

President's Comments

By Craig Holcomb, Sec.22 HOA

We are almost through half the year already! Time does seem to fly by quickly. Our seasonal residents have come and gone, but this year the traffic on the road seems to still be busy. Lots of new full-time residents are here, and according to the paper this morning, about 4 million more will be coming to Florida soon. Our paradise out here in the boon docks has been discovered, and some of our serenity and peace will be changed forever. But, once you get inside our gates, we will continue to have our peace and the enjoyment of our beautiful community and all our great people.

The 2022 season is over, and it was very successful! There were lots of activities, and sharing good times with friends and neighbors. Lots and lots of volunteers worked very hard to provide a variety of activities throughout our community. We are blessed with so many people who give their time, knowledge, and energy to provide our community with many activities and events to enjoy.

Those who do the "logistics" of events, are not recognized enough. No one really sees the amount of time and effort that goes into putting on a successful venue. It seems that the only time someone working the background items get some attention is when something goes wrong, not when something goes right. When you attend an event, whether it is with your local association or neighborhood, or a bigger event with one of our amenities, please be sure to find out who all put it together, and worked tirelessly on the "logistics," and give them a big hug and thank you.

We are already getting into our summer mode. There has been lots of rain around us, but as most of you know, we live in that weather donut hole, and when the rain gets into our area it seems to just go around us, and not through us.

We are working on our capital improvement projects, such as the continuation of our water surface management to clear our waterways; drilling two new wells at the irrigation ponds; reconfiguring the entrance from Vincent Road to the Matecombe Gate; working on retaining walls, and possibly resurfacing a road. However, the problem with construction

Section 22 HOA Committee Reports

Architectural Review Committee

By Barry Groesch, Chair

Are you thinking about updating your home? Any changes to the exterior of residences in Burnt Store Marina (BSM) are required to have Architectural Review Committee (ARC) approval. This applies to all homes, including homes in a condo association. If this approval is not granted through ARC, you may be asked to modify or remove the changes made. All requests are made by completing an ARC form, and adhering to Section 22 Home Owners Association (HOA) Restrictions. Remember to legibly and clearly complete the entire form, including having your HOA representative sign off (if required). Delays will occur if it cannot be deciphered or the form is not completed in its entirety. Thanks.



15 minutes after sunset

projects today, is that most of the contractors we have worked with in the past are booked into next year. They cannot give us exact figures for material costs until they purchase the supplies and materials for our projects, as the cost of items goes up on a weekly, if not daily, basis due to inflation and lack of materials. They also have a shortage in the labor force, which prevents them from working more projects at the same time. We will work through these issues, but the way we contract now, and in the future, will need to be adjusted to a changed work force, inflation, and the weak supply chain that still goes on within our country.

• Rick & Kate East, 58 Big Pine Lane, landscaping.

- Kathy T. Abramson, 3040 Big Pass Lane, roof replacement.
- Rick & Kate East, 58 Big Pine, remove front screen enclosure.
- Rick & Kate East, 58 Big Pine, replace windows.
- Rick & Kate East, 58 Big Pine, exterior paint.
- Glenn & Sheryl Bodien, 1405 Islamorada Boulevard, roof replacement.

Section 22 restrictions and applications are available for download at **BSM22.org**. Submit your ARC applications to your condo association, if applicable, then to Alliant Association Management, 13831 Vector Ave., Fort Myers, FL 33919, Email: **apmsupport@alliantproperty.com**.

Community Access Committee

The following applications were approved last month by the Section 22 HOA ARC:

- Philip & Carol Tuturice, 1305 Islamorada Boulevard, roof replacement.
- Mitch & Carol Kusiak, 5071 Key Largo Circle, roof replacement.
- Dennis & Judy Ewing, 1402 Islamorada Boulevard, exterior paint.
- Lee & Cherie Hanmer, 3300A Sunset Key Circle, window replacement.
- Sunset Key II Association, 3413 Sunset Key Circle, landscaping.
- Mona Caho, 24501 Dolphin Cove Drive, roof replacement.
- Linda Schmitt & Richard Petruso, 3893 Cape Cole Boulevard, roof replacement.
- Marie Sullivan, 409 Islamorada Boulevard, sliding door replacement, lanai upgrade.
- Linda Wessic, 501 Islamorada Boulevard, roof replacement.
- Michael Downing, 3265 Sugarloaf Key Road #43A, hurricane protection.
- Katherine East, 58 Big Pine Lane, hurricane shutters.
- Cynthia Whitson, 4040 Cobia Estates Drive, repaint pool enclosure.
- Bruce Haveman, 2090 Matecumbe Key Road #1204, hurricane shutters.
- Luis Badillo, 1308 Islamorada Boulevard, roof replacement.
- Jim & Charlotte Gridley, 4000 Key Largo Lane, roof replacement.
- Richard Bagwell, 3981 Key Largo Lane, roof replacement.
- Mike & Sandra Power, 3011 Matecumbe Key Road Unit 1, lanai modification.
- Dennis & Kathy Smith, 5001 King Tarpon Drive, landscaping.
- Manuel Soares & Nancy Villa-Soares, 2070 King Tarpon Drive, exterior paint, canvas awning.
- Steve & Kathy Hocker, 4000 Cape Cole Boulevard, lanai modification.
- John W. Chapel, 24032 Redfish Cove Drive, roof replacement.
- Scott James, 5000 Key Largo Lane, roof replacement.
- John & Sandra Caldwell, 1230 Romano Key Circle, landscaping.

By Pat O'Neill, Chair

Hurricane and Major Storm Safety Tips

Keep your family safe with a plan that includes evacuation routes, special medical needs, important phone numbers and supplies. Here's a guide to help you and your family get started. **Plan ahead**

- Develop an emergency plan that includes answers to questions such as:
 - \circ What do I need to do to secure my home, car and boat, and who will help me?
 - \circ Where am I going to stay during the hurricane and what are the evacuation routes?
 - \circ Where will my pets stay?

• If I plan to stay at home, what do I need to do to be prepared and where in my home will I ride out the storm? Emergency operations officials urge residents to prepare to be self-sufficient for up to 14 days – without running water or electricity.

• Review your emergency plan with your family.

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Next Section 22 HOA Board Meeting – Tuesday, June 14, 9 a.m., Linkside Café Patio

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Tired of looking for a custom home, on a large lot and water frontage? Look no farther than the Deed Restricted Burnt Store Lakes! This custom-built tile roof home sits right on the water, providing an amazing view. Gorgeous well cared for mature tropical landscaping, including an orange and mango tree, adorn a sizeable lot at just over 1/2 acre. A long list of interior upgrades and custom features make this Florida dream home complete. A well-positioned kitchen includes custom solid wood cabinets, granite countertops with mosaic accents, high-end appliances with a built-in oven/microwave combo, pantry cabinet closet, slide out spice cabinets, garbage disposal, and a drinking water purification system. Upgraded bathrooms include glass shower enclosures and new solid surface granite vanity tops. Rest comfortably in the master bedroom highlighted by an in-suite bathroom with a jetted whirlpool tub, double vanity sinks, and a large walk-in closet. Host family and friends in a large living room with a barely used wood burning fireplace, six sets of double sliders to the lanai area, and vaulted ceilings. Picture yourself enjoying dazzling sunsets on the lake while enjoying time on this large, enclosed west-facing lanai which is ready for a pool if you are! The oversized third bedroom would make a great office or den. Exterior updates feature fresh paint, a brand-new two-tone paver driveway, hurricane shutters, and a landscape irrigation



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system fed from the lake. New high efficiency washer and dryer are included with the home and the 3.5 ton A/C and heating system is new as of 2019. Home also has a newly installed security system and an intercom/speaker system throughout. The two car attached garage offers a workbench, epoxy floor, pull-down attic stairs for storage, utility sink and refrigerator. Only minutes to Burnt Store Marina offering extensive boating, restaurants, and golf facilities. Burnt Store Lakes offers public water and sewer and convenient access to Punta Gorda and Port Charlotte with Fort Myers only forty-five minutes south. Access to one airport just 20 minutes north (PGD) and another airport forty-five minutes to the south (RSW)! Come enjoy the world class fishing/boating, beautiful state parks and beaches, shopping, restaurants and the endless summer in Southwest Florida. Don't miss the opportunity to see this home, your peaceful paradise awaits!

