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On the cover: Maryann Brooks shows a joyful smile at Hole 4 during the inaugural round of the brand-new Summer Nine and Dine Golf League. The fun group kicked off the season with eight golfers on Tuesday, July 19.



## Moving forward with projects like pools, playhouse

Well, summer is here and it is *hot!* I hope you are all well and staying cool. Here are updates on various Hollybrook projects.

### PLAYHOUSE

The roof is complete and a budget was approved by the Board for the redo of the Hollybrook Playhouse. The budget includes the ladies' and men's restrooms in the theater lobby and both restrooms near the restaurant. The stage and dance floor have been repaired and refurbished.

### TENNIS COURTS

We are still awaiting material to repair Phase 6 tennis courts.

### ROOFS

Permits were submitted for the installation of new roofs at the Administration Building, Gate House A and a restroom on the golf course. We contacted the City of Pembroke Pines in the hope of fast tracking the permit process. We want to avoid a repeat of the issues we confronted previously with the Playhouse when we had to spend more than \$250,000 for mold remediation and restoration which could have been avoided if a new roof was installed when it was needed many years ago. Roofs are a major concern for everyone. After much research we hired Paul Bange roofing to examine every single roof at Hollybrook. The report from Paul Bange identified 26 roofs in need of repair. I authorized the work and seven roofs have been finished so far. Work will continue until all roofs are done. In addition, there are two roofs that need total replacement. The cost of that project was brought before the board at the Special Board Meeting on July 28 and passed. I expect work to begin on Building 54 in the very near future.

### LAUNDRY MACHINES

It was decided to continue with our current vendor, at least for the foreseeable future, at no additional cost. However, approximately 50 machines (based on our repair records) will be replaced. This decision gave us the opportunity to keep prices close to existing rates while continuing to bring \$45,000 into Hollybrook coffers per year.

### PIPE LINING

After nearly three years, only four buildings are left in the sewage pipelining project. The permit application for the final stretch was signed by me and now, weather permitting, the project will be completely finished by the end of August.

### POOLS

We found a new contractor to complete the balance of our

pool deck resurfacing project. They were given the Towers pool to complete as a test and the project turned out beautifully, as anyone can see for themselves. The work at Pools 1, 3, and 6 that was reported previously as "finished" by the initial contractor was deemed unsatisfactory within a couple weeks due to incorrect surface preparation. The matter has been turned over to legal counsel and a motion at the Special Board Meeting on July 28, was passed to approve the additional expense of hiring a new contractor. The additional money necessary to complete the pool decks will come from the balance remaining after the pipe lining project is paid off completely. No assessment will be needed as rumored. Furniture is on order and is still slated to arrive in October. Canopies are already being installed and all should be placed within the next month or two.

### 50 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Planning continues but there is so much happening already. Read more about it in a separate report inside this issue of *The Voice of Hollybrook*. Quick update: the committee has selected a logo, the cookbook is well under way, and we have booked shows for January, February and March.

### INTERNET

Contract negotiation with Lux is proceeding as scheduled and will go before the Board at the next scheduled meeting. A detailed information package will be made available to all unit owners as soon as the contract is ready.

### 40 YEAR INSPECTION

We still do not have a clear understanding of what is required by new laws recently put into effect by Florida legislators. We have assembled a task force/committee of residents who are working it. But let me say "no" right off to those who feel that all projects should be put on hold and that we should defer all maintenance. We do not know yet what is required of us but not continuing to keep Hollybrook moving forward as a place we all want to live in would be a huge injustice, and deferring maintenance would only lead to larger costs for the same repair project down the road. For example: the long overdue Playhouse roof repair that led to all sorts of additional and costly problems.

### ADDED NOTE

A few people are asking why most of the work listed above is done during summer months. Here is the simple answer: There are substantially fewer people present at Hollybrook during the summer months; even many full-time residents go away on summertime vacations. So, for example, closing two pools at the same time during winter has a significant detrimental effect because the closures would cause overcrowding at all pools and barbecue nightmares. Same with tennis courts - court repairs in the summer have minimal impact on players because there are no wait times and everyone who wants to play can easily do so at any time and without reservation worries.

As always if you wish to speak with me, call, email, or speak with my assistant, Carol Mazza, to schedule an appointment.

## VOH Information

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**'Howdy, too,' to our new neighbors who purchased in July!**

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### VP Report From Gilles Chevrier

I am happy to report that TOTAL has been collaborating with us to address the issues owners have had with TOTAL's service. I suggest that if you have a problem with TOTAL that has not been resolved in a timely fashion, contact me.

Our agreement with Canam and GolfNow has helped compensate for the drastic drop in golf walk-ins compared to last year. In order to help our golf revenue, we reduced the outside golfer's rates and introduced a reduced rate after 2 p.m. because our course is rarely booked for tee times after that time.

Even though I am not physically in Hollybrook, I can be reached at my extension, 237, by first calling the Hollybrook main number 954-431-0600. I am happy to help any owner.

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### Hollybrook summer is as busy as always July, August Report

From the desk of Mary LoPreto

A quiet time at the Hollybrook Golf and Tennis Club? No, no, no. May through September are as busy as October through

May this year.

Golf, tennis, pickleball, gym and pools remain favorites and are always busy when you pass. It appears that these activities will continue while even more is addressed.

Our maintenance staff (plus some additional contractors) continue to address the 40-Year Plan issues while maintaining and renovating our pools, patios, and playhouse.

The Hollybrook budget remains intact with thanks to our volunteers and staff. It is their diligent understanding of maintenance and money management that makes it all work.

Enjoy and be well in your beloved Hollybrook or wherever you may be.



## Financial Secy's Report



### Let numbers do all the talking

From the desk of Joni Esser-Stuart

The first quarter of the current fiscal year closed on June 30, 2022, and our quarterly Maintenance payments were due on July 1, 2022. Alex Ivanaskas, Etna Chery and Julecia Farris are conscientiously working with me to collect from unit owners who are in arrears. We monitor the accounts on a regular basis and diligently work to collect from all residents whose accounts are in arrears. Letters have been sent to all owners who neglected to send in their quarterly maintenance checks and the staff and I have been in contact with many of these unit owners. As of today, some checks have been remitted and these accounts are no longer in arrears.

Ten owners are currently in collections with Straley and Otto. Two unit owners, who had been in collections, recently paid their respective past due amounts. Fortunately, we also collected \$13,000 (the full amount) from an account that had been in collections for quite a while. We only received a partial payment from a reverse mortgage account that was in collections and thus had to write off the remaining balance. However, we received a substantial check from Straley and Otto as the result of a tax sale dating back to 2012.

Our monthly golf income for June was \$80,010 and during June golf income was substantially lower than the projected monthly budgeted golf income. As you may recall, April golf income (\$178,136) was higher than projected and the May golf income (\$130,362) was also lower than expected. Both May and June golf income was lower than during the same

period in the prior fiscal year. Our overall golf income is less this quarter than the golf income received during the first quarter of the 2021-2022 fiscal year (\$388,508 versus \$406,093). The positive news is that the first quarter overall golf income is 23% of the yearly budget of \$1,662,000.

As expected during our summer golf season, we rely upon outside golfers, Canam and Golf Now help to support income derived from our owners and their guests. The cart fees from our owners were \$7,985 during June and an additional \$26,289 came from guest fees. Walk-in golfers accounted for \$25,954 of our golf revenue. Our contract with Golf Now provided \$11,042 while our negotiated contract with Canam provided \$4,427 of revenue during June. Additional sources of golf income during June were \$4,493 from our military and first responders, driving range fees of \$668, and Par 3 fees were \$70.

I am not physically present in Hollybrook due to the birth of our first grandson. Aiden Zachary was born in Houston, Texas during the Memorial Day weekend. However, I have been speaking to Board colleagues and friends about the awesome specials in our Hollybrook Restaurant. I understand that Justin (JC) Cleveland, and his staff have also had several catering events during the summer. Kudos to all! I encourage you all to continue to patronize the restaurant and to take advantage of the weekly specials!



## RESIDENTS

The next REGULAR BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION MEETING will be announced

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## Recording Secretary



From the desk of  
Elaine Yost

### SPECIAL BOARD of ADMINISTRATION MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, July 28, 2022

President Alan Eisman called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. on July 28, 2022.

There were 24 board members present; absent was Rappaport. Also in attendance were Kyle Hatakeyama (General Manager), Shane Laakso (Purchasing Manager), and Eileen Soler (Communications Director).

This BOA meeting was arranged during the Covid-19 pandemic and most of the BOA members were participating via the Zoom Conferencing Platform and in the lobby of the Administration Building.

#### NEW BUSINESS

#### **MOTION A – TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR THE INSTALLATION OF THE POOL/PATIO SURFACES BY THE SUM OF \$158,787.24**

Alan Eisman made a motion to amend the resolution adopted by the Board on March 31, 2022, for the pool and BBQ area renovation and modernization project and award the completion of the project to Sundek Pool Decks for pool areas in Phases 2, 4, and 5; our maintenance department will fix the defects left by Artistic Concrete at the pool areas in Phases 1, 3, and 6, including tiling the bathrooms at the Phase 6 pool. A lawsuit is pending for damages stemming from Artistic Concrete's defective workmanship.

A vote was taken and the motion passed with 15 affirmative and 9 dissenting (Eaton, Esser-Stuart, Gonzalez, Hipp, Ingram, Klar, Labate, Webber, Yost) votes.

#### **MOTION B – TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO PAUL BANGE ROOFING, INC. TO REPLACE THE ROOF ON BUILDING 54**

Andy Ingram made a motion to contract with Paul Bange Roofing, Inc. to replace the roof on Building 54 at the cost of \$161,000. A vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously with 24 affirmative votes.

#### Comments (none)

Alan Eisman adjourned the Board of Administration Meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

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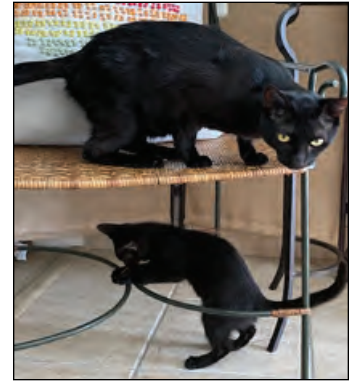
Animal lovers are especially protective of creatures that are desperate for care. That's why a handful of Hollybrookers recently launched an effort with Broward County Animal Control and Regulation to stunt the overpopulation of Hollybrook's feral cat community.

