

LAS VERDES NEWS The Official Publication of the Las Verdes POA

February 2024

FROM THE PRESIDENT

'm delighted to announce the addition of our new Tiki Hut, a vibrant space that promises to be a hub of relaxation and socializing. I encourage each of you to take some time to explore this wonderful addition to our community. It's a perfect spot to unwind and connect with fellow members. Let's make sure to take care of the tiki hut, please clean up after yourselves and do not discard pet waste in the tiki hut's trash cans.

Looking ahead, we have more exciting events lined up for the upcoming months. Thank you for being an integral part of our community. Your enthusiasm and participation make Las Verdes a vibrant and welcoming place to call home.

Important Note: We will be replacing the underground pipe in Forsynthia.

Tom Massey President, Las Verdes POA



NEW TIKI HUT AT THE LVPOA CLUBHOUSE.

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LAS VERDES POA MEETING MINUTES

Board Meeting

January 23, 2024

The meeting was called to order by President Tom Massey at 7:06 PM. we opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: There were 14 associations present: Aspen, Bottlebrush (2), Carrot Wood, Copperleaf, Cypress, Dogwood, Evergreen, Laurel Oak (2), Oleander, Oliveleaf, Palmetto, Philodendron, Seagrape, and Viburnum.

There was a quorum.

Approval of Minutes: There was a motion by Jack Walsh to waive the reading of the last minutes, seconded by Jim Fogarty, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Diane Andruski read the report as of 01/23/2024. Total Operating Cash: \$1,293,878,62 Total Reserves: \$1,116,035.22 Total Operating and Reserve Funds: \$2,503,988.31

There were no questions. A motion was made by Jack Walsh to accept the Treasurer's Report as read, seconded by Jim Fogarty, motion passed.

Old Business:

There was no old business.

President's Report:

Ficus Bushes to be replaced.

The Ficus bushes around the center loop need to be replaced we have been fighting the white fly's for a while but they seem to have become resistant to the chemicals we are using. We will start replacing them with the Clusia bush like we have at the front entrance they will grow to 8 feet or higher if not trimmed. We will be planting the Clusia bushes starting near Forsythia where they are really thinning out. The bushes we will be planting will be 2 feet high so it will take a year or two to reach 8 feet we will do it in phases not all at once.

Front Entrance – President Massey stated he has been working on replacing the card reader for the visitor side entrance. He has been trying to get a new one installed but wants one that is more user friendly. Going forward he would like a system installed that is easier and safer to use and could still be used if we have no guards in front.

Once we have the new reader installed, we will be ripping up the pavement at the front entrance and exit areas we will be replacing the asphalt. Those are the areas we did not do when we resealed the circle and parking lot because we thought we were going to be making changes out front.

Tiki Hut.

We built the Tiki hut on the concrete pad on the side of the club house using the maintenance fund. The canvas cover that was there was damaged a few years ago was never repaired. We investigated having it replaced it was going to cost \$30,000 to replace it and it only lasts about 5 years. The Tiki

LAS VERDES POA MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED...

hut cost \$23,000 and will last 8-10 years the grass when it needs to be replaced can be done for \$2,000.00. We have picnic tables back there now and we are buying 2 charcoal grills for the community to use out there. We do suggest if you are having a social event, you should reserve the hut, so it is available for you and your group. We are charging a \$50.00 fee for cleanup, and you must be off the premises no later than 10:00 PM.

The was a motion to accept the President's Report by Nat DeVardo, seconded by Stan Posner, motion passed.

New Business

Election of officers:

No one entered their name to run for any of the board seats so it will stay the same.

President Tom Massey

Vice President Joe Downey

Treasurer Diane Andruski

Secretary Peggy Peltier

Good and Welfare:

Dimitra brought up the issue of the guards again she wants to have the board address the issue of the guards out front. We pay \$180,000 to have the shack covered 24-7 it will be opened again for discussion. A suggestion was made to do a mailing to all the residents and ask what their opinion is Yes or No to keep the guards.

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 PM

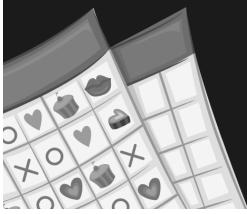
Respectfully submitted, Peggy Peltier, Secretary Las Verdes

BINGO NIGHT

WE WILL BE PLAYING BINGO ON THURSDAY EVENINGS AT 7:00 PM SHARP ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

FEBRUARY 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

PLEASE remember to bring your own refreshments. We look forward to seeing everyone there for a fun night!