818 ISLAMORADA BLVD. \$549,000



Looking for the perfect starter or moving up from a condo. This lovely, remodeled, & customized Spinnaker Home has it all and offers optional study or artist retreat! This beautiful home is situated on an oversized corner lot with lush landscaping and a lovely paver driveway entry. The open floorplan is inviting with the bright Living and Dining combination open to the enclosed lanai which enlarges the living area. The kitchen has been remodeled with beautiful wood cabinetry, granite countertops, backsplash, desk and breakfast bar, open to the breakfast room. The spacious Master suite opens to the enclosed lanai and features a bath with dual sinks, walk in closets, garden tub and walk in shower. The Guest bedroom features a built in Murphy Bed system and also has a separate craft/den area and is split for privacy. The interior laundry room has been utilized as a separate den or can also be bonus area for storage. The extensive ceramic tile flooring extends throughout the living areas/kitchen, halls & breakfast rooms. Beautiful laminate wood flooring is featured in the bedrooms. Further updates in this condo include Painting, Window Treatments, Lighting, Fans, AC Unit, Open Air patio and appliances. Burnt Store Marina is a gated community with the largest deep water, full service Marina on



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Mark Your Calendar – Out And About

Inside the Gates Dates

- Wednesday, June 1: Deadline for the July Beacon. Article and picture submissions are welcomed. Become part of the Beacon family.
- Tuesday, June 14: Section 22 HOA Board Meeting, Linkside patio, 9 a.m.
- Every Tuesday: Bar code installation, front gate, 1 to 3 p.m.
- Every Thursday: Bar code installation, front gate, 9 to 11 a.m.

Outside the Gates Dates

- Sunday, June 1 to Thursday, June 30: Military Heritage Museum Hosts "*The Art of War*," an art exhibit by Sgt. Phillip Scot Moore. See 18 pastel paintings in the Museum's Hall of Heroes gallery. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. 900 West Marion, Punta Gorda. Exhibit included in general admission price, \$12 adults, \$10 veterans, \$9 youths under 15.
- Wednesday, June 1 to Wednesday, July 8: The Artistry of Dance. An exhibit celebrating the spirit of dance. Visual Arts Center, 210 Maud St. Punta Gorda. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free • Friday, June 2: Fort Myers River District Art Walk, 1 to 5 p.m. Visit many galleries, exhibitions and performances.
- Wednesdays, June 8 and June 22: Kickback Music at History Park. 4 to 6 p.m. 501 Shreve St. Music and food trucks. Bring your own chair and beverage. Donations to Punta Gorda Historical Society.
- Thursday, June 16: Downtown Punta Gorda Experience, 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Several venues to explore. Info area is Hector Park across from the old Taylor St. Court House.
- Friday, June 17: 2nd Annual Caribbean Heritage Month Celebration. Port Charlotte Beach Park, 4500 Harbor Blvd. Port Charlotte.
- Friday, June 17: Fort Myers River District Music Walk, 5 to 9 p.m. Local and regional musicians line the street with music from jazz to blues to rock and roll.
- Every Wednesday: Dance Classes for Beginners and Intermediate Dancers. Learn to dance the Cha Cha, Bachaton, Lindy Hop and swing. Social Latin dancing class is 6 to 6:45 p.m. All About Swing class is 6:45 to 7:30 p.m. Punta Gorda Woman's Club, 118 Sullivan St. 1 class is \$12, 2 classes are \$17, 3 classes are \$22 and 4 classes are \$27. To register call Laura at 330-501-2366
- Every Tuesday and Friday: Dance Fusion Class. 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Punta Gorda Isles Civic Association, 2001 Shreve St. Call Cara Peralta for information, 941-276-1887. \$10 per class.
- Every Tuesday: Cape Coral Surfside Sunset Market, from 1 to 6 p.m., Veterans Parkway and Surfside Boulevard, opposite end of Belks Dept. Store.
- Every Thursday: Fort Myers River District Farmers Market, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Every Saturday: Punta Gorda Farmers Market, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., downtown. Lots of vendors with fresh fruits and vegetables, live music, crafts and other great buys. Visit nearby murals and enjoy some of the great downtown restaurants.
- Every Saturday: Cape Coral Farmers Market, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., SE 14th Ter. and SE 10th Pl., Cape Coral.
- Every Sunday: Punta Gorda Historical Society's Farmers Market, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at History Park, 501 Shreve Street. Shop for veggies, meats, plants and gifts. Most Sundays you will be treated to live music by Dave Heveron. When the market closes at 1 p.m., take a guided tour of the gardens at the park. Walk the grounds with Florida native gardener, Starr Zachritz, and learn about Florida's flora. A \$5 suggested donation gets you a plant to take home. Call 941-380-6814.

Enjoying Your Walk

By Jan McLaughlin, Former Beacon Editor

One morning a fellow walker stopped me and asked what the distance was around Prosperity Point, and how far was it from there to the front entry gate. With lots of residents returning and enjoying our pedestrian paths, I offer the following. All distances were measured with a GPS while riding in a golf cart.

Islamorada Entrance Gate to Cape Cole Blvd. – 0.82 mile
Cape Cole Blvd., golf clubhouse gate arm to Islamorada
Blvd. – 0.60 mile

 \bullet Cape Cole Blvd., golf club gate arm to Matecumbe Key entry - 0.72 mile

• Matecumbe Key Blvd., construction entrance to Cape Cole Blvd., 0.72 mile

• Matecumbe Key Blvd., Cape Cole Blvd., to South Shore 0.55 mile

Courtside Landings' Loop, start/stop at entrance – 0.48 mile
Prosperity Point sidewalk loop, start/stop at Matcumbe
Key Blvd, 1.26 mile

• Admiral's Point loop (includes Key Largo Lane Circle, Sable Key Circle and Key Largo Circle) start/stop at Marathon & Cape Cole Blvd., 1.06 mile

• Tarpon Pass loop, start/stop at Islamorada Blvd., 0.76 mile

Wonderful resources for walkers abound on the Internet. These sites offer a wide selection of audio music apps for beginners to advanced walkers, exercise videos, gear (including shoes), accessories and resource information.

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3191 Matecumbe Key #704 \$850,000 Penthouse with Panoramic Harbor and Sunset Views! 2 Master Suites + Den Turnkey with 2 Parking Spots



1600 Islamorada Blvd #73B \$319,000 2 bed/2bath with Carport Turnkey with Updates and Sunset Views! 3329 Sunset Key #206 \$729,000 Brand New Kitchen Harbor and Canal View! Furnishings Available!



