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Note from the Editor:

On this Month's Cover:

On this month's cover we are featuring a photo from one of our articles - The Great Blue Heron. This photograph was taken by photographer and Hollybrook resident, Mark Favus here at Hollybrook!

His ongoing series in the magazine highlighting the Flora and Fauna of Hollybrook is one residents have come to love and look forward to. We are so lucky to have Mark's talent here at the Voice of Hollybrook. His love of nature shines through in each photograph

Mireya Alfonso, Editor-in-Chief

President's Perspective: February 2024 Update on Hollybrook Happenings

I cannot believe that it's already February 2024. Exciting things have been happening here at Hollybrook. Just in the most recent weekends, we had a tremendously successful Flea Market in the Playhouse. Shout out again to all of the volunteers for their hard work, and a special shout out to Sylvie Gagnon for organizing the event. In the same facility, the following Saturday we were witness to a spectacular show that literally almost set the stage on fire. Hot Hot Hot South Beach was a wonderful display of the sights and sounds of our South Florida community. The 26th of January, our stage was additionally blessed by a Canadian artist by the name of Michael Rancourt. Thankfully we were able to iron out some legal issues so that the show could go on.



I have not mentioned but my point is that we are working together to make Hollybrook a place where the term, "quality of life", really means something.

We just convened the first meeting of the Budget Committee this past Wednesday the 24th of January. During the days leading up to the publication of the February edition of the Voice, many more meetings will have transpired and many changes in the 2024-2025 budget will be implemented. The

Board Of Administration Budget Workshop will be happening on February 7, 8, & 9, 2024, and notice of those meetings will be posted in advance.

I am very confident that we will be able to present a budget that will allow Hollybrook to operate and at the same time satisfy the State Of Florida as to the requirement to be fully funded in our Reserves and complete the requirements for the 40 Year Certification of all of our buildings. We have a plan to complete that construction work over a period of 6 to 7 years. We will post the dates of member wide meeting where voting to fully fund the reserves will be conducted. In addition, we will have the member wide meeting to discuss the State of Our Condo will occur. I plan on sharing as much information as possible so that hopefully all of your questions and concerns will be answered.

I continue to be grateful of your support and also for your input and suggestions that will help us all make Hollybrook the paradise that we want it to be.

Sincerely,
Michael E Eaton, President, Hollybrook BOA

We had our first Game Night which was held in the Social Hall and it was music trivia night. A crowd of about thirty spent an hour guessing the song's title and artist and spent several minutes singing the songs that we all love to listen and sing to.

Joni Esser-Stuart has done a wonderful job working with this healthy lifestyle group providing Lunch & Learns and conducting the Game Nights the fourth Wednesday of every month. Bingo has been extremely well attended now that our Northern Residents are here in full force. The highest number in attendance to date has been 170 players. The game winnings have ranged from \$60 to \$100 for the individual games, 16 of them, to over \$400 for the last game of the night called the Millionaire. Every Thursday at 7pm but make sure you come early, starting at around 6pm, and bring bills no bigger than \$20 please. There are so many other things that

Voters who vote by mail must reapply

Broward County residents who choose to vote-by-mail must complete a new Vote-by-Mail Ballot Request Form (available online) in order to continue to vote by mail for elections during 2023 and 2024. The online application is available for all residents who are currently registered to vote in Broward County. Browardvotes.gov is the relevant website to complete the form and to get additional information.

After the 2024 General Election, voters must repeat the process.



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05-304	Lachance to Rinkinen	2	\$252,500.00
28-301	Hernandez to Cramer	2	\$267,500.00
58-202	Mendoza to Preston	2	\$175,000.00
63-203	Fernandez to Kane	2	\$260,000.00
02-101	Lippin to Wright	2	\$160,000.00
12-304	Munju to Khondokar	2	\$135,000.00
24-309	Fagan to Barroso	2	\$175,000.00
54-305	Croad to Few/Sable	1	\$124,000.00
57-102	Hochberg to Bonnelle	2	\$195,000.00
67-304A	Mizraji to Diaz	1	\$165,000.00

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No one event had a more profound impact on the Broward Sheriff's Office than the tragic shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas

(MSD) High School on February 14, 2018. The loss of 17 innocent lives at the Parkland school is the reason I arrived at BSO, with the vow that we would do everything in our power to ensure that what occurred that day would never happen again. Today, we are better trained and more prepared, leveraging technology, utilizing resources and consistently readying our first responders to protect our schools.

In 2019, I created the Threat Management Unit (TMU) and Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) to proactively investigate potential threats to our schools and the community. Since then, the TMU has investigated approximately 4,230 potentially violent incidents, resulting in more than 300 arrests. One of those arrests was a teenager who threatened to carry out

a mass shooting at MSD in 2021. With access to nearly 18,000 school cameras across Broward County, the RTCC provides live intelligence during investigations and helps direct first responders in real time during an incident. The RTCC is expanding significantly, increasing its space and staffing and enhancing our investigative capabilities.

As an expert in active shooter training and response, I saw improving the training standards for all our first responders as an immediate priority. Today, we train to respond to any incident, regardless of size or scale. All our first responders, including our school resource officers, participate in annual active assailant training with our Tactical Training Unit. The 13-person unit, which includes our most skilled and tactically trained deputies, provides the highest level of proficiency training to sworn personnel throughout the organization.

Our Incident Command System training ensures all personnel, regardless of rank or role, understand their responsibilities and the overall structure of critical incident response and emergency management principles, which are crucial to effectively handling critical incidents. BSO command staff participate in key

operational scenarios such as establishing command posts, implementing staging areas, managing crisis communications, coordinating resources, and integrating multi-agency responses under a unified command. These extensive trainings prepare us to respond to and effectively manage emergencies. BSO is committed to continuously incorporating real-life scenarios into our training regimen to maintain operational readiness.

To enhance operational efficiency and ensure every incident is handled as expeditiously as possible, we unified our Training Division and Special Operations Bureau to form our Department of Preparedness and Response. A highlight of this new department is the Threat Intervention Tactics Analytics Network (T.I.T.A.N.). This intelligence-led policing unit works to stop terrorist acts or threats of violence. A feature of T.I.T.A.N is our organization's first full-time SWAT team, which provides high visibility and security to various critical infrastructure in the county, such as our airport and seaport. The team is also ready for immediate deployment in the event of a mass casualty incident.

The pinnacle of our commitment to protect our schools and our entire community will be our state-of-the-art Research, Development, and Training Center (RDTTC), which will open later this year. The RDTTC will house all our training efforts under one roof, allowing for greater preparedness, multi-departmental and jurisdictional training and streamlined resources.

A two-story memorial will grace the walls of the RDTTC's main entrance. Etched into it will be the 17 names of the lives lost during the MSD shooting. The building is dedicated to these victims and serves as a continual reminder of our ultimate purpose: We train in their memory. We prepare to prevent further tragedies. We will never forget them and why we made significant changes to our organization to protect our schools and children.



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Phase V - **EXPANSIVE WATER VIEW!** 1st Floor, 1,170 SF, 2BR/2BA. **ENCLOSED PATIO, IMPACT GLASS**, walk-in Jacuzzi tub, tile floors, a few steps to pool, **TOTAL appliance contract, Recreation Lease PAID IN FULL! MUST SEE!**

Phase VI – **LARGE 1,456 SF**, 1st floor, corner unit in quiet cul-de-sac. Freshly painted on 15th green of the par 3 course. Decorative backsplash in **HUGE EAT-IN KITCHEN** and bathrooms. Washer/Dryer hook-ups. **GREAT OPPORTUNITY! PRICED TO SELL FAST!**

Phase IV - **MOST BEAUTIFUL! LIKE NEW!** 1BR/1.5BA, eat-in kitchen, granite counters, SS appliances, **IMPACT WINDOWS**, tile plank flooring throughout. Par 3 golf course view. **BUY THE BEST!**

Phase 1 – **BRIGHT & BEAUTIFUL! OPEN 2BR/2BA**, 2nd floor corner, Bright open kitchen, **IMPACT WINDOWS** & accordion shutters. Recreation Lease **PAID IN FULL!** Enjoy morning coffee or evening cocktail overlooking PGA 18th fairway/green. **MUST SEE!**

Phase V – **BEAUTIFUL + WIDE LAKE VIEW** from **ENCLOSED PATIO!** 1st floor, 2BR.2BA **IMPACT GLASS**. Stunning kitchen with SS appliances & granite countertops, Breakfast bar with granite top and wine cooler. Washer/ Dryer, tankless Hot Water Heater, Recreation Lease **PAID IN FULL!** Upgraded bathrooms, Ceramic tile throughout. **JUST THE BEST!**

Phase III – **MAGNIFICENT TRANQUIL WATER & LANDSCAPE VIEW.** Upgraded 2BR/2BA **FULLY FURNISHED** (high-end Furniture & furnishings), Recreation Lease **PAID IN FULL!** Washer./Dryer, SS Appliances. **MOVE RIGHT IN! TURNKEY!**

Phase IV – **WIDE LAKE VIEW! NORTH/SOUTH exposure**, Raised kitchen ceiling, beautiful laminate flooring throughout. Recreation Lease **PAID IN FULL! CLEAN & COMFORTABLE! ENJOY!**

Phase III – **RARE OPPORTUNITY!** 2BR.2BA, 1,170 SF. Beautiful Par 3 Golf (7th & 18th greens), lake, stream, and pool views. Recreation Lease **PAID IN FULL! PRICED RIGHT!**

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Phase V - **BEAUTIFUL – BRIGHT CORNER 2BR/2BA**, 1,170 SF with both PAR 3 and PGA golf views. **NICELY UPDATED!**

Phase IV - **WIDE LAKE 2BR/2BA**, 1,170 SF, **NO CARPET**. Raised Kitchen ceiling. **CLEAN & COMFORTABLE. ALSO AVAILABLE FOR SALE.**

Phase V – 2BR/2BA, 1,170 SF, 1st floor tiled throughout, Par 3 Golf View, **IMPACT WINDOWS**, North/South Exposure, **WALK TO CLUBHOUSE!**

Phase V – 1st floor 2BR/2BA, 1,170 SF, **FULLY FURNISHED! NO CARPET**. Par 3 2nd green golf view. Short walk to Clubhouse. Also available for 6 month Rental for 2024/2025. **RELAX AND ENJOY!**

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REGULAR BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION MEETING MINUTES



Tuesday, January 25, 2023

President Mike Eaton called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on January 23, 2024. This BOA meeting was conducted live from the Social Hall as well as virtually utilizing the Zoom conferencing platform. The meeting can be seen on YouTube the day after the meeting. Communications will send out the

link via eblast.

