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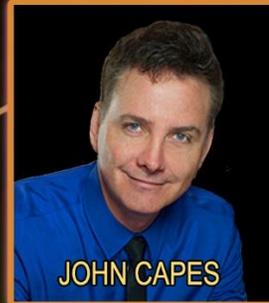
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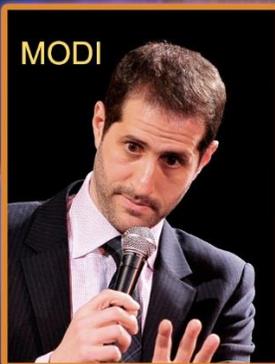
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I realize it's only March, but the Snowbirds will be heading back north soon and I'm going to be directing this newsletter article to all of our migratory residents.

Most Snowbirds will be leaving South Florida in March or April and will probably not visit their homes again until fall or winter. It is *very* important to secure your property for hurricane season before you leave. Walk around your house and make sure any objects that could become projectiles in a storm are safely stored inside your home or garage. Potted plants, patio furniture, wall hangings, and landscape decorations are just a few of the items that need to be put away before you vacate your home for the summer. If a hurricane heads this way, we have no one to tend to the individual homes. We're much too busy securing Association property, so please take the responsibility of protecting both your home and your neighbors before you leave.

Stop by the office to tell Bonnie that you are leaving. We'll confirm your northern mailing address and double-check your Emergency Contact list. Tell us if you have someone local holding the key to your house and let us know who is visiting the house on a regular basis just to make sure everything is okay. Turn your water off at the house and flip the breaker for your water heater. Leave your A/C set to 78° to be sure you don't come back to walls fuzzy with mold. If you'd like, call my office (424-0952) the very last thing before you head out the door for the last time. Turn off your water at the house and I can come by and turn it off at the street just in case a break happens between the water meter and your house. Call me again a few days before you're coming back and I will go back, turn on the water at the meter, and make sure I don't detect a leak between the meter and the house. *Please* make sure the water to your house is turned off!

If I have your email address and you get my Weekly Highlights and Monthly Manager's Report, all you have to do is hit "Reply" to send me an email if you have any questions or concerns. Keep in mind that if you hit "Reply to all" instead of just "Reply," most of the residents in the community will be reading your email. You can always send me an email directly to Ken.Miller@fsresidential.com or to Bonnie at majesticbonnie@hotmail.com.

Snowbirds are as much a part of Majestic Isles as our full-time residents and have the same responsibility to do their part to make our community a place everyone can be proud to call "home" – even if it's only for a few weeks at a time to get away from the snow.

Enjoy the summer up north!

Ken Miller, Association Manager

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M.I. BOARD OF DIRECTORS FEBRUARY 5, 2015

Minutes of the February, 2015 meeting will not be available until the Board approves them at the next meeting. To inform residents in a timely manner, we present the unofficial and abbreviated notes below.

Treasurer's Report, Saul Siegel

- (Residents may request a report of the 2/5/15 cash positions and Statement of Operations at the office.)

Security Committee and COBWRA, Steve Bayer

- At the Jan. 21 COBWRA meeting, Capt. Chris King of PBSO District 6 reported that many crimes are down, with residential burglaries down 24%, and business burglaries down 14%. Automobile burglaries are still causing problems. Most of the times it's because the vehicles are not locked. Please lock your vehicles even if they're in your driveway.
- Town Hall Meeting, March 16 at 7:00. PBSO will be here to discuss latest scams, Fire Rescue will present their programs, and ADT will also be here.
- Lock your door and use your alarm!

Clubhouse and Pool, Harvey Galan

- There have been no complaints about the new vendors for the pool or tennis courts.

Insurance, Ken Keller

- We've met with other agents to compare services and prices with all of the changes in the industry.

ARC Committee, Mark Jaffie

- Several approvals were given including a front screen room, satellite TV, and palm tree removal.
- A resident's request to enclose the back patio was rejected because they wanted to use plexi-glass.

Welcoming Committee, Iris Rothstein

- Fourteen new residents were contacted in 2014. Iris has met with 13 and one will call back upon return to Florida. In 2015, four new residents were contacted and four visits were completed.

Old Business

- Motion to accept M&P's proposal to remove and replace the ficus along the Woolbright wall from Imperial Seas Blvd. east for \$13,700 passed by unanimous vote.



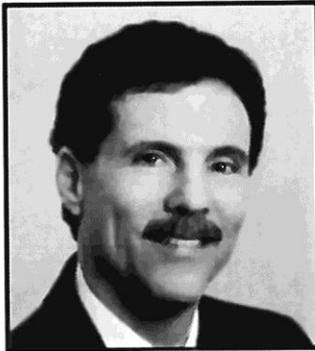
New Business

- Motion to prohibit card, Mah Jongg, or chess playing in the library until after 6:00 p.m. passed by unanimous vote.
- Motion to impose a fine after the second letter to the same resident for the same violation passed by unanimous vote.
- Motion to accept Palm Beach Aquatics' proposal for removal of fire flags and replanting of littorals around lakes 1 and 2 for \$8579.20 passed with six votes in favor, one opposed.
- Motion to rescind the motion to use a ligustrum to replace the oak tree in the parking lot passed by unanimous vote.
- Motion to replace the oak tree in the parking lot with a little gem magnolia at a cost of \$525 passed by unanimous vote.
- Motion to accept M&P's proposal to remove all of the jasmine plants on the Imperial Seas islands and not replace them for now passed by unanimous vote.
- Motion to add the Carlyle model to the homes where enclosure of the back patio is permitted in Item #4 Section I of the Rules and Regulations passed by unanimous vote. The enclosure must be glass, not plexi-glass.
- Motion to have a new appraisal done for the clubhouse at a cost not to exceed \$750 passed by unanimous vote.
- The Board agreed to the purchase of new lenses, houses, and gaskets for the landscape light fixtures that could cost up to \$500.

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 To the family of Peter Fazio.
 To Rita Keller on the loss of her sister, Marilyn.

MESSAGES

To my Majestic Isles friends: I want to thank you all for your get-well cards, your best wishes and your phone calls. They certainly helped me get better.
Enid Gross

I want to thank my friends and neighbors for their kind cards and donations made in memory of my departed sister, Marilyn. Thank you again.
Rita Keller

To all my wonderful friends and neighbors of Majestic Isles: You are special. Thank you for your cards, donations and good wishes. They all help.
Bobbie Rice

Thanks to my friends and neighbors at Majestic Isles for your caring calls, cards and gifts. You are all very special to me.
Joyce Spiess

With all my heartfelt thanks and appreciation for all the cards, donations and telephone calls during my hospital and rehab stay. You are the best!
Nancy Weiss

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SAFETY IN THE ISLES

By Steve Bayer

I hope your calendar is marked for Tuesday evening, March 17 at 7 p.m., when we will have another in our series of Town Hall Meetings.

