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To the Plantation Fire Department Paramedics for administering more than 500 first and second round COVID vaccine injections to our Lauderdale West residents. And a huge Thank You to our Board President, Jennie Lipari and our Board Vice President, Joanne Hill, for organizing the many, many fantastic volunteers who made this experience run like clockwork.

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Due to the timing of the election of Lauderdale West Board Members, there may be changes to the Board shown on Pages 3 and 5 of this issue. Please refer to the next issue of the Lauderdale West News, the LW Web site (www.lauderdalewest.org), your email blasts or Community Channel 901 for updated information.

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# PRESIDENT

As I write this note, we have reached the one-year anniversary of the Covid-19 Pandemic of 2020. It has been one year since we were forced to close the Clubhouse and all the facilities in our Association due to the contagious virus that has taken so many lives. We now know that it was the correct decision to keep our residents safe. The pandemic has continued into 2021 and the development of a vaccine gave us all hope that our self-imposed isolation would end. Moving forward in 2021, Governor DeSantis offered the vaccine to residents 65 years and over.

We are proud to inform you that your Board of Directors seized the opportunity to provide our residents with the vaccines here at Lauderdale West. We wrote multiple emails and made many phone calls to the Mayor, all City Council Members, Broward County Department of Health, Florida Office of Emergency Management, and our State Representatives. While we waited for responses, we put together a plan and process to deliver the vaccines in a safe and secure environment. We solicited volunteers and created a floorplan that would enable social distancing and sanitizing in the clubhouse. We set up safe areas for the Plantation Fire Department Paramedics to administer the vaccines. Over a span of ten days, we delivered 50 plus vaccines daily for a total of over 500! That means that over 500 neighbors received the protection of the vaccine they may not have

been able receive any other way. We distributed the first vaccine and the second booster vaccine to eligible residents that signed up. Mayor Lynn Stoner and Council Members Nick Sortal and Denise Horland visited and were very impressed with our organization and safe set up.

We did identify issues with communicating the availability of vaccines to our Community. There are some residents who still do not have email and could not receive the email blast notices. Board Members went door to door to sign up neighbors. We posted daily notices on channel 901 and made phone calls. We encouraged word of mouth, yet we feel that some residents were not aware of this wonderful chance to protect themselves. That saddens me.

This brings me to the important issue of communication. In Association living, all residents are responsible to know what is going on in the community. The Board of Directors is responsible to communicate issues of interest and importance to the residents. We have provided many means for you to know what is happening in our Community. During this pandemic with social isolation, we must use all the tools available to keep all of us safe and informed. Despite our efforts many of you still do not care what happens in our community. If you have a smart phone, you can get email. If you created an email with Blue Stream, sign up to receive email blasts. Check channel 901 frequently and check the bulletin board at the clubhouse. It is up to you!!

Be Safe and Healthy.

Jennie Lipari, President, For the Board of Directors

# IMPORTANT NOTICE LW LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE

We are presently dealing with old and overgrown plantings on common areas that were installed by homeowners without written Board approval and have not been maintained regularly. We have started to remove these plantings because they are in the pathway of the mowers and interfere with proper lawn maintenance such as fumigation, fertilization, irrigation, and grass trimming. These overgrown plantings on the common area provide a haven for snakes, rats and racoons which can pose danger in our community. To replace these plantings, we plan to install lots of smaller flowering trees which will not pose a hazard during storms.

If you have written approval for these plantings, please contact the Board immediately to avoid removal of your plantings. This is the only notice you will receive before plantings are removed.

LW Board of Directors

# FROM THE TREASURER'S DESK

Some SFH owners have asked why the Association requires them to have Homeowners Insurance on their property. The Docs Sec 6.F states:

LOT OWNERS shall obtain insurance coverage at their own expense upon their own residence building and upon their own personal property and for their personal liability and living expense.

The Association is responsible for maintenance and replacement of the roof and exterior of each SFH building for ordinary wear and tear. In the event of casualty loss, like a fire or hurricane, the owner is responsible for the cost of the replacement or repair. The Association would make the repairs or replacement and charge the owner.

It is the Association's responsibility to make sure that each owner has the required insurance. Each year the owner must provide proof of insurance to the Association. To automate this process, we have asked that the owner add the Association to their insurance policy as an 'Added Interest', usually at no cost. This places the responsibility on the Insurance Company to keep the Association informed that the policy is in force.

### Thanks,

Hal Spector, Treasurer, 954-473-8219 Ext 112

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# BROWARD COUNTY ALERTS COVID-19 - TESTS AND VACCINE

Department of Health-Broward for COVID-19 tests - call 954-412-7300 for general information and homebound

testing appointments. For testing site locations and additional information, read more at:

https://www.broward.org/CoronaVirus/Pages/Collection-Sites.aspx

The state unveiled a new phone number Thursday, January 21 to register for the COVID-19 vaccine in Broward

County — one more attempt to unravel the maze of troubles that seniors have encountered in getting the vaccine.

The state health department announced it was abandoning its website registration for a phone number sign-up

instead. Seniors ages 65 and older, and frontline healthcare workers, can call (866) 201-6313

to request an appointment. For those requiring TTY access, the phone number is (833) 476-1526.

# COMMUNICATING WITH THE BOARD



With the increased use of the internet and text messaging, we often expect instant communication and responses. This is especially true of owner communications with the Lauderdale West Board. Because your communication to the Board may raise certain legal issues for not responding timely, and sometimes emails end up in spam filters, the Association must insist on certain formalities regarding communication.

Requests to inspect documents and written inquiries by owners must not be sent via email or text message to the Board. Instead, the request must be in writing on paper. If it is a request to view a document (e.g., I want to see the financials for December), it need not be sent via certified mail. The Board will set up an appointment within ten (10) business days of receipt of the letter. Please note: the Association is not obligated to provide you with copies, but merely to allow you to review the document(s). If you wish something copied, you will be charged twenty-five cents per page. If it is a written inquiry (e.g., Why did we choose Contractor A vs Contractor B for this project?), it needs to be sent to the Board via certified mail. The Board will respond within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt, unless one of the statutory extensions applies.

The Lauderdale West Board of Directors cannot take any action on information provided in a letter, voice mail or phone call without the name and LW address of the person making the report.

Thank you for your cooperation.



# LW BOARDMeetings

# APR 2021 / MAY 2021 BOARD MEETINGS

Wednesday, April 26 – 7 PM – ZOOM Wednesday, May 24 – 7 PM – ZOOM

The Board meetings are **open to all residents of LW**. Meetings are subject to change or cancellation. Please check the Community Channel 901, the Lauderdale West Website (www.lauderdalewest.org) or signage at the Main Clubhouse for changes or cancellation notification. If you have signed up for Email or text messages, you will be informed accordingly.



When leaving a voice mail message for your Directors and/or the Maintenance Department, please speak slowly and clearly. Pro-

vide your name, address, telephone number and a brief description of your issue. Please repeat and spell your last name and repeat your telephone number. Thank you.

# **ACCOUNTANTS FOR LW ARE:**

Juda.Eskew & Associates 8211 W. Broward Blvd., Suite PH1 (5th floor) Plantation 33324 954-577-9700

Mail your maintenance assessments to:
Maintenance Assessments
PO Box 189115
Plantation 33318-9115



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- 1. Turn on your TV
- 2. When you have a picture, press the silver button on the top of the remote-control
- You should see a band across the middle of the screen with MY SHOWS highlighted
- Press the left arrow on the top left of the remotecontrol
- 5. MENU should be highlighted
- 6. Press OK on the remote-control
- 7. Press the right arrow on the top of the remote-control to go to SETTINGS
- 8. Press the down arrow on the top of the remote-control to go to CHANNEL SETTINGS
- 9. Click OK
- 10. Click OK again on CHANNEL LIST
- 11. Use the down arrow on the CH key (top, right of remote) to go down until you get to 901
- 12. When you are on 901 click OK
- The box to the left of 901 should now be blue with a check mark
- Press the GUIDE button on the middle of the remotecontrol
- Using the number keys on the bottom of the remotecontrol type in 901
- You should now see the Community Channel for Lauderdale West



# FINES IMPLEMENTED

# By the Lauderdale West Board of Directors At the Zoom Webinar Board Meeting On January 27, 2021

- 1. Motion to approve a fine of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars against Unit #8-1356 of 1021 NW 88th Way, for violation of Association documents specifically:
- Failure to comply with the requirement that all residents receive written Board approval for residency
- Failure to notify Association of change in ownership
- Failure to receive written board approval for all plantings and trees
- Failure to comply with the written request to cease feeding ducks and birds and causing a nuisance in the Community
- Failure to comply with pet-free designation and permitting an animal to reside in the home
- 2. Motion to approve a fine of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars against Unit # 8-0781 of 1601 NW 85th Avenue for violation of Association documents specifically:
- Failure to receive written Board approval for all plantings and trees
- Failure to repair, clean and or paint the awnings on your home
- Failure to remove flowerpots and plantings in the common area
- Failure to remove plantings around the light pole, mailbox or trees
- Failure to maintain the plantings and trees around your home
- 3. Motion to approve a fine of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars against Unit # 7-0384 of 1052 NW 86th Avenue for violation of Association documents specifically:
- Failure to receive written Board approval for all plantings and trees
- Failure to maintain the plantings and trees
- Failure to remove clutter and debris on common area
- Failure to repair, clean and or paint the awnings on your home
- Failure to remove plantings around the light pole, mailbox or trees
- 4. Motion to approve a fine of three hundred (\$300.00) dollars against Unit # 8-0729 of 8224 NW 14th Street for violation of Association documents specifically:
- Failure to comply with the requirement that all residents receive written Board approval for residency
- Failure to submit an application for residency
- Failure to have at least one person reside in the home who is 55 years old

The Board agreed to hold this fine as it received notice from the Owner that the residents will vacate the premises within thirty days and the house will be sold within six months.