There were 19 board members present: Brittain, DiPuglia, Eaton, Esser-Stuart, Fortier, Galletta, Goldgut, Greeley, Ingram, Koch, Labate, Mack, Mason, Munju, Rice, Tripodi, F. Webber, G. Webber, and Yost; Bergeron, Donawa, McCall, Markowski, Mislove, and Sanabria was absent. Also in attendance were Eric Wheeler (General Manager), Shane Laakso (Purchasing Manager), Beatrix Goycochea (Compliance).

Online attendees' surnames are underlined.

REPORTS

Minutes from the December 20, 2023, Board of Administration meeting, were approved by Joni Esser-Stuart and seconded by Hank Koch.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board of Administration voted to fill the vacancy for Phase 1 Director. Both candidates, Sylvie Gagnon and Fred Webber spoke to the Board before the vote. After a secret vote

was taken, Fred Webber received the majority and sworn in by President Eaton.

MOTION A – TO AMEND RULE 12, ACCESS TO ASSOCIATION RECORDS

Andy Ingram made a motion to amend Rule 12, Access to Association Records, Section 3. Inspection and Copying, Sub-section J. as follows:

J. A Unit Owner shall pay twenty-five (25) cents per page for letter or legal sized copies, payable in cash or check at the time the copies are requested. Board members, in the process of re-searching documents for Association purposes shall be exempt from the cost of twenty-five cents per page for letter or legal sized copies. The Association shall not be obligated to undertake the photocopying of any Records until payment is received by the Association. The Association reserves the right not to accept personal checks from any Unit Owner who has previously submitted a check to the Association for any charge which has been returned due to insufficient funds. In the alternative, a Unit Owner is entitled to use his or her smart phone, tablet, or other portable device to take photos of the requested Records. (Underlines are additions.)

Elaine Yost seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously by 19 votes.

MOTION B – TO LEVY FINES AND SUSPENSIONS FOR NON-COMPLIANCE OF HOLLYBROOK’S GOVERNING DOCUMENTS

Andy Ingram made a motion for the board to consider and approve the levying of fines and/or suspensions regarding the following act of noncompliance pertaining to the governing documents of the association and Florida Statute 718.303(3)(a).

DOCKET #	CATEGORY	FINE AMOUNTS	S U S P E N - SION(S)
319 a	Nuisance	One (1) Fine @ \$100	
319 b	Harassment	One (1) Fine @ \$75	
319 c	Nuisance	One (1) Fine @ \$100	
319 d	Nuisance	One (1) Fine @ \$100	
319 e	Nuisance	One (1) Fine @ \$100	
319 f	Improper Use of Facility	One (1) Fine @ \$50	
319 g	Offensive / Hazardous Use of Facility	One (1) Fine @ \$100 = \$625 Total	

This is a second similar occurrence at the same facility, (the Hollybrook Restaurant). A recommended sanction prohibiting the non-compiler from accessing the Hollybrook Restaurant for a period of six consecutive months.

The motion was seconded by Joni Esser-Stuart. There were no objections to the fines and suspension; the docket and all items passed.

President Mike Eaton adjourned the Board of Administration Meeting at 5:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elaine Yost, Recording Secretary

2024 Residential Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off Schedule

Clean Harbors Environmental Services will provide household hazardous waste drop off events for Pembroke Pines residents.

The drop off events will be held quarterly at the City's wastewater treatment plant located at 13975 Pembroke Road. Please see the 2024 schedule listed below.

2024 Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Schedule
Hours of Operation- 8:00AM to 2:00PM
March 9, 2024
June 1, 2024
September 7, 2024
December 14, 2024

<p>Acceptable Hazardous Waste</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paint thinner/stripper Paint, oil, or latex Auto fluids- motor oil, coolant, etc. Pesticides/Insecticides Fertilizer Pool chemicals Fluorescent tubes Flares Mercury thermometers Spot removers Oven and drain cleaners Furniture and metal polish Items containing mercury Batteries- rechargeable, auto, and marine Propane tanks 	<p>Unacceptable Hazardous Waste</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biohazard/medical waste Explosives Tires Business generated HHW waste Alkaline batteries- AA, AAA, C&D, 9V please dispose of these batteries in regular trash
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<p>Acceptable Electronic Waste</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Computers, monitors, keyboards Computer mice Terminals and Printers Fax machines and modems Cell phones Televisions Desk top copiers and scanners Rechargeable batteries 	<p>Unacceptable Electronic Waste</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Office furniture Stereos/Speakers Musical instruments DVD players and VCRs Appliances Microwave ovens Electronic hand tools Trash and debris
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Residents must bring proof of Pembroke Pines residency to use the drop off services.

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From Pembroke Pines Mayor Frank C. Ortis

Quarterly Waste Drop Off



I'd like to kick off the new year by inviting everyone to attend our Kindness Initiative/Community Peace Picnic event on February 3, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. This joint effort between the City of Pembroke Pines, Broward County Schools, and Baptist Health will take place at the Charles F. Dodge City Center. It's an afternoon of sharing kindness, musical performances, and the perfect spot for a

picnic. Awards will even be given for the best decorated picnic area. So, please bring your lunch and prepare to enjoy a peaceful and fun afternoon break.

At the end of the month, we have our very popular Taste of Pines, which is an event you don't want to miss. This event takes place on Thursday, February 22, at the Charles F. Dodge City Center from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Tickets availability and costs can be found on the City's website. Participants have an opportunity to sample the best of the best cuisine from our local restaurants, wines and enjoy live musical entertainment. The annual Taste of Pines benefits the City of Pembroke Pines Charter School Foundation. For more info, please call 954-392-2116.

The new year always motivates us to purge and clean but it is important to dispose of Household Hazardous Waste properly. Clean Harbors Environmental Services provides household hazardous waste drop off events for Pembroke Pines residents

on a quarterly basis. The drop off events are held at the City's wastewater treatment plant located at 13975 Pembroke Road from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mark your calendars for the scheduled dates: March 9, June 1, September 7, and December 14.

Acceptable hazardous waste includes paint thinner/stripper; paint, oil, or latex; fertilizer; pool chemicals; fluorescent tubes; flares; mercury thermometers; spot removers; oven and drain cleaners; furniture and metal polish; batteries- rechargeable, auto, and marine; and propane tanks. Unacceptable hazardous waste includes tires; explosives; alkaline batteries (AA, AAA, C&D, 9V) and biohazard/medical waste.

Acceptable electronic waste includes cell phones, television, computers, printers, and computer keyboards. Unacceptable electronic waste includes stereos/speakers, appliances, musical instruments, DVD players and VCR's.

Residents must bring proof of Pembroke Pines residency to use the drop off services. For a more complete list of acceptable and unacceptable items, please visit the City's website or call 954-518-9000.

For all the golfers out there, don't forget about the Mayor Frank C. Ortis Annual Pembroke Pines Charter School Golf Tournament which will benefit the Pembroke Pines Charter Schools. It will be held on March 22, at the Pembroke Lakes Country Club. To ensure your place and to get more information, please email Carol Campisi at ccampisi@ppines.com.

Contact Frank Ortis at 954-450-1020 or fortis@ppines.com.

From Pembroke Pines Commissioner Tom Good

Month of Heart Health



Is everyone still keeping their New Year resolutions? If one of them was to take advantage of the many programs and activities offered throughout the city, I've got a few that may keep you on your resolution path. In addition to our annual events such as the Kindness Initiative/Community Peace Picnic and Taste of Pines which are highlights this month, we have many more to keep you busy.

In celebration of "Black History Month," everyone is invited to join in a celebration at the Carl Shechter Southwest Focal Point Community Center on February 21, that includes a fashion show, dance performances, African inspired attire, and entertainment by DJ Mack. There will also be a light lunch. For more information, please call 954-450-6888.

February is the month to celebrate love, especially on Valentine's Day. So don't forget to find a special moment with your sweetie! February is also "Heart Health Month," a great time to become more aware about the warning signs and symptoms of

heart disease and what can be done on a daily basis to mitigate risk to the heart. I encourage everyone to visit the American Heart Association's website for more information.

The first Flea Market and Bazaar of the year at the SWFP Center is being held on February 10 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and February 11 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be over 100 vendors, free admission, and parking. The treasures are many and the bargains are great. I know, I am a frequent shopper.

Another very fun event at the Center is the 8th Annual "Seniors vs. Seniors Spelling Bee" being held on February 20 at 12:30 p.m. in the Main Hall. This is an intergenerational Spelling Bee, joining the Pembroke Pines Charter High School Seniors vs. Seniors from the Center in a very lively competition. If anyone is interested in participating to highlight their spelling skills, please call the Center for more information. Go Hollybrook!

There are many more activities, programs, and classes at the SWFP Center. Be sure to check their calendar and the City's at www.ppines.com for all the other events happening throughout the year. You can also sign up for our twice a month digital newsletter at www.ppines.com/newsflash.

Contact Tom Good at 954-290-5189 or tgood@ppines.com.

The Importance of Removing Storm Shutters at Hollybrook

Living in Florida comes with the recognition that hurricane season, from June 1 to Nov. 30, demands certain precautions to protect our homes. One essential practice is the installation of storm shutters, providing a shield against the elements when a hurricane looms. However, as the storm season subsides, there arises a critical need to remove these protective barriers.

At Hollybrook, while there may not be a definitive rule regarding the "Removing Hurricane Shutters out of season," management strongly advises residents to keep shutters open when outside the hurricane season. The recommendation stems from a consideration for safety, practicality, and the well-being of the community.

First and foremost, the timely removal of storm shutters is crucial for the safety and efficiency of first responders. In the aftermath of a storm, they request residents to take down their shutters as soon as they believe their area is secure. This action facilitates swift access to homes, allowing responders to address emergencies promptly.

Storm shutters must be taken down within 14 days after a named storm departs the region. While it might be tempting to maintain these protective barriers throughout the year, doing so poses potential hazards. Hurricane shutters, designed to safeguard homes during storms, can become unsafe and even life-threatening when left on windows during the off-season.

Imagine a scenario where a fire breaks out in your home. The very shutters that shielded you from hurricanes could impede your escape and the entry of firefighters. A local Fire Chief emphasizes the critical nature of time in such situations: "Firefighters can defeat the shutters blocking the window, but it will

take precious time. As time passes, the chances of smoke inhalation or burns increase if someone is trapped inside."