Captain Jeff Goldman from the Palm Beach County Citizen Observer Patrol (COP) program will be bringing his very informative SCAM troupe to explain about the many hard-to-believe scams that have been going around in Palm Beach County as well as the nation. You will be surprised how many people, especially senior citizens, are being tricked out of their hard earned money.

Elyse Brown from the Palm Beach County Fire Rescue office will also be here to tell us what is new with the Yellow Dot program as well as the Vial of Life program. These are two very important life saving programs. She will be open to any questions about Fire Rescue and our 911 call center.

In addition, Janette McMillan from ADT will explain everything you need to know about our alarm systems and some options you might not know are available.

Thanks to Janette and ADT, we will be enjoying "Coffee and ..." after the program.

FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Many of us had guests during the holiday season and we are all looking forward to times in the near future when we can have our friends and loved ones visiting us again. To keep our residents safe and to maintain our property, our documents contain rules and regulations. For example: Children wearing diapers are not permitted in the pool. If a child has an accident, the pool has to be closed, cleaned and shocked at a cost to the community. Tennis sneakers must be worn on the tennis court. This is to prevent the courts from being chewed up and possibly closed until repairs are completed. The sofa and chairs in the lobby are for sitting only. Repairing damage results in a cost to our community. Please be vigilant and remind your guests that Majestic Isles is our home and should be respected.

Harvey Galan, President

Highlights of COBWRA Meeting at Valencia Lakes, February 18, 2015

After the welcoming remarks, President Rosoff announced that COBWRA's newly elected officers will be sworn in at Banyan Springs on April 30, 2014. The meeting will feature a Palm Beach County Fire Rescue Honor Guard and a choral group.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

• President Rosoff thanked the Nominating Committee members for their efforts and officially discharged them from their duties. The following 2014/2015 officers were elected:

- President: Myrna Rosoff
- 1st Vice President: Glen Harvie
- 2nd Vice President: Warren Danz
- Secretary: Debbie Murphy
- Treasurer: Bill Swan

FIRST RESPONDERS' REPORTS

• **PBSO District 6 Captain Mark Murray** reported that all of the communities within District 6 should send representatives to COBWRA's monthly Safety & Security Committee meetings in order to share vital information. He reminded everyone to lock doors, set alarms and get to know their neighbors, so everyone can be on the lookout for crime. He answered a question as to the importance of paying the annual alarm permit charge, stating that although the PBSO will respond to direct calls from people who do not have permits, the response time will be faster when the alert is forwarded from an alarm company.

• **Doug McGlynn of PBC Fire Rescue** reported that the department has been very busy and after an extensive hiring freeze the department has trained 75 new firefighters who will be placed into service after their graduation in two weeks. He also reported that the department is working on an Incident Response Plan that will include how to respond to flooding. Fire/Rescue personnel are being trained in the use of SCUBA gear that will be stored at Station 47.

ELECTED OFFICIALS' REPORTS

- Commissioner Shelly Vana expressed disappointment regarding the County Commission's rejection of a proposal that would have placed a referendum on the November ballot to institute a one-half cent tax to cover the cost of infrastructure repairs such as the maintenance of roads and bridges.
- Commissioner Mary Lou Berger also expressed her disappointment with the County Commission's

decision. She reported on attending a meeting of the National Association of Counties held in Washington, D.C. The Association passed a proposal that prevents restrictions from being placed on the coal mining industry. The PBC commissioners voted against the resolution.

PROGRAM

• Nick Uhren, Executive Director of the Palm Beach Metropolitan Planning Organization (PBMPO) discussed Transportation Planning for the Palm Beaches, which includes the use of commuter, high speed and freight rails, airports, water taxis, pedestrian needs, roads, Palm Tran, the Port of Palm Beach, auto usage, street cars and bicycle paths. He discussed the need for both long-term, 25-year planning and a five-year program to fund needed services. He encouraged delegates to fill out an online survey, which can be found at the PBMPO website: www.PALMBEACHMPO.org/survey. For those who may be interested in having the PBMPO make a presentation to their communities, contact Malissa Booth, Public Information Officer, at (561) 684-4170 or MBooth@PalmBeachMPO.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The April delegates meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 30, 2015 at Banyan Springs.
- The Growth Management Committee will meet on April 1, 2015 at PBSO District 6 at 6:30 p.m.
- The debut Combined Safety & Security Committee & President's Forum meeting will be held on April 9, 2015 at PBSO District 6 at 9:30 a.m.

By Bruce Brodsky

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By DONNA SHANESON

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Some highlights are:

- March 6: Festival of the Arts. West Side Story
- March 13: Mozart Gala
- March 14: Beethoven's Ninth

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Gardening in the Isles

***By
Stan Davidson***

You are in the market to purchase plants for your landscape or for the inside of your home. As you browse the garden center aisles observing many plants, you wonder what plants are healthy for you to purchase. Your judgment is important, before you make a decision and take your plant home. Many of us have selected a plant because of its beautiful blossoms, planted it and then watched this beautiful flowering plant die within a few weeks. To avoid failure, let me provide you with a few tips that you may want to consider prior to purchasing a plant.

First if you observe yellowing leaves, inspect the plant's foliage and stems. This could be the onset of a disease, a nutritional deficiency, improper watering, or an insect infestation. We all have observed wilted foliage in our landscapes. Generally, this means that the plant has been stressed by too little water. However, in many instances, particularly in our big box store garden center, the problem is neglect. If displayed by the staff in poor exposure locations and not relocated, the plant will not survive.

You should not purchase a plant if you observe chewed foliage tips, sticky residues left by insects, web-like masses on the underside of the foliage, hard bumps of scale on the stems, or mushy stems. If you bring your plant home with any of the latter symptoms, you may introduce these problems into your home landscape.

On many woody plants such as bougainvillea, and many shrubs and palms, scars or marks on the branches could indicate that the supplier may have

damaged the plant during shipment. These scars and nicks could become future sites for disease and plant stress, particularly on palm trunks.

A plant that you observe with spindly growth could indicate poor light conditions or improper pruning during maturity by the plant supplier. You do want annual, perennial or woody plants with bushy growth.

