# Peek at the Week

### **Barefoot Bay Recreation District**

February 14, 2022

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#### Food & Beverage Entertainment Highlights

#### Monday

#### **Music Bingo**

Bldg. A 5:30-8:30pm Bar opens at 4pm Boxed Lunches

#### Tuesday

#### Karaoke

Lakeside of the Lounge Stage 5-10pm

Hot dogs & Boxed Lunches

#### Wednesday

#### Trivia

Lounge 6:30-8:30pm Boxed Lunches

#### Friday

#### Remember When

Lakeside of the Lounge Stage 7-10:30pm

Hot dogs

#### Saturday

#### Joe Ried

Lakeside of the Lounge Stage 6-10pm

Special sandwiches

#### Sunday

#### Juiced

Street Dance Lakeside of the Lounge Stage 2-6pm Special Sandwiches

# Happy Valentine's Day!

### **Special Expanded Edition**

#### Feb. 11th BOT Meeting Highlights

- Upon the advice of General Counsel Cary, the BOT voted to publicly state that unless state laws change there is nothing BBRD can do to stop lot leasing without placing BBRD in serious financial jeopardy.
- Voted to change the BOT Regularly Scheduled Meeting dates and time to the following effect May 2022:
  - Move 1st Meeting to the 2nd Thursday at 1pm (currently is 2nd Friday at 1pm)
  - ♦ Move 2nd Meeting to 1pm on the 4th Tuesday (currently is 7pm on the 4th Tuesday)
- Awarded a contract for the rebuilding of Green #10 on the Golf Course to USGA standards (partly grant-funded).
- Award a contract for the replacement of damaged concrete sidewalks in the Community Center area and a slab for the soon to arrive Tennis Court restroom trailer.

#### **Public Auction to Sell Surplus Land**

(procured through the Neighborhood Revitalization Program)

Barefoot Bay Recreation District, a Special District of the state of Florida established pursuant to sections 418.30 through 418.309, Florida statutes and Brevard County ordinance 84-05, will hold a public auction pursuant to section 274.06, Florida statutes, and section 418.304 (11), Florida statutes, to dispose of certain real property as follows:

Date and Time: 10am Feb. 22, 2022, through 10am Feb. 25, 2022 - 413 Plover Drive

10am Feb. 22, 2022, through 1pm Feb. 25, 2022 - 416 Barefoot Blvd

Sale Location: www.GovDeals.Com

#### **CVO Golf Tournament**

Dust off those clubs and get out your best green shirt and help celebrate St Patrick's Day at the 4th Annual CVO Golf Tournament on March 12, 2022, at the Barefoot Bay Golf Course. Tournament will be a 4 person Scramble with an 8:30am shotgun, proceeds to benefit Helping Hands. The day will include a poker run, a Shamrock Ball, raffle, and sharing. Lunch will be provided by Barefoot Bay Food and Beverage. Come out and join the fun and meet some new friends. Sign up in the Pro Shop as a single or with your own team. Help be part of the team that helps your neighbors.



Barefoot Bay veteran's council will have a **Salute to Veterans Luncheon** to be held in Bldg. A on February 26th from 11am to 4pm. For tickets call 772.663.0645. All veterans and their guests and veteran's widows are invited.





Community Manager, Office of the District Clerk, Finance Department, Resident Relations Department (including DOR Enforcement) and Food & Beverage Manager's Office. Administration Building 625 Barefoot Blvd.,

All recognized clubs or organizations can contribute to the *Peek* by sending your information via email to the District Clerk's Office: <a href="mailto:mleiva@bbrd.org">mleiva@bbrd.org</a> or call 772.664.3141.

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The editor reserves the right to edit or reject submittals as necessary.

Notice: Lost and Found items are kept in the Administration Building.

