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President's Message

Greetings to all our neighbors and friends! It's been an interesting summer what with keeping one eye on the tropics and the other eye on the Delta Variant. We welcome back all our Northern friends and neighbors and hope they notice some of the improvements in our Community. First up, is our new Property Manager, **Kristine Diaz Russo**. Please make time to meet her at the Clubhouse as soon as you can. We are thrilled that she is a part of our CWL family and we look forward to all her knowledge and assistance as we steer our community forward. A couple of things we did this summer: repair the pool coping, restrap the lounge chairs, improve the landscaping to the entrance of the Clubhouse, repair and/or replace certain gym equipment, improve the emergency lighting in the Clubhouse, repair the Key Fob system after a lightning strike, replace all toilets in both restrooms, replace gutters at the back of the building, change the street sign From Sleepy Hollow Way back to Sleepy Willow Way – how many of you noticed that one?

It takes a lot of work to keep our Clubhouse and grounds in good, usable condition, while the cost for repairs, supplies and vendors continues to go up. Many of us have enjoyed our low maintenance fees and your Board does everything it can to be good stewards of all our money. We strive to make informed and careful decisions in every instance. Just keep in mind, that an old house always needs something improved, repaired or replaced.

FUN FACT: There is a cement slab behind the clubhouse, to the west of the pool, that is roughly 70 feet x 15 feet. When this community was built, the developer had installed solar panels on that pad to heat and cool the pool. What a forward thinking idea that was! I do not know when they were removed or why, but something we might want to reconsider as solar picks up speed as another choice for energy needs. And with that in mind, we have established a Solar Panel/LED Upgrade Committee to investigate how we can return to solar to power our electric needs.

Marianne Regan

Kristine Russo Diaz, Property Manager, reported the following:

Five Architectural Review applications were approved. Two for Solar Panels; One for a Roof Replacement; One for Gutters Installation and One Front Door Replacement.

The Board Approved a service contract with Swim and Fun to perform the weekly maintenance to the pool.

The Board Approved the annual renewal of Astro Air to maintain the AC units in the clubhouse.

The pool coping repairs and grouting was completed as scheduled and on time.



How can we encourage people to do kind things for one another?

Be a power of example!

That's right; being kind, teaches kind . Effective communication is important and when we do it with kindness, we are heard.

Are you getting ready to make an addition to your house, replace your windows, or paint your house? Before you break out the miter saw or paint brush, make sure to get your plans approved by our association's architectural review committee.

While it may seem arbitrary from an individual homeowner's standpoint, the architectural review committee looks out for the entire community.

Aside from stopping residents from painting pink polka dots on their houses, the committee's job is to make sure that the size and style of the project, the type of building materials being used and the overall look of the changes adhere to the association's design requirements.

Not only does this keep the community looking cohesive, it also helps to keep property values up by preventing individual structures from standing out. Of course, it's also important to note that unapproved structures or changes might legally have to be removed at the owner's expense, so save yourself money and headaches by getting approval before making any exterior changes.

So when you're ready to start your new project, or if the design of your project changes midway through the process, send your plans to the architectural review committee first so that we can make sure they're in compliance with the association's design standards.

If we do find any issues, we'll let you know what they are and try to help you come up with other options.

We appreciate all the hard work residents have done to make their homes and this community beautiful—help us keep this association looking great by keeping us in the loop of all your exterior projects or changes.

REMINDER WE ARE TRYING TO GO PAPERLESS!!!

WANT TO HELP US SAVE MONEY???

**EMAIL YOUR NAME AND STREET ADDRESS TO
NEWSLETTER@COCOWOODLAKES.COM**

COCO WOOD LAKES LADIES CLUB PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

It's been a tough year and half with the Covid pandemic for all of us. We've missed socializing with our family, friends and CWL Ladies Club. We want you to know that we miss all of you and that we will once again meet. November is our Holiday Thanksgiving Boxes Food drive for Delray Beach families in need. See the list of food items needs.

