

The Mainlands Section Four Reporter

Our 50th Year

April 2016

Issue 4

From the President: Cindy Baker

There was a quorum so business could be conducted, which always makes the Board of Directors very happy. There was a rousing discussion relative to the sprinkler system and the trees and landscaping that homeowners have planted without permission of the Board and the effect that it has had on our sprinkler system.

Bob Mulhearn advised us that he is busy getting the bids for the kitchen and bathroom projects. And we are waiting for definitive prices for the ADA water fountains and office



expansion.

We still have some repair work to do on the rest of the shuffleboard courts and will be doing that in the next few weeks or so. The neighbors are complaining about having some of the courts painted and looking nice and the rest of them looking pretty ugly.

The Board has been meeting and going over the changes to the deed restrictions, bylaws and rules and regulations. We are tailoring our documents to meet how we

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Social Report: Judy Mulhearn

Our annual Rummage/Bake sale once again was a great success. We raised \$1,520.91. This was accomplished by all the support we received from the volunteers who helped set up or worked the sale, the people who donated goods, the people who donated baked goods, the people who donated items for the raffles, the people who bought raffle tickets and those individuals who anonymously donated money.

I want to express my thanks to Cindy Baker, Mary Kay Barzano, Carol and Don Birmingham, Sue Cloutier, Flo and John Costabile, Betty Edgar, Rita Falcone, Carole and Yvon Gravelle, Steve Hartner, Bunkey Hirsch, Ruby James, Sue Krenick, Dolly Marcus, Mac McKenney, Bob Mul-



(Continued on page 3) Dee Cotter and Judy Mulhearn at the St. Patrick's Day dance.

Free and cheap things to do around Tamarac

Mark your calendar for these free and cheap events convenient to our neighborhood:

- **Free concert in the park:** 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, April 8, Tamarac Sports Complex, 9901 NW 77th St, Tamarac, FL 33321. The 1980s rock band Lazy Bonez will perform, and food trucks will sell snacks.
- **Tamarac Community garage sale:** 7:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 9, Tamarac Park, 7501 N. University Dr., Tamarac, FL 33321.
- **Earth Day celebration.** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Veterans Memorial Park, 7825 Southgate Blvd., Tamarac, FL 33321. The event will include eco-friendly vendors and coincide with the Sunday Tamarac Farmers Market.
- **Free Concert on the Green:** 7 to 8:30 p.m. Friday, May 6. Colony West Golf club, 6800 NW 88th Ave., Tamarac, FL 33321.
- **Memorial Day Ceremony:** 10:30 a.m. Monday, May 30. Veterans Memorial Park, 7825 Southgate Blvd., Tamarac, FL 33321.
- **Tamarac Senior Program.** The city's senior



program offers more than 40 activities every week, including creative classes, exercise classes, games and dances. Anyone 55 and older is welcome. Most activities take place at the Tamarac Community Center, 8601 W. Commercial Blvd. The fee to participate is \$30 per year for residents and \$35 for non-residents and includes most classes and activities. The fee is pro-rated if you join mid-year. There are also trips to performing arts events and activities in South Florida for an additional fee. For information, call 954-597-3620.

- **Free concerts on Fort Lauderdale Beach.** Fort Lauderdale offers free musical entertainment most Fridays from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Las Olas Boulevard and A1A. Upcoming performers are April 1, Ed Calle; April 8, Electric Piquete; April 15, Andrew Morris Band; and April 22, Joel DaSilva and the Midnight Howl.
- **Folk music concerts.** The Labyrinth Café presents a folk concert series every year from September through May. Performances are the second Saturday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Unitarian Church, 3970 NW 21st Ave. Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309. The final two concerts of the season are April 9 (featuring Amy Carol Webb and Claudia Schmidt) and May 14 (featuring Ellis Paul). Admission is \$20. Call 954-478-8637 for more information or visit <http://www.labyrinthcafe.com/>

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actually function and how things actually work with the board members' duties and our committees.

I was just advised that there is to be another meeting with someone who works for the state who will discuss once again taking away one lane of traffic so that they can add a small lane on either side of the road (which they are not calling a bike lane but appears to be exactly that) and the possibility of speed bumps. I will certainly be attending that meeting and hope that several of you will attend as well. The last thing we need is to reduce the lanes of traffic leaving the

Mainlands. Once the development is built and we have all the new vehicles coming and going from the Mainlands, we will need all of the lanes of traffic we can have. We will let you know when the meeting is to be held.

