

THE REPORTER

Clubhouse Chatter Cafe

We invite all interested
to the Early Morning
Coffee Chatter Group
Tuesdays 8-9 am

**VETERANS: See the note on
MEETINGS Page 3**

**Safety 1st , 2nd and
Last.** Please lock the
clubhouse doors, in-
cluding bathroom
doors, as you
enter and leave.



President's Report:

The year is March-ing right along! Sorry, I couldn't resist. With life moving forward, we are hoping all our activities will start to resume. Some have, like our Rummage Sale March 5th. Thank you so much to Jane Punch and her volunteers for a spectacular job!

Other things happening...

John Kilbane hosts **Tuesday morning coffee!** I hear it is great (I'm usually working and can't attend). But from those who attend, I hear nothing but good things! So join in! You are welcome there!

The **Veterans' Gathering**, hosted by Paul Moore, was held February 26th. Hearing everyone's service and stories was inspiring! We had veterans from Mainlands 1&2, 3, and 4. If you know a veteran that lives in any of the Mainlands, please let them know. This will be a monthly event, with the next one on March 26th from 10 am to 12 noon.

Since we do not have a Social Chair, we would like to have residents step up to put on events. Are you willing to put together a brunch? A dinner dance? A BBQ? All ideas are welcome. You can gather a few volunteers, let us know, and we will see how we can help. We will also make sure that it falls within our guidelines and that the Clubhouse is available. All these things, like the Rummage Sale that Jane is coordinating, coffee that John coordinates, and Veterans' Gathering that Paul is coordinating, help our community... and help with connection.

I am a mental health professional (as well as a human), so I am very aware of the strain these past two years have been on people. I have seen it with my clients and in my *(Continued on next page)*

President's Report (continued)

practice. Community – gathering with others – is a way to increase support and friendships while decreasing loneliness and isolation, something with which we are all too familiar.

So, please, we would love for you to take on an activity. It can be just once, or as many times as you'd like. You do not have to be a Board member to chair an activity, so no commitment to meetings. You'll just pass on a report which I will be happy to read at our meeting or better yet, you can attend and tell us what has occurred. Our community will be very grateful.



Have a great St. Patrick's Day... celebrated because of the amazing work Patrick did in Ireland, a boy (birth name Maewyn Succat) who was kidnapped by pirates. They took him to Ireland where he was enslaved and held captive for six years. When he escaped for freedom, he later returned as a missionary to the people who held him captive to tell them about God. Amazing!



Other issues will be addressed throughout the Reporter, so please be sure to read it all!

Respectfully, Kate Johnson



Address Violations and Respond!

Courtesy letters are the first letter to be sent when a violation is reported and confirmed. If you receive a Courtesy Letter, please respond to me in writing by letter or email at katejohnsonms4@gmail.com. If you do not respond to that Courtesy Letter, I do not know if you are addressing the violation. Then, I send an actual Violation Letter. Things escalate from there.

It is in your best interest to address things up front. We will work with you as we can to address these violations. However, they must be addressed. Believe me, it is much more expensive for you if the attorney gets involved. It behooves you to address it early.

NOTICE TO RENTERS AND OWNERS WHO RENT

Did you know that according to our Governing Documents, leases are to be renewed annually and we are to receive a copy of the lease? Yes, that's right.

If you are a renter, please inform your landlord to send us a copy of your lease. If you are a landlord, please send us a copy of the current lease.

All tenants/renters MUST be approved by the Board BEFORE they can lease a home, so if you have renters or are one and you have not gone through the application process, background check, and interview, then your lease and ability to remain in the home are in jeopardy. We can and will begin an eviction process if necessary.

Do your part and protect your occupancy by letting us know you are there or have a lease. You can leave a copy of the lease in the Clubhouse Mailbox. You can also contact us by email at katejohn-sonms4@gmail.com or at mainlandssec4interview@gmail.com.

IN ADDTION, ALL ADDITIONAL OCCUPANTS MUST GO THROUGH THE SAME PROCESS.

NO ONE should be living in Mainlands that we do not have information on. That means if you have someone living with you who is over 18 (because of course no one under 18 can live here) and they have been here or planning on being here for more than 30 days PER YEAR, please ask for an Additional Occupant Application and it will be sent to you. Email mainlandssec4interview@gmail.com. This is for the safety of the community.

