

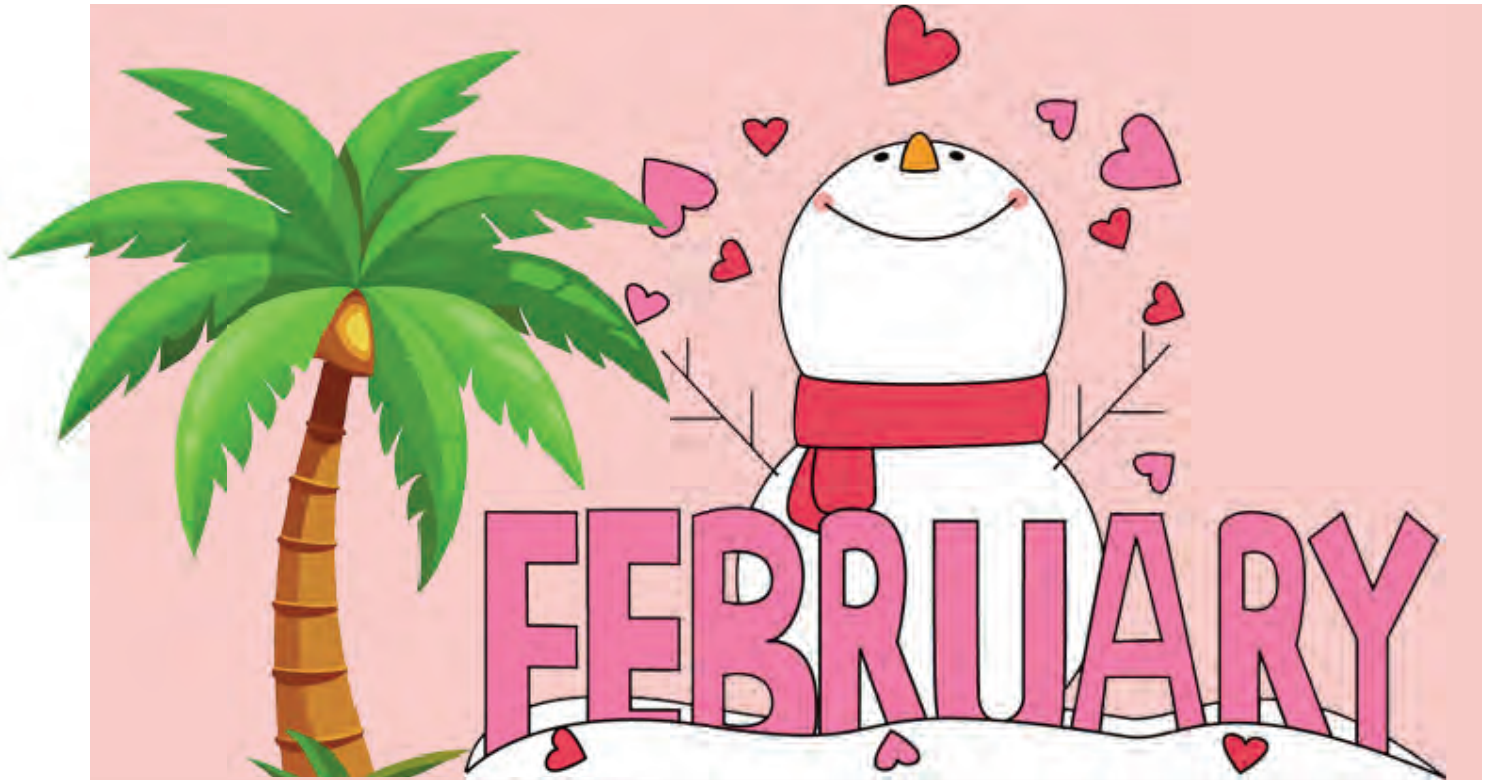


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Landscaping in Avalon

by Bill Simmons

January was the first month of our contract obligations agreed to with Avalon and CPM our newly hired landscaping company, yes they have been on site since mid November, filling in for the company that decided to not serve out their contract and in that time CPM discovered that approximately 40% of our irrigation system was not functioning, they have diligently worked on righting that wrong. We are now operating at 100% efficiency assuring us a greener spring and summer here in the community.

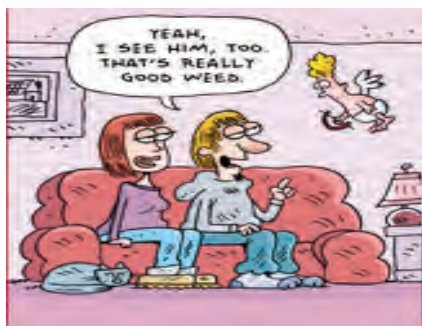
Remember that the valves, and the two control panels are not to be tampered with, the system once balanced and left to it own will function accordingly, If you as a resident override it for what you feel is a need to water your space, you have then thrown the system out of sync and the folks down line will be without water for that period until a tech is called out to reboot the system.

There are a few things that need remembering when purchasing new plants and shrubs that you intend to plant in the earth, first and foremost, if your planting in the front yard or backyard you need to submit a ARC form and have it reviewed for placement, zone recognition, watering needs and type of tree, plant or shrub that's taking the place of the same removed. And lastly , if you're putting in stones or gravel around your plantings it is mandatory that you use a border to prevent rocks from becoming missiles damaging people's windows and cars when yard maintenance is being performed by CPM staff.

It's planting season for herbs and vegetables for your backyard gardens. It's a wonderful hobby that I enjoy. I suggest that you use raised garden boxes, easily obtained from Amazon, our growing season in zone 10b and 11a is nearly all year long. Review this information on Google and enjoy the rewards. I'm always available to help new gardeners with projects here in the community and will continue to write a column to help us all become better stewards of the many opportunities we have at hand.

Happy Gardening

Bill Simmons



Good News from the newsletter team!