- 5. Motion to approve a fine of four hundred (\$400.00) dollars against Unit #8-1139 of 8990 NW 12 Place for violation of Association documents specifically:
- Failure to submit a Florida Standard Lease prior to expiration
- Failure to receive written Board approval for leasing of property
- Failure to receive written board approval for guests that remained more than 30 days
- Failure to cooperate with required Association maintenance for treatment of termites





We would like to remind all homeowner's that they are responsible for the exterior portion of their homes. If you purchased a home with existing hardscaping (porches, patios, and driveways) and/or existing landscaping (plants, borders, trees and bushes), you are responsible to maintain it on a regular basis. Lauderdale West has a process in place for Violations and Fines which are assessed against a homeowner for failure to maintain their home in a neat and clean manner. If you receive a Home Inspection Report, please make sure to take care of it before you are assessed a fine which may start at \$100 and increase rapidly. Fines may also be assessed for illegal parking, feeding ducks, unleashed dogs, failure to clean up after your animal, driving the wrong way in the parking lot and vandalism to LW property. We all need to work together to keep LW safe and to maintain our property values.



# information update needed!

Have you discontinued your telephone land line? Are you using a cell phone instead? Do we have your correct contact information? If you have not already done so, please complete the Resident Contact Update Form on our Website: www. lauderdalewest.org. Just click on the "Resident Contact Update" tab to fill out the simple online form. The tab can be found on the main page, third tab on the left in light blue.

If you do not have access to a computer and the internet, you may obtain a form in the Administration Office at the Main Clubhouse.

It is vital that you complete the Resident Contact Update Form at your earliest opportunity to ensure your information is correct and current.

# OFFICE PROTOCOL

For our Board to be more efficient in the handling of their responsibilities (duties), a procedural policy continues to be in place.

- 1. Please make your first stop the Administrative Office, room 108.
- 2. Let them know the area of your concern.
- 3. The Administrative Office will then notify the Board Member overseeing that area that you are waiting in the Lobby.

Residents are discouraged from just walking into the President's or other Board Member's office with their concerns. Residents are discouraged from lingering around a Board Member's door. We ask that you wait in the Lobby - you will be called when it is your turn.

EVERYONE'S TIME IS IMPORTANT AND THIS WILL ENSURE THAT ALL RESIDENTS ARE SEEN IN A TIMELY MANNER.

We ask for your cooperation, which will enable the Board to budget their time to conduct the business of Lauderdale West. Thank you.

# Helpful Phone Numbers

Beach Environmental (Pest Control)	954-458-1104			
Blue Stream	954-282-6578			
Broward County Health Department	954-467-4700			
City Hall – General Information	954-797-2200			
Code Enforcement	954-797-2267			
COVID Vaccine Appointment (Over 65)	866-201-6313			
Fire Department – NON-emergency	954-797-2150			
Florida Power & Light (FPL)	954-797-5000			
LW Maintenance	954-473-2595			
Plantation Recycling	954-452-2535			
Poison Control Hotline	800-222-1222			
Police Department – NON-emergency	954-797-2100			
Suicide Prevention Lifeline	800-273-8255			
Water Department	954-797-2290			
Westside Hospital	954-473-6600			
* To reach the MAINTENANCE Department during				

\* To reach the MAINTENANCE Department during regular hours, please call: **954-473-2595** 

# EDITOR'S NOTE

By Joanne Hill

I am always thrilled when the ladies in the Newsletter Office receive compliments about our Newsletter. I cannot thank those enough who let us know they are enjoying reading it every other month and look forward to the next edition. The main purpose of this Newsletter is to keep residents informed of happenings in and around Lauderdale West and to advise you of the rules and regulations that you must follow. It is not a comic book or a social magazine. While, yes, we do keep you apprised of club and organization activities and then add a bit of humor, it is first and foremost to advise you of the do's and don'ts within our Community. We find ourselves re-emphasizing rules and regulations because they are frequently broken. This is an informational publication, and we do our best to keep it that way. If people didn't break our rules or choose to ignore them, we would not need to include reminders in every publication. This is something to think about, isn't it?

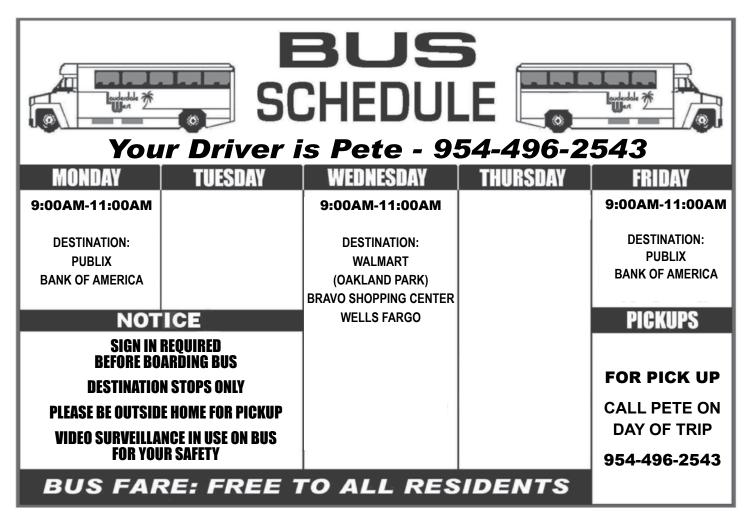
I'm not sure people understand that when you are installed as a member of our Board of Directors, you swear an oath

to uphold the rules and regulations of the governing documents of Lauderdale West as well as the laws of the State of Florida. It's called our Fiduciary Responsibility. Board members are not allowed to do whatever they want or make rules that suit their whims. Nor can we selectively enforce our rules and regulations. If you believe this, you are so very wrong.

We take our oaths seriously and are subject to criminal and civil prosecution if we do not. There are eleven members on the Board who oversee each other and would not let anyone get away with any illegal activity – no matter how small. Not to mention we have attorneys and accountants who hold us accountable for our actions.

All Board Members volunteer their time for the betterment of this Community. You may not particularly like what we do, especially if you are asked, for example, to trim unruly bushes around your home or pressure wash and paint your dirty awnings. We do our best to enhance the beauty in Lauderdale West and increase the value of our homes thus making LW a better place to live FOR ALL OF US!

Now that the vaccines are here and, hopefully, we have all been vaccinated, we can get back to some semblance of normal, whatever that means! Stay safe and be happy!



# Landlords:

- Landlords are responsible for the upkeep of their property.
- The Association will no longer accept service requests from tenants.
- Landlords must contact the Maintenance Department for all service requests for their property.
- Please advise your tenants that they must contact you and you will contact the Maintenance Department.

Thank you for your cooperation. Jennie Lipari, President

# Newspaper Deadlines

June/July 2021

Articles are due April 15 New advertisers due April 14 Returning advertisers due April 21

Email to: news.lauderdalewest1@gmail.com or drop off at room #121.

The Newspaper Office is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from **9 AM** until **noon**.

We can be reached at:

news.lauderdalewest1@gmail.com

# auderdale Wert AFTER HOURS LOG

To promote safety and quick response time for First Responders, everyone coming into the Main Clubhouse after 12 Noon must sign the Logbook on the front desk. Since you may possibly be in the building alone, we ask that you sign in with your name, area you are going to, time in AND please sign out upon exiting the building. Should an emergency arise, **this could save your life**, as the Responders need to know who is in the building and where you are located. We know it is an extra step for you, but we are working to ensure everyone's safety.

Thank you for your cooperation.

# WE'RE MOVING SALE PROTOCOL

If you have sold your house in Lauderdale West and will be moving out, you may hold a one-day sale provided you receive permission from the Board President. Should you not get permission, you will be asked to shut the sale down immediately.

Please remember, you may not place any signs on Lauderdale West property. Thank you for your cooperation and best of luck in your new home.

# **WEB SITE/SOCIAL MEDIA**



**Please be aware,** any method used by Lauderdale West to communicate with you will be by posting in the Lauderdale West News, on our existing website (www.lauderdalewest.org), communicated on Lauderdale West stationery, on our email blasts or text messages or on the Community Channel 901.

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# LOST & FOUND

If you have lost items in our community look in the **Lost** and **Found** box in the Administrative Office in the Main Clubhouse.

# LAUDERDALE WEST Phone Books 2019-2021

If your name and address were omitted from the last published Lauderdale West Phone Book or your information has changed, please provide correct, current information to the Administration Office. Or complete the Resident Contact Information form on our Website. This information will be included in the updated phone book information available in the Owner's Corner on our Website at www.lauderdalewest. org.



Lauderdale West needs you! We are a Community run by residents. Our Board of Directors are all volunteers. As soon as the Clubhouse and facilities can reopen there will be a need again for many volunteers. Opportunities are here to work in an area of your choice, make new friends; learn a new skill or use the skills you have. You can work as much and as often as you would like. Call Pauline Gosselin at 954-473-8219 ext.127.



# FYI BY PLANTATION CODE

You need a City of Plantation permit to make any plumbing or electrical changes. Don't forget you also need to complete the paperwork with our Director in

charge of modifications, Kristi Woods. A permit ensures a plumbing or electrical change is done properly – to code. It is for your protection.

# ROOV RENTAL PROCEDURE



Lauderdale West only rents out room 113 for immediate family functions for up to 70 people. The cost to rent room 113 is \$100; set up and cleanup is \$50; security deposit is \$500, payable in three separate checks.

The paperwork required to rent room 113 is as follows: photo ID; Declaration page for your Homeowners/Renters Insurance; three checks as stated above.

If you are interested, please call the Clubhouse any morning from 9 AM until Noon and you will be directed to the room coordinator.



# ATTENTION LW RESIDENTS!!

If you did not receive the February/March issue of the Lauderdale West News and you have not already done so, please contact the LW News office @ 954-473-8219 Ext. 120 or stop in any Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 9 AM to Noon.

If you have moved or are planning to do so, please don't forget to make sure we have your forwarding address. *Thank you.* 

# HAVE YOU HAD YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKED LATELY?



Paramedics are at the Main Clubhouse on Thursday from 9:30 – 10:30 AM to check your blood pressure for you. If we don't use them, they will not continue to provide this service.

# NEEDLE DISPOSAL



Used needles must be placed into a Sharps container as shown above. You may obtain a Sharps container at minimal cost to you at the following pharmacies:

- Prescription Pad Pharmacy, 333 NW 70th Avenue, Ste 102. Plantation 954-791-2000
- Medical Plaza Pharmacy, 201 NW 82nd Avenue, Ste 101. Plantation - 954-474-3887

Once the container is full, it can be dropped off at these pharmacies and a new container obtained.



