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NEWSLETTER OF THE PARROT COVE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

MARCH 17TH GENERAL MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2014

BELIEVERS' VICTORY CHURCH, LAKESIDE &
10TH AVENUE NORTH

Parrot Cove March Meeting:

The March meeting for Parrot Cove Neighborhood Association will be at 7:00pm at Believers Victory Church at 10th and N Lakeside on Monday March 17th, 2014 and will feature local author Ted Brownstein speaking about the early history of Lake Worth and his book 'Pioneers of Jewell'.

This is a great presentation for anyone with an interest in how our city and neighborhood originally developed and learn a bit about who was responsible for it, the first purchasers of the land blocks in Lake Worth and where Parrot Cove now sits, how the land was further subdivided and so forth.

Book Summary:

"In 1885, Samuel and Fannie James, an African American couple, reported to be ex-slaves, fled the increasing racial polarization of Northern and Central Florida for the sparsely settled everglades frontier. They were the first to settle in the area that would later become the City of Lake Worth, arriving with just the clothes on their backs and \$50 in their pockets. While local history buffs may have heard their names, until now virtually nothing was known of their doings, character, or relations with others in what was then known as Jewell, Florida. Their story is explored in *Pioneers of Jewell* in the context of their times. Details of their

land dispute with Dr. Harry Stites, their friendship with original Barefoot Mailman Edwin R. Bradley and the quirks of hermit Michael Merkle are told for the first time. This motley collection of settlers braved the swamps, the floods, the mosquitoes and the isolation to pave the way for later development."

Parrot Cove Block Party!

Parrot Cove neighbors are all invited and encouraged to attend the April 5 block party which will be taking place on Golfview between N. 11th Ave and N. 12 Ave.

Free to members

Non members \$10 per person or \$20 per household which includes 2014 Parrot Cove membership.

Parrot Cove will sponsor the main food items and accoutrements: Burgers, hot dogs, chicken, buns, plates, cups, napkins, ketchup/mustard/relish, ice, drinks (water, soda, tea).

We will also be having live music from a local band!

Attendees are encouraged to bring side dishes of their choice, appetizers, deserts, etc. and extra chairs are always helpful too.

Please RSVP to: parrotcove097@gmail.com so we can get a count of attendees, and also let us know if you are bringing a side dish or desert so we can try to limit duplicates

NEW LOCATION + NEW DAY OF WEEK

Remember that meetings are now being held at Believer's Victory Church on the corner of 10th Avenue North and Lakeside Drive and have been switched to Monday evenings. To date we have held three meetings here with overwhelming attendance.



"One thing I have learned the last couple of years, and that is not to believe some of the Real Estate articles they publish in the Post. The last couple of months for example, they have painted a fairly rosy picture of our market.

I really do not know where they get their numbers from. Since December 1 2013, 5 houses have sold here in our beloved Parrot Cove, and the average price per sq.ft. does not bring out any jubilation. The highest number was carried by a nicely renovated house on 1222 N Palmway, a 3/2 that brought in \$207.43 per square foot under air (living square foot). At the other end of the spectra we find a short sale of a smaller 2/1 house on 809 N O St. that got \$82.92. The average for the 5 properties was \$149.84.

The winner of the period 1222 N Palmway proves again that it pays off to have a home nicely renovated, when it is put on the market."

PROFILE OF NEW BOARD MEMBER ANTHONY MAROTTA

by Judith Just

Meet our new neighbors Anthony Marotta (originally a Northerner) and Crystal Felch (a Southern Bell from North Carolina). Talk about diving into Lake Worth head first - with 12 years on the HOA board he moved where he moved from, Anthony volunteered to join the board at Parrot Cove and became board president before they had unpacked the boxes to move into their new home! Anthony, thank you for volunteering...

Anthony met Crystal a couple years ago at a little known clinic in West Palm Beach by the name of Dr. Feels Good. Leaving an earlier Christmas party Anthony stopped in to see what was happening on Clematis Street. He had just received his pilot's license and was feeling in a celebratory mood. Apparently Santa was good to Anthony that year... across the room in the clinic sat Crystal, glances were exchanged...conversation ensued...in no time at all Crystal was thinking who is this good looking, self-confident young man? I think I like him! You all can put together the rest of the story...

Anthony and Crystal began looking for a new home and stumbled upon Parrot Cove here in Lake Worth by accident. After searching through hundreds of listings online, a charming 100 year old home was the first and last home to pique their interest enough to physically view it. Crystal having grown up in the area, and Anthony having dealings all throughout the cities in South Florida, did not have Lake Worth on their immediate list of destinations, until their visit to N. Lakeside Drive. Both were enthusiastically drawn to Lake Worth with all it has to offer such as the golf course, being right on the intracoastal, parks with boating access, its own beach, and an active downtown all within walking distance. Lake Worth became the place for them.