Pest Control Manager Mike Donovan, Animal Regulations Chair Lois Hollands and volunteers Mickey Breton, Lisa Nabors and Kat Newman are heading up the HollyCats Feral Taskforce. The cats will be captured, delivered to the county animal control division for neutering, and then returned to the area. No animals will be harmed.

For many years, wild cats have hunted and reproduced in open areas behind Holes 7 and 8 and the back alley of the strip plaza at Douglas and Pembroke Roads. The alley cats are likely drawn to feed out of garbage dumpsters filled by shop owners. Occasionally, residents would trap the cats, have them neutered, then return them to the area.

Fast forward to summer 2020 when a kitten was found wandering, Chief Mike Tirado rescued the kitten, took her home and named her Bella. Last summer, a mother cat and her litter were found outside of the Communications Office springing volunteer Maryjane Boxall into calling a cat rescue group, which neutered and adopted the felines into homes. Shortly after, a black kitten was found in a puddle with a bloody tail. Communications Director Eileen Soler adopted him. This summer, Eileen adopted a second kitten found on the property and Golf Course Superintendent Walter Chavez took a third home, nursed it, and found it a home.

The neutering effort that had taken place over the last decade needed rejuvenation. In late July Mike purchased new cages and gloves to handle the trapped cats. The program will begin in earnest in late summer.



Above left: Bella Tirado and (above right) Buddy Holly Soler and Joanie Jett Soler, all past feral kittens found starving and abandoned in Hollybrook, enjoy comfortable, new and happy homes with employees Mike Tirado and Eileen Soler, respectively. Below: Residents Lois Hollands and Mickey Breton learn, from Pest Control Manager Mike Donovan, how to humanely capture to neuter feral community cats.



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# City and County



## Watch for children From Pembroke Pines Mayor Frank C. Ortis

School will soon be back in session and that means school buses will be back out on the roads. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the greatest risk to any child is not riding a bus, but approaching or leaving one. It's important for everyone to know the traffic safety rules near bus stops and on the road. That includes seniors. Everyone must be aware of the rules of the road: slow down near bus stops, be aware of children in the area, and follow bus safety rules to protect our kids.

Although the summer is starting to wind down, I hope everyone still gets a chance to take some time to relax and enjoy the amenities that the City of Pembroke Pines has to offer during our summer months, such as "Splash in the Pines" 10 a.m. –

1 p.m., Saturday, August 13, at the West Pines Soccer Park & Nature Preserves, 350 SW 196 Ave. Though the event is mostly geared toward children, grandparents may also enjoy the water theme games, activities and more. Go to [www.ppines.com](http://www.ppines.com), to find details and more exciting events and programs planned for the coming months.

While in the website, check out the Carl Shechter Southwest Focal Point Community Center's social happenings that enhance senior wellbeing. The center helps facilitate services that assist you and your independent lifestyle. Topics include: Aging Healthy and Living Independently, Current Trends in Caregiving and Personal Enrichment. Call the center at 954-450-6888.

Friends, we are in the midst of hurricane season and will soon be in the most active time of the year. I hope your hurricane plans are in place or that you are taking steps now to prepare. Go to [www.ppines.com/hurricane](http://www.ppines.com/hurricane) for tips, videos and other resources that cover all your needs.

Contact Frank Ortis at 954-450-1020, or [fortis@ppines.com](mailto:fortis@ppines.com).



## From Pembroke Pines Dist. 1 Commissioner Tom Good Your attention, please

Can you feel the heat? Summer is definitely in full blast. Please take every precaution to keep yourself cool and hydrated especially on the golf course, tennis and pickleball courts, or just taking a walk. Don't leave home without a bottle of water to help you stay hydrated; your safety is too important for heatstroke.

Do you know that the City of Pembroke Pines is conducting a transportation survey and that your input is very important? The city, through transportation consultant Metric Engineering, is creating a citywide Transportation Master Plan to address key mobility needs via a blueprint for improving the City's transportation system. Please view a short video on the City's YouTube Channel under Pembroke Pines media <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RoTmQ3qgmro>. Then, take a short survey so we may gather input on the best ways to improve road and transportation infrastructure for our residents. Your feedback is vital for a successful plan. Please help us help you.

Another fun two-day Flea Market and Bazaar is coming to the Carl Shechter Southwest Focal Point Community Center, 301 NW 103 Ave. The weekend treasure hunt featuring 100 vendors is 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., on Saturday, August 20, and 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sunday, August 21. It's free! Call the center at 954-450-6888.

I'm so excited because it's almost time for seniors to audition for a place on the Miami Heat Golden Oldies dance team. Dates and times will be announced. The dance team is one of the most popular groups in game time presentations, and the first senior dance team in the entire NBA. Participants must be at least age 60 by audition date – you will be asked to show a state issued identification card. Athletic or dance shoes with

non-slip non-marking soles and a red, black, and/or white outfit are required for auditions. Typically, the auditions are held in August or September at the community center. Email [dancers@Heat.com](mailto:dancers@Heat.com) or go to [www.nba.com](http://www.nba.com) to find out more. Come on out and give it a go!

September 11 will mark the 21<sup>st</sup> anniversary of 9/11. Take a moment on that day to pause in honor of our first responders and all lives impacted on that horrible day. Also, Hispanic Heritage Month, observed from September 15 to October 15, is time to appreciate and celebrate the colorful cultures, rich histories, and diversity of the Latino community. Check out the city's calendar for upcoming activities.

Lastly, stay always prepared during hurricane season just in case a storm heads our way.

Contact Tom Good at [tgood@ppines.com](mailto:tgood@ppines.com) or 954-290-5189.

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# Rumors R Us



Dear Ms. Holly,

My neighbor told me that the Hollybrook Board made a decision to remove all of the roll-down shutters due to the 40-year inspection. Residents will be responsible for replacing their shutters and having them installed. This doesn't feel right, and I am already on a tight budget. I like my roll-up shutters. They also said it would take approximately three years to complete the work.

*Worried and Distressed in Hollybrook*

Dear Worried and Distressed in Hollybrook,

Ms. Holly "shutters" to think about the unnecessary anxiety you must be experiencing. Ms. Holly thanks you for sharing your concerns because it gives her another chance to remind readers to get involved, attend board meetings, or view them on Channel 93. After all, for most of us, our homes are our most valuable asset.

The truth of the matter is: As a result of the 40-year inspection, if your patio was one of a handful with structural concerns that needed repair, your shutters were removed for the work to take place and not replaced. This occurred not because of a random Board action related to the 40-year inspection but because roll-up shutters are no longer permitted by the City of Pembroke Pines. If you choose to purchase new, allowable shutters, you may do so at your own expense.

Board members or administrative staff are always willing to help clarify things and get back to you in a timely fashion – hopefully within 48 hours.

If you choose to not replace the rollup shutters with shutters that are allowed, Ms. Holly encourages you to take the money you will be saving and go away on a wonderful adventure. *You have earned it.*

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# Letter to the Editor



## COVID-19 and our grandkids

Dear Editor,

As a member of your Hollybrook Board of Directors, I have been very vocal about our response to COVID-19. I applaud our Communication Team for their timely information put out through emails, text messages, and the Voice of Hollybrook.

My wife is a Registered Nurse at Memorial Regional Hospital and has seen the effects of COVID-19 first hand. She can attest to you all that COVID-19 is not going away anytime soon. Through science and research these past two years, local medical experts are seeing positive results in preventing ICU admissions and deaths for those of us who are vaccinated.

We, like all other grandparents, are blessed with our grandkids and we love it when they visit us and we can travel to see and hug them. We know how important it is for us to be vaccinated; our grandkids were vaccinated as soon as they were eligible and will get boosted when approved.

I know that there are naysayers out there, but I implore all of you to encourage your family to take COVID-19 seriously and get vaccinated *and* boosted. That way our grandkids can still visit us.

Sincerely,

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Director Phase 3

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## Five-year, 60-building pipelining project finally finishes



Hollybrook's long awaited end to the board-approved waste water pipe relining project, launched October 2, 2017, is finally reaching the end. The effort to bolster the strength and life of the existing pipes began at Building 1. It was touted as a much less expensive approach to eventually replacing the entire infrastructure.

Here was the issue: Cast iron pipes never last forever. In fact, the average life is 50 – 55 years. The cast iron corrodes and breaks into slivers that create blockages. Waste and other items that stick to the insides of the pipes create clogs and impede flow. Under pressure, the pipes can burst and cause structural damage in addition to emergency replacement of the entire waste water pipe system.

Technicians from Mike Douglass Plumbing used a hybrid process of trenchless pipelining and relining of the pipes that were cured in place. In effect, new pipes were formed inside the old pipes.

Here's the bottom line: Hollybrook, now facing age 50, avoided a financial and structural catastrophe by relining the pipes and spending less money for maintenance than hundreds of thousands of dollars for emergency replacement.

The estimated cost per building to reline the pipes was \$30,000. If the pipes were to break, a complete replacement may have cost roughly \$100,000 per building. The project, which was estimated to be done in only three years of straight work, became an intense summer season project which stretched the endeavor into five years.

The 2-part process for each building took about a week and a half. During the actual lining of the pipes, water was shut off to the building during each 8-hour workday. Water was turned back on in the evening.

The price tag for the project was paid in part by two \$250 assessments that were assigned to each unit owner over a two-year period. As of this report, only one more building remains to be completed in the 60-building pipelining project.