The TrailTalk Newsletter team had its first meeting of the new year on Saturday Jan 11th and it was a very rewarding meeting with lots of new ideas talked about for the upcoming newsletters for 2025, and we hope all will be open to participation! New columns and new stories to keep all Avalonian's entertained.

As before, this is a residents newsletter and *ALL* are invited to participate! 🌀

DID YOU KNOW?

DELRAY BEACH...*



An announcer and spectators line the Gulf Stream Polo Fields during a match, c. 1950s.

Did you know that Delray Beach was once considered the Winter Polo Capital? In the 1950s, polo was one of the most important sports in Delray Beach. Thousands flocked to the Gulf Stream Polo Fields to watch the weekly matches. Some even traveled by yacht to watch from the Intracoastal. The Duke and Duchess of Windsor frequented Gulf Stream, alongside movie stars, heiresses, and local Floridians. Players, like Stewart Iglehart, became central figures in the Delray Beach community. There were three fields with stables for over 150 horses and cottages for players. 🌀

#DelrayHistory #FromtheArchives

Avalon Trails Clubs...

TRAIL **TALK**

This page is being set aside for all the clubs forming at Avalon Trails and it is this page where the clubs can post information about their club activities and ANY upcoming events planned for the months ahead.

Avalon



By Linda Wain

The Avalon Trails BookClub met on January 13th. We had a dramatic presentation by Iris Weiss regarding "The Lion Women of Tehran". We all covered our heads to replicate the customs of the women in Iran. We all enjoyed the discussion that followed.

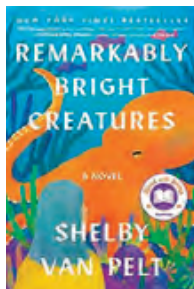
Next month on February 24th at 7 pm we will be reviewing the book "Remarkably Bright Creatures."

If you would like to join us, you can contact me and I will be glad to email you the book.

My email is: lindaandcliff@yahoo.com

Would love to see you there. ☺

Happy Reading! Linda Wain



THE TIME IS HERE TO JOIN AVALON TRAILS



2025

PICKLEBALL CLUB

2024 was an amazing year filled with great events including several ROUND ROBIN breakfast and play Tournaments, CUBAN NIGHT, PAELLA PARTY, THANKSGIVING / FRIENDSGIVING.

2025 will be bigger and better than ever.

Membership is open for resident owners and renters from AVALON TRAILS and now from our new neighbors from SOLERA

Annual membership \$25.00

Please forward all memberships via ZELLE or cash to: Charley Oberlender (Treasurer) at 954-258-3449



"The Art of the Meal"

with Susan Lamberton

Feb. 20th @ 6:00

Feb. 21st @ noon

\$15 fee. Limited space available.

**Arts
& Crafts
Club**

For more information contact
Marcy Schwarz at

516-659-7739 or you can email
her at: MarcyRSchwarz@gmail.com



We are planning an event at a local restaurant in February, watch for more details when available.

For more information contact Neil Keller at 301-922-2882 or email at: NeilKellerFL@gmail.com.

New Evening Game

Play MAH JONGG

Avalon Trails is looking for experienced mah jongg players that play with 13 tiles and a \$5 purse.

Games are scheduled on Mondays at 1:30PM and for those who work, Thursdays at 7PM. Days/times are subject to change based on the needs of the players.

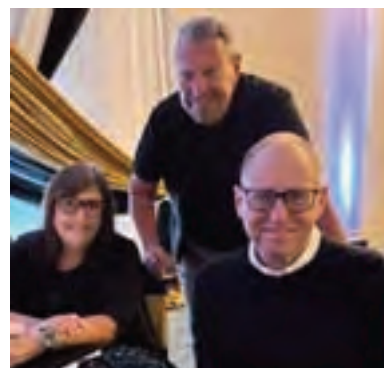
*If you want to learn how to play,
I can teach you on another day/time.*



Please email Bev Parnes at: beverlyparnes@gmail.com or text/call at 914-262-2694, indicate what day or evening.

*Avalon Trails 2025 New Years Eve Gala
was a Huge Hit for the Revelers
who Attended...*

TRAIL **TALK**



*...just 365 Days
until our 2026
NYE Gala!*



from the desk of...

by Lyn Ackerman

TRAILTALK

The Wild, Wacky World of Online Dating in your Sixties

The days of blind dates are long over...or are they? In the past, those of us in our sixties were often fixed up by well-meaning friends who insisted that "He/she is a perfect match for you!" Most of the time it didn't work out, but at least the dates were usually for dinner or a movie, so it wasn't a total waste. But now, we have entered the wild world



of online dating, where every date is more or less a "blind date." Seeing someone's photo online and meeting them in person can be a huge disconnect. There's the man who is in his eighties who claims to be 65, or the woman who posts a photo from fifteen years ago. But that's just the beginning. There are

scam artists and "players" and those who don't deserve a date. It's uncharted territory, and you enter at your own risk. But it's not all bad. Many folks have met the love of their life through an online dating app. It takes luck, and patience, a sense of humor, and a thick skin.

There are many different kinds of dating apps aimed at different types of people. Some are meant for a quick rendezvous, others for companionship, and still others for love and romance. Sometimes it takes a few tries on different apps to be successful. Based on my own personal experience, I have been asked if there are any secret formulas. My advice is: use your intuition, and keep your expectations reasonable. If a person seems too good to be true, he or she probably is faking something. If it's a minor matter like wearing a hat in a photo to cover a bald spot, that's one thing. If it's lying about your age, or your occupation, or your marital status, that's a whole other matter. Sadly, people do misrepresent themselves. The old advice of meeting in the daytime, in a public place, is still the best advice. Also, don't make judgments based on appearance. When you start to care for someone and develop strong feelings for them, it usually happens that they start to look more attractive. For better or worse, there are very few George Clooneys or Nicole Kidmans on dating apps, for obvious reasons. But for the rest of us, a pleasant appearance (and good manners) go a long way. If the person shows up on time, that's a plus. If they show up late, or not at all, cross them off the list and move on. And remember, there's always matches to be made on the pickleball court!