Soon after, with Ping and Pong their Siamese multi-toed Hemmingway cats in tow the charming place became home...and it came with a hot tub in the backyard. Sounds like the setting for a fun party!

Anthony owns his own property management business, Crystal is a respiratory therapist, Ping and Pong are just two lucky cats living the high life.

Again - Anthony, Crystal, Ping and Pong - welcome to Parrot Cove!!



Anthony & Crystal

Street Painting Festival

Parrot Cove sent 29 volunteers to help staff the beer tents and truck for the Street Painting Festival. Not only did this help out our City's premier event, but also netted close to \$200 for Parrot Cove by way of tips. Thank you so much to all the volunteers who helped out and had a lot of fun at the same time.

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Evenings on the Avenues continue on the first and third Friday of each month from 6:00pm until 10:00pm in the Cultural Plaza featuring live entertainment, arts and crafts booths.

Lake Worth Side Walk Sales are on the second Saturday of the month from 10:00am to 4:00pm in downtown Lake Worth. Call 561-398-8340 for details if you are interested in being a vendor.

E.R. Bradley's Beach Club at the Lake Worth Golf Course is open! E.R. Bradley's, the owners of Cucina, Nick & Johnnies, E.R. Bradley's in West Palm Beach and other restaurants has opened in "our" golf course at 7th Avenue N. Hours are 10:00am until midnight for dining inside or on the

Parrot Cove Needs You

Parrot Cove Needs Volunteers! Even if you can just volunteer a few hours every now and again, we need you to help! Our goal is make Parrot Cove the best neighborhood in the city to live in and many of our residents enjoy the social events we put on, as well as our volunteering to help out charitable events in our community. If you would like to be part of our volunteer list, please email your information to use at: parrotcove097@gmail.com

Renew Your Membership Today! It's only \$10 per person, or \$20 for your household. Members enjoy special notices of community events, no cost to attend our Parrot Parties, being on our email list for important updates which recently included our gathering to discuss as a community the potential of a 'sober house' within our neighborhood (which subsequently did not happen!) and much more. Having a strong membership also helps with our voice to our elected officials and city departments. Please take a moment to renew or start your membership by using the form below!

Parrot-In-The-Hood Parties need hosts. The Association assists with a subsidy and guests bring food or beverages to add to the 'potluck' atmosphere. We have had positive feedback on our neighborhood parties and want to be able to put on more. Please email us if you would like to be a host or just learn more about what is involved. Without volunteers, we can't have the parties.



E.R. Bradley's Beach Club is perched on the intracoastal waterway at the charming Lake Worth Municipal Golf Course. Our Beach Club boasts the most stunning waterfront views and embodies the laid back-old Florida charm of the city. We are proud to showcase our classic coastal cuisine everyday of the week 365 days a year offering a lovely lunch, delicious dinner, and fantastic local nightlife. Come by for sunset cocktails with friends at our Tiki bar or bring the family for our infamous Friday family night... We look forward to sharing our little hidden gem with you!

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new outdoor patio. The menu ranges from appetizers to salads, deli salads and platters, sandwiches & burgers to main plates. Or just enjoy a nice drink on the patio or roasting marshmallows by the fire pits.

NAPC - Neighborhood Association Presidents' Council. The Council is made up of officers and representatives from Neighborhood Associations across the City of Lake Worth. The NAPC is incorporated in the State of Florida as a non-profit organization and our mission is to support and promote our Member Neighborhood Associations. Parrot Cove is an active participant in the council. Check out current happenings in our city at the NAPC website: www.lakeworthnapc.blogspot.com

Parrot Cove Home Tour, will not take place in 2014 due to lack of volunteers. We would like to begin planning for 2015 as we have had many people contact us looking forward to this event and it is a great way for us to show off our wonderful neighborhood and many of the spectacular and unique homes in it. We are searching for homeowners who would like to have their home on the tour and volunteers to help us organize the event as well as staff the homes during the day of the tour. Please email us if you would like to submit your home to be considered and also if you can volunteer to help.

