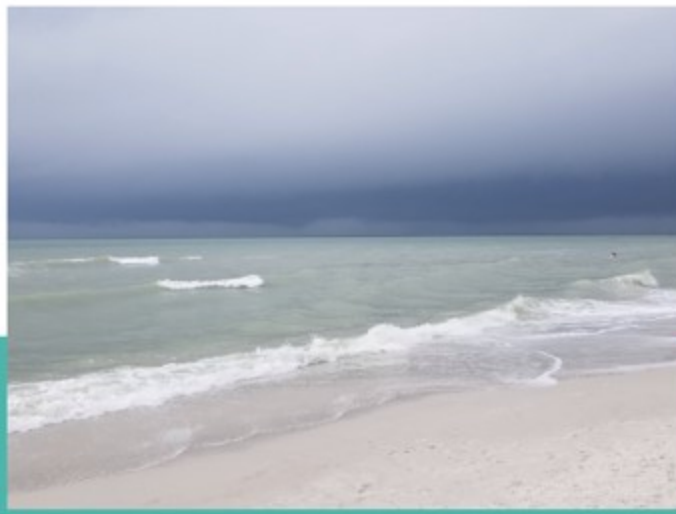


# Bermuda Cays



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PRESIDENT

Welcome back Snowbirds! Here's the latest from the Board of Directors.

MEET & GREET

- We will be holding a regular Board Meeting in late January or early February – date/time to be determined. There will be a report from the Landscape Committee who have been working hard coming up with a plan for our community. We will also begin the discussion about bulk cable TV and internet. This will be a ZOOM meeting.

TRASH & RECYCLING

- The Annual meeting will be on March 8th at 6:30 PM. This will be a hybrid meeting – both live at the Shores Club and broadcast via ZOOM so you can attend in the way that works best for you. This is also the meeting where election of new board members is held...there are 3 positions expiring this year.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

- With the help of an arborist and tree trimming company, we have identified 4 trees that pose serious threats to the adjacent buildings if they come down in a storm. Because we know removal of trees can be a very contentious issue, we will identify those trees and make you aware of our plans before dealing with them.

LOCAL EVENTS

OWNER SPOTLIGHT

Enjoy our wonderful weather and I'll meet you at the pool!

*Meet & Greet*  
*February 12th 4pm - 6pm*

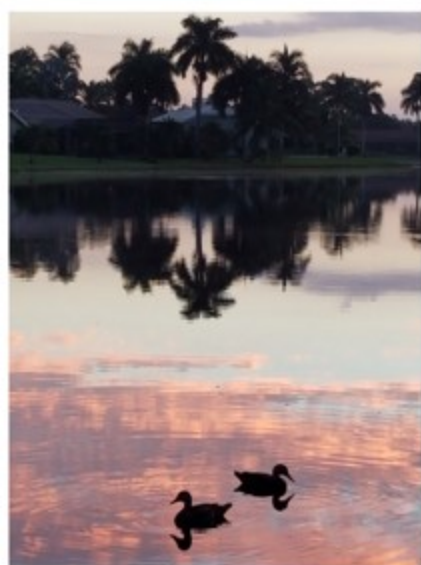
Meet & Greet under the Carport - Unit # I-101

We have had a significant number of new owners move in to Bermuda Cays in the past two years – 11 in 2020 and 12 in 2021.

This past year has been a trying year for all of us due to restrictions on gatherings, concerns about vaccinations & COVID19. So we may have missed opportunities to meet some of our new neighbors. While some continued to enjoy the use of the pool and see each other there, others organized “car port” parties during the past year to at least have some social interaction with our neighbors in the CAYS. So we thought a great way to meet them is to invite them to a “Meet & Greet” gathering for all of Bermuda Cays homeowners on Saturday Feb 12, 2022 from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Pizza provided for all. BYOB and bring your chair.

Stay tuned for more details via email or on Bulletin Board posting.



# Trash and Recycling *FACTS* – January 2022



Yes Folks, We have a Problem right here in RiverCity..... It's Garbage!