THANKSGIVING IN A BOX

2-15oz Boxed POTATOES 1 can (12oz) EVAPORATED MILK 2 boxes (6OZ) STUFFING MIX 4 cans (15oz) YAMS 6 cans (14-15oz) VEGGIES 3 cans (14oz) CRANBERRY SAUCE 2 boxes DESSERT MIX (Brownies, Cake, etc.) 1 ALUMINUM TURKEY PAN Please pack items in a BOX. Banker box size works well. Box must have a top or place food items in the donation box located in CWL lobby.

Please see article Hunger Hurts and make your donation!

Sandy Steinberg
561-496-3620

Hunger Hurts

In and around the Delray Beach area, there are hundreds of people experiencing hunger every day. In the elementary schools, children in need may eat breakfast, lunch and even an afternoon snack, but what happens when they go home? Will there even be dinner, and will it be a healthy, well-balanced one that will help them grow into healthy adults? For many, the answer is no. And then there are the homeless, adults and children, who live a day-to-day existence hoping they have food to eat that day.

Many years ago, the Coco Wood Lakes Ladies Club decided to do something to help. It started with collecting "Pennies for Peanut Butter" and joining with Barwick Baptist Church to buy peanut butter to donate to the Caring Kitchen and local Food Pantry. It then expanded to providing Thanksgiving boxes to the Caring Kitchen to be distributed to those who had requested help for the holiday. For many years, the Caring Kitchen gave out 300+ boxes per year. Sadly, the Kitchen lost the use of its facility a few years ago and has now had to stop this program. But that doesn't mean they have stopped their activities completely. With the help of Casson United Methodist Church, they still provide hundreds of meals weekly to those who are hungry.

And the Food Pantry is still in full swing and always in need of donations. The CWL community, with the help of our Bingo players, and many, many others, has donated over \$18,000 in non-perishable food and other items to the Caring Kitchen and Food Bank. Several years ago, CWL Ladies Club became an official sponsor of C.R.O.S. Ministries, the "parent" of the Caring Kitchen and Food Pantry.

We also donate to the Jacobson Family Food Pantry. The mission of the JFFP is to ensure that no individual or family in our community goes hungry. They accomplish this by delivering non-perishable groceries to clients who are experiencing serious financial difficulties.

Unfortunately, donations fall off tremendously in the summer, and during the Covid pandemic, not just from our community, but from everywhere. We ask that you please contribute, especially non-perishable food items, all year long, since people need to eat every day. Here are the rules: Items must not be opened. They should be within the usable date. Cans and boxes should not be dented or damaged in any way, and cans should have their original labels. Some suggestions for items are pasta, rice, dried beans, canned fruit and vegetables, canned soup, boxed cereals, peanut butter, etc. Place these in the larger of the wicker baskets in the clubhouse lobby. There is also a smaller wicker basket for non-food items such as toiletries and personal care items. Toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, soap, shampoo, razors, etc. are greatly appreciated, especially in small sizes. If you travel and stay in hotels, the little items they provide are perfect.

ENTERTAINMENT CORNER

Finally after two long years we will have Entertainment in our auditorium once again! Due to concerns about Covid, we are starting our first show on Saturday, January 8, 2022. Our committee had hoped to do a "Veterans Salute" in November, 2021 so that will be our January 8th show. After all, we should celebrate our Veterans every day of the year!

Our entertainer for this show is a lady with the most powerful voice I've heard in a long time. Her name is JayCee Driesen and her show is a "Tribute to America." Make sure this date is on your calendar! As with every show we put on dessert and coffee will be included in the ticket price. If you are a new resident in Coco Wood Lakes, we encourage you to join in the camaraderie for our performances. It's a great way to meet new neighbors. Ticket prices and information about all shows will be posted well ahead of the performance.



Other dates to put on your calendar for 2022 include Wednesday, February 16 and March 26. And we will find a date for "The Delray Derby", the wackiest horse race you'll ever see. It's more fun than you can imagine! Stay tuned. We look forward to having you at the show!

"The Three of Us" Pat Babcock, 561-499-6106



Linda Richard, 631-356-4777

Nancy Gault, 224-565-3798



Not in the mood to cook... try these Thanksgiving dining options...

