



## FROM PRESIDENT BOYER'S DESK

### Happy Valentine's Day, Monday, February 14th

To celebrate Valentine's Day this year, our clubhouse committee will host a pizza party on the deck of the clubhouse pool area. For all the details, please read the party flyer (see attached) and **RSVP by Feb. 6th** if you can make it.

### Annual Membership Meeting Report

Our Homeowner Association, like all Florida Homeowner Associations, is required to hold an Annual Membership Meeting to conduct the elections for new Board Members, to vote on certain financial matters and to elect Association Officers for the new year. On January 26, 2022, we met at the clubhouse unlike last year when the meeting was held online using Zoom. Counting the homeowners in attendance and those who had voted by proxy, 67 of our 197 homeowners participated, representing 34% of our community homeowners. Karen Martin and Charlie Kelly were re-elected by homeowners to serve new three-year terms on our HOA Board of Directors. Homeowners **approved** both proxy measures which the Board put forth to the membership. Proxy issue #1: **51 voted in favor** and 13 opposed, "That the HOA CPA audit requirement will be waived for the year 2021," and Proxy issue #2: **60 voted in favor** and 2 opposed "That any excess funds from 2021 will be rolled over into 2022 HOA operating account." The Board members selected the Association Officers for 2022: President will be Boyer; Vice Presidents will be Martin and Snodgrass; Secretary will be Messina; and Treasurer will be Kelly. Preliminary Year End Financial results were also presented at the meeting. To see the full year results, visit the Board Minutes page of our community website [MyCasaDellago.com](http://MyCasaDellago.com), visit Schoo Portal, request a copy from our management company or contact me and I will send you a copy.

### 2021 Volunteers and Financial Accomplishments

Many volunteer accomplishments were recognized at the Annual Meeting. A list of the many contributions and the financial year end information are attached to this February newsletter. Remember, there many ways and opportunities for you to volunteer as well.

### Master POA Annual Meeting Results

We have two Associations. Our second community association is the Deer Lake Master Property Owners Association which is set up solely to maintain the woods and wetlands around our community that we call the Preserves. A financial summary was presented at the Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Membership meeting and is now posted on our website along with the new 2022 Budget. The Board voted to designate the Association Officers for the new year: President-Boyer, Vice President-Martin and Secretary/Treasurer-Kelly.

### Landscaping Update

February fertilization of shrubs is scheduled for the week of the Feb. 7th; irrigation checks begin 2/28; mowing is scheduled for 2/14 and 2/28; pruning of shrubs begins 2/7; and turf grass pest and weed spraying is scheduled for 2/7. Our Association's landscape Account Supervisor is Will Kollmann, Manager for Estate Landscaping. Homeowners with ANY irrigation or landscaping issues should contact Will, at the Estate main office at 239-498-1187; or [info@Estatelandscaping.com](mailto:info@Estatelandscaping.com). During February, due to colder weather and slower turf growth, mowing and edging will be done every other week.

### Overnight Street Parking Prohibited and Violators will be Towed

New Homeowners please take note: Vehicles parked overnight on community streets between **Midnight and 6 AM** will be towed away without notice and at the vehicle owner's liability and expense. Parking on our narrow streets is a safety hazard and can prevent emergency vehicles from reaching a home quickly in the middle of the night. Do not park vehicles on grass at any time as this is not permitted and causes damage to our properties.

**Please Help Keep Our Community Clean**

If you have shredded paper to put in the garbage, please put it in a bag rather than dumping it loose in your garbage can. The pieces tend to fly out of the garbage truck as it goes around our area, littering the grass and sides of the road. If you see any litter in the community, this is your chance to volunteer! Please pick it up and put it in the trash. Then you will be part of the volunteer effort that keeps our neighborhood looking great.

**Please Contact Me if you need a Mailbox Repair**

The homeowner association repairs and replaces all mailboxes when damaged. Report damaged mailboxes to George Boyer at 239-415-1633 or contact Schoo Management at 362-3091. A repair or replacement will be made quickly from supplies that we keep on hand.

**Happy Valentine’s Day!  
George Boyer**

Deer Lake HOA – President  
phone 239-415-1633

**HOA CONTACT INFORMATION:**

**George Boyer**, President  
239-415-1633

**Karen Martin**, Vice President  
502-396-5995

**Bill Snodgrass**, Vice President  
239-822-6647

**Bradley Messina**, Secretary  
815-298-6670

**Charlie Kelly**, Architectural Review Board  
For ARB Requests  
Call 239-274-3871

**Jack Chancellor**, Hurricane Committee  
239-936-5695

**Sheryl Colborn**, Clubhouse Committee Chair  
215-290-4742

**Estate Landscaping and Irrigation Repairs**  
Main Office 239-498-1187,  
Account Manager-Will Kollmann,  
[info@estatelandscaping.com](mailto:info@estatelandscaping.com)

**XFinity Cable TV Repairs and Service**  
Call 1-800-934-6489

**ADT Home Security Repairs and Service**  
Call 1-800-878-7806

**Anytime is a great time to reserve the clubhouse** for parties, including birthday parties, showers, etc. Please contact George Boyer at 239-415-1633 for any questions you may have. The clubhouse reservation forms can be found on our website [www.MyCasaDellLago.com](http://www.MyCasaDellLago.com)



**Community Garage Sale – Saturday, February 26th**

We will open the front entranceway gates on Saturday, February 26th from 8:00AM to 1:00PM for anyone wishing to hold a garage sale.

