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Board of Directors Meeting

Date: Tuesday March 11, 2025 Time: 7:30 PM "B" Building



Delray Villas Plat 4/5 Community Newsletter

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NUMBER 026

<u>Rec Board Meeting</u>

Date: Tuesday March 4, 2025 Time: 7:00 PM "B" Building

Welcome!

To Delray Villas 4/5 Homeowner's Association <u>We are happy you are here!</u>

The Entire Board of Directors wish to remind you of some of the wonderful things happening in our community. We all know how hectic things can be when moving into a new home so we'd like to assist you in making the transition easier. Here's some key information.

<u>Plat Chat News Letter:</u> At the beginning of each month, you should find one delivered to your home. It contains so much great information. Within the first few pages you will find a current list of all DV Board members including their contact info, list of all our different committees, local services provided, upcoming entertainment section and so on.

HOA Board Meetings are held on the second Tuesday each month at 7:30 pm, in the Viking Room (BLDG B)

<u>Recreation Association Board Meetings</u> are held first Tuesday each month at 7 pm, in the Viking Room (BLDG B). Look for updates on Web page: <u>delrayvillasrec.com</u>.

<u>Breezeline</u> is our internet and cable company, contact info for them is in the Plat Chat. <u>New owners must call to be connected</u>, <u>make sure to inform them you are a new resident of Delray Villas Plat 4/5</u>.

<u>Garbage</u> pickup is on Wed & Sat: you are welcome to place your regular trash out after 5 pm on Tues & Fri. Sat Only: recyclables and bulk. Wed: garden waste For additional info go to <u>www.SWA.org</u> (Solid Waste Authority).

<u>Recreation Association</u> (commonly referred to as **The Rec Board**) also provides a monthly newsletter, which is filled with so much great information such as the names and contact info for each Board member, list of local venues nearby and shows, concerts and upcoming events we hope you will join in on, also a monthly calendar that helps you keep track of Delray Villas activities and events.

Clubs/Organizations:

C.O.P.S: Citizens on Patrol (*Training necessary*) We Care Program (*Volunteers are needed* That's What Friends Are For & welcome for both)

Card games available

Poker — Bridge — Mahjong — Canasta

Activities available:

Arts & Crafts — Painting — Scrabble Club Tennis & Shuffleboard court — Pickle Ball Bocce — Bowling league — Men's & Ladies 9 Ball Delray Villas Book Club Reading Group Yoga, meditation & stretching, Water Aerobics Plat 2 pool

All listings and days, times and locations may be found in the Recreation Newsletter.

It's a wonderful, friendly community. The best way to meet your neighbors is to come join us at our shows, activities, and clubs. All are welcome'

We look forward to seeing you!

Sincerely, **Mike Montemurno** President

and all your new neighbor's.

Call us anytime. We are here to help you. Delray Villas PL	AT 4/5	PLAT CHAT	PAGE 2
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HOA MEETINGS VIA ZOOM

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WEBSITE/COMMUNITY CHANNEL www.delrayvillas45.com

Our community details are updated on an as-needed basis for all your informational needs. (Community Channel is located on our website under the tab "COMMUNITY INFO). Mike Montemurno 954-658-7295 Alan Shwartz 561-376-4040

St. Patrick's Day Celebrations Around the World

Today, people of all backgrounds celebrate St. Patrick's Day, especially throughout the United States, Canada and Australia. Although North America is home to the largest productions, St. Patrick's Day is celebrated around the world in locations far from Ireland, including Japan, Singapore and Russia. Popular St. Patrick's Day recipes include Irish soda bread, corned beef and cabbage and champ. In the United States, people often wear green on St. Patrick's Day.

In Ireland, St. Patrick's Day has traditionally been a spiritual and religious occasion. In fact, up until the 1970s, Irish laws mandated that pubs be closed on March 17. Beginning in 1995, however, the Irish government began a national campaign to use interest in St. Patrick's Day to drive tourism and showcase Ireland and Irish culture to the rest of the world.

What Do Leprechauns Have to Do With St. Patrick's Day?