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**Meeting Notices:** All meetings are open to the public

<u>Arch. Review Control Comm. (ARCC) Meeting</u>: Tues., Feb. 15th, Admin. Bldg. Conf. Room at 9am

DOR Ad Hoc Review Comm. Meeting: Thurs., Feb. 17th, Bldg. D/E at 9am

BOT Regular Meeting: Tues., Feb. 22nd, Bldg. D/E at 7pm Violations Comm. Meeting: Fri., Feb. 25th, Bldg. D/E at 10am

Arch. Review Control Comm. (ARCC) Meeting: Tues., Mar. 1st, Admin. Bldg. Conf.

Room at 9am

<u>DOR Ad Hoc Review Comm. Meeting</u>: Thurs., Mar. 3rd, Bldg. D/E at 9am <u>19th Hole Kitchen Renovations & (2) Walk in Coolers Project RFP Eval. Comm.</u>

Meeting: Tues., Mar. 8th, Admin. Bldg. Conf. Room at 2pm

#### **TOPS News**

TOPS chapter 456 of Barefoot Bay will be hosting an open house on Friday, February 25 from 9:30-11am in Building C. (Located near pool 1 in Barefoot Bay) Our mission on this day is to help folks, men & women alike, understand what we are about, and how we can help with your weight loss journey. Whether it be 10lbs or 100lbs, let us support and help you learn what works best for you to lose weight and keep it off. We will also be having a "tag" sale with clothing items we have grown out of due to our weight loss. Looking forward to seeing you there.

#### **Scholarship Opportunities Available for Graduating Seniors**

The Barefoot Bay Little Theater and the Barefoot Bay Computer Club are both offering a \$500 scholarship for graduating seniors from the Barefoot Bay area. Qualifications vary, but both scholarships require a simple application describing how their field of interest pertains to performing arts for the Little Theater and information technology for the Computer Club scholarships. For more information, please contact Louise Crouse at 772.663.0314.

#### **Barefoot Bay Computer Club Meeting News**

The next meeting is Friday, February 25th at Building D/E. The meeting begins at 6:30pm with a program on setting up Facebook accounts and related security measures. If you are having a specific individual problem with your electronic devices, please come at 6pm and a club member will help, if possible. The public education class on android phone usage is Friday, March 4th at 6pm at Building D/E. Pre-registration and pre-payment are required. The class is \$15 if you are not a Computer Club member or \$10 for members. Please call 772.663.0314 to register.

## The **Aqua Zumba Club of Barefoot Bay** sponsors a new theater production: <u>STARDATE 1970</u>

Barefoot Bay Performers and Friends will star in this spoof of the old TV show Star Trek from the late 60's. It will be performed March 9th-12th at Building A at 7pm each night. Doors open at 6:15pm. Tickets can be purchased at Barefoot Bay Building A, 625 Barefoot Blvd., on Mondays and Tuesdays from 4-6 pm. For further information contact director Dennis Love at 520.460.4670.

Singing, Dancing and Aliens, You'll Love It!!

#### FY23 Working Draft Proposed Budget coming soon

The public will be able to view the document on www.bbrd.org on March 8th or pick up a free condensed residents' version at the Administration Building for free.

#### This Week in History

#### Mon., 14,1818

One of America's greatest orators Frederick Douglass (born Frederick Augustus Washington Bailey) celebrated this date of his birthday.

#### Tues., 15,2011

American poet, author, actress, filmmaker, educator and civil rights activist Maya Angelou was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Obama.

#### Wed., 16, 1934

Thousands of Socialists battle Communists at a rally in New York's Madison Square Garden.

#### Thurs., 17, 1963

Michael Jordan, basketball player for the Chicago Bulls and co-owner of the 23XI NASCAR Cup team, is born.

#### Fri., 18, 1945

U.S. Marines storm ashore at Iwo Jima.



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#### Former Trustee Jeff Grunow honored for his service to BBRD





Last week Raymond E. Bourgault, Veterans Council Chairman presented former Trustee Jeff Grunow his Trustee Service appreciation plaque (Mr. Grunow had a family commitment and could not attend the Jan. 14th BOT meeting when it was scheduled to be given to him) and the first Veterans' Appreciate Certificate and U.S. Flag honoring his service as a BBRD Trustee.

