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President's Message



From the desk of Alan Eisman

With pride, confidence, service to Hollybrook

Hello Hollybrook residents. I have accepted with pride and confidence my position as your President. This is my first of many articles to appear in The Voice of Hollybrook, and as I promised, my columns will always be informative and relevant - not fluff.

Needless to say, the first week as President was quite busy. So far, I have put together 16 committees which are listed below with their respective chairs:

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Legal Committee - Matt Sarnell - 516-313-2071

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Social Committee - Jimmy Cieslinski - 585-766-8829

Maintenance/Construction Committee - To be appointed

Landscaping Committee - To be appointed

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727-410-2001 and Harvey Munk - 305-298-3008**

Security Committee - Reine Fortier - 954-224-4776

We are still looking for residents to chair the Maintenance/Construction and Landscaping committees. If anyone has experience in those fields and would like to act as chairperson, please contact me. It is open to all who live here, not only board members.

Additionally, if you would like to volunteer to work on a committee, please call that committee chairperson. Please understand that there is limited number of people who can serve on each committee

I have met with almost all of the committee chairs and will complete my meetings this coming week. The discussions consisted of explaining the mandate for each committee, and how best to carry out the mandate out.

Two brand new committees, Legal and Security, have been established to help fill those previous voids in our community.

How wonderful it was to get an opportunity to provide 500 doses of COVID-19 vaccine here. More than 250 people were registered and will have received their first shot by the time you read this. The amount of people to thank would fill this page, but my gratitude goes out to *all* who helped. There were over 50 people working here on that Monday and Thursday. I will, however, mention one person, Tom Good. Without him none of this could have happened as he secured the vaccine for us.

During the next few weeks, I will be meeting all department heads to review what is to be expected of them. In addition, we will be instituting a maintenance request follow-up program that will confirm the successful completion of a problem before the file is closed.

A code of conduct has been sent to all board members prior to our first meeting on February 24. Hopefully you would have witnessed a much more efficient meeting and cohesive board.

In the next few weeks you will start to see some minor improvements around Hollybrook such as plantings and additional motion sensor light switches starting to be installed in laundry rooms, storage rooms and trash rooms with other areas to follow. We will also be working on sending out important notices in Spanish and French.

As always you may contact me by phone, email or in person. My door is always open, just call Carol Mazza to schedule an appointment

Thanks for your confidence in me. Remember to follow our COVID-19 protocols and *Stay Safe*.

Alan Eisman
President

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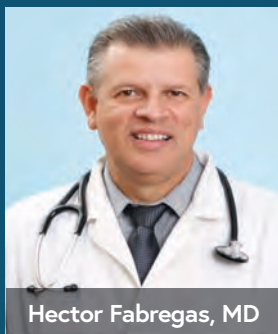
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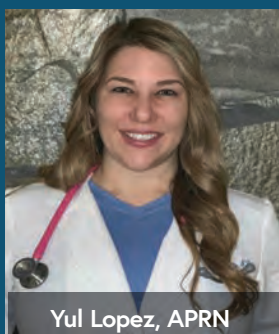
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State of the Condo

From Past President Carl Mack

*originally presented live, February 9, 2021,
during Hollybrook's Annual Meeting*



As a community, we spent the last year comprehensively and cautiously managing all aspects of COVID-19 mitigation measures to secure amenities until such time as they were permitted by higher authority to be re-opened, and then to ensure compliance with all county/city requirements once they were opened for use.

This was done while maintaining continuity of operations for the golf course and our restaurant in particular.

We worked closely with local and state authorities to bring COVID testing to Hollybrook in June 2020. As a result, 370 Hollybrook residents were tested without leaving the property at the height of the pandemic.

Nearly 260 residents were served through a partnership with Pembroke Pines, Hollybrook and Chen Senior Medical Center.

The Board worked closely with management to adjust the timing of the budget development process for Fiscal Year 2021 to allow the most up to date financial information to project remaining requirements for the fiscal year that is ending.

I am happy to report that as a result of very careful and sustained coordination of expenditures, even with a significant shortfall in golf course revenue and major unexpected COVID expenses this fiscal year, we do project to end the year with a budget surplus.

Through continued sound financial planning, we have now accumulated over \$4 million in reserve funding to allow us to fund a wide array of asset replacements as well as repair projects over the coming years, without the need to pass special assessments.

At the start of COVID, while many companies were undertaking widespread employee layoffs, we committed to maintain the jobs of all full-time staff and in the months since that decision they have routinely re-committed themselves to this community again and again. This two-way loyalty ensured that Hollybrook remained operational and well maintained despite the endless succession of COVID related new job requirements. As an example of this, while many pools in other communities remained closed all summer due to the lack of staff to satisfy new County cleaning requirements, ALL seven Hollybrook pools were re-opened at the earliest opportunity. This instance of volunteer-staff coordination allowed us to once again demonstrate our deep-rooted commitment to the community and its residents.

In October, we took delivery of a beautiful new fleet of 100 blue golf carts, successfully bringing to fruition a six-year plan

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**WE'RE WORKING THROUGH
THIS TOGETHER!**

Vice President's Message



**From the desk of
Gilles Chevrier**

Back to serve

Thank you to those who made it possible for me to give my time for the betterment of Hollybrook.

I cannot start my first message without thanking Claude Lachance, my predecessor, with whom I worked closely for the last two years. He was a dedicated volunteer for Hollybrook. I felt we were a team and his input for accomplishing my work as Treasurer was much appreciated. He has assured me that even though he retired from the Administration, he is ready to help if we need him. His work in putting together and having us adopt the Strategic Plan back in 2015 was a beacon for us going forward. He worked diligently in getting as much done as he could to make it a reality.

For the last three years as your Financial Secretary and Treasurer I have learned the inner workings of our Administration. Although I am a snowbird, while I am here I work in the office every weekday. When not in Hollybrook, I spend many hours a week working on Hollybrook business remotely. I am always available to address issues all year long.

Projects passed on to me by Claude include following up on the Security Audit and protocol that maintenance needs to follow when a unit sustains damages and Hollybrook needs to repair the damage that we are responsible for.

The situation of units with unpaid recreational leases and their impact on our property values is a very important issue. Another item on my 'to do' list is to

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that ensured the carts were fully paid for upon arrival, with no outside financing required.

In preparation to bring the Fiscal Year 2021 budget to the Board, we developed a proactive plan to resurface 6 tennis courts in 2020, including converting 2 of the courts in Phase 6 to carpet to increase the number of courts with the much desired surface. The work will be completed this summer. Notably, the financing for these projects was arranged without the need to include it in the fiscal year 2021 proposed budget which you have now received, thereby contributing to our ability to maintain your quarterly maintenance payments.

We have accelerated funding for concrete repair work due to the increasing number of balconies which are beginning to crack from gradual water intrusion over the years. If your balcony is affected and requires repair, please keep in mind that the repairs take several months, and require the removal of existing patio enclosures (sometimes on multiple floors) as well as significant coordination between contractors and engineers.

Despite the wettest October in years and the drenching from Tropical Storm Eta in November, our Golf Maintenance department recovered our courses spectacularly and long-term golfers and residents (as well as outside consultants) universally applaud the best conditions ever seen on our PGA course.

As you are all aware, when COVID struck Florida and the world last year the golf course was closed for some time, initially to all golfers including residents, gradually reopening to the degree that we are currently operating with a winter season mix of Hollybrook and outside golfers. As a result of these closings we fell significantly behind in golf revenue relative to budgeted amounts. Our tee sheet is currently very full, but we are struggling to make up for these losses. Your assistance is requested in helping us maximize capacity on the course by ensuring that those golfers who reside in the same household share carts when golfing and avoid requests for solo carts. Solo riders cause us to run short of carts, which forces us to close out available tee times to ensure that golfers don't experience significant delays at the start of play due to no carts available, thereby resulting in lost revenue opportunities.

We continue to operate the Restaurant within the very sensitive financial framework that was established to ensure that it does not negatively affect Hollybrook's overall financial status. Over these many COVID months the Restaurant Team has built a significant repeat takeout and delivery clientele. The restaurant industry is exceptionally challenging in normal times and doubly so under the present combined COVID and condominium challenges that we face. We greatly appreciate our dedicated Restaurant Staff and their incredible resiliency in providing easy dining options over this last year.

After over three years of coordination with authorities, contractors, and engineers we recently completed the installation of new above ground fuel tanks at the maintenance facility to comply with current environmental regulations, as well as ensure access to quality fuel for the entire fleet of maintenance and other vehicles that sustain Hollybrook.

Respectfully yours, Carl Mack

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analyze the recommendations from the Human Resources consultant that the Steering Committee requested. This will certainly have a positive impact on our employees and their performance.

As I had indicated in my election flyer, any issue that is brought to my attention will be assured of a follow up by me personally. Our amenities are an intricate part of Hollybrook's added value. Maintaining them to the highest standards will be in the forefront of my priorities.

We will focus on the elevator replacement schedule in the upcoming years. We have people in our community that have knowledge to help us with the process, as our President referred to during his election campaign.

Our championship golf course is an important income source that is helping to reduce our quarterly maintenance fees and I will continue to ensure that we optimize that income source.

Finally, an update from our Insurance Advisory Committee which I chair and serve with two knowledgeable insurance people, Towers Director John Campbell and Phase 3 resident George Nozick: We have completed the first step toward assuring that Hollybrook proceeds with getting quotes from our incumbent and at least two other insurance brokers. This had not been done for the last 15 years. Through a rigorous selection process, the three brokers have chosen the carriers with whom they will work to get us the best insurance coverages at the best premiums when the time comes for insurance renewals.