Every second counts in a fire emergency, and the need to **remove** hurricane shutters promptly can make a significant difference. These protective barriers are not intended for year-round use, and their presence on windows outside of storm season could jeopardize lives.

Moreover, hurricane shutters should never be misconstrued as security devices. A home with boarded-up windows might attract burglars rather than deter them, as it could signal an empty house.

Therefore, residents are urged

to prioritize safety and remove storm shutters when the threat of hurricanes has passed.

In conclusion, Hollybrook emphasizes the dual responsibility of safeguarding against hurricanes during the season and ensuring the safety and accessibility of homes for first responders and residents alike during the off-season. As the storm shutters are taken down, residents are reminded that every second counts – plan two ways out and let the light shine through.



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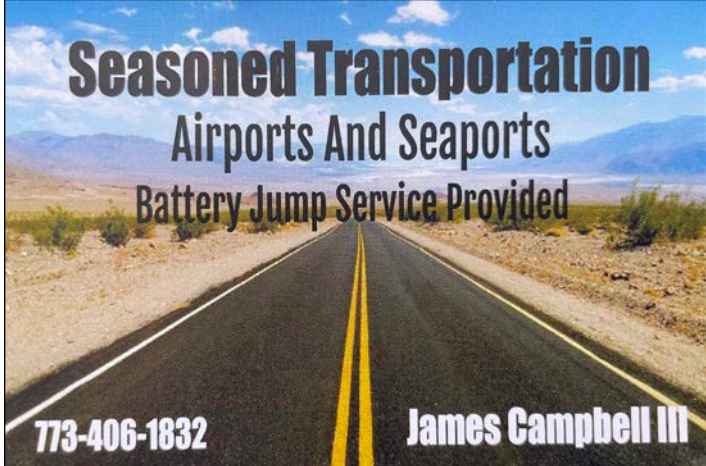
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Works in Continual Progress

- ✓ Pressure Washing all First Floor Catwalks and Bumpers
- ✓ Repair Asphalt Damaged by Owner Oil Spills
- ✓ Assist Outside Contractors as Needed and Requested.
Example: Administration Building Re-Roofing Project
- ✓ Continue Assisting Downed Elevators Repair
- ✓ Replace Rain Leader (gutters)

Pending Paperwork, Permits, Parts or More

- ✓ Towers Waste Line (Sewer Line in A and B)
- ✓ Meter Room Building 3 (waiting for parts)
- ✓ Recreation, Admin A/C Cleaning, Repair, Replacement
- ✓ Playhouse A/C (unit 1 is out and a new unit needs to be built expect to have by January or February)
- ✓ Gate B Roadway

Mission Accomplished

- ✓ Repaired more than 65 Plumbing Issues to date this year - 1/24/2024
- ✓ Towers Pressure Washing Catwalks and Residential Bumpers
- ✓ Painting Shuffleboard Courts
- ✓ Gate A Renovation

- ✓ Phase 1 through 6 Pressure Washing off First Floor Catwalks and Residential Bumpers
- ✓ Pressure Wash Recreation Building

The work of the Maintenance Department is never ending as they also have to look ahead and plan for work proactively as they also manage and address the daily emergencies. Keeping Hollybrook looking great and operating smoothly takes a true team.

This monthly feature keeps residents informed on what Maintenance is working on. Although it is impossible to include all projects and emergencies, we are trying to keep the community informed of larger projects and ongoing work.

*Remember to
please thank our
maintenance workers!*

Direct Withdrawal for Unit Owners

Many of us have taken advantage of the opportunity to have Hollybrook withdraw our quarterly maintenance payments from our checking or savings accounts. *Why?*

Advantages of Direct Withdrawal for Unit Owners

- Residents do not have to worry about the quarterly deadlines
- Assuming sufficient funds are in the account, there are no late fees or interest charges because the withdrawals are on-time payments
- Savings in terms of time (writing quarterly checks)
- No postage if you are away from your Hollybrook residence

Advantages of Direct Withdrawal for Hollybrook

- Saves staff time processing and recording checks
- Bank processing costs are less for direct withdrawals versus costs of processing checks
- The savings will have a positive impact on our budget if even more unit owners choose this option

Residents may request the form directly from Etna Chery via e-mail (controller@hollybrook.com) or it can be picked up at the Reception Desk in the Hollybrook Administration Building.

Try it for the rest of 2024 and if you do not like this worry-free option, you can withdraw your permission. Please contact Joni Esser-Stuart, at 954-431-0600 Ext. 238, if you have questions or concerns.

BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, February 21

4pm

Room 208A - Rec Building

The Hollybrook Book Club will be discussing "Other Birds" by Sara Addison Allen. Book available on Amazon. Gail Dym to lead discussion.

New members welcome!

For more information:
Contact Dorothy Aaron at dorothy.aaron@sympatico.ca

Century Village Shows

Winter & Spring

Schedule Available

Important Update on how to purchase your tickets for upcoming Century Village Shows!

Hollybrook residents may purchase tickets for shows at Century Village Theater in west Pembroke Pines.

Tickets cost \$12 each. For special Hollybrook deals, use order forms available at the Administration Building reception desk. Directions are on the top of the form. *The more you buy, the more you save!*

Check out: www.centuryvillagetheater.com/pembroke_pines/ for show details and a lineup of upcoming events.

The new contact person in Hollybrook for Century Village Theater tickets is Joan Liss. Her contact number is 954-560-4780.

If you want to purchase tickets please call her first. She is asking that money for tickets be dropped off directly with her - and not in the Administration Building.

Once you drop your money off with her, she will procure tickets and make arrangements for ticket pickup! We deeply appreciate Joan for stepping in and helping out with facilitating these tickets!

All You Need to Know About Recycling

By Lu Shifrin, Recycling Co-Chair

Special News Flash!!!

Hollybrook is recycling eyeglasses again. Please bring your old eyeglasses to the Administration Building, and place them in the black basket behind the receptionist's desk.

Hollybrook can now recycle aluminum cans!

This includes empty cans of water, cola, seltzers beer, etc. We cannot recycle empty cans of food, as they are most often made of tin.

Recyclables

Place the following recyclables in the blue/green bin in your laundry room or trash room:

Clean cardboard; paper; boxes (broken down); aluminum cans (see above information); empty and clean plastic containers of juice, soda, water, seltzer, and such; empty plastic prescription drug containers, with personal information removed. Please put all container caps into the recycling bin separately.

Trash

Place the following items (enclosed in a TIED trash bag, please) in the black and gray bin in your laundry room, trash room, or dumpster close to your building:

Discarded food and food containers; empty tin cans; glass and ceramic objects; soiled paper; plastics; Styrofoam; dead batteries; and dead and broken light bulbs.

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Movie Night Returns to Hollybrook

By Mireya Alfonso

On January 12, the eagerly awaited return of Movie Night brought Hollybrook residents together in the Playhouse, marking the end of a hiatus that had lasted since 2020. Movie Night, a cherished tradition dating back to the late 1970s, was once held on Monday nights, featuring recently released theater movies at the cost of \$1 per ticket.

The initiative to revive Movie Night was spearheaded by Director of Communications, Mireya Alfonso. Approaching Board President, Mike Eaton, and General Manager, Eric Wheeler, with her proposal, Alfonso received unanimous support from the President, General Manager, and Executive Board members.

While Movie Night has undergone some changes, its essence remains intact. The event is now free to attend, eliminating the entry fee to make it more accessible to the community. To cover the cost of movie rentals, a well-stocked concession stand has been introduced, offering candy, popcorn, soda, beer, and wine for those looking to enhance their movie-watching experience.

An additional delight for Movie Night attendees is the opening of the Patio Grill every other Friday from 4 pm to 7 pm, serving light bites before the movie. This provides an opportunity for residents to enjoy dinner after a round of golf or pickleball, or to gather with friends for a sunset happy hour, even if they choose not to attend the movie.

A shift from its original Monday night schedule, Movie Night is now hosted on Friday nights. This adjustment accommodates Line Dancing sessions on Mondays and aligns with the availability of the Director of Communications, who also serves as the film projectionist on Friday evenings.

Mark your calendars for upcoming movie dates in February: February 9, coinciding with National Pizza Day and featuring special offers from the Patio Grill, and February 23, in honor of Black History Month. Stay tuned for announcements and flyers as movie selections are fine-tuned and finalized.

Despite some critics expressing reservations about the relevance of Movie Night in an era of streaming services, the event aims to provide a low-cost, communal activity, fostering an active and engaged community. As Hollybrook residents gather for cinematic enjoyment, Movie Night stands as a testament to the enduring power of shared experiences.



Phase 1 Director Appointed

By Elaine Yost

After many years at Hollybrook, giving his time and energy freely, Claude LaChance has left Hollybrook. Unfortunately, it left a vacancy for a Phase 1 Director. Claude was an attorney in Canada and greatly contributed to us with his legal expertise, not to mention his endless work updating our documents. He will be greatly missed.

Originally, we had 3 residents that submitted their biographies; in the end, we had 2 left for the vote. During the January 23, 2024, Board Meeting, both candidates each gave a presentation introducing themselves, gave their backgrounds, and expressed their willingness to perform due diligence for Hollybrook.

We had a secret ballot, and the results were 16 to 4, making Fred Webber the new Phase 1 Director. President Michael Eaton swore Fred in as a Director. Fred was able to participate in the meeting and vote on the motions that were on the agenda.

Phase 1 Pool Transformation: Temporary Closure, Exciting Upgrade

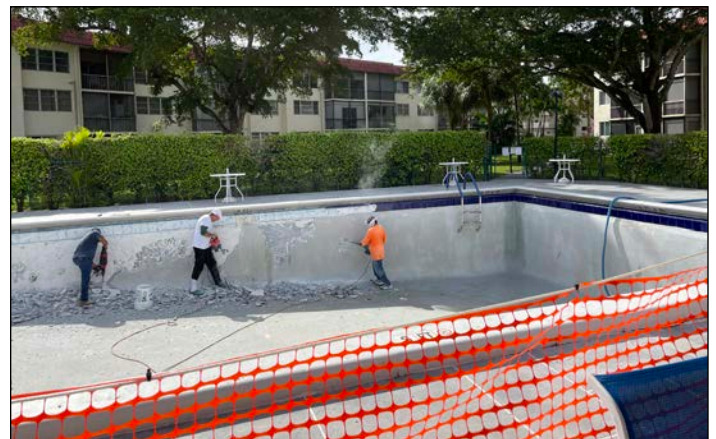
By Eric Wheeler

Get ready for a splash of exciting news! The Phase 1 is about to undergo a rejuvenating transformation to enhance your aquatic experience. Work began in late January which means the pool will be temporarily "TAKEN OUT OF SERVICE" for a comprehensive makeover.