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## Down Memory Lane: Remembering first 50 years

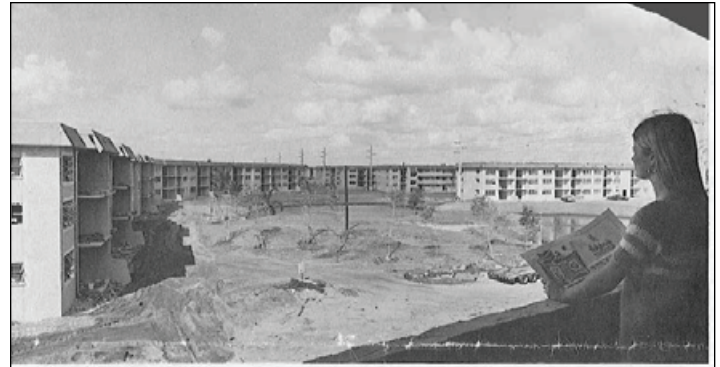
By Lois Hollands

To prepare for our upcoming Hollybrook 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary we paused to look at how we got here. The following is a reprint of part-one of a three-part series 'History of Hollybrook' that was published in the Voice of Hollybrook in winter 2019-2020. Parts two and three will follow to lead into a new series - DOWN MEMORY LANE: Remembrances of the First 50 Years - which will start in January, 2023.

The new bi-monthly series will feature interviews with many of Hollybrook's original residents, second and third generations of families who reside here now, and some 'first ever' such as the first Canadians.

Keeping in mind that memories fade over the years, we are fortunate to be able to use archived newspapers, other publications and official documents from the past to verify information. For example, the widely held belief that the Towers was originally a hotel for golf course guests, has been proven false. Our examination of the original Hollybrook Golf and Tennis Club Condominium proposal with architect renderings, clearly show the Towers as a 6-story L shaped building with the top floor called the Penthouse Floor (though the number and size of the units are exactly the same as the other floors). Additionally, an article dated August 15, 1973 reported that more than 60 percent of the "garden style buildings" had reached roof levels of construction and that ground had been broken on the six-story Hollybrook Tower.

Another misconception concerns the long-held belief that Joel Hyman was Hollybrook's first golf pro who served as far back as 1971. However, according to the April/May issue of Here's Hollybrook, published by the developers of Hollybrook, Johnny LaPonzina was the first golf pro, and a May 3, 1974 article in the Fort



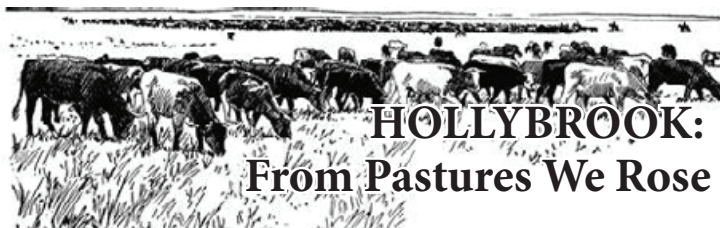
Portions of Hollybrook's new Par 3 golf course have been landscaped and are awaiting sprigging. The section in the above photo winds through Phase V.



Recent photo shows that our Phase I buildings are structurally complete and getting ready for first occupancy to begin in September.

Lauderdale News, reported that Mr. LaPonzina had been here already for two years and six months. To complicate further, in August 1973, another publication welcomes Joe Vileno as the new golf pro. Though Joel Hyman may have been the most beloved and admired golf pro in the early years of Hollybrook, we have logically deduced that he was not the first ever.

Happy reading, Hollybrook history buffs!



## HOLLYBROOK: From Pastures We Rose

By Lois Hollands

Part 1 of a 3-Part Series (reprinted from November 2019)

Have you ever wondered how our beautiful community got its start? I have, so after some digging through old newspaper articles I learned that Hollybrook's early history, from cow pasture to cozy bedroom condo community, is quite colorful.

On April 15, 1967 it was reported in the Fort Lauderdale News that Abraham Morganstern and his partner Bernard Gogel, businessmen from New York, purchased these 285 acres of former pasture with the intent to develop a golf course community to be named Hollybrook Golf and Country Club.

One hundred of the acres were purchased from Nova University, now Nova Southeastern University, which had received the land as a gift. The remaining 185 acres were purchased from the Richters Brothers.

According to the article, the purchasers refused to provide details of the plan or divulge who would finance the Hollybrook project. They would only say the project would be done by "private investors." It had been reported earlier in the week that part of the plan might include a 12-story building.

On July 25, 1967 another story in The Ft. Lauderdale News reported that Morganstern's plan included the golf course, ten 14-story residential buildings and a club house. Morganstern

Down Memory - Continued on page 24





# News - 50th Anniversary



## Here's what's on the burner for 2023 Anniversary Events

By Lois Hollands and Maryjane Boxall  
50th Anniversary Co-Chairs

Celebration happenings for our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year are starting to take shape. We're confident that there will be something for everyone at our big events and such a plethora of activities throughout the year that no one will ever be bored. In fact, we may launch 2023 in December 2022 just in time for the holidays.

Whether you like to dance, sing, play

golf or mellow out with friends, we think we've got you covered. On January 13, we'll host the History of Rock 'n Roll featuring the groovin' sounds of Jerry Lee Lewis, Chuck Berry, Ricky Nelson and more. On March 3, we've got A Night at Studio 54 that promises to heat up the night with a flashback of disco dance hits. We're also planning a special Hollybrook Anniversary Tea, but, hey, if we're miss-

ing something, be sure to let us know and we will try to make it happen!

Soon, we'll create an activities and events calendar to share with everyone  
*50th Events - Continued on page 28*

## Winner of our 50th logo contest is ...



Italo DeMeo's entry to Hollybrook's 50th Anniversary celebration logo contest boasts crisp lines, a sharp swing and the most popular amenities our community has to offer - pickleball, golf and tennis.

Out of 27 entries that ranged from the simplest to the most ornate, a panel of eight judges, who voted separately and secretly, chose Italo's which fell gracefully in between.

The logo will be used to promote the upcoming golden anniversary and will be featured on event advertising and various commemorative merchandise from tee shirts to drinking cups.

All residents were invited in early  
*Logo - Continued on page 28*

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# News

## It's not easy being green, but we make it happen anyway

The following report was received by the Hollybrook Golf Committee, approved by Chairman Greg Jamieson, and printed here for residents to read.



### Golf Course Report - July 2022

Submitted by  
Course Superintendent Walter Chavez

The golf course is holding up very well from both the aerification and very hot weather. The greens and tees are in good condition and they should continue to be so for the remainder of the summer months. We are continuing with the fertilizer program for the greens, tees, fairways and we will be applying the second application of fertilizer with pre-emergent herbicide to the entire course in September.

We are continuing our very intense weed control program with four full time workers spot spraying and broadcast application on a regular basis. The weeds are everywhere due to the lack of pre-emergent control in the past; we will continue fighting the infestation.

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## CITY OF PEMBROKE PINES MINOR HOME REPAIR GRANT PROGRAM

The City of Pembroke Pines has grant funding available benefiting low- to moderate-income households. The Minor Home Repair grant program is administrated by its housing consultant Community Redevelopment Associates of Florida.

Programs aimed at rehabilitation of existing dwellings are designed to correct building code issues as well eliminating health and safety problems among other items.

Emphasis is placed on improving handicap accessibility and the removal of architectural barriers.

Installation of ramps and grab bars, renovation of bathrooms and other living spaces to provide greater mobility and accessibility for persons with disabilities are possible.

Additional information may be obtained from the City's website at <https://www.ppines.com/371/Housing-Programs> or Community Redevelopment Associates website at <https://www.crafla.com>, where you may download an application.

Interested parties may contact Virginia Bermudez, Community Development Coordinator at (954) 431-7866 x110 for information. Se Habla Español.

# News

## Tea time for Hollygals

By Judy Thomas



Tea for two was supersized July 27 when nearly 60 women, 15 from Hollybrook, enjoyed Summertime Tea at the Carl Shechter Southwest Focal Point Community Center.

The Wednesday high tea flowed with good vibes, food and laughs.

Seven tables were dressed with pretty porcelain teapot and cup sets, lace napkins, aromatic teas and three delicious condiment spreads. Courses of dainty appetizers, sandwiches and decadent desserts included strawberry lemon scones, summer chicken salad and British tea cakes.

Raffle tickets were distributed to guests for chances to win fresh flower arrangements created by students from the center's floral bouquet class.

Lady Luck was on Hollybrook's side. Six of seven arrangements were won by Hollybrook guests Judy Thomas, Virginia Falco, Lois Hollands, Marlene Barnett, Clara Sconiers, all from one table and Elaine Miller from another table.

In jest, other guests called out "rigged" and "it's a set



Above: Gini Klar and Connie Hoffman during the appetizer portion of the tea. Left: Six Hollybrookers show the floral bouquets each won.

up" while some asked Hollybrook guests to help them pick Powerball numbers. Laughing another joked that Hollybrook might not ever be invited back to another tea.

The next tea party at the community center will be held in October. Watch for details to make your reservation for fun.

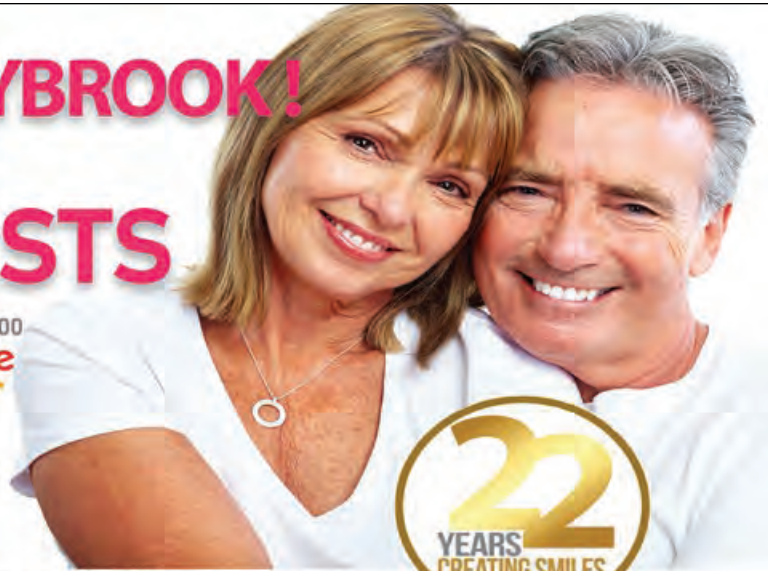
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# In Memoriam

## Gloria Miller: Class by the books

By Gini Klar

Gloria Miller, also known as The Queen of Pool 3, kept herself busy as Director of Phase 3, Building Captain of Building 24 and the ultra involved Pool Captain of Pool 3.