To sum up, you may have to kiss a lot of frogs to find your prince. 🐸

Has anyone discovered who is making these wonderful "feel-good" rocks?



Chinese Restaurants in the Area

by Bob Masters

I'm on a quest!



In a future issue of TrailTalk, I'd like to offer a list of Chinese eateries in the area. I have yet to find a "good" restaurant. I have dined at several recommended establishments but, for the likes of me, I just can not find that one place that has consistently good Chinese food no matter what you order.

So, with that being said, I'd welcome resident suggestions and will compile a list of my results. I lived in the northeast for most of my life and cannot find that perfect place for Chinese food the way I remember it when I lived in the Philadelphia/NY, NJ area.

I lived in the midwest for 20 years before retiring to Florida and it was an ongoing joke about how bland midwest food is/was. When moving to Florida, I thought I'd be able to find good Chinese restaurant, but, my search continues. I will be using your recommendations and eating at these places and I'll let you know the outcome!

I'm not an expert but I think I have a good palate for Chinese food. Please email me or put on Facebook your recommendations—this should be fun! 🐸



The Traveling Teacher –

By Donna DiNatale



Next stop: Japan

From neon-lit cities to rural villages to serene, natural landscapes, Japan never disappoints. The country dazzles with its natural beauty, rich history, and distinctive cuisine.

On our first full day in Tokyo, we met a local guide and embarked on a tour of Japan's bustling capital. Strolling through the colorful Harajuku neighborhood, we saw where Tokyo's history and present-day pop culture intertwine. This area is a vivid blend of fashion trends, rainbow-hued food and offbeat style.



We then explored Tokyo's old town, including the ancient Asakusa Kannon Buddhist Temple, the city's oldest, most colorful and sacred temple. It is perhaps the most famous and photographed temple in Tokyo, a city considered to be the capital of both temples and shrines in Japan.

After a short break for lunch, we perused a vibrant variety of handmade crafts and local fare at the centuries-old Nakamise Shopping Arcade. We all purchased some traditional souvenirs, tasty snacks and yummy sweets. We then returned to the hotel to rest before a special dinner that evening. We were going to try and craft our own authentic Japanese meal!

An experienced chef at a local restaurant invited the group to participate in a cooking lesson. Wearing our aprons, we watched as the chef demonstrated how to make traditional Japanese cuisine: sushi rolls, sesame spinach salad, and a chicken teriyaki bento box. What a treat!

All aboard! Stepping aboard a local train in Tokyo the following morning my group and I traveled to the seaside city of Kamakura, where we explored the countryside, temples, and shrines on a guided walking tour. The highlight of the day was a visit to the city's famous Great Buddha. Then we sat down for lunch and enjoyed free time to explore the arts and crafts for sale along Komachi Shopping Street before transferring back to Tokyo by train.



The next day we left Tokyo continuing to the Mount Fuji Region. We first stopped in Hakone, a resort town in the wakudani Valley. A photo stop at Mount Fuji, which stands an imposing 12,388 feet high, was amazing! We were lucky enough to be able to take in panoramic views of nearby lakes and villages from the midway-point observatory. Dinner that night was followed by free time to relax in the hotel's hot springs.

After exploring the town of Hakone on our own the next morning, we boarded the famous high-speed bullet train to Kyoto, the city that served as the capital of Japan for more than 1,000 years. Two main attractions of this city include the 17th-century Nijo Castle, which has a unique alarm system: floors that sound like a nightingale when walked on and the glittering Golden Pavilion, the retirement villa of the shogun Ashikaga Yoshimitsu. Inside the Pavilion, the group tapped into our unconscious mind during a guided Zen meditation session. Very relaxing!

A tea master, demonstrating the steps and customs of a traditional tea ceremony, joined us the next afternoon. He explained the function of the various utensils involved and the meaning of the symbolic gestures made as we sipped Matcha. Included in the ceremony were wa-

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Do any celebrities live in Delray Beach?

From top-tier athletes, to world-renowned musicians, to TV and movie stars, Palm Beach County has always had its share of famous people who have called it home.

There's a long list of celebrities who lived in Boca Raton and Delray Beach, like *Ariana Grande*, *Steffi Graf*, *Marilyn Manson* and *Adam Sandler* to name a few.

THE TRAVELING TEACHER—

(continued from page 7)

By Donna DiNatale



gashi, Japanese sweets often made from red beans, which nicely balance the bitterness of the matcha tea.

Later that day we traveled to the former capital city of Nara for a guided tour. The UNESCO-listed Buddhist Todaiji Temple, site of the world's largest bronze Buddha statue, was very impressive! We also walked through Nara Park, home to more than 1,200 wild deer considered sacred by locals.



At our last dinner together, the group shared what impressed them the most about Japan. For me it was how very friendly the locals were to make sure that we were happy. A far distance to travel but well worth the effort! 🌸

Hope to see you at the airport

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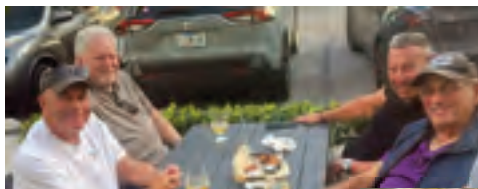
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First of the New Year! Men's Night out at Barrel of Monks Brewery, in Boca, was a Huge Success!

Photos compliments of Charley Oberlender





THE BOX UNDER THE BED

By Martin Arnold

Many of the best stories I have run into as a biographer could never be told, for one reason or another. In this case, several years ago, as I began penning this story for the family, they decided it would work best as a novel, I thought it had potential as play. So we parted company. That being said, I must offer a disclaimer. To paraphrase Dragnet, an old TV show, "The story you about to read is true, the names have been changed to protect the innocent" (and, in this case, the writer from being sued.)