I look forward to the next two years as your Vice President, and I commit to do my best to support our President in the challenges ahead. Together, we will make it work.

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Treasurer's Report



From the desk of
Mary LoPreto

Happy to be aboard

This is my first Treasurer's Report and I would like to take the opportunity to introduce myself to you. My husband and I came to Hollybrook as owners in 1999.

At the time I was employed by Sachem School District in New York State. My position there encompassed responsibility for supervision of academic staff and budget. I held these positions in other school districts for the prior twenty-one years. Here in Hollybrook, I have participated in the budget process thus I am familiar with budget planning and operational process.

Right now, I am working with our Controller and immediate past Treasurer to familiarize myself with our workings.

My goal is to supply necessary information to all unit owners so that you are comfortable with our fiscal status.

Therefore, this report is limited in hard numbers: as of January 31, 2021, we are at 92.33% of our year-to-date budget for operating expenses.

Financial Secy's Msg.



From the desk of
Joni Esser-Stuart

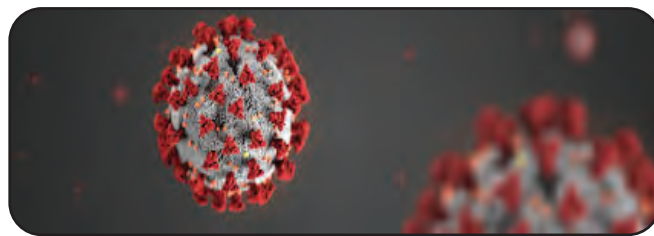
About delinquents

One of the main responsibilities of the Financial Secretary is to present accurate information on the financial health of our community. The primary focus of the position is to collect and report on money owed to Hollybrook.

Our Maintenance payments are collected on a quarterly basis (January, April, July and October). Thus, 32 unit owners have not paid their full January 1st maintenance payment and an additional 33 have not fully paid prior payments. These unit owners have been contacted and they have been notified and they have been assessed a \$25.00 late fee plus 10% interest on the unpaid balance. An additional 15 unit owners owe small amounts of money to Hollybrook and it appears that some may have merely made an error in writing their checks (example \$3.00 or \$4.00).

The second assessment for the pipe lining project was due on February 18, 2020. Twenty-three unit owners have not sent in their payments. Owners will not be allowed to pick up their 2021 Restaurant Cards until their October payment has been paid in full. At the present time, we have 28 unit

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Direct withdrawal makes good sense for quarterly maintenance payments

As your newly elected Financial Secretary, I am sharing some important information with you. Many of us have taken advantage of the opportunity to have Hollybrook withdraw our quarterly maintenance payments from our checking or savings accounts. **WHY?**

What are the 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 time (writing quarterly checks)
- No postage if you are away from your Hollybrook residence

What are the 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
- These savings will have a positive impact on our budget if even more unit owners choose this option

Residents should feel free to request the form directly from Celene Pedersen via e-mail (controller@hollybrook.com) or it can be obtained from the Reception Desk in the Hollybrook Administration Office. Try it for the rest of 2021 and if you do not like this worry-free option, you can withdraw your permission.

Please feel free to contact me, Joni Esser-Stuart, at 954-431-0600 Ext. 238, with questions or concerns.



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PHASE I – EXPANSIVE PGA 18th FAIRWAY VIEW. 2BR/2BA. Recreation Lease **PAID IN FULL! SPECIAL LOW PRICE!**

PHASE V – 2BR/2BA Par 3 Golf Course & water views. UPDATED/EXPANDED KITCHEN & Bathroom. Tile & Laminate. Walk to clubhouse. Recreation Lease **PAID IN FULL! TURN KEY! MOVE RIGHT IN!**

TOWERS – SPECTACULAR LAKES, GOLF, POOL & TENNIS VIEWS. Upgraded kitchen (raised ceiling, SS appliances); knock down ceilings & walls throughout, IMPACT windows, doors & accordion shutters. **MUST SEE!**

PHASE I – 2BR/1.5BA MOVE-IN READY! New luxury, plank vinyl flooring throughout. **CLEAN!** 2nd Floor. Pool view. Rec. Lease **PAID IN FULL!, PRICE LOW TO SELL FAST!**

PHASE V – BRIGHT & CLEAN! (Freshly painted) 3rd Floor. 2BR/2BA w/ laminate floors throughout. Lake, Fountain, and Golf Views. Rec. Lease **PAID IN FULL! PRICED TO SELL FAST!**

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Phase IV – BRIGHT FURNISHED 3rd floor corner. Enjoy 11th green (Par 3) View. Recreation Lease **PAID IN FULL. PRICED LOW TO SELL FAST!**

FEATURES OF THE MONTH

PHASE IV BEAUTIFUL, CLEAN & ABSOLUTE MOVE-IN READY! RICHLY DECORATED
2BR/2BA, **UPDATED** Kitchen (High Ceilings, SS Appliances), **UPGRADED** Bathrooms **RELAXING.** 16TH green view. Recreation Lease **PAID IN FULL! PERFECT! PERFECT! PERFECT!**

PHASE VI – 1ST FL, 2BR/2BA, 1,459 SF Relaxing golf, large lake/fountain views from wrap-around, enclosed glass and screened patio. Recreation lease **PAID IN FULL! CLEAN & READY TO ADD YOUR OWN TOUCHES!**

PHASE I – 2BR/1.5 BA RELAXING PGA, 18th FAIRWAY GOLF & HUGE WATER VIEWS! Updated Kitchen (granite, extra large cabinet w/granite counter). **UPGRADED BATHROOMS** ("toe tester" and a seat in the master shower). Recreation lease **PAID IN FULL! FURNISHED! MOVE RIGHT IN!**

PHASE IV - 1BR/1.5BA; IMPACT GLASS ON ALL WINDOWS AND DOOR. Enclosed patio Overlooking 10th green. **TANKLESS HOT WATER HEATER.** Upgraded Shower. **NO CARPETS! LOWEST PRICE IN HOLLYBROOK**

PHASE IV – 3rd FLOOR 2BR/2BA BEAUTIFULLY UPDATED Kitchen **SUPER UPDATED MASTER BATHROOM.** Recreation Lease **PAID IN FULL. MOVE-IN READY! ENJOY!**

PHASE IV – 2BR/1.5 BA, LUXURY KITCHEN (fully updated). **SUPER UPDATED MASTER BATHROOM** w/ double glass sinks. Golf View. Crown Molding. Many Extras! Recreation lease **PAID IN FULL! MUST SEE THIS BEAUTY!**

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Regular Board of Administration

MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY - Feb. 24, 2021

President Alan Eisman called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. on February 24, 2021.

The following Board member was absent: Alan Horn. This BOA meeting was arranged during the Covid-19 pandemic and most of the BOA members were participating via the Zoom Conferencing Platform. Thus, 24 members of the Board were present for the meeting.

MOTION A - TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED 2021-2022 BUDGET

Mary LoPreto made the motion to adopt the Proposed 2021-2022 Budget; it was seconded by Joni Esser-Stuart. A roll call

vote was taken on Motion A and it passed with 23 affirmative votes and one abstention (Anne Petersen).

MOTION B - TO DESIGNATE AUTHORITY FOR TRANSFER BY SALE

Elaine Yost made the motion to authorize transfers by sale to the Transfer Committee; it was seconded by Roiann Bruno. President Eisman explained that the purpose of the motions today would be "housekeeping" motions. Whereas, at the end of a Board's term, the new Board must reassign or designate authority to certain Committees.

A vote was taken on Motion B and it passed unanimously with 24 affirmative votes.

MOTION C - TO DESIGNATE AUTHORITY FOR TRANSFER (EXCEPT FOR SALE)

Elaine Yost made the motion to authorize transfers except for by sale to David Dickinson, Records Manager; it was seconded by Reine Fortier.

A vote was taken on Motion C and it passed unanimously with 24 affirmative votes.

MOTION D - TO DELEGATE AUTHORITY FOR FINES AND MISCELLANEOUS PENALTIES

Elaine Yost made the motion to authorize fines and miscellaneous penalties to the Rules Enforcement Committee; it was seconded by Reine Fortier. The verbiage of the motion was discussed whether the Chairperson of the Rules Enforcement Committee is elected or appointed. There was additional concern about specifying that the Rules Enforcement Committee was composed of Directors.

Andy Ingram made a motion, seconded by Don Hipp to amend the motion to exclude "composed of 3-5 Directors, to be elected by the Board of Administration."

A roll call vote was taken on amending Motion D, it passed with 14 affirmative votes, and 10 dissenting votes (Fisher, Eaton, Gonzalez-Regueira, Labate, Ingram, Klar, Webber, Petersen, LoPreto, Esser-Stuart).

A roll call vote was taken on amended Motion D; it passed with 23 affirmative votes and 1 abstention (Esser-Stuart).

MOTION E - TO CONFIRM MYRA MARKOWSKI AS CHAIRPERSON OF THE RULES ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE

Elaine Yost made the motion for Myra Markowski to continue to serve as Chairperson of the Rules Enforcement Committee; it was seconded by Roiann Bruno.

A vote was taken on Motion E and it passed unanimously with 24 affirmative votes.

MOTION F - TO AUTHORIZE THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY OF THE ASSOCIATION TO INITIATE FORECLOSURE ACTIONS ON BEHALF OF THE ASSOCIATION

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Elaine Yost made the motion to appoint the Financial Secretary to initiate foreclosure actions; it was seconded by Andy Ingram. A vote was taken on Motion F and it passed unanimously with 24 affirmative votes.