You know that poor overall color in humans is an indication of poor health and so it is for plants. If you select a plant that appears off-colored, select another that appeals to you. Also, additional research on the plant you intend to buy will help you make a wise decision when comparing the plant you are considering to others of the same variety.

One thing that I have overlooked when purchasing a plant, is the plant's root structure. In many nurseries you are permitted to pop out the plant for root inspection. Close observation of the root ball can tell you if the plant has been recently repotted or if the plant is growing well. If the root ball is dried out, it is on its way to being a dead plant. Do not bring this plant home unless you are purchasing a cactus or succulent that has dried root balls.

I hope the above tips provide you with some insight on the health of a plant prior to purchase. As Yogi Berra once said, "We make too many wrong mistakes." This can occur when purchasing plants for our homes.

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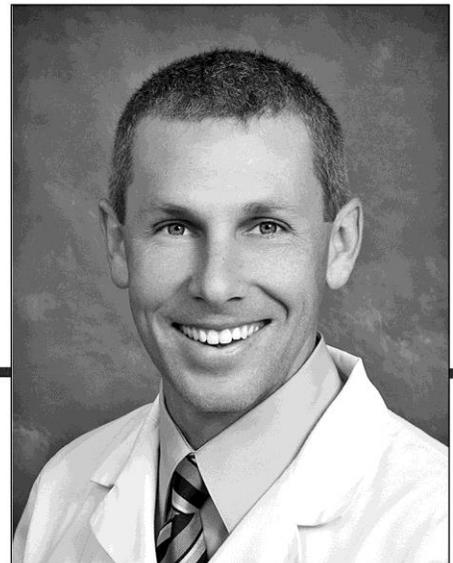


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BETWEEN TWO RIVERS

By Bill Harris

Daylight Savings Time begins March 8. In south Florida we start to explore, to research, to plan how best to live with or possibly escape summer's heat. When we were younger, driving wasn't a problem. Or maybe we took the Auto Train north to summer with family or friends. Older now, we can't drive such long distances. We're uncomfortable on the Auto Train. Our kids have maybe moved to a Sunbelt state or have downsized, with no room for us anymore. Even if they still live in that same big house, thanks to global warming, unless they live by the beach, it's just as hot up where they are as it is down here.

Should we stay or should we go? If we don't have a vacation home or family or friends we can stay with up north, we need to find ways to stay cool right here in south Florida. Here are some tips to beat the heat Evelyn and I quickly learned when we lived in Miami's Coral Gables suburb 51 years ago. If you're walking, walk slowly. If you're driving, move fast – from your air-conditioned home to your air-conditioned car to your air-conditioned workplace, the mall, restaurants or Publix. Park in the shade or use a window sunshield. Keep an umbrella in your car, also a towel to dry off when you get caught in one of our summer downpours. Use the towel or your skirt to grip the hot steering wheel if you parked in the sun.

Go to the beach, bring your towels and beach umbrellas, rent or bring beach chairs, embrace the sea breeze, cool off in the ocean, lather on the sunscreen and try to stay in the shade. We have marvelous beaches very close to us. My favorite is Gulfstream Park, a small, quiet, idyllic beach on A1A just south of Woolbright. Better get there early, however, as the parking lot fills up fast. Just down A1A you can rent a cabana at Delray Beach Municipal Park. Just up A1A, the Boynton South Inlet Park offers boat docks and both ocean beach and Intracoastal swimming. Lake Worth Beach complex, a little farther north has a municipal fishing pier to stroll on, shops and four restaurants, one on the pier, the others in the newly refurbished "Casino" building. Boca's Red Reef Park, a little farther south, sports a boardwalk along the dunes. If you're not a sand person, use your community pool but not in the mid-day heat. Take frequent cold poolside showers and make use of natural evaporative cooling. Or rent a poolside

cabana at one of our many oceanfront hotels. If the breeze is hot and dry from the "Glades" (out of the west) or if the air is fouled by smoke from grassfires, stay indoors, in your air-conditioned homes.

And, if we go, where should we go? If you take a summer vacation, go someplace that's still cool. Take an Alaskan cruise tour or just cruise Alaska's Inside Passage, Norwegian fjords, Northern Europe's Baltic capitals, or go Trans-Atlantic to Greenland and Iceland. Arctic Canada's NW Passage should be the "in place" in 2016, thanks to global warming.

Ride a tracked snow cat up onto the Canadian Rockies' Athabasca ice cap. Helicopter onto Juneau, Alaska's Malaspina Glacier – watch out for the blue ice crevasses. Breathe in the mountain scenery on Banff National Park's (N.P.) Ice Fields Parkway, Going-To-The-Sun Highway in Glacier N.P., Trail Ridge in Rocky Mountain N.P., the Blue Ridge Parkway in North Carolina and Virginia or in Yellowstone and the Grand Tetons N.P. Catch the views from the visitor center at Clingmans Dome or from Newfound Gap in the Great Smokies N.P. Marvel at the natural rhododendron gardens and grassy "balds" atop Tennessee's Roan Mountain.

Rent a lake house in Georgia, North Carolina or Virginia's Appalachians, the Catskills, Adirondacks or the Berkshires. Take in summer stock theatre festivals in Forestburgh, New York, Great Barrington, Stockbridge or Williamstown, Massachusetts, or Dorset, Vermont. Enjoy contemporary dance or ballet at the Berkshires' Jacobs Pillow and classical or the Boston Pops concerts at Tanglewood. Go back in time at the Berkshires' Hancock Shaker Village or Ashville, North Carolina's Biltmore Estate. Tube down the Housatonic River in Connecticut or the Delaware north of Port Jervis, New York. Beach it on Cape Cod, Fire Island or Cape Hatteras National Seashores.

If you have a vacation home or have family or friends that can accommodate you in a place where you feel comfortable and where summer is still cool, well you might have the best of both worlds. If you don't, make the best out of the world you now have, and above all *Stay Cool!*

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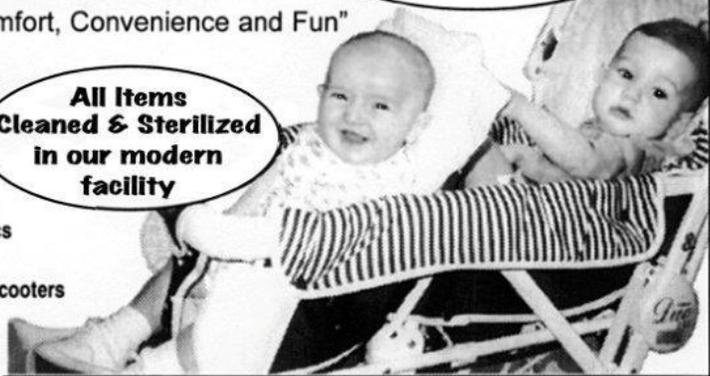
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INVESTORS DISCUSSION GROUP

By **Bill Harris, facilitator**

The U.S. decoupled from the rest of the world's markets during 2014. The S&P ended 2014 up 13.7% for a 217% gain over the past 5 ½ years. Small caps went sideways. Real estate investment trusts (REITS) were up 30%. World markets excluding the U.S. were down 3.4%; Europe was down 6%.