To begin, there was a young lady named Sal who grew up in an unfortunate environment: at home she was abused. As soon as she could, she moved into a basement room with a locked door that offered protection.

As she became a teenager, she was befriended by Jim, a young boy who became at first a friend, later her lover and, at the end, her caretaker. Things were going well but by the time she was 18, a new man, entered her life. Like boyfriend Jim, Fred was a truck driver who came through town periodically.

Sal fell hard for Fred. Jim was quickly cast aside. Every time Fred rolled into town, they got together. All was going well until Fred's wife found out about the affair. She quickly put a stop to it.

Sal was devastated.

Fast forward 10 years or so. Jim came back into Sal's life. In fact, he never stopped loving her. But their affair was pretty much one-sided. Sal never forgot Fred. More time went by and Sal became ill and bedridden. Jim stepped up again and became her nurse, looking after her for several years. Ultimately Sal passed on. Poor Jim: he was first her friend, then her lover and finally her caretaker.



Now the family came back into the picture. Up until now they had little idea what was going on. As they cleared out Sal's things they found, under the bed, a box. Inside, to the family's surprise and amazement, was Sal's poetry, much of it pretty dark as it referred

enced her love affair not with Jim, but with Fred. The family did some editing and sent the result to a professor of poetry at the local college. The prof. said it was pretty good stuff so the family published it.

The name of the volume, of course, The Box Under the Bed. Now you know the story. ∞

DID YOU KNOW?

DELRAY BEACH...*



Briny Breezes, c. 1953. Located on A1A just north of Delray Beach, Briny Breezes began as a farm for turkey, cattle, and strawberries in 1920 by Ward Beecher Miller. During the 1930s, Miller rented his land to "tin can tourists" in travel trailers for \$3 per week. People were allowed to fish and camp for free if they bought Miller's milk and strawberries.

The park became even more popular after World War II as Delray's population and tourism industry boomed. In 1958, residents pooled their resources to purchase the Millers' land for \$1.5 million. They reportedly held a mortgage burning party when the note was paid off. Briny Breezes officially incorporated in 1963 as a town, corporation, and mobile home community. ∞

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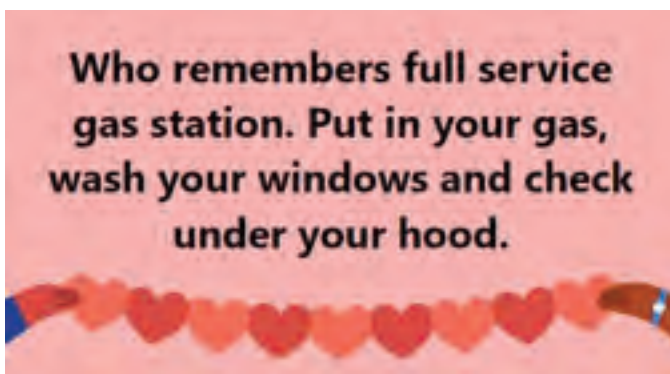
SAVE THE DATE
"Pooches & Smooches"
Valentine's Day Dog Event
Fri - 2/14 from 4-6:30 pm
More Details to follow!



page...for February

Mark Your Calendar for this Fun Event!

BALANCING ACT
STARRING *Jayne Curry*
Don't Miss Out on This Fabulous Show!
featuring Jane Curry
SUNDAY
February 16th at 8:00 PM
\$35.00 per person
Tickets on sale now
Tickets can be purchased in the clubhouse during office hours by check or Money Order. You can also place your check in the box located in the lobby of the clubhouse.
Join us for an unforgettable evening of talent and entertainment!
Any questions, please contact Teri Hoffman at 361-359-0363 or e-mail questions to AvalonTrailsSD@CampbellProperty.com



...and the rubber hose that used to ring the service bell?

Upcoming Events

February

- **Friday, February 7th** – 4:00pm & 6:00pm
– Mindful Meditation & Doodling
- **Sunday, February 9th** – 5:30pm
Superbowl Party
- **Thursday, February 14th** – 4-6pm
Valentines' Day Pooches and Smooches
- **Sunday, February 16th** – 8:00pm,
Jayne Curry
- **Saturday, February 22nd** – 4:00pm
Oscar Talk with Dan Hudak
- **Wednesday, February 26th** – 5:30pm
“NEW” Safety Series – Fire Safety

March

- **Sunday, March 2, 2025** – Oscar Party
- **Wednesday, March 5, 2025** – 5:30pm
“NEW” Safety Series
- **Friday, March 6, 2025** – 4:00 & 6:00pm,
Colors & Emotions
- **Monday, March 17th** – St. Patrick's Day
Scavenger Hunt
- **Saturday, March 22, 2025** – Tina Turner
Show



TrailTalk continues the series of day trips throughout Florida which will be interesting and an enjoyable day out – all within a day's drive!

by Bob Masters

This Secret Observation Tower In Florida Is So Worthy Of An Adventure



Seeking a fresh spot for your weekend escapades?

Perched in the heart of Florida's Treasure Coast, a somewhat clandestine spire pierces the sky, inviting adventure seekers to a panoramic experience like no other.

It's none other than the Jonathan Dickinson State Park Observation Tower. And let me tell you, it's an absolute must-visit for anyone with a penchant for heights, nature, and a dash of the unexpected!

Florida's landscapes are a tapestry woven with the threads of natural beauty, and this tower stands tall as one of the best vantage points to soak it all in. From the tower's lofty perch, the world unfolds below in a spectacle of lush greenery, winding waterways, and the undulating horizon.

Every step toward the Jonathan Dickinson State Park Observation Tower builds anticipation, much like the slow ratcheting climb of a roller coaster before the exhilarating descent.

The journey to the tower itself is part of the fun, with a trail that weaves through the park's rich ecosystems. Once at the base, a sturdy staircase awaits, beckoning you to ascend above the treetops.

