

# Ripples

## By The Lake



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### DATES TO REMEMBER

APRIL Showers  
BRING  
May  
FLOWERS



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## HOA Resident Information Page

[deerfieldlakeresidenthoa@gmail.com](mailto:deerfieldlakeresidenthoa@gmail.com) April 2024

The HOA has an EMAIL address to be used for access to the monthly HOA ZOOM meetings. Send the request containing your name and lot # to the email address above. This same email is also used for AGENDA items. If residents wish, they may suggest an agenda item to be placed on the agenda for the monthly HOA meeting. For all the snowbirds, a perfect way to stay in touch. This should start up in April 2024

### Some discussions you missed at the HOA meeting

#### Hot Tub/Spa

The installation of a Hot Tub/Spa is no longer being considered. After a lengthy review, the addition of a spa, within the existing pool area, was just not big enough. The pool area would have lost a considerable amount of seating area and also the canvased tarp area for the cooling/ comfort of the residents.

#### Events

The HOA has lowered the cost for tables for future resident events. Possible summer- club house resident tag sale events if wanted

#### Social Committee

Thank you Barbara Licitra, our Social Committee Director, for keeping such awesome social event expense books. We were able to get an increase for our social activities from Lautrec. All of our events are organized and put on by resident volunteers, please consider giving them a helping hand throughout the year, again call Barbara, close to upcoming events

#### FMO MEMBERSHIP

The Federation of Mobile Owners is a very important tool for park residents.. The Florida Statute 723, protects mobile homeowners and their rights. Help support the FMO by becoming a member for \$30 yearly or \$75 for 3 years. This organization works to protect your interest and your way of life here in Florida. Go to FMO.ORG and become a member today.

#### Helping Residents in our community

Now that we have a private email for communication, resident needing help, like putting their trash cans out and bring them back in, we can help, send an email with your lot # to

[deerfieldlakeresidenthoa@gmail.com](mailto:deerfieldlakeresidenthoa@gmail.com)

#### Process for when a resident has an issue.

Please put in writing and deliver to the office and have the secretary initial it and give you a copy. If you can't get to the office then email the office, their email is on the front page of Ripples. Papertrail is very important. If you don't have success with corrections from the park, let the HOA know by sending an email to the HOA email address above with, if possible, a copy of the issue given to the office and we will try and help.

Respectfully, Your HOA Board Members



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## New Committees

2/5/2024

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 ..... Amy Gross  
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 Bingo.....  
 FMO..... Debra Henson  
 Facebook Page ..... Linda Caswell & Dianna Saunders  
 Koffee Klatch..... Linda Cammallere & Patty Smart  
 Welcome Committee..... Tom Holt, Ivette Marron(translator), Nancy Ritchie, Dan Marron



Wildlife has right of way and running over and killing them is not the thing to do. This is their habitat we are only renters for awhile please be kind ... Cameras are everywhere!!!!

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

All residents must be registered with Office !! And no renters are allowed in any facility without owner present.

**SPEED  
LIMIT  
15**

Remind all visitors that speed limit is 15 MPH We do not have sidewalks so please be aware of your surroundings Walkers expect you to stop at stop signs..

If you see something suspicious say something, write it down or take picture with phone send to Office...

We need volunteers for Neighborhood Watch, 1 hour of your day or evening to walk, ride or travel around through park and report any suspicious activity.

Anything serious call Police Non emergency #954-356-4400

**To all new Community Members who are on Facebook we have our own page for residents go to groups and look for Deerfield lakeMFH and fill out questions about residency You will see all goings on in Community. Also we have HOA site as well [deerfieldlakehoa.org](http://deerfieldlakehoa.org)**



## **FROM THE EDITOR:**

I apologize for all the duplicate articles last month. My fault for not asking for second proof. Now going forward I am welcoming any articles that anyone may have for our newsletter.

## **WE HAVE BINGO NOW STARTING IN APRIL**

Courtesy of Suzanne who will run it and Naydia and Geronimo, Joan, Cookie and Jim for Wednesday Nites. They will need Volunteers to sell packets at the door. Yeah!! Things are happening in our park!!!!