**SIGNS** of any kind, are NOT permitted on Lauderdale West property, except during elections. Candidates' signs may be erected 10 days prior to an election and must be removed within 7 days after an election. Lauderdale West property includes all areas outside your home. This includes any grassy areas, your driveway, any public area, including stop signs, trees, and utility poles. Signs for Open Houses, Garage Sales, Parties, Greetings, etc. **are not allowed.** 

Signs will be removed, and the owner will be subject to fines.

# HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) & ELECTRONIC RECYLING

# HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) & ELECTRONIC RECYLING

The City of Plantation, in conjunction with the City of Sunrise, conducts Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Events. These events are open to residents of these cities only, free of charge with proof of residency.

Convenient drive-thru services provide staff to unload your hazardous waste; you are encouraged to remain in your vehicle. You are asked to keep the hazardous waste products in their original containers, or to label them clearly. All lids must be sealed tightly, and leaking containers should be placed in a large plastic container.

### **Plantation Location**

Public Works Compound 750 NW 91 Avenue Plantation, FL 33324 Hours: 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

### Plantation Dates:

June 19, 2021 August 21, 2021 November 20, 2021

### **Sunrise Location**

Public Works Complex 10500 NW 55 Street Sunrise, FL 33351 Hours: 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

### **Sunrise Dates:**

April 17, 2021 July 24, 2021 October 23, 2021

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) includes paint, tires, and similar materials. Electronic Materials include computers, computer monitors, televisions, printers, scanners and similar devices. Neither HHW nor Electronic Materials are collected as solid waste, recyclable, or bulk trash.

# **ALTERNATIVE WASTE DISPOSAL SITE**

The City of Plantation, in conjunction with Wheelabrator, offers all residents the opportunity to dispose of Yard Waste, Furniture, White Goods, Household Hazardous Waste, and Electronics at the following location. Proof of residency required.

### **Wheelabrator South Broward**

4400 S State Road 7 Davie, FL 33314 954-581-6606

# **Hours of Operation**

Saturdays – 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM Closed on Holiday weekends

# **ELECTRONIC RECYCLING & DISPOSAL**

Free drop-off of certain electronics waste, specifically batteries, DVD players, speakers, stereos, VCRs, laptops, computers, wires and cables, battery backups, servers and monitors is available at the following location. Please call for specific drop-off dates.

# **Urban Mining Residential Drop-Off**

3983 NW 19 Street Lauderdale Lakes, FL 33311 954-906-1609

### **Hours of Operation**

Tuesday – 7:00 AM – 11:00 AM Friday – 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

# **RESIDENTIAL MEDICAL WASTE DISPOSAL**

Prescriptions should be sealed with tape and placed into your blue garbage bag. **NEVER** flush medications down the toilet or sink. They will contaminate the drinking water supply.

Needles need to be placed into a Sharps container and can be dropped off at:

- Prescription Pad Pharmacy, 333 NW 70 Avenue, Ste 102, 954-791-2000
- Cost is \$5/2 containers. (Cost is waived if a new container is purchased.)

For more information on the disposal of prescription medications, please contact the Broward County Health Department, 954-467-4700.

# **BULK & GARBAGE PICKUP**



Bulk Pickup: Tuesday, April 13, 2021 Tuesday, May 11, 2021

Please DO NOT put Bulk Pickup items out until Monday afternoon AFTER 5 PM the day before Bulk Pickup is scheduled. LW does not need to look like a dumping ground. Place Bulk Pickup AWAY from the mailboxes, trees, and street signs.

Thank you for your cooperation.

**BULK PICKUP** – Our next Bulk Pickups will be Tuesday, April 13 and Tuesday, May 11. The following items will not be accepted: electronics, glass, mirrors, paint cans, x-rays, construction materials. (For disposal of these items, refer to the article on Household Hazardous Waste & Electronic Recycling on page 12). If items are small enough, they must be put in clear bags. Black bags will not be accepted. Empty cardboard boxes will be accepted.

**GARBAGE PICKUP** – On Tuesday - blue bags and clear recycle bags. On Friday – blue bags only. Bags should not be put out until **5 PM** the night before pickup.



# BUYER BEWARE OF UNLICENSED WORKERS

When you need to hire someone to do work in your home, be sure to check their insurance and license. The person/company needs to have a recent license issued by the City of Plantation if their business is in the City. Be sure to see a copy of their insurance to confirm they have coverage.

Many jobs require a permit from the City of Plantation. It is important that you do your research. Call the City before work begins to determine if you need a permit. **DO NOT** rely on your contractor to inform you of that fact.

Whatever you do, **NEVER** hire someone who just knocks on your door and offers to do work for you. This decision may cost you in the long run for poor workmanship and problems that could arise for which they cannot fix/pay. They may scam you and cause more damage to your property.

Do not wait until there is a problem and wish you had hired a licensed/insured worker.



# Helpful Information ABOUT LIVING IN LW

**LANDLORDS** Please remember that you cannot rent your

property until you have owned it for one year. All tenants must complete an Application for Residency which is available on our Website. All leases and lease renewals must be approved by the Board before the tenant can move in. Contact Director Ermina Goodwin for additional information.

MAILBOX SAFETY We recommend that you not place any outgoing mail in the mailbox in front of your home. We are aware of individuals removing that mail. You can safely deposit your outgoing mail in the blue Postal Service Mailbox located at the end of the parking lot of the Clubhouse or take it directly to any US Post Office. Incoming mail should be

**MODIFICATIONS** If you are planning to make any changes to your home, you must complete an Application for Modifications. All modifications must be approved by the Board before any work is started. Modifications may include A/C, windows, doors, patios, enclosures, electrical, plumbing, and widening of driveways. The City of Plantation requires permits for most modifications which includes plumbing and electrical work. Contact Director Kristi Woods for additional information.

removed from your mailbox at your first opportunity.

**PARKING** Overnight parking is not permitted on any street in Lauderdale West. Parking at the Main Clubhouse and the Satellite Clubhouse is limited to those using the clubhouse facilities, the pools/spas, or the tennis courts. Other parking requires written Board approval, and a limited parking permit is available. There is no overnight parking in ANY of our parking lots without prior permission to do so. Follow the directional arrows in all parking lots to avoid a fine. A notice will be placed on illegally parked vehicles before being towed at the vehicle owner's expense.

**SPEEDING** The speed limit in Lauderdale West is 25 miles per hour. All our walkers and bike riders have the right of way. Slow down when you see them. Stop at all stop signs. Signal for all turns. Follow the directional arrows in all parking lots and drive slowly. Driving through the parking lots as a short cut is not permitted. Violators will be fined. Plantation police are asked to monitor our roadways.

**TRASH** All trash must be placed in City of Plantation blue bags. Trash pickup is on Tuesdays and Fridays. You are permitted to place trash out after 5 PM the night before.

RECYCLE All recycle items must be placed in City of Plantation clear bags or paper bags. Recycle pickup is on Tuesdays only. Boxes must be flattened first and placed alongside the clear bags.

**BULK PICKUP** You may put large bulk items at the curb usually on the second Tuesday of the month. Please see the Newsletter for the exact date. Black bags will not be picked up.

# PEST CONTROL,

# **IRRIGATION & LANDSCAPING**

By Bernadette Brodmerkel

**PEST CONTROL** – Perimeter spraying of houses, duplexes and quads is performed every Wednesday. There are two (2) technicians working; one sprays the front and the other sprays the back and sides of each building. Each quadrant is complete before they start another one.

With the rainy season comes ANTS!! Beach Environmental is aware of this. They have adjusted the chemicals to compensate for this issue and work diligently to take care of it.

Prior to termite tenting, your property will be inspected, and you will be notified of issues surrounding your property that must be addressed.

Edna, in the maintenance department, is **NOT** the person to call if you have an interior pest issue. She continues to be inundated with service calls, as our residents call her for assistance with ant issues. Please, **DO NOT** call her. She cannot help you with interior pest problems!

Beach Environmental offers our residents a special price of \$12.00 per month if you would like interior spraying. Call them at (954) 458-1104. Of course, if you prefer to use another pest control company, you certainly can do that too, at your own expense.

**IRRIGATION** – If you are aware of brown spots or broken sprinkler heads that need to be repaired or replaced, please call Edna (954-473-2595) in our Maintenance Department and she will place a work order for the issue. During the rainy season, you may not notice the sprinklers working; that is because our system has a rain gauge. If this gauge has at least 1 ½ inches of water in it, the sprinklers will not turn on, by design.

**LANDSCAPING** – Please know that we are doing whatever is necessary to maintain the esthetic beauty of our Community and, of course, the value of our investments. If each owner takes care of their property, it will make it easier for everyone. Please understand, **PARKING IS NOT PERMITTED ON THE LAWNS.** 



To avoid plumbing problems, **DO NOT** flush cigarette butts, flushable cleaning wipes, paper or cloth towels or diapers. Please, **ONLY** flush toilet paper.



All gutters are the responsibility of the owner. They must be kept clean, both inside and out – meaning the owner must remove, on a regular basis, all leaves and trees that may be growing out of the gutters. If the debris in the gutter causes damage to your roof or fascia board, you will be held responsible for all repair costs.

Gutters should be cleaned every other month, especially if you have trees near your homes.

### **ROOFS**

**NO ONE** is permitted on your roof **EXCEPT LW APPROVED** contractors. If you hire a contractor to clean or repair your roof, and they damage your roof in any way, you are responsible for any and all repair costs.



# WE KEED YOUR HELP!

Our maintenance workers have found that most of our water spigots/fountains have been TWISTED to fill some type of containers or water bottles. This makes them loose and will ruin them eventually where they cannot be fixed or repaired. Please – DO NOT twist or turn the spigots for our water outlets.



# **WATER SHUT-OFF VALVES**

If you are remodeling a kitchen or bathroom, it is your contractor's responsibility to move the water shut-off valves for easy access.