The ambitious project involves draining the pool, removing the old interior surface, and executing necessary repairs. The highlight of the renovation is the application of a brand-new Re-Diamond Bright surface, promising a sparkling and inviting pool for everyone to enjoy.

Anticipated to last THREE (3) WEEKS, the project aims to wrap up by Friday, February 16, 2024, when we expect to welcome you back to a revitalized Pool One (1).

During this period, we encourage you to explore the other Phase Pools for your swimming, laps, and lounging needs. For safety reasons, the use of the pool deck will not be allowed during the construction project. However, the BBQ Grills will still be at your service, ensuring you can savor delicious meals. Please note that any gathering should be restricted to the des-



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Reviving the Rhythms: Caribbean Club Welcomes 2024 with Enthusiasm and Inclusivity

By Judy Thomas

Photos courtesy of VOH Archive

Excitement is in the air as the Caribbean Club at Hollybrook gears up for the 2024 season, anticipating a fresh wave of new members and a return to their cherished annual events. Established in April 2003, the Caribbean Club, originally known as the Caribbean Culture Club, has been an integral part of the Hollybrook community, fostering a sense of camaraderie and celebration.

In its early years, the club served as a social hub for the Caribbean community within Hollybrook. The monthly Games Night, featuring dominos, pokeno, ludo, and cards, became a staple, providing residents with an enjoyable and engaging evening. Additionally, the club organized a yearly Holiday Dance, offering Caribbean delicacies and live steel drum music, along with a lively 'Carnaval' themed party every February. Social activities such as pool parties, theatre excursions, and day cruises were also on the agenda, showcasing the diverse interests of the Caribbean Club members.

Beyond revelry, the Caribbean Club took pride in giving back to the community. Their annual Memorial Day BBQ at the Phase 6 Pool doubled as a fundraiser, incorporating a clothing drive, with admission fees directed to the Haitian Relief Fund. Another notable initiative was the annual Jazz

Concert Benefit for the Dillard High School Jazz Ensemble, contributing proceeds to support the band's participation in national competitions.

Unfortunately, the global pandemic disrupted the vibrant activities at Hollybrook, impacting the Caribbean Club as well. Concerts were canceled, and the usual rhythm of events temporarily came to a pause. However, as a new normal emerges post-pandemic, the Caribbean Club is determined to resume its annual Benefit Concert for the Dillard Jazz Ensemble. Keep an eye out for updated information on this anticipated event!



To kick off the 2024 season, the Caribbean Club invites all residents to a Meet & Greet at the Phase 6 Pool on 2/24/24, from 4 pm to 6 pm. With an influx of new residents at Hollybrook, the club aims to attract fresh faces and introduce them to the vibrant Caribbean culture. Membership is open to everyone, regardless of background. Whether you hail from the Carib-

bean islands or simply appreciate Caribbean culture, you are welcome to join the Caribbean Club family.



The night before their Meet & Greet, Hollybrook will be hosting a Movie Night on Friday, 2/23/24 in honor of Black History Month. The screening will feature the inspiring movie "The Woman King," providing an opportunity for the

community to come together, learn, and appreciate the significant contributions of African Americans in history.

The club's mission is clear – to create an inclusive environment where individuals from diverse backgrounds feel valued, acknowledged, and supported in Hollybrook. Beyond the festivities, the Caribbean Club is committed to continuing its legacy of community philanthropy while shining a spotlight on the rich tapestry of Caribbean culture. As the beats of steel drums echo once again, the Caribbean Club looks forward to a season filled with connection, celebration, and the warm embrace of community spirit.

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Ada Rios turns 95!



Photo by Mireya Alfonso

Hollybrook resident Ada Rios is seen here celebrating her 95th birthday on January 27 alongside her daughters, Sandra Carbo and Myra Markowski. It was a lovely celebration with family and friends! We wish Alma the happiest of birthdays and another year of health and happiness.

A vibrant, heart-themed poster for an event. At the top, it says 'HOLLYBROOK PRESENTS' and 'Happy Valentine's Day'. The main title is 'CUPID'S BALL' in large, stylized letters, with 'Wed Feb 14th' below it. The poster features illustrations of Cupid figures, a man in a red and white polka-dot suit holding a keyboard, and a woman in a white dress with red floral patterns. Text on the poster includes '\$25.00 PP', 'BYOB', 'Music By IT TAKES TWO', '8pm To 11pm', and 'CALL CONNIE MASON 954-648-0115'. At the bottom, it says 'TICKETS AVAILABLE IN THE ADMINISTRATION BLDG'. The background is filled with various shades of pink and red hearts.

Happy Mind, Happy Heart

The Vital Connections Between Mental and Cardiovascular Health in Seniors

By Mireya Alfonso

Photos By L. Juba Photo

As we age, the importance of holistic well-being becomes increasingly evident. Beyond physical fitness, the interconnectedness of mental and cardiovascular health plays a pivotal role in the overall wellness of seniors. Mental well-being and heart health have a very special symbiotic relationship and strategies are often needed to cultivate positive mental health for a happy heart.

Understanding the Connection

Scientific research consistently underscores the profound connection between mental and cardiovascular health. The mind and the heart share a dynamic relationship, influencing each other in ways that impact our overall health. Chronic stress, anxiety and depression can contribute to the development and progression of heart diseases. Conversely, maintaining positive mental health can serve as a protective factor for our hearts, reducing the risk of cardiovascular issues.

Strategies for Promoting Positive Mental Health

1. **Stay Active:** Physical activity isn't just about keeping the body fit; it's a powerful tool for nurturing mental well-being. Seniors can engage in activities such as walking, yoga or tai chi, which release endorphins, the body's natural mood booster.
2. **Foster Social Connections:** Isolation and loneliness can take a toll on mental health and, subsequently, heart health. It's important to participate in community events, join clubs, or take part in group activities. Building and maintaining social connections provide emotional support and companionship, contributing to a healthier state of mind.
3. **Pursue Lifelong Learning:** Stimulating the mind through continued learning and intellectual pursuits promotes cognitive health, which is intricately connected to emotional well-being. Whether it's taking up a new hobby, attending lectures, or participating in book clubs, engaging the mind fosters a positive mental outlook.
4. **Practice Mindfulness and Stress Reduction:** Incorporating mindfulness techniques, such as meditation and deep breathing exercises, can significantly reduce stress levels. Chronic stress contributes to inflammation and high blood pressure, both of which are detrimental to heart health.
5. **Prioritize Quality Sleep:** A good night's sleep is

crucial for both mental and cardiovascular health. Encourage seniors to establish consistent sleep routines, create a comfortable sleep environment, and seek professional help if sleep issues persist. Quality sleep contributes to better mood, cognitive function, and overall heart health.

In our quest for overall health, let us not overlook the intricate dance between our hearts and our minds. By promoting positive mental health practices among seniors, we empower them to enjoy a fulfilling, heart-healthy life. Together, we can nurture a community where healthy hearts and happy minds co-exist harmoniously, fostering a legacy of wellbeing for generations to come.

Learn more about Cardiovascular Health and Wellness at this month's Lunch & Learn series. This month, Hollybrook will be presenting a lecture on heart health as part of Heart Health month! this informative lunch will go over this topic in more depth and there will be an opportunity for a Q & A after the presentation. This monthly lecture series has become very popular here at Hollybrook with each event having a better turnout than the month before! Last month's lecture was at capacity so do not forget to RSVP for this FREE Lunch & Learn with Carol Mazza in Administration! RSVP is required.

Lastly, Hollybrook has an active calendar of enrichment activities along with amenities such as golf, tennis, pickleball, a gym and several pools, offering plenty of ways to keep your heart healthy!



Love at First Sight: A Hollybrook Valentine's Tale

By Mireya Alfonso

We are reprinting this article from the "Here's Hollybrook" 1976 newsletter. The newsletter was printed as part of a campaign to attract new homeowners to Hollybrook. As part of our 50th Anniversary Highlight series we're happy to share this article from the archive in time for Valentine's Day! Unfortunately, there was no by-line for the writer who originally covered this story, but we are happy this bit of Hollybrook history has survived!

Hollybrook is a lot of things to a lot of people, but not very many have the same attachment to their home community that Isabel and Thomas Levine have.

The Levines, met, fell in love, and got married at Hollybrook, and to them, it is their own lover's paradise.



Their story started when Mrs. Levine, then Isabel Kneapler, needed to make some phone calls before her apartment phone was installed. She went to the Clubhouse to use the pay phone, and everything was proceeding nicely... until she ran out of dimes.

She was searching frantically for change when Thomas Levine noticed her. Not one to leave a damsel in distress, Levine gallantly offered here a dime. It was practically love at first sight.

The two were married January 10 in a quiet ceremony at Mrs. Levine's apartment, where they now make their home. That evening they attended a dinner and reception in their honor hosted by Mrs. Levine's son Steven Knaeppler at the Kings Bay Yacht and

Country Club in South Miami. The beautiful reception included both out-of-town and local guests of the happy couple.

Mrs. Levine has lived in South Florida for thirty years, originally making her home in Coral Gables. Before moving to Hollybrook Tower one and a half years ago, Thomas Levine was a floor covering contractor in New York. They each have children from previous marriages as well as grandchildren.

The two beautiful families are now happily consolidated, and the newlyweds have settled into a comfortable life of year-round residency at Hollybrook, where they can entertain their families, spend a lot of time on the golf course, and yes, live happily ever after.

Finding this article in the archive was a pleasant surprise and a testament to how Hollybrook has had a strong sense of community since its start! It also takes us back to a time where a phone call only cost a dime and soulful connections could be made when least expected. Simple times indeed. While some things have changed at Hollybrook (it might be easier to borrow a phone charger these days) other things like a sense of community and connection have not. If you are single and looking to connect with other Hollybrook residents, check out the Hollybrook Singles Club. They get together for weekly activities as well as the monthly dances at Hollybrook. Hollybrook also offers a wide range of amenities and activities to help keep you active as well as meeting others in the community.