One icon of the Irish holiday is the Leprechaun. The original Irish name for these figures of folklore is "lobaircin," meaning "small-bodied fellow." Belief in leprechauns probably stems from Celtic belief in fairies, tiny men and women who could use their magical powers to serve good or evil. In Celtic folktales, leprechauns were cranky souls, responsible for mending the shoes of the other fairies.

Though only minor figures in Celtic folklore, leprechauns were known for their trickery, which they often used to protect their much-fabled treasure. Leprechauns have their own holiday on May 13 but are also celebrated on St. Patrick's, with many dressing up as the wily fairies.



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NATIONAL READING MONTH

Did you know that March 2nd is National Read a Book Day and the entire month of March is **National Reading Month**? This month is set aside as a reminder about the benefits of reading, not only for young readers but for older adults as well. You may have never enjoyed reading or think that you are too busy to read a book over a week or a month or a magazine from start to finish. You may feel there are just too many other important tasks needing your attention each day, and it would be difficult to set aside 30 minutes or an hour to devote to reading a book or a magazine. You might change your mind after learning how a reading program can improve your life. There are many benefits to reading, from making you smarter to improving your reading and writing skills. If you want to understand what benefits you could reap from developing the habit of reading, then read on...pun not intended!

Mental Stimulation of your Brain – reading keeps your brain active, allowing it to keep its power and capacity. Studies have shown that reading books slows down mental disorders, like Alzheimer's and Dementia.

Stress Reduction – reading gives you mental space to focus on other things. Stress seems to fade away and you relax as you become engrossed in the story.

Knowledge Enhancement - Everything you read fills your head with new pieces of information that you never know when it might come in handy. The more knowledge you have, the better equipped you are to tackle any challenge you may face. Remember that although you might lose your job, your possessions, your money, even your health—knowledge can never be taken from you.

Vocabulary Expansion - The more you read, the more words you gain exposure to, and they will inevitably make their way into your everyday vocabulary. Being articulate and well-spoken is of major help in life and knowing that you can speak with self-confidence can be an enormous boost to your self-esteem.

Improves Your Memory - One of the greatest benefits of reading daily is that your brain becomes super powerful. An amazing fact about our brain is that it can keep a great amount of information, and with every new memory, your brain creates new brain pathways or synapses, and strengthens existing ones, which helps in short-term memory recall as well as stabilizing moods.

Stronger Analytical Thinking Skills – While reading a mystery novel, the disclosure is often slow, and your mind is forced to make guesses. Upon disclosure, you get to connect the dots. Subconsciously, the brain is trained to think more smartly and develop strong skills to solve problems.

Improves Focus and Concentration - Keeping yourself occupied with reading for about 20 to 30 minutes can be great for your brain. It can help you with better focus and concentration.

Better Writing Skills - If you read more, you will naturally be improving your writing skills. Since your vocabulary and pronunciation improve by reading regularly, it eventually makes you a better writer. Even when writing something in your everyday personal life, your writing skills should improve with regular reading.

Tranquility - Reading a book allows you to gain tranquility. An interesting fact is people suffering from high blood pressure or anxiety can find peace in reading. Reading can uplift your soul and make you feel better. People suffering from mood disorders can also feel better about their reading habits.

Free Source of Entertainment - We all spend money on movies and music for entertainment, so why not simply read books with the same purpose? Would you be surprised to know that some of your favorite movies or TV series were made after getting inspiration from a book? Even more interesting is reading books could cost a lot less and keep you entertained for longer. Check out the local library where you have access to books on any topic or genre that you find interesting and keep yourself entertained. There are also many online resources available to download books for free or for a nominal amount. So, step away from that computer, tablet, or phone. Schedule a time for a reading break – while you enjoy a cup of coffee in the morning, a cup of tea in the late afternoon, or winding down an hour before bed. You may find yourself enjoying a new habit that provides health and mental benefits that will last you a lifetime.