MOTION G - TO NOMINATE ASSOCIATION MEMBERS FOR A HEARING COMMITTEE

Elaine Yost made the motion to nominate Association members for a Hearing Committee; it was seconded by Roiann Bruno. The Board's responsibility of approving the Committee, not nominating the Members of the Hearing Committee was discussed. Due to the backlog of hearings in queue, it was imperative that the progress of the Hearing Committee not be delayed, and the present Members should be kept intact.

Rosalie Labate moved to table the motion until the March 10, 2021 meeting and send the motion to the Legal Committee for revision; Matt Sarnell seconded the motion. A vote was taken on Motion G; it was tabled unanimously with 24 affirmative votes.

MOTION H - TO ESTABLISH A STEERING COMMITTEE

Elaine Yost made the motion to nominate Association members for a Hearing Committee; it was seconded by Roiann Bruno. A discussion challenging the non-consecutive term of one year ensued. It was noted that the establishment of the Steering Committee was a resolution of prior Board and the motion could not be changed.

Joni Esser-Stuart moved to table the motion until the March 10, 2021 meeting; Rosalie Labate seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken on Motion H; there were 18 affirmative votes and 6 dissensions (Fortier, Bergeron, Bruno, Jamieson, Sarnell, Chevrier). The motion was tabled until the March 10, 2021 meeting.

MOTION I - TO CONFIRM MATT SARNELL AS CHAIR OF THE DIRECTOR'S FORUM

Elaine Yost made the motion to establish the Director's Forum and reconfirming Matt Sarnell as Chair; it was seconded by Reine Fortier. Michael Eaton made a friendly amendment to include "reconfirming Matt Sarnell as Chair" in the body of the motion; Myra Markowski seconded the motion. A discussion whether it was appropriate to appoint a Director's Forum Chair within a motion, whereas historically that was performed during the Director's Forum by the Directors.

A roll call vote was taken for the Friendly Amendment; there were 20 affirmative votes and 4 abstentions (Labate, LoPreto, Esser-Stuart, Yost). The Amendment passed.

A roll call vote was taken for Motion I; there were 20 affirmative votes and 4 abstentions (Labate, LoPreto, Esser-Stuart, Yost). The motion was passed.

UNIT OWNER'S FORUM

Elaine Yost received one e-mail from a resident that was read verbatim. The minutes will reflect a summary of the email.

- Virginia Klar (27-103) shared that over 250 people registered to receive COVID-19 shots. She thanked caring individuals on and off the Board who volunteered to make this initiative a success. Included in the email was a letter written by Commissioner Tom Good, sent to the Director of the Florida Division of Emergency Management, affirming Hollybrook's activism within Pembroke Pines. State Legislators were cop-

ied. Virginia suggests some form of appreciation to those involved in obtaining of the COVID-19 vaccines.

BOARD'S REMARKS

Many Board Members shared giving praise to the golf course, restaurant, and the COVID-19 Vaccination initiative. There was concern over non-payment of maintenance fees. Congratulations were plentiful on the results of the election.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report was delivered, and the full report will be attached to these minutes.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Financial Secretary's Report was delivered, and the full report will be attached to these minutes.

The next Board of Administration meeting would be Wednesday, March 10, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.

President Alan Eisman adjourned the Board of Administration Meeting at 3:30 p.m.

*Respectfully Submitted by
Elaine Yost, Recording Secretary*



Regular Board of Administration

MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY - JANUARY 20, 2021

President Mack called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm. Twenty-Four board members were present + Paul Ray (CEO), Querino Pacella (Director of Compliance Operations) and Shane Laakso (Purchasing Office).

President Mack asked if there were any corrections or additions to the December 16, 2020 minutes. Since there were no corrections or additions President Mack waived the reading of the minutes.

The Treasurer's Report was not provided to Administrative Assistant (Carol Mazza) which is procedure before said meeting. President Mack tabled Treasurer's Report. President Mack asked Treasurer (G. Chevrier) to send report to Carol Mazza which in turn will send to Recording Secretary (R. Bruno) who will then attach Treasurer's report to the minutes.

The minutes for the January 6, 2021 Steering committee meeting were sent to Board members prior to meeting. President Mack submitted the minutes as his report to the Board.

The Financial Report was delivered and will be attached to these minutes. A. Horn, R. Labate and A. Ingram had questions concerning the report.

President Mack addressed concerns to the Board and unit owners on the COVID-19 vaccine, which can be seen on Channel 93, communications emails and Voice of Hollybrook.

Paul Ray (CEO) addressed the Board and unit owners about the February 9, 2021 election procedures and mailings.

M. Sarnell suggested we waive unfinished business. Motion D, December 16, 2020 and Motion B from December 29, 2020 since Motion G, January 20, 2021 pertains to both said motions. Both motion makers withdrew the previously postponed motions.

MOTION A: TO APPOINT ELECTION COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON FOR THE 2021 ELECTION

Matt Sarnell made the motion, seconded by D. Hipp to appoint Claude A. Lachance as Chairperson of the 2021 Election Committee. Such appointment shall become effective immediately upon the tender of his resignation as the Vice-President of the Association which shall in no event be later than the close of business on February 8, 2021. The

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City and County



**From Pembroke Pines
Mayor Frank C. Ortis**

Art, culture, *The Frank*

Early this year I began thinking about the importance of arts and culture in keeping our spirits up. Regardless of challenges that face us, Pembroke Pines will always uphold our promise to provide access to world-class art exhibits and art education opportunities for residents.

In this COVID-19 situation, we offer a safe chance for everyone to visit The Frank C. Ortis Art Gallery online at www.thefrankgallery.org from the comfort of your homes. There at "The Frank", you will enjoy virtual art exhibitions and online workshops, lectures and art tutorials no matter what 2021 brings.

The Frank's leadership team launched into the online arena to provide virtual tours, videos and 360° photography. Not content to share still images and slideshows, they partnered with digital artists at Interactive Initiative to recreate the gallery we love into a smooth and seamless viewing experience.

Virtual installations began with the cutting-edge exhibit *Biological Futurism* featuring artists whose works are inspired by scientific illustration and nature. The Frank used animation, 3D renderings and omni-directional photography to create simulations of the artists' drawings, paintings, models and sculptures.

The latest virtual exhibit, *Bits & Pieces*, explores layered ideas, lamination of contrasting styles, and paintings within paintings.



Through April 30, the show reinterprets collage and assemblage in terms of technique and conceptual framework. The collaborative project disassembles and recombines existing art to create a new conversation about authorship, representation and subjectivity. Featured artists include Jason Aponte, Diego Gutierrez, Jeffrey Lotti, Jackie Tileston, Jonathan Ryan Harvey, and Third Space solo artist, Twyla Gettert.

I encourage everyone to visit www.thefrankgallery.org/p/virtual-tour to view our amazing virtual exhibitions and virtual classroom called *From The Frank to You*. Filled with free workshops, lectures and craft tutorials, the program offers interactive distance-learning opportunities and resources for adults and children. New workshops and activities are added regularly.

Although "The Frank" is closed for now, we continue to support local artists and safely provide valuable art instruction. I am proud of what The Frank has produced, and I hope that you enjoy its art exhibitions and learning activities as much as I have.

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



From Pembroke Pines District 1 Commissioner Tom Good Health, safety first

COVID-19 has given us more than we ever expected. Now, I ask you to continue to protect yourself by following city, county, state and federal regulations and recommendations to help stop the spread of the virus and to be vaccinated. Although it has been a great challenge, we were finally able to get vaccination support for Hollybrook residents ages 65 and older. It took the efforts of Hollybrook, city, state and the Chen Senior Medical Center teams to bring the service to our community. I have nothing but respect for all of the folks who helped make it happen.

I thank those who serve in Hollybrook and I congratulate those who were recently elected and re-elected to the 2021-2023 Board of Administration. Service to others is always admirable and I look forward to working with all of you.

February, Heart Health Month, is now in our rear-view mirror, but heart disease awareness is always important. Fortunately, many risk factors for heart disease can be addressed by being heart healthy: participate in safe physical activity, eat healthy, quit smoking, find ways to reduce stress (especially in challeng-

ing times), get enough sleep and track your health stats. Making big changes all at once can be difficult, so start with small steps.

March is a good time to change the battery in your smoke alarms. Because of the pandemic, our homes have become our true safe place. But because smoke alarms are such a common household item, they are easily taken for granted and forgotten. Still, smoke alarms are key to your home fire escape plan and can make the difference between life or death. Working alarms give an early warning of smoke due to fire, and give you a better chance to escape unharmed. In fact, please test your smoke alarms at least once monthly. Having smoke alarms that work will help ensure that your home remains a safe place.

Have you noticed the city's new digital marquee signs? Erected at key locations citywide, the signs that show alerts, events, and news are meant to enhance communication as part of our Streetscape Guidelines. One near Hollybrook is on Pembroke Road at the Howard C. Foreman Human Services Campus.

For fun, check out the city's new cooking show produced by city staff for Pembroke Pines Media's YouTube channel and television station - Comcast 78. Last month they baked up a lasagna rollatini. Want more delicious recipes? Download <https://bit.ly/2Mn710a> the Pembroke Pines Fire Departments new 2021 Fire Safety in the Kitchen cookbook!

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Caring through COVID takes a village

There were many smiling faces at the Hollybrook Playhouse during the week of February 15 because wishes shared by scores of residents came true. The City of Pembroke Pines and Chen Senior Medical Center joined forces to provide 500 COVID -19 vaccines to Hollybrook residents ages 65 and older. It was part of a welcome wave of Florida Department of Health innovation that would speed up vaccinations among at-risk populations, this time for residents of active living senior communities.