Ascending the observation tower is an adventure in itself, a vertical pilgrimage for those who appreciate a good quad-burn with their sightseeing. It's an unspoken agree-

ment between you and the stairs: you endure the climb, and they deliver increasingly breathtaking views. ∞

(48 min (40.6 mi) via I-95 N)

Jonathan Dickinson State Park

16450 SE Federal Highway
Hobe Sound, FL 33455
(772) 546-2771

Middle-Of-Nowhere Restaurants In Florida That Are Worth The Drive

Riverside Cafe (Vero Beach)



The Riverside Cafe is not just a place to eat—it's a spot to unwind. With views of the Indian River and a laid-back vibe, this Vero Beach establishment serves up mouthwatering seafood and live music that sets the tone for a perfect evening.

It's the kind of place where time slows down, and the sunset views are as impressive as the menu.

Don't forget to visit their website for hours and entertainment listings. ∞

(1 hr 51 min (97.4 mi) via I-95 N)

RIVERSIDE CAFE (Vero Beach)

3341 Bridge Plaza Drive
Vero Beach, FL 32963
(772) 234-5550

From the Heart

Submitted by Monica Bernaducci

Meet Madam Jeanne Louise Calment



Meet Madam Jeanne Louise Calment, who had the longest confirmed human lifespan: 122 years, 164 days. Apparently, fate strongly approved of the way she lived her life. She was born in Arles, France, on February 21, 1875. The Eiffel Tower was built when she was 14 years old. It was at this time she met Vincent van Gogh. "He was dirty, badly dressed, and dis-

agreeable," she recalled in an interview given in 1988.

When she was 85, she took up fencing, and still rode her bike when she reached 100. At the age of 114, she starred in a film about her life, at age 115 she had an operation on her hip, and at age 117 she gave up smoking, having started at the age of 21 in 1896. She didn't give it up for health reasons; her reason was that she didn't like having to ask someone to help her light a cigarette once she was nearly blind.

In 1965, Jeanne was 90 years old and had no heirs. She signed a deal to sell her apartment to a 47-year-old lawyer called André-François Raffray. He agreed to pay her a monthly sum of 2,500 francs on the condition he would inherit her apartment after she died. However, Raffray not only ended up paying Jeanne for 30 years, but then died before she did at the age of 77. His widow was legally obliged to continue paying Madam Calment until the end of her days.

Jeanne retained sharp mental faculties. When she was

asked on her 120th birthday what kind of future she expected to have. Her reply, "A very short one."

Here are the Rules of Life from Jeanne Louise Calment:

"I'm in love with wine."

"All babies are beautiful."

"I think I will die of laughter."

"I've been forgotten by our Good Lord."

"I've got only one wrinkle, and I'm sitting on it."

"I never wear mascara; I laugh until I cry often."

"If you can't change something, don't worry about it."

"Always keep your smile. That's how I explain my long life."

"I see badly, I hear badly, and I feel bad, but everything's fine."

"I have a huge desire to live and a big appetite, especially for sweets."

"I have legs of iron, but to tell you the truth, they're starting to rust and buckle a bit."

"I took pleasure when I could. I acted clearly and morally and without regret. I'm very lucky."

"Being young is a state of mind, it doesn't depend on one's body. I'm actually still a young girl, it's just that I haven't looked so good for the past 70 years."

At the end of one interview, the journalist said, "Madame, I hope we will meet again sometime next year." To which Jeanne replied, "Why not? You're not that old; you'll still be here!"

(The image with the wings is a piece of art by L. Lichtenfells)

HERE ARE SOME FUN FACTS ABOUT VALENTINE'S DAY:

- **The first valentine was a poem** —The oldest known valentine is a poem written in 1415 by Charles, Duke of Orleans, to his wife while he was imprisoned in the Tower of London.
- **Cupid was originally the Greek god Eros** —Before he was renamed Cupid, the chubby baby with wings and a bow and arrow was known to the ancient Greeks as Eros, the god of love.
- **Candy hearts were originally medical lozenges** —The iconic heart-shaped confections were originally supposed to be medical lozenges.

- **Women buy most of the valentines** —Women tend to buy approximately 85% of all the Valentine's Day cards sold.
- **People buy gifts for their pets** —In 2021, more than 72 million American adults bought Valentine's Day gifts for their pets.
- **"X" originally meant "the cross"** —Before "X" stood for a kiss, it represented the cross at the end of a letter.
- **Valentine's Day is the second most popular day for sending cards** —Valentine's Day is the second most popular day of the year for sending cards, second only to Christmas.
- **Americans spent nearly \$26 billion on Valentine's Day gifts in 2023** —According to the National Retail Federation, Americans spent nearly \$26 billion on Valentine's Day gifts in 2023.

A Postcard-Worthy Road Trip That Will Take You To 12 Secret Shorelines In Florida

Looking for an unforgettable coastal adventure? Well, pack your sunscreen and sense of adventure, because we're about to embark on a journey to 12 of the Sunshine State's best-kept coastal secrets!



1. Blowing Rocks Preserve (Hobe Sound)

Who needs car washes when you've got nature's own spray station? Just don't park too close to these aquatic acrobatics!



2. Sunset Beach Park (Tarpon Springs)

Journey's end or beginning? This heart-shaped oasis is the perfect pit stop for road-weary souls seeking seaside solace.



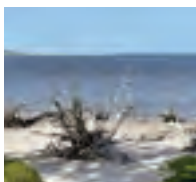
3. Caladesi Island State Park (Dunedin)

Caladesi Island is the introvert of Florida beaches – a bit hard to get to, but totally worth the effort once you're there.



4. Lovers Key State Park (Fort Myers Beach)

Don't let the name fool you – Lovers Key isn't just for those in the throes of romance.



5. Boneyard Beach (Big Talbot Island)

If Tim Burton designed a beach, it might look something like Boneyard Beach. Detour into Davy Jones' driftwood locker! This beach turns roadside attractions into seaside wonders.



6. Cayo Costa State Park (Pine Island)

Leave the car behind and let a boat be your highway to heaven. Accessible only by boat or ferry, Cayo Costa is the beach equivalent of finding a \$20 bill in your old jeans.