Sadly, Gloria passed away at home on the evening of August 3, 2022, with loved ones at her side. She was 97.

The 34-year unit owner loved keeping "her" pool and barbecue area sparkling clean and pretty to be around. If necessary, Gloria would purchase her own cleaning supplies. In her own words, in campaign literature she provided in her effort to win another term as Phase 3 Director in 2017, she dubbed herself the

"Ad Hoc Chairman of Beautification with co-chairman Patrica Matkin Stakes".

She was czarist when it came to residents placing reservations for the barbecue and was dogged about swimming pool area rules and regulations. When Gloria spoke, she meant business.

She was a no-nonsense Director and often a force to be reckoned with.

Gloria was a classy lady who loved to laugh, if she liked the present company. She was rarely seen without her trademark cat-eye shaped sunglasses and her impeccably coiffed hair.

Born on May 2, 1925, as a twin to her sister Phyllis, she grew up to marry Harold in 1947. The couple moved to Hollybrook in 1988. They were married for 49



**Gloria Miller 1925 - 2022**

years when he passed away in 1996.

Gloria is survived by her son, Sandy, and two daughters, Laurie and Jill. She was a proud grandmother and great grandmother to several children.

A fitting Celebration of Life will be held at Hollybrook by her family in the fall. Details will be announced.

## Frank Schwimmer: Dear friend of many

By William Brittain



**Frank Schwimmer  
1941- 2022**

Frank Schwimmer had a vision in the late summer of 2019. He saw a need for single Hollybrook residents ages 55 to 100+ who were without life partners; opportunities to get together and enjoy activities. By September he had pulled together 56 singles.

Led by Frank, the group identified almost three dozen different activities which he used to create a contact list for people to connect with others who share similar interests. The plan was not intended for dating, but instead to give members a chance to gather in whatever ways they felt comfortable for laughs, conversation,

meals activities or just to know they were not alone.

Frank, a gentleman with a kind and gentle heart, passed away at age 80 on Sunday July 24, 2022. He left the group deeply saddened, but surely not alone.

Born October 24, 1941, Frank grew up in Tannersville, New York. In high school, he played the trombone and was a life guard. His first job was in public health for the Navajo Nation in New Mexico. Later, he became a pharmacist. Next, he earned a Doctor of Chiropractic degree and worked for 40 years in Sarasota, Florida.

When he moved to Hollybrook in April, 2019, Frank quickly mobilized to form the Hollybrook Singles Group. He shared responsibilities so well that two members, Virginia Falco and William Brittain, have already stepped up to carry on his mission. The long activity list that will continue includes: movie watching at homes or at theaters; attending plays, concerts and dances; dining out, traveling and pot-luck gatherings; crafting and painting; shuffleboard, mahjong and other organized indoor table games; physical activities such as golf, swimming, walking, exercise class; meditation, faith-based meetings and political discussion groups; and the new Helping Hands consisting of individuals who help others in need.

Frank is survived by his children, Jeremy Schwimmer, Rachel Leubitz, and Taylor Schwimmer; and five grandchildren.

*Hollybrook Singles Club members and other singles interested in joining or learning about the group, are invited to attend a meeting 2:30 p.m., August 25, in Room 209 of the Recreation Building.*



**The Singles Club led by Frank Schwimmer (top row center) poses during a meeting. The group will continue Frank's legacy 2:30 p.m., August 25, in Room 209 in the Rec. Building**



# Getting there



The newly surfaced pool and pool deck at the Towers is the benchmark for all pool areas under renovation this summer. Some pools will feature white copings.

**Beat the Heat**  
 The Restaurant at Hollybrook

**ALL MIXED DRINKS**  
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**Ocean Breeze Punch (Vodka)**  
**Rum Punch (Rum)**  
**Margarita (Tequila)**  
**Sangria (Wine)**  
**Mai Tai (Rum)**

**Beer (Ask Your Server)**

**Wine (Per Glass)**  
 \$11 - J.Lohr Pinot Noir    \$9 - Beringer Cabernet  
 \$11 - Macon Villages Chardonnay    \$9 - San Angelo Pinot Grigio  
 \$11 - Peas Porter Riesling

**DRINK RESPONSIBLY.**  
**WHO'S your designated driver?**

## SPLISH, SPLASH! EVERY BODY IN THE POOLS

There's a lot of hustle bustle this summer at all pool areas that will, in good time, turn Hollybrook's nearly half century old swimming pool areas from drab and gloomy into sprite and cheery. The Towers pool is already super inviting with its newly surfaced textured deck, freshly painted pool house and recoated swimming pool walls and floor that casts crystal clear water in brilliant blue.

"We are definitely getting there," said General Manager Kyle Hatakeyama.

Indeed, the mighty and expensive task that has had its share of starts, stops, fits and restarts is proving to be worth the wait and the pain.

Three shades of grey paint on the decks and poolhouses establish a contemporary canvas (with white on copings around some pools). The furniture that is expected to arrive by mid fall will make each pool scene "pop" with various shades of blue.

More than 300 sling chairs and 280 chaise lounges will feature bright blue textured fabric; nearly 85 marine grade umbrellas in pacific blue will shield pool goers at 84 fiberglass white round tables. Some royal blue canopies have already been erected, striking a resort style attitude.

The project is estimate to cost about \$350,000. It is funded through reserves marked for pool renovations and balances left from three other unrelated completed projects.

# News

*Down Memory - Continued from page 16*

hired renowned golf course architect William Mitchel to design the golf course.

However, according to newspaper reports on July 15, 1969, Morganstern had a difference of opinion with the City of Pembroke Pines' planning department regarding permits to build the clubhouse and the project was halted. Two days later, Morganstern produced a site plan that in addition to residential buildings and the clubhouse the site would now include a large shopping center. The plan was approved by Pembroke Pines City Council. Morganstern then made a gift of \$2,500 to the city to use as they saw fit. According to the article, Mayor Widlak was quick to point out "it was customary for developers to contribute 2% of the cost of the project or 2 percent of the land upon approval". There is no evidence as to why Morganstern and his partner decided not to continue with the development.

Then the story gets more interesting.

On September 20, 1970 it was announced in the Detroit Free Press that a corporation headed by the son of one of Detroit's ruling Mafia families had purchased the development and planned to build ten luxury high rise apartment buildings each fifteen stories high and surrounding the Hollybrook Golf and Country Club in Pembroke Pines, Florida.

The \$2.5 million purchase was made by Hazel Park South Inc., a subsidiary of Hazel Park Racing Association in Michigan whose



president Anthony Zerilli was an alleged lieutenant in Detroit's Cosa Nostra. Tony Tocco, the purchaser of record for Hollybrook, was a director in Hazel Park Racing Association and although Tocco did not have a criminal record his father, William (Black Bill) Tocco was a ranking don in the Detroit Mafia and his brother was a *copodecima* (lieutenant). Tony Tocco was married to Carmella Proficia whose father, Joseph Proficia was once a ruling don of the New York Mafia families and was killed in a gang war. The United States Justice Department was concerned enough to look into the purchase, fearing the threat of organized crime moving into South Florida.

Apparently, the new owners did not continue to develop the property. Instead, in 1971, Stephen Calder, the well-known developer, horse race track and jai alai owner, had obtained an option to purchase the Hollybrook Golf Course and surrounding land from Hazel Park South. At the time, it was rumored that the purchase by Hazel Park South was a complicated way of laundering money from the race track.

On August 25, 1972, the Fort Lauderdale News reported that Calder had negotiated a \$3.1 million dollar cash sale of the property to Felix Granados, a partner with Calder in the development of Leisureville in North Broward, and August Urbank, Jack LaBonte and LaBonte's son Jim, all developers from Wisconsin, who according to an article in Florida Today, published April 1973 had constructed more than 36,000 apartments in Florida and

Wisconsin. Granados had been a developer in Cuba and fled to the United States when Castro confiscated his properties.

Meanwhile, Calder denied involvement with previous owners and developers with ties to organized crime.

An associate of Calder, Harry Mangurian, was among the signers of the first Hollybrook Golf & Tennis Association Articles of Incorporation. Mangurian was heir to a formidable furniture business, part owner of the Miami Dolphins and owner of a racehorse named Desert Vixen.

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 O'Douls - \$5

#### COCKTAILS IN A CARTON

Margarita, Bloody Mary, Cosmopolitan,  
 Long Island Iced Tea  
 \$6 per carton

#### Hard Seltzer

\$6 each

Pay with Credit Card or Cash

#### CHILLY COLD SOFT DRINKS

Soda - \$2  
 Arnold Palmer - \$2  
 Gatorade/Powerade \$2  
 Water - \$2  
 Power Drinks - \$3  
 Juice - \$3  
 Dunkin Donut Iced Coffee \$3

#### SNACKS

|                          |                  |                      |
|--------------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| Chips - \$1.50           | Sandwiches - \$6 | Wraps - \$6          |
| Protein Fresh Pack - \$5 | Nuts - \$1.50    | Trail Mix - \$1.50   |
| Fruit Cup - \$5          | Muffin - \$3     | Pirate's Booty - \$2 |
| Candy Bar - \$2          |                  |                      |

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# 2022 HURRICANE SEASON

Hurricane Season is June 1 - November 30 \* "BE PREPARED"

## WHAT IS A HURRICANE?

Hurricanes are massive storm systems, also known as tropical cyclones, that form over the water and produce winds of 74 mph or higher. There are five types, or categories, of hurricanes based on a scale of categories called the Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Scale. The categories are based on wind speed.



- Category 1: Winds 74-95 mph
- Category 2: Winds 96-110 mph
- Category 3: Winds 111-129 mph
- Category 4: Winds 130-156 mph
- Category 5: Winds 157 mph or higher

Parts of a hurricane include the eye, the "hole" at the center of the storm. Winds are light in this area and skies are sometimes even clear; the Eye Wall is a ring of thunderstorms that swirl around the eye where winds are strongest and rain is heaviest; and Rain Bands which are bands of clouds and rain that extend far out from the hurricane's eye wall that can also contain tornadoes.