#### The certificate reads:

The Flag of the United States of America is proudly presented to Jeffrey Grunow in honor of our service to our community as Trustee from 2021 through 2022. The accompanying American flag was flown in Barefoot Bay Recreation District, Barefoot Bay, Florida on the 10th Day of January 2022.

The Veterans Council plans on continuing this new tradition when current and future trustees leave office.

#### FY23 Working Draft Proposed Budget (WDPB) Somber "Peek"

On March 7th the Trustees will get their copies of the FY23 WDPB and on March 8th an electronic copy will be on <a href="https://www.bbrd.org">www.bbrd.org</a> and the condensed free homeowners' version will be available free of charge at the Administration Building. While revenues are increasing 4.20% (due to proposed increases in the assessment rate, social membership fee, and RV storage rental fee), expenditures are increasing even faster. Specifically, personnel expenditures are projected to increase 7.61% (primarily due to employee raises, minimum wage increases, pay plan compression increases, and employee health insurance increases). Operating expenditures are projected to increase 5.73% (primarily due to 40-year record high inflationary pressures).

If you remember squeezing your own orange juice years ago, then you can picture what is happening to the budget usually left over for R&M/Capital projects. There is less this year than last year, and next year there will be even less. Therefore, do not be surprised in the coming years if specific "wants "are not met by the BOT who will only have the budget for the "needs."

#### Fun Fact for February 14, 2022 from Community Manager John W. Coffey, ICMA-CM

Today is my 100<sup>th</sup> month work anniversary here as Community Manager. While counting work tenure in months is not common, BBRD's community manager position is not a common job and the first eight BBRD community managers (from late 1997 through late 2013) averaged 26 months of service with the previous record tenure being 31 months. If you think I am making up the tenure of the past community managers, just visit the Administration Building and look at the Community Manager perpetual service plaque or ask Chairman Emeritus Klosky, CDO. He has lived here for 20 plus years and can attest to the previous constant turnover in community managers.



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#### **Our Community Manager says...**



"I cannot imagine working at BBRD without Food & Beverage Manager Kathy Mendes."

Most of us get so busy with work, home, and other activities that we tend to take the biggest blessings in life for granted until we lose one or more of them. This last weekend, watching Kathy Mendes coordinate the 4th Annual Barefoot by the Lake Festival gave me some time to reflect on how special a person she is and how lucky BBRD is to have her working for our community. I have known Kathy for over 8 years and she has always given her 100% to her job and community. She is a very trusted teammate and she annually works seven days a week during our busy winter season to make sure F&B events go smoothly and to try to keep her department's costs down. She had grown a Food & Beverage Department that had stagnant sales in FYs12-14 to a dynamic year-round food, beverage, and entertainment business. She instituted things new residents now take for grants such as Music Bingo, Karaoke Taco Tuesday, Trivia Night, special events, dramatically expanded catering for clubs/organizations, Winter Beats concert series, Barefoot by the Lake Festival, and many other events that space does not permit me to list. Personally, I can tell you she has more innovative plans for FY23 and beyond (but those are in the planning phase and she would beat me

senseless if I prematurely announced them!).

Kathy has also endured more trials than the average person could endure and she continues to persevere in the face of adversity. Prior to 2016 she usually had five Trustees giving her individual direction that often conflicted with other Trustees' de-

sires. She has always managed her department under political constraints not understood by the public while hearing complaints about annual finances. Under these pressures, she merely increased her departmental sales by 76% from FY14 to FY19 before the pandemic hit. At the start of the pandemic she had to personally tell all her staff that they were being laid off (not an easy task when you care about the people you work with like Kathy does). During the dark days of the pandemic she filled the gap in coverage in many departments, even working with me to develop, write, and assembly the annual budget.

However, the biggest accolade I can tell you about is how she is the most supportive and caring teammate I have ever had. She is always willing to help another department to make any event the best it can be. She makes everyone around her better and rarely seeks credit for her achievements. Hence, I hope you know a little more about the Kathy that I know. She is simply the best thing that has ever happened to BBRD. God help whoever has the unenviable task of following her someday down the road when she retires!

