



Williamsburg Community

Local Hobe Sound Happenings at the Williamsburg Condominium at Heritage Ridge

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Cucumber Corner (Helpful Hints)

Feeling tired in the afternoon? Put down the caffeinated soda and pick up a cucumber. Cucumbers are a good source of B Vitamins and Carbohydrates that can provide that quick pick-me-up that can last for hours!

(From the Cucumber fairy)



David Dietz, Williamsburg resident, killed on railroad tracks

HOBE SOUND — Martin County Sheriff's Office officials Wednesday continued investigating a fatal freight train crash in which a Florida East Coast Railway train struck a 53-year-old man, sheriff's officials said.

Foul play is not suspected in the death of the man, identified as David Dietz of Hobe Sound, said Trisha Kukuvka, acting Martin County Sheriff's spokeswoman.

Sheriff's officials were called to the tracks along Southeast Dixie Highway north of Southeast Osprey Street shortly after 6 a.m., said sheriff's Sgt. John Bowdoin. Bowdoin said the conductor of the southbound train saw the man on the tracks.

"Obviously, they immediately hit the brakes, but a train doesn't stop on a dime," Bowdoin said.

Born in Providence, RI, David was a beloved son of Francis R. Dietz of Seekonk, MA and Ann F. (Flynn) McGovney of Lincoln. David was a Real Estate Property Manager. He was a 1980 graduate of LaSalle Academy and a 1984 graduate of Virginia Tech. He was also an accomplished golfer and avid runner. He was a resident in Building 3 in Williamsburg.

Information from the Providence Journal and TCPalm.

Update on Clubhouse cocktail parties:

The Committee will have a meeting when everyone returns, which won't be until November, so they will wait until the majority are here to discuss any suggestions. As of right now, Yvonne would like to start out with one cocktail party on the 27th of October with a Halloween theme.

Baseball Fans - Palm Beach spring training facility is a go for 2017. Both the Houston Astros and Washington Nationals will be playing at the new stadium that will be built on Haverhill Road and Military Trail. This will bring the total number of baseball teams to five which includes the Miami Marlins and St. Louis Cardinals (in Jupiter) and the New York Mets (in Port St. Lucie).



Want an on-line digital tour of Williamsburg? Visit Sue Rezendes's website at <http://www.realestateshows.com/607169>.

Williamsburg Budget Notes:

Bonnie met with Barbara Shea and received a "DRAFT BUDGET" using preliminary actual numbers through July, 2015. The "draft budget" is posted in the financial section of our webpage. There will be some adjustments, pending the actual August and September expenses. Hence the word "DRAFT". For budgeting purposes, we have estimated a 10% increase for the property insurance. This, of course, is pending no major storms take place between now and December 2015. As we have done in the past, when the actual invoice for our property insurance is received, the budget will be adjusted and sent out again to everyone.

Last year, we were able to switch insurance carriers which led to a decrease in our insurance premium from the prior year. This led to a carry forward of \$10,546 in last year's budget. This year, some of our expenses are running over our budget, and the carry forward is slowly being eaten away. We anticipate that we will use the remainder of our carry forward in 2016, leaving us with a decision about increasing our condo fees to keep up with inflation and unbudgeted items.

Examples of 2015's unbudgeted items for the first six months include:

- 1) a rebuilt water pump repair of \$2,540;
- 2) a used golf cart for \$2,544 (to replace the broken one);
- 3) vent screenings to protect rats from getting in from the rooftops \$3,195.

Prior to one of the condo sales, the title search company found an outstanding roofing permit from 10-years ago. In order to expedite the sale of the unit and clear out the permit, we had to pay a roofer and engineer who had to be here simultaneously and sign off that the roof work was done properly. This amount will be shown in the August financials. These items were not included in the budget but had to be paid nonetheless.

Interestingly enough here are the quarterly fees of neighboring associations:

Bunker Hill \$975 (no pool, no clubhouse, no tennis court)
Yorktown \$1,026 (no pool, no clubhouse, no tennis court)
Charlestown on the Green \$1,155 (pool and clubhouse)
Jefferson Corners \$750 (no pool, no clubhouse)
Jamestown \$975 (pool and no clubhouse)

It has been suggested that we sell advertising in our newsletter to help offset minor costs, and we are working toward this goal. In the meantime we are trying to streamline costs. For example, in the past, the budget was mailed to everyone. This year, we are emailing the budget and will have it online for your convenience. If anyone does not have email or prefers to receive a copy by mail, please call or email Karen at williamsburgcoa@yahoo.com and she will send it to you.

IMPORTANT DATES: Bonnie had a budget workshop on September 29, 2015 @ 7:00 p.m. Please feel free to send any questions or concerns to Bonnie at bfwelsh@hotmail.com. She will be happy to address them and try to get you some answers.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for October 20.

The budget will be discussed and voted on at that time.



Happenings around town ...

Calendar of Events for October Around Town ...

ORLANDO

* For those who love Disney, check out the "Mickey's Not-So-Scary Halloween Party" being held at the Magic Kingdom on select nights from September 15-November 1, 2015. For additional info to go

<http://disneyworld.disney.go.com>.

* The hauntings continue at SeaWorld with the Halloween Spooktacular from 10/3/15-10/31/15 which is included in park admission.