Hollybrook Singles Club

Are you single? New to Hollybrook? If you like to play pool, shuffleboard, pickleball, cards, ping pong or just want to hang out with other Hollybrook Singles

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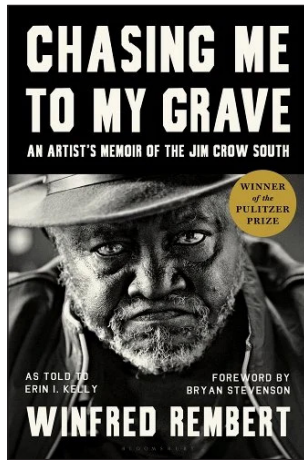
By Terri Rinkinen

Forty-eight years ago, in 1976, as part of the nation's bicentennial celebrations, President Gerald Ford officially recognized February as "Black History Month." Originally created to focus attention on the contributions of African Americans to the United States, the celebration then expanded to include Canada and Germany. Ireland, the Netherlands, and the United Kingdom soon followed to celebrate in October.

Each year there is a theme. The theme for 2024 is African Americans and the Arts, "spanning the many impacts Black Americans have had on visual arts, music, cultural movements and more," to quote the Smithsonian Institute. I highly recommend visiting their website for a plethora of references and resources concerning Black History and the many talented contributors to the 2024 theme (si.edu/events/black-history-month).

Luckily, without necessarily planning for February, I had just finished reading "Chasing Me to My Grave: An Artist's Memoir of the Jim Crow South," by Winfred Rembert as told to Erin I. Kelly (2021).

Call me naïve, but I have a hard time understanding why



some groups of people have had to suffer, and continue to suffer, such a myriad of prejudices and difficulties, within my lifetime. You would think it might be ancient history, yet it still goes on.

The author, not much older than I am, grew up in Georgia and was arrested as a teenager at a Civil Rights demonstration in 1962. While admittedly not then a perfectly upstanding citizen, he suffered undeserved indignities for the next seven years on chain gangs in the Georgia penal system.

Eventually he was paroled as a model prisoner, married, and had eight children as well as a number of foster children. Along the way he explored and enhanced a unique artistic talent of painting his life experiences on leather. Ultimately he became a well-respected contemporary artist. To his surprise, his art became highly valued collector's pieces. Truly an inspiring story of redemption and overcoming the adversity of growing up Black, in rural Georgia, during the Jim Crow era. As an added bonus, his book is richly illustrated with his artwork.

A copy of "Chasing Me to My Grave" will be in the Hollybrook Library, as well as available on Amazon and at Barnes & Noble.

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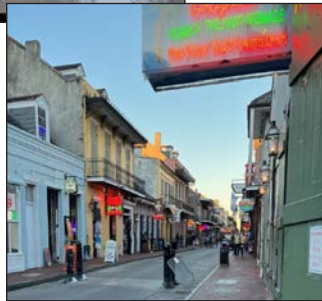
A Jazz-Filled Adventure in the Heart of New Orleans

Story and Photos by Sylvie Gagnon



Bourbon Street, our home for the trip was the Four Point Sheraton – the perfect hub for those seeking Action with a capital A!

The French Quarter welcomed us with open arms, offering jazz shows that permeated the streets and bars



at all hours of the day and night. The atmosphere was electric, and the music became the soundtrack to our adventure. It was an immersion into the soulful rhythm of New Orleans, an experience that left an indelible

Micheline and I have shared countless memories since my arrival in Hollybrook back in 2009, but our recent trip to New Orleans during Thanksgiving weekend, was nothing short of extraordinary. With an insatiable appetite for shows, music, and the vibrant atmosphere of the French Quarter, we set out for a magical getaway that left us in awe.

Our journey was a mere 90-minute plane ride away, making it a convenient escape from our beloved Hollybrook. Nestled in the heart of the action on

mark on our hearts.

And let's talk about Café Beignets – a haven for anyone with a sweet tooth. The donuts were, without a doubt, to die for! I couldn't resist bringing back a box filled with the famous mixture and pralines

to share the taste of New Orleans with friends back in Hollybrook.

To explore the city, we hopped on the charming trams, our trusty companions throughout our New Orleans escapade. The beauty of these trams was the all-day validity of the tickets, allowing us to disembark at our leisure. We marveled at the historic cemeteries, tried our luck at the casino, and discovered the hidden gems that make New Orleans truly unique.

As we reflect on our adventure, Micheline and I can't help but be grateful for the memories we've added to our Hollybrook chronicles. Our journey to the heart of New Orleans was more than a trip; it was a celebration of friendship, music, and the joy of exploring new horizons. Until the next adventure awaits, we carry the echoes of jazz and the spirit of the French Quarter in our hearts.



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Happenings Around Town

Features

Have fun, eat food, frolic happy

By Danielle Gosselin

SW Focal Senior Center

If you're not already a member – what are you waiting for? The Senior Center is up the street from Hollybrook and offers a variety of activities for the month of February!

Nail Spa - FREE nail polishing on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month 10:00am-11:30am in Lobby area. For registered SWFP members only. February 12 and February 26.

LOL: Living Out Loud Social Meetup- In this fun and upbeat group, you will meet and connect with other active seniors in a casual group setting. Find new friends with similar interests, socialize, plan group outings and much more! This Senior Meetup group meets the 1st Wednesday of every month at 11:00 am. January 3 ~ February 7 ~ March 6

Flea Market and Bazaar - February 10 – 8:00am till 3:00pm February 11 – 9:00am till 3:00pm. Over 100 indoor vendors – FREE admission and parking.

“Black History Month” Celebration - Everyone is invited to join us for this celebration which includes a fashion show, dance performances, African inspired attire, and entertainment provided by DJ Mack. A light lunch will follow after the fashion show and dance performances. February 21 at 11:30 am in the Main Hall. DJ sponsored by Site Council – Lunch sponsored by Caremax

“Chinese New Year 2024” Dinner Dance with DJ Mack - Join us as we celebrate the “Year of the Dragon”! Prizes will be given for the best dressed. Buffet dinner at 5:30 pm (reservations required). Dance starts at 6:30 pm. February 22. Catered by a local Chinese Restaurant. \$20.00 per person-CASH ONLY.

City Happenings

There's always something going on around town. Here's our top picks for city events in February!

Taste of Pines will be held at the Charles F. Dodge Center from 6:30pm to 9:30 pm on February 22. Enjoy a "Taste" of the best food drinks, and desserts then vote for your favorites!

Savor the Sound Music Series - Come relax & enjoy live music, food, games and live art on February 25 from 4:00pm - 6:00pm at The Charles F. Dodge City Center. Enjoy music from different genres each month. Live Artist Jill Lefkowitz. Bring your blankets and chairs!

Relay for Life - Want to make a move towards a great cause? Please join the Annual Relay for Life walk for cancer awareness on March 8 from 5pm to midnight. It will be held at the Academic Village.

Free Concerts - Enjoy a night of great food trucks and music from the Beatles at T.Y. Parks Across the Universe event. The event will be held at TY Park on February 18. Bring your own lawn chairs and relax all night!

Artwalk - If you love art and culture go down to the Downtown Hollybrook Artwalk on February 17! Visit galleries and shops while listening to live music. It is held from 6:00pm to 11:00pm on the third Saturday of every month.

Afro Carib Festival - Celebrate African-American and Caribbean culture at the Afro Carib Festival held at the Miramar Regional Park Amphitheater on February 17. Listen to a variety of diverse artists and watch their captivating performances. You must buy tickets for this event.

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A Harmonious Tradition

By Nancy Wuerzburger

The South Florida Folk & Acoustic Music Festival has been a cherished tradition in my life since the late 90s, and with each passing year it only gets better. Nestled in the heart of Davie, at the Bergeron Rodeo Grounds, this musical extravaganza promises an unforgettable experience for all music enthusiasts. This year the festival is happening from February 2 through February 4.

The festival offers a melodic escape with two stages hosting over 40 acts. As you wander through the grounds, you'll encounter a vibrant array of vendors, adding to the festive atmosphere. From handcrafted treasures to delectable treats, there's something for everyone.

A highlight of the event is the Singer/Songwriter competition, a showcase of extraordinary talent narrowed down to ten exceptional performers. It's a captivating journey through original compositions, showcasing the diverse and rich tapestry of folk and acoustic music.

One of the festival's unique charms is its location at Bergeron Rodeo Grounds, featuring mostly covered grounds for uninterrupted enjoyment, rain or shine. Convenience meets camaraderie as music lovers gather to revel in the tunes that have become the heartbeat of this community.

For those seeking a deeper connection to the festival experience,

there are music jams and workshops, allowing attendees to immerse themselves in the craft of acoustic melodies. And what's a festival without delicious bites? Food trucks line the grounds, offering a culinary adventure to complement the musical feast.

For the adventurous spirits, camping is an option that adds a touch of magic to the festival. I still remember my first camping experience at Easterlin Park during the South Florida Folk Festival – a chilly 32-degree night made warm by a crackling campfire and the soul-stirring tunes of two talented musicians serenading us with Train songs.

The beauty of the South Florida Folk & Acoustic Music Festival lies in its unpredictability. Each year brings something new, something unexpected, creating an atmosphere of anticipation and excitement. As I close my eyes and think about the festival, I'm filled with gratitude for the countless memories and the wonderful community that gathers to celebrate the magic of folk and acoustic music.

Join the harmonious celebration at the South Florida Folk & Acoustic Music Festival – three days of music, laughter, and shared moments. Tickets are available at browardfolkclub.com, promising an experience that will linger in your heart long after the last note has faded into the night.


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A Hot Hot Night at Hollybrook!

This month's evening event at the Playhouse, Hot Hot Hot!, was a lively evening featuring a tribute show showcasing the music of Pitbull, Marc Anthony, Shakira, J.Lo and more! The crowd was on their feet the entire night, dancing along and enjoying the live show which featured live music, dancers and entertainers as well as a DJ after the show. Don't miss the next event on Wednesday, February 14, 2024 - our Cupid's Ball! Photos courtesy of Elizabeth Alfonso.



Empowering the Community Through Language

Jazmin Rivera-Medina's ESL Classes at Hollybrook

By Nancy Wuerzburger

Jazmin Rivera-Medina, a natural-born teacher, has dedicated her life to education and community building. Born in Puerto Rico, she moved to New York with her family at the tender age of 2 months. Growing up in a bilingual household, language and teaching were inherent aspects of her upbringing. Her journey in education began at the Community College (BMCC), where she discovered her passion for science. This led her to pursue a Masters in Bilingual Science Education, and for the next 35 years, she shared her knowledge and passion with countless students.



