director of Card & Games

Ladies Poker Night

Tuesday, January 30th at 6:30 p.m.

Mark your calendars for an evening of poker, snacks, and fun! With over 40 signups and hoping for 60, this promises to be an unforgettable night for all card and game enthusiasts.

Men's Poker Knockout Night

Monday, January 29th at 6:45 p.m.

Congratulations to Paul DiMaura for emerging victorious, with Bob Hoyt securing the second spot. Join us for the regular game next Monday at 6:45 p.m.

Patty Tucker's LBIAD Class

Wednesday, January 31st

Patty Tucker brings her expertise to the Card & Game Room on Wednesday for a day-long Learn Bridge in a Day (LBIAD) class. Whether you're new to bridge or want to introduce friends to the game, this is an opportunity you don't want to miss.

Sunday Funday

Sunday, February 11th at 2 p.m.

Calling all beginners! Join us for a fun and informative session to kick start your bridge journey.

Canasta Pick-Up Games

Experience the joy of canasta with pickup games at 12 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. If you're new or need to sharpen your skills, lessons are available on Thursdays at 12:30 p.m. A fantastic way to make new friends!

Mah Jongg Pickup Games

Enjoy Mah Jongg on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 1-4 p.m. Beginner and intermediate lessons are available.

Beginners Canasta Lessons

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Canasta Dinner

Monday, February 26th

Indulge in a delightful Canasta Dinner at the Ocean Room.

Bridge Dinner

Monday, March 11th

Savor an evening of bridge with our Bridge Dinner at the Ocean

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Ocean Reef Mah Jongg Club Championship

Tuesday, March 5th at 1 p.m.

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Special Hands Class for Canasta Players

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BRIDGE TIP OF THE WEEK

Unveiling the Smolen Convention

Responding to 1NT With 5-4 in the Majors

By Gregg Van Dyke, Director of Card & Games

Effective communication is crucial in bridge, especially when responding to a 1NT opening bid from your partner. While Stayman and Jacoby Transfers are traditional methods for determining Major fits, what happens when you hold a 5-4 distribution in the Majors? Enter the Smolen Convention – a strategic bidding approach

designed to convey your unique hand shape to the Notrump (NT) opener.

The Smolen Convention – Key Steps:

Activated by a responder with 10 or more High Card Points (HCPs) and a 5-4 Major distribution, the Smolen Convention unfolds as follows:

• **Stayman First (2♠):**

Begin with a Stayman bid (2♠) to explore the potential for a 4-card major fit.

• **Raise to the 4-Level with a Major Fit:**

If your partner bids a major in response, a straightforward raise to the 4-level signals the intent to reach the game.

• **Smolen Convention Activation:**

In case your partner denies a major by rebidding 2♦, trigger the Smolen Convention to reveal a 3-card fit with your 5-card major.

• **Smolen Convention Steps:**

Jump to the 3-level with the shorter major (the one not denied by your partner).

Your partner, holding a 3-card fit, will either bid to the game or opt for 3NT.

• **Logic Behind Smolen Convention:**

The convention prioritizes allowing the stronger hand to play the hand, maximizing the partnership's chances of a successful game.

Conclusion:

Incorporating the Smolen Convention into your bidding repertoire adds sophistication to your bridge game. When faced with a 5-4 Major distribution after a 1NT opening, mastering this strategic approach can be a game-changer, providing you and your partner with a decisive edge in reaching successful games. The 3-level bid in the Smolen Convention requires an alert, ensuring transparent communication between partners. Elevate your bridge strategy by embracing the nuanced tactics of the Smolen Convention.



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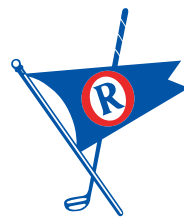
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