More than 20 volunteers, led by Chen's Pembroke Pines Center Manager Siolys Gonzalez, helped register 255 individuals who began receiving their first shots of the Pfizer vaccine on Monday, February 22, at the center located just a few blocks north. The effort was bolstered by members of the Pembroke Pines' Police Department, Office of Emergency Management and Carl Shechter Southwest Focal Point Community Center.

Pembroke Pines Mayor Frank Ortis, who recently became a Hollybrook unit owner, spoke for the community: "... we appreciate Chen Senior Medical Center providing staff and resources to administer the vaccines. We're very pleased about helping seniors get their lives back – especially after so many have been staying home to stay safe since the pandemic began."

Hollybrook volunteers sprang into action when details of the registration process were finalized. Mary Jane Boxall, Lise Therrien, Nancy Armstrong and Lois Hollands began phoning residents who were identified by several Board members as among the eldest and those with mobility concerns. On February 15, the most at-risk residents were able to register with no hassle or wait. Many were escorted by home health aides or family caregivers. On February 18, at



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Siolys Gonzalez of Chen Senior Medical Center helps a Hollybrook resident traverse through The Playhouse February 18 during registration for COVID-19 vaccinations.



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Days of yore depicted in "The Irish Pictures"

By Lois McHollands

I'm proud of my Irish heritage. My mother's family originated from Ballmoney, County Antrim, in Northern Ireland. Over time, my aunts and uncles emigrated to Canada, and in 1930 my mother arrived there at the age of 19.

Her sister Anne, and Anne's husband Andy Moodie, had already settled in Canada sometime in the 1920s. They brought with them two pastel drawings created by Andy's father. My luck of the Irish landed the drawings in my care.

One drawing depicts the ruins of Dunluce Castle. The castle was built in the Middle Ages between Portballintrae and Portrush on the Antrim Coast which is richly historic, once being the seat of Clan McDonnell.

The other drawing shows the massive limestone cliffs along the coast that hover over the Irish Sea.

The pictures hung in Anne and Andy's home until they died and then my mother received them. She called them



"The Irish Pictures" and an authentic shillelagh from Lois Hollands' family heirlooms.

Courtesy photo

"The Irish Pictures".

When mother died, my sister Catherine inherited them and lovingly kept them until she also died. Now, they grace my home here in Hollybrook. I love to look at them and remember my dear mother, aunt and uncle. I ponder about the life they lived in Ireland and I wonder what it must have been like for them to leave their

homeland and way of life at such young ages and sail away to begin a new life in another country.

I did a bit of research on the drawings to check if the artist ever became famous for his work, but alas I came up empty. No Antiques Roadshow moment for me.

Also among my prized possessions from the past is an authentic Irish shillelagh. Made from a single tree limb, its handle is the knot where the limb met the tree. I don't know its history but it hangs on a wall in my living room as a nice conversation piece.

It's not easy being green, so let's make it tasty!

By Maire Sinead O'Boxall



Avocado Pesto

Is a versatile vegan condiment that is great on bread or crackers or with pasta.

Prep Time - 10 minutes

Servings - 4

Ingredients for Pesto:

- 1 avocado
- Juice of 1 lime
- ½ cup of pine nuts
- 10 large basil leaves
- 1 tablespoon chives chopped (or to taste)
- 2-3 cloves of garlic
- Salt & pepper to taste
- 1/3 cup of olive oil



Ingredients for Serving:

- Baguette or other bread or crackers
- Red pepper flakes (optional)
- Drizzle of olive oil (optional)

Instructions

1. Add all pesto ingredients except for olive oil to a food processor or blender. Blend on high and slowly drizzle the olive oil in. Once all the oil is in, stop the machine and scrape down the sides. Blend further until the mixture is smooth and consistent.
2. Serve immediately (or chill for 30 minutes) on fresh bread or crackers. Sprinkle red pepper flakes and drizzle olive oil over the top if desired.

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Irish Potato Candy

This yummy Irish Potato Candy is perfect for celebrating St. Patrick's Day! Made from coconut, cream cheese, sugar, and cinnamon and looks like potatoes!

Prep Time – 50 minutes

Serves – 36 candies

Ingredients:

- ¼ cup unsalted butter, softened
- 4 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 4 cups powdered sugar
- 2 ½ cups shredded coconut
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 tablespoon ground cinnamon
- ½ cup light brown sugar



Instructions:

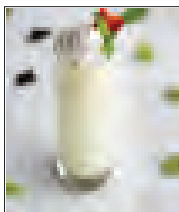
1. Cream the butter and cream cheese together until smooth. Add the vanilla extract and beat until combined.
2. Add powdered sugar one cup at a time until combined and smooth. You may need to scrape down the sides of the bowl in between additions.
3. Add coconut and mix until combined. Chill the mixture for 20-30 minutes.
4. Roll into balls “potatoes” about the size of a large marble and finish them off by rolling in cinnamon and brown sugar that’s been mixed together.

This recipe originally called for rolling the candy in straight cinnamon but has been updated to reflect a cinnamon sugar coating to make the cinnamon less intense.

Vanilla Mint Shake

Ingredients:

- 1 ½ cups of vanilla ice cream
- ½ cup fresh mint leaves
(stems removed, loosely packed)
- ½ tsp pure mint extract
- Real whipped cream and chocolate syrup



(for toppings)

Instructions:

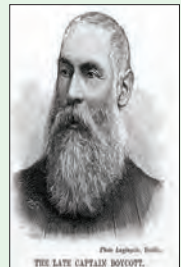
1. Place ice cream, mint leaves, and mint extract into a blender
2. Blend until smooth
3. Add garnish of whipped cream, chocolate, strawberries or shaved chocolate

Top 10 Green Facts

By Maire Sinead O'Boxall

Did you KNOW?

10. A townland in Galway has the longest place name in Ireland, **Muckanaghederdauhaulia**, which means “ridge-shaped like a pigs back, between two expanses of briny water.”
9. Ireland has the longest-running television program in the world, *The Late Late Show*, running since 1961.
8. Ten million pints of Guinness beer are produced in Dublin every day.
7. Nigerians consume more Guinness than the Irish.
6. English was not the first language of Ireland. The first language was Gaelic.
5. Saint Valentine is interred at the Whitefriar Street Church in Dublin.
4. The Irish sport of hurling is more than 3,000 years old.
3. The term “boycott” comes from Ireland. In 1880, all local shops in a town refused to serve or deal with Charles Cunningham Boycott, and as the newspapers reported on these events, the verb “boycott” was born.
2. Ireland’s patron saint isn’t Irish. Saint Patrick was born in Wales.
1. Halloween originated in Ireland. It came from the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain. Townsfolk would light bonfires and dress in scary costumes to ward off evil spirits.





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Meet your Hollybrook neighbor, Jerry McHugh

Seventh in the series 'Meet Your Neighbor', created by Heather Capaldi

By Nancy Armstrong

Retired firefighter Gerard “Jerry” McHugh and his wife Kathy became permanent Hollybrook residents in 2001 when they purchased a unit owned by Kathy’s parents since the 1970s. Having visited Hollybrook many times, they knew that the community was perfect for retirement. The two served as a power couple in various administrative positions for two decades.

Service is second nature to Jerry. Born and raised in Rochester, New York, he became a firefighter there in the 1960s and rose through the ranks, eventually becoming Executive Deputy Fire Chief.

Jerry said he always worked hard. At age 12 he toiled at various jobs: a doorman in a local bakery; paperboy with his own route; he stocked shelves in a

grocery store, pumped gas and cleaned windshields at a local filling station, and made deliveries for a local meat market.

In high school, he set a goal for himself to work for IBM as a repairman, but because he was draft age during the Vietnam War, IBM would not hire him. Soon, Uncle Sam called and he served two years in the Army.

Back home, he found work in construction as a heavy equipment operator, which was considered big money for former servicemen. As a young guy, he could work from May through October, collect unemployment for seven months, and then return to the job. In the late 1950s Jerry’s uncle Tom, a Rochester firefighter, suggested

that Jerry take the firefighter test. Among 2,000 who took tested, Jerry finished 22nd. A year later, he was hired.

Being a firefighter was never just a job. Jerry was committed to his community and worked mostly in the rough parts of town. In 1973 he took the lieutenant's test and finished first out of 273 applicants. Only 25 applicants passed the test.

Firefighters typically work 24-hour shifts with several days off during the week. Like many who take part-time jobs or second full time jobs, Jerry found a second calling.

While shopping at a hardware store for plumbing parts, Jerry was asked if he ever modeled. Handsome and fit, he was sent to a photographer for a photo portfolio. Soon, he was starring in commercials for the store.

On July 11, 1978 at 1 a.m. Jerry and his squad responded to a fire call and while attempting to put the fire out, the roof collapsed on top of him. Fellow firefighters pulled Jerry to safety but he was seriously injured and un-



Staff photo
Mementos of Jerry McHugh's 35-year career with the Rochester Fire Department fills scrapbooks with awards, promotions and newspaper headlines.

able to work for a year.

The house, at 11 Harris Street, was known to the neighbors as the “witches house”. Allegedly, three relatives of the homeowner firebombed the house following a family dispute. A trial was held but the accused were found not guilty. Within the year, all three met their deaths. Some called it karma.

Promoted again in 1980, Jerry served as Captain of the department's arson squad until 1986 when he became Battalion Chief. In 1991 he was elevated to Deputy Chief and in 1993 he was named the Executive Deputy Chief - in charge of 640 employees.