The U.S. market was in a mid-cycle expansion with low inflation ("goldilocks expansion"), with a robust P/E of 19.2. Europe, with a P/E of 16 was teetering towards recession, as was China. Emerging markets with a P/E of 13 and especially Russia with a P/E of 5 were markets not in favor by investors. The U.S. dollar was up; oil and other commodities were down. Oil by year-end was down 46%, its steepest loss since 2008. The high-yield bond sector went sideways but offered attractive yields of about 7%, considerably higher than either equities or Treasuries.

Now we are in the second month of Q1-2015. The U.S. economy is showing signs of gaining momentum. Expectations in the rest of the world are ratcheting down, dropping from 6% to 1%. The Fed has signaled that it will delay interest rate hikes until probably June, and possibly even later. A boost in interest rates will provide further pressure on bond yields leaving fixed-income investors vulnerable to loss of principal.

The 10-year T-Bond yield at 1.78% seems quite stingy, yet it looks great next to government bonds in Europe and Japan yielding half as much. Capital poured into the U.S. in 2014 from abroad (59% from Emerging Markets; 41% from Europe), taking advantage of our relatively high bond yields. Continued foreign buying in 2015 could push bond prices up and yields even lower especially if the U.S. dollar remains strong. Depressed oil prices also tend to work against the case for high bond yields by reducing worries of inflation. The prevailing view is for moderately high yields this year. This means that investors already earning little in returns need to be more careful about where they put their money.

Over the past few years as interest rates shriveled on traditional bonds, yield-starved investors poured billions into higher yielding alternatives. That paid off handsomely if you got in early enough but has been problematic lately. All that money flooding in caused prices to rise sharply on bond alternatives, which sent yields plummeting. As a result, by late

last fall many of these securities were paying out half as much as they usually do, or even less. That is, until recently. Investor worries as to what sharply declining energy prices might mean for the economy have rushed back into government bonds and other "safe" securities. As a result, yields on some alternative assets are rising and you can once again find payouts ranging from 3% to 7% or more as compared to the miniscule yields on Treasuries. To get to higher payouts, you need to climb a wall of risk.

At our February meeting we discussed two of the most popular bond alternative income options available: *High quality dividend-paying stocks* (ca. 3% yield) and *Preferred Stocks* (7% yield), and the safest ways to use them to improve our income.

Don't look for the highest yields and don't overpay. For dividend payers, diversify with exchange-traded funds (ETF's) that have a history of consistently increasing their dividends e.g. *Vanguard High Dividend Yield (VYM)* or *iShares Select Dividend (DIVY)* or *Powershares International Dividend Achiever ETF (PID)*. Preferreds lack diversification; financial institutions issue ca. 90%. To diversify, split your investment between a financial ETF e.g. *iShares US Preferred Stock (PFF)* and one that counts blue chips like *Market Vectors Preferred Securities ex-Financials (PFXF)*. For further insight be sure to attend our monthly meetings.

Next meeting: March 9. We will further investigate ETF's and other alternative income options.

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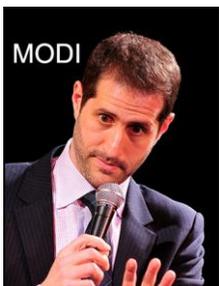


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SOCIAL CLUB

By Joan Sorkin

As you can see on the opposite page, your entertainment committee has been busy working with different agents to get the best line-up for 2016 we can afford. Many ask why we don't have "name" performers. The old timers we remember are either too old to give a good performance or are deceased. We can only accommodate 250 people in our ballroom – if we sell out, which we do not do. Larger communities can afford to spend a lot more money because of their greater seating capacity.

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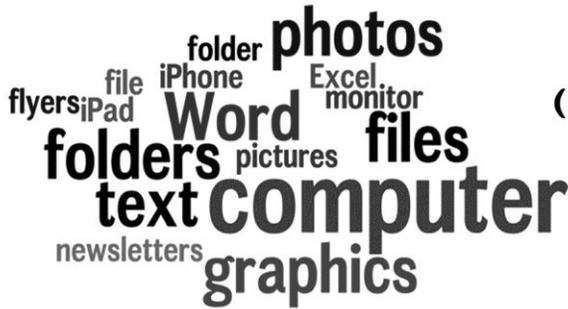
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EVER AFTER

By Phyllis M. Cohen

Did you ever wonder what happened after Cinderella married the prince, or the star quarterback made his final season's last minute winning goal or the beautiful and brilliant valedictorian uttered her speech's last words? Truman Capote said that everyone has his 15 minutes of fame, but does that mean they each go off into the void? I think of that when I remember some great writers who produced a ground breaking brilliant piece and were never heard from again. Of course, you are aware that the recent story about writer Harper Lee is responsible for my raising these questions.

Fifty-five years ago, Lee published what was to become the 1961 Pulitzer Prize novel, "To Kill a Mockingbird," a haunting story about racial injustice and prejudice in a small Alabama town as revealed by a little girl and her relationship with her lawyer father, Atticus Finch. The book was later made into an award-winning film starring Gregory Peck.

And then – silence for the next half-century. Little wonder that the announcement that an original manuscript written by Lee as her first submission for her work was discovered, according to some sources, when a safe deposit box was opened. According to one story, this was apparently the intended version Lee had proposed, but the publishers were so struck by the flashbacks of the adult Scout, the wonderful little girl character, to her childhood, that Lee was urged to rewrite it as the familiar story the world loved. I am always skeptical about these great "aha" moments when long hidden stashes suddenly come to life, like a scene out of Indiana Jones. I think instead, of Geraldo Rivera opening that vault, and finding - nothing. In any event, the amazing discovery, titled "To Set a Watchman" will be published in July to huge advance sales. When asked why she never wrote anything else, Harper Lee was said to have remarked, "I said what I want to say and I have nothing else left to say."

As an aside, if you have not read the book or seen the film, both of them still look and feel amazingly contemporary. If you still think it is old hat, read John Grisham's "Time to Kill" that has much the same feel and story. The film is equally as powerful with Matthew McConaughey having the skills and gravitas of Gregory Peck in his role as a small town Southern lawyer.