Six years ago, Jazmin and her husband, Jose, discovered the vibrant community of Hollybrook during their visits. Two years ago, they decided to make it their permanent home. Jazmin's commitment to education did not waver, and she found a way to contribute to her new community in a meaningful way.

Last year, Jazmin initiated an ESL (English as a Second Language) class at Hollybrook, a community service that she offers free of charge. However, she intentionally limits the class size to 10 participants to ensure a more personalized and effective learning experience. Jazmin believes that a smaller group setting allows for individual attention, enabling her to tailor the challenges based on each student's skill level.

In her own words, Jazmin explains, "A smaller group allows you to give individual attention. After assessing skill levels, you challenge them accordingly." Her primary goal for the ESL class is clear: she aims to help her students become integral parts of the community. Jazmin's hope is that the broader community will reciprocate this inclusivity and extend a warm welcome to those learning English as a second language.

The ESL classes take place three times a week on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays in the community's recreation center. By offering these classes, Jazmin not only imparts language skills but also fosters a sense of belonging and unity within Hollybrook. Her dedication to education, coupled with her desire to build bridges between different language communities, exemplifies the positive impact one individual can have on a community's cultural fabric. Jazmin Rivera-Medina is not just teaching English; she is bridging gaps and creating a more inclusive and harmonious Hollybrook for everyone.

Features

Un Nuit Inoubliable Avec Michael Rancourt

It's been a very active season at Hollybrook and everyone seems to be pleased with the variety of activities being offered. On January 26, Michael Rancourt performed at the Hollybrook Playhouse to a crowd of close to 300! His career spans 35 years and he is extremely well known amongst our French-Canadian community. He is known for his vocal impersonations where he showcases songs from legendary singers from a bygone era.

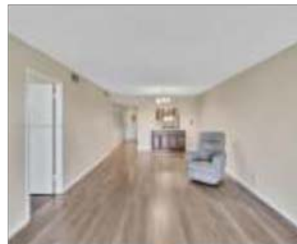


Photos by Mireya Alfonso



This was a highly anticipated event for our snowbird community. Prior to the show, the Restaurant hosted a pre-show dinner in the Social Hall with over 160 residents in attendance. While the Restaurant is usually closed on Friday evenings, resident, Sylvie Gagnon, worked with Restaurant Manager, Michael Fishman, to coordinate the pre-show dinner. It was a resounding success! The crowd was excited about the Michael Rancourt show and generally happy to come together for a festive evening.

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The Great Blue Hero(n)

Story and Photos by Mark Favus

It was the end of October 2019 when I returned back home from a month-long trip to England and Portugal. I was starting to plan my overseas travel for 2020 when Covid turned the world upside down.

Being confined in Hollybrook was likely the best place to be, with good weather and the ability to spend time outdoors. Nevertheless, it was a burden being alone and not being able to congregate with friends and family. I recognized the signs of depression.

Early one morning I woke and peered out my 6th floor balcony window, spotting a magnificent bird at the edge of a lake. I knew little about wildlife then, but something spurred me to grab my old camera and run down six flights. I was able to get two decent shots before the bird flew away.

I searched the internet and found that the bird was a Great Blue Heron. It was stunningly beautiful, and I realized that the abundance of the natural world at Hollybrook was just waiting to be discovered.

I'd always loved photography but had never photographed wildlife before. With little else positive to motivate me I discovered a new passion, learning wildlife photography and studying their characteristics and behavior.

The Great Blue Heron is the largest Heron in North America standing 50 inches tall with a wingspan of 80 inches. It's distinguished by a spear like yellow beak and blue gray body. In breeding season, the back of the crown is adorned with long

black plumes.

As a year-round resident in Florida, it can be found as a solitary feeder mostly in lakes, marshes, and creeks. Its diet consists primarily of fish, crabs, and vertebrates. You can observe them at the edges of our lakes or on top of buildings overlooking the lakes, stalking and motionless for extended periods of time.

They're monogamous and nest in colonies. Breeding season in Florida is twice a year and begins in the winter season in January. The colony that I've documented is at Wakodahatchee Wetlands. When I was there in the beginning of January, the male heron did a balletic mating dance. First lowering his neck down and stretching as far as possible, emitting one loud click from its beak. This was followed by him standing up and stretching his neck, pointing his beak skywards. This was repeated ten or twelve times with the female closely observing.

Males gather the large sticks and twigs to build the nest with the female in charge of arranging the softer nesting material. Incubation is typically thirty days and produces two to seven blue eggs. The nestlings, once hatched, remain in the nest for up to ninety days. During this period, they're reliant on both the male and female to bring food. Gradually the food delivery tapers off and they must fend for themselves.

It seems quite fitting that my passion for wildlife photography started with that first glimpse of one of our most beautiful and majestic herons.



Golf Bookings and the Chelsea Reservation System

by Adam Scrimenti

In order to use the Chelsea application on your phone, you will need to enter the Hollybrook Golf and Tennis Club code. The code is HBG100 (in all capital letters).

If you are having difficulty logging into Chelsea: First, I always recommend going to Hollybrook.com. Then select the Golf and Tennis tab, then select Chelsea, and then select the member tab. You will then be prompted to enter your member number and password.

The inability to log in is due to one of several reasons which are simple to fix. First, your password may need to be reset. (Passwords must be at least six characters in length, they must contain at least one number and at least one capital letter and may not include any special characters. Second, you may have a suspend date that was not reset when you arrived this year. Third, you may not have a valid email address registered in Chelsea, which is required to log in.)

If you are experiencing difficulties, please stop by the Proshop and see me.

I will make sure that you can gain access. You can also send me an email to golfdirector@hollybrook.com. I will need a picture of your Hollybrook ID card so that I can adjust the start and end date of your membership, your email address, and what you would like your password to be.

Please visit the following link: <http://tinyurl.com/27kk6n2d>. It is an informational video that will answer many of the questions that you have in regard to how the Chelsea reservations system works. (Please note that different clubs have a different window for the lottery, booking, and point history.)

Monitoring the lottery system:

I have been monitoring the lottery daily. This means, that when the lottery first populates the tee sheet, I am printing it. Then on the day of play, I compare the original tee sheet against the individuals that actually showed up to play, looking for any abnormalities. I am specifically looking for those people that have a pattern of getting a tee time using people that have zero or very few points and then replacing them with people that have high point counts. I am looking for this same pattern when people use individuals with zero or very few points and then replace them with guests. I am also looking for individuals that show up on the tee sheet that are known to be out of town. I can also assure everyone that there are many members that are doing the same. These actions are not in compliance with Hollybrook's code of conduct and repeated offences may lead to increasing penalty points and the possibility of suspension.

Point Allocation:

Hollybrook uses ten days of play history, as stated in the clubs by laws, in determining a member's points. These are called end of day points. I emphasize the use of the word history, because

by definition, it is in the past. After ten days, the points fall off. This is the case for both end of day points and placement points. Chelsea also takes into account the next five days into the future for your point total. These are called placement points. You receive a placement point when you get a tee time through the lottery system. Once you receive a placement point, it stays on your record. The only way that it gets removed is if the club closes for the day, in which case, Teresa, at Chelsea will be con-



tacted and that point will be removed the following day. The placement point will remain a placement point until the day of play when it will turn into an end of day point. If someone cancels a tee time that was received through the lottery system, the point will stay on their record. It will remain on their record as a placement point and will not turn into an end of day point. According to the club's bylaws, if someone fails to cancel a tee time prior to 5:00 pm the day before play, they are to be assessed a penalty point in addition to the placement point.

Please note that the Chelsea system does not differentiate between the different point classifications.

When you make a booking for a tee time instead of using the lottery system you do not get a placement point at the time of booking. Instead, you will receive an end of day point on the day of play. If you call and cancel a tee time before 5:00 pm the day before play that was made through booking, then you will not receive an end of day point.

There has been a lot of confusion on this topic; however, this system has been in place since at least 2019 and has not deviated. In the past, staff may have made manual changes to players points, which is not in accordance with the club's bylaws. The Chelsea system was designed to make it as fair as possible for everyone and to ensure the least amount of cheating as possible. That is the reason that this board and management will adhere strictly to the Chelsea guidelines.

Please note that between January 1 and April 15, points do not get assessed for anyone that plays at 3:00 pm or later.

The Lottery:

Members can put in requests for tee times six to ten days in advance. There is a misconception that putting in a request ten days in advance will give you priority over someone that puts in a requests six days in advance. This is not the case.

Priority in the lottery system is based solely on the average of the total points within a group.

Ex. Player 1: 6 points, Player 2: 8 points, Player 3: 4 points, and Player 4: 2 points. $6+8+4+2=20$ points divided by four so the group average is five points.

Ex. Player 1: 9 points and Player 2: 3 points. $9+3=12$ points divided by 2, so the group average is 6 points.

Annual Jim McCambly Par 3 Tournament in Full Swing!

Article by Judy Thomas

Photos by Vicky Turnbull

Every Friday morning at 9 am, the vibrant community of Hollybrook comes together at Hole #10 on the Par 3 Course, setting the stage for the much-anticipated Jim McCambly Par 3 Tournament. This weekly gathering has become a cherished tradition, bringing together 85-90 residents who share a passion for golf, camaraderie, and a good time.

The tournament is a testament to the sense of community that thrives within Hollybrook. Foursomes are carefully arranged the day before, often with the same golfers and starting hole, ensuring a harmonious and organized experience for all participants on the course. This thoughtful planning adds an element of familiarity and friendly competition to the event.

The tournament offers a variety of weekly competitions and games, keeping the excitement alive throughout the season. Residents can showcase their precision in the "Closest to the Pin" challenge or compete in different flights such as Flight A and Flight B. The Gross Score category adds another layer of competitiveness, making each round a thrilling experience for all involved.

As the last putt drops and the final scores are tallied, participants eagerly gather at Pool #3 for the post-tournament festivities. This is where the real celebration begins, with prizes being awarded to the outstanding performers of the day. More than just a golf tournament, it's a time for refreshments, laughter, and socializing, fostering the strong sense of community that defines life at Hollybrook.

Ensuring that the tournament runs like a well-oiled machine are dedicated residents Helene Gagnon, Michel Scott, and Claude Voyer, who have taken on the responsibility of over-

seeing and organizing this year's event. Their commitment to maintaining order and creating an enjoyable experience for everyone involved speaks volumes about the community spirit that pervades Hollybrook.