Jerry was blessed with three sons and a daughter during his first marriage, which ended in divorce. He now has seven grandchildren whom he adores.

Jerry first met Kathy and her now late husband in the mid 1980s during a firefighter's banquet. The next time they met, in 1999, Kathy had become widowed and the two "clicked". The rest of the story is Hollybrook history.

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GENERAL REQUIREMENTS: Adherence to COVID-19 CDC guidelines includes keeping 6-foot distance between people not in your household and limiting gatherings to 10 people. Broward County Emergency Order 20-29 requires mask wearing when outside of your home and in situations when 6 feet of distance from others is unlikely or could occur. Specifically, condominium residents must always wear a mask outside of their unit when in common areas including hallways, elevators, cat-walks, laundry rooms and reception areas. Further, residents must also mask up when they are at amenities such as swimming pool areas, athletic courts, community gyms, restaurant and other social areas. Face masks must also be worn when providing or receiving services through in-person interactions at your Hollybrook homes, in the Administration Building, the Recreation Building and the restaurant.

OUTDOOR AMENITIES - Open to residents and guests in the company of residents (subject to ID verification) unless noted specifically:

POOLS: Physical distancing is required by people in the pool area unless the people live in the same household, furniture is spaced 6 feet apart, and group gatherings are limited to 10 individuals. Additionally:

* Pool restrooms to be open with sanitary wipes present for self-sanitization of all surfaces touched

* The number of people in the pool area at any time is limited to 18 – but no groups larger than 10; no more than 9 individuals are permitted in the water simultaneously

* Increased/enhanced sanitization of furniture and equipment by staff. Open pool hours support industrial sanitization: Pools open 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.; 4 p.m. – 8 p.m. Pools closed for sanitization by staff daily from: 8 a.m. -9 a.m.; 3 p.m. – 4 p.m.

* To comply with the Broward requirement to “supervise” compliance, security will report when rules to protect all residents are flagrantly broken. Ultimately, use of the pool area is at your own risk. **Guests must be accompanied by a resident.**

BARBECUE AREAS: Because of food handling/preparation, the surfaces involved (stainless steel), and high touch surfaces (grill handles, drawers, countertops, sinks, refrigerators, microwaves) sanitization between each touch/use falls to those who use the grill and entire food prep area. Dining is permitted but:

* The amount of people in the BBQ area at any given time, including the dining table area, is limited to 10 people.

* Both grills are open, but social distancing of 6 feet is required. Masking is also required up to the point of eating or drinking. If not actually eating or drinking, masks must be worn.

* Users must self-sanitize all food preparation and appliance surfaces before and after use.

*BYO cooking tools and utensils, take them home after use.

* **Use at your own risk. Guests must be accompanied by resident.**

TENNIS/PICKLEBALL: All common use, hand operated items such as rollers have been removed. When not physically in play, all must wear masks and maintain 6 feet of distance. All spectators must mask and remain 6 feet apart. Ultimately, play at your own risk. **Guests must**

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Never, ever say 'goodbye'

Eighth in the series 'Hidden Treasures', created by Nancy Armstrong

By Christina Rioux

My mother was always an avid book reader. She had a special chair by the window of our West Virginia home where she would read and look out at the trees, watching all of "her birds". Daddy made several bird feeders in the back yard for her enjoyment. Back in the 1960s, when I was in high school, I bought her a gold monogrammed bookmark with her initials engraved on it. I ordered it secretly from a catalog and when it arrived I wrapped it up and presented it to her. She loved it and began using it immediately.

Time went by, I graduated from high school and went on to college. In college I fell in love, got married and moved to New Jersey, but throughout all of my life adventures I kept a consistent, almost constant, communication and visiting schedule with my parents.

When I was in my early 40s my mother suffered with acute rheumatoid arthritis. She endured having vertebrae in her neck and both knees, hips, and elbows replaced. I flew or drove back to West Virginia to visit frequently. Then she became very ill and there was nothing - no operation, new drug or invention - that could help her anymore. One day, while I was visiting with her at the hospital, the doctor took my siblings and me into the hallway to explain that our mom



was in the process of dying.

I didn't want to believe it. The doctor informed us that we should return to her room and express our last goodbyes. While I was holding her hand, she said to me softly, "Don't worry and feel sad because I'll live on in your heart forever; and whenever you see a goldfinch, be happy because it will be me coming back to visit you."

Six months later my dad passed away from a cardiac attack - which I attributed to a broken heart.

After that, my sister and her family of six moved into the house that my parents had lived in and shared many happy, healthy years. So, whenever I went to visit I was still going "home" - back to the childhood home of loving memories.

In the meantime, back in New Jersey, I never saw a little goldfinch as I was living in a high rise apartment building and little birds just do not fly that high. One day my husband and I were taking a hike down by the Hudson River separating New Jersey from New York City. A tiny yellow bird lighted on a branch in front of us. As we moved forward, the bird moved in front of us and waited. This went on for a half mile. My husband said "There's your Mom - she came to see you!" I was thrilled and went every other day to that spot to find the tiny elusive bright yellow bird. I always could find it. Maybe it wasn't the same one, but I *believed* it was. I bought a tiny tray and filled it with thistle seeds (a goldfinch's favorite), and walked up a

path on the hill and placed it on the flat side of a rock.

After a few days, maybe a week, I returned to refill the tray and I saw the little goldfinch fly from a bush just as I arrived. When I peeked inside the bush, I spied a tiny nest. *Love* had been found. I was so inspired by that sweet bird that I went

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Courtesy photo

Christina Rioux poses with the children's book *My Happy Goldfinch* that she wrote to honor her mother's last loving words to her.

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Happy 100th Birthday, Ms. Hudgins



Hollybrook resident Dorothy Hudgins and Hollybrook's Security Chief Mike Tirado mark Ms. Dorothy's 100th birthday with a cheerful visit on January 22, 2021.

Her apartment, purchased in March 1990, was decorated with balloons inside and out. For most of the day, neighbors peeked inside to wish the new centenarian all the best now and for years to come.

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home and wrote a children's book about the love that filled me from that precious yellow bird.

Years went by and when my sister's children grew up, she sold the house. When the new owners moved in, they decided to completely gut the kitchen and modernize it. As the workers pulled the countertops and cabinets away from the walls, they heard a faint "ping". They looked down at the floor and saw a dusty gold bookmark engraved with the initials "MEB". Most probably it had slipped off the windowsill and become wedged between the wall and the cabinets – for *decades*. They asked the new owners if it meant anything to them – but it did not. So, the new owners went to their next door neighbor to inquire. My mother's long time neighbor and friend immediately said "Well, that's Martha's bookmark. She always had it in the book she was reading." The neighbor then gave it to my sister.



A couple days later, my sister wrote a letter to me that told the story. She included the bookmark. She said that I would find a good and safe place to keep it. Of course! I had the perfect place

for it - on the dedication page of the children's book inspired by my mother and written by me to honor her.

The bookmark lives on that special page to remind me that a parent's unconditional love *never* leaves, it stays in your heart and grows there to be passed it on to your children and grandchildren. It keeps us whole and happy. When I get to Heaven, I will thank my mother for returning that hidden treasure to me.

KIDNEY DONATION NEEDED



The daughter and sister of long-term residents is in *desperate* need of a kidney donor.

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Vaccines - Continued from page 15

7 a.m., residents lined-up in their vehicles and snaked patiently along out of Gate B, south on Douglas Road and through Gate A to register at The Playhouse.

Mary Jane “MJ” Boxall, a Hollybrook winter resident and Communications volunteer said she was happy to help.

“Knowing that my Hollybrook friends and neighbors could get the COVID-19 vaccine means inching forward to a time where we can once again enjoy each other’s company and the many activities we had to forgo during the past year,” MJ said. “I can’t wait for my turn when the age criteria goes down to 55 and older.”

Thank you messages poured into Hollybrook’s Facebook page and on emails sent to those who also helped.

“Thank you . . . on behalf of those neighbors (who) couldn’t get an appointment anywhere. A very big thank you to our outgoing president and new president for showing us all how we act for the good of the community,” Maria Lesser wrote.

Many advocated for the vaccine opportunity.

“The amount of people to thank would fill this page” new President Alan Eisman wrote in his first President’s Message.

Alan specifically named Pembroke Pines District 1 City Commissioner Tom Good, a long-time friend to Hollybrook. Conversations between Past President Carl Mack and Tom



Courtesy photo
A couple dozen volunteers from the City of Pembroke Pines, Chen Senior Medical Center and Hollybrook worked together to provide up to 500 COVID-19 vaccines to Hollybrook residents ages 65 and older.

Good about helping Hollybrook receive vaccinations began several months before Century Village was granted on site vaccines by the Florida Department of Emergency Services.

“When I got the call from Tom that it was finally about to happen, that Hollybrook was definitely going to get vaccinations, I was elated” Carl said.

Carl and Tom’s persistence paid off; Alan saw the project through.

On February 22, MJ drove a Hollybrook friend to Chen Senior Medical Center to receive her first shot of the vaccine.

“I saw a dozen or so Happy Hollybrookers there and I smiled. It made me happy,” MJ said.

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- ✓ Are you a United States citizen or a resident alien who is eligible for Public Assistance and Federal Benefits?
- ✓ Do you have documented Social Security Numbers and current photo ID’s (within 1 year of expiry) for all members of the household?
- ✓ Is your total Household Gross Income 150% of the Federal Poverty level or less, as documented by Social Security statements, pay stubs, etc.?
- ✓ Are you a homeowner, renter, or living in Section 8 Housing?

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News

owners who have been sent to collections. We are trying to recoup \$284,607.68 from these accounts already sent to collections.