## WHAT IS A TORNADO?

A tornado is a violent rotating column of air extending from a thunderstorm to the ground. The most violent tornadoes are capable of tremendous destruction with wind speeds of up to 300 mph. They can destroy large buildings, uproot trees and hurt vehicles hundreds of yards. They can also drive straw into trees. Damage paths can be in excess of one mile wide to 50 miles long. In an average year, 1000 tornadoes are reported nationwide.

## HURRICANE WATCH VS WARNING?

**HURRICANE WATCH =**  
CONDITIONS POSSIBLE WITHIN THE NEXT 48 HOURS  
**HURRICANE WARNING =**  
CONDITIONS EXPECTED WITHIN THE NEXT 36 HOURS

Pay attention to local announcements on the TV or Radio from the National Hurricane Center and local officials. Your actions to protect life and property should ensue after a Warning is issued.

## PREPARATION BEFORE THE STORM

1. Prepare at least a 2-week supply of non-perishable food
2. Eat as much of your perishables in your fridge and freezer in case of power failure
3. Turn refrigerator and freezer to cooler settings prior to storm in case of power failure
4. Make arrangements for your pets and prepare your medica-

tions (if applicable)

5. Keep on hand a first-aid kit, paper plates, cups, plastic utensils non-electric can opener, utility knife, battery operated lantern, flashlight, radio, extra batteries, toilet paper, paper towels, garbage bags, hand sanitizer
6. Sterilize your bathtub with bleach and rinse well. Fill the tub with water for use as back up water for flushing the toilet.
7. Keep bottles or a case of water available
8. Remove all patio furniture
9. Place rolled up newspapers on interior window sills to absorb possible storm water.
10. Know where the main shut off valve is for your water supply as well as the main electric breaker, in case these need to be shut off
11. Stay away from all windows
12. First floor residents should prepare for potential flooding
13. Build an Emergency Kit - GO BAG in case of evacuation

## COUNTY SHELTERS THAT ALLOW PETS

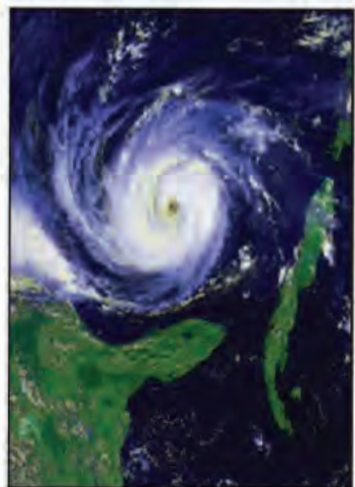
Millennium Middle School - Tamarac - 954-989-3977  
Everglades Highschool, 17100 SW 48 Court, Miramar  
Lyons Creek Middle School, 4333 SolPress Blvd, Coconut Creek

## COUNTY WARNING

Broward County will use the Emergency Broadcast System to issue instructions over the TV and radio stations. THE HOLLYBROOK BUS DOES NOT PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION TO OUTSIDE SHELTERS.

## EVACUATION

BUILDING CAPTAINS will be notified through the General Manager's Office to advise all residents in their building to assemble at the exterior of building with at least a 3 Day Supply Emergency Kit.



# PREPAREDNESS GUIDE



Don't wait 'til it's too late! \* "BE PREPARED"

## BUILDING AN EMERGENCY KIT

**WATER** - 1 gallon per person, per day for several days for drinking and sanitation, including for pets (keep in airtight plastic containers that are easy to access)

**FOOD** - at least 3 days supply of non-perishable foods for adults and young children & 3 days supply of pet food (if applicable). Verify expiry dates and replenish regularly

**BASIC FIRST AID KIT** - sterile gloves, sterile dressings, soap and antibiotic towelettes, antibiotic ointment, adhesive bandages in a variety of sizes, eye wash solution, prescription eyeglasses and contact lens solution, thermometer, prescription medications you take every day, prescribed medical supplies such as glucose and blood pressure monitoring equipment and supplies, First Aid book, non prescription drugs (aspirin or non aspirin pain reliever, anti-diarrhea medication, antacid, laxative)



**EMERGENCY CASH AND CHANGE** - If the power goes out, cash machines will not work.

**SANITATION** - toilet paper, soap, toothbrush and toothpaste, feminine supplies, diapers, plastic garbage bags with ties, plastic bucket with tight lid, chlorine bleach, supplies for pet waste

**TOOLS & SUPPLIES** - Wrench to turn off gas and water lines, cups, plates, utensils (from camping gear of plastic/paper), flashlight with extra batteries, battery-powered radio with extra batteries or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert, manual can opener or utility knife, small fire extinguisher, pliers, duct tape, matches in a waterproof container, whistle (to signal for help), local maps, cell phone with chargers and a backup battery, plastic storage container to keep everything in one place

**DOCUMENTS** - Scan valuable documents and store them securely online, have duplicate copies of key doc-

uments in a sealable plastic bag (eg. will, insurance policies, contracts, deeds, passports, social security cards, immunization records, bank account numbers, credit card account numbers and companies, family records (birth, marriage, death certificates)). Take short videos to catalogue valuables in your home, such as vehicles, computers, furniture and artwork for insurance purposes. Paper and pencil.

**KEEPING WARM** - complete change of clothing appropriate for climate and sturdy shoes, blanket or sleeping bag for each family member

**Be prepared to shelter for at least 24 hours and place last minute essentials in a "Grab & Go" bag.**

## Local Emergency Telephone Numbers

|                            |              |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| Broward County Information | 954-831-3900 |
| Broward County Hotline     | 954-831-4000 |
| Hearing Impaired           | 954-831-3940 |
| Red Cross for Information. | 954-797-3800 |
| Florida Div. of Emergency  | 800-342-3557 |
| FEMA                       | 800-621-3362 |
| Memorial Hospital Pembroke | 954-962-9650 |
| Memorial Hospital West     | 954-436-5000 |
| Memorial Regional Hospital | 954-987-2000 |
| Memorial Hospital Miramar  | 954-538-5000 |
| Florida Power & Light      | 954-381-5668 |



## Features

# Let's show off our empathy muscles

By Mary Oldiges

There is no doubt that we are living in trying times. Inflation, shortages, long lines, divisive politics, and a pervasive sense that things are more and more out of our control. Things we used to count on may no longer be certain. People are scared and angry. Often fear and anger are projected on to us and usually in accusatory and harsh words, impatience, rudeness, quickly escalating tempers, and other micro-aggressive behaviors.

Annually since 2007, the American Psychological Association (APA) has conducted a national survey to monitor how people that year deal with stress. The APA's 2020 survey concluded that "the external factors Americans have listed in previous years (economic turndowns, impact of racism, political conflict)



have been profoundly affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, and that the external factors Americans have listed in previous years as significant sources of stress remain present and problematic. These compounding stressors are having real consequences on our mind and bodies."

No surprise, right? So how do we cope?

Long time Hollybrook resident Mickey Breton counseled a volunteer recently (me) who was recently exasperated after an exchange with a frustrated resident at the reception desk.

"I am going to tell you what I tell my daughter; don't give someone your remote control," Mickey said.

Mickey's sound advice reminded me that I can only control my feelings. I was also reminded that often when someone

is angry it is typically an unvoiced fear that they won't be heard, no one cares, or things are hopeless. It is helpful to pause and acknowledge what we are feeling when we are the target of someone's ire.

Board Member Matt Sarnell recommends practicing what he calls our "empathy muscle". Remember that when people are upset it rarely has anything to do with us; it doesn't hurt to walk a mile in their shoes and give them grace. Showing gratitude for small things helps us remember how fortunate we truly are; it helps us be nice to others

Meditation is another tool that can help stymie our anxiety; many free apps are available to support this practice. Participating in culturally affirming activities engages us socially and gives us a break even if just for a brief time to share, laugh and recall the importance of our heritage and history. Numerous Ted Talks, self-help books, and community resources may help us through these trying times.

There is no need to take this journey alone. For assistance, call the Carl Shechter Southwest Focal Point Community Center at 954-450-6888.

## South Florida Medical Center

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## Features

# Are you your building's recycling zero?


*Be the recycle hero instead. Recycle the right way.*

*By the Recycling Committee, Mike Eaton and Harvey Munk*

Thanks to the generous clothing donations that are made by Hollybrook residents, we have been able to donate (recycle) all sorts of clothing to St. Nicholas Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Cooper City. The church makes sure that the clothing is sent to the Ukraine where the people of the war-torn nation are in dire need every day. Donating your clothing may not seem like much, but people who have been forced to flee their homes and become refugees with nothing but the clothes on their backs, are very, very thankful.

### PAPER OR PLASTIC?

Appreciation goes out to every resident who continues to recycle allowable items even though your effort seems small in comparison to our effort from past years. Many people have been confused since recycling changed in hundreds of American cities in mid-2018 when Chinese companies stopped purchasing our recyclables to make products. The trade war with China has been devastating to the effort.



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Basically, the only items that you may place in the recycling bins to be picked up by our trash company Great Waste are plastic, paper, and cardboard.

Paper is easy to identify – *All* paper, including cardboard such as pizza boxes, can be recycled as long as it is not covered in oil or other nasty liquids. “Paper” includes magazines, newspapers, envelopes, stationary, cardboard egg cartons, cardboard juice containers, poster paper, paper delivery bags and corrugated boxes.

Plastic can be tricky.

First, *no plastic bags are allowed*. This means no plastic shopping bags that you get from Publix and other stores to carry away your purchased items. *Never put your plastic shopping bags into the recycle bin. No plastic bags.*

Second, all plastic bottles are allowed. All juice, soda, tea, milk, coffee creamer and such containers can be recycled.

Third, if it is plastic such as a take-out container from a restaurant, *but not a plastic shopping bag*, look for a notation on the item that says “recyclable” or “please recycle” or something of the sort. A symbol such as  is often embossed on the plastic itself. If you see a  symbol, recycle it.