THIS IS FAIR WARNING THAT WE WILL BEGIN CHECKING STATUSES.



Attention all Mainlands' Veterans!

By Paul Moore

Who: All Mainlands Veterans and their spouses. (from 1&2, 3, 4, and 5)

What: Veterans Gathering

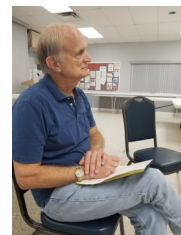
Why: To get acquainted with fellow vets, meet and greet, share "war stories", update latest VA benefits... and more.

Where: Mainland's #4 Clubhouse (Corner of 47th Terrace and Monterey)

When: Roll-call will be Saturday, March 26, 2022, 10am – Noon

(Lite-refreshments will be served)

Please save the date...That's an order!



Pictures are from the 1st Gathering Feb. 26th

Reminders for Everyday: Good neighbors are a treasure!

Do's:

Sign in at the pool with the date and time, your name, address and guests' names.

Keep your dogs on a leash at home and in the park. It's the law and our rules.

Correspondences can be left at the Clubhouse mailbox any time.

Lock the Clubhouse bathrooms when you enter or leave.

Be sure to fill out a form to make changes to your exterior of your home or yard.

Don'ts:

Don't let your dogs roam free, even if you are right there.

Don't park on the grass or allow vendors or visitors to do so.

Don't block your neighbor's ingress and regress from their driveways.



BOARD MEETING

NOTICE:

NEW BOARD MEETING TIME 7:00 pm

The Board will be meeting at 7:00 pm instead of 6:00 pm. This will better allow for those Board members who are working.



Don't forget you can Zoom to our meetings..

And you count in the Quorum! Notice new meeting IDs

Board Meeting: Time: March 9th, 2022 @ 7:00 PM Eastern Time

Zoom **Meeting ID: 852 8322 9937**

Passcode: 739900

Civic Meeting: Time: March 16th, 2022 @ 07:00 PM Eastern Time

Zoom **Meeting ID: 881 5112 8693**

Passcode: 634493



Questions About your Account and Maintenance Payments?

If you have any questions about the status of your maintenance account, or payments,

please contact Sheriza Waith at swaithms4@gmail.com or 954.907.2395

Weekly and Monthly Events

Free Tuesday Morning Coffee

Tuesday from 8—9 am

This is a free social event in order to expand community and friendships. You can sit and chat or get a cup to go. Mmmmm coffee!



2nd Wednesdays (this month Feb. 9th)

Board Meetings @ 7 pm

3rd Wednesdays (this month Feb. 16th)

Civic Meetings @ 7 pm

Saturdays at the Clubhouse

Bingo @ 5:30 pm



NOTE: Bingo has been cancelled. Please watch for updates.

Pool and Clubhouse remain available for use (of course using **mandatory safety guidelines**) .

To reserve use of the Clubhouse at other times, please contact Jerry at jfaustms4@gmail.com or by phone at 941-276-7527 to make arrangements.

Upcoming Board Meeting Agenda

(not an exhaustive list)

- Updated Rules and Regulations
- Landscaping Services

If you cannot attend in person, you can attend by Zoom. Your attendance and vote counts toward our quorum.

“I have not failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work.”

— Thomas A. Edison

Maintenance Report: Tony Spada, Chairmen of Maintenance

Editor's Note: Last month's newsletter contained an article attributed to Tony Spada. It was not from him and the information is retracted. Please accept our apologies. Also, if you have others take down your coconuts, you do so at your own risk.





SAFETY REMINDER: LOCK THE CLUBHOUSE DOORS

Be sure to lock all Clubhouse Doors when you enter and leave.

This includes all bathroom doors, both interior and exterior. Even though signs have been placed, people are still leaving doors unlocked. For everyone's safety, be sure to lock them.

In addition, remember to use the exterior doors when using the pool. Dripping water in the Clubhouse creates slip and fall hazards. According to our Recreation Area Rules and Regulations, Section 4.K. "Persons with wet bathing suits may not enter the Clubhouse. (Emergency use of the phone is an exception.)" For everyone's safety, please follow this Rule.