Our restaurant income for the month of January was \$46,092.19. The 2020 Restaurant Card will expire on March 31, 2021. As you recall, the prior Board approved this extension.

Our golf income for the month of January was \$145,822. There are many factors that impact why we are performing under budget but it is interesting to note that allowing outside golfers here in Hollywood accounted for approximately \$25,000 of our total golf revenue during January 2021.



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When in public, wear a mask over your nose and mouth.

Do not touch your eyes, nose, and mouth.

Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

Stay home when you are sick, except to get medical care.

Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

cdc.gov/coronavirus

be accompanied by a resident.

SHUFFLEBOARD COURTS: Closed

BOCCE/HORSESHOES: Open but players must BYO equipment, play at your own risk. *Guests must be accompanied by a resident.*

INDOOR AMENITIES

Rec Building open 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily No guests permitted EXCEPT in Restaurant

RESTAURANT: The dining room is open to 50 percent capacity and all required protocols are implemented. *Guests are permitted* but must follow all guidelines. Delivery/takeout service is available. All measures to thwart viral spread, including but not limited to mandatory mask wearing, are in effect. Masks may be taken off when customers are in the action of eating or drinking. Ordering food, waiting for food, chatting, visiting the restroom, paying your bill and all other actions inside the restaurant or waiting outside require wearing a mask and keeping 6 feet distance from others.

FITNESS CENTER: *No guests. Use at own risk.* This is a difficult facility to maintain safe from contamination.

* Occupancy shall not exceed 10 persons in order to comply with public health guidance.

* All people must maintain 6 feet of distance from each other. Unless a person is using a machine, they must wear a mask.

* Increased and enhanced disinfection in place.

* Aerobic machines are moved to another room to achieve required spacing and to allow for additional designated capacity of no more than 10 people at a time in that space.

* Exercise machines and equipment rearranged to ensure 6-foot

spacing between persons utilizing equipment.

* All must use sanitary wipes to clean equipment before and after use

LIBRARY: *No guests* - Open 6 a.m. – 11 p.m.

* Masks and gloves must be worn by everyone. Gloves are provided at the entrances. Hand sanitizer is also provided.

* You may remove reading materials from shelves to read or borrow, but you must not return any item to the shelves.

* All returned items must be placed in noted segregated areas for proper sanitization by volunteers.

ARTS & CRAFTS ROOM: *No guests.* Use of the arts and crafts room is at the user's own risk; all required to mask and physically distance from each other.

* Occupancy must not exceed 50% of maximum capacity

* Tables and chairs spaced apart for 6 feet distance separation

* All must self-sanitize equipment/surfaces before and after using. Increased/enhanced disinfection measures are in place.

COMMUNITY ACCESS PROCEDURES: Access is allowed for contractors, personal service providers and other business related personnel including, but not limited to, house cleaners, pest control personnel, real estate/insurance inspectors and appraisers, hurricane window installers. Service providers and delivery personnel must masks during the entire time they interact with residents.

COURTESY BUS: Please see page 38 for schedule and rules.

OFFICE HOURS: Mon – Fri. 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Customer service at the Administration Building is subject to the following requirements:

* Only one customer is allowed in the lobby or any office at the same time

* The receptionist and/or security will determine whether access is needed.

* Hand sanitation required prior to entry; mask required

* Telephone numbers and extensions for people who may fulfill

resident needs are available at the reception area or can be emailed upon request.

* Staff members/office personnel are summoned by the receptionist for brief interactions from behind plexiglass at lobby entrance

* Plexiglass divider shields have been installed in offices with multiple staff/employees

BILLIARDS/CARDROOMS/PING PONG: Closed

LOCKER ROOMS/SAUNAS: Closed



¿Necesita Ayuda para pagar su factura de Energía?

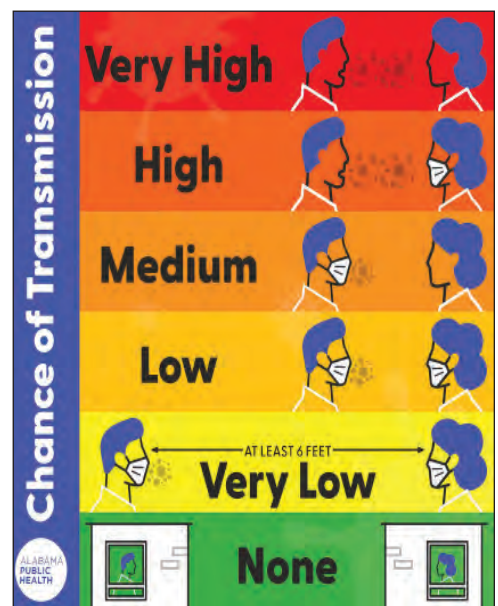
¡El programa de asistencia financiera (EHEAP) puede ayudarle con el pago de su factura de energía eléctrica!

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- ✓ ¿Es usted ciudadano/a de los Estados Unidos o residente legal y es elegible para asistencia pública y beneficios federales?
- ✓ ¿Tiene números de seguro social e identificaciones de foto (que no pasen de un año de la fecha de vencimiento) para todos los habitantes de su hogar?
- ✓ ¿Su ingreso total, como esta documentado en los cheques del seguro social o en los recibos de pago de su trabajo se encuentra dentro del 150% del nivel de pobreza federal ó menos?
- ✓ ¿Es dueño de casa, renta, o recibe ayuda de vivienda con el programa de sección 8?

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motion was passed with 23 yes votes, C. Lachance abstained. The Board applauded C. Lachance for taking this position.

MOTION B: TO APPROVE THE SUSPENSION OF VOTING RIGHTS OF UNITS OVER NINETY (90) DAYS DELINQUENT IN MONIES OWED TO THE ASSOCIATION EFFECTIVE FEB. 8, 2021 at NOON. Lois Hollands made the motion, seconded by Roiann Bruno that the Board approve the suspension of voting rights of units that are over ninety (90) days delinquent in monies in excess of \$1,000.00 owed to the Association as of January 11, 2021, with suspension to be effective as of February 8, 2021. C. Lachance made a friendly amendment to add the word noon. Motion sentence now reads, effective as of noon February 8, 2021. Motion B passed unanimously with 24 votes.

MOTION C: TO RATIFY APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL JANITORIAL CONTRACT

Alan Eisman made the motion, seconded by W. Fisher that the Board ratify the approval of the supplemental contract entered into with American Service Industries (ASI) in the amount of \$3,897.00 monthly for cleaning of all restrooms on the PGA golf course. This project will be funded from the Unallocated Contingency/COVID-19 item of Schedule "P" of the fiscal year 2020 budget which has an annual planning figure of \$30,000.00 and expenditures year to date of \$94,677.00 as of December 31, 2020.

No discussion. Motion C passed unanimously with 24 votes.

MOTION D: TO AMEND RULE 11 OF HOLLYBROOK'S RULES AND REGULATIONS TO ADD SECTION 11 PERTAINING TO HARASSMENT OF ASSOCIATION EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS.

R. Bruno made the motion, seconded by A. Eisman to have the Board approve the following language stating:

No Resident, Guest, Visitor or Care Provider shall cause to malign, harass, annoy or interfere with any Association employees or volunteers, to be formatted in Rule 11 as section 11 in the Amended and Restated Rules and Regulations adopted by the Board in January 2019. A. Horn, R. Ganz and S. Klar commented on said motion. P. Tripodi had left meeting for this motion. Motion passed unanimously with 23 yes votes.

MOTION E: TO REMOVE AND REPLACE THE LANGUAGE IN RULE 3, SECTION 1(B) OF HOLLYBROOK'S RULES AND REGULATIONS. R. Primonato made the motion, seconded by R. Bruno to remove the entire language in Rule 3, Section 1(B) of Hollybrook's Rules and Regulations and replace it with the following:

"No washing or maintenance of any nature of any vehicles shall be done anywhere on the property except in facilities designated by the Association for that purpose.

The designated facility for cleaning and washing of Authorized Vehicles is located on the access road to the maintenance facility. There is no area designated for repairing vehicles, and repairing vehicles on the property is prohibited, except in case of emergency situation. The designated area for cleaning and washing may be used only by Residents and only for Authorized Vehicles owned by them. Friendly amendment made by R. Labate.

No outside vehicle vendor is permitted to clean/wash or do maintenance work on any Residents' vehicles on the property. Minor detailing, window cleaning and waxing is permitted outside the car wash area. Vehicle vacuuming is only allowed in the designated car wash area. Such cleaning, washing and vacuuming shall be done only between sunrise and sunset." Unit owner Ana Danberg bldg. 40 Apt. 304 commented that she was totally behind this motion and had suggestions for the Board. A. Eisman, R. Fortier, S. Dipp and Q. Pacella stated comments and remarks on this motion. Motion E passed with 23 yes votes, 1 no vote.

MOTION F: TO ADOPT RESOLUTION DESIGNATING STRALEY-OTTO AS ATTORNEYS-IN-FACT TO THE ASSOCIATION

Lois Hollands made the motion, seconded by A. Horn that the Board adopt a resolution appointing STRALEY-OTTO and its employees and

agents, as its attorneys at law, to act as its attorneys and agents-in-fact for the purpose of signing claims of lien, foreclosures, and associated documents in connection with the Association's efforts in collection of maintenance fees and assessments levied by and due the Association. Upon submission/referral of a delinquent account to STRALEY-OTTO, from the Association or its agents, STRALEY-OTTO, and its agents are authorized to sign the above-referenced documents on behalf of the Association. Further, STRALEY-OTTO is authorized to endorse and deposit all funds made payable to the Association into STRALEY-OTTO's Florida Bar IOTA Trust Account. P. Tripodi returned to meeting, no discussions motion passed unanimously with 24 yes votes. A copy of the resolution passed by the Board is attached to these minutes.