Unfortunately, garage sales can create traffic problems and allow unknown visitors to enter our neighborhood. For these reasons, there are **two** dates per year when garage sales are permitted. For further information, please contact Carolyn Gilbert (239-277-5743) who will oversee the semi-annual Garage Sales in the community.

**HOW TO CONTACT OUR MANAGEMENT COMPANY  
Our Community Contact person is Pat Schoo.**

239-362-3091 (Schoo Office) or by email  
[Pats@samcam.biz](mailto:Pats@samcam.biz)

Schoo Management, Inc.  
9403 Cypress Lake Drive, Suite C  
Fort Myers, Florida 33919  
Office: 239-362-3091 (24 hour answering)  
President Pat Schoo  
[pats@samcam.biz](mailto:pats@samcam.biz)



**New Hours and Days!**

Come join us for some exercise, socialization and fun! Find out what all the buzz is about on the tennis courts at the clubhouse.

**Tuesdays 9:00 am – 10:30 am**  
**Thursdays 9:00 am – 10:30 am**  
**Saturdays 9:00 am – 10:30 am**

If you’d like some guided instruction and would like to learn how to play, please contact Anne Carta at [annecarta71@gmail.com](mailto:annecarta71@gmail.com) or at 781-646-6345. We have the equipment necessary to learn and everyone is welcome!

**FEBRUARY CURIOUS YET USELESS  
FACTS AND TRIVIA**

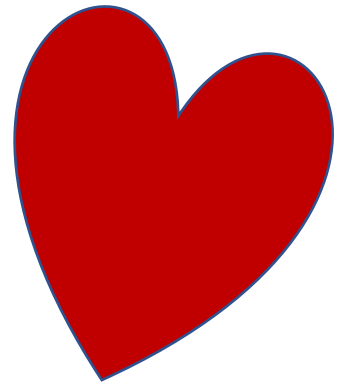
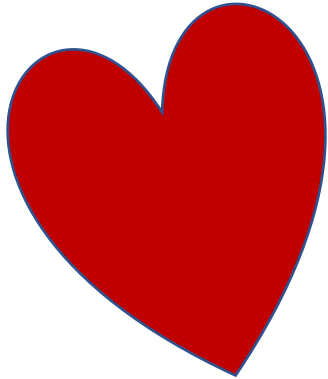
- 1. What did Congress ban in the District of Columbia on February 20, 1869?** (a) Confederate flags (b) Whiggery (c) dancing (d) dueling.
- 2. Dr. Gayle Carson created this slogan for Spunky Old Broads Day (February 1):** "Women are like fine wine, \_\_\_\_\_." Fill in the blank.  
(a) They get better with age. (b) They get drunk on special occasions. (c) They are full-bodied. (d) They often pop their corks.
- 3. Which of the following has Dr. Carson not named Spunky Old Broad of the Year?** (a) Helen Mirren (b) Katie Couric (c) Alice Cooper (d) Dolly Parton.
- 4. Comedian and Oscar-winning actor Red Buttons was born on February 15, 1919. What was his given name?** (a) Ginger Snaps (b) Red Buttons (c) Richard Buttons (d) Aaron Chwatt.
- 5. Liz Taylor was born on February 27, 1932. Which is one of her famous quotes:** (a) "I loved all my husbands...for a while." (b) "Some of my best leading men have been dogs and horses." (c) "If you can't act, get a real job." (d) "I really like huge rocks."
- 6. We celebrate Pistachio Day on February 26. Which is not true about pistachios?** (a) They are naturally red. (b) They grow on trees. (c) They're called the "happy nut" in China. (d) They're called the "smiling nut" in the Mideast.
- 7. How much did Americans spend on Valentine's Day (February 14) 2021?** (a) \$3.2 billion (b) \$ 14.8 billion (c) \$21.8 billion (d) \$1.3 trillion.
- 8. February 26 is Carpe Diem Day. Recommended activities do not include:** (a) living the day to the fullest (b) honoring loved ones who have passed (c) engaging in fun activities (d) tossing a fish.
- 9. February 14 is National Organ Donor Day. Which organ is most transplanted in the US according to the Health Resources and Services Administration?** (a) kidney (b) ear (c) Hammond (d) heart.
- 10. How many Americans are currently on the waiting list for organ transplantation?** (a) 34,211 (b) 56, 438 (c) 86, 557 (d) 106,647.
- 11. How many organ transplants were performed in the US in 2020?** (a) 39,000 (b) 52,000 (c) 76,000 (d) 98,000.
- 12. On February 16, 600, Pope Gregory the Great declared the proper response to a sneeze to be:** (a) God bless you! (b) Beelzebub! (c) Hie away! (d) A plague on thy house!
- 13. For what reason were golfers in South Carolina arrested on February 20, 1927?** (a) forming illegal fivesomes (b) violating the sabbath (c) cussing (d) wagering.