# DO NOT TOUCH THE LITTLE BLACK BOXES



We live in a water community and wherever you have water, you are more susceptible to rats. Throughout our Community, there are rodent bait boxes set up by our pest control company to deter/kill rats/rodents. Each box is numbered and has been strategically placed on the property against the house.

- Do not move the boxes. The boxes MUST remain where they have been placed. Each box is marked on a map and must remain in that spot.
- You will be fined if the box on your property is not in its designated position.
- Do not TOUCH the boxes. They are filled with poison.
- If a rodent problem occurs, call maintenance at 954-473-2595 and report it.
- Broken or missing bait box replacement cost is \$22. We will charge the resident when one is missing.

# LAUDERDALE WEST COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

Receive timely information about upcoming events, cancellations or schedule changes, emergency situations, clubhouse or office closures, Board meetings, show information and MORE!

Options are available for your choice of services







Once we verify your information against our resident database you will be subscribed.

Point your phone camera at the QR code to open the application form.



Or, visit lauderdalewest.org to apply.

# Lauderdale West

Community Information Television Channel

# Blue Stream Channel 901

Get up to date news, events, notices and more!

If you need more time to read a slide, just press PAUSE on your remote.

Press PLAY to continue

# Tell your friends about 901

901 isn't listed in the TV channel guide yet. At this time, press the buttons 9-0-1 to watch.





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for at least two seconds.



Note: You can also turn Closed Captioning on or off from the Info Banner. Just press the INFO button on your remote control and select the Closed Caption icon.

# Blue Stream o

For assistance with Blue Stream service problems, please call the Blue Stream 24-hour support line at 954-282-6578, Option #4.



...To those wonderful volunteers who helped stuff 1359 election envelopes: Dotti Amon, Bernadette Brodmerkel, Barbara Bucci, Connie Guzzi, Joanne Hill, Ermina Levy, Jennie Lipari, Bob Newman, Marlene Newman, Cindy Robinson, Bill Schmidt, Sandy Spector, Carol Sword, Pinky Trapani, Kristi Woods and Bonnie Yonkers.

...To another set of wonderful volunteers who were instrumental in allowing the City of Plantation EMT's and Lauderdale West to issue the Covid-19 vaccinations: Erperanza Atehoruta, Carey "Freddie" Bradford, Bernadette Brodmerkel, Rich Cherkoss, Lana Famiano, Aura Giron, Pauline Gosselin, Connie Guzzi, Joanne Hill, Hilary Hofstetter, Gail Hoth, Ermina Levy, Jennie Lipari, Peggy March-Harris, Johnny McLean, Bob Newman, Marlene Newman, Sandy Poole, Gilda Saul, Lynn Sklar, Dolly Smith, Hal Spector, Sandy Spector, Estelle Taylor, Steve Taylor, Pinky Trapani, Betty Underwood, Kay Wilson and Kristi Woods.

- ...To Anna Bender, Mary Davidowski and our new proofreader, Kerry Osborne, for their excellent proofreading skills for the LW News.
- ... To Jeff Bender for his tireless efforts in keeping us informed with text and email blasts as well as constantly updating our website, lauderdalewest.org, and, last but not least, learning and teaching our directors and volunteers to operate our new database software.
- ...To all those volunteers who donate their time to keep Lauderdale West up and running during this pandemic.

# 2/25/21

Received from a Resident

Good Afternoon!

Thanks for the quick response.

On another note, The Association's gentle push to do some upkeep has enhanced the appearance of our neighborhood. In fact, I removed some items from around my home that I probably should have disposed of a year ago.

Lauderdale West is a NO PET Community. The Board continues to receive complaints about the increase in the number of animals on our property and residents who do not leash or clean up after their animals. Animal noise, i.e. barking, crowing, etc. has also become an issue and is creating a nuisance in the Community.

### **SERVICE AND EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMALS**

Service and emotional support animals are not considered pets, so restrictions that apply to pets do not necessarily apply to them. Emotional support animals are companion animals that provide therapeutic benefits for people with mental disabilities or medical issues. These animals do not have to be trained, unlike service animals that are trained individually to perform specific tasks to help a person who is disabled. You must not discriminate against someone with one of these animals any more than you would if someone were in a wheelchair.

# IF YOU REQUIRE THE SERVICES OF A SUPPORT **OR COMFORT ANIMAL**

In Lauderdale West, there are obligations you must abide by in order to receive written Board approval to have the animal in your home. There are new laws in Florida for assistance animals. For each animal, you are required to sign and have notarized a Request for Animal Accommodation stating you understand your responsibility as an animal owner and to provide accompanying documentation such as:

- Register your pet with the Applications and Approvals office.
- A doctor's letter stating your need for such an animal.
- · A current dog license.
- · Proof that vaccinations/shots are up to date for your animal.
- A homeowner's insurance policy with liability coverage.

All animals must be personally attended to and on a leash when outside the home. They may not be tethered to a tree, porch, or patio. If the animal becomes a nuisance or threat to the Community, it must be removed.

In addition to the foregoing, animal owners **must**:

- Be responsible for animals that reside in their home.
- · Follow all City and County Ordinances.
- Clean up after their animal anywhere in Lauderdale West. Be advised, you must properly dispose of the bag of animal waste in your trash container, not in a Community trash can. Do not put it down a drainage grate or throw it in the lakes or canals. This becomes a bacterial hazard to our water system.

By following these guidelines, everyone benefits including your pet. Failure to register and meet the above requirements will result in fines. Thank you for your cooperation.



Due to the current COVID-19 situation, our workers are not allowed to enter your homes or plexes. If you have a situation which requires the Maintenance Department, you MUST contact Edna in the Maintenance Office directly at 954-473-2595 or by email: maintenancedept@lauderdalewest.org. DO NOT address our maintenance staff concerning your issue as this will only delay your job getting done.

If the work to be done is outside your home, you do not need to be at home when the work is done.

**EMERGENCY PROCEDURES:** Maintenance staff will no longer be available for emergency calls after business hours or on weekends. If you have a plumbing or electrical emergency after business hours or on a weekend, you must call an outside contractor at your own expense. If you have a "medical emergency", please call 911 immediately.

**REMEMBER:** Contact Edna in the Maintenance Office at 954-473-2595, Monday – Friday 8 AM – 4 PM or email: maintenancedept@lauderdalewest.org and get a work order number.



# Rules & Hours

# SWIMMING POOL HOURS

As our days become longer, our pool hours are adjusted accordingly. The rule of thumb is that the pool is open from dawn to dusk and you must leave the pool area by that time. However due to Covid-19 restrictions, both pools are currently closed. Thank you for your understanding.

# **SWIMMING POOL RULES**

This is just a reminder that when the pools open, everyone must follow the posted pool rules, especially:

- Do not prop open a pool area gate.
- Shower **BEFORE** entering the pool, as this is a Health Department regulation
- Allow residents who are swimming laps the right of way if you are just standing, walking, or talking in the pool.
- No diving is allowed.
- Children must be supervised by an adult, at all times, in the pool area, especially when they are in the water THERE IS NO LIFEGUARD ON DUTY.
- No child under the age of 16 is allowed in the spa/hot tub.
- No jumping, running or loud noise in the pool area.
- No food, drink or glass is allowed in the pool area.
- Vacate the **pool area** during rain, thunder, or lightning sitting under the metal awnings is dangerous.
- Incontinent or non-trained individuals must wear swim diapers.
- No smoking or vaping is allowed in the pool area.

The Lauderdale West Community Association reserves the right to deny the use of the pool or pool area to anyone at any time for just cause.

# Please remember ... BE COURTEOUS

There is never a need to be rude to anyone, whether in person or on the phone. Edna, our Maintenance Admin and the Maintenance Team, the Board Members and our Business Office Volunteers are busy working for you, the Lauderdale West Community. Please be courteous to them.

Unless you have an absolute emergency, during our regular business hours, your situation will be addressed the following workday.

If you have an active plumbing leak, turn off the water shutoff valve to that sink or toilet or at the main valve outside your home or plex. If you cannot physically turn off the valve, call a neighbor or friend to do it for you. Yelling and threatening our Maintenance Staff will not get your problem addressed any sooner.

Remember, be respectful and courteous! The old adage still holds true, you get more with honey than with vinegar.

# ATTENTION!

MONTHLY MAINTENANCE PAYMENTS are due on or before the first day of each month; NOT the 5th, NOT the 10th.

If not paid by the 10th, a late charge will be assessed against your account. If you are two months behind in your payments, expect to receive a collection letter from the Lauderdale West attorneys. Once your account is turned over to our attorneys for collection, you will also be responsible for their fees **(\$115)** for the preparation and service of that collection letter.



With all the flus and viruses going around, it is now more important than ever that you clean the equipment before and after each use. Antibacterial wipes, Lysol and a paper towel dispenser are available for your use. Please use them!

Remember, if there is someone waiting for a machine that you are using, you are allowed a total of 20 minutes on that machine, not 20 minutes after that person arrives. Be courteous. It may be you waiting for that treadmill next time!

# IE HOBB

by Steve Taylor

At the present time the Hobby Shop is closed due to COVID. When it is safe to reopen, we will resume making toys for next Christmas, as we normally do. Miss you all.

Editor's note: Sincere apologies to Ella Prudent whose name was missing in the Feb/Mar Newsletter. Ella is a dedicated worker in the Hobby Shop sharing her talent as a painter. Thank you, Ella.



# SEWING

By Shirley Jenkins

Empire/Regency style clothing became popular near the end of the 18th century (Jane Austin) and is still popular today. This style of dress has a bodice ending just below the bust, giving a high-waisted appearance, and a gathered skirt which is long and loosely fitting but skims the body rather than being supported by voluminous petticoats. The outline is especially flattering to pear shapes wishing to disguise the stomach area and emphasize the bust.

As a seamstress there are advantages to this style: it is easy to make, it does not require a lot of fabric and only the top requires fitting. It can be made from the simplest of fabrics, muslin to embroidered silks. You can also make it as a blouse, which I do all the time. We will make these together.

Shirley Jenkins 954-314-7318

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- To zoom in and out using the mouse, hold down the Ctrl key while you turn the mouse wheel.
- · Each click, up or down, increases or decreases the zoom factor by 10%.
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- Hold CTRL and tap the key on or more times to zoom out.
- There are plus and minus keys on the number keypad and the top keyboard row, usually near number zero.