3170 Matecumbe Key #132 \$279,000 Wow! Remodeled Marina-Front Turnkey, Great Rental History

June Off-Beat Holidays

By Maggie Hart, Mariners Pass

Here we are in June – the beginning of summer, lots of rain, and hurricane season. Summer Solstice is June 21, and marks the longest day of the year, with 3 hours and 23 minutes more daylight than the Winter Solstice's shortest day.

While *National Watermelon Day* isn't until August 3, in Florida, watermelon is celebrated in June, with several festivals to enjoy – Fort Myers (June 3 - 5), Chiefland (June 4), Monticello (June 17 - 18), and Chipley (June 23 - 25). I guess we have a jump start on the rest of the country.

Here's a sampling of more things to celebrate in June:

June 5: *Hot Air Balloon Day*, the first manned lighter than air balloon flight, was on November 11, 1783. Ever since then, balloons have been used for a wide variety of purposes. During the Civil War, they were used for reconnaissance. They have been used for travel, but today they are mostly limited to air shows and festivals, and for hot air balloon rides.

June 6, 1944: *D-Day*, the largest amphibious landing in history, began in the early-morning hours as Allied forces landed in Normandy on the northern coast of France. Operation Overlord took months of planning, and involved 1,527,000 soldiers in 47 Allied divisions, along with 4,400 ships and landing craft and 11,000 aircraft. The Germans had about 60 divisions spread along France and the Low Countries. American forces landed on two western beaches, Utah and Omaha, while British and Canadian troops landed farther east on Gold, Juno and Sword beaches. By the end of the day 150,000 Allied soldiers and their accompanying vehicles had landed with 15,000 killed and wounded. **June 10:** *National Ballpoint Pen Day*, the invention of the ballpoint pen is one of the great inventions of the 20th century. On this day in 1943, brothers Laslo and Georg Biro of Argentina filed a patent for a ballpoint pen. It was originally called a "Birome" Ballpoint pens hit the U.S. market in 1945 at Gimbels department store, selling for \$12.50 each. They became an instant success, and the rest is history. The Biro brothers sold their patent to Bic.

June 14, 1775: The first U.S. Military service, the Continental Army, consisting of six companies of riflemen, was established by the Second Continental Congress. The next day, George Washington was appointed by a unanimous vote to command the army.

June 14, 1777: John Adams introduced a resolution before Congress mandating a United States flag, stating, "...that the flag of the thirteen United States shall be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white on a blue field, representing a new constellation." This anniversary is celebrated each year in the U.S. as *Flag Day*.

June 14, 1951: *Univac 1*, the world's first commercial electronic computer was unveiled in Philadelphia. It was installed at the Census Bureau and utilized a magnetic tape unit as a buffer memory.

June 15, 1215: King John set his seal to the *Magna Carta*, the first charter of British liberties, guaranteeing basic rights that have since become the foundation of modern democracies around the world.

June 19: *Fathers' Day*, is the day to honor Dads, and all the ways they are a part of our life. The first Father's

Day celebration was in Spokane, Washington in 1910. It is celebrated annually, on the third Sunday in June.

June 21: Today is the first day of summer. It's time to hit the beach, soak up some rays, and search for seashells. It makes sense that today is also *National Sea Shell Day*, which was created and is promoted by The Beaches of Fort Myers and Sanibel. This special day was created in 2016 and is now celebrated annually.

June 26, 1945: The *United Nations Charter* was signed in San Francisco by 50 nations. The Charter was ratified on October 24, 1945.

June 28, 1914: Archduke Francis Ferdinand, Crown Prince of Austria and his wife were assassinated at Sarajevo, touching off a conflict between the Austro-Hungarian government and Serbia that escalated into World War I.

June 30, 1971: The 26th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was enacted, granting the right to vote in all federal, state and local elections to American citizens 18 years or older. The U.S. thus gained an additional 11 million voters. The minimum voting age in most states had been 21.

June 30 - July 4: Key West has its' annual *Key Lime Festival* celebrating one of their most famous products, the key lime. There will be lots of events, contests, music and, yes, key lime-inspired foods and beverages. For information, go to **keylimefestival.com**.

Here's the spoiler...the Florida Department of Transportation has issued a public notice for road improvement projects, with lane closures through next summer 2023, for, you guessed it, the Overseas Highway, which connects all our beautiful Florida Keys to mainland Florida.

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• Photograph or video your home – inside and outside – for insurance purposes.

• If you or anyone you know has special needs in case of evacuation, contact your local emergency management office. Find the phone number at **www.FEMA.gov.**

• Before storm season begins, have your trees properly trimmed to minimize their impact on your home and neighborhood. Only specially trained line-clearing professionals can trim trees and vegetation around power lines. If you are not sure whether a tree is too close to a power line to trim it yourself, contact LCEC 1-800-599-2356. Make sure debris is cleared prior to a hurricane warning announcement when trash pickup is suspended.

• Consider getting a non-cordless, non-mobile telephone for your home in case the power goes out and/ or mobile service is not available.

Before the storm hits

• Pay attention to instructions from public officials and the media.

• Gather important documents including insurance policies, health cards, list of medications, birth certificates, list of important phone numbers and put them in a waterproof container.

• Prepare enough food, water and supplies to be self-sufficient for up to 14 days.

• Purchase bottled water. The American Red Cross recommends at least one gallon of drinking water per person per day.

• Gather supplies such as: non-perishable food, nonelectric can opener, disposable dinnerware and utensils, matches or lighter, medications and prescriptions, personal hygiene supplies, baby supplies, pet food, trash bags, paper towels, tissues, toilet paper, soaps and detergents, rubber gloves, sunscreen, insect repellant, tarp, clothing, \circ Fill propane tanks if you plan to use a grill for cooking.

• Charge your cell phone and obtain a car charger.

 \circ In the event of a loss of running water and electricity, turn refrigerators and freezers to their coldest settings to help keep your food fresh; consider making blocks of ice and storing them in coolers; sanitize bathtub and fill it with water.

• Secure and prepare your home.

• Store objects from your yard inside.

• Fasten doors and windows.

 \circ Cover valuables and furniture with plastic and move away from windows.

• Turn off and unplug any non-essential electrical equipment, including pool equipment.

After the storm

• Make the safety of your family and home your top priority.

 \circ Do not travel until it is safe to do so.

• Immediately call 911 to report dangerous or hazardous conditions. To report downed power lines, or damage to LCEC poles, wires or transformers, call LCEC at 1-800-599-2356.

• Stay far away from downed power lines, and flooded and debris-laden areas that may be hiding downed power lines. Do not touch anything that may be touching a downed power line.

• If your roof or windows leak, water in your walls and ceiling may come into contact with electrical wiring. Immediately turn off your circuit breakers, disconnect all electrical appliances that are still plugged in and turn off all wall switches. Remember, never stand in water while operating switches or unplugging any electrical device.

• Don't use candles; use battery-operated flashlights and lanterns instead.

 \circ Be cautious when using a grill, portable stove or

directly to your breaker or fuse box, because the power you generate may flow back into power lines and cause injuries.

• Make emergency repairs only when it is safe to do so. Repairs that prevent looting or further damage should have top priority, but only if the repair can be done safely.

• Should your power go out, listen to your local news on a battery-powered radio for the latest information on power restoration.

• Continue to conserve refrigeration. Check food for spoilage; if in doubt, throw it out!

• Photograph or video your home – inside and outside; take inventory to determine and record losses.

This information is the basic requirements that are provided by the FEMA website. There are many resources that may be of assistance in regards to emergency preparedness. Also, please check with your Association Property Management for localized information regarding your property.

An ARC did you know, moment...

