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Board of Directors Meeting

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



<u>Rec Board Meeting</u>

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

A letter from your President....

Wow, one month gone already in 2025! Welcome February! The 4/5 Board of Directors want to thank Hope Greenblatt for all her time and dedication to the board, community, and her many issues of Plat Chat. We are all grateful and appreciative of her.

We would like to welcome back Ruth Mirailh to the Board of Directors. Ruth will be chairing Plat Chat, starting with this edition.

Over the summer we will be discussing making Plat Chat digital and posting it on our website. We can order some newsletters for those who want a paper copy, we feel this would be a more economical solution to the rising costs.

The 4/5 Board want to thank Patti Lazaroff and Marlene Mirsky who have been our welcome committee for new homeowners for quite some time. They were ready to pass the baton. Our new welcome committee chairladies are Maggie Bogner, Nancy Grasso, and Amy Kaplan.

Rick Mancini will be on the landscaping committee with me. Please contact either one of us for any landscaping questions or issues. The Board of Directors will be assessing providing our own landscaping equipment and personnel for our landscaping needs. Once again, this would be more economical in future years. More information to come during our upcoming monthly meetings.

2025 is going to be a busy year as we, the Board of Directors, become innovative and cognizant of the fact that the economy right now is everyone's biggest concern.

Please call board members during the hours of 8am to 4pm Monday-Friday. Any questions or issues after hours or on weekends, please contact me.

Thank you, and the entire board is looking forward to innovation and progress in 2025.

Mike Montemurno, President DV Plat 4/5

> Quarterly HOA Fees has increase effective <u>January 1, 2025</u> New Fee: \$810 per quarter

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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

Valentines Day!

Valentine's Day is a holiday that is celebrated on February 14th every year. It is a day that is dedicated to expressing love and affection towards others, usually in the form of cards, gifts, or other tokens of appreciation.

The origins of Valentine's Day can be traced back to ancient Rome, where a festival called Lupercalia was held in honor of the god of fertility. During this festival, young men would draw the names of women from a box, and the couple would be paired together for the duration of the festival. This tradition eventually evolved into the modern day practice of exchanging cards, gifts, and messages of love on Valentine's Day.

Today, Valentine's Day is celebrated all over the world, and it has become a major commercial holiday. Many people exchange cards, flowers, and chocolates with their loved ones on this day, and some couples even go out on special dates or take romantic vacations to celebrate.

Despite its commercialization, Valentine's Day remains an important day for people to express their love and appreciation for one another. It is a day to show gratitude and affection towards those who are important in our lives, and to reaffirm the bonds of love and friendship that bring us closer together. So, it is a very special day for couples and others who want to show their love and appreciation towards their loved ones.



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AS A NEW YEAR BEGINS

Submitted by: Chelle Lukens

'Twas the month after Christmas and all through the house, Nothing would fit me not even a blouse. The cookies I'd nibbled, the eggnog I'd taste, All the holiday parties had gone to my waist. When I got on the scale there arose such a number, When I walked to the store, less a walk than a lumber. I remember the marvelous meals I prepared, The gravies the sauces and beef nicely rared... The wine and the rum balls, the bread and the cheese, And the way that I never said "no thank you, please." As I dressed myself in my husbands old shirt And prepared once again To hide my hurt. I said to myself, as only I can, "I won't spend a winter dressed as a man." So away with the last of the sour cream dip, Get rid of the fruitcake, every cracker and chip. All of the food that I like must be banished. Til all the added ounces have vanished. I won't have a cookie, not even a lick,

I'll be miserable chewing on a celery stick. I won't have hot biscuits or cornbread & pie, I'll munch on a carrot and quietly cry. "I'm hungry, I'm lonesome and life is a bore, But isn't that what January is for? Unable to laugh & giggle, no longer a riot, Happy New Year to all And, to all a good DIET.



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When you decided you're defined, By all the things you're not.

Submitted by: Chelle Lukens

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88-Year-Old DV Plat 4/5 Resident Pool Shark Steve Saunders

Submitted by Sam Fleishman

Our friend and neighbor Steve Saunders has been playing in the DVRA men billiards leagues (now called the Rich Kriz Men's Billiards Leagues) for about 10 years now.

Steve grew up in Bronx, NY shooting pool. After he got out of the military (where he didn't shoot pool) he

became a policeman, raised his family and didn't pick up a pool stick again until he retired and started playing here at Delray Villas.

He seems to be getting better with age, which is pretty special. Also amazing is that after not shooting pool for around 40 years, he picked it up like it was second nature. Some people have a G-d given talent to shoot pool well. He obviously is one of those people.

We are honoring him with this article because on Thursday Jan 9th, Steve won all 10 out of 10 games played. In the last game, he made the 9 ball on a combination, hitting the cue ball into the 6 ball so it went into the

far-left corner and after hitting the six ball the cue ball went into the 9 ball knocking the 9 ball in the left side pocket (that won the game). (See Picture).