FROM THE EDITOR:

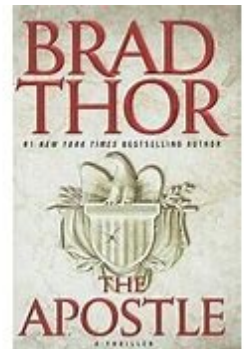
We have learned from the city of Tamarac that the new construction taking place at the intersection of Rock Island Rd. and Commercial Blvd. will be a multistory storage unit, catering to residents in need of space for furniture, etc.



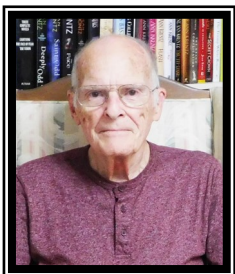
Librarian's Report: Jim Cogswell

WHERE DOES OUR LIBRARY GET THE BOOKS? DONATIONS ARE GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED.

Mainly from contributions of our residents, but also from visits to the VA clinic on Commercial Blvd and occasionally by individual purchase. Recently published novels are eagerly anticipated.



"THE APOSTLE", by Brad Thor. A new administration and a new approach to dealing with America's enemies have left our hero, Scott Harvath - without a job. a counterterrorism operative and a former US Navy Seal. In this book, Scott is put back to work! A young American Doctor, Julia Gallo, is kidnapped in Afghanistan with a demand by her captors for a large ransom. Her mother, a woman of substantial wealth is a friend of the newly elected President, and they both agree that Scott Harvath should be hired by Mrs. Gallo to rescue her daughter. The book puts the reader through some exciting, action -packed adventures.



Be sure to turn the lights out when you leave!



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The speed limit in all of Mainlands is 25. That is because of the people who live in this residential area. They (we) are older, walk more slowly, walk their dogs in the streets, and we have no sidewalks. They ride their bikes around here for exercise. I've had people tell me they have had to jump out of the way of an oncoming car because of its speed.

Do you want the city to put in sidewalks? We can ask them to, but then you would lose part of your front lawns. That's the alternative to protect our neighbors.

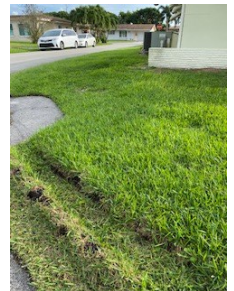
Instead, let's watch out for each other and drive safely and slowly. Yes, you might get to the stop sign 5 seconds later, but isn't that worth it to insure your neighbors are safe?

Parking Reminders

This is what happens when we impede vehicles from going down our streets.

Would you like this to be your lawn? I think not.

It is not fair to others. Be responsible. Please!



“When we honestly ask ourselves which person in our lives mean the most to us, we often find that it is those who, instead of giving advice, solutions, or cures, have chosen rather to share our pain and touch our wounds with a warm and tender hand. The friend who can be silent with us in a moment of despair or confusion, who can stay with us in an hour of grief and bereavement, who can tolerate not knowing, not curing, not healing and face with us the reality of our powerlessness, that is a friend who cares.”

— **Henri Nouwen**





Scammers Targeting Older Citizens

People are calling claiming to be from a utility company, such as FP&L. They threaten to shut off power if the payment is not received in a certain amount of time. Scammers often ask for certain personal account information or demand that payment be sent, sometimes in the form of a prepaid card. Scammers are even “spoofing” telephone numbers to make it appear it is coming from the utility company. They can also use a fake number and use our area codes. This is done through computer programs designed for that purpose.

If you doubt the identity of someone claiming to be from a utility company, hang up and call the utility company directly. DO NOT USE THE NUMBER THE SCAMMER PROVIDES YOU WITH. Here are a few tips to take control of the situation if you are targeted by a scam:

- ♦ **Take your time.** Scammers try to create a sense of urgency so that you’ll act fast and hand over personal information, especially by phone. Take time to think before acting.
- ♦ **Be suspicious.** Scammers typically request immediate payment through prepaid debit cards or third party apps. Unusual requests like this should raise red flags. If the request seems strange or out of the ordinary, you’re likely being targeted by a scammer.
- ♦ **Confirm before you act.** If you’re contacted by someone claiming to represent a utility company, or any other company that services you, but you are unsure, just hand up and call the utility directly. Never use the number they give you. The company will verify if there is anything wrong with your account.

Stay alert and stay informed.