By Barry Groesch, Architectural Review Committee Chair

Did you know...If you want to install a paver border around your landscaping, an ARC application is required. For all projects, go to the **BSM22.org** website to get your application.



blankets, pillows and items for entertainment.

• Check radio, flashlights and batteries.

 \circ Obtain cash or travelers checks in case banks are closed and ATMs are not working.

 \circ Fill up your car with gas.

other emergency cooking devices.

 \circ If you use a portable generator, read and follow all the manufacturer's instructions. Be sure to set it up outside – not in your home or garage – and connect appliances directly to it. Do not wire your generator

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Burnt Store Marina CC News

By John Abbott, General Manager, BSMCC

Now that Memorial Day is behind us and summer is here, it is time to reflect on this past season, and all the strides we have made here at the club.

The golf course saw

tremendous progress this season earning "Golfers Choice" top 25 most improved golf courses in the country award. With the Heron course opening in December, we now have 27 recently renovated holes. This brought an average of 300 plus rounds a day to the club during the busy months, and got Burnt Store Marina CC a lot of needed exposure. Other clubs in the area that have been reluctant to add us to their summer reciprocal programs, have been way more receptive this year. This will not only give us more summertime play, but will give our members a much larger selection of discounted golf courses in the area on which they can play.

The restaurant went through many changes, beginning with additions to our already capable staff of cooks and waitstaff, to hiring Chef Seth, who took the reins in February. We brought back the Friday Fish Fry and Sunday Brunch. We added numerous specialty dinners and events that were all successful in breathing new life into Linkside Cafe. Next season we are going to add even more to the restaurant calendar, including the NFL package that we can enjoy on our seven new big screen smart televisions. Thursday night live music and food trucks were a big hit this year. We intend to make next year even better with more trucks, more bands and more fun. Wine and food pairings, microbrew nights, specialty dinner nights like prime rib, Italian, Mexican and seafood, trivia nights, bingo nights, name that tune and lots more will be on the schedule for next season.

All of this reflection shows us that we are headed in

Rules of the Road

Motor Vehicles: Always drive your vehicle on the right side of the road. There are no "turn lanes" within Burnt Store Marina. Never drive your vehicle in lanes indicated for the use of bicycles and pedestrians. Always stop at stop signs. Never exceed the posted speed limit.

Bicycles: Always ride your bicycle on the right side of the road, even if there is no "bike lane" available. Use hand signals to indicate intention to turn. Always stop at stop signs. Never exceed the posted speed limit.

Golf Carts: Always drive your golf cart on the right side of the road. Use hand signals to indicate intention to turn. Always stop at stop signs. Use lanes indicated for the use of bicycles and pedestrians only when neither is present.

Pedestrians: Always use lanes provided for bicycles and pedestrians. If there is no lane available, use the left side of the street, facing wheeled traffic. Use caution when crossing streets. Wear reflective clothing and carry a flashlight when walking or running after sunset.

the right direction as a club. With the tremendous support that we are getting from all of you in the community, we now have a basis to build on, and get better next year and for years to come.

Those of you that are here for the month of June, be

sure to celebrate Father's Day weekend with us, beginning with our Father's day scramble on Saturday the 18th and our Father's Day Brunch on Sunday the 19th.

Thank you all for your continued support and we will see you at the club!

BSMCC June 2022 Schedule of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
All events are			1	2	3	4
subject to			Dine in or Take out			
change!			Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
°			11a.m 3 p.m.*	11a.m 3 p.m.*	11a.m 3 p.m.*	11a.m 3 p.m.*
			Republican Dinner		Fish Fry Dinner	·
			5 p.m.*****		5 - 8 p.m.*	
5	6	7	. 8	9	10	11
Breakfast	Dine in or Take out	9 Hole Scramble	Dine in or Take out			
8 - 11 a.m.	Lunch	3 p.m.***	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
Dine in or Take out	11a.m 3 p.m.*	Dine in or Take out	11a.m 3 p.m.*	11a.m 3 p.m.*	11a.m 3 p.m.*	11a.m 3 p.m.*
Lunch	Trivia	Lunch	Happy Hour Bingo	Family Feud	Fish Fry Dinner	
11a.m 3 p.m.*	5 - 7 p.m.***	11a.m 3 p.m.*	5 - 7 p.m.***	5 p.m.****	5 - 8 p.m.*	
	Bar Food Menu	Dinner	- · F			
	Available	5 - 8 p.m.*				
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Breakfast	Dine in or Take out	9 Hole Scramble	Dine in or Take out	Dine in or Take out	Dine in or Take out	Breakfast 8 a.m.
8 - 11 a.m.	Lunch	3 p.m.***	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Fathers Day Scramble
Dine in or Take out	11a.m 3 p.m.*	Dine in or Take out	11a.m 3 p.m.*	11a.m 3 p.m.*	11a.m 3 p.m.*	3 clubs and a putter
Lunch	Trivia	Lunch			Fish Fry Dinner	18 hole 10 a.m. ***
11a.m 3 p.m.*	5 - 7 p.m.***	11a.m 3 p.m.*			5 - 8 p.m.*	Dine in or Take out
	Bar Food Menu	Dinner				Lunch
	Available	5 - 8 p.m.*				11a.m 3 p.m.*
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Fathers Day Brunch	Dine in or Take out	9 Hole Scramble	Dine in or Take out			
11a.m 3 p.m.*	Lunch	3 p.m.***	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
	11a.m 3 p.m.*	Dine in or Take out	11a.m 3 p.m.*	11a.m 3 p.m.*	11a.m3 p.m.*	11a.m 3 p.m.*
	Trivia	Lunch	Happy Hour Bingo	Happy Hour	Fish Fry Dinner	
	5 - 7 p.m.***	11a.m 3 p.m.*	5 - 7 p.m.***	Alcohol Ink Class	5 - 8 p.m.*	
	Bar Food Menu	Dinner	·	3 p.m5 p.m.***		
	Available	5 - 8 p.m.*				
26	27	28	29	30		
Breakfast	Dine in or Take out	9 Hole Scramble	Dine in or Take out	Dine in or Take out		
8 - 11a.m.*	Lunch	3 p.m.***	Lunch	Lunch		
Dine in or Take out	11a.m 3 p.m.*	Dine in or Take out	11a.m 3 p.m.*	11a.m 3 p.m.*		
Lunch	Trivia	Lunch				
11 a.m3 p.m.*	5 - 7 p.m.***	11a.m 3 p.m.*				
	Bar Food Menu	Dinner				
	Available	5 - 8 p.m.*				
	* Call for your reserv	ation or takeout order 9	41-637-6405			

* Sign up at Admin Office.

**** Reservations for Republican Dinner must be made through the Republican Club. Due to circumstances beyond our control, everything is subject to change

Gardener's Wheelbarrow

By Maggie Hart, Mariners Pass June is the month when afternoon thunderstorms start appearing. Rain, humidity, heat and lots of sun change the way plants grow. Everything speeds up, including diseases and pests. Keep a sharp eye out

for odd leaf growth patterns and yellow veining on leaves. June brings glorious flowers to plumeria/frangipani, crape myrtle and royal poinciana. This is the Florida that many snowbirds never get to see.

• Turf requires a complete, slow-release fertilizer. Due to Lee County restrictions, fertilizer containing nitrogen CANNOT be used during the rainy season. If your lawn needs help, use iron. A high potash count will also help roots become vigorous. It's too hot to use an herbicide.