FOR ALL OF YOU WHO HAVE NOT COMPLIED WITH THE CENSUS INFORMATION. PLEASE DO SO IMMEDIATELY. THIS IS A LEGAL REQUIREMENT FOR US TO MAINTAIN OUR 55-PLUS COMMUNITY STATUS. Please contact someone on the board and they will make sure that you get the form if you lost the one that was attached to your last newsletter.

Keep a good thought and choose to be happy.

Social Report:

Judy Mulhearn

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hearn and his friend Bruce Howard, Eleanor Parks, Joyce Pilcher, Jane Punch and her sister Carol Little, Dottie Ross, Bernie Richard, Lori Schenk, Lois Schwartz, Claudia Stoner, Sherry Taylor, Ana Walls, Mary Lou Ward and Sue Wright. Their hard work made my job easier. A big thank you to Sherry Taylor and Mac McKenney for once again feeding the volunteers who worked setting up the Rummage Sale on Friday.

Following is a list of the upcoming April 2016 events. I would like to encourage the residents to come support our association by attending the functions scheduled. It's an opportunity to meet new people and have some fun.

Sunday, April 3, 9 a.m. to noon. Monthly Brunch. Come enjoy a great breakfast prepared by an outstanding team of Mainlands 4 volunteers.

Thursday, April 7, 11:30 a.m. Book Club. For the April meeting we have selected poetry. All book lovers are welcome so come join us.

Every Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. Bingo. Come join us at Bingo and bring a friend. Playing Bingo is a great way to socialize with friends and perhaps win some money. Enjoy some food before the games and coffee and dessert at intermission.

Saturday, April 16, 6 p.m. Mainlands 4 Dinner Dance. This will be our last dinner/dance before the summer so please join us. The menu will be a choice of Salmon or Chicken, Potatoes, Vegetable, Salad and Dessert. Entertainment will be provided by Ruth Davis. Tickets, which cost just \$14, will go on sale Saturday, April 9, between 11 a.m. and noon.

When purchasing tickets, you will have to indicate which entrée (chicken or salmon) you want. If you pick up tickets for a group of people, please include this information.

Friday, April 22, 6:30 p.m. Bunco. This simple game of dice, luck and prizes is the perfect way to meet new friends and have fun.

Since a number of our residents head back north in April, I want to wish them a safe journey and a great summer, and I look forward to seeing you all again in the fall.



MAINLANDS 4 APRIL DINNER DANCE

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2016

6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Salmon or Chicken

Potatoes

Vegetable

Salad

Dessert

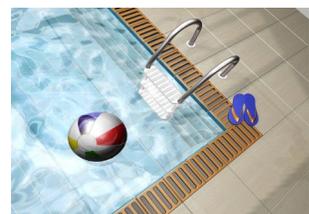
Entertainment: Ruth Davis

**Tickets on sale Saturday, April 9,
11 a.m. to noon
at Mainlands 4 Clubhouse.
Cost: \$14 per person**



House Chair: Bob Mulhearn

Hello to all from the House Chair. Bids were accepted and the job of adding two American With Disabilities Act water fountains and extending the office in the clubhouse will begin shortly. Two of the shuffleboard courts have been repaired and are now available for use. We have begun the bidding process on updating the clubhouse kitchen and renovating the bathrooms. This process will take some time because of bidding and permitting.



Please let me know if you have any concerns with the clubhouse or pool area.

Sunshine: Dolly Marcus

Get-well cards have been sent to Pamela Kinsbury, Virginia (Jean) Murphy, Donald Birmingham and Paul Dunn.



To contact the Sunshine Committee, call Dolly Marcus, 954-288-5629.



Welcome Committee:

Hilda Pierson

The Welcome Committee visited the following new residents:

Frederick M. and Lillian L. Stern
4702 NW 47th Terrace
Phone: 813-453-3434 786-201-3761
Delete: Robert and Tina Orick

Claude and Solange Dandurand
4631 NW 46th St.
Phone: 450-433-3403
Delete: Claire Dorval

Larry and Josephine Thurston
4643 NW 44th St.
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Bingo:

John and Flo Costabile

Bingo gave \$800 more to civic That's a profit of \$5,200. Thanks again to all the volunteers.