E.R. Bradley's Beach Club

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| Happy Hour Food Every Day 4:30 - 6:30 | Happy Hour Drink Every Day 4:30 - 6:30 | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beach Club Sandwich Jalapeños, olives, cheddar, jack, pico \$5 add chili or guac. 2.00 House Fried Fish File Local mahi mahi, jalapeños, crackers \$5 Bratley's Sliders Jalapeños, onion, cheese, pickle \$5 Marked as Children's Item Homemade tortilla, lime crema sauce, pico salsa \$2 each add guac. \$2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beach Club Margarita Rum Runner Margarita Beach Club Mojito Tequila Sunrise Cold Draft Beer Pitcher of Bud Light \$10 Glass of Wine House Red or White \$5 Pitcher of Rum Punch 30 | |
| <p>Our Specialties Beach Club Burger</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fresh prime beef burger, LTO Cold draft bud light 10 | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fresh Fish Deli Sandwiches Burger & Hotdogs Tacos and more! | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family Friendly Friday Kids Night Friendly Service Friendly Barstaff | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full Bar Beer on Tap On the golf course Views of the intracoastal |
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PARROT COVE MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Resident Membership _____

Social Membership _____

Membership is \$10 per person or \$20 per household/family. Resident membership is open to homeowners or renters, full-time or part-time snowbirds. Social Membership is for individuals who wish to join but do not live in Parrot Cove. All membership expires January 31, 2013. You must be a resident of Parrot Cove and a paid member to vote or serve in an office and a paid member (resident or social) to participate in Parrot-In-The-Hood parties.

Parrot Cove sends out regular e-blasts reminding members of meetings or alerting them to important events. Send completed form with your check to: Parrot Cove Neighborhood Association, 306 N. Lakeside, Lake Worth, FL 33460.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

It's **Flofling** time in the Downtown Jewel Neighborhood and you do not want to miss this wild combination Neighborhood Home Tour and Mini Putt-Putt Golf event! Nine neighbors from the "Jewel" set up their own mini golf hole and players travel from one home to the next until they complete all nine "holes" ending up at the 10th Hole where awards are presented and party ensues! Who will earn the coveted green jacket this year?

The 1st hole this year will be at 207 South M Street. Show up around 11:00 AM-ish to receive your scorecard, map and rules sheet (there's a laugh). Tickets are \$20 and all proceeds go to the Downtown Jewel general fund to sponsor more fun events and help their neighbors. For more information, contact downtownjewelneighborhood@gmail.com or look for them on Facebook!

PrideFest Weekend Saturday and Sunday, March 29th and 30th. Pridefest of Lake Worth and the Palm Beaches attracts more than 12,000 attendees annually throughout South Florida and the Treasure Coast. Since 1992, PrideFest has served as Palm Beach County's largest gay & lesbian visibility event. The festival exemplifies the strength and growth of the gay & lesbian community by highlighting more than 140 businesses that stand by our community and welcome our business. The event features a parade, live performances and entertainment for all ages.

More importantly, PrideFest emphasizes the importance of diversity in our community, making it stronger and more accepting of all individuals and their contributions to society. Without a doubt, PrideFest exists as an important component of Compass' efforts to create equal opportunity and a safe place to live and allows for more effective local advocacy.

The Festivities begin on Saturday in Bryant Park with music and vendors. The NAPC will be participating again this year in the Pride Parade on Sunday, March 30th at 11 AM. Neighbors from across the City are invited

Choosing the right real estate agent does make a difference. As a 30-year resident of Lake Worth I have chosen to live, work, invest, and play **HERE** and after being in the business (locally) for over a decade, I have become the neighborhood expert! When you partner with me to sell your home you gain a full-time, knowledgeable, and highly experienced professional who knows how to garner maximum exposure and has the skills to negotiate the highest possible price!

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to march together with Neighborhood Banners.

8th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, Sunday, March 16th. The NAPC Neighborhoods will be participating in the 8th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade benefiting "Wheels for Kids" on Sunday, March 16th. Bring the whole family and march under your Neighborhood Association's banner in support of this fine organization that provides special wheel chairs for special children. The Parade will start at 1 PM on Lake Avenue. Line up for marchers is 12 Noon on South L Street between Lake Avenue and First Avenue South, alongside Too Jay's Deli.

Seaside Celebrations at the Beach Complex. Friday March 28, 6pm - 9pm. Music by Terry Hanck, beer and wine garden.

Lake Worth Playhouse. 713 Lake Avenue. www.lakeworthplayhouse.org. Through March 16: One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest. March 17 - March 22: Spring Break Mini Camp, March 21 & 22: Send in the Queens, March 28: Ship Wrecked - A Hull of a Problem.

The Green Market continues at Old Bridge Park (just across the bridge) on Saturdays from 9:00am to 1:00pm.

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