• Turf Die-back – If you have irregular dead patches to your lawn, chinch bugs are probably the culprit. Proper mowing, fertilization, and irrigation can greatly reduce the susceptibility of St. Augustine grass to chinch bug infestations. Grass should be kept to a height of 3 to 4 inches to ensure a strong root system, which will increase its tolerance against chinch bug infestations. Added moisture in lawns also encourages chinch bug infestations. Thatch - a spongy mat of shoots, stems and roots - provides a prime habitat for chinch bugs to feed and lay their eggs. If a watering new plantings to dilute the salty irrigation water.

significant layer of thatch covers a lawn, it may be removed mechanically by vertical mowing or power raking.

· Prune shrubs that have ceased to flower or at least have slowed down their flowering.

· Keep insects in check with horticultural oil or Organocide. (Organocide is an insecticide and fungicide, with the active ingredient - sesame oil.) Apply late in the day when the temperature has begun to drop a bit. Spray up into the plant, under the leaves, where the insects live.

· Oleander caterpillars will be making a feast of your oleander shrubs...they are eating machines. Use Bt (Bacillus thuringensis) or Thuricide to eradicate them. Use it as soon as you see these orange and black caterpillars...the smaller, the better, the more effective. Remember, these caterpillars are poisonous – do not touch!

• Humidity + Heat = Fungus. Coppercide is another good product and should also be applied late in the day. Remove affected leaves from the ground. Be proactive with fungicide when you know a particular plant is prone to it.

• Now is a great time to plant anything - take advantage of the summer rains. Since they are cultivated with potable water, newly purchased plants need an adjustment period to our somewhat salty irrigation water and soil. It might appear wasteful to irrigate during rainy season, but consider hand



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Did You Know These Things Had Names?

1. The space between your eyebrows is called a glabella.

2. The way it smells after the rain is called a petrichor.

3. The plastic or metallic coating at the end of your shoelaces is called an aglet

4. The rumbling of stomach is actually called a wamble.

5. The cry of a newborn baby is called a vagitus.

6. The prongs on a fork are called tines.

7. The sheen or light that you see when you close your eyes and press your hands on them is called phosphenes. 8. The tiny plastic table placed in the middle of a pizza box is called a box tent.

9. The day after tomorrow is called overmorrow.

10. Your tiny toe or finger is called minimus.

11. The wired cage that holds the cork in a bottle of champagne is called an agraffe.

12. The "na na na" and "la la la," which don't really have any meaning in the lyrics of any song, are called vocables. 13. When you combine an exclamation mark with a question mark (like this ?!), it is referred to as an interrobang.

14. The space between your nostrils is called columella nasi.

15. The armhole in clothes, where the sleeves are sewn, is called armscye.

16. The condition of finding it difficult to get out of the bed in the morning is called dysania.

17. Illegible handwriting is called griffonage.

18. The dot over an "i" or a "j" is called tittle.

19. That utterly sick feeling you get after eating or drinking too much is called crapulence.

20. The metallic device used to measure your feet at the shoe store is called Bannock device.

HOW MANY OF THE ABOVE DID YOU **ALREADY KNOW?**

Platinum Point Yacht Club

By Sue Smith, Director

PPYC's 2021-2022 fall through spring calendar was a very full one. Now, as events have wound down somewhat for summer, there are many people who deserve thanks for organizing and executing the varied opportunities of these past months. In addition to a busy schedule of parties, Sunset Socials, and Grill Nights, there have been sailing, cruising, musical, educational, card-playing, quilting, and book reviewing events that have all helped us enjoy the wonderful lifestyle at Burnt Store Marina and the friends we have made here. However, summer doesn't mean that the fun is over at PPYC. Happy Hours, Sunset Socials, Grill Nights, Quilting, Bunco, Bridge, and Mah Jongg continue to provide ongoing fun. Additional summer social events are in planning mode, and after taking a brief breath, busy committee chairmen are already working on the events that will kick off our busy fall season.

If you are interested in participating in an organization that affords a wide range of options for boaters and non-boaters alike, this is a wonderful time to consider membership in PPYC. Choosing to become a member now means that you will be ready to join the fall activities as they start up, and if you live here year round, there are opportunities to meet new friends throughout the summer. If these sound like opportunities you would like to pursue, new member information can be obtained at the club house. Dorothy Saviste, Club Administrator, is on-site Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, and can be reached at 941-639-0733. We would be happy to explain the benefits of membership in Platinum Point Yacht Club.

Plant of the Month...Bottlebrush Tree

By Maggie Hart, Mariners Pass

Bottlebrush trees get their name from the spikes of flowers that bloom at the ends of their stems, looking



like a bottle brush. They can be used as shrubs, or small trees, and can grow up to 15 feet high. The bottlebrush tree (*callistemon*), belongs to the *myrtaceae* family.



Bottlebrush trees are quite similar (and closely related) to the paperbark melaleucas, who also have flower spikes shaped like a bottlebrush. But unlike melaleucas, bottlebrush trees are not considered invasive species.

Native to southeastern Australia, they are cold-hardy

anywhere in south Florida. The bottlebrush is evergreen, moderately drought and salt-tolerant, and needs a full to partial sun location. It blooms heavily in spring and then on and off the rest of the year, during our warmer weather. There is an upright species and one that has a weeping form. The bottlebrush tree is a must for gardeners looking to attract hummingbirds and butterflies.

When including it in your landscape, add top soil or organic peat moss and composted cow manure, or a mix of all. Fertilize three times a year - spring, summer and autumn - with a good-quality fertilizer high in phosphorus (or supplement with bone meal) to produce heavy bloom. Because it has a faster growth rate than many trees, the wood of a bottlebrush tree isn't very dense, so keep the tree staked while young to protect from breaking in strong winds. Cut back branches of very young trees occasionally to make them bushier.



Foggy marina

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Dragonboats to Compete in Sarasota in July

By George Gershowitz, Coach, Charlotte Harbor Paddlers Let's talk about Dragonboat racing. Dragon what, you say? No surprise there, while Dragonboat Racing is the fastest growing water sport in the country, many people are still

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At the most difficult times in our lives, we are reminded of the importance of being surrounded by special friends and a caring community.

To All of You, I offer a sincere and heartfelt Thank You for the kindness and support you have shared during the illness and passing of my Bob Ahrens & his Jello shot husband, Bob.



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totally unaware of its existence. I won't bore you with the origins of the sport, it is easier to just Google it, but suffice to say it was started a very long time ago in China.

A Dragonboat is a canoe-shaped boat that is nearly 40 feet long, and weighs around 600 pounds. There are 10 rows of seats, and paddlers sit side by side, two to a seat, making a crew of 20 paddlers plus a steer at the helm and a drummer to set the tempo at the bow for a total crew of 22. There are also smaller boats, with 10 paddlers plus a steer and drummer for a total compliment of 12.

With that out of the way, let's get to the gist of this story. Back in 2006, Bob Brazeau, a native of Sudbury, Ontario, was residing as a "snowbird" in Burnt Store Marina. Bob had paddled with the Canadian National Senior team, and got the idea to form a club here in Punta Gorda. After soliciting a group of brave albeit clueless individuals, Bob set out to teach "the stroke" poolside at the Marina. Fast forward, the team entered a race in Tampa, got hooked, formed a club, the Charlotte Harbor Paddlers, bought a boat and the Draggin Dragons are born!

Since that first race, the CHP has grown and now includes

The Vogue Dragons, an all-women's team, the Draggin Dragons, a mixed team (10 male/10 female) and the Rogue Dragons, a small boat mixed team (5 male/5 female). Mostly, we compete in Senior Division (50 and over), but we have successfully competed in Premier Division (no age minimum), often beating teams literally half our age. All of our teams have won numerous medals over the years, and now we are rated as one of the best Senior teams in Florida. In our past three races alone, the Vogues brought home 2 Golds, the Rogues 3 Golds, and the Draggin Dragons have won 1 Silver and 2 Bronzes.