This is not a new problem, but it doesn't have to be a problem at all. If every resident and every guest pays attention and adheres to the guidelines, we won't have a problem.

So, we'll run through the basics again;

\*Garbage is picked up 2 times each week, every Tuesday and every Friday during season(Jan-April)

\*There are 2 dumpsters on the grounds; one in each the SE and NW corners

**If One Dumpster is Full, Take Your Garbage to the Other Dumpster!**

\*The new dumpster (on SE corner) has a side opening to make it easier to toss in garbage, **BUT TOSS OR PUSH** your deposits **TO THE FAR SIDE OF DUMPSTER SO THE SIDE OPENING** continues to be useable.

\*Do Not Leave Large Items (furniture, bikes, appliances) Outside The Dumpster. The Driver Will Not Pick Them Up. Call For Pick-Up, Or Arrange To Donate To One Of Many Charities That Will Pick-Up. If you have questions about an item, call Waste Management, at 239-334-1224. **But Do Not Drop It By The Cays Dumpster.**

\*Recycling goes into the smaller blue receptacles. Lee County has one stream recycling so objects do not need to be sorted, but do make sure objects are CLEAN so they don't attract rodents. Note...Lee County has an aggressive recycling program. Let's do our part and sort responsibly.

\***DO NOT PUT PLASTIC BAGS IN THE RECYCLING!** Plastic gums up the sorting machines. Any plastic bags left in the recycling receptacle will go into garbage.

\*If recycling bins are full, put the overflow into the large dumpsters.

\***FLATTEN ALL BOXES!!!!** Boxes fill the dumpster quickly and cause problems

\*Owners, if you have renters or guests, you must inform them of the guidelines. Guidelines are in place to make our community more enjoyable!

\*None of this is rocket science; it's just simple consideration for your neighbors! Do your part!!

**WANTED**  
**BERMUDA CAYS SOCIAL COMMITTEE**



We are looking into forming a Social Committee to help organize activities for our Bermuda Cays community – such as game nights, kayak outings, card clubs, etc. at the Cays and local events and places such as Farmers Markets, Free Concerts, etc.

We will be looking for volunteers and your ideas!

Please contact any of the Newsletter committee members:  
Pat Linoff, Pam Quillin, Jennifer Killoren or Gloria Smith.



*Free and low cost events to enjoy here in SWFL during season.*

### Shangri-La Springs - Bonita Springs

Shangri-La Springs will host a monthly Art & Soul

Wed Feb 9th 5:00pm - 8:00pm

Wed Mar 9th 5:00pm - 8:00pm

Shangri-La Springs, 27750 Old 41 Rd, Bonita Springs, FL 34135

This is a free event and it will feature live music, an artisan market, community classes along with food and beverages for purchase.

Artichoke & Company will offer tapas and the property will host a cash bar with beer and wine.

The artisan market includes eclectic produce for sale from their very own Shangri-La Springs' onsite organic garden along with other eclectic items

### Bonita Springs Historical Society

A local event, is a series of History Walks of Bonita Springs

Jan 29, Feb 5-13-and 19, and March 12, all Saturdays at 10 a.m.

Topics include Land of the Calusa, How Bonita Got It's Name and Downtown Landmarks.

For more info and or to sign up go to [bonitaspringshistoricalsociety.org](http://bonitaspringshistoricalsociety.org) or call 239-992-6997. Cost per tour is \$20.

### Center for Visual Arts - Bonita Springs

Annual Members Exhibition -For all to enjoy!

February 4 - 24, 2022

Center for Visual Arts | Main Gallery - 26100 Old 41 Rd

A dynamic exhibition of awe-inspiring artwork in a wide array of media. Enjoy a truly phenomenal display of work by our talented members. Each year just gets better and better. Help us celebrate great member art

Artistically Fashioned Exhibition

March 4 - 24, 2022

Artistically Fashioned is a nod to Fashion Week, we ask all artists lend their take on anything related to personal style. Iconic fashionista Audrey Hepburn once said "Life is a party. Dress like one."