# certain



original poetry by Lydia Shutter

- translucent memories
- with bones fragile from age
- float by my mind's eye
- flames dancing in the night
- sparks of ancient times
- nothing is as it once was
- and probably never will be again
- the new normal has blurry edges
- the unknown looms large
- thoughts roll downhill gathering tears
- there are no poetic rules here
- my thoughts finally land on a park bench
- watching children make dandelion wishes
- so certain are they
- the wishes will come true
- they give me hope for the future

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# BE PREPAR

We all need to pay close attention to our personal safety here in Lauderdale West and wherever we may travel, by following the guidelines below.

- Do not open your door to anyone you do not know or did not invite.
- Double check with the utility company if a worker just knocks at your door. Call the company to verify the work order for your home (FPL, Plantation Utilities, Blue Stream, etc.).
- ALWAYS lock your doors to your home and your vehicle.
- · Do not give anyone your personal information, especially your social security number, bank account information, birth date.
- · Do not walk alone use the buddy system and walk during daylight hours.
- · Post your NO SOLICITATION sign and do not be afraid to call the Police non-emergency number (954-797-2100) - it is better to be safe than sorry.
- The Lauderdale West Maintenance team all wear Lauderdale West shirts. They DO NOT wear a vest.

PLEASE DO NOT OPEN YOUR DOOR TO ANY-ONE YOU DO NOT KNOW.

LW CLUBS, GROUPS and ACTIVITIES								
CLUB CONTACT PHONE EMAIL								
BAYBERRY GARDEN CIRCLE	Judy Watson	954 547-1007						
BOCCE	Roberto Espinoza	305-879-8679						
CERAMICS	Anne Karic	305 766-6462						
ESL	Jim Temples	954-288-7206	jimtemples@att.net					
HADASSAH	Susan Rose	954 424-8494	mssrose@aol.com					
JEWELRY DESIGN	Gail Martinez	954 915-8841						
LINE DANCING	Helaine Norman	850 814-9185						
LOW IMPACT EXERCISE	Linda Hofstetter	954 632-1752						
LW SOCIAL CLUB	Steve Taylor	954 473-8233						
MAH JONGG	Bobbie Kalkstein	954 472-5566						
PING PONG	Stu Sosniak	954-881-1875						
POKER PLAYERS	Joe Gillardi	954 475-1944						
POOL PLAYERS	George Maalouf	954 732-3370						
SCRAPBOOKING WORKSHOP	Cyndie Schmidt	843-452-4972						
SEWING CIRCLE	Shirley Jenkins	954 314-7318	or 516 376-8318 (c)					
SOCIAL TENNIS	Sandy Roberts	954-260-0037	sandraroberts8531@gmail.com					
SPANISH CLUB	Aura Giron	321 412-1557						
STAINED GLASS	Brunia Duval	954 476-4226	bruniaduval@yahoo.com					
TAI CHI	Mari	954-235-0530						
WOMEN OF LW, INC	Pinky Trapani	954 472-1652						
WOOD SHOP	Steve Taylor	954 473-8233						
YOGA - Tuesdays	Leila Maisa	954 662-4026	Immaisa@hotmail.com					
YOGA/CHAIR – Saturdays	Leila Maisa	954 662-4026	Immaisa@hotmail.com					
ZUMBA GOLD	Terry Budebo	305-519-0195						

### IN FLANDERS FIELDS

In Flanders fields the poppies blow Between the crosses, row on row, That mark our place; and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe: To you from failing hands we throw The torch; be yours to hold it high. If ye break faith with us who die

We shall not sleep, though poppies grow In Flanders fields.

By John McCrae, originally published 1915

### WE SHALL KEEP THE FAITH

Oh! you who sleep in Flanders Fields, Sleep sweet – to rise anew! We caught the torch you threw And holding high, we keep the Faith With All who died.

We cherish, too, the poppy red
That grows on fields where valor led;
It seems to signal to the skies
That blood of heroes never dies,
But lends a luster to the red
Of the flower that blooms above the dead
In Flanders Fields.

And now the Torch and Poppy Red We wear in honor of our dead. Fear not that ye have died for naught; We'll teach the lesson that ye wrought, In Flanders Fields.

By Moina Michael, November 1918



If you are interested in having your tile roof cleaned this year, please refer to the information below.

# SINGLE FAMILY HOME NON-SCHEDULED TILE ROOF CLEANING

Single family homeowners who would like to have their tile roof cleaned may do so at their expense if your roof is not scheduled to be cleaned or your house painted in 2021.

The cost of roof cleaning is \$300.00 to be paid by the homeowner with check payable to "Southern Coatings, Inc." and delivered to the roof cleaners when they arrive to clean the roof. They will also spray a mold retardant on the tile after the cleaning.

- Owner must call Maintenance for Work Order Number.
- Roof can only be cleaned once a year to preserve the finish or paint.
- Edna in Maintenance will advise owner the year roof was installed and include that on the Work Order along with owner's telephone number. (Year is important because Southern Coatings must know what pressure to use.)
- Edna will email Work Order to Joanne Hill.
- Joanne will coordinate timing with Southern Coatings and owner.
- Southern Coatings will close the work order with Edna. She will then enter the information into the system. This completes the circle and provides the accurate information we will need for the future.



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# ASSAH Happenings.

By Susan Rose

I cannot believe I am writing an article for April in February. Hadassah has been busy trying to come up with activities of interest to everybody here in Lauderdale West. By this time, you have had the opportunity to be vaccinated for Covid-19. Hopefully, there is an end in sight to our quarantining. Even though we are all nipping at the bud to get out and get back to our normal lives, we still need to wear masks and be cautious around others. It is always better to be safe than sorry.

We have experienced loads of showers, so we are used to them, here in April. If you have to stay inside why not join us in some fun activities by getting together on Zoom. On April 13, at 2 PM, we are going to get together on Zoom with Lori Isaacson. She will show us how to put on makeup and be out the door in 30 minutes. It is always nice to get some samples and learn about Mary Kay's new products. If you are interested in the Zoom link, let me know. It is also nice having conversations and actually seeing people safely. On April 20, on Zoom, at 2 PM, we will learn about the new research on Covid-19. Innovating and medical discoveries that are being researched will be presented. We will also remember Holocaust Memorial Day and Israel Independence Day - 74 years.

May will bring us loads of flowers. It is time to enjoy the sunshine and the weather before it gets too hot. Our 9:30 AM Zoom board meeting, on May 4, is open to everyone, who is interested. Please join us. Mother's Day is on the May 9. When we meet on the May 11 at 2 PM on Zoom, we will be celebrating our mothers by sharing stories. We will also recognize others who were our role models and teachers. Join us. On May 25, we will celebrate this great country at our 2 PM Zoom meeting. You are invited join us, call me at 954-288-8494 or send me your email at Mssrose47@gmail.com and I will send you the link. When we are able to get together, we will have our Gala and really celebrate. Hadassah is a nonprofit that has made repairing the world their mission one person at a time. Everyone is welcome to our meeting whether on Zoom or in person.

If there are any changes to our schedule, we will post them on channel 901. Continue to stay safe and healthy.

# OF LAUDERDALE WEST

By Pinky Tripani, 954-472-1652

Hi Everyone,

We received the following caption from the "Kids In Distress" Newsletter. "Our annual Santa visit and gifts were once again sponsored by our adopted grandma's from 'The Women of Lauderdale West.' We are so blessed to belong to them!" Kevin states, "He, as well as his staff, can never stop thanking us for all we give to help these unfortunate children." Ninety-nine children received presents.

We have been doing some wonderful drive-bys to keep us together, staying in touch and spreading the love. We tried hard with our "Lotto" drive-by in January for fun for us as well as donations for the children, unfortunately we did not win any bucks. We kept getting free tickets every time we played. It finally ended February 6, 2021 with the last draw...sorry. We did deposit our donation along with outside donations. The total was \$728.00.

February brought out many women for our drive-by Valentine gift giveaway. What a pleasure seeing all of you and chit chatting a bit. The March, St. Patrick's Day drive-by was a great success when you came by and picked out your own goody bag. In this bag was an envelope marked "Good Luck." You could have nothing or win something from \$1.00 up to several hundred. We just know that there were several winners out of 86 bags.

April brings us a drive-by for a cute giveaway and a friendly chat. May being Mother's Day, we hope to see you all for a surprise giveaway. Please, ladies come out as we try hard

to keep us together and show you how much we care. We love to see your smiles. When ladies call and leave messages, please call back so we know how many gifts to have on hand.

Now for some big important news. We gave a check for \$2,000.00 for "Kids." This went for 5 Little Tykes Vehicles for \$306.95, \$1,000.00 for Social-Emotional Learning Center Supplies (5 classrooms; \$200.00 per class), Toddler Climbing Mat-Butterfly Climber for \$294.94, Snuggle Corner Climber Mat for \$279.74. Kevin, Director of Educational Services, and his staff were overwhelmed by the check we gave. (Still, we have \$1,446.00 in the bank). When these items arrive, we will receive pictures (as we always do) and a letter from the President and CEO, Mr. Mark Dhooge.

We will be sponsoring the Easter Egg Hunt again this year in April. Rosemarie Demmons will order all the eggs, etc.

Ladies, when you come out, look at the pictures and see the smiles you all helped to put on the faces of these unfortunate children. You, Ms. Stella Goldberg, have become the Queen of Pop Overs with your donations.

This letter is lengthy, yes, but this is the only way to get the word out, of who we are, what we do, and where the money goes. Praying, before long, we will all be together again having our great luncheons, and entertainment and of course, balloons. Wishing you all a happy and blessed Passover, Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter.

Any questions or information needed, please call me 954 472-1652.

Many blessings to you and yours.



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# **Maintenance Fee Auto Debit Authorization**

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Easter Sunday

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**BULK PICKUP** 

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Rosie Bonner
Shlmo & Fanny Dalal
Pamela Ferdinand
Renala Keener
Steven & Michael Klein
Henry & Gloria Osario
Eunice Perlegas & Caroline Martelli
Pierre Santril & Dauphin Remy
Melissa Stoller

# RESPONSE TO COVID-19 VACCINE AVAILABILITY AT LW CLUBHOUSE

Hi Jennie.