### OTHER RECYCLABLES

Our other recycling efforts are limited by where we can take the items to be disposed of properly.

Batteries have to be taken to a store such as Batteries Plus for recycling. Eyeglasses are still being recycled through the local Lions Club, and we are still accepting personal hygiene products like soap, toothpaste, deodorant and socks to help organizations that help the homeless.

We are on the lookout for a place that will take light bulbs and printer cartridges. If you know of any place that will recycle light bulbs and/or printer cartridges, or if you have any questions about recycling at Hollybrook, call Harvey Munk at 305-298-3008 or Mike Eaton at 727-410-1356.



**BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR!**  
Do not dump  
garbage, furniture,  
paint, computers,  
electronics etc. in  
recycle bins or  
anywhere in the  
laundry rooms

# News

## 50th events - Continued from page 17

We'll disseminate the calendar for Hollybrookers to keep handy so you don't miss a thing. Expect to see it in late September or early October.

In the meantime, for all of you early planners, think 70's! Dust off your bellbottoms, air out that Arnold Palmer sweater or polyester patterned mini We'll to keep handy so you don't miss a thing. Meanwhile, for all of you early planners, think 70's! Dust off your bellbottoms, air out the old Arnold Palmer sweater or polyester mod mini dress, dig up your Saturday Night Fever suit or Danskin body outfit. Hint: Bells are in vogue again, argyle sweaters are back on racks and you can find Danskin body suits at Marshall's! We'll be going back in time on a few occasions.

Underway this month is the compilation of our Flavors of Hollybrook Cookbook. If you are "the one" in your circle of friends and family who always gets requests for certain foods, ask yourself these questions:

## 50th logo - Continued from page 17



June to participate in the contest. They were asked to incorporate Hollybrook's existing logo and given a deadline of June 20.

Judges were asked to choose their top three picks which were then dropped in a sealed box. General Manger Kyle Hatekeyama and Security Committee Co-Chair Reine Fortier opened the box for the count on July 19 and Italo was declared the winner.

Special thanks goes to the following judges: President Alan Eisman, Past Presidents Rosalie Labate and Carl Mack, Pembroke Pines Mayor Frank Ortis, Hollybrook's award winning photographer Mark Favus, Purchaser Shane Laakso and Communications Director Eileen Soler.

An advertisement for Hollybrook Party Rooms for Rent. The background is white with a border of colorful balloons in shades of red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and purple. The text is centered and reads: "Planning a Celebration? Hollybrook has Party Rooms for Rent. Contact the calendar office for more information. Office Hours 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM. Nikki or Lucy @ Ext. 230. Nikki Cell # 954-850-7141."

An advertisement for Traderman Antiques and Collectibles. The top part features a large, stylized logo with the word "TRADERMAN" in bold, white, block letters on a black background. Below the logo, the text reads: "WE BUY FOR CASH ANTIQUES and COLLECTIBLES". This is followed by a list of items: "-- Antique Furniture --", "-- Silver -- Jewelry --", "-- Rugs -- Paintings --", "-- Glassware -- China --", "-- Any Part of a Collection --", and "-- Anything Different --". Below the list is the phone number "CALL 954-439-2977". The bottom section reads: "WE MAKE HOUSE CALLS BUY 1 ITEM OR ENTIRE ESTATE INSTANT CASH • IMMEDIATE REMOVAL". At the very bottom, the address is listed: "2205 DIXIE HIGHWAY • WILTON MANORS, FLORIDA".

# Features

## DOWNLOADING MOVIES & OTHER ENTERTAINMENT IS ILLEGAL

A specific area in Hollybrook was recently red flagged as the location of illegally downloaded digital entertainment, a **SERIOUS** and punishable action also known as copyright infringement and/or pirating, which is outlawed by the Federal Communications Commission.

The person suspected has been warned, but the entire community should be aware that pirating could lead to punishment, including expensive fines, by the FCC.

**BE WARNED: Hollybrook communication tools that include Hollybrook WIFI, are NOT permitted to be used for downloading copywritten material. It is against federal law to download such materials including movies, television shows, video games, music videos or ANY other form of entertainment without expressed permission.**

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## SUMMERTIME HAPPENINGS at HOLLYBROOK

### Hollybrook Enhancement Activities

If you have a club or activity that you want to advertise, let Communications know so we may help promote you  
Email [communications@hollybrook.com](mailto:communications@hollybrook.com) or dial ext. 262 ☀

**DOMINOES** – Monday thru Saturday - 2 - 5 p.m.; Men's locker room, first floor.

**SILVER SNEAKERS FITNESS** – Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 9:30 a.m.;  
ALL CLASSES IN SOCIAL HALL ☀

**TAI CHI FITNESS CLASS** – Friday – The Hollybrook Playhouse – 3 p.m.

**SOJO SINGERS** – ARE BACK IN THE HOUSE! – If you sing, play an instrument or both, join SOJO Singers. Every first and third Saturday in Room 218 – Recreation Building – 2 – 5 p.m. Call Lily 954-450-0801 for details.

**SUMMER Nine & Dine GOLF LEAGUE** - Come play nine holes of fun social golf, then grab a bite to eat - or not. We promise good company. ☀  
To participate, email Judy Thomas at [jthomaswho@aol.com](mailto:jthomaswho@aol.com).

**PICKLEBALL** - Interested in having some fun and meeting new people? Pickleball play is Mon-Wed-Fri – 5:30 p.m. to dusk; and Saturday & Sunday at 8 a.m. at the courts closest to the ProShop. If you don't know how to play come watch, and if you want, we will teach you how!

**TENNIS** – Sunday at 9 a.m. at the courts by Tennis Pro Shop near the Towers.

**BOOK CLUB** – HELP FORM A SUMMER GROUP. Call or text Mary Oldiges at 859-307-9508 or email [mboldiges@hotmail.com](mailto:mboldiges@hotmail.com). ☀

**ITALIAN CLUB**– Yes, we are still alive! Think about the activities you would like to do this year. Call Kathy McHugh with ideas – 585-820-3422.

**HOLLYBROOK SINGLES CLUB** – If you like to play pool, shuffleboard, pickleball, cards, ping pong and more, or you just like to hang out, chat or watch a movie, come hang with us! Call Virginia Falco at 954-638-4094.

**DISK GOLF** – Mini course, 3 buckets alongside holes 1-3 on the Par 3. You can sign out equipment at the Golf Pro Shop. ☀



**Hollybrook Needs YOU!**

We're *always* looking for volunteers.

**Call Dawn Chevrier  
954-431-0600 ext. 254**



## Protect your pet's pawsies

Source: *Healthy Pets with Dr. Karen Shaw Becker*  
Submitted by: *Vicky Turnbull*

During the heat of the summer, humans would never think of walking outside on concrete, asphalt, sand or any surface without the risk of burning their feet. Let's not do that to our four-footed friends. Instead, prevent burned paws by being aware of the dangers that walking on hot surfaces can bring. We will focus here on advice that was printed recently in an article by Veterinarian Dr. Karen Shaw Becker, of Mercola, for Healthy Pets online. We include cats because Hollybrook residents own dogs and cats. Keep all of your pets safe from accidentally burned paws.



### How hot is too hot for your pet's paws?

Animals are born with some tolerance to hot and cold temperatures, uneven ground, rocks and other hazards present in natural terrain, but when temperatures reach 86 degrees F, asphalt, concrete and sand will likely be higher - about 135 scorching degrees.

As a general rule of thumb, if it's 85 degrees F outside or higher, it is likely too hot for your pet to safely walk outdoors, particularly if the pavement hasn't had a chance to cool down between hot spells

Test the ground with your own bare feet. If your feet burn while walking across your deck, the beach or a sidewalk, your pet's paws will also be at risk of injury. If you prefer, place your hand on the outdoor surface for 10 seconds. If it is too hot for you, it is too hot for your pet.

### Signs of burned paw pads

Burns to their paw pads may appear as red, ulcerated skin or blisters, which may fill with fluid and rupture after several days. With severe burns, the skin on the pad may fall off, leaving a raw and painful open wound.

If your pet's paw pads are burned, see your veterinarian right away. Medications may be needed to prevent infection and manage pain, and bandages may be necessary to keep out dirt and protect the pad's surface. Restrict your pet's activity while they heal, and avoid all hot or uneven surfaces. With proper rest and wound care, mild burn injuries may heal within seven to 10 days; more significant burns may take weeks to fully heal.



Other signs that your pet has burned paw pads include: limping, licking a paw, holding the paw abnormally, bleeding, vocalizing when putting weight on the paw, pads appear darker in color than usual, visible damage to the pads, reluctance to walk or stand.

### How to protect your pet's paws



Walking your pets on cool pavement is a good way to build up tougher pads. They will then withstand warmer temperatures, but not hot ones. Massaging the paw pads with coconut oil keeps them moisturized and less prone to cracking and dryness, which increases the risk of burning.

Walk your pet early on summer mornings or later in the evening hours when temperatures are cooler; preferably on grass or soil. But be aware that pavement can remain hot even then. If your pet can tolerate paw shoes or boots, use them - but keep in mind that pets feel the ground with their paws to sense the environment so shoes can interfere with their natural senses.

Be aware too, that if the pavement is hot enough to burn your pet's paws, the outdoor temperature might be hot enough to cause other heart related issues, such as heatstroke. Your pet has a higher average body temperature than you do, so any time you're outdoors with your pet during summer, watch for signs of systemic overheating. Here are some signs: Heavy panting or rapid breathing, excessive thirst, glazed eyes, bright or dark red tongue, gums, elevated body temperature, staggering, stumbling, excessive drooling, increased pulse and heartbeat, vomiting, and bloody diarrhea.

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## Your Health

### Is COVID-19 threat over?

Ummm, no!

By Louise E. Vigneault, Health Educator,  
Certified Fitness Professional, Resident

We are almost three years into this virus pandemic called COVID-19 and we thought it was over at least twice already. *No, it is not.* According to the vast scientific community, the virus is probably here to stay, and right now we are dealing with a global outbreak of an even more contagious and determined strain.