7. Clam Pass Park (Naples)

Clam Pass Park is like the speakeasy of beaches – a bit hidden, but oh so worth finding, you'll need to take a boardwalk through a mangrove forest.

8. Washington Oaks Gardens State Park (Palm Coast)

Washington Oaks Gardens State Park is what happens when someone says, "Let's mash up a formal garden with a rugged beach and see what happens." A Jekyll and Hyde of parks that's utterly captivating.



9. Bahia Honda State Park (Big Pine Key)

Bridge the gap between road trip and relaxation at this Keys paradise. No tolls, just breathtaking views! Crystal-clear waters? Check. Soft sand beaches? You bet.



10. Honeymoon Island State Park (Dunedin)

The ultimate pit stop for lovebirds and beach enthusiasts alike. Warning: You might never want to hit the road again! Despite its name, Honeymoon Island isn't just for newlyweds.



11. Bowman's Beach (Sanibel Island)

The perfect detour for shell-ebrity spotting! Park your car and start combing – fame awaits on these sands. Bowman's Beach on Sanibel Island is the holy grail for shell seekers. It's like Mother Nature decided to empty her jewelry box all over the shore.



12. John D. MacArthur Beach State Park (North Palm Beach)

The scenic route just got an upgrade! Trade asphalt for wooden planks on this beachside boardwalk adventure. John D. MacArthur Beach State Park is like the Swiss Army knife of beaches – it's got a tool for every job.



There you are, a road trip that is certainly worth the adventure! So, be it a day or a week — fill up the car with a tank of gas and set your sights on a wonderful trip visiting these amazing Florida beaches! 🌊

DINING OUT



Here you will find fun places to eat!

by Bob Masters

From time-to-time we will inspire you to just get out and find a fun place to eat or try.

Delray Beach and surrounding areas have a wealth of fun eateries featuring exciting foods and cuisines. You can find from cheap to the most expensive but I will try to keep my findings to places of affordability!



RIVERSIDE CAFE (Vero Beach)
3341 Bridge Plaza Drive
Vero Beach, FL 32963
(772) 234-5550

The Riverside Cafe is not just a place to eat—it's a spot to unwind. With views of the Indian River and a laid-back vibe, this Vero Beach establishment serves up mouthwatering seafood and live music that sets the tone for a perfect evening.

It's the kind of place where time slows down, and the sunset views are as impressive as the menu.



Le Tub, Hollywood
1100 N Ocean Dr,
Hollywood, FL 33019
(954) 921-9425

Originally a Sunoco gas station right on the Intracoastal waterway, Le Tub opened in 1975, and the first thing you notice today are the old-fashioned claw foot bathtubs filled with plants, flowers and palms surrounded by driftwood that greet you at the entrance, on the patios, dock and walkways. Great and simple menu selections and the burgers are worth the wait if you have to stand in line! Jeanne and I were there for an early dinner and we did not have to wait. Has outdoor seating. Doesn't accept reservations!



Poppies Restaurant & Deli
BocaRay Plaza
4900 Linton Blvd
Delray Beach, FL 33445
(561) 498-4900

The tradition of a New York Deli and Jewish comfort food in Delray Beach. Excellent food, service and the bagels are to die for! Nice deli, and bakery

TRAILTALK



The Banana Boat
739 E Ocean Ave
Boynton Beach, FL 33435
561-732-9400

The Banana Boat is a family owned restaurant opened in 1971. The owners and staff take great pride in offering an "Authentic Florida Experience" for both locals and tourists seeking fresh seafood, fun appetizers, sandwiches and cocktails, at reasonable prices, overlooking the Intracoastal Waterway at East Ocean Avenue.



John G's
Plaza Del Mar
264 S Ocean Blvd,
Manalapan, FL 33462
(561) 585-9860

John G's has been in the Lake Worth and Manalapan area for over 50 years. The restaurant located in the Plaza Del Mar shopping center is the place to go for breakfast or lunch. The restaurant, serving smiles and our best dishes for over 50 years! Don't miss our famous Almond French Toast and Fish & Chips – have you tried them? We accept credit cards and offer wine, beer, and cocktails. Our dog-friendly patio is the perfect place to relax.

Join in daily from 8 AM to 3 PM – Worth the drive!



HARRY AND THE NATIVES
11910 SE Federal Hwy,
Hobe Sound, FL 33455
(772) 546-3061

Let me introduce you to a dining experience that feels like a warm Florida hug. Look no further than Harry and the Natives in Hobe Sound—a cozy roadside retreat known for its mouthwatering cuisine and effortlessly relaxed atmosphere.



Two Georges Waterfront Grille
728 Casa Loma Blvd
Boynton Beach, FL 33435
(561) 736-2717

Lively destination offering seafood classics & cocktails, plus waterfront views.

This waterfront restaurant, lounge & sports Bar, offers a full menu, indulge in our famous Maryland crab cakes or cool off with a frozen cocktail under our thatch roof. Featuring live music weekends.

Off-Leash Dog Parks in Delray Beach Area

There's one off-leash dog park in Delray Beach, and a number more nearby (here are 5 in the area).



1. LAKE IDA DOG PARK

1455 Lake Ida Rd, Delray Beach, FL, US, 33444

Lake Ida Dog Park features a double-gated entry with separate areas for small and large dogs in Delray Beach, FL. This popular fenced park is full of amenities including a Fido fountain, paved dog wash station, benches, waste bag dispensers, covered trash cans and restrooms.

2. CANINE COVE AT BURT AARONSON

SOUTH COUNTY REGIONAL PARK
12551 Glades Rd, Boca Raton FL, US, 33498

Canine Cove at Burt Aaronson South County Regional Park is located in Boca Raton, FL. Locals love this beautiful, fenced off-leash dog park, which includes four separate areas for different sized dogs, gazebos for shade, drinking water, waste stations, a pet washing station and benches to rest on. The park is closed on Wednesdays 12 PM until 3 PM for maintenance.