The Rogue Dragon team was created to give some of our paddlers, who are willing to go the extra mile, an outlet for their extreme commitment to the sport. This team requires testing for seats and only the best on the team get to participate. The Rogues have had phenomenal success, winning nearly 95% of the races they have entered, and never finishing without a medal. The Rogues won the Pan Am Club Crew Championships Senior Division in Puerto Rico in 2017, repeated in Tobago in 2019, and qualified for the Club Crew World Championships to be held in France, spring of 2020. COVID cancelled that plan, but by winning the Senior C National Championships in Sarasota this past October, the Rogues qualified for another shot at the Club Crew World Championships to be held in Sarasota this July.

The Charlotte Harbor Paddlers are an amazing group of like-minded, hard-working men and women, who come from diverse backgrounds, beliefs and politics. But once we get into that boat, we are all a TEAM and nothing else matters but getting each other to the finish line, preferably first!

You can find our Club at CharlotteHarborPaddlers.Com. If any of this sounds interesting, give us a look and contact us if you like what you see. We train new paddlers, supply all needed equipment and it's free to try.

Bocce - That's The Way We Roll!

By Kathy Darrell, Tarpon Pass

BURNT STORE MARINA COUNTRY CLUB - BOCCE - Our goal is to introduce the joy and competition of bocce to more people.



Our official season has ended and we celebrated at the home of Dave & Connie Huelsbeck. Good food, great friends and incredible fellowship.

Prizes were awarded to Bill and Maria Wagner for first place, Mike Kokinda for second place, and Barbie Newmin for third place. A special award was presented to Lou Paolillo as statistician.

We also presented an exceptional award to Ann Marcelle as our most vibrant and mature player.

Regular league play is finished, however you may play anytime and practice.

If you wish to practice before joining our lively group, check out a bocce set from the cart barn and have a go.

We look forward to next fall and more competitive play. Plan on joining us!

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Ever want to try kayaking? It's a great way to see Florida's flora and fauna up close, and so quietly that you don't disturb the wildlife. And, it's good exercise all rolled *Fitness, Friends, & Fun* into a social event.



The Fitness Center is sponsoring a kayak adventure on the Peace River on Thursday, June 23. The outing is the first event of a new strategy of hosting events outside the marina. Future events being considered include an outing to the Tiger Woods designed miniature golf course in Fort Myers and a beach outing. Suggestions for activities are welcomed by the Fitness Center's marketing committee.

The idea is to give marina residents more exercise and social opportunities. These new events will complement the Fitness Center's current offerings that include pickleball, tennis, fitness classes, exercise machines, yoga, water aerobics and a swimming pool.

The kayak excursion will be a guided tour of about two hours that will explore a remote area of the Peace River. Led by a guide from Kayak Eco Tours, the tour leaves from the Nav-A-Gator Bar and Grill in Arcadia, about a half hour drive north of the marina. The group will paddle across the river and within a swamp fern maze of islands, possibly stopping at Cow Island before returning to the restaurant. The guide will point out birds and vegetation and other wildlife.



Afterwards, those wishing to stay for lunch or other refreshments will gather at the Nav-A-Gator, which bills itself as "an old Florida, fish camp style restaurant" that offers "authentic Cajun fried gator bites" as an appetizer.

The cost is \$35 per person, which covers the kayak rental and tour guide. Both single and a few tandem kayaks are available. If you bring your own kayak the price is \$10 per person. Cash payment should be made in advance at the Fitness Center, 3085 Matecumbe Key Rd. (across from the marina's boat launch). Non-members are welcome to participate in this event.

Participants should arrive at 8:30 a.m. at the Nav-A-Gator Bar and Grill to sign a waiver and get their kayaks. The excursion (paddles in) starts promptly at 9.

For more information, contact the Fitness Center 941-575-3260.

Happy Father's Day

Sunday, June 19





Cranes taking an afternoon walk. Photo by Jen Alverez

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The Clubhouse will offer both casual & formal dining options to delight your tastebuds. The friendly staff will offer a variety of special events and functions where neighbors and friends can mingle, dine and dance. A full-time Activities Director will partner will be on staff to help residents share various hobbies, clubs and games.

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By Candace VanDenBerghe, Marlin Run

These are mini frittatas, variable in many ways. I tend to use pre-cooked items like turkey sausage crumbles, bacon pieces or ham. I also substitute leftover broccoli or asparagus for the spinach. It's up to you!

Cheesy Egg Muffins (makes 12)

Ingredients:

12 eggs

salt & pepper to taste (or your favorite seasoning salt) $1 \ 1/2$ c. cheddar cheese, shredded (or your other favorite cheese flavor)

1/2 - 1 c. fresh spinach, torn into small pieces

1/2 onion, chopped

1 lb. pork sausage (or other meat of choice), cooked and drained

Cook sausage, breaking it apart, until brown; drain if necessary. Beat eggs in a bowl. In a <u>well-greased</u>

12-cup muffin pan, evenly divide the sausage, torn up spinach, and cheese. (Mix with spoon so it's not layered.) Pour eggs over each. Bake in 350°F oven for 20 minutes, or until set.





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Burnt Store Marina Fitness, Racquet & Pool Club Membership Changes

By Bob Honcharski, Chair, BSM Fitness Center Committee

As many of you have probably heard, the Fitness Center has gained back the enrollment we had prior to Covid. Not only are our members keeping healthy, but our membership numbers are healthy too. In season, our aerobics and stretch classes are all full, in fact they are so full that many of our resident members are unable to get into the classes. The sign-up for most of the classes fills within the first two hours of the class registration opening. We have heard from some former resident members that they decided not to rejoin the Fitness Center because they were unable to get into classes.

Pickleball courts have been a huge addition to the fitness center, but they have been such a success that we have created our own monster. In season, in the mornings, members are waiting 10 to 15 minutes between games because there are so many people interested in playing. In the afternoon leagues, we regularly turn people away because the courts are full. In all likelihood, the number of members who would like to play pickleball will only increase in the future.

The pool is quite full in season, but especially during peak season and spring break times. The aqua aerobics classes fill up almost immediately when registration opens, and there are many residents that can't get in the classes.

Some of these issues can be dealt with by hiring additional instructors and spreading out the load on some of the classes. But, clearly the desire for most people is to be in a fitness activity in the morning to get it over with, and move on to other activities for the day. Another good thing that has happened is that a large number of people purchase day passes. This provides a great deal of income, but we are noticing that a large number of these people are from outside the Burnt Store Marina community, and just come in to use the pool, courts or the Fitness Center. We will be looking at this issue as well in the near future. All this has led to quite crowded conditions in season at the Fitness Center facilities. With the knowledge that more homes are being purchased and constructed in the Lakes, as well as new homes being built in Heritage Landing, we believe that the crowded conditions will continue to get worse. We know that before too long, Heritage Landing will open its own pickleball facilities as well as their own health club. This might help, as some of our customers do come from Heritage Landing.