## **CRAFT FAIR**

We have a Community Craft Fair on April 6th from 9-2



## **APRIL MEETING**

For our April Meeting we will have Animal Control and Safety officers here from Coconut creek .

## **MEMORIAL DAY**

For our Memorial day luncheon we need a few people to use the Grills to cook burgers and dogs. Any Volunteers ?....Contact Barbara Licitra@ 754-235-5628



## **GAME NIGHT**

We would also like to get a Game Night Started where we get together and play, cards, board games and such any thoughts and suggestions?

## **THE WRITINGS OF THE VINTAGE SUNFLOWER**

*by Patty Smart*

We all remember when we lost our virginity. It probably was not what you were expecting. You were young in love. Possible you were waiting for the fireworks. Maybe you were 16, 18 or 21 but I am sure it was different than you were expecting. Like wine and time it became sweet and loving and perhaps romantic but a kiss. Oh a kiss. That's the power. That's the love that makes your heart beat. Cheeks flush and makes you fall in Love. A kiss does not have to be passionate or done in Paris. It just sweeps you off your feet. It lingers all day. It's in your mind. I still like to be kissed and I still will grab him and kiss him. To me that is the key that unlocks the heart. Have you stopped kissing? Open your heart again.. unlock someone's heart today and softly kiss. Just because you want too. My first kiss was 13 in a garage in Wisconsin. I will always remember. I don't want to forget because he was my first kiss. Who was yours? Kiss him or her today. Make them wonder and fall in love again 🌹🌻🌹🌻

## **THE HOA RESIDENT FORUM PAGE**

[deerfieldlakeresidenthoa@gmail.com](mailto:deerfieldlakeresidenthoa@gmail.com)

The HOA now has an EMAIL address to be used for easy access to ZOOM but also for any AGENDA items you wish to be placed on the agenda for the monthly HOA meetings.

Please keep in mind, your request for an agenda item needs to be sent at least 5 days prior to the meeting. Please send an email request for zoom access to [deerfieldlakeresidenthoa@gmail.com](mailto:deerfieldlakeresidenthoa@gmail.com) stating your name and lot number so we have an email address to send the zoom link to.

For all the snowbirds, a perfect way to stay in touch. This should start up in April 2024

## VOLUNTEERS

Our Volunteers have really been stepping up and we really appreciate all the help.



It makes our Parties so much so nicer to know we can get through them and have help.. So THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS !!!!

## SUBMISSIONS FOR RIPPLES

May 2024 issue:  
April 10th



## KOFFEE KLATCH:

Every Tuesday Morning at 9 am -10:30

Starting January Koffee Klatch will be \$2.00 a week. Before anyone complains Try buying a coffee anywhere for 2 bucks!!!!. We need volunteers each week for some one to bring rolls or what ever you want to bring for breakfast. This is strictly a Donation and something you want to bring. I collect the money and keep track and use it for our supplies, for creamer, sugar and all the supplies for Coffee. I can give an accounting at anytime and I save all receipts. The HOA is giving us \$100.00 per year. This year I purchased a new Coffee Pot for us because during Summer months there is not many attendees and a small 14 cup Mr. Coffee pot is all that's required.



## PUTTING GREEN

A new Putting green is open to anyone that wants to play. Contact office for playing implements.. It is near the Shuffle board court.



## CHECK ON YOUR NEIGHBORS



As our weather has been very harsh on everyone, please check on your elderly neighbors often and hydrate yourselves as much as possible during this extreme heat..



## A PARKING REMINDER

No cars are to be on the street between 11:00 PM and 5AM. You're not allowed to park in Vacant sites. Speeding is prohibited at all times and will not be tolerated and do not park within 10 feet of any fire hydrant



## PICKLE BALL

Pickle Ball Court is now open for those who want to play!!!



## PET REMINDER



Animals are not permitted outside of the home unless they are on a retractable 6 foot leash that is held by an adult.