What a way to cap a remarkable night of shooting and win game #10 out of 10!

If you see Steve, please tell him how proud we all are of him!!



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By Lynne Cohen

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4/3- Songs of Gwen Verdon by Judi Mark
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3/7- Brett Young
3/8- II Volo
3/9- Magic City Blues Festival
3/13- Foreigner
3/15- Gary Clark Jr
3/21- Celebrating Diana Ross
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2/2-Return of Sinatra-A man, his music & 20 pc Orchestra 2/2-Songs of 70's by Gordon Lightfoot, Harry Chapin & more 2/3-The Ultimate ABBA tribute 2/4-Comedian Sarah Hester Ross 2/5-Ultimate Fleetwood Mac Tribute 2/6- Vanilla Fudge 2/7 & 2/8- Comedian Marc Skippy Price 2/7 & 2/8- Comedian Andrew Dice Clay w Vanilla Fudge 2/9-2/12- Acro-Cats ft. Tuna & the Rock Cats 2/13- Smooth Jazz w Leon Pressley 2/13- Atlantic City Boys 2/14- Chicago Tribute Band 2/14 & 2/15- Comedian Jimmy Shubert 2/16- Uncle Louie Variety Show 2/16- Neil Diamond Tribute w Jay White 2/18- Magician Apollo Riego 2/19- Crystal Ship- The Doors Renaissance 2/20- Tribute to the Wilburys 2/21 & 2/22- Comedian Carl Guerra 2/21 & 2/22- Comedian Vic DiBitetto 2/23- Jeffrey Wands, Psychic Medium 2/23- International Rolling Stones Tribute 2/24- Everly Bros Duo Tribute 2/25 & 2/26- Comedian Kevin Nealon 2/27- Comedian Greg Warren 2/27- Bob Seger Tribute Band 2/28- Zeppelin Experience 3/1- Soul town w Soul Cruisers 3/2- Jersey Tenors 3/3 & 3/4- Psychic Medium Anthony Mrocka 3/5- Genios Humor 3/6 & 3/7- MJ the Illusion- King of Pop 3/8- NY Bee Gees Tribute Show 3/9- Karin Wrens Taylor Swift Experience 3/10 -3/12- Edwards Twins 3/13 & 3/14- Rita Rudner- Comic 3/15- Bobby Collins- Comic 3/16- ICONS 3/18-60s & 70s Rock Show 3/19- Music of Whitney Houston, Tina Turner & other Divas 3/20- Eagles Tribute 3/21- Midget Wrestling 3/22- Billy Joel Tribute 3/23- Tribute to Motown 3/25- 50s & 60s Swing 3/26- Sounds of Simon & Garfunkel 3/27- Michael D'Amore 3/28- Tribute to Foreigner & Journey 3/29- Tribute to Meatloaf

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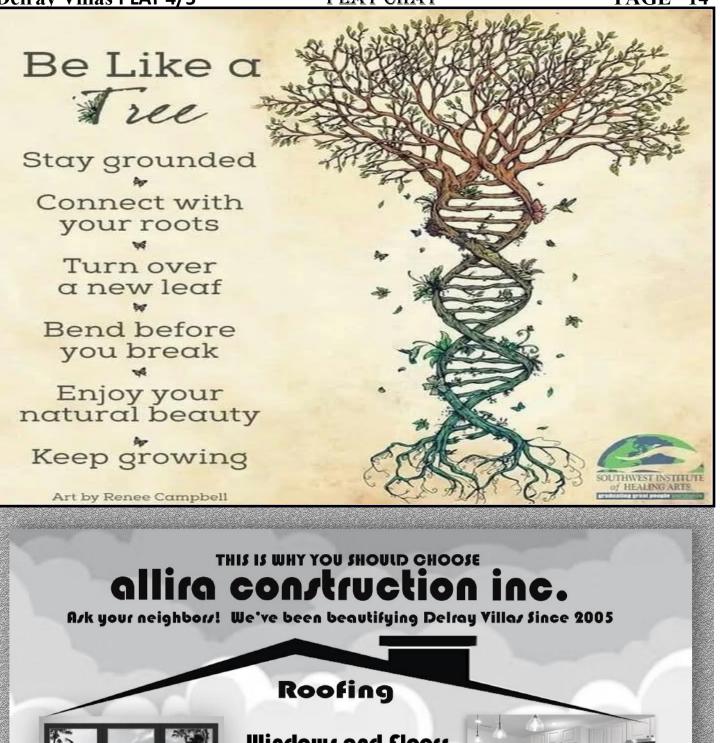
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2/8- Burton Cummings
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2/13- Florida Grand Opera
2/18- Alton Brown
2/19- Paul Anka
2/20- Nikki Glaser
2/22 & 2/23- Miami City Ballet
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DO YOU REMEMBER ??

Heavens to Mergatroyd!