We appreciate all of those from outside our community who have been members, and have participated in our activities, since Section 22 took over the Fitness Center. Our priority needs to be to provide services and opportunities for residents of the Burnt Store Marina community. At this point we cannot adequately provide those services due to the crowded conditions during the season. After much discussion, we have decided to close NEW memberships to non-residents of Burnt Store Marina for the time being. Those members from outside Burnt Store Marina who are existing members will be able to continue those memberships. We just will not accept any new members from outside Burnt Store Marina at this time. We need to do something that will keep the load on our amenities from growing so large that we cannot serve our BSM residents. The only exception to this new policy is that we will still accept "Tennis Only" memberships from outside the Burnt Store Marina Community, for the time being.

We anticipate that this is a temporary move. With the interest in fitness and wellness continuing to rise among our residents, we know that an expansion to some of our facilities has to be on the horizon. When this will happen is still to be determined, but in the meantime, we need to provide for our residents. We will begin a waitlist for any non-residents that would like membership consideration when space permits.

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Fit Happens...How Many Years Young Are You?

By Cheri Frank, Certified Fitness Trainer

Recently, at the doctor's office, the nurse asked me how many years "young" I was. I really enjoyed



hearing it put that way. She explained that when she asked an older patient that question when she was first starting out in her career, the patient answered, "I am 90 years young." The nurse now rephrases the question when talking with patients, and it always brings a smile.

The fact of the matter is, age is really just a number. You can actually slow down the aging process with an inexpensive intervention with no side effects that, if taken regularly, can prevent many ailments. It's called EXERCISE.

Only 30% of longevity is in the genes, while 70% is determined by health habits. What you do today will determine how you age tomorrow. Exercise physiologists have proven a trained and fit seventy-year-old person is equivalent to an unfit, sedentary forty-year-old. The

exciting part is, it is truly never too late to start.

In November of 2018, the federal government updated their guidelines for recommended physical activity for the first time in 10 years. They are still recommending 150 minutes a week of moderate physical activity, that's only 22 minutes a day. They previously recommended it had to be at least a 10-minute bout of aerobic activity, but now they are just recommending people really concentrate on moving more throughout their day to reach that weekly goal.

You don't need to take up jogging or go to the gym, although we'd love to see you there! Just pick any activity that gets your heart rate up, including walking. Since lack of time is often cited as reason for not exercising, you can count the time it takes you to take the stairs instead of the elevator, or the extra time it takes, by parking in the back forty of the parking lot instead of in the closest spot, and getting your extra activity in that way. The guidelines just recommend increasing physical activity and decrease sitting time to avoid "couch potato syndrome." Along with aerobic activity, it is important to also include strength training to prevent the loss of muscle mass, and help in regaining the muscle you may have already lost. This is especially critical for older adults who lose 3 - 5 ounces of muscle mass per year. Our muscles have the ability to grow and get stronger at any age. Increased strength also leads to improved balance and functional mobility.

The really good news is that research supports the role of physical activity in preventing and reducing the progression of disease. It can help reduce the risk of high blood pressure, type 2 diabetes, and many cancers. As if that's not enough to motivate you to exercise, it also decreases levels of anxiety and depression, improves motivation and self-esteem, improves ability to perform daily living activities, delays loss of bone mass, enhances cardio-respiratory function, improves circulation, increases muscle tone and overall improves quality of life. Remember that the most important thing to do is move and move regularly!



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The Boat America Safety Class will be held Saturday, June 18 from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. in South Fort Myers at the Pine Ridge Community Center (next to the Iona McGregor Fire Station No. 75) at 15660 Pine Ridge Road, Fort Myers.

The presenters are trained professionals of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary who facilitate the sharing of experiences and relate courseware to our local area. Greg Masonick, the Flotilla Commander of Flotilla 91 stated, "People are very busy today, and this one class can fit easily into most everyone's calendar. Unlike online classes, this program offers student interaction, shared perspectives, collaboration, and local area knowledge." The cost is \$45 per person and includes study material. Advance registration is required, by phone at (239) 690-6780, option 1 or online at http://www.aux91fmb.org/ safeboating/. The class fills up quickly so register today.

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Golf Tip of the Month

By Bill Connelly,

Manager of Golf Operations How many times have you swung and hit the ball, and it

just did not feel solid? It felt like you just slapped at the ball, and it didn't go as far as you wanted, or in the direction you wanted it to go. When that happens, it is usually because you swung with your arms and had very little body rotation. I tell my students all the time that you must make a shoulder turn and rotate your hips. It is imperative that you shift your weight through your swing. Always remember that when the club goes back, your weight goes back and when the club goes forward, your weight goes forward with it. Once you get the feeling of shifting your weight and rotating your hips through the swing, you will hit it farther and more solidly than ever before.

A Father's Day 18-hole Scramble (3 clubs and a putter) will be held on June 18 at 10 a.m., so be sure to sign up. And remember, there is a 9-Hole Scramble every Tuesday at 3 p.m.

Below are the results of April golfing events. Masters Pick a Pro Results on April 9: **BSMCC Golfer** MASTERS PRO **SCORE** Flight 1 1. John Salvaggio (62) Cam Smith (-4) 58 2. Dennis Schindel (63) Cam Smith (-4) 59 3. Tom Wright (63) Shane Lowry (+1) 64 Tied 3. Gary Knudsen (65) Scottie Scheffler (-1) 64 Tied Flight 2 Scottie Scheffler (-1) 1. Mike Delisio (62) 61 2. Steve Flagstad (63) Scottie Scheffler (-1) 62 3. Jeff Crandall (71) Cam Smith (-4) 67 4. Bob Jessen (68) Charl Schwartzel (+1) 69

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By the Editors of The Beacon

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So, what do you say about that? Could you or couldn't you care less?

If I could care less, then you currently care some.

If you couldn't care less, then you hardly care at all.

Only you can say which term is correct, given your emotional state. But make sure you say what you are actually feeling.

First Day At Work

A man was heading home from work. Unfortunately, he missed the bus, so he had to take a cab. While sitting in the cab, he noticed that the driver had missed a turn in an intersection. The man tapped the driver on his shoulder and said "I'm sorry sir, but..."

The driver screamed, "AAAAHHH!" and lost control of the car, nearly hitting a bus, went up on the sidewalk, narrowly missing a biker, scraped a fire hydrant, and stopped just one foot from a department store window.

For full three seconds everything went quiet in the cab, then the driver slowly turned around and said, "Look, don't ever do that again. You scared the living daylights out of me!"

The passenger apologized and said, "I didn't realize that a little tap on your shoulder would scare you so much."

The driver replied, "I'm sorry, it's not really your fault. Today is my first day as a taxi driver... For the last 25 years, I've been driving a hearse!"

Wildlife Caution Notice

Owners are asked to use caution and be aware of local wildlife such as coyotes, bobcats, and alligators.

Coyotes sightings have increased as it is their mating season, and they are more aggressive and vocal right now. Recently a Burnt Store Lakes resident witnessed a coyote chase a rabbit into their rain gutter downspout and then pull the downspout into the yard trying to get the rabbit out.

Please watch your pets carefully and keep them on a leash when outside, particularly at dusk, nighttime, and dawn. Smaller pets are especially at risk. Letting them out in a fenced area may not deter a coyote. Make sure pet food, fruit, or other items are stored inside or in tightly shut garbage cans. Ensure your home is not luring small rodents or animals that coyotes like to prey on.

One of the best attributes of living in Burnt Store Marina & The Lakes is the abundant wildlife. However, residents need to be aware of our wildlife and be cautious to ensure their own safety and the safety of their pets.

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Home for the Holidays 2022 events will start on Wednesday, November 30, through Sunday, December 4. The events will include: Lite Up the Xmas Tree, Duffers Golf Scramble, Golf Cart/Vintage Car Parade, Marina Boat Decorating, Tour of Lights, Home/Community Decorating, Outdoor Music Concert, and <u>new</u> Run/Walk for Charity event on Sunday, December 11...and more!