The Jim McCambly Par 3 Tournament kicked off on January 5 and will continue to unfold its golfing magic until March 22. As each Friday morning brings residents together on the course, the tournament becomes not just a series of golf rounds but a celebration of friendship, healthy competition, and the shared joy of community living. The greens of Hole #10 witness not just golf swings but the bonds of a community coming together, making the tournament an integral part of Hollybrook's social tapestry.



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Swinging into Excellence:



Hollybrook Women's Golf Association's Vibrant Season Highlights

The Hollybrook Women's Golf Association (HWGA) has truly hit its stride during the 2023-2024 season, emerging as a dynamic league with a strong sense of camaraderie. Boasting an impressive 131 members, including 63 participants in the Winter League, the association continues to thrive under the leadership of its dedicated members.

The Winter League, a cornerstone of the HWGA, is spearheaded by four captains—Andrée Schink, Sandra England, Sylvie Therrien, and Colette Dubois. Each team showcases their unity by donning a chosen color during Saturday competitions, fostering a spirit of friendly competition and collaboration.

Despite a golf cancellation due to rain on December 14th, the Welcome Back Tournament turned into an unforgettable day at the Playhouse. Colette Dubois, the HWGA president, warmly welcomed nearly 20 new members, turning an unfortunate weather incident into a delightful gathering. The women enjoyed a BBQ meal and danced the afternoon away on the spacious dance floor.

The season officially kicked off with the Opening Tournament on January 11th, marked by a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Captains Andrée Dubé and Carmen Desroches efficiently managed 26 foursomes, and three cash prizes of \$240 each were awarded. A staggering 115 women attended the lunch that followed, expressing their appreciation for the exceptional work of restaurateur Michael Fishman, Mark, and their entire team.

The highly-anticipated President Cup competition, running from January 18 to February 8, has drawn an impressive 32 teams, making it the highlight of the year according to captains Andrée and Carmen. The competition will conclude with a wine and cheese party, extending gratitude to participants and announcing the winners. All members are invited to join the celebration, emphasizing the inclusive and supportive nature of the HWGA.

On February 22nd, the HWGA will host the Ladies Guests' Tournament, welcoming golfing lady friends for a memorable day of competition followed by an enchanting dinner. Each member has the privilege of bringing one guest, creating a lively atmosphere with a maximum of 144 golfers.

As the association gears up for elections, held every two years, a committee led by Judy Wood has been formed. Carole Biron,

Marjolaine Knight, and Jacinthe Bergeron will ensure a smooth and fair election process, reinforcing the commitment to democratic principles within the HWGA.

In closing, Sylvie Chavanel, Vice-President of the HWGA, wishes all members a season filled with joy, good health, and exceptional golfing experiences. The association's dynamic events and inclusive spirit continue to make Hollybrook a vibrant community for women golf enthusiasts.

Sylvie Chavanel, Vice-President HWGA



Tee Time Bookings and the Chelsea Lottery System

The Chelsea Lottery System goes into effect on November 1, 2023 and lasts until April 15, 2024.

Here are some things to know:

- 10 days in advance – the Chelsea lottery opens and individuals and couples can make a request for a tee time
- 5 days in advance – the lottery will populate the tee sheet.
- 4 days in advance – Members can add guests based on availability.
- 3 days in advance – Members can add multiple groups of guests based on availability.
- 2 days in advance – Non-members and third-party booking agents may book tee times based on availability

Nine-hole tee times are available off of the back nine (7) days a week from 7:00am – 8:24am.

Nine-hole tee times are also available after 3:00pm.

Please note that a nine-hole round is exactly that, nine holes. Golfers are not permitted to pay for nine holes and play as many holes as they can. This will be strictly enforced.



Hollybrook Women's Golf Association

Mastering Golf Etiquette: Tips for Maintaining Proper Pace on the Course

by Curtis Rice

Golf is a game of precision, strategy, and etiquette. To ensure an enjoyable experience for all players on the course, mastering the art of maintaining proper pace is crucial. Here are some valuable tips to keep the game flowing smoothly:

- 1. Choose the Right Tee:** Start by playing the appropriate tee for your game. Golf.com recommends multiplying the distance you hit your five iron by 36 to determine the ideal course yardage for your handicap. Selecting the right tee ensures a balanced challenge that enhances the overall pace of play.
- 2. Practice Ready Golf:** Embrace the concept of "ready golf" from tee to green. When you're at your ball or on the tee box and ready to play, take your shot promptly. This simple courtesy significantly contributes to maintaining a steady pace during the round.
- 3. Respect the Course:** Adopt responsible golfing habits by taking care of the course. In bunkers, bring the rake with you to smooth out footprints and ball marks. Fill divots with sand provided on carts, and repair ball marks on the green. Avoid dragging your feet on the putting surface to preserve its integrity.
- 4. Cart Smart:** Navigate the course efficiently by being cart smart. Drop off your partner and drive to your ball, parking on the side or behind the greens. Observe blue-flagged cart rules, allowing them within 5 yards of tee boxes, greens, and hazards, with exceptions as indicated by course signage. Always approach the green from designated paths.
- 5. Time Management:** Be mindful of time on the course. Take no more than three minutes to search for lost balls or take relief when necessary. Efficiently proceed to your ball, and be ready to play when it's your turn. Avoid unnecessary delays to maintain a consistent pace.
- 6. See it, Read it, Hole it:** Use your time wisely. While others are putting, prepare for your own putt and move efficiently to the next tee. Keeping a proactive mindset contributes to a smoother flow of play.
- 7. Accountability:** Recognize that maintaining a reasonable pace is a shared responsibility. Slow play is not solely the fault of other players; every golfer plays a role in fostering an environment where everyone can enjoy the game.

By incorporating these tips into your golf routine, you contribute to a positive and efficient atmosphere on the course, ensuring that each player can fully savor the experience of this timeless game.

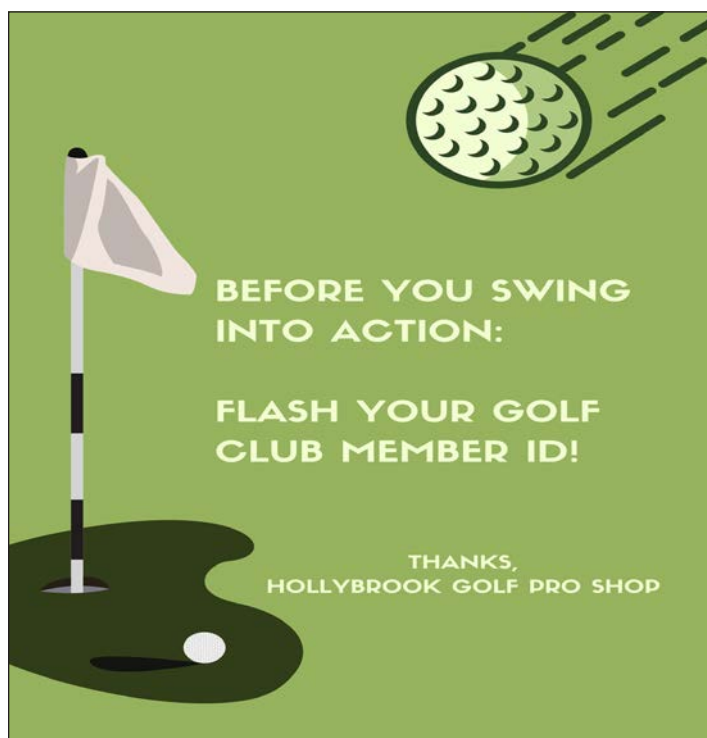


Clip and save the Board approved November 2023 - April 2024 schedules for Saturday League Tournaments, and HWGA and HMGA golf.

Saturday League Tournament Schedule*	
February 3	March 16
February 17	March 30
March 2	

*Saturday League Tournament tee times for January, February, and March tee times begin at 1 p.m.

HWGA Schedule (Thursdays)	HMGA Schedule (Mondays)
February 1 – President’s Cup 3 rd Round	February 5
February 8 – President’s Cup Final Round	February 12
February 15	February 19
February 22 – Shotgun @ 1 PM (Guest Day – Dinner)	February 26
February 29	March 4
March 7	March 11
March 14	March 18
March 21 – Shotgun @ 8:30 AM (Closing Season – Lunch)	March 25 – Shotgun @ 8 AM (Hall of Fame)
March 28	April 1
April 4	April 8



Pickleball Highlights

Wednesdays Women Pickleball League

by Sylvie Chavanel

The Wednesdays Women Pickleball group had a tournament on January 17.

The winners were: Semi-finalists Christine Paquet and Joy Canavor and finalists are Elaine Duffye and Ginette Delisle-Binda. As always, a good time was had by all the ladies!



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Troublemakers Pickleball Club Return to Hollybrook for Tournament

On January 27, the Troublemakers Pickleball Club returned to Hollybrook for another tournament! We are always happy to host them on our courts. All the courts were buzzing with activity during this fun and competitive tournament.



Pickleball Play Rule of the Month



The serve is made diagonally crosscourt and must land within the confines of the opposite diagonal court

Hollybrook Tennis Committee Update

by Dorothy Aaron

The tennis season is in full swing with currently 130 players playing regularly twice a week in the different set groups. It is estimated that around 50 additional players benefit from our facilities on a regular basis.

In terms of maintenance, members of the tennis committee held a productive meeting with the general manager and two others responsible for the maintenance of the 12 tennis courts. The meeting made it possible to clarify the roles and responsibilities of each person, establish a maintenance plan and agree on additional purchases of equipment such as large brooms and a “drag mat”. Several repairs have already been carried out since then.

Please note that the main maintenance of the courts with mechanical equipment is done on Tuesdays and Fridays from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Players are asked to make the work easier by clearing the courts for about 20 minutes when the maintenance employee arrives.

Tennis clinics with Tom Mar continue regularly. Do not hesitate to contact Marie Doye interested in joining an existing group: marie.doye@me.com.

And in closing we welcome the arrival of Lindel Forbes, a year-round resident who has joined the Tennis & Pickleball committee.



Hollybrook Resident Dawn Chevrier alongside her tennis group

Rising Stars from Finland Showcase Skills at Hollybrook

by Mireya Alfonso

In an exhilarating turn of events for tennis enthusiasts at Hollybrook, a unique collaboration brought together talent from Finland to grace the courts. Notably, Tom Mar, the newly appointed Tennis Pro, orchestrated the visit of Finland's top two junior tennis players to Hollybrook.

The tennis extravaganza unfolded on the Phase 6 hard courts, providing the perfect backdrop for an impressive display of skills by the young Finnish players.