The other day a not so elderly (I say 75) lady said something to her son about driving a Jalopy; and he looked at her and said, "What the heck is a Jalopy?" He had never heard of the word jalopy! She knew she was old ...But not that old.

Well, I hope you are Hunky Dory when you read this and chuckle.

About a month ago, I illuminated some old expressions that have become obsolete because of the inexorable march of technology.

These phrases included: Don't touch that dial; Carbon copy; You sound like a broken record; and Hung out to dry.

Back in the olden days (my kids use that term) we had a lot of moxie . We'd put on our best bib and tucker, to straighten up and fly right.

Heavens to Betsy!

Gee whillikers!

Jumping Jehoshaphat!

Holy Moley!

We were in like Flynn and living the life of Riley; and even a regular guy couldn't accuse us of being a knucklehead, a nincompoop or a pill. Not for all the tea in China! Back in the olden days, life used to be swell, but when's the last time anything was swell? Swell has gone the way of beehives, pageboys and the D.A.; of spats, knickers, fedoras, poodle skirts, saddle shoes, and pedal pushers (now called capris).

Oh, my aching back! Kilroy was here, but he isn't anymore.

We wake up from what surely has been just a short nap, and before we can say, "Well, I'll be a monkey's uncle!" Or, "This is a fine kettle of fish!"

We discover that the words we grew up with, the words that seemed omnipresent, as oxygen, have vanished with scarcely a notice from our tongues and our pens and our keyboard Poof, go the words of our youth. Where have all those great phrases gone?

Long gone: Pshaw, The milkman did it. Hey! It's your nickel. Don't forget to pull the chain. Knee high to a grasshopper.

Well, Fiddlesticks! Going like sixty. I'll see you in the funny papers. Don't take any wooden nickels. Wake up and smell the roses.

It turns out there are more of these lost words and expressions than Carter has liver pills.

This can be disturbing stuff! (Carter's Little Liver Pills are gone too!)

Leaves us to wonder where Superman will find a phone booth.

See ya later, alligator! After a while crocodile. Oki-Doki artichokey!

HOPE YOU ENJOYED.

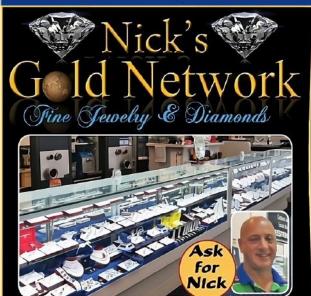
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But how do I get approved? Pick-up and complete an application. Drop it off by February 2nd & 16th for committee review.

> *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.

This Legal Chit-Chat Article is <u>NOT</u> devoted to Issues Relating to the Law – Rather it is related to the New Years Resolutions that each of us hopefully made in December 2024, which are now about One-Month Old --- and perhaps need Affirmation, Re-Visiting and Confirmation to maintain and keep those Resolutions in full force and effect!!

Usually those Resolutions cover, at the very least, THE FOLLOWING BIG FOUR:

Health, Happiness, Adventure and [Financial and Emotional] Wealth

<u>HEALTH:</u> Besides all our regular doctor visits, be your own advocate and take stock in yourself. Health includes not only physical, but mental health, as well. You might consider the possibility of de-cluttering. De-cluttering helps clean up our mental RAM. As a start, go through all those old receipts and manuals for items you haven't owned in ages. Reach for the stars! Stand tall.....getting out of bed each morning and stretching is a great way to start the day!

<u>HAPPINESS</u>: Find a friend.... make a friend...reconnect with an old friend. Hug a loved one. Volunteer (in person or online). Gratuitous acts of kindness are within your control. You never know what type of day the cashier at Publix [or any other Retail Establishment] is having. You, taking the time to smile, ask how her day is going or just wishing her a nice day costs nothing but might really make an impact on someone else.

ADVENTURE: Try something new! You CAN teach an old dog new tricks. Watch a new television show, listen to a new type of music, try a new craft/hobby. AARP and Senior Planet has numerous free events that you can participate in from the comfort of your own home. They have classes, seminars, discussion groups, chair-side travel, clubs and numerous "let's learn" special interest topics. If you want something more structured, take a look at Khan Academy or even Harvard University, who both offer a number of free On-Line courses.

<u>WEALTH:</u> Perhaps, you are not inclined to look for and obtain employment, but Wealth [<u>separate and apart</u> <u>from financial considerations</u>] can be counted <u>Emotionally</u> as well. Feel good about what you have. Revisit your assets, documents, liabilities, insurance, beneficiaries, etc. and see if everything is in order. You may find a different or more lucrative vehicle for your money. Put in the time and do the research.... REMEMBER to be aware of risky opportunities.... if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is!

Let 2025 be the year of "AH-HA"AH-HA-I never know that would make me laugh....AH-HA-I never thought I could do that.....AH-HA-I never thought that simple act would bring joy and happiness to others and most importantly... AH-HA never thought 2025 could be so good!

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