Your Mainlands Four Board of Directors for 2022

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• Terence McCaffrey	Publicity Chair	tmaccaffreys4@gmail.com	646-409-9680
• Vacant	Social & Recreation Chair		

**Remember, we are all volunteers who wish to bring compassion and unity to our community.
Please help us in doing so.**

Additional Volunteers:

• Jim Cogswell Librarian 954-999-5467

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Office emails: mainlandssec4interview@gmail.com | mainlandsms4@gmail.com

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Committees! WE STILL NEED YOU!!!!

Social and Recreation Committee: Our current Social Chair position is vacant. Others are needed to keep functions going and add functions as we go into the new year. Please contact a Board member if you will help with any function. You do not need to be on the board for this.

Want to plan the brunches (or a brunch)?

Want to plan a dinner dance?

How about a game night?

How about outside lawn game night?

A BBQ?

**March is here. How about a
St. Patrick's Day get together?**

Bring us an idea and we will be happy to make it work! (All within safety guidelines of course.) This is our community. Help us.



Speaking of the Board, we still need a Vice-President.

*Are you available? Willing?
Have the skills and temperament
needed?*

*This position is vitally important to sign
checks, keep track of and address vio-
lations, and fill in for the President
when that person is
unavailable.
Please consider helping.*



Those We Lost...

We mourn for the friends, family members, and with the families of our lost neighbors. May we remember them fondly, with love and prayers.

Leslie Irving

Drew Heard (passed last year, but we are republishing at the request of his wife)

"We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience." Teilhard de Chardin

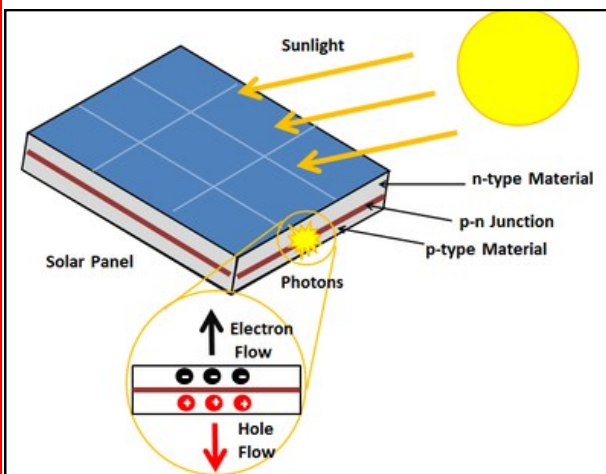


Those We Welcome!

Walter and Aleyda Rodriguez 4812 NW 47 Terr.

Janice Simon 4800 NW 48 Ave.

Matt Higgins and Steve Grubbs 4503 NW 48 Ave.



NEW ENERGY TECHNOLOGY in TAMARAC **ROOF TOP ELECTRICITY FROM THE SUN**

One of our residents recently had installed a roof-top solar panel array consisting of photovoltaic semiconductors as shown in the diagram. The sunlight excites the electrons inside the specialized silicon semiconductors and thereby generates a current. The installation was complete in one day. The company also included a 25 year warranty and a special coverage for storm damage. There were no up-front charges to the customer. The estimated monthly payment for the system is significantly less than the conventional FPL account bill.

An Energy Tax incentive is calculated into the ultimate cost of the system.

In view of the planet's ongoing crisis in carbon emissions and global warming, it is expected that this kind of system will rapidly replace the conventional system of power supplied solely by remote utility.



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RESIDENTS' CLASSIFIED

Residents may advertise items for sale or donation in a classified sized ad at no charge.

Please have your ad to Terence at the HOA Civic Meeting or emailed to him by that date to make it into the following month's Reporter.

ADVERTISING RATES FOR THE REPORTER

Residents may have one month free for a business card size ad

SIZE:		MONTHLY	ANNUALLY
Business Card	Resident	\$10	\$ 80
	Non-Resident	\$12	\$108
Quarter Page	Resident	\$18	\$162
	Non-Resident	\$22	\$198
Half Page	Resident	\$35	\$315
	Non-Resident	\$40	\$360
Full Page	Resident	\$70	\$630
	Non-Resident	\$75	\$675

Please have your ad to Terence at the HOA Civic Meeting or by email (katejohnsonms4@gmail.com) by the third Wednesday of the month to make it into the following month's Reporter (check payable to Mainlands Civic Association). Thank you.

YOUR AD Could be HERE!

Just think of the neighbors you would reach!
Contact Terence at 646-409-9680 or by email
at tmaccaffreys4@yahoo.com
for more information.

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