3. BRK REPUBLIC TAP HOUSE & DOG PARK

521 Clematis St
West Palm Beach, FL, US, 33401

Dog-friendly BRK Republic Tap House & Dog Park is an indoor dog park with a bar for humans in West Palm Beach, FL. They offer day passes as well as monthly and annual memberships. Bring your pooch along to play and make new friends, while you enjoy a nice cold beverage. They also have a dog wash station, and you can even rent space for a party or special event.

4. WELLINGTON DOG PARK

2975 Greenbriar Blvd
Wellington, FL, US, 33414

Bring Fido to Wellington Dog Park for an afternoon of off-leash play at this lovely wooded area in Wellington, FL. The fenced dog park is located within Greenbriar Park, which features amenities including water fountains, shade pavilions, walking paths and restrooms.

5. MIZNER BARK DOG PARK

751 Banyan Trail
Boca Raton, FL, US, 33431

Mizner Bark Dog Park is an off-leash area for pups in Boca Raton, FL. There are three fenced sections for dogs of varying sizes to enjoy. Fresh water and doggie bags are available, and benches are located throughout the park. An annual or monthly permit is required. 🐾

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As Artie See's It

By: Artie Bernaducci

Your REAL Life Expectancy Can Dramatically Affect Your Retirement Plan

While it's a topic many would like to avoid talking about, dealing with life expectancy is vitally important when mapping out your retirement plan. Any retirement plan that doesn't make certain assumptions about when clients are "expected" to pass away isn't very good.

What's the **best way to calculate** your Life Expectancy (LE)?

There are three simple ways to calculate your LE:

- 1) Use the **CDC** (Center for Disease Control) LE tables
- 2) Use the **IRS** (Internal Revenue Service) RMD (Required Minimum Distribution) LE table
- 3) Use an LE table provided by a **life insurance company**

Which one should be used? It seems that most people use the CDC table. This could be a *mistake*. Why? Because it is significantly different than the IRS and life insurance company's numbers. See the following chart with LE numbers for various ages.

	M-CDC	M-IRS	M-Life Co	F-CDC	F-IRS	F-Life Co
45 Year Old	78	86	85	82	86	88
55 Year Old	79	87	86	83	87	88
65 Year Old	82	88	88	85	88	92
75 Year Old	85	90	90	87	90	92

Why should we trust the life insurance company's number? Because they have been running these numbers for over 100 years. They know how to price life insurance so they make a profit.

Generally speaking, few "trust" the IRS but since their numbers are so similar to the insurance companies' numbers, it lends credibility to the numbers.

What if you are healthy? Neither the IRS nor CDC take into account health. The insurance company numbers from

above assume you are rated "standard" for underwriting purposes. What if you are rated "preferred"?

45-year old = 90

55-year old = 91

65-year old = 92

75-year old = 94

Being healthy extended the life expectancy numbers by two years.

What if you are married? The joint life numbers are very interesting. Let's look at the life insurance numbers for both "standard" and "preferred" underwriting.

Standard

45-year old = 92

55-year old = 92

65-year old = 93

75-year old = 94

Preferred

45-year old = 95

55-year old = 95

65-year old = 95

75-year old = 97

Why do these numbers matter?

Simply stated, it's impossible to put together a safe and secure retirement plan if you are not using the right LE tables to best plan for when you are going to pass away.

If you use the **CDC guidelines** and you are **55-years old**, you'll plan on living until **age 79**.

If you use the **life insurance company** numbers, you'd plan on living until **age 86**.

If you are *healthy*, and used the life insurance company numbers, you'd plan on **age 91**.

If you are *married* and are both *healthy*, you'd plan on the 2nd spouse passing away at **age 95**.

There are **significant financial/retirement planning decisions** that will be dramatically different if you are planning to live to **age 79 vs. 86 vs. 95**.

If you have any questions about this, please don't be shy, Just ask me. I am not going to ask you to buy anything!

Do you love music? Live theater filled with stories of intrigue and love, heroes and villains?



Then opera may be the choice for you! Hear some of the world's most beautiful voices tell ageless and relevant stories that tug at the heart and often leave you inspired.

The Met: Live in HD is the New York Metropolitan Opera's Peabody and Emmy Award-winning series of live performance transmissions, shown in high definition in movie theaters across the globe. The Met's groundbreaking series offers audiences a front-row seat to spectacular *live productions*—plus, during intermissions, viewers can go behind the scenes with exclusive backstage access and interviews. As a Live in HD Ambassador, I am one of 34 volunteers across the country for the Metropolitan Opera who help generate awareness for the Met's Live in HD series of cinema transmissions in their local communities. Music and live theater have been a part of my life for as long as I can remember and as a teenager I was introduced to opera by my mother. After seeing *Carmen*, I was hooked. As a Live in HD Ambassador, I am able to meet & greet local residents throughout the opera season (there are 8 broadcasts in 2024–2025). Before each broadcast, I provide background on the featured broadcast which may include history of the opera and performers. During intermission(s), I also engage with the audience through trivia questions and gain feedback that I pass along to The Met.