LAS VERDES ITALIAN AMERICAN CLUB CALENDAR 2023-2024

e wish to welcome you back and share with you our upcoming events. for the new season. We appreciate your continuing support.

Our first meeting will be on **November 12, 2023** at **7:00 pm** which will be the announcement of the board.

Sunday, **December 10, 2023 at 7:00 pm** will be our holiday meeting. At this meeting we ask that you bring an item for an infant, or toddler, such as pampers, clothing, toys, for distribution to needy children in our area. Your generosity in the past has been amazing. If you plan to attend we would appreciate a response by December 1st (call Chickie at 561-866-0575.) Appetizers, refreshments and dessert will be served.

On **Sunday January 7, 2024 at 7:00 pm**, we will have our welcome back meeting and greeting any new members. The board will be introduced and dues will be collected (for this year the dues will be \$10). Following the club business **pizza and refreshments** will be served.

Our annual **Carnivale** will be held on **Friday**, **February 9**, **2024**. Because of the early date we will be taking reservations in December. As soon as we have the details we will be informing our members. **Tony Ventura** will be providing the music for our dancing pleasure.

We have a wonderful cruise planned for March 16th to the 24th. Several of our members have booked it.

And to close our season on **April 14th 2024** we will have our Annual Picnic. **Park Avenue Grill** will be catering it and Vinnie will provide the entertainment.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas. Stay well and I look forward to seeing you. Please call me with any concerns, questions, suggestions at 609-516-4241.

Carolyn Giovannini

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Valentine's Word Search

Find and circle all of the words that are hidden in the grid. The remaining letters spell a popular Valentine's Day item.

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BOYFRIEND	DEVOTION	HEARTS	ROSES
CANDLES	FANCY	JEWELRY	SENTIMENT
CANDY	FEBRUARY	LIKE	SUITOR
CHOCOLATES	FLAME	LOVEBIRDS	SWEETHEART

February Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS -

- 1) Biggest round trip in the world?
- 6) Blossom holder
- 10) Crave
- 14) Animal followed by a tickbird
- 15) "Les Miserables" novelist Victor
- 16) Miscellaneous mix
- 17) Balance point
- 20) Palm tree variety
- 21) Bran source
- 22) Coughs up
- 23) Where grapplers grapple
- 24) Outlaw hunter's reward
- 25) Carnivorous freshwater fish 59) Previously, previously
- 29) Except for
- 30) They divide Europe and Asia
- 31) Dublin's isle
- 32) Pond coating
- 36) One way to attract attention

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- 39) Ouite a few
- 40) Possessive adjective 41) Unit of magnetic flux density
- 42) Moments, for short
- 43) Dinner-table accessory
- 44) Islamic spiritual leader
- 47) Check
- 48) Former Nicaraguan president Daniel
- 49) Yonder damsel
- 50) "It what you think!"
- 54) Place for younger criminals
- 57) Beloved person
- 58) Apple-seed holder
- 60) Quick-footed
- 61) Proceed with a game plan? 62) Behaving like a ruffian

DOWN

- 1) Mythical monsters
- 2) Actress Perlman
- 3) Perry on "Friends"
- 4) Obsessed with
- 5) Little piggie
- 6) Little hog
- 7) Cockatoo's crest
- 8) Bacon go-with
- 9) Additionally
- 10) Interlaced
- 11) Choice invitees
- 12) Gritty lead-in
- 13) Kiddie litter?
- 18) Kind of horse or leather
- 19) Chills, fever and sweating, together
- 23) "Other" category (Abbr.)
- 24) Less leafy, like a tree
- 25) "No ifs, ands, or
- 26) Kind of communication
- 27) Become conscious
- 28) Went Southwest?
- 29) Original positions
- 31) Eldest son of Cain
- 32) Resign, with "down"
- 33) Winery container
- 34) "Unattractive" Jamaican fruit
- 35) Intend
- 37) Item for a pirate, stereotypically
- 38) Brief try
- 42) Make a contract official
- 43) Drug cop
- 44) Willies giver
- 45) Floral perfume
- 46) Uneasy
- 47) Believe it, coming or going
- 48) At ____ (disagreeing)
- 49) Feature of 14-Across
- 50) Insider dirt
- 51) Cram into the overhead
- 52) Role in many teen flicks
- 53) Deuce beater, barely
- 55) Bad bettor's letters
- 56) Word before drop or drum