Another famous Southern woman writer, Margaret Mitchell, produced an equally famous book, "Gone With the Wind" in 1937 that was also a Pulitzer Prize winner and was turned into a film that then became a movie icon. If Harriet Beecher Stowe was described by President Abraham Lincoln as the "little woman who started the Civil War," then Mitchell could be described as the woman who probably convinced the South that they never lost it. Both the book and movie, filled with the idealized version of plantation life and Southern gentility, have made a lasting impression on many people's thinking of life in that period. Unlike Lee, who at 88 is still alive, Mitchell died early from injuries suffered in an automobile accident, so we don't know whether she would have ever written another piece. It had taken her ten years to write GWTW and she had been reluctant to have her work published.

Of course, some writers just disappear from public view. B. Traven, the author of the book, "The Treasure of the Sierra Madre" that became the famous John Houston movie starring Humphrey Bogart, remains a mystery today despite years of searching and looking by all sorts of magazine writers and sleuths. An impressive list of books are attributed to him in the 1920's and 30's but he managed to elude searchers, presumably by living in Mexico and having his publishing company handle all of his affairs.

So too did J. B. Salinger of "Catcher in the Rye" fame turn reclusive in his later life, dabbling in various religions and moving to Cornish, N.H. to escape his fame. Lawsuits and family problems kept his name in the public's eye until his death.

These days, you are less likely to see your favorite writer go off into the sunset. Robert Parker, Margaret Truman and Maeve Binchy continue to write from beyond the grave as other authors write using their style and familiar plots. Others, like James Patterson, have a stable of writers churning out so many volumes with them that you are unlikely to be able to ever read all of their books.

For some writers, fame does not seem to lead to a happier life for them and maybe great artists do suffer from more angst than the rest of us. Alas, most of us will never know.



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Another Book To Check Out “THE INNOVATORS”

By Stan Kaish

“The Innovators” by Walter Isaacson is a history of the “digital revolution.” That’s the term Isaacson uses for the events that brought the computer and the Internet into our lives. As revolutions go, the digital revolution sort of snuck up on most of us. Those responsible didn’t anticipate that everyone’s daily life would be affected. Scientists were simply looking to invent something that would facilitate calculations: at first it was things like logarithms and trigonometric functions. Then with World War II, there were enemy codes to break and artillery firing tables to calculate - more time consuming computations. These needs pulled in governmental resources. From this, came the computer.

Later, during the cold war, the military was worried about a Russian attack knocking out our communications. This led to thinking about a decentralized system, one without a vulnerable central hub. Enter the Arpanet, precursor to the Internet, that was designed to provide a web of alternate portals for communication and something called the packet system, that broke messages down into parts, sent the parts by different paths along the net and then reassembled them at the destination. None of this was intended to impact on our daily lives. The Arpanet was to allow scientists to send papers to one another. It would be a very confined net involving government and university laboratories.

A funny thing happened along the way. The personal computer was invented. But it wasn’t the IBMs, the Sperry Rands, the Xerox’s, the big mainframe players who invented it. It was entrepreneurial start-ups called Altair, Atari and Apple that paved the way. They went a long way towards bringing the digital revolution to our attention. With the technology for a peer-to-peer network possible, and an emerging industry of relatively inexpensive home computers available, the basics for life on the internet were in place.

Isaacson hits each step along the way. There are chapters on the computer, programming, the transistor, the microchip, video games, the Internet, the personal computer, online, and the Web.

Isaacson begins with Charles Babbage and Ada Lovelace who during the 1840’s conceptualized the computer, only to fall short on the engineering and

financial front. Babbage’s “Analytical Engine” remained on the drawing board. Not so, however, for Presper Eckert and John Mauchley who a hundred years later built, with the Navy’s help, the Electronic Numerical Integrator and Computer, known as ENIAC, a 100 foot long, eight foot high behemoth powered by 17,468 vacuum tubes that could perform 5,000 calculations per second.

Programming the early computers was a task given over to the ladies, the most notable of whom we learn was a Navy Lieutenant named Grace Hopper whose 500 page manual on programming became a standard in the industry, and who anticipated the importance of software over hardware.

Then there was the invention of the transistor at Bell Labs that replaced the vacuum tube and made miniaturization possible. From there we go to the microchip, which allowed a whole computer to be put on one piece of silicon. A threesome named John Noyes, Gordon Moore and Andy Grove set up a little company that they called Intel.

Meanwhile, on another front Bill Gates and Paul Allen were child hackers who grew up to program IBM’s original personal computer, and were smart enough to retain ownership of the code. Elsewhere on the West Coast, Steve Wozniak built the first personal computer and his friend Steve Jobs was smart enough to stop him from giving it away and instead formed a company called Apple.

Nolan Bushnell wanted to have fun with the computer and invented a game called Pong that he put into his Atari computer and charged a quarter to play. From there grew the gaming industry.

Tim Berners-Lee developed software that allowed you to go from site to site on the Internet by clicking on a word. He called the words hypertext and the whole network, the World Wide Web (WWW).

Marc Andreessen developed an easy to install web browser called Mosaic that made the Internet easily accessible by the public. Remember Netscape?

There’s much more: Wikipedia, Google, Yahoo, Linux, AOL, and an homage to the role Al Gore played, but I’m out of space. You’ll have to read “The Innovators” to find out what that role was.

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“THIS WON’T HURT A BIT”

By Joan Sorkin



I was about seven years of age sitting in the dentist chair. Even though I had been going to him since I was four, I was still frightened. I had memorized every instrument – not by name – but by what it did and if it hurt. I had a large cavity in one of my molars and the dentist proceeded to fill it.

I scrunched my eyes and held my little hands in fists. I could not wait for it to be over. Afterwards, all I remember is the dentist telling my mother that the cavity was very large and that if I had pain in the tooth, I would have to have it extracted. He proceeded to say all of this right in front of me. Needless to say, I was petrified. What a stupid remark to make in front of a child!

It was the end of the school year, and we were going to the Catskill Mountains for the summer. My parents had rented a double bungalow at the place we had stayed the year before, a farm with a few scattered cottages. My Aunt Frieda and Cousin Deanna would share the bungalow next to us. There was a large stream running in the back of the property where we would go swimming if the current were not too strong. Otherwise, there were acres of land where we could play all kinds of outside games. We always loaded up with boxes of crayons, paints, colored paper, paste and drawing pads. That and a few decks of cards were all we needed. There were many children who played together, not caring about ages or gender.