Farmer's Table

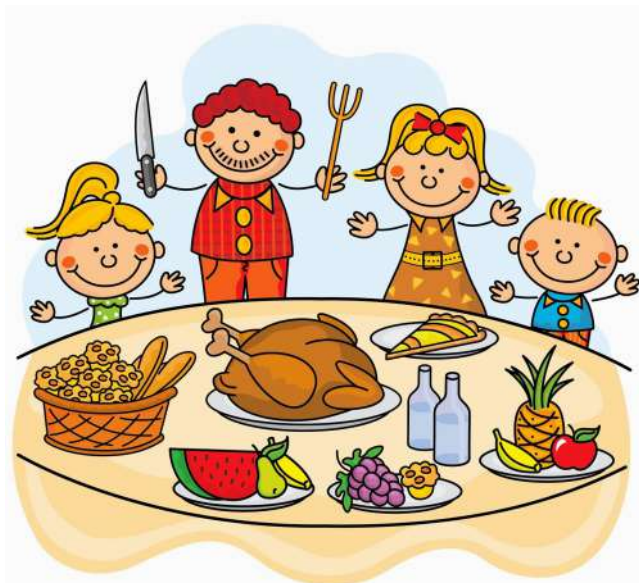
The options: A three-course prix fixe dinner; limited a la carte takeout menu *Info and reservations: Takeout orders must be placed by Nov. 20. Dinner and takeout options available at both locations: 1901 North Military Trail, Boca Raton, 561-417-5836;*

Ill Forks Prime Steakhouse

The option: A three-course prix fixe dinner. *Info and reservations: 4645 PGA Blvd., Palm Beach Gardens, 561-630-3660.*

The Butcher Shop

The option: Pre-order ready-for-the-oven Amish all-natural turkey, ham, sausage and sides *Info and orders: Pick up during the week of Thanksgiving. The Butcher Shop is closed on Thanksgiving day; 209 6th Street, West Palm Beach, 561-622-9988.*



Sudoku

EASY

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MEDIUM

See CocoWoodLakes.com
 (newsletters menu) for
 Sudoku and Word Search solutions.

Dogs

Find and circle all of the words that are hidden in the grid.
The remaining 44 letters spell an Ogden Nash quotation.

O D A C H S H U N D P A D D O O P Y R
G C I D S W H A S B T O E T A D O K T
N O D O R G R P R E U E O P U G I S E
I L A D I A I O R E R L G D G S N U P
D L L N P T N R T H V R L E L N T H P
W I M U Z C I R O T E E R D A E E G I
O E A O R E H U E A W M I I O O R R H
H S T H R E N I T B A E N R S G G E W
C E I T B D H D H N T A I P T O E Y R
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H I U S E R E G M N S H E A X R A U F
C K L A L P A O L A I E U O S Y O N F
O E N B H T P H H E H P B A H E W D I
R P R E O N G L S S E T U M A L A M T
G S R L E I N A P S R E K C O C I D S
I D E R E Z U A N H C S A M O Y E D A
S E T T E R B L O O D H O U N D O F M

BASSET HOUND
BEAGLE
BLOODHOUND
BOXER
BULLDOG
CHIHUAHUA
CHOW CHOW
COCKER SPANIEL
COLLIE
CORGI

DACHSHUND
DALMATIAN
DEERHOUND
DINGO
GERMAN SHEPHERD
GREAT DANE
GREYHOUND
HUSKY
LHASA APSO
MALAMUTE

MASTIFF
PEKINGESE
PINSCHER
POINTER
POMERANIAN
POODLE
PUG
RETRIEVER
ROTTWEILER
SAINT BERNARD

SAMOYED
SCHNAUZER
SETTER
SHAR PEI
SHEEPDOG
SPITZ
TERRIER
WHIPPET

REMINDERS

MASKS ARE REQUIRED IN THE CLUBHOUSE AND GYM

PLEASE KEEP YOUR PETS ON A LEASH. It keeps them safe and your neighbors, plus it's the law.

To be a good neighbor is one of life's richest joys!



No Trash Pickup Thanksgiving Day Nov. 25, 2021



PIZZA PARTY

THURS, NOVEMBER 18 ~ 5 PM

LOCATION: POOL SIDE

PIZZA \$7. Orders in by 5:30 PM.