*Welcome  
New Homeowners*

M-201 Lori Patterson  
S-101 Francis & Bernice Shields  
S-102 Justin Farthing & Sindy Arias



# Owner Spotlight



## MEET JEAN, KATHLEEN AND PAT

WE ARE A GEOGRAPHICALLY DIVERSE GROUP HERE IN BERMUDA CAYS, ALTHOUGH MOST OF US COME FROM THE EASTERN AND CENTRAL TIME ZONES. THREE OF THE ORIGINAL "SETTLERS" STILL LIVE IN THE COZY LITTLE CORNER OF BUILDINGS E AND F..... PAT MATRE IN E-101, JEAN HAMMETT IN E-102 AND KATHLEEN SONOC IN F-101. ALL THREE BOUGHT PRE-CONSTRUCTION AND WERE THEN ABLE TO MAKE SOME DESIGN MODIFICATIONS TO FIT THEIR OWN NEEDS AND TASTES. IMAGINE THE ALLURE OF THE TROPICAL SOFT PINK BUILDINGS AND LUSH VEGETATION AWAITING THEIR ARRIVAL.

WHILE MOST OF US START OUR FLORIDA ADVENTURE ON A PART TIME BASIS, BOTH PAT AND KATHLEEN LIVED HERE FULL TIME FROM THE FIRST DAY, 27 YEARS AGO. PAT AND HER HUSBAND BILL RETIRED HERE FROM THE CHICAGO AREA, RAISING THEIR FAMILY IN PARK FOREST, IL. PAT IS A DEDICATED SOPRANO IN THE CHOIR AT ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH AND IS OFTEN HOSTING ONE OR MORE OF HER FOUR CHILDREN AND EIGHT GRANDCHILDREN. KATHLEEN AND HER HUSBAND FRANK CAME FROM STERLING IL, WHERE THEY OWNED AND OPERATED AN A&W ROOT BEER STAND FOR MANY YEARS. WHAT FUN IT WOULD HAVE BEEN FOR THEIR FOUR CHILDREN GROWING UP! KATHLEEN AND FRANK HAD OWNED AT THE BEACH AND TENNIS CLUB BEFORE BUYING IN VANDERBILT LAKES. KATHLEEN SEEMS TO HAVE A REVOLVING DOOR, WELCOMING FAMILY FREQUENTLY. JEAN AND HER HUSBAND LOWELL HAILED FROM THE BOSTON AREA, RAISING THEIR TWO BOYS IN NEWTON, MA. THEY MET WHEN THEY WERE ONLY 11 YEARS OLD, ON A FISHING PIER IN CAPE COD! JEAN'S FATHER, WE LEARNED, HAD A PART IN BUILDING THE ATOMIC BOMB DURING WWII, A FACT THAT JEAN AND HER FAMILY NEVER LEARNED UNTIL YEARS LATER. JEAN IS A DOG LOVER, AND STILL "DOG SITS" FOR A FAVORITE PET.

PAT, JEAN, AND KATHLEEN ARE HAPPY TO HAVE LIVED HERE FOR MANY YEARS AND WONDER WHY MORE OF US DON'T MAKE BERMUDA CAYS OUR PERMANENT MAILING ADDRESS! THEY FONDLY REMEMBER CAYS SOCIAL GET-TOGETHERS AT THE POOL AND WOULD ENJOY HAVING MORE COMMUNITY GATHERINGS SO THEY CAN MEET AND GET TO KNOW MORE OF THEIR CAYS NEIGHBORS.

### Landscape Committee

The landscape committee has received proposals from two companies to refresh and/or replace the plantings in front of our buildings. A decision will be made within the next couple of weeks with work beginning as soon as possible. This will include our much needed new mulch. If you have a question, suggestion, or concern about (y)our landscaping, rather than speaking to one of the landscape crew that is here on Mondays, please send an email to Ability Management (Allen@ability.com) and also cc a board member. You should have a reply within seven days. If you have not heard by then, please send an email directly to a board member.

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