* For the few can handle the seriousness of scare, check out "Halloween Horror Nights in Universal Studios". This is their 25th anniversary and they brag that they perfected the perfect haunt. Bonnie will be covering the event live and will be happy to provide any extra details as she has gone a few times in the past. Go to <http://www.halloweenhorrornights.com> and you can catch a preview of the event.

Dine Around Hobe Sound Progressive Dinner set for October 3

On Saturday, October 3rd the Hobe Sound Chamber of Commerce is kicking it up a notch and hosting the Dine Around Hobe Sound Progressive Dinner, from 5:30 to 11:00PM. The 3rd annual Progressive Dinner is presented by Gary & Carmen Uber. Guests will begin their evening at the lovely home of Trent Steele & Wayne Lewis for cocktails, hors d'oeuvres. Then they will separate and progress to one of the celebrity chef homes that have volunteered to host a themed dinner party with unique cuisine as the main course. After dinner, guests will then progress to Flash Beach Grille for a dessert bar, night cap and live entertainment.

Each volunteer host will be providing a variety of delicacies sure to please anyone's pallet. Dinner hosts have promised special themes. Tickets are \$50 per person and will include all 3 courses and a raffle ticket. Call 772-546-4724 for more information.

INDIANTOWN Rodeo tickets go on sale

Tickets are now on sale for the 2015 Indiantown Rodeo! The 68th Annual Indiantown Rodeo will take place at Timers-Powers Park on Friday, October 16 and Saturday, October 17, 2015. Tickets will go on Presale September 1st at all Seacoast Bank locations in Martin, St. Lucie, Palm Beach and Okeechobee counties and are \$15 for a one-day pass. Tickets will be available at the gate for \$18 each day.

October is the time of year for Oktoberfest

Lantana Oktoberfest in Lake Worth is scheduled for October 9-11 and October 15-18, 2015. It is their 41st year and put on by the American German Club of the Palm Beaches. A little closer to home, Port St. Lucie is having an outdoor Oktoberfest scheduled for October 9-10, 2015. Admission is free. For a schedule of Florida Oktoberfest events visit www.funtober.com.

The Jupiter Elks offer the "House of the Haunted Lodge"

This scary event will be held October 23 & 24, 2015 from 7-10 pm. This fundraiser is open to all non-profit organization who are awarded \$100 to participate and can win up to \$500 for being the scariest booth. If you just want to attend admission is \$7 with a \$1 off with canned good donations. For further information or to download the application go to www.JUPITERELKS.org or Facebook /HouseoftheHauntedLodge. Bonnie Welsh, our newspaper associate has volunteered for this event for the past 5 years resulting in a first place win for "Creepy Clowns" and last year's third place win for a New Orleans Mardi-gras theme. This year she is working with the Jupiter Environmental Club with two booths "Jailbait" and "Itsy Bitsy Spiders". Children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult.

Community Image Center

Art & Photography

images of our community ... from our community.



Do you have any good
pictures to share?
Send them to us!

Pictures from Community readers



Stone from Doris Marcinka's home in New York.



Can you name this park
site in Hobe Sound?



(Last issue's picture)

The Bubble Houses are
two historic bubble, or
airform, houses located
next to each other at
9086 and 9096
Southeast Venus Street
in the Zeus Park
neighborhood of Hobe
Sound. For more info go
to

[https://en.wikipedia.org/
wiki/Bubble_Houses](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bubble_Houses) .

To win this photo
contest, email your
guess to
dzurhellen@gmail.com

HURRICANE SEASON IS HERE!

It has been several years since we have had to contend with a hurricane. Our Clubhouse and the library have handouts providing lots of valuable information. Some highlights on how to prepare and take action are available on www.nhc.noaa.gov.

They include:

1) Gather information:

- know where the evacuation routes and shelters are located. If you have pets, please check for "pet-friendly" shelters;
- keep a list of contact information for reference. Local Hospitals, Utilities, American Red Cross, Radio Stations and Insurance Agent.

2) Plan and Take Action:

- Put together a basic supply kit; (water, food, battery operated radio, flashlight and extra batteries, dust masks, garbage bags, bleach, emergency medical kit, prescriptions, pet food, cash, manual can opener, local maps and cell phone with chargers).
- Decide if you are going to stay or go. Leave plenty of time to get to your destination. Plan for locations away from home.
- Be sure Karen from Advantage Property Management has up-to-date information on you in case of emergencies (cell phone, work phone) and (WORKING KEY for your unit).

3) Recover:

Wait until area has been declared safe before returning home.

Announcements:

Notice on [October dryer vent cleaning opportunity](#). We have a few spots left but they are going fast. The next vent cleaning will be in January, 2016. Any questions email barbara149@aol.com or williamsburgcoa@yahoo.com.

[Swimming pool repair has been delayed](#) to week of October 5th due to rain.

Notice: [maintenance due on Oct 1st](#).

Bonnie reports they are interested in [suggestions for Christmas decorations](#) for front and at Williamsburg sign on road. Anyone interested in decorating, please let Yvonne or Karen know. We are looking forward to some creative suggestions. Pictures and drawings are encouraged.



[Please respond on Email Consent Form](#) which was sent out last month. Karen has eighty-one "yes" replies for e-mail, seven "no" replies and she is still waiting to hear back from **39** people. Contact Karen at: williamsburgcoa@yahoo.com.

Please consider contributing to any section of the Community by sending comments or materials to: dzurhellen@gmail.com.