Everything went well the first few weeks. Then the pain started. Of course, it was slight at first and then escalated. My father spent the week working in the city. After we were asleep, my mother spent many evenings next door with my aunt, gossiping, playing cards, knitting, etc. I was so frightened to tell her what I was feeling. Remembering what the dentist had said, I lay in bed praying the pain would go away.

My sister Doris, who was only four, would wake hearing my soft crying, but I made her swear not to tell my mother. She was afraid of me, and kept her word. When the pain got so intense that I could not hide it from my mother, we had to make immediate

arrangements to go back to the city and see the dentist. Of course, I could not see him till the next morning, and by then I was crying, “Just take it out.” I just wanted the pain to stop. I think he gave me some Novocain, but I remember the extraction all too well. The dentist said it was a permanent tooth that would not grow back. He probably offered to put in a space-saver so that the next new molar would come in where it belonged, but for some reason, it was never done. My twelve-year molar came in where the six-year molar had been and my parents were sure the dentist did not know what he was talking about.

When I went to college to study to be a dental hygienist, one of our first assignments was to chart each other’s teeth. My partner lost some points when, because of its location, she incorrectly identified the twelve-year molar as a six year molar. My wisdom tooth came in early and took the spot where the twelve-year molar should have been.

How I could have thought I wanted to be a hygienist after my horrible experiences, I will never know. After six months of clinic work, I resigned from the program.



I do get scared of the dentist, so a drive-through dentist might make me feel more at home. If I got to stay in my car.

Jessica Pare

If you use your smart toothbrush, the data can be immediately sent to your dentist and your insurance company, but it also allows someone from the NSA to know what was in your mouth three weeks ago.

Evgeny Morozov

We do have a zeal for laughter in most situations, give or take a dentist.

Joseph Heller

You don't want to engage in road rage when the person in the next car might be your child's future teacher or your dentist's father.

Kim Edwards

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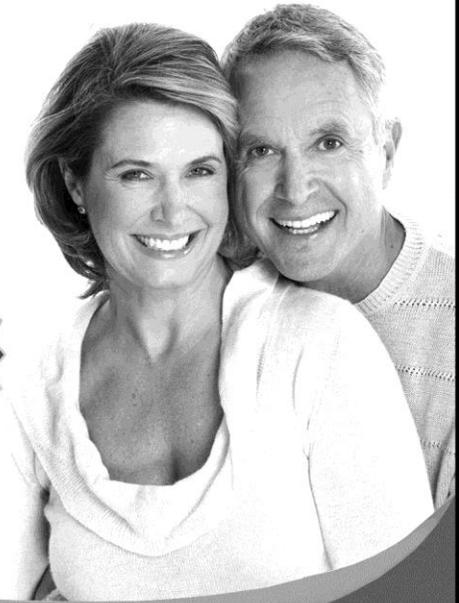


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THE “REEL IMPRESSION” “WILD”

By Edye Frankel

Having read the book “Wild” by Cheryl Strayed, and having enjoyed it immensely on several levels, I wanted to compare it to the movie. So I did.

The story is about a young woman (Cheryl Strayed) who has recently experienced the death of her mother and almost simultaneously the dissolution of her marriage (due to her own infidelities) to a man she still loves. This causes her to lose all hope and to proceed with years of reckless, destructive behavior. She then makes a rash decision to hike more than a thousand miles on the Pacific Crest Trail, alone, and with no experience, but driven by sheer determination. This journey was extremely difficult, both physically and emotionally, which maddened, strengthened, and ultimately healed her.

The movie “Wild” starring Reese Witherspoon, satisfies as well as the book did, but in different ways. Seeing the terrain and the harshness of her hike is an adventure in itself. Reese Witherspoon does a super convincing performance. Knowing that the story is true makes its impact even more powerful. If you see “Wild” you should enjoy the story and the performance(s).

PET PATCH

by Molly



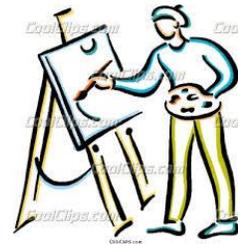
Fifty-seven degrees – WOW – that sounded so cold that my Mom got out my red sweater to keep me warm for our morning walk. Then she put on her red jacket (we matched!) and off we

went to brave the cold. Gracie's dad said he didn't think we were used to winter. And guess what – we were both over-dressed. The sun was out and it was beautiful. I sure am glad I'm not in Boston – I never saw snow except on TV, but I do feel bad for the folks there.

We dogs have a new friend in town – his name is Rusty – and he is that color. He was rescued, and he seems to have a real nice father. Welcome Rusty!

Enjoy the rest of our “winter.”

MAJESTIC ISLES ART SHOW



Once again the residents of Majestic Isles were treated to an ambitious art show held on January 25. This year's art committee composed of Roberta Jaffie, Joan Ceitlin, Gerry Herman, Liz Hopwood, Cynthia Husarsky, Leona Husarsky and Marcia Steiner coordinated the impressive display of arts and crafts produced by M.I. residents.

Over 30 artists and craftsmen filled the wall displays with oil and water color paintings including still life, landscapes, portraits and abstracts. Crafters exhibited tables with wonderful displays of their talent. Fabric artists had examples of needlework, crochet projects, and pillows. Handmade original jewelry filled two tables. Three of our superb crafters had woodworking projects ranging from ship and clock models to wooden toys and puzzles. Photographers were represented by a display of slides and framed photos and cards.

Thanks to the Majestic Isles Association, the afternoon was filled with wonderful music supplied by the quartet ‘Allegro’ and a table of refreshments.

Behind the scenes, Mark Jaffie, Bill Broth, and Ed Stauber were responsible for the installation and Bonnie produced the needed printed materials.

Look for our two page photo spread of all of the exhibits in next month's newsletter.

Older people shouldn't eat health food, they need all the preservatives they can get. Robert Orben

My definition of an intellectual is someone who can listen to the William Tell Overture without thinking of the Lone Ranger. Billy Connolly

I love deadlines. I like the whooshing sound they make as they fly by. Douglas Adams

Do not worry about avoiding temptation. As you grow older it will avoid you. Joey Adams

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MAJESTIC ISLES LITTLE THEATER General Meeting February 14, 2015

By Selma Friedman

MILT audiences are always so warm and appreciative, and this performance was no exception. That makes it so much easier for the performers in so many ways, like a “love connection.”

Director Barbara Portnoff adapted a script called “Decisions” for Seena Calder and Sy Lubchansky, which told of a situation involving two old friends, and was charming. Mike Ost was emcee and host.