It's Alina Betancourt. I wanted to thank you and your team for the kindness and tender care I was given in the vaccination process last Friday. With your coordination, I felt like a queen with Steve, Pinky and Kay getting me through the line. Incredible coordination between and for everybody was evident. Congratulations for a job well done. I thank you all for the kindness. I'm incredibly grateful. Thanks. Alina

Dear Jennie, Joanne, and the Board of Directors

You need to know that all the planning, effort and organization put forth by all involved is and was greatly appreciated. The process to obtain the Covid-19 vaccine here at our Community home was effortless and convenient and feelings of safety and security, priceless. Each volunteer handled their tasks with grace and warmth. Thank you again.

Manny and Connie Rodriguez

My husband and I want to extend major kudos and thanks to Jennie Lipari and Joanne Hill for their hard work and efforts in securing and organizing the fastest, most efficient roll out of the Covid vaccine for LW residents. The process was seamless! We were in and out in less than a half hour! Many thanks also to the volunteers who did a stellar job keeping everything in order. It was great to see all of you again....even with masks! See you again in three weeks! Mary Davidowski and Robert Dufton

# Fraud Prevention Checklist

# Keep your account(s) secure: What you can do now to help fight fraud.

# 1. Use your bank's mobile app

• The mobile app is the best way for you to stay on top of any suspicious account activity. You should be able to set up alerts, lock or unlock your card, dispute a transaction and more through your bank's mobile application.

# 2. Check your contact information

- You're not the only one protecting your account. Your bank and credit card company are working to protect you. If they spot an issue, they want to get in touch with you the quickest way possible.
- Provide your mobile number so they can alert you to potential fraud.

### 3. Create a strong unique password

- Strong passwords are 8 or more characters long and include a combination of numbers, symbols and upper- and lowercase letters.
- · Use multifactor authentication when possible.

# 4. Protect your devices

• Keep your phone, tablet and computer up to date with the latest browser, operating system and antivirus software.

# 5. Keep your account information secure

- · Go paperless.
- · Never write your PIN on the back of your card.
- Use trusted online payment methods, such as Bill Pay or Zelle ® instead of writing checks.

# 6. Know the red flags that signal a scam

- Scammers pressure people to send money, threaten law enforcement action or demand gift cards as a form of payment
- Remember, if you provide your information or send money to a scammer, there is often little your financial institution can do to help get your money back.

# 7. Fight fraud with these quick tips

- **Do not share your information.** Your financial institution will never ask you to give personal information in an email, text, or non-secure website.
- **Do not click on suspicious links.** Be wary of unsolicited links from unknown sources.
- **Do not be intimidated.** Scams often try to create urgency or alarm by threatening to close or suspend your account if you don't take immediate action.
- **Do not be fooled.** Never transfer money to someone's account claiming that they need the money for urgent help or protection.
- **Do not share security codes.** If your financial institution sends you a security code by text or email to confirm your identity, never share it with anyone else.

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Plantation City Council meetings are being held the 2nd and 4th Wednesday at **6:00 PM**. Due to COVID-19, currently all City Council meetings operate through ZOOM (a virtual media technology communication outlet) as City Hall is closed to the public. Periodically, meetings may be cancelled, or special meetings may be held. Please call the City Clerk's Office at City Hall to verify (954-797-2237).

### CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

April 14, 2021

**April 28, 2021** 

May 12, 2021

May 26, 2021

# **Through Zoom Technology**

- · Please go to the link below to join:
  - · Zoom.us
- Telephone: Dial (for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location):

• US: 1-646-876-9923

Meeting ID: 434 735 6184

Due to the on-going State of Emergency and the recommendations from all public health authorities, the City of Plantation recommends that all persons view the meeting through electronic means. The City Council Chambers will not be open to the public.



### YOGA IN THE PARK

Get your weekend stretch in with Yoga in the Park! Now happening every Saturday from 9:30-10:30 AM! Yoga in the Park will last through the end of May 2021. The schedule is as follows:

- 1st & 2nd Saturday Liberty Tree Park
- 3rd Saturday Volunteer Park
- 4th Saturday Jim Ward
- 5th Saturday Liberty Tree Park (Jan & May '21)

Pre-registration is required to attend. Maximum of 30 participants.

Registration opens the Monday of each week starting at 9:00 AM and closes Thursday at 5:00 PM. No multiple day registration is allowed. Participants will be notified with registration confirmation. Face masks are required prior to and immediately after each session. Temperature check and screening are required prior to participation. Ten feet social distancing guidelines required between participants.

Register by emailing COVID-19 waiver to jschick@plantation.org

You can access the waiver by visiting www.plantation.org. Yoga in the Park COVID-19 Waiver



# **City of Plantation News**

The City of Plantation Parks & Recreation Department hosts a free series of "Movies in the Park" on the third Friday of every month from December 2020 through May 2021 at various city parks. The fun movie series kicked off on December 18th. You can bring lawn chairs and blankets to set out and there will be food trucks on site for food purchase. There will be plenty of space between parties as well as guidelines to ensure social distancing.

Registration opens on the first Monday of each month. Participants may register online at https://parks.plantation.org/ if you have an existing recreation account with the city or by calling 954-452-2510. There is a maximum of 20 reservations per event (1 reservation per family, not per person) and a maximum of 6 people per reserved space. Masks must be worn anytime the participant is outside of their reserved space. This event is sponsored by Baptist Health.

# **Movie Schedule:**

April 16th	Toy Story 4	Sunset Park	Gates open: 7:00 PM; Movie Starts: 7:30 PM
May 21st	Coco	Jim Ward Community Center	Gates open: 7:00 PM; Movie Starts: 7:30 PM



Residents who have construction/renovation/modification projects pending which require City of Plantation permits, please be patient. During this Covid-19 Pandemic, the City, as well as Lauderdale West, is short-staffed and the permitting process has been hindered because of

that. We understand your frustration, i.e., your roof is not being replaced as quickly as you may like. It is out of our control. Patience is a virtue!

# TIME FOR CITY MANAGER IN PLANTATION

By Nick Sortal - Special to the SunSentinel

I've watched my city of Plantation at work for several years and have thought a lot about its government structure. We maintain our small-town feel with a strong sense of community, yet our population is approaching 100,000. That puts us among the 30 largest cities in the state.

Still, our form of government – a strong mayor who runs the day-to-day operations with a council that makes policy – harkens back to our 1953 founding, when the few roads we had were often made of dirt.

Every four years our residents elect a person to run an 800-person corporation with a current budget over \$200 million. Is this still the best option, ensuring the most consistent quality of service, for our residents?

At our Feb. 10 council meeting, I proposed we look at our form of government and my peers agreed. We set April 24 as a date to hold a nonbinding workshop. We'll bring in an advisor from the Florida City/County Managers Association to answer questions. Their service is free.

# Services, not politics

City managers are professionals who are trained to run the city's operations and manage employees who provide the city's services. They are required to take continuing education courses and follow strict ethics guidelines. They also can focus on professional management of the city rather than having political concerns interfering with being the city's chief executive.

The city began reviewing its city rules – in what's called a "charter" –in 2018, the first charter review in Plantation's six-plus decades. A charter review commission spent months reviewing the document and proposed some rewrites. The changes were before the council when the pandemic hit. Council members wanted to get public input in person – which still isn't possible because administration hasn't opened City Hall – and the charter makeover did not make the November 2020 ballot. We didn't approve all the details and didn't make a June deadline to submit the language, which must be vetted.

Because the council is set to reopen the charter discussion in the next few months, it's a good time to debate the city manager question as well. Both questions would go before the voters, likely in 2022.

### Send your thoughts

I want to repeat a point we all used while evaluating changes to our charter: Be careful not to merely attach the current names to existing positions. Think about what's best for our city in the long haul, not whether you like or dislike the existing leaders.

We should evaluate how shuffling our administrative system would cost the city and what form of city manager-style government residents would want. I will be doing more homework on my own and the April 24 workshop will likely better define our possibilities.

Those with opinions and ideas are welcomed to email NSortal@Plantation.org.

Nick Sortal is a member of the Plantation City Council. Follow on Twitter @PlantationNick



# A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE PLANTATION POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Plantation Police Department continues to inform us that there have been incidents in our area where people have knocked on doors purporting to be various vendors wanting entry into our home. When allowed access to the home, they may rob the resident.

They have also informed us of the theft of items stored on patios. Please **DO NOT** leave valuable items outside. Make sure your home and vehicle are always locked. These are difficult times and we must be aware of our person, surroundings, and valuables.



PLEASE DO NOT OPEN YOUR DOOR TO STRANGERS. AND CERTAINLY, DO NOT LET THEM INTO YOUR HOME. DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES UNSECURED.



# File Now for the 2021 Senior Exemption

Property owners who are 65 years or older may qualify for an additional exemption on their Homesteaded property. This additional exemption – which applies only to the county's portion of the taxes and city taxes for residents of cities that have adopted this exemption – saves the average Broward senior nearly \$300 each year in taxes. To qualify for this valuable tax-saving exemption, an applicant must be 65 or older as of January 1, 2021 AND have a combined HOUSEHOLD adjusted gross income for 2020 not exceeding \$31,100. If you believe you qualify for the exemption, you can apply online at https://web.bcpa.net/bcpaclient/#/ SeniorsAppForm

Residents who received the Low-Income Senior Exemption in 2020 must renew the exemption for the 2021 tax year. You should have received a renewal card along with a return envelope from our office. If you still meet the income requirement, simply sign the renewal card, and return it to our office by May 1 so we can ensure you receive this exemption for 2021. You can also renew this exemption online at https://web.bcpa.net/bcpaclient/#/SeniorsRenewalForm. If you have any questions regarding property tax exemptions, please call 954.357.6830.

The absolute filing deadline for any 2021 exemption is September 20, 2021.