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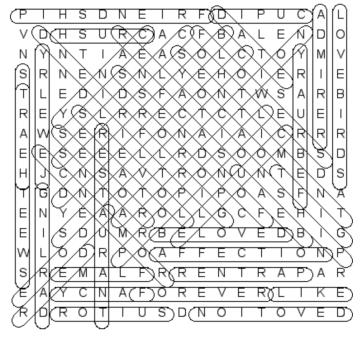
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Word Search Solution



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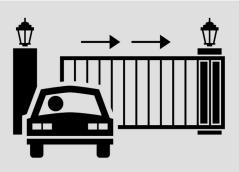
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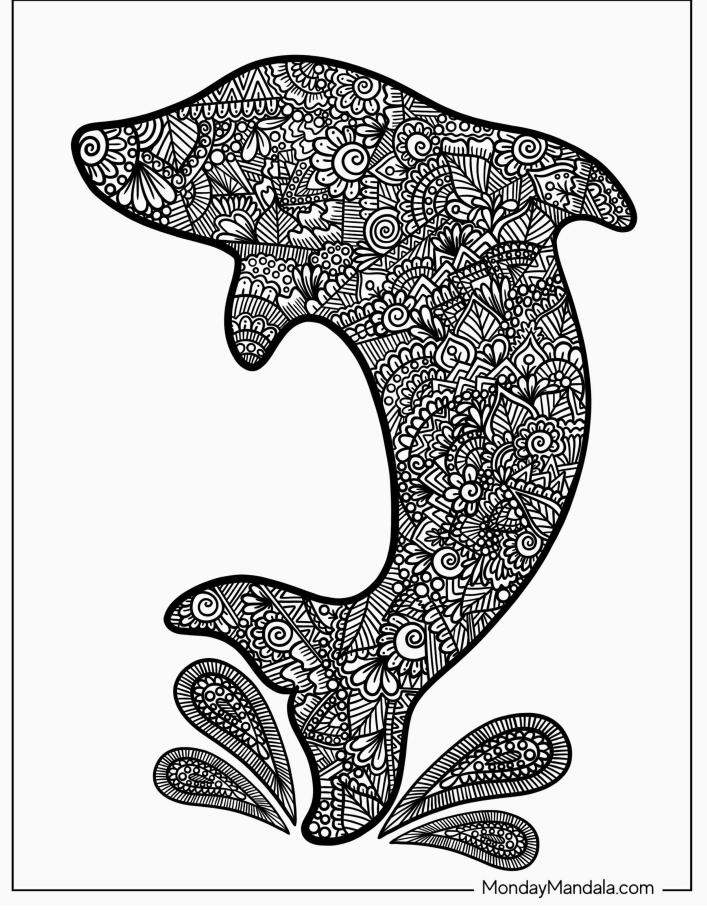
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Crossword Puzzle Solution



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EQUIPMENT:

- Measuring cups and spoons
- 9-inch round cake pan
- Small frying pan
- Electric hand mixer
- Large and medium mixing bowls
- Spatula
- Off-set spatula

INGREDIENTS: FOR THE TOPPING:

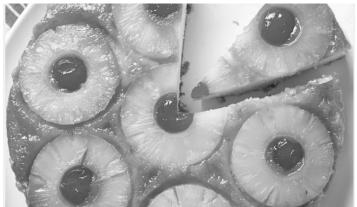
- Cooking spray
- 4 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1/2 cup packed light brown sugar
- 1 (8-ounce) can pineapple rings in pineapple juice
- 8 to 10 maraschino cherries

FOR THE CAKE:

- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 8 tablespoons (1 stick) unsalted butter, at room temperature
- 2 large eggs

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Heat the oven and prepare the pan. Arrange a rack in the middle of the oven and heat to 350°F. Coat a 9-inch round cake pan with cooking spray; set aside.
- Melt the butter and sugar for the topping. Melt the butter and sugar in a small frying pan over medium heat, stirring frequently. The mixture is done when the sugar is bubbly and slightly more brown.
- Pour the sugar mixture into the baking pan. Pour the sugar mixture into a prepared cake pan and spread into an even layer to cool slightly.
- Arrange the pineapple slices and cherries in the cake pan. Remove the pineapple rings from the can and reserve 1/2 cup of the juice. Set a single ring in the center of the pan, then arrange 6 to 7 rings around the center ring.