The Majestic Isles Singers performed several songs appropriate for St. Valentine’s Day, led by Selma Friedman, Musical Director. The group get better and better and they “Sing for Fun.” (If you would

like to join them, come to the ballroom on Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m., no audition required). The group consists of Francine Gitto, Rita Goldman, Gerry Herman, Marian Held, Roberta Jaffie, Linda Kessler, Harriet Kutner, Nancy Levitan, Sy Lubchansky, Irene Mordis, Ed Mordis, Ellie Rogg, Erwin Silling, Al Silverman, and Gloria Steingart.

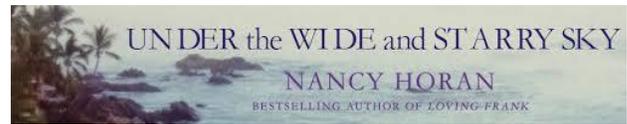
Of course, these programs look simple to perform, but it is not possible to do so without help from other areas. We acknowledge these special people: Producer, Doris Davidoff; Technical Support, Buddy Koch, Jack Moss and Ira Schneider; Stage Designer, Francine Gitto; and all-around “Helper” Ed Strauber. As always this evening was topped off by “coffee and ...” from Marty Baron, and Nancy Levitan and her wonderfully efficient Hospitality Committee. Thanks again for all your efforts.

Remember, M.I.L.T. is an inclusive group. If you would like to participate in any way, not only performing, we’ll welcome you and your interest area. Speak to any one of us for a contact person. We have a great time.



BOOK TALKS

By Judy Markowitz



On Wednesday, March 18 at 2:00 p.m.. Toby Usenheimer will facilitate a discussion of “Under the Wide and Starry Sky” by Nancy Horan.

In 1875, 35-year-old Fanny Osbourne arrives in Europe with her three children – 16-year-old Belle, 7-year-old Sammy and 3-year-old Hervey – ostensibly to study, but really to escape Sam, her perpetually unfaithful husband. After Hervey dies of tuberculosis in Paris, grieving Fanny decamps to a rural inn, where she encounters “Louis” (Robert Louis Stevenson). For Louis, 10 years Fanny’s junior, it is love at first sight. Initially, Fanny resists; he is too boisterous and sickly – but eventually she is won over by his love of life, pure spirit and genius.

They live happily more or less together in Paris until Sam arrives from California and begs Fanny to reconcile. For the sake of her children, Fanny returns to the United States, but soon Sam starts philandering again. Meanwhile, Louis has taken his famous donkey ride in the Cevennes, then heads to California to win Fanny back. Louis arrives at her doorstep deathly ill from his arduous journey. Sam agrees to a divorce, and the lovers marry in 1880. Fanny is 40 years old while Louis is 29. While Louis’ parents accept Fanny as family, his literary friends consider her an American rube and are increasingly jealous of Louis as he becomes more and more successful. The Stevensons begin a life of travel: Scotland, Switzerland, France and the South Seas. Frequently bedridden, Louis is always writing, and this novel showed the germinating seeds of his classic works.

Nancy Horan is also the author of “Loving Frank” (a novel about Frank Lloyd Wright) and in this book the reader comes to know and love Robert Louis Stevenson. Everyone is welcome to join us on March 18 for a very interesting discussion of a wonderful book.



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THE MEN'S CLUB

By Joel Cohen, President

The Men's and Women's Clubs held their annual Valentine's Day party and all had a great time. We had our regular attendees and we appreciate their coming, but we would have liked to see a few new faces there. Well, maybe next year.

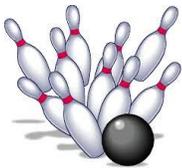
We will hold our annual Parents Day Brunch Buffet on May 17 at Broken Sound Country Club in Boca Raton. The cost is still \$38 for members and \$43 for non-members and guests. They have a fabulous buffet and we will have an entertainer following the meal.

The Men's Club plans a trip to Gulfstream Casino & Racetrack on Wednesday, March 18. According to the current schedule, there will be horse racing on that date. The cost is still be \$18 per person and you will get \$10 play and \$7 lunch in return.



MAJESTIC BOWLING LEAGUE

By Arnie Everitt



As the 2014-2015 League bowling season concludes, plans for the end-of-season banquet are being finalized. All pertinent information will be made available during League play at Greenacres Bowl. However, it is rumored that at the banquet, Joyce will showcase her latest dance routine for the forthcoming September season.

These past weeks have seen several stellar bowling scores, notability Michael Neikrug's 202, and Al Lynn's 205, and not to be forgotten, Estelle Snyder's 191 and 194.

The League expresses their thanks to Louise Harris for designing and printing the award certificates that will be presented during the banquet.

As in the past, the League will resume its "Bowl for Fun" program starting April 14, on Tuesdays at 12:00 noon. Greenacres Bowl has reserved lanes for us, and all bowlers who wish to participate are welcome.

PICKLEBALL @ Majestic Isles (Funny Name...Great Game!)

By Ed Strauber & Jerry Ehrlich



Guess what the fastest growing sport in America is? If you said Pickleball you'd be right. If you guessed that seniors are the fastest growing age group playing Pickleball, you'd be right again. Although Newsman Anchor Brian Williams has been cited of late for exaggerating certain news events, he wasn't exaggerating his comments on Pickleball back in March of 2014. Seeing is believing! Click on YouTube and type in "Pickleball: The fastest growing sport in America", and you will see with your own eyes what the excitement is all about.

Ed spent some time on Feb 3 watching some terrific seniors in a tournament at Pompey Park in Delray. It was played in conjunction with the 2015 Delray Beach Senior Games. There were all combinations of play. It included Men's and Women's singles, doubles and mixed doubles. The ages varied from 50-94 years of age. The players were grouped by age (5 year intervals) and by ability. He found it exhilarating just watching. The manner of the players was impressive; hard fought, no arguing, and considerable displays of sportsmanship.

If you would like to find out more, and would like to get some instruction, please contact Ed Strauber or Jerry Ehrlich. We'll try our best to get you started. Who knows, maybe next year you'll be playing at the 2016 Delray Senior Games!

HADASSAH



On March 4, we will hold a Majestic Isles Sweet Sixteen event organized by Janice Davidson and Adele Freitag. There will be a luncheon at Westchester Country Club at noon, and entertainment. The cost is \$45, which will earn you donor credit of \$45. More information, including a menu, is on a flyer in the back lobby rack.

The March board will meet on March 16 at 10:30 a.m. The general meeting will be on March 23 at 11:15 a.m.