Tennis enthusiasts were encouraged to bring their own chairs and bottles of water, ensuring a comfortable and enjoyable viewing experience.

Tom Mar's students, Jere Lassila and Ellis Fjallberg, are acknowledged as the best two junior tennis players in Finland. They conducted their regular clinic from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Following the clinic, spectators were treated as the talented juniors engaged in a captivating set, with comments and insights from their esteemed coach. The two tennis players were here for winter training with their sponsor, Petri Jaakkola.



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Rates To Be Determined

Valentine's Day

Across

- 1. Cherrystone, e.g.
- 5. "Dies ___"
- 9. Sudden jerk
- 14. General feel
- 15. Honeycomb component
- 16. Brownish gray
- 17. Strike violently
- 18. Pedestal figure
- 19. De Mille of dance
- 20. Renaissance fair highlight
- 23. Go up alone
- 24. Part of a royal flush
- 25. Deny use
- 28. Seasoned type
- 31. Begets
- 34. Took wing
- 36. "QB ___" (Uris novel)
- 37. Kitchen glove
- 38. County fair event
- 42. Be an eager beaver?
- 43. Diddly
- 44. Flawless concept
- 45. Corrida trophy
- 46. By the shore
- 49. Jeanne d'Arc's title (Abbr.)
- 50. Christmas tree
- 51. Loses buoyancy
- 53. Science fair feature
- 61. Notify of danger
- 62. Skater's attire, at times
- 63. Having the necessary skill
- 64. Christmas wish, for many
- 65. Hermit, for one
- 66. Kind of mate
- 67. Copier cartridge
- 68. Dog caller's word
- 69. Vulnerable spot for Achilles

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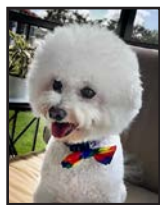
- 1. Way to pay
- 2. "To Sir, With Love" singer
- 3. Saroyan's "My Name is ___"
- 4. Half of a '60s rock foursome
- 5. Really cold drip
- 6. Boiling mad
- 7. Skin-soothing ingredient
- 8. Connecting pipes
- 9. Pollen producer
- 10. Missionary's target, perhaps
- 11. Bee or Polly
- 12. On ___ (without commitment)
- 13. Entwine
- 21. Atypical
- 22. Wood finish
- 25. Emblem of merit
- 26. Playoff setting, perhaps
- 27. Shortstop Garciaparra
- 29. Malicious forces
- 30. Brazilian city, familiarly
- 31. Takes on help
- 32. Up, to Barry Bonds
- 33. Mode
- 35. Sty matriarch
- 37. School type (Abbr.)
- 39. Without energy
- 40. 11 Down, in Acapulco
- 41. Mexican artist Rivera
- 46. Parental employee
- 47. Beatty/Hoffman movie
- 48. European river
- 50. More than persuasion
- 52. Cut drastically
- 53. Awestruck
- 54. Low-cholesterol spread
- 55. Coffee unit
- 56. Make an impression?
- 57. Treat meat
- 58. Long, thin musical instrument
- 59. Collagist's need
- 60. "Gimme a C!" e.g.



Fast Eddie's Adventures

Ramblin' Gamblin' Bichon

By Ken Schlossberg



Life's a Gamble but don't buy a Florida Lottery Scratch ticket- bark, bark, bark, bark.

For those who may have forgotten – or never knew in the first place- the Fast part of my name is the result of Kenny's fascination with Paul Newman's persona on and off the screen, as a guy that liked to take a gamble – around a pool table or the Formula One racetrack.

Not to mention that judging a guy by his wife, Joanne Woodward was some kind of gal!

Kenny and I love it when we are tooling around in the car and Sirius radio plays Bob Seger's "Ramblin' Gamblin' Man."

"But I got to ramble, oh I got to gamble, got to got to ramble, I was born a ramblin' gamblin' man."

Sophie's a real gambler too. Fifty years ago, she gambled that the Secret Police in Russia wouldn't lock her up and throw away the key instead of allowing her to emigrate to America.

The KGB thought they would beat her, but they didn't. Kenny sends a Thank You note to them every year. I put my paw print on the note.

I think they decided to buy me because they thought I looked like a dog that might like to take a risk too, now and then.

Like challenging a big truck to run me over or a MUCH bigger dog to a BARKING contest.

Before the world was overrun by superbug viruses, Kenny, Sophie, and I used to hit some of the local casinos and the racetrack. Kenny and I broke even while Sophie always seemed to come out ahead.

I loved to watch the parade of the horses before their races. We had some good conversations, the horses and me. I got some pretty good tips and made some money.

But lately my excitement, I hoped, would come from a Florida Lottery Scratch Card – Extreme Word- that I bought for five bucks with a max payout of \$500,000 at the Chevron Station corner of Douglas and Pembroke.

Words are my thing and I thought, how can I lose? The game consists of a big and little crossword. If you scratch off 10 words big puzzle and six words small puzzle and you use letters from a keyboard, you win the big Kahuna of \$500,000.

I scratched and found TWELVE words in the big puzzle and NINE in the small!

I got so excited I screeched, rolled over on my back and nearly stopped breathing.

Kenny and Sophie nearly called Pembroke Pines Police/ Fire Rescue Squad. Great guys, by the way.

We rolled down to the Regional Lottery Office in Pembroke Lakes and presented the card to the lady behind the Prize window.

She told us to scan the card first. We did. The scanner said the card was not a winner.

I screeched so loud, the lady said she was going to call 911. She said if we wanted an explanation call the Florida Lottery.

We did. The guy there said to send an email and attach a photo of the front and back of the card.

We did and haven't heard one work back!

I took a closer look at the card. At the very bottom of the front, in tiny, tiny letters it says: "Prizes, including the top prizes, are subject to availability at time of ticket purchase."

Huh? Bark, bark, bark, bark!

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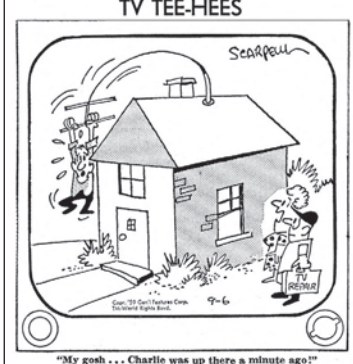
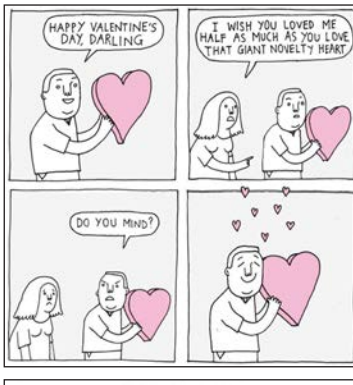
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FURNITURE DELIVERY IS BASED ON AVAILABILITY – PLEASE CALL IN ADVANCE

NOTE: The RESTAURANT PATIO may be reserved for LARGE PARTIES. Contact 954-431-4545 for more information.



Fun Stuff



Things to Celebrate in February

Feb 2: Ground Hog Day
 Feb 6: International Frozen Yogurt Day
 Feb 10: Chinese New Year
 Feb 11: Make A Friend Day
 Feb 14: Valentine's Day
 Feb 15: Singles Awareness Day
 Feb 17: Random Acts Of Kindness Day
 Feb 23: Tennis Day
 Feb 28: Floral Design Day
 Feb 29: Leap Day

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HOLLYBROOK ENHANCEMENT ACTIVITIES

**Do you have a great idea for a fun activity and the time to make it happen?
 Call your Board of Administration with your idea and action plan!**

- Art Class** – Art Class with Noella is back starting on 11/13/23. Mondays, 9am – 12pm in the Art Room at the Rec Center. \$21 per session. Contact Noella Lavoie for more info at (418) 882-5503.
- Bocce Ball, Corn Hole, Horseshoes** – If you are interested in playing fun backyard-style games, make yourself at home at the bocce courts in Phase 6. Equipment is located inside the box. Please, be sure to put everything back when you're finished.
- Book Club** – Hollybrook Book Club is back! "Signal Fires" will be discussed at the Dec. 20 meeting of the Hollybrook Book Club. It will be held at 4 pm on the Patio behind the Tennis Pro Shop to the west of The Towers. Contact Dorothy Aaron at Dorothy.aaron@simpatico.ca for more details
- Bridge Club** – Bridge Club is back starting 11/8/23!! Wednesdays, 12:30pm – 4pm, Social Hall, \$5 games
- Disk Golf** – Mini course on the Par 3. You'll see three buckets at holes 1-3. Sign out equipment at the Golf Pro Shop.
- Dominos** - Monday thru Saturday, 2 - 5 p.m.; Men's locker room, first floor. Ladies: if you're interested in playing Dominos on Saturday mornings contact Dionne at 516-361-4517.
- Hollybrook Singles Club** – If you like to play pool, shuffleboard, pickleball, cards, ping pong and more, or just hang out, Call Virginia Falco at 954-638-4094.
- Italian Club** – Is currently on hiatus! Updates coming in 2024.
- Line Dancing** – will begin on 11/13/23!! Mondays at the Playhouse. 7-8p for beginners. 8-9p for intermediate/advanced. \$4 for 1 hour. \$6 for 2 hours. Contact Lise at lisegermain866@gmail.com for more info.
- Pickleball** - Pickleball play 8 a.m.- 10 p.m. Social play in the mornings. Courts are lit every evening for play. Watch for all sorts of winter games and tournaments!
- Reiki Meditation** - \$15 per session; Wednesdays; 7 – 8 p.m., Room 208A
- Silver Sneakers Fitness** – Monday, Wednesday, Friday – 9:15 a.m.; All classes in the Social Hall.
- SOJO Singers** ARE IN THE HOUSE! If you sing, play an instrument or both, join SOJO Singers from 2 – 5 p.m. every first and third Saturday in Room 218 – Rec Building. Call Lily 954-450-0801 for details
- Tech Tuesdays** – Free. Tuesdays; 1-2pm, Social Hall. Bring cell phones, tablets, & laptops
- Tennis** – Reserve your court time by using the Tennis Reservation System in the resident only private portal. Go to www.hollybrook.com and log in. Then go to Tennis Reservations and follow the directions. For more info contact Marie Doye at (514) 571-4166.

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Updated 11/10/23

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Drop off - Publix/Dollar Tree/Library 1:30 pm

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Drop off - Senior Center 9:45 am

Drop off - Sedanos 9:55 am

Drop off - Pembroke Lakes Mall 10:00 am

Drop off - Super Walmart 10:15 am

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