GREAT AFTER WORK FUN!!!

TIL 8PM

BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS!

JOIN US ... PIZZA OR NOT!



More than 20 people attended the October Pizza Party. Great time to meet and relax with your neighbors.

Get out and enjoy some fresh air with these events going on nearby..

Saturdays from 9AM to 2PM

The GreenMarket is a Saturday morning destination as an open air marketplace located at Old School Square front grounds, on E. Atlantic Avenue in downtown Delray Beach. Started in 1996 by the Community Redevelopment Agency, the Delray GreenMarket has become one of the most popular and charming aspects of the “season” in Delray Beach. At the GreenMarket you’ll find more than 65 vendors featuring Palm Beach County farm-to-fork produce, just picked citrus and juice, farm fresh eggs, raw milk and butter, 100% grass-fed and finished (antibiotic and hormone free) Florida beef, poultry, pork and lamb, fragrant artisan baked goods, plenty of gluten free, vegan and sugar free products, fresh cut flowers, plants and other unique gourmet fare along with live musical entertainment each week.

First Friday Art Walks invite you to explore the heart and soul of our art scene on the **First Friday of every month (October - May)**, and the newly created Delray Beach Art Trail invites you to explore the intricate & evolving public art scene throughout Delray Beach! The center of Arts & Entertainment in Downtown Delray Beach, Old School Square's historic campus includes the Crest Theatre (c. 1925), Cornell Art Museum (c. 1913), Fieldhouse (c. 1925), Pavilion and Creative Arts School. Visit Downtown Delray Beach to see one-of-a kind art, musical performances, cultural attractions and the talented people that make up this award-winning arts town. For a list of all events, please visit: <https://downtowndelraybeach.com/things-to-do>

BEST OF ALL—Come enjoy the swimming pool and soak in your beautiful hot tub at the Coco Wood Lakes Clubhouse.



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THANKSGIVING BAKED APPLES: PREP 30 MINS. BAKE 45MINS; MAKES 8 SERVINGS



Ingredients:

- 1 cup butter, melted
- 8 medium Gala apples
- 2/3 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup cranberry-apple juice
- 1/2 cup whiskey
- 2 chopped ripe pears
- 1/2 cup pitted dried plums (prunes), chopped
- 1/2 cup raisins

Directions

1. In a large bowl, mix the butter, brown sugar, juice and whiskey until blended. Stir in the pears, dried plums and raisins.
2. Cut a 1/2-in. slice off the top of each apple. Hollow out remaining apple, reserving centers and leaving a 1/2-in. thick shell. Chop centers, discarding center cores and seeds. Add chopped apple to pear mixture; toss to combine.
3. Place hollowed out apples in a greased 13-in. x 9-in. baking dish. Fill with pear mixture; spoon remaining mixture around apples.

Bake at 350°, uncovered, for 45-50 minutes or until apples are tender. Remove apples to dessert plates. Transfer remaining fruit mixture to a small saucepan. Bring to a boil; cook for 10-15 minutes or until liquid is syrupy. Spoon over apples.



Bulk Trash Info From SWA

Bulk Items:

Bulk item pick up is provided once a week and limited to 3 items on Thursdays. Should more than 3 items be placed at the curb, the hauler will remove 3 items and tag the remaining items explaining that there is a 3 item limit for bulk items each week..

Place items like appliances, furniture and large household items that do not fit in the cart at the curb, making sure that nothing is stacked on top of water or gas meters, under low branches or utility wires, or within 3 feet of mail boxes or fire hydrants.

For safety reasons, please:

- Remove or seal doors on all appliances such as refrigerators, freezers, washers and dryers so that children cannot crawl inside and become trapped.
- Glass table tops, such as a patio table or bistro table are considered bulk waste and will be collected curbside as bulk in non-broken condition. The SWA recommends duct taping at least one side of the glass in case it breaks.