We know that COVID-19 genetically modifies itself as variants that are often milder in symptoms than the original COVID-19 and certainly milder than the Omicron variant that swept the world in early 2022, but today's variant is farther sweeping making it much more inconvenient. People are getting sick in increasingly high numbers, taking off work and isolating, causing a constant stop and start to just about everything in daily life.

According to a Harvard University report, people who attend large crowded events and know they have a health issue, a compromised immune system, or are the caregiver for someone in their circle of friends and family, should protect themselves by wearing a mask to avoid getting infected and spreading the virus to others.

My husband has chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and under the care of a leading COVID-19 specialist. His doctor maintains that even though mask mandates have been lifted, it is strongly recommended everyone should wear a PPE when meeting with a large group of people.

If you have any symptoms, you can always test yourself promptly using an at home testing kit so you can know as soon as possible to protect the people around you. Still, according to the Harvard report, a person might still be positive while testing negative, even after 10 days, and you might show negative after only a few days – no at home kit is absolutely accurate. However,

er, if you suspect having COVID-19 because your at-home test shows positive, call your pharmacist or doctor to find out what you should do next. Because everyone is unique, you might need specific medication to help fight the virus.

Meanwhile, boost your immune system by adding vitamin C (any citrus fruits like oranges), vitamin D (adding fish, eggs, fortified milk, etc.) and zinc (beans, seeds, nuts, yogurts, kefir, oysters). If you prefer to take vitamin supplement products, be sure to check with your pharmacist or medical doctor first.

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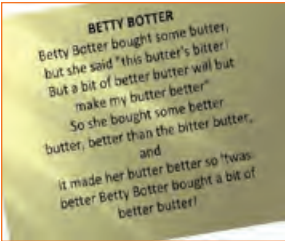


August 17<sup>th</sup> – National Black Cat Appreciation Day (Don't be scared)  
 August 22<sup>nd</sup> – International Tongue Twister Day (Peter Piper Picked . . .)  
 August 25<sup>th</sup> – National Kiss & Make Up Day (Awwww. Mwaaah!)



September 2<sup>nd</sup> – World Coconut Day (We'll have ours with rum!)  
 September 14<sup>th</sup> – Grandparent's Day (Bring us the loving!)

October 5<sup>th</sup> – World Teachers Day  
 October 16<sup>th</sup> – World Singing Day



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Tickets cost \$12 each. Shows are listed online at [www.centuryvillagetheater.com/pembroke\\_pines/](http://www.centuryvillagetheater.com/pembroke_pines/), just click the links at the right of Season Entertainment.

To receive the special Hollybrook ticket price, use order forms available at the Administration Building reception desk. Hollybrook resident Phyllis Tucker is the Century Village show liaison. Call Phyllis at 954-404-6267 for more information.

# Golf Course Maintenance Alert

**Hollybrook's golf course will be closed Monday, August 29, and Tuesday, August 30, for important Curfew (pesticide) application.**

**The course will also be closed on Thursday, September 29, for very important aerification.**

*We appreciate your patience as we continue to maintain and improve our beautiful golf amenity.*

## Animal Welfare Warning

We know you truly care about animals, wildlife or domesticated, so

**Do NOT feed raccoons or ANY wildlife in Hollybrook**



Hollybrook has a problem right now with residents feeding raccoons. Yes, they seem like cute creatures, but raccoons are wild animals with very sharp teeth and claws AND can quickly become vicious. Some may carry disease such as rabies which could cause you or your pets to become very sick if scratched or bitten. Because some residents are feeding the raccoons, they are appearing more frequently, especially on the golf course, seeking humans to feed them.

**Under Hollybrook Rule 10.2 - Pets and Animals: All persons are prohibited from feeding (and) or giving food or shelter to any stray, wild life or waterfowl. Animals in the wild tend to carry disease. The rule applies to ALL creatures including squirrels, birds, iguanas, foxes, raccoons, cats or dogs.**

*By feeding the wildlife, the animals become emboldened to approach humans for food and they lose their natural instinct to forage for food on their own.*

**DO NOT FEED THEM!**

**KEEP YOURSELF SAFE, YOUR DOMESTICATED PETS SAFE AND OUR COMMUNITY SAFE.**



# Fun Stuff

## Crossword? Go for it!

### ACROSS

- 1) "Manage" lead-in
- 6) Office note
- 10) Lightning-fast punch
- 13) Perform without preparation
- 14) Met highlight
- 15) Matador's adversary
- 16) Appetizer: What Jesus fed 5,000 with
- 19) Thought of nothing \_\_\_
- 20) Mingo portrayer Ed
- 21) Speaks with much arm-waving
- 22) Mushroom part
- 24) Child's rocker, in child-speak
- 25) Convenient money source
- 27) Repeated part of a song
- 31) Jenny of weight loss
- 33) Of the finest quality
- 34) Hold firmly
- 38) Entree: Cowpoke's staples

- 41) Gives the once-over
- 42) Active Sicilian volcano
- 43) Neglects to include
- 44) Given a hard time
- 46) Sodom fugitive
- 47) Lead-sharing actor
- 51) Change course suddenly
- 53) Computer character code
- 54) Do a secretary's job
- 57) The majority
- 60) Dessert: Birthday party treats
- 63) Standing in the military?
- 64) Electric guitar attachments
- 65) Change the hue anew
- 66) Miner's find
- 67) School administration?
- 68) Nodded answers

*Almost there!*

### DOWN

- 1) Like canaries that sing
- 2) Word with "teen" or "matinee"
- 3) Fellow pupil
- 4) Hold, as attention
- 5) Award bestowed by the queen, for short
- 6) Palindromic form of address
- 7) Long-winged shore eagle
- 8) USNA students
- 9) Clumsy one
- 10) Candy and Hancock
- 11) Sharp, narrow mountain ridge
- 12) Given to ordering people about
- 15) Onetime Russian ruler
- 17) Copycat's request
- 18) Stuff to pump
- 23) "I conclude that ..."
- 24) Took off quickly
- 25) Cause for a massage
- 26) Donahue or Aikman
- 28) Purposely eschews meals
- 29) Colorful equines
- 30) Year's chronicle
- 32) Much-faked items
- 34) Diamond, pearl or sapphire
- 35) Sante Fe and Amtrak
- 36) "And lead us not \_\_\_ ..."
- 37) "Do you want to hear a secret?"
- 39) Toothed wheel
- 40) Foreshadow
- 44) Barbershop floor collection
- 45) All tied up
- 47) City on the world's longest river
- 48) "Sesame Street" grouch
- 49) Script part
- 50) Bloodsucking insect
- 52) "And now ..." sayer
- 54) Starlet's dream
- 55) Little tricksters
- 56) Farthest from first
- 58) Type of terrier
- 59) Shirts with messages
- 61) "Dig in!"
- 62) Towel off

*YOU  
DID  
IT!*

### COMBO MEALS

By Timothy E. Parker

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DOWN! I'M NOT FINISHED  
WITH MY MARGARITA YET!

## Fun Stuff

### Fast Eddie's Dog Days of Hollybrook

or 'Al Pacino in the afternoon with popcorn'

By Ken Schlossberg

Sophia was worried about me.

"Look," she said to Kenny, "He's lying around all the time. He doesn't want to go out and he's not eating his food. He's even crawling underneath our bed and won't come out. Maybe we need to call the Vet."

Kenny got down on all fours and found me underneath the bed, the coolest place in the apartment.

"Hey, Buddy," he said. "What's up? Why you hiding out?"

"Dog days of Summer," I whined. "Only Fannie the Fish in Hollybrook Lake is staying outside and she's afraid of being boiled to death. Its even too hot for Iggie Iguana and his thousand little iguanas. It's so hot even the birds are grounded. No lift."

"I don't know," Kenny said. "I'm still playing golf. It doesn't seem that bad."

"Oh, yeah," I answered. "Try playing in my fur coat without sweat glands. My tongue is worn out from panting."

Sophie, eavesdropping, piped in. "You tell him, Eddie. He already spent the month of March in the hospital from dehydration. I guess he liked it so much he wants to go back."

Kenny said it sounded like I knew a lot about dog days.

"Sure," I barked. "For me and my fellow canines, it is a matter of life and death, I dog you not."

"Okay, Professor Edward," Kenny said, "Elucidate me."

"Well, for starters," I explained, "Dog Day, refers to the two months when the Sirius, also known as the Dog Star and Alpha Canis Majoris, rises and sets with the sun. Usually July and August."

"How did you get so smart?" Kenny asked.

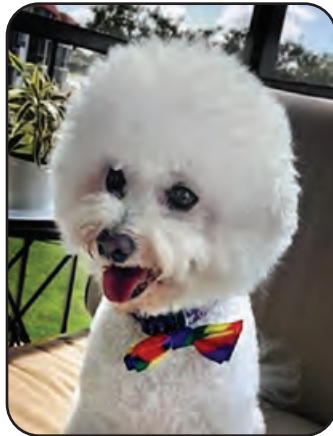
"Unlike you." I barked, "I took my college astronomy course *Siriously*."

"Very funny and correct," Kenny said, "I really missed a real opportunity there."

"The Egyptians marked the beginning of Dog Days as the time when the Nile flooded, bringing the rich soil that was the key to their agricultural economy."

"So for them Dog Days was great," Kenny commented.

"Right," I continued. "On the other hand, the ancient Greeks and the Romans thought the Dog Days symbolized a time when evil was brought to their lands with drought,



disease, or discomfort. Vesuvius wiped out Pompeii in August. Virgil, the Roman poet, wrote 'fiery Sirius, bringer of drought and plague to mere mortals, rises and saddens the sky with sinister light'."

"Holy cow," said Kenny. "COVID-19! And now Monkey Pox! Are we all cooked?"

"Bite your tongue," I barked, "Don't look evil eye in the eye."

Sophia, eavesdropping, piped in. "Eddie's a hundred percent right! No evil eye, evil eye!"

"You know, Ed," said Kenny, "one of my favorite movies is 'Dog Day Afternoon' with Al Pacino playing a bank robber in Brooklyn in August 1975. Talk about hot. That was hot. They were robbing the bank to pay for a sex change operation for Pacino's partner."