We'll celebrate Rosh Chodesh on March 20 at 10:00 a.m., at the Morikami picnic area. The program will be dedicated to Purim and to the memory of the late Ruth Etkin. Everyone is welcome.

To buy a brick on our sixth Brick Lane, call Lee Katz (733-6702) or Lucille Garelick (364-0533). This is a great way to mark a significant event. Remember, there will be a \$2 charge for the light lunch at our meetings.

Irene Mordis is selling Mah Jongg cards. We got a very nice check from the Mah Jongg league this year. Bev Jaffie thanks Irene Mordis for typing all the names for her. Regular cards are \$8 and the large print ones are \$9. Hurry and get your check in.

By Ellin Goldstein

SINGLES

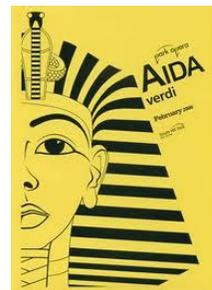
On March 6, the Singles will host a potluck dinner for members only. Admission will consist of an appetizer, entrée, or dessert. You can buy, bake, or cook, whichever you prefer. Please let Seena Calder know what you are bringing. Everyone who attends must be a current member and bring some goody to share with us.

In April, the Singles are going to see a presentation of *Aida* at Kings Academy.

In May, we are going to return to Harid's Ballet. After the performance, there will be some more fun in the sun, so stay tuned for further developments.

Keep in touch! Have a good month.

By Ellin Goldstein



SNOWBIRDS "Seasonal Residents"



The final meeting of the club will be held in the clubhouse on March 6, at 11 a.m. It was the consensus of the group, at the February meeting, that it is time to disband. All good things must come to an end, and so it is with the Snowbird Club.

Unfortunately, because of the postponement of the day trip to the Fairchild Gardens and the Chillhuly Exhibit with the Travel Club had to be tabled. Seymour will contact ticket holders for "George M. Cohan Tonight" to see if they want to meet at La

Luna for dinner after the show.

By Bobbe Greene

MAJESTIC ISLES PAP CORPS

By M. CHERMAK, C. DEVENEY, R. STICHEL



Everyone enjoyed the upbeat concert by Kingston Trio member Rick Dougherty on February 25. In addition, “coffee and” was served.

We’ve been selling tickets for the Boca West High School performances of “The Addams Family” on **March 7 at 8 p.m.** and **March 8 at 2 p.m.**

Show up or become a sponsor for the 15th Annual Pap Walkathon to be held **March 14** at FAU, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton, at 8:30 a.m. We salute Chairmen Helene Riffle (432-5898) and Ellie Rogg (733-3945) for their outstanding work. Enid Gerard is the honorary chairman. Registration fee is \$20 per person. Commemorative markers to honor or in memory of loved ones are \$20 per marker. All sponsors are welcome to contribute. Flyers to sign-up are in the back lobby. To register online visit <http://www.papcorps.org>.

The M.I. Pap Corps annual card party will be on Thursday, **March 26** at 11 a.m. Famous will cater a sumptuous lunch and desserts. Put together your card groups or Scrabble and dominoes groups. The price is \$21 per person. Place your checks with names of game players in an envelope and put it in the Pap Corps mailbox in the back lobby. Individual card, Scrabble and dominoes players will be assigned if they wish. Sign up and enjoy!

Congratulations to Vice Presidents of Fund Raising Suzanne Skinner and Marcia Steiner, who help plan and sell tickets to all our successful events.

Save **April 23** for a Member Appreciation noon lunch meeting featuring well-known humorist Joyce Saltman, a professor, who will talk on “There is Humor is Everything.”

For all the latest news on research and lectures go to website: www.thepapcorps.org. The Pap Corps, Champions for Cancer Research, is dedicated to finding a cure for all types of cancer and solely supports cancer research at Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine.

In addition to the above, save this date:
Thursday, May 28, 1 p.m. Desserts meeting

WOMEN’S CLUB

By Joyce Milbauer, Co-president

I hope all of you had a very Happy Valentine’s Day! Now we rush into March and St. Patrick’s Day.

We all had a wonderful time at the Delray Country Club for our Valentine’s Day Dinner Dance on February 8. Martha Brown was our entertainer and she provided us with some very nice music. There was a lot of dancing, a very good buffet and carving station. We all had a great time.

March 25: Wednesday matinee of *George M. Cohan Tonight*. We are co-sponsoring this event with the Snowbird Club at the Stage Door Theater in Coral Springs and are sold out.



April 28: Our canasta tournament in the clubhouse is open to all. The price is \$10 per person.

May 17: Parents’ Day party at Broken Sound. The price is \$38 for paid-up members, \$45 for nonmembers. There will be an entertainer. **Note: This date was changed from May 3.**

We are looking for some fun things to do in June, so stay tuned!

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Just grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked, the good fortune to remember the ones I do, and the eyesight to tell the difference.

ACTIVITY CALENDAR March 2015

4	Wed	11:00 a.m. 12:00 noon	Sing for Fun Hadassah	(f, h) Sweet Sixteen (p, a)
5	Thurs	2:00 p.m.	Board of Directors	Meeting
6	Fri	11:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	Snowbirds Singles	Meeting Pot Luck Dinner (f, h)
7, 8	Sat, Sun	8:00 p.m.	Pap Corps	Show (p, a)
8	Sun	9:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	Men's Club Pap Corps	Breakfast (f, h) Matinee (p, a)
9	Mon	4:00 p.m.	Investment Group	Discussion (f, h)
11	Wed	11:00 a.m.	Sing for Fun	
13	Fri	10:00 a.m.	Women's Club	Museum (p, a)
14	Sat	8:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m.	Pap Corps MILT	Walk-a- Thon (p, a) Show (p, h)
15	Sun	8:00 p.m.	MILT	Show (p, h)
16	Mon	7:00 p.m.	BOD	Town Hall Meeting
18	Wed	10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	Men's Club Sing for Fun Book Talks	Casino Trip (p, a) Discussion (f, h)
21	Sat	8:00 p.m.	Social Club	Movie Time (p, h)
22	Sun	11:00 a.m.	Travel Club	Meeting
23	Mon	11:30 a.m.	Hadassah	Meeting
25	Wed	11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Sing for Fun Women's Club/Snowbird Matinee (p, a) Pap Corps	Kingston Trio member concert
26	Thurs	11:00 a.m.	Pap Corps	Card Party (p, h)
28	Sat	8:00 p.m.	Social Club	Show Time (p, h)

MARCH



Watch channel 63 for additions, cancellations, or changes in date or time.

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