Pets are not permitted in any common area other than streets or sidewalks or the community even went on a handheld leach outdoor pet enclosures dog runs and or dog fences are not permitted in the community.

To ensure that a resident will be permitted to keep an animal in the home residents must be must obtain the landlord's approval prior to purchasing or acquiring the animal proof of registration and vaccinations must be provided to landlord within seven days of the animal's acquisition residents may not have more than one inside pet animal of small size weight of 40 pounds at maturity.

If you have a pet please stop by the community office so we may make a copy of your current pet registration or license and proof of rabies and or other appropriate vaccinations along with a photo of your pet so we can upgrade our records or provide you with information regarding the registration of pets.

## GARBAGE

Have out night before pickup



## BIENVENIDAS TODAS FAMILIAS HISPANA DE NUESTRA COMUNIDAD EN DEEFIELD LAKES.

Queremos que ustedes gozen en nuestras reuniones durante el año. Su presencia sera muy apreciada y nos da la oportunidad a conocernos mejor durante estos eventos sociales. Tuvimos la Fiesta del Dia de San Valentin este sabado pasado, el 10 de febrero, y todos presente se divirtieron con la musica, con muchicimos ganadores de premios, y la cena especial. Le vamos a notificar de cada evento en el futuro para que puedan planear a socializar con el entusiasmo de nuestra gente y su amistad.



### **Welcome all Hispanic Families from our Deerfield Lakes Community.**

We want you to enjoy all of our gatherings throughout the year. Your presence will be greatly appreciated and will allow us to become better acquainted during our socializing. We just held our Valentine's Day Party this past Saturday, February 10th, and all those present had fun with music, with many prizes won, and the special dinner. We will notify you of all future events so that you can plan to socialize with our enthusiastic people and their friendliness.

## WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP - BIBLE STUDY

Starting -Monday, March 11th@7pm

**Women's Fellowship-Bible Study @ Clubhouse.**

With Paulette Kramer

Psalms 133:1

Behold, How good and pleasant  
it is for bretheren

To dwell together in Unity.



## LIBRARY NEWS

We have a wonderful lending library thanks to the generosity of our neighbors donating books to the library. Due to space constraints we cannot accept books with a copyright date prior to 2012. Please check the copyright before donating. A gentle reminder to not place any books on the shelves, but to place them in the book bin next to the cabinet. Beside books, inside the white cabinet, and in the filing cabinet, we have games and puzzles that can be borrowed as well. We have more jig saw puzzles than we can store, so please, do not donate any more and if you borrow any, keep them and pass them along elsewhere. We have a shelf of large print books on the top shelf where the paperbacks are kept. There is also a section of non-fiction books on the lower shelf where the paperback books are kept. All other books are separated by hard cover and paperback, arranged alphabetically by author. Collections for some authors are kept separately, such as Patterson, Baldacci and a few others. Please take advantage of our lending library and remember, these books have been donated by your neighbors for everyone's enjoyment, make sure you return them when you have finished reading. We do not accept donations of periodicals or magazines to our library, they will only be discarded if left. Thank you



### Slow-Cooker Bananas Foster

**TOTAL TIME:** Prep: 10 min. Cook: 2 hours

**YIELD:** 5 servings.

*The flavors of caramel, rum and walnut naturally complement fresh bananas in this version of a dessert classic. It's my go-to choice for any family get-together. —Crystal Bruns, Iliff, Colorado*

#### **Ingredients**

- 5 medium firm bananas
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/4 cup butter, melted
- 1/4 cup rum
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/3 cup chopped walnuts
- 1/3 cup sweetened shredded coconut
- Optional: Vanilla ice cream or sliced pound cake