MOTION G: TO AMEND HOLLYBROOK'S OUTSIDE GOLF PROTOCOL AND SET REVISED GOLF FEES

Mike Eaton made the motion, seconded by A. Ingram. to amend Hollybrook's outside golf protocol for golf cart usage as permitted by Broward County, as well as set revised golf fees as follows:

(A) GOLF CART FEES:

- Member Guests, Police, Firefighters, Military and First Responders:

\$45.00 per golfer, with a \$5.00 per golfer discount if they share a cart

- Member Groups: \$55.00 per golfer with a \$5.00 per golfer discount if they share a cart

- Outside Golfers, other than above: \$60.00 per golfer subject to a \$5.00 discount per golfer if they share a cart

(B) No Member shall be required to share a tee time with any outside golfers

(C) The "safe haven" created for Members shall be eliminated and outside golfers shall be allowed to book tee times prior to 9:00 a.m. subject to availability

(D) Tee times after 9:00 a.m. will now be scheduled every seven (7) minutes instead of the present ten (10) minutes

M. Eaton, A. Horn, P. Tripodi, discussed this motion. Motion G will go into effect January 26th, 2021 per Paul Ray (CEO). Motion G passed with 23 yes votes and 1 no vote.

MOTION H: TO RE-DESIGNATE CERTAIN UNALLOCATED CONTINGENCY FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF RE-SURFACING TENNIS COURTS 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, AND 14

Stu Klar made the motion, seconded by R. Labate that the Board direct the Controller to re-designate \$135,000.00 of Unallocated Contingency funds as Allocated Contingency funding for tennis court re-surfacing to be utilized to fund the re-surfacing of tennis courts 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, and 14 in 2021. Motion H passed with 22 yes votes and 2 no votes. UNIT OWNER FORUM COMMENTS RECEIVED VIA EMAIL TO FORUM@HOLLYBROOK.COM.

Sylvie Gagnon (3-305) wrote that she and other unit owners would like a debate between the 3 people running for President. She also made suggestions to be safe due to the Covid-19, for a debate at the Playhouse.

Elizabeth Bryzicki (18-206) wrote questions on the motions that the Board Members make. Follow up and enforce.

Martha Feeney (55-304) wrote what a valuable employee Justin Laird is at pro shop. Also suggested having volunteers help at the pro shop.

DIRECTOR'S FORUM: R. Ganz spoke on behalf of homebound unit owners and how we can make it easier for them to vote.

President Mack thanked the volunteers for taking their time and being here for us at Hollybrook due to the pandemic.

President Mack adjourned meeting at 3:30pm

Since this is my last meeting being the Recording Secretary, I thank the staff for their patience with me in this position. Paul Ray, David Dickinson, Carol Mazza and Eileen Soler. I couldn't have done it without you.

*Respectfully submitted by
Roiann Bruno*

Earth Health

RECYCLE. REUSE. RECYCLE. RECYCLE. REUSE

Recycle: Not sexy, but *important*

By Michael Eaton

Doesn't matter how you say it. It's not very exciting, but, it is extremely important! Recycle. Recycle. Recycle.

Every item that you can dispose of properly for reuse, is an item that will *not* take up space in our landfills.

According to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's website, www.floridarecycles.org, "Floridians are contaminating home recycling bins with things that can't be recycled at curbside — plastic bags, greasy pizza boxes, thin plastic packaging, and much more. In fact, nearly one-

third of all materials households send to Florida recycling facilities are not actually recyclable and ruin loads of items that otherwise could be recycled.

(The department calls) this "wish-cycling" — well-intentioned recycling that ends up creating more problems than solutions. While the intentions are good, these mistakes are costly and time-consuming — sometimes shutting down processing plants for hours at a time."

As a whole, if Floridians eliminated 30 percent of contaminated material in curbside recycling bins, we could save \$100 million in only one year. The contaminants clog processing machines and shut down facility operations. Plastic bags, Styrofoam peanuts and containers, bubble wrap and thin plastics are the main culprits.

Please continue to take advantage of Hollybrook's recycling program because every little bit we do *does* make a difference.

Harvey Munk and I, as co-chairs of the Hollybrook Recycling Committee greatly appreciate all of your efforts. All of the special recyclable items that are brought to the office (light bulbs, eyeglasses, ink cartridges, batteries) will continue to be forwarded to the appropriate agencies to maximize their usage.

The clothing/textile recycling bins are currently located in the third floor laundry rooms of Buildings 1, 38, 44, and 56. In addition, there is always a bin at the Administration Building. Please make use of these bins as you purge your closets from the holidays.

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Health & Fitness

Diastole, Systole: What to know about blood pressure numbers

By Dennis Reese, RRT
Hollybrook Resident



Director of Clinical Education, Concorde Career Institute

When you get your blood pressure numbers, there are two of them. The first, or “top” number, is your systolic blood pressure. The second, or “bottom,” number, is the diastolic blood pressure. Knowing both is important and could save your life.

What does the systolic blood pressure number mean?

When your heart beats, it squeezes and pushes blood through your arteries to the rest of the body. The force creates pressure on blood vessels, and that’s your systolic blood pressure. Below describes your systolic blood pressure number:

- Normal: Below 120
- Elevated: 120-129
- Stage 1 high blood pressure (hypertension): 103-139
- Stage 2 hypertension: 104 or more
- Hypertensive crisis: 180 or more. (Call 911)

What does the diastolic blood pressure number mean?

The diastolic reading, or the bottom number, is the pressure in the arteries when the heart rests between beats. This is the time when the heart fills with blood and gets oxygen. Below describes your diastolic blood pressure:

- Normal: Lower than 80
- Stage 1 hypertension: 80-89
- Stage 2 hypertension: 90 or more
- Hypertensive Crisis: 120 or more. (Call 911)

Lifestyle changes to improve your blood pressure include but are not limited to:

- Cut back on sodium. Ask your physician what your daily sodium limit should be. Read the nutrition facts label on food products to monitor how much sodium you eat.
- Exercise more. Studies show benefits with 3-4 sessions per week, each lasting 40 minutes, of aerobic exercise which makes your heart beat faster.
- If you're overweight, lose weight. For each pound lost, you can expect to shave about one point off your blood pressure numbers.
- Eat healthy. The DASH diet (Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension) is designed to improve blood pressure. It favors vegetables, fruits, whole grains, low fat dairy, poultry, fish and chicken.
- Limit alcohol to no more than one drink for women a day or two for men.

Finally, if you are taking medications for blood pressure, visit your physician regularly.

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Laughter can be best medicine

By Louise E. Vigneault - Hollybrook Resident, Health Educator, Certified Fitness Professional, Lifestyle Coach

Laughter is fun, free and easy to use. With COVID-19 still around, I had to find ways to make life more interesting and more happy. At this point, I feel all excited when I dress up to go grocery shopping (LOL) and who would have said just 14 months ago, that grocery shopping was exciting?

The first wave of COVID-19 taught me to rest and enjoy the time off, which I did. I read a lot of books, took some online courses and enjoyed going outside for my daily walk.

The second wave came and at that point, I thought: "I need to laugh and have fun again." So, I did some research on laughter and how it can help us face hard times.

One of my mottos, "a daily good laugh keeps the doctor

away" is supported by facts. Science says that a good laugh can help us to improve our health. I did not know this, even though I had been saying it for over 30 years. I had realized I was feeling better when I was laughing.

The benefits of laughing are: Laughter strengthens our immune system by decreasing our stress hormones and increasing immune cells and infection-fighting antibodies. A cancer patient study in Norway found that people with a strong sense of humor outlived those that did not laugh as much. Laughter releases endorphins (the happy hormone) which boosts mood and diminishes pain, after a good laugh our body stays relaxed for up to 45 minutes protecting us from the damages of stress.

Laughter inspires hope and gives you a sense of belonging, adding joy and zest to our lives. It releases

anger and enables us to move on from confrontations without holding on to bitterness and resentment. Even Sigmund Freud held that laughter allows people to let off steam or release pent-up "nervous energy".

My daily laugh activities include; Finding some old sitcoms or comedy shows like I Love Lucy, Laurel & Hardy or Charlie



Chaplin. Laughter is contagious, so when we hear people laughing, what do we do, we start to laugh as well. Who didn't laugh at Lucy and Ethel in the chocolate factory or stomping grapes in Italy.

Enjoying our family and friends (even on Zoom) Sharing jokes, humor and stories. Start to smile more, even with a face mask on, when we smile, our eyes brighten. Count our blessings each day. Find something we are grateful for. Each night, I find one thing I am very grateful for and say thank you.

Until next time, stay FIT and HEALTHY and LAUGH DAILY.