Items such as sliding glass doors, wall mirrors or windows, etc. are considered construction debris and need to be broken up and placed inside a garbage cart or container. A resident has three (3) options for removal, (1) wearing personal safety equipment wrap the glass in a blanket type material, break the glass and safely place in a container, (2) call the SWA for an estimate to have the material removed, or (3) deliver the material to an SWA disposal facility and pay the fee of \$55 per ton. (cash only)

Construction Debris:

Construction debris (C&D) from minor home repairs is limited to 2 cubic yards weekly. All such material must be containerized in containers weighing less than 50 pounds when filled, with the exception of carpeting. Carpeting must be cut to 4-foot pieces, rolled and secured into bundles weighing less than 50 pounds.

Bulk and C&D that does not meet these guidelines will not be collected. If there is more than three bulk items, call the SWA, (561) 697-2700, for an estimate to have the items removed. It is the residents' responsibility to either modify how the waste is set out so that it meets the guidelines, or transport it to the SWA transfer station, which does incur a disposal fee (cash only).

The closest SWA transfer stations are on the east side of 441, less than 1 mile north of Atlantic Ave and at 1901 SW 4th Ave, Delray Beach, just south of Linton Ave and west of 95. They are open from 7am to 5pm Monday - Friday and 7am to 3pm on Saturday.

About twenty years ago Phil Fein, Arthur Walter and I had a crazy idea. Let's show a free movie with free pop corn and pretzels in the clubhouse auditorium and see if anyone would come. To our delight, a good sized crowd showed up to see *CASABLANCA*. Despite the Rube-Goldberg set-up involving a laptop, microphone, Radio Shack amplifier, speakers and business projector, it was a hit...and they asked if there could be more!

That was the start of our MOVIE NIGHT and MOVIE MATINEE programs. Audiences loved being able to get together and talk, meet old friends, make new friends, bring in goodies to share and just stepping away from the TV and getting out of the house.

As time passed, we kept upgrading the equipment to enhance the viewing and listening pleasure. We went from that put-together-pile-of-stuff to the state of the art equipment in the auditorium today.

The movie selections ranged from 30's classics like Fred and Ginger in *TOP HAT*, Cary Grant and Katherine Hepburn in *BRINGING UP BABY* and, of course, *GONE WITH THE WIND*, to hits from every decade since then up to recent hits like *FORD v FERRARI*, *FROZEN*, *JERSEY BOYS*, *AVATAR*, *BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY*, *TITANIC*, *A STAR IS BORN*, *THE GREATEST SHOWMAN* and more.

Then the current health crisis hit and everything had to be shut down. Then, just when it started to look better, things got worse.

Sadly, all things must come to an end. Phil and Arthur are gone and while I managed to continue on my own, it was a strain. As I write this, it looks like I will soon be leaving CWL.

So, at this time, I want to thank everyone who ever attended a MOVIE NIGHT or MOVIE MATINEE for you support. Phil got a kick talking to everyone who showed up. Arthur loved being the Host and welcoming you at the door. I loved sharing my love of movie trivia knowledge as I introduced each showing and the feedback from the audiences. I shall miss it all, but most especially the wonderful people who are Coco Wood Lakes. Indeed, Auntie Em, "there's no place like home".

Tony Janik

The movie guy

PS - If a miracle occurs and things work out, in the words of the *Terminator*, I'll be back.





NOVEMBER 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 	8	9	10	11 VETERANS DAY 	12	13
14	15  Board of Directors Meeting 7:00p	16	17	18  Pizza Party 5pm - 8pm	19	20
21	22	23	24	25  Thanksgiving Day	26	27
28 	29	30	 			

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MARKET SNAPSHOT: CWL HOMES SOLD IN THE LAST 5 MONTHS

Address	Price	SqFt - Living	Total Bedrooms	Baths - Full	Waterfront	Days On Market
14656 Country Side Lane	\$415,000	1,328	2	2	Yes	17
14734 Summersong Lane	\$385,000	1,402	2	2	No	7
14783 Country Lane	\$320,000	1,446	3	2	No	72
14574 Shadow Wood Lane	\$310,000	1,338	2	2	No	40
14845 Summersong Lane	\$310,000	1,710	2	2	No	60
14849 Country Lane	\$306,000	1,927	2	2	No	14
6405 Sagewood Way	\$305,000	1,746	2	2	No	20
6346 Hitchin Post Way	\$300,000	1,326	2	2	Yes	805

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