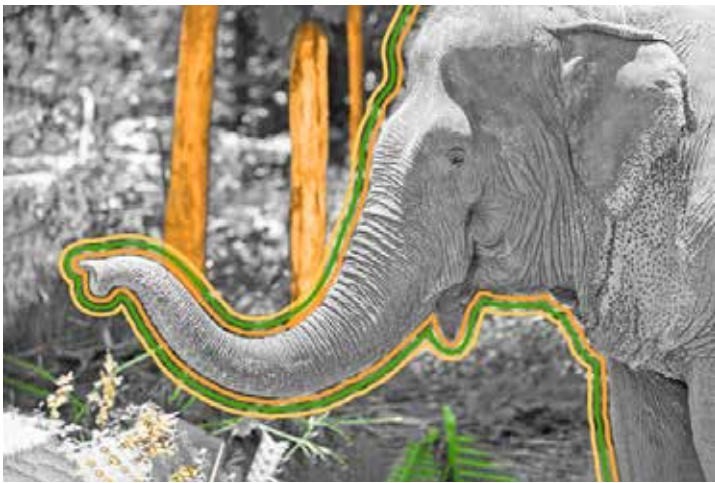


#### **Directions**

1. Cut bananas in half lengthwise, then widthwise; layer in the bottom of a 1-1/2-qt. slow cooker. Combine brown sugar, butter, rum, vanilla and cinnamon; pour over bananas. Cover and cook on low until heated through, about 1-1/2 hours.
2. Sprinkle with walnuts and coconut; cook 30 minutes longer. Serve with ice cream or pound cake if desired.



# ELEPHANTS



## **Elephant trunks have more than 40,000 muscles.**

The evolutionary philosophy of elephants might be described as “go big or go home.” Elephants are the largest land animals on Earth, sport the largest ears of any living creature, and are all-around the strongest mammals by a long shot. But their most famous feature (and the inspiration behind the name of their taxonomic order, Proboscidea) is their trunk, which can grow to 6 feet long. The trunk is central to the elephant’s survival, helping the beasts breathe, smell, eat, and drink, and it’s controlled by a network of 40,000 muscles. By comparison, the human body has only around 650 muscles *total*.

Although our hands are an impressive patchwork of muscles, the smallest skeletal muscle in the human body is in our inner ear. Called the stapedius, this mini-muscle is only 2 millimeters long and supports the body’s smallest bone — the vibration-conducting stapes.

But its large collection of muscles is only the beginning of an elephant trunk’s impressive capabilities. For one thing, the animal’s sense of smell is second to none — it’s been reported that elephants can smell water up to 12 miles away. One reason for this is that elephants have more scent receptors and a bigger olfactory bulb than any other living mammal (see: “go big or go home”), but this capability is helped along by the fact that an elephant trunk is essentially a sniffing antenna that can investigate smells closely

and accurately. Elephants are also the only mammals that can remain submerged deep in the water but still breathe, thanks to their snorkeling trunks. Some scientists hypothesize that the modern elephant’s water-wading ancestors possibly developed long trunks for this very purpose. All in all, the elephant trunk is a biological masterpiece some 40 million years in the making.

## **Numbers Don’t Lie**

Number of species of elephants: African savanna (bush), African forest, and Asian

## **THINK TWICE**

**The elephant’s closest living relatives look nothing like it.**

From their gargantuan size to their matriarchal social structure, elephants are truly unique creatures in the animal kingdom. In fact, their closest living biological relatives look nothing like them — one lives in the sea, and the other weighs only about 10 pounds. Sirenians, known less elegantly as “sea cows” (which includes manatees and dugongs), share a common ancestor group with elephants, one that died out around 50 million years ago and was likely a wading animal that lived near water. The elephant’s other close relative, the rock hyrax (*Procavia capensis*), looks more like a rodent than any sort of lumbering land giant. However, upon closer inspection, the rock hyrax and elephant do share similar toes, wrists, and skull structures. The rock hyrax also has oversized incisors that act similar to elephant tusks. When it comes to nature, there’s always *much* more than meets the eye.

# Hello April!





# APRIL

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Directors meeting 6 pm HOA meeting at 7 PM <i>April Fool's Day</i>	2 Koffee Klatch 9am	3 Bingo 7pm	4 Bible study 7 pm	5	6
7	8 Womens Fellowship at 7pm	9 Koffee Klatch 9am Community Craft Fair from 9-2 in Clubhouse	10 Bingo 7pm	11 Bible study 7 pm	12	13
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