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3/2- Detroit Motown Experience
3/5- Kenny Rogers Band- Through the Years
3/6- Kings Point Players
3/7- Brooklyn Bridge
3/8- Kings Point Players
3/9- Dudu Fisher
3/11- Delray Orchestra
3/12- Neil Berg's 50 years of Rock n Roll
3/14- Latin Divos
3/16- Tribute to Queen
3/19- Clint Holmes Replacing Melissa Manchester
3/21- Bachelors of Broadway
3/23- Andre Philippe Gagnon
3/26- Tribute Night
3/28- Viva Pavarotti Returns

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3/6- Ultimate Johnny Cash Experience
3/12- Tevye in N.Y.
3/19- Harvey Granat sings Marvin Hamlisch and Carole Bayer Sager
3/21- Murder on Orient Express
3/24- John Lloyd Young- Broadways Jersey Boy

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3/1- Selwyn Birchwood-Blues
3/2- Renegade -Classic Rock
3/7- Learn more Jonasi- Comedy
3/8- Bad Apples Brass Band
3/9- Caro Pierotto: Sambalismo Brazilian Music
3/14-3/15- Santana Tribute Band
3/16- Kelli Baker Band with NoeSocha- Blues Rock
3/21- Fred Hersch- Jazz
3/28- Jimmy Vivino- Blues & Rock n Roll
3/29- Latin Groove- Jazz

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3/1- London Symphony Orchestra3/3- Voctave3/5- Harry Connick Jr.3/6- The Beach Boys3/8-3/9- Miami City Ballet3/10- Itzhak Perlman

3/14-3/15- Steve Trevino
3/17- Peter Bence
3/20- Israel Philharmonic Orchestra
3/21- Naruto- The Symphonic Experience
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Dancing to the Rhythm of My Soul

By Rhonda Swan (Inner Work lessons)

**** LESSON #1 ****

--- Holding on to Anger is like grasping a hot coal with the intent of throwing it at someone else; you are the one who gets burned. -----

OVERCOMING ANGER

Write down all the people, places and events that make you angry or upset from small pet peeves to those that boil your blood. One at a time, analyze why each makes you feel the way they do. What unresolved issues from your past are they triggering?

Allow yourself to feel the pain and any other negative emotions that come up for each of these items.

Don't be afraid. Just sit with the feelings and let them have their way. Realize that the damage you've been inflicting on yourself by unconsciously denying the existence of these feelings is far worse than confronting them.

To let go of something, you first have to realize that **you** own it.

Breathe in deeply and then exhale.

Congratulate yourself for taking the first step to recovery. Do this exercise as often as is necessary for you to let go of that which makes anger arise.

Note from your editor: I am going to be sharing monthly a series of lessons that I found helpful and what this author would refer to living as a **G-L-A-D** (**G**rateful, **L**oving, **A**ware, **D**ivine) individual. The series is titled: **"Inner Work"** I truly hope you like and enjoy it.

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PARKING

BELOW ARE PICTURES OF TWO EXAMPLES OF INCORRECT PARKING. TO ALL RESIDENTS (AND YOUR GUESTS)IN DELRAY VILLAS 4/5 THAT LIVE ON THE MAIN ROADS OF DUSENBERG AND/OR LaSALLE RD. YOU CANNOT BLOCK THE SIDEWALK WITH ANY PORTION OF YOUR VEHICLE AT ANYTIME!! PLEASE BE KIND TO YOUR NEIGHBORS AND IS ALSO PROHIBITED BY THE LAW.





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THE GOLDEN YEARS

I heard that expression when I was 20. I laughed because the Picture in My Mind was so cute. Everyone sitting around a pool and sipping drinks form colorful glasses. The sun was shining, and tennis racquets lay near the polished toenails of the ladies. Muscular men wearing sunglasses appear to be fully interested in the mixed conversations. Background music is playing.

What a lovely picture the mind can draw. Waiting for this scene to become a reality took almost 50 years.

My ladies are wearing large straw hats to avoid the sun from causing a form of cancer. The bottles on the table are full of water (some flavored with protein additives). Many of the men have lost their hair and their swimsuits are falling off their thin physiques. The ladies' hairdos are stylish – after hours spent in the beauty parlor. Some are even wearing false eyelashes.