Home For the Holidays has grown over the past 5 years from a one-day event to eight events, and has been well received by the entire Community, and...it helps put us all in the holiday spirit! So, what is missing? You – the volunteers to help make it happen.

We want **your** *limited* volunteer involvement in one or more of these exciting holiday events. If you want to *volunteer* to be a part of any of these events, we want *you!* Contact: Jon Ackerson, Board Member, Section 22, at 502-777-9833, or email him at **jon@ackersonpsc.com**



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Tight Lines...Mangrove Snappers and Ladyfish

By Jay Lev, Burnt Store Anglers

As summer rapidly approaches, many Burnt Store Anglers are asked by visiting families to take them on a fishing trip. Many of our families have never fished saltwater, and especially for



some of the unique species we have living in our harbor. In order to be sure to have a great fishing trip, especially with the kids, it would be great to be sure you can catch some fish. We always recommend fishing for the very productive and plentiful species that are usually always hungry. That would be the shallow water ladyfish and grey or mangrove snapper. Both of these species are caught in shallow water.

The thrill of a visiting angler catching their first ladyfish is quite something to observe. The ladyfish are a school species. That is to say they usually travel in large groups. When you hook and catch one you can be sure there are more to be caught. Ladyfish behave just like large tarpon. They are fast, leap out of the water and are a beautiful silver in color. A two-pound ladyfish will put up a great fight, and really cause the fishing rod to bend.

In order to catch one, you can approach the fishing trip in two ways. First, and most productive, is trolling a lure behind the boat. Since these fish are very fast, they love to attack a moving lure with a great big smack. They are usually caught trolling on a silver lure made of shiny metal. The lure represents a swimming bait fish. We recommend using a lure with a single hook. While the treble or three pronged hook is more certain the fish will stay hooked, it also presents another set of problems. Ladyfish are very jumpy when landed. It is often difficult to remove the treble hook. With the fish jumping around, the fish presents a real hazard for someone to get hooked during the process of hook removal.

To troll for ladyfish, most outboard engines running at 900 to 1100 RPM create an excellent speed for trolling ladyfish. This is an ideal speed for your trolling lure. The lure should be set back behind the boat at least 75 to 100 feet. This allows the lure to sink about a foot below the surface, which is the perfect target zone for a fish to attack the lure. Usually, trolling in 5 to 8 feet of water is perfect for catching a ladyfish. If you are dockside, or prefer to fish from a standing boat, a light spinning rod and reel rigged with a float with 3 to 4 feet of leader leading to the hook is an excellent rig. You can use a 1/0, 2/0 or 3/0 size circle hook available at any tackle store. Rigged to your hook can be a live shrimp or frozen shrimp, generally hooked thru the head from the bottom of the shrimp through to the top of the shrimp, with the hook exposed. If you prefer not to use bait, a DOA artificial shrimp pre-hooked can be attached to your line the same distance from the float. Raise and lower the fishing rod periodically to move the artificial shrimp in the water as if it is swimming. The rest is up to the ladyfish.

Fishing for the gray or mangrove snapper, as they are called, is a very different technique. These snappers usually hang out close to shore, and under some over-hanging branches in the shadow. The will eat most any form of bait, but their favorite is shrimp. With very sharp teeth, they are capable of taking your shrimp off the hook in one powerful bite. Catching snapper usually works best with an anchored boat, close to the shoreline. Moving water, as in the middle of a high tide or lowering tide, is the best time to find the snapper. Bait the hook, and cast the line as close as you can to the shoreline and the overhanging plants. Try not to get hung up by casting into the bushes. Now watch for movement of your float. It will either go under water, or move rather fast across the surface of the water. Start to reel as soon as that happens and hold on. The mangrove snapper is usually 8 to 14 inches in length. With a grey body and a mouth like a freshwater bass full of teeth, they are easily identified. Some anglers like to fish for the snapper without a float by, adding a tiny ball split shot sinker, about a foot above the bait. The bait will settle on the bottom, and the smell of the bait will attract the snapper. The snapper, unlike the ladyfish, are very good eating. Be sure they are over 12 inches if you intend to keep them for dinner.

The family outing going after these fish is sure to be a fun day for all. Remember, catching a snook or a redfish takes more skill, and may result with a family outing ending with, "We did not catch anything." Not so with the snapper and ladyfish, as they are very abundant. Have a great family outing.

Tight Lines.

Dental Myths: Sorting Fact From Fiction

Don't be "myth-led" – there are a lot of hacks and rumors out there around oral health. Not all of them are helpful and some may even cause harm. Here's a look at oral health fads gaining popularity on social media and a quick guide to what really works.

Myth: Using charcoal toothbrushes and toothpaste is a great way to whiten teeth.

Fact: While activated charcoal products can make teeth whiter in the short term, prolonged use of abrasive charcoal could lead to loss of enamel. To date, the American Dental Association (ADA) has not approved brushing with activated charcoal, and there are many other products you can purchase to safely whiten teeth. When you see the ADA Seal of Acceptance on a whitening product, you can be sure it has been scientifically evaluated to be safe and effective.

Myth: Non-sugar gum can actually be great for dental health.

Fact: According to the ADA, chewing gum helps you produce more saliva. As a result, when added to a regular routine of recommended oral care (brushing twice a day with fluoridated toothpaste and cleaning between teeth), sugarless chewing gum can contribute to reducing cavity risk.

Myth: Using baking soda as a toothpaste alternative works.

Fact: Though it has been shown to clean teeth, brushing with baking soda is not approved by the ADA. Brushing with baking soda alone will not provide you with the fluoride you need to help prevent cavities.



Myth: Cheese can help your oral health and lemonade can harm it.

Fact: The calcium in cheese and other dairy products is vital to the health of bones and teeth. Diets that provide three cups or the equivalent of dairy products per day can actually improve bone mass, and that includes your teeth.

Lemon juice, like many fruit juices, is acidic – so when you drink it, it can cause enamel erosion on your teeth. Lemonade has a pH level of two to three, making it a very acidic drink. Liquids with a pH level under four have been proven to be harmful to oral health.

Myth: You can use your hair as dental floss.

Fact: Dentists warn that flossing with anything other than dental floss or a water pick can lead to gum damage. So, it is not recommended that you use your hair to floss your teeth, even if it may seem like a good idea in a pinch. Instead, try a plastic-wrapped toothpick. Cleaning between your teeth with the proper tools may help prevent cavities and gum disease.

Myth: Expiration dates on dental products don't really matter.

Fact: Actually, they do. According to Crest, expired

toothpaste doesn't harm you, but it does have less ability to prevent cavities and tooth decay. It's best to use toothpaste that hasn't reached its expiration date. Floss does not expire, but if it is mint flavored it may lose its taste.



does not expire, but *Dentists advise against brushing* if it is mint flavored *your teeth with charcoal.* it may lose its taste

Fact: Ultimately, the easiest dental health hack to keep your mouth healthy is to go to annual dental cleanings and check-ins. Most dental plans cover two cleanings per year.

"The benefits of healthy teeth and gums go well beyond the ability to eat comfortably or smile with confidence. A healthy mouth translates into a healthier quality of life," said Dr. Greg Theis, DDS, MBA, vice president, dental services, Delta Dental of Wisconsin. "Keeping up on dental cleanings and checkups has shown to be effective in the prevention, early detection, and management of oral and overall health issues."



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