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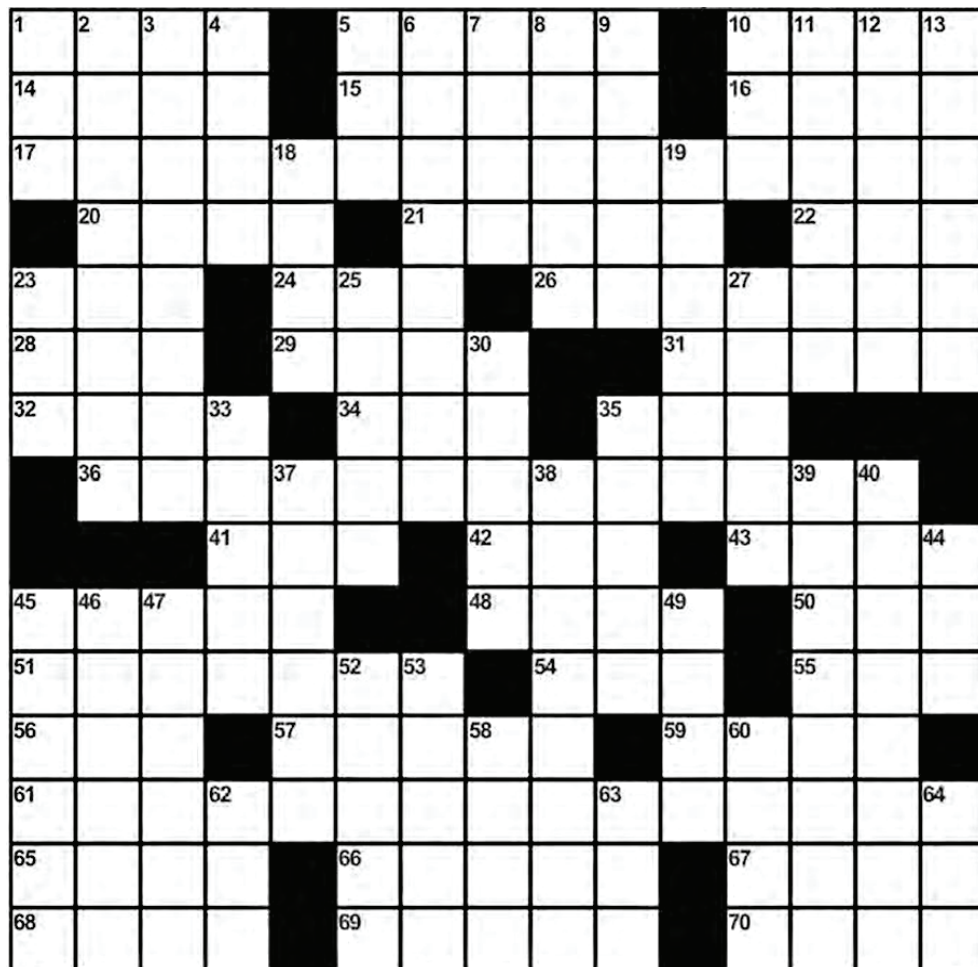
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- 1) Certain term of respect
- 5) Caliph's faith
- 10) Dishonestly acquired booty
- 14) "The Princess Diaries" star Hathaway
- 15) Diving gear
- 16) Succulent plant
- 17) Picnic item, sometimes
- 20) Wound from a boxer?
- 21) Elbow conspiratorially
- 22) Short, straight punch
- 23) Homer's "Heck!"
- 24) "Caught in the act!"
- 26) Ophthalmologist's concern
- 28) Schooner's cargo, often
- 29) Shopping outlet
- 31) Little laugh
- 32) "Dog Barking at the Moon" painter Joan
- 34) "Christ the Redeemer" city
- 35) That lass
- 36) Picnic items, sometimes
- 41) Sound of pleasure
- 42) Big Band or Victorian
- 43) "Listen!" old-style
- 45) Hollywood's Eastwood
- 48) Lancelot and others

- 50) Wing-tip tip
- 51) Stumbling blocks
- 54) Busy pro in Apr.
- 55) Give a pink slip to
- 56) Possessive pronoun
- 57) Satisfy, as a debt
- 59) Enjoy a mystery
- 61) Picnic items, sometimes
- 65) Look ___ (explore)
- 66) Syllables sung while skipping
- 67) City near Lake Tahoe
- 68) Too inquisitive
- 69) Sprinkle all about
- 70) Former Soviet initials.

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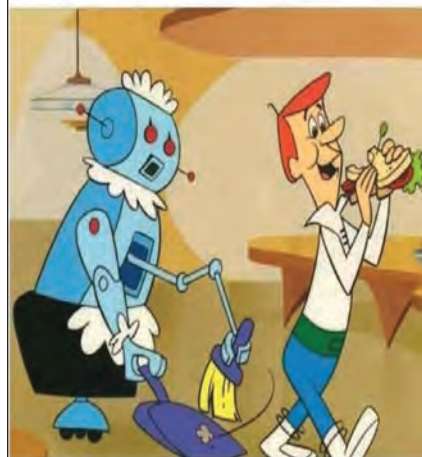
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- 2) Like some steroids
- 3) Unlikely protagonist
- 4) High school sports event
- 5) Suffix for "Marx" or "capital"
- 6) Screenwriter's creation
- 7) Humdinger
- 8) Home
- 9) Rundown and filthy
- 10) Close friend
- 11) Wood of Hollywood
- 12) Vicinity
- 13) Debilitated
- 18) Photocopier tray filler, perhaps
- 19) Be hot under the collar
- 23) Hoover construction
- 25) Draconian
- 27) Tree with edible nuts
- 30) Firms up, as muscles
- 33) Ape of Borneo
- 35) Mentally acute
- 37) Word with "second" or "laws of"
- 38) First wheels, for many
- 39) Scones
- 40) Widens
- 44) Baseball's Griffey
- 45) Pay one's share
- 46) Spanglish speaker, often
- 47) Map parts
- 49) Kolkata dress
- 52) Creatures with six or more legs, typically
- 53) Baseball or tennis
- 58) At some distance
- 60) Stocking shade
- 62) Flirtatious
- 63) Bit of hesitation?
- 64) Word in the Postal Service creed



For Laughs



Everyone is wanting a Jetson Car in 2121. Not me. I want Rosie to clean my house.



Fun Stuff

Dang doggie DNA

Or why Fast Eddie doesn't Bichon Blitz.

By Ken Schlossberg

My son, who recently fled New York City for Closter, New Jersey, because of the virus has three dogs; a Chihuahua, a Pomeranian and a slightly bigger black female dog that for years my son was sure was part pit bull because of its total "musculinity" and fierce appearance.

On the other hand, despite its appearance, it has the best disposition - a relief to me because he also has a charming, young daughter we like to keep safe.

Recently, out of curiosity and wondering if he needed special insurance liability for a pit bull, he decided to spring for a dog DNA test to verify its genes.

The results (*voila!*) indicate that the "pit" is no less than 50% Chihuahua, which makes sense because pound for pound, we *all* know that Chihuahuas can be terrifyingly ferocious.

(To be fair, the Chihuahuas near Phase 2 seem so peace loving that Fast Eddie has trouble recognizing them as dogs at all.)

Finally, my son's not-pit bull is also part hound and spaniel.

My son's dog DNA foray got me thinking about genetics in general and dog DNA in particular. A recent news story speculated that in the cave man era our ancestors preferred to eat the fatty part of their kills and throw the lean meat to hungry wolves not afraid to hang around. Is that why we love filet mignon so much? And why Fast Eddie craves his own organic roasted chicken delivered by Instacart once a week?

Several years ago, our daughter bought DNA tests for us through 23andMe. The results confirmed she is unequivocally our daughter (yay!) and that my wife and I had the same maternal grandparent nine generations ago, roughly around the mid 17th Century.

I always told my wife that I thought we had to be cousins in the past. When her mother came to live with us she told my wife, "you found your twin", which is me, of course.

I've been intrigued for a bit by some



of Fast Eddie's behavioral traits that are not exactly classic Bichon and very different from our previous Bichon.

Bichons are famous for the Bichon Blitz; running crazily in a circle when happy and excited to greet people. They are also surprisingly athletic jumpers and runners of obstacle courses, a heritage of the days when they earned their keep as circus performers.

Eddie does not blitz. His favorite form of play is "attack". He crouches down, front paws splayed, barking and growling, leaping from side to side, tail swinging. That's it. Nothing more.

All of his senses are razor-sharp. He hears the garbage truck coming from two football fields away. Sophie swears that he hears me driving up to our building from 100 yards. He alerts us immediately to anybody walking by or approaching our door.

During our daily walks, he is constantly looking from side to side, acutely aware of anything, anybody or any animal. At times, he's a bloodhound, sticking his nose to the ground and pursuing a scent to the end of who knows where.

Other times, he's like a bird dog, assuming a pointing position, one foreleg lifted, nose out in front, stalking a duck, egret or iguana.

What does this all mean, DNAtwise? Who knows? But I think we're going to find out. Stay tuned.

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Sports

Happening in Hollybrook: PICKLEBALL

By Gilles Voyer
Pickleball Chair

Just in case you didn't notice, pickleball season is alive, well and happening in Hollybrook. COVID-19 hasn't stopped play four mornings weekly since the beginning of December.

While many snowbird players from last season have chosen to stay put, a surprising 8-16 players are on the courts on a regular basis.

We have a roster of 33 players this season. Others play with their own group at different times. New players we have welcomed this season include Richard, Karen, Denise, Sharon, Chris-



tina, Louise, Lucille, Monique and Lorne.

Everyone counts themselves lucky to be able to play and are enjoying every game. Thanks to all of them for following restrictions (washing hands, wearing masks and keeping physical distance) to keep everyone healthy.

Though there will not be a tournament this spring, watch for it later this year in our next season.

Finally, pickleball fans, the International Federation of Pickleball will hold the Bainbridge Cup, the world's foremost international pickleball tournament, at Pictona at Holly Hill April 7-11, 2021. It will be the first



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time held in the U.S. following premier events in Spain, Italy and Germany. More information will be available on the website. More than 430 players are already registered.

The prime directive for pickleballers is still the same: Have fun (and stay safe)! Here's the new email address for information about Hollybrook pickleball: hollybrookpickle@hotmail.com



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