- Place a maraschino cherry in the center of each ring and set the pan aside.
- Whisk together the dry cake ingredients. Whisk the flour, baking powder, and salt together in a medium bowl; set aside.
- Cream the sugar and butter together with a hand mixer, then add the eggs. Place the sugar and butter in a large bowl. Using an electric hand mixer, beat on medium speed until lightened and creamy, about 5 minutes. Add the eggs and beat until smooth, about 1 minute more.
- Add the flour mixture and pineapple juice in alternating batches. With the mixer on low speed, add the flour mixture in 3 batches, alternating with the reserved 1/2 cup pineapple juice, in this order: Add 1/3 of the flour mixture and mix until incorporated, about 30 seconds. Add 1/2 of the pineapple juice, mixing until smooth, about 30 seconds. Add another 1/2 of the remaining flour and mix again for about 30 seconds, followed by the remaining pineapple juice and 30 seconds of mixing. Finally, add the remaining flour mixture and mix until completely smooth, about 1 minute total.
- **Spread the batter over the fruit.** The batter will be thick, so use a large spoon to dollop large spoonfuls of the batter evenly over the fruit in the pan. Smooth the batter with an offset spatula, then tap the cake pan lightly on the counter to settle the batter.
- Bake the cake for 45 minutes. Bake the cake until dark golden-brown and a cake tester comes out clean, about 45 minutes.
- Cool the cake for 10 minutes and then invert the cake onto a serving plate. Remove the warm cake from the oven to a cooling rack and cool for 10 minutes (do not wait longer or the cake will not come out of the pan). Invert a plate over the cake pan and, using kitchen towels or oven mitts to grasp onto both the plate and the cake pan, flip both the pan and the plate over so the pan now sits on top of the plate. Slowly lift the cake pan away. Serve the cake warm or cool before serving and storing.

EXPLORE WITH GABBY: Bexley Trail Community Park: A Gem in Delray Beach, FL



Tucked away in the vibrant city of Delray Beach, Florida, Bexley Trail Community Park stands as a hidden gem, offering a haven of tranquility and recreation for residents and visitors alike. With its lush landscapes, diverse amenities, and commitment to community well-being, this park has become a beloved destination for outdoor enthusiasts and families seeking a respite from urban life.

Address: Bexley Trail Community Park is conveniently located at: 123 Greenway Avenue Delray Beach, FL 33445

Situated in a central and easily accessible location, the park welcomes visitors to explore its green spaces and partake in various recreational activities.

Hours of Operation:

The park is open to the public during the following hours:

- Monday to Sunday: 6:00 AM to 10:00 PM

These generous operating hours allow residents to enjoy the park's offerings at their convenience, whether it's an early morning jog, a midday picnic, or an evening stroll. The accessibility of Bexley Trail Community Park makes it a versatile destination for individuals with varied schedules.

Scenic Beauty and Natural Oasis:

As you enter Bexley Trail Community Park, you'll be greeted by a picturesque landscape that invites a sense of calm and serenity. Towering trees provide ample shade, creating a refreshing atmosphere for visitors. Well-maintained walking trails meander through the park, offering a scenic journey for those looking to connect with nature. The park's design incorporates beautiful gardens, native plantings, and carefully manicured lawns, enhancing the overall aesthetic appeal. Bexley Trail Community Park serves as an oasis in Delray Beach, providing a respite from the urban hustle.

Recreational Amenities:

Bexley Trail Community Park boasts a range of recreational amenities catering to individuals of all ages. Some highlights include:

- Playgrounds: Families with children can enjoy the playgrounds equipped with modern and safe play structures.

- Sports Courts: Sports enthusiasts can engage in friendly games on the basketball and tennis courts, promoting an active and healthy lifestyle.

- Picnic Areas: Shaded picnic areas with tables and shelters provide a perfect spot for family gatherings or a casual picnic with friends.

- Fitness Stations: For those looking to incorporate exercise into their park visit, fitness stations are strategically placed along the walking trails.

Community Events and Engagement:

Bexley Trail Community Park serves as a hub for community events and programs. Throughout the year, the park hosts various activities, including outdoor concerts, fitness classes, and cultural events. These initiatives contribute to the park's role as a community gathering place, fostering a sense of unity among Delray Beach residents.

Preservation and Sustainability:

In line with Delray Beach's commitment to sustainability, Bexley Trail Community Park embraces eco-friendly practices. Recycling bins are strategically placed throughout the park, and initiatives promoting water conservation contribute to its status as a green and environmentally conscious space.

Bexley Trail Community Park in Delray Beach, FL, is more than just a park – it's a vital part of the community's identity. With its central location, diverse amenities, and commitment to preserving natural beauty, the park invites residents to connect with nature, engage in recreational activities, and build a stronger sense of community. Whether you're seeking a peaceful retreat or an active outing, Bexley Trail Community Park welcomes you to experience the beauty and serenity it has to offer.



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