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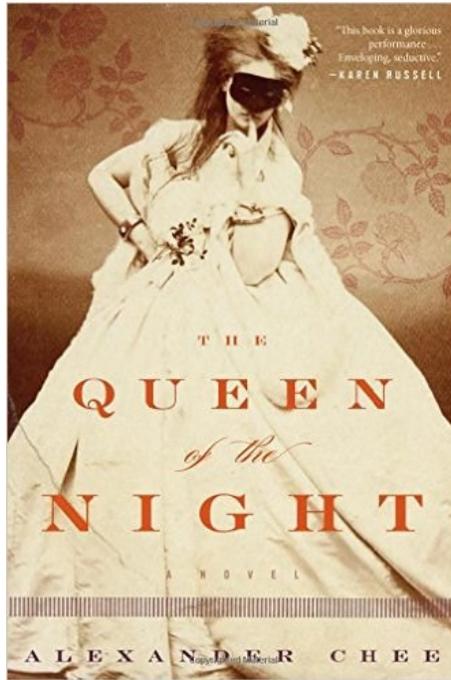
Bob Mulhearn

Last month Mainlands Section 4 drove the Citizen Observer Patrol car 230 miles in a total time of 26 hours. In addition, five volunteers worked at the concert in the park for three hours.

Library by Doris LaFayette: ‘The Queen of the Night’

Here is a novel that has something for everyone: *The Queen of the Night* by Alexander Chee. It has for the history buff — little known facts set in an exciting era ; for the romance reader — requited and unrequited love; for the music lover — lush descriptions of many works; for the costume drama enthusiast — gowns, gowns and more gowns; for the thriller fans — spies, intrigue, and unending suspense; for the mystery sleuth — guilty secrets to be unraveled.

The story begins as Lilliet Berne, an acclaimed opera soprano in 19th century Europe, is approached by a writer who has written a book that he expects to be the libretto for an opera to be written casting her in the starring role. This is the dream of every opera star — to have such a customized role. To her horror, she discovers that the plot is the story of her life; a life full of the tasks, that as an orphan and a



survivor, she had to perform and some unsavory choices she had to make. Only four people know the secrets of her past and she is determined to learn the identity of the one who wants to destroy her.

This is a carefully researched novel. The author, who knows that Europeans consider Americans an ignorant lot, was determined that no one would be able to find historical errors in his novel, so he spent 10 years studying letters, documents and memoirs of the period and visiting the sites he wrote of, as well as interviewing many authorities. The result is a novel that is rich in detail, full of suspense, and a satisfying read.

Thanks again to our faithful donors who have brought many new contributions to the library. And a special thanks to our French-Canadian friends for their contributions and their patronage. You've made our library really special.



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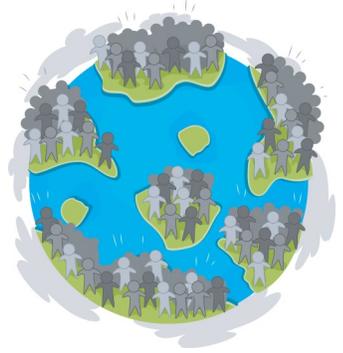
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Thanks to census volunteers

A great big thanks to Judy Mulhearn, Sherry Taylor, Mac McKenney, Claudia Stoner and especially to Ruby James, who went door to door to get the census forms complete.



We are almost there. If you haven't turned in your census form, please do and include a copy of a driver's license, passport or photo ID for each resident of the property. This is very important.

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April 2016



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 Brunch 9 a.m. to noon	4	5 Bingo 6:30 p.m.	6	7 Book Club 11:30 a.m.	8	9 Dinner Dance Tickets 11 a.m. to noon
10	11	12 Bingo 6:30 p.m.	13 Board Meeting 6 p.m.	14	15	16 Dinner Dance 6 p.m.
17	18	19 Bingo 6:30 p.m. COPS	20 HOA Meeting 7 p.m. COPS	21 COPS	22 Bunco 6:30 p.m. COPS	23 COPS
24 COPS	25 COPS	26 Bingo 6:30 p.m.	27	28	29	30

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Wearing of the green: Vikkie Thompson, Tommy Thompson, Dave Wright, Sue Wright, Bev Cook and Mac McKenney



Mainlands Life and Times

The March dinner dance coincided with St. Patrick's Day, and revelers dressed up in every color and style of green for the event, including shamrocks on their faces. Far left, Flo and John Costabile. Left, Barbara Dulski and Joan Zieris.



Dick Hirsch celebrates in full St. Patrick's Day costume with wife Bunkey Hirsch, far left, then takes friend Bev Cook out on the dance floor.

Many thanks to Barbara Dulski for taking most of the photos each month for The Reporter.