"So?" I barked, wondering where this was going. With Kenny you never know.

"If you come out from under the bed, I'll stop watching my endless Korean soap opera 'Love, Marriage, Divorce', and we can watch Pacino together."

"Share a bag of Movie popcorn?"

"*Bien sur.*"

Sophie came in with three bottles of water and the popcorn.

"Eddie!" she demanded. "Out from the under the bed! I hate that Korean soap opera! We're all watching Pacino!"

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# Sports

## Golf Course - Continued from page 19

Maintenance on the tee boxes is one of the more overlooked aspects of the overall golf course and maintenance operations. We aerify all tee boxes to reduce compactions and promote better drainage. Multiples of fertilizer applications were done on tees to promote growth. We have nematodes issues on some of the tee tops (Holes 2, 4, 7, 8, 13). Organic material was applied to help build a better organic base for root growth. We are working very closely with the crew to move tee markers the best way possible to avoid wear areas from getting worse. We re-shape and separate all tee boxes for better aim purpose and to give a more professional look to the tees.

The fairways are in good shape (as everyone can see) and they have been growing at a faster rate due to growing season months and our fertilization program. A lot of weeds on fairways has been sprayed multiple times to stop the propagation of new weeds, so we expect to see some thin areas that we are sure will grow back in the next few months. We re-shaped some fairways to give better definition of the holes and to keep short grass away from tree-canopy shaded areas. We airwayed (aerification routine) all fairways the same week we did our greens and tees to ensure great and fast recovering.

The rough was aerified also during the same week with great results but it is heavily contaminated with weeds and an off type of grass. A very intense weed control program is happening on a regular basis to stop the weed infestation.

Traps are in very bad shape; some of the noses in the traps are getting smaller and less well defined due to nematode pressure and the sandy soil on which they are constructed. We are removing rocks by hand every week and we changed the attachment on the sand pro machine to avoid bringing more rocks to the surface of the bunkers. The contamination is due to the natural loss of most of the sand during rainy season months and by not adding new sand on a regular basis. Our traps are on the very base part of areas where some areas drainpipes are exposed. We reshaped the edges of some bunkers to return them to the original shape.

### GREENS

The objective is a putting surface that boasts smoothness, firmness, limited grain and overall uniformity. The greens will be closely mowed for good to excellent speed.

- Greens will be mowed daily during the growing season. Spring and late fall heights of cut will be .120 of an inch with smooth rollers. Health conditions permitting, the height will be lowered and will remain on winter months.
- They will be triplex mowed and rolled on weekends to maintain relative speed objectives. Grooming and/or verticutting will be used periodically to control grain and keep it at acceptable levels.
- Greens will be rolled on Saturdays and Sundays, if needed, to maintain minimum speed objectives.



- Greens speed will be measured via the Stimpmeter in order to maintain minimum speed objectives.
- Growth regulator will be applied as an aid to increase green speed, reduce excessive growth and increase turf density.

#### **Relative Green Speed Minimums (weather permitting):**

1. **Regular Play: 120 inches of roll in methods prescribed by USGA minimum.**
  2. **Weekend Play: 132 inches of roll in methods prescribed by USGA minimum.**
  3. **Tournament Play: 138 inches of roll in methods prescribed by USGA minimum.**
- Greens will be topdressed bi-weekly for smoothness, firmness and to control thatch. Additional topdressing may be required for preparation of tournament conditions.
  - Greens will be aerated as follows: All eighteen holes will be aerated with hollow tines and will be completed within 2-day period (weather permitting). Topdressing sand will be fully and carefully incorporated into the aerification holes.
  - Greens will be irrigated as little as possible to promote deep rooting, drought tolerance, and minimal disease problems. Greens will be firm and the soil dry whenever possible.
  - Greens will be checked daily with hole-cups being changed on a regular basis.

We are planning to do some cart paths repairs on Hole 2 tee and Hole 5 tee where roots from trees damaged the paths. In the very near future, the root prone project will begin around tees, greens, fairways and some paths. This year we will add sand on bunkers, if budget allows. We are looking to do DRYJECT (inject sand on greens) on greens for our next aerification if a contractor schedule is available. This type of aerification is very beneficial for greens and it won't disturb much the surface of the greens. Recovery is a lot faster than our regular core aerification.

The Par 3 course is playable and we keep our mowing operation on a weekly basis. We have a very good percentage of nematodes on greens and our annual CURFEW (nematodes control) application is scheduled for August 29 and 30 on both courses which will be closed on the two days to allow for a 24-hour after treatment re-entry requirement.

## NEW Summertime Nine & Dine Funtime



## League

By Judy Thomas

The brand-new Summer Nine and Dine Golf League kicked off the season and played its first game with eight golfers on Tuesday, July 19. Believe it or not, with temperatures reaching 80 degrees, golfers were spared the hot sun with a pleasant afternoon breeze. The two foursomes completed nine holes in two hours then headed to Denny's Restaurant for some tasty nourishment!

Summer golfing, especially in the afternoon, can be brutal – but it is more than possible if golfers respect the inevitable South Florida climate.

Here are some very helpful tips for enjoying rounds of summer golf:

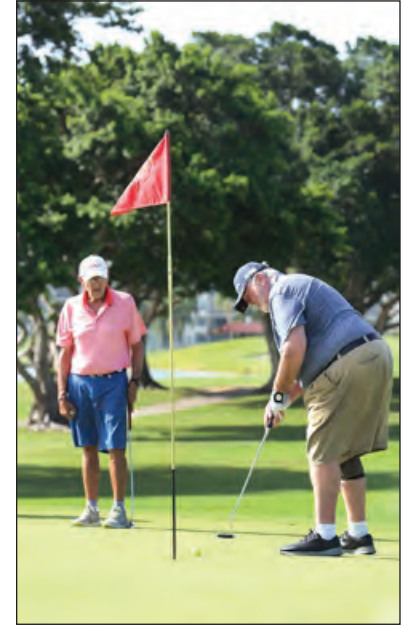
1. Hollybrook's trees are your best friend. While waiting for your turn, you can find respite in the shade under a canopy of Holly-

brook's many trees, including the glorious ficus tree.

2. Hydrate, hydrate, hydrate. Before beginning your round drink at least eight ounces of water. Drink a little more water after completing or beginning a hole — your choice. Bring a cold bottle of Gatorade to replenish your electrolytes lost from sweating.

3. Bring refreshing healthy treats. Cut up an apple, peach, tangerine or other juicy fruit then place in the freezer for 30-45 minutes. Your refreshing cold treats will be ready to enjoy before making Par or Birdie on the next hole!

If you are interested in joining the coolest mixed group of golfers this summer, please contact Judy Thomas at [jthomaswho@aol.com](mailto:jthomaswho@aol.com). We play at 4:30 p.m. on Thursdays.



Above: Golfers enjoy a sunny afternoon during the first Summer Nine & Dine Golf League game on July 19. At top right: Joe McHugh hit the ball in the hole at Hole 6. The group meets weekly at 4:30 p.m. on Thursdays.

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Want to meet others with golf interests?



Hollybrook's summer pickleball team (above) played an intermediate Mixed Round Robin Pickleball Tournament against Century Village organized by Hollybrook Team Captain Judy Thomas. Hollybrook stood up to the challenge and brought home all four trophies. First place winners were Rick Onia and Joseph Donowa. Second place winners were George Vasquez and Alvaro Delgado.

## Summertime fun = pickleball 4 all

Join Hollybrook's summer pickleball team for the next outside tourney against Century Village in September. The team will defend their winning status. Stay tuned for details. Meanwhile, learn the game or shore up your pickleball skills at 5:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and/or 8 a.m. on Saturdays. All are welcome.

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# SOLUTION

**COMBO MEALS** By Timothy E. Parker

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**RECYCLE,  
 REUSE,  
 RECYCLE**

*Having Trouble with  
 Hollybrook  
 Washers or Dryers?*

**PLEASE**

- Place the "out of order" sign visibly on the machine. (Sign is on the side of the washing machine in each laundry room)
- Call Maintenance at 954-433-1700  
 The sign will be removed from the machine as soon as the technician repairs it. The tech will return the sign, blankside up, to the side of the machine.



**VOLUNTEER**



# Hollybrook Bus Schedule

Pick-up route: Phase 2-1-5-3-4-6-Towers

*Broward Meat & Fish Company*

Monday - Thursday - Saturday

Drop off time: 10 a.m.

Pick-up time: 11:15 a.m.



*Publix, Dollar Tree, Einstein Bagels, and Denny's Restaurant ONLY*

Monday - Tuesday - Thursday - Friday - Saturday

## Morning Route

Pick-up - Hollybrook 9:30 a.m.

Drop off - Publix/Dollar Tree 10 a.m.

Pick-up - Publix/Dollar Tree 11:30 a.m.

## Afternoon Route (Includes Broward Library at Broward College)

Pick-up - Hollybrook 1 p.m.

Drop off - Publix/Dollar Tree/Library 1:30 p.m.

Pick-up - Publix/Dollar Tree/Library 3 p.m.

**Wednesdays ONLY:** Pembroke Lakes Mall, Super Walmart, Sedanos,

Pembroke Pines Carl Shechter Community Center (Senior Center)

Pick-up - Hollybrook 9:30 am

Drop off - Senior Center 9:45 a.m.

Drop off - Sedanos 9:55 a.m.

Drop off - Pembroke Lakes Mall 10 a.m.

Drop off - Super Walmart 10:15 a.m.

Pick-up - Senior Center 1:15 p.m.

Pick-up - Sedanos 11 a.m.

Pick-up - Pembroke Lakes Mall 1p.m.

Pick up - Super Walmart 12:45 p.m.

**ALL PICK-UP AND DROP OFF TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE**

# BROWARD 211 4 Seniors

Are you 60 years or older?

Live alone in  
Broward County?



Get **TOUCHLINE**  
for a  
**FREE** check-in call.

**to register**

**visit**

[http://211-broward.org/  
senior-touchline](http://211-broward.org/senior-touchline)



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Want to comment?

Or share good news?

**Write a Letter to the Editor!**

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Letters are subject to panel approval.

Send to

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*(You may be fined)*



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