2021 Homestead Exemption/Save Our Homes Cap Set by the State

The Florida Department of Revenue has set the 2021 Save Our Homes cap at 1.4%. This Save Our Homes assessment cap limits increases to the Assessed/Save Our Homes Value for properties receiving Homestead Exemption to no more than 3% per year or the increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) regardless of increases to the just value of the property. This cap results in considerable savings over time for properties with Homestead Exemption. It is important to remember this is not a cap on the actual taxes, but rather a cap on the assessed value of the property.

Important: The Save Our Homes cap begins the year after you receive Homestead Exemption and automatically renews each year. This cap does not cover new construction or construction that was not taxed before the "Save Our Homes" limit applied to a particular property. Many owners will face a significant increase in property taxes when they purchase a property as the previous owners' exemptions will be removed and the Save Our Homes (SOH) value reset. Florida law requires the SOH value be brought up to the just value of the property when Homestead Exemption is added or removed from the property. For this reason, our office offers a New Homebuyer's Tax Estimator on our website at web.bcpa.net. This estimator allows prospective buyers the ability to plan ahead when purchasing a new home.

If my office can ever be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 954.357.6904 or by email at martykiar@bcpa.net

Take care, Marty Kiar, CFA Broward County Property Appraiser



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# Club ENTERTAINMENT



All live shows previously scheduled through August 2021 have been cancelled due to COVID restrictions. We are hopeful the shows scheduled for October, November and December will "go on." Please stay tuned for further information.



# Don't miss our 2021 LIVE SHOWS at Lauderdale West!

Make sure you get your tickets at the Clubhouse in advance of the event. All shows are held in the JBA starting at 8PM.

# NO SHORTS! NO HATS! NO CAMERAS OR PICTURE TAKING!

SHOW DATE: Oct 9 (Tickets on Sale, Sep 13)
Majesty of Rock

Sounds and nuances of the super-group, Journey - Paying homage to their best years

**SHOW DATE: Nov 13** (Tickets on Sale, Oct 18) **The Diamonds** 

Well-known and solid-gold hits from the 50s & 60s including *The Stroll, Silhouettes, & Little Darlin'* 

**SHOW DATE: Dec 3** (Tickets on Sale, Nov 8) **Dancing Dream** 

This group will take you back to the days when Swedish disco group ABBA ruled the music world



- The ticket office is open Monday through Friday, 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM, usually the four weeks prior to the show.
- The ticket office is open the night of the show from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM.
- Reserved seat tickets MUST be picked up the first week of ticket sales or they will go into "general" sales the following week.
- Attendees arriving after the show has begun @ 8 PM **MUST** sit in the back in order to not disturb others.
- You must show your Lauderdale West ID or some form of picture ID showing your Lauderdale West address to purchase tickets at the resident price of \$10.
- Guest tickets may be purchased for \$17 each.
- We cannot put any tickets aside. We cannot refund or resell tickets.
- Tickets may be purchased with check or money order PREFERRED Cash will be accepted if check or money order is not available No credit cards accepted.
- A resident may pick up their neighbor's tickets for them, with their neighbor's ID.
- Proper attire should be worn to the shows, no shorts, no hats.
- No cameras, picture taking, or videos are permitted from any seat.
- Please follow the rules and enjoy the shows!

# RESERVED SEATS AVALABLE FOR LIVE SHOWS

Reserved seating is available for all Lauderdale West residents for the live shows. Check with staff in the ticket office to reserve specific seats for the shows. They will be able to identify which seats are available. You don't pay for the tickets until you pick them up for the show. No extra charge: they are the same low price of \$10 for residents. This allows you to have the same seats for all the great shows.

Reserved seat tickets must be picked up the first week of ticket sales for a show or they will be made available to the general public on a first come, first served basis.

Stop by the Ticket Office in the Clubhouse Main Lobby and pick out your seats.

Reserved seats are renewed on an annual basis; however due to the Covid-19 restrictions in 2020 reserved seats are being carried over to 2022.

Battalion Chief Cary Blanchard, PhD, CFO Plantation Fire Department

It's almost that time. June 1st through November 30th is Hurricane season. During this time of year storm systems can form anywhere in the Atlantic and Caribbean. Sometimes conditions are right for these storms to intensify and become tropical cyclones. Occasionally tropical cyclones develop into hurricanes.

Hurricanes are destructive and can be deadly. We have no way to control them. However, we can, with some accuracy, predict what is going to happen so we can prepare ourselves accordingly.

### The time to prepare is now!

Do not wait until a storm is approaching to be get ready. Supplies are often limited when a storm is imminent and some supplies such as water and generators will be difficult to find at that point.

Here are some reminders about how to weather storm season.

### Is your home storm ready?

Will your home withstand storm force winds? If you're not sure, consult a structural engineer. Windows and doors are the weakest part of the home. Properly fitted storm shutters are essential to protect your home's openings. If you are not familiar with how to put up storm shutters or do not think you are capable, secure assistance now. Don't wait until a storm is approaching. People are seriously injured or killed every year putting up and taking down storm shutters.

# **Assemble your Emergency kit:**

An Emergency kit includes items you will need for at least 72 hours following a storm. A complete list of necessary items is on our website.

### A word about generators:

If using a generator, make sure you know how to operate it safely. This includes using properly rated extension cords and keeping it away from windows or doors to prevent carbon monoxide from entering your home. Carbon Monoxide is a colorless, odorless gas that can be lethal. If you have a generator a CO detector is a must.

### Never use a generator indoors.

### Should you evacuate?

If your home is not secure, you live in a low-lying area, or manufactured home consider evacuation during a storm. If you are evacuating you need a plan. Where will you go? What will you take? Someone outside the area should know your plan. If you have nowhere to go, shelters open prior to a storm. Shelters are neither comfortable nor convenient. They are areas of last refuge and you must bring all your own supplies including bedding, medications, and convenience items. If you have special needs or pets, you need to pre-register with the special needs or pet shelters now.

# Stay connected:

The City of Plantation provides a number of communications outlets designed to keep you informed of all emergency information related to Plantation residents. A list of information channels is available on our website.

Summertime is fun time in Florida. We should enjoy it without worrying about storms. A little pre-season preparation and planning will make all the difference. Don't wait for a Hurricane Watch or Warning to be posted to begin your preparations. For more details on how to prepare go to our website at www.plantation.org or visit the FEMA preparedness website at Ready.gov.

# **NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER**



The National Hurricane Center (NHC) is the division of the United States' NOAA/National Weather Service responsible for tracking and predicting tropical weather systems between the Prime Meridian and the 140th meridian west poleward to the 30th parallel north in the northeast Pacific Ocean and the 31st parallel north in the northern Atlantic Ocean. The agency, which is co-located with the Miami branch of the National Weather Service, is situated on the campus of Florida International University in University Park, Florida.

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# Puzzles & Quizzes

Answers, page 39

# **ACROSS**

- 1) Thin pancake
- 6) X-rated reading
- 10) Israel's Barak
- 14) Herculean types
- 15) Expensively furnished
- 16) Lo-cal word
- 17) Bad stuff
- 18) Ad infinitum
- 19) Shot-in-the-dark guess
- Made good on a promise, sav
- 23) Cloak-and-dagger sort
- 24) Square dance lass
- 25) 2000 Subway Series stadium
- 26) Q and A part (Abbr.)
- 27) Have a yearning
- 29) Mr., in Calcutta
- 32) Place of retreat
- 35) "Star Wars" surname
- 37) Slapped the cuffs on
- 39) Returnee's comment, often

- 42) Firebug's action
- 43) Barbie, for one
- 44) They may clash
- 45) Like crunchy carrots
- 46) Moscow-based news agency
- 48) Uffizi display
- 50) "Zounds!"
- 52) "Push-up" garment
- 53) Heathrow visitor, once
- Linkletter-hosted TV show, 1954-60
- 60) A good deal
- 61) Native Peruvian
- 62) Monastery figure
- 63) Sunblock additive
- 64) Tourney draws for some top seeds
- 65) Emcee's lines
- 66) When following the last words of 20-, 39- and 56-Across, Reba McEntire's list of what's needed to succeed in life
- 67) Scout's accessory
- 68) Dummkopfs

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# DOWN

- 1) Puck, Lagasse et al.
- 2) Race, as an engine
- 3) One of the Brontes
- 4) Ill-gotten loot
- 5) Coast Guard rank
- 6) Witch's work
- Pull up stakes
- 8) From the thrift shop
- 9) Give a whipping to
- 10) Bovine advertising icon
- 11) Runs into an unforeseen problem
- 12) Sego lily state
- 13) Belle of the ball, for short
- 21) Dogie snagger
- 22) A journalistic question
- 26) Jason's craft
- 27) Voices above tenors
- 28) Even-tempered
- 30) "Little Caesar" gangster
- 31) Seals, as a deal
- 32) Bull artist
- 33) Gillette razor brand
- 34) Likes a lot
- Tote board listings
- 38) Act as a lookout, e.g.
- 40) Ready to pour
- 41) Trumpet sound
- 47) Ditches the script
- 49) Basket-making fiber
- 51) "Look for yourself"
- 52) Loudmouthed
- 53) Fits of pique
- 54) Game snagger
- 55) Newbies
- 56) Pullover shirt
- 57) "Orinoco Flow" singer
- 58) Rickenbacker et al.
- 59) Servers with spigots
- 60) Hunting dog, briefly



# **CLEARY PUBLIX PROJECT STARTS**

By Nick Sortal - Special to the SunSentinel

COVID kept my Publix open throughout 2020 but I won't be so "lucky" this year. A massive makeover will close the supermarket for almost a year.

The company plans to activate its construction permit for the store, 10065 Cleary Blvd., around March 1, and a tentative date for demolition is to start on April 15. The store will then be closed for the remainder of 2021, with plans to reopen in spring 2022. (Note that I use words such as "expected" and "plan to" because as anyone who has worked on such a project knows, all kinds of unexpected events often pop up.)

If you remember, the Plantation City Council originally approved plans for a complete makeover at the Plantation Promenade store in February 2020. The schedule had been to close most of last year and completion to be fall 2021. Clearly, that didn't happen as the nation came to a standstill during the pandemic.