Now I listen to the conversations. What was the name of the test you took? Is the medicine he gave you very expensive? Did your daughter call? Do you think she will visit and bring the kids? What will you cook? I need the name of a cleaning lady to get the house in order. Did you play pickleball today? I know Joe fell last week and broke his hip. I'm not taking any chances. Can we go to the restaurant before 5 pm? I don't like to drive in the dark and there are early bird discounts. Does anyone a 4th for Mah Jong?

Why are there so many canes, walkers and wheelchairs around the table? This was not in My Picture. Lovely people who have gone through years of hard work and the responsibility of raising children, are sharing these happy times pretending that the Golden Years are now.

Sorry, the Gold is chipping, and the Years are getting rusty. I like My Old Picture better!

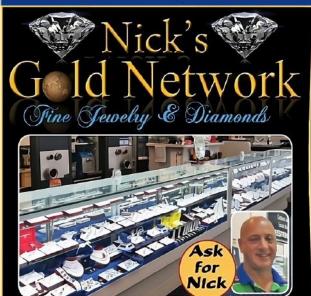
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March 3rd, 17th & 31st to review applications for any exterior property work you wish to start.

But how do I get approved? Pick-up and complete an application. Drop it off by February 2nd, 16th and 30th for committee review.

> *Where do I get an application?* **Pick it up at 13834 Packard Terrace <u>Or</u> Contact: Alan Rossman** (561) 901-3002



The LEGAL CHIT- CHAT By: Alan Jay Lewis, Esq.

The Laws Should Be Enforced..... UNLESS They Shouldn't

We live in a world of laws, statutes, rules and regulations. Some of those are imposed on us by the Federal Government and some are imposed upon us by the State, county and/or municipality we live in. For example, some states impose separate Inheritance/Estate Taxes ---Florida does not...and some state impose separate Income Taxes – Florida does not. Below are some interesting examples of Laws that were PREVIOUSLY Enacted and Enforced....And then with the passage of time, those laws were Repealed and No longer Enforced.

In 1868 there was a law passed in Florida that prohibited <u>unmarried cohabitation</u>. The law made it a second-degree misdemeanor for an unmarried man and unmarried woman to lewdly and lasciviously associate and cohabit together. That law stayed on the books until 2016, when the State of Florida repealed the law. The law was so broadly written that the state of Florida [the prosecuting party that brought the action], would have to prove, <u>beyond a reasonable doubt</u>, that the parties were not just "roomies/friends" but were cohabiting in a lewd and lascivious manner. The wording of the law resulted in it never being applied to same sex couples.

Prior to 1920, woman NEVER had the right to vote. The 19th Amendment to our U.S. Constitution, [ratified, and approved in 1920] bestowed upon women the right to vote – like men always had that right.

For a very long time, <u>married women</u> were not permitted to own assets [property] in their own, individual name <u>without having the consent of their husband</u>.

In Florida there is a statute on the books that was enacted that gives married women the right to own assets and property in their own, individual name WITHOUT first obtaining the consent of their husband.

On December 5, 1933, the 21st Amendment to the US Constitution <u>repealed</u> Prohibition. This was accomplished by the 21st Amendment to the Constitution repealing the 18th Amendment to the US Constitution. The 18th Amendment to the US Constitution established a nationwide ban on the manufacture, sale, and transportation of alcohol.

How all of the above described rights are determined and applied are generally left to our Courts to decide. Sometimes, common sense also has a lot to do with the interpretation of a law or rule.

<u>Even Freedom of Speech [one of our most sacred rights]</u> which has been historically "broadly interpreted" by the Courts, has its own limits. One does not have the right to falsely yell "fire" in a crowded theater or auditorium because in that scenario your right to free speech does not take precedent over the health and safety of the general public.

If you are not happy with the way things are....do something about it. Join groups, volunteer, write letters, sign petitions, be knowledgeable and read/watch the news with different perspectives. You can be an instrument of change. If you are open to our changing society, and want to be a voice of change you need to follow the proper procedures.....be lawful, respectful and tolerant of the voices of others.

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