- 14. February 4 is National Create a Vacuum Day. Suggested observance activities do not include:** (a) conducting a vacuum experiment (b) watching a documentary about the vacuum of space (c) watching videos on vacuums (d) buying a Hoover DYI kit.
- 15. Which month of the year is most often misspelled?** (a) January (b) Febuary (c) October (d) November.

**ANSWERS:** 15. (b) 14. (d) 13. (b) 12. (a) 11. (a) 10. (d) 9. (a) 8. (d) 7. (c) 6. (a) 5. (b) 4. (d) 3. (c) 2. (a) 1. (d)

—Ben Shearer

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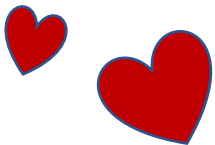


***Saturday February 12th - 5PM Until 7PM***

***THIS EVENT WILL BE HELD OUTDOORS  
BY THE CLUBHOUSE POOL***

**A VALENTINES PARTY GET TOGETHER**

Wear something "**Red**" to spread the **LOVE!**



**Amazing Varieties of Pizza, Salad and Yummy Desserts plus drinks,**  
Including Soft Drinks, Beer, Wines and **Sparkling Wine Toasts!**

**All Residents and Overnight Guests are welcome to Attend!**

***There will be a \$5.00 Each Cover Charge for This Event***

***(Collected at the door, also No Charge for Children 10 and under)***

**RSVP REQUIRED** by February 6th - REPLY BY Email to:  
CDLParty@Yahoo.com or by phone at 239-415-1633



## 2021 Year End Highlights Report

- **Thank You Community Pool Tester Volunteers: David Minnick and Bill Snodgrass** who continue test our pool chemicals four days a week all year long saving us \$6,000 annually.
- **Thank you, Architectural Review Board chairman, Charlie Kelly, and his volunteers.**
- **Thank you, Volunteers Barbara (Editor) and Ben Shearer (Fun Facts and Trivia)** produced our monthly community newsletter which is distributed by email and provided in print.
- **Thank you, Homeowner Volunteers Rod & Maryann Swenson along with Carolyn Gilbert** for repairing and repainting our clubhouse exercise room. Also thank you Jack Niethamer for donating a 37 inch HD flat screen TV to replace the old TV in the workout room and helping to install it along with Alex Shezifi.
- **Thank you, Clubhouse Committee Volunteers and committee chairwoman, Sheryl Colborn,** who organized our Community Christmas Party. They prepared great menu and drinks and served it to over 115 homeowners. We look forward to more parties in 2022!
- **Thank you volunteers for decorating the clubhouse and entranceway for the holidays,** eliminating the expense of hiring someone to do it.
- **2021 Clubhouse Rentals for private parties generated over \$1,500 income which off-sets clubhouse activity expenses.**
- **Thanks to volunteer effort, dozens of damaged mailboxes were replaced.**
- **Thank you, Hurricane committee chairman, John Chancellor and his volunteers** who were ready for a major storm and making sure that we had Hurricane preparation guides available at the clubhouse.
- **Because of volunteer effort, our community Facebook page has been kept up to date.**
- **Thanks to homeowners Barbara Shearer and Cindy Harcar, our clubhouse library has been kept organized and new books added and processed.**
- **Our Community Website continues to be updated at no cost by volunteer effort each month with the latest information at [www.mycasadellago.com](http://www.mycasadellago.com)**
- **Thank you also to Association Board Members who participate in problem solving and decision making that benefits our Community.**
- **AND Thank you to all the Volunteers that I failed to mention who also took the time to help us clean, fix or dress up the community common areas! We love you all!**

### 2021 Financial Results

- **Total 2021 Deer Lake Homeowners Association Income was \$632,539 (\$311 under Budget) while total Expenses were \$653,696 (\$21,368 over Budget). As a result we ended the year behind Budget by \$21,156. Unexpected plant replacement costs required along the 360 foot front entranceway wall costing \$18,000 and higher building insurance costs than budgeted that were higher by \$5,490 contributed to this shortfall.**
- **The approved 2022 Budget was increased to \$658,548 which is \$4,900 more (or about 1% higher) than was actually spent in 2021.**
- **HOA Reserve Balances have increased to \$328,874 representing an increase of \$31,308 or 11% over the prior year ending balance.**
- **For 2021, \$20,847 of the Homeowners Association Reserves were used to replace or repair major Capital Common Area elements.**
- **The largest Reserve expenditure during 2021 was repairing and painting the front community wall and guard house costing \$6,364. The second largest Reserve expenditure was the replacement one fountain's motor and pump costing \$4,452.**
- **There was no Bad Debt Expense write-off in 2021 from unpaid assessments.**