This store is 35 years old, and while sales are toward the top, officials said it needs to catch up with some features, such as curbside pickup, etc. This building will be "the new prototype" for Publix stores elsewhere, they say. Grocery deliveries will be made inside the back of the building, protected by the weather. The trucks' roaring also will be curtailed to those nearby, because the indoors will shield the sound.

The current store is about 54,000 square feet. The new one will be about 60,000.

The official closing date won't be announced until all the permits and paperwork are in place. Then they need about 30 days to clear out store inventory, another 30 days to move out the equipment, then another 30 days for preparing the property with barriers, etc.

Fortunately, there are five Publix stores within a couple of miles, spread out in every direction from the Cleary location. So, I'll likely be making some new acquaintances in the coming year. Don't be shy; say "hi."

# **ALDI GETTING CLOSE**

Meanwhile, Aldi lovers will have a new store, on West Broward Boulevard, near TGI Friday's and Ole Ole. Construction is humming along at that venue and opening is scheduled around June of this year.

The Aldi is just north of Target, and patrons likely will be able to park once and frequent both stores.

For the uninitiated, Aldi stores are known for low overhead. They don't provide shopping bags and a shopping cart requires a 25-cent deposit.

Nick Sortal is a member of Plantation City Council. Email NSortal@Plantation.org. Twitter: @PlantationNick

Pickle Away

#### Soduku (answers page 39)

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By DAVID

January 27 2021

HOW TO PLAY: First, read the list of words, then look at the puzzle. The words are found in all directions - vertically, horizontally, diagonally, backward. Circle each letter of a word found and strike it off the list. The letters are often used more than once so do not cross them out. It is best to find the big words first. When you find all the words listed in the clues you'll have a number of letters left over that spell out the WONDERWORD. To see the answer use the link below the puzzle.

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Puzzle answer, page 39

Solution: 9 letters

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#### AT HOME AND ON THE ROAD FROM AAA

You wouldn't leave your house unlocked when you go on vacation, but are you protecting your online identity when you travel? Here are some tips from AAA Chief Information Security Officer, Gopal Padinjaruveetil.

- **Use advanced protection:** Enable multifactor authentication such as a one-time logic code sent to your smartphone for accounts like Facebook, Google and Drop Box.
- Turn off Bluetooth when not in use: Bluetooth-enabled accessories such as earpieces and external keyboards are convenient, but cybercriminals can pair with your phone's open Bluetooth connection and use it to steal personal information.
- Don't fall for phishing scams: Phishing scams use attractive offers to entice shoppers to click on links within emails. If you receive an email with a deal that looks too good to be true, or if it has a link or attachment that seems suspicious, don't click on it.

- Avoid public Wi-Fi networks: Conducting personal business, like online banking or shopping on public networks, can allow attackers to intercept your information. To check your credit card statement or shop online while traveling, switch to your mobile device's data internet connection.
- **Keep your device software updated:** And while you're at it, make sure you have good anti-virus and anti-malware software on your devices.
- Don't connect your mobile device: Connecting to any computer or charging station that you do not control, such as a charging station at an airport terminal or a shared computer in a library, with a USB cable can allow software running on that computer to access your sensitive data or install new software on your device.

Take precautions to make sure you always keep your online identity safe.

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#### Puzzles & Quizzes Answers

Soduku answer to puzzle on page 37

Crossword answer to puzzle on page 35

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Wonderword Answer: PICKLE (Puzzle on page 37)

## Happy Mother's Day

My mother kept a garden, a garden of the heart.

She planted all the good things that gave my life its start.

She turned me to the sunshine and encouraged me to dream, fostering and nurturing the seeds of self-esteem.

And when the winds and rain came, she protected me enough.

But not too much because she knew I needed to grow strong and tough. Her constant good example always taught me right from wrong; markers for my pathway that will last a lifetime long.

I am my mother's garden.
I am her legacy.
And I hope today she feels the love reflected back from me.

#### Six Little Stories with Lots of Meaning

- 1. Once all villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer, all the people gathered, but only one boy came with an umbrella. That is faith.
- 2. When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them. That is trust.
- 3. Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but still we set alarms to wake up. That is hope.
- 4. We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. That is confidence
- 5. We see the world suffering, but still, we get married and have children. That is love.
- 6. On an old man's shirt was written a sentence: "I am not 80 years old; I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience." That is attitude.

Have a happy day and live your life like these six stories. Remember – Good friends are the rare jewels of life, difficult to find and impossible to replace!





As a sign of this faith, and a remembrance of the sacrifices of Flanders Field, Michael vowed to always wear a red poppy; she found an initial batch of fabric blooms for herself and her colleagues at a department store. After the war ended, she returned to the university town of Athens, and came up with the idea of making and selling red silk poppies to raise money to support returning veterans.

Michael's campaign to create a national symbol for remembrance—a poppy in the colors of the Allied nations' flags entwined around a victory torch—didn't get very far at first. But in mid-1920, she managed to get Georgia's branch of the American Legion, a veteran's group, to adopt the poppy (minus the torch) as its symbol. Soon after that, the National American Legion voted to use the poppy as the official U.S. national emblem of remembrance when its members convened in Cleveland in September 1920.

In the United States, the tradition has developed a little differently. Americans don't typically wear poppies on November 11 (Veterans Day), which honors all living veterans. Instead, they wear the symbolic red flower on Memorial Day—the last Monday in May—to commemorate the sacrifice of so many men and women who have given their lives fighting for their country.



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#### 2. "DON'T BAG RECYCLABLES"

Only put loose items into recycling bag. The recycling facility does not have time to untie bags, so they will be sent to the landfill.

#### 3. "COATED PAPER CAUSES PROBLEMS"

Waxy paper cups and shiny or sparkly gift bags are examples of coated paper. If they have been treated or coated, they cannot be recycled.

#### 4. "GREASE IS GROSS"

Oil and water don't mix; when the grease from your recyclables transfers to other paper goods, it can spoil the batch of mulch at the paper mill. Parts soiled by grease should be cut out of paper materials. Toss only clean cardboard into recycling.

#### 5. "IF IT TANGLES, THEN IT MANGLES"

Tanglers are items that can get stuck in the equipment at a recycling facility. Don't recycle ropes, strapping, zip-ties, hoses, wires, chains, cords.

#### 6. "DON'T BE A DANGEROUS DUMPER"

Certain items can be dangerous when mixed with recycling: batteries, light bulbs, medications and lighter fluids are examples of unsafe items.

#### 7. "IF IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT"

Do not add to the financial and environmental cost of trucking garbage from recycling facilities to landfills.

#### The 7 Steps to THINGS MY MOTHER



- 1. My mother taught me TO APPRECIATE A JOB WELL DONE. "If you're going to kill each other, do it outside. I just finished cleaning."
- 2. My mother taught me RELIGION. "You better pray that will come out of the carpet."
- 3. My mother taught me about TIME TRAVEL. "If you don't straighten up, I'm gong to knock you into the middle of next
- 4. My mother taught me LOGIC. "Because I said so, that's why."
- 5. My mother taught me MORE LOGIC. "If you fall out of that tree and break your neck, you're not going to the store with me."
- 6. My mother taught me FORESIGHT. "Make sure you wear clean underwear, in case you're in an accident."
- 7. My mother taught me IRONY. "Keep crying and I'll give your something to cry about."
- 8. My mother taught me about the science of OSMOSIS. "Shut your mouth and eat your supper."
- 9. My mother taught me about CONTORTIONISM. "Will you look at that dirt on the back of your neck!"
- 10. My mother taught me about STAMINA. "You'll sit there until all that spinach is gone."
- 11. My mother taught me WISDOM. "When you get to my age you'll understand."
- 12. My mother taught me MEDICINE. "If you don't stop crossing your eyes., They're going to freeze that way.
- 13. My mother taught me TO THINK AHEAD. "If you don't pass your spelling test, you'll never get a good job."
- 14. My mother taught me about my ROOTS. "Do you think you were born in a barn?"
- 15. My mother taught me JUSTICE. "One day you will have kids. I hope they turn out just like you."



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The Most Exciting Two Minutes in Sports; The Run for the Roses

Location Churchill Downs Louisville, Kentucky, United Stated Inaugurated 1875

Thoroughbred Race Type

Race Information

1 1/4 miles (10 furlongs; 2 km) Distance 1:59.40 Secretariat (19733, 1 1/4 miles) Record

2:34.50 Spokane (1889' 1 ½ miles)

Surface Dirt

Track Left-handed Qualification 3-year-old

Colt/Gelding: 126 lbs. (57.2 kg) Filly: 121 lbs. (55 kg) Weight

US \$3 million 1st: \$1,860,000 **Purse** 

The Kentucky Derby is a horse race held annually in Louisville, Kentucky, almost always on the first Saturday in May, capping the two-week-long Kentucky Derby Festival. The competition is a Grade I stakes race for threeyear-old Thoroughbreds at a distance of one and a quarter miles at Churchill Downs. Colts and geldings carry 126 pounds and fillies 121 pounds.

It is dubbed "The Run for the Roses", stemming from the blanket of roses draped over the winner. It is also known in the United States as "The Most Exciting Two Minutes in Sports" or "The Fastest Two Minutes in Sports" because of its approximate duration. It is the first leg of the American Triple Crown, followed by the Preakness Stakes, and then the Belmont Stakes. Of the three Triple Crown races, the Kentucky Derby had the distinction of having been run uninterrupted for 144 years prior to 2020. The race was rescheduled to September 2020 due to the CO-VID-19 pandemic. The Preakness and Belmont Stakes races had taken hiatuses in 1891-1893 and 1911-1912.

respectively. Even with the Olympics and major professional sports leagues canceled at those points, the Derby, Preakness, and Belmont took place during the Great Depression and both World Wars.

A horse must win all three races to win the Triple Crown. In the 2015 listing of the International Federation of Horseracing Authorities (IFHA), the Kentucky Derby tied with the Whitney Handicap as the top Grade 1 race in the United States outside the Breeders' Cup races.

The attendance at the Kentucky Derby ranks first in North America and usually surpasses the attendance numbers of all other stakes races including the Preakness Stakes, Belmont Stakes, and the Breeders' Cup.

The 147th Kentucky Derby is scheduled for Saturday, May 1, 2021.



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