The broadcasts occur on Saturdays beginning at 1:00 pm, but there are also options to take in encore performances during the week. If you are interested in attending one of the local broadcasts at the Movies of Delray, please reach out to me, Claudia Glass at (301) 740-6818 or by email to: glassc6410@gmail.com. ☺

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What's Around The Block... Activities in the Area for February

By Beverly Parnes

Here are things to do for February locally

DATE	TIME	EVENT	VENUE
1-Feb	8PM	The Doo Wop Project	The Parker
1-Feb	8PM	The Mid Atlantic Men	Huntington Pointe
1-Feb	1PM	Aida, The Metropolitan Opera	Movies of Delray
2-Feb	7PM	Chris Botti	The Parker
3-Feb	8PM	Chris Botti	Kravis Center
4-Feb	11AM, 2PM	Tribute to Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens, and the Big Bopper	Kravis Center
4-Feb	2PM	Pop Hits by Jewish Artists	Delray Beach Playhouse
5-Feb	8PM	Michael Feinstein - A Tribute to Tony Bennett	Kravis Center
5-Feb	2PM	Pop Hits by Jewish Artists	Delray Beach Playhouse
5-Feb	6:30PM	Oldies from 50s & 60s	Delray Marketplace
6-Feb	8PM	Vanilla Fudge	Boca Black Box
6-Feb	8PM	Mandy Patinkin	Broward Center
6-Feb	12PM	Lunch Box Matinee: Harvey Granat sings Rodgers & Hammerstein	Delray Beach Playhouse
7-Feb	8PM	Andrew Clay Dice, Vanilla Fudge	Boca Black Box
7-Feb	8PM	The Drifters	Broward Center
7-Feb	7:30PM	Beatles vs. Stones: The Greatest Show that Never Was	Mizner Park Amphitheater
7-Feb	7:30PM	Still Standing-Elton John	Galuppis
8-Feb	8PM	Foghat	The Parker
8-Feb	3PM, 8PM	Bee Gees Now!	Aventura Center
8-Feb	8PM	Buron Cummings from Guess Who and Jim Messina	Broward Center
11-Feb	7:30PM	Herb Alpert & the Tijuana Brass	The Parker
12-Feb	8PM	The Sound of the 60s	Kings Point
12-Feb	6:30PM	Huey Lewis & the News	Delray Marketplace
13-Feb	8PM	Atlantic City Boys	Boca Black Box
14-Feb	8PM	Celebrating Celine	Kings Point
14-Feb	8PM	The Motowners	Arts Garage
14-Feb	7:30PM	Don Jovi-Tribute to Bon Jovi	Galuppis
14-Feb	5:30PM	Valentine's dinner w/brass band	Galuppis
15-Feb	7PM-9PM	Legends on the Lawn	Canyon Amphitheater, Boynton
15-Feb	7PM, 9PM	The Drifters	Boca Black Box
15-Feb	3PM	Tommy Dorsey Orchestra	The Parker
15-Feb	8PM	The Motowners	Arts Garage
15-Feb	7:30PM	Start Me Up: Rolling Stones Tribute	Galuppis
19-Feb	8PM	Crystal Ship: The Doors Tribute	Boca Black Box
19-Feb	8PM	The Lovin' Spoonful	Kings Point
19-Feb	8PM	L'Chaim-A Toast to the Jewish Legacy	Aventura Center
19-Feb	8PM	Paul Anka	Broward Center
19-Feb	6:30PM	Doo Wop, Motown, Disco, Classic	Delray Marketplace

Activities in the Area for February (continued from page 18)

DATE	TIME	EVENT	VENUE
20-Feb	8PM	The Wilburys: A Traveling Tribute	Boca Black Box
20-Feb	8PM	L'Chaim-A Toast to the Jewish Legacy	Aventura Center
20-Feb	7:30PM	A J Croce- son of Jim	The Parker
20-Feb	8PM	Nikki Glasser-Comedian (Golden Globes Host)	Broward Center
21-Feb	8PM	Celebrate-A Tribute to Bands of the 60's	Kings Point
21-Feb	7:30PM	Robin Trower from Procol Haram	The Parker
21-Feb	8PM	The Lovin' Spoonful	Aventura Center
21-Feb	7:30PM	Ruben Studdard - American Idol	Studio @Mizner Park
22-Feb	7PM	That Motown Band	The Parker
22-Feb	2PM, 7:30PM	An Evening with Priscilla Presley	The Wick
22-Feb	8PM	James Stephens III - singer, dancer, impressionist, comedian	Huntington Pointe
22-Feb	7PM	Ribs n' Brew Fest, Unlimited ribs, beer, live music \$79	Sunset Cove Amphitheater
22-Feb	8PM	Yacht Rock	Arts Garage
22-Feb	7:30PM	Turnstiles- tribute to Billy Joel	Galuppi
23-Feb	12PM	Exotic Cars & Whiskey Gala	Batch New Southern Kitchen, Delray Marketplace
23-Feb	7PM	Satisfaction: The International Rolling Stones Tribute	Boca Black Box
24-Feb	7:30PM	An evening with Isaac Mizrahi	Kravis Center
25-Feb	7:30PM	An evening with Isaac Mizrahi	Kravis Center
25-Feb	5-9PM	Twilight Tribute Concert: The Cure, Duran Duran, David Bowie &	Old School Square – \$10
26-Feb	7:30PM	Nitty Gritty Dirt Band	The Parker
26-Feb	6:30PM	70s-90s Disco, Motown & More	Delray Marketplace
27-Feb	11AM, 2PM	Trailblazing Women of Country: Patsy, Loretta and Dolly	Kravis Center
27-Feb	7:30PM	Little Feat	The Parker
27-Feb	7:30PM	Tribute to Cold Play	Galuppi
28-Feb	8PM	Houses of the Holy: The True Zeppelin Experience	Boca Black Box
28-Feb	8PM	Dancing with the Stars	Hard Rock Live
28-Feb	7:30PM	Kate Pierson of the B-52s	The Parker
28-Feb	8PM	L'Chaim-A Toast to the Jewish Legacy	Kings Point
28-Feb	8PM	Italian Bride -The Hilarious Hit Show	Delray Beach Playhouse
MULTIPLE DATES			
Feb 1-2	mat/eve	Funny Girl	Kravis Center
Feb 7-9	mat/eve	Riverdance 30-The New Generation	Kravis Center
Feb 12-16	mat/eve	Peter Pan	Kravis Center
Feb 13-15	mat/eve	Mike Birbiglia-Comedy	Kravis Center
Feb 21-23	mat/eve	Palm Beach Opera presents La Traviata	Kravis Center
Feb 5-18	evenings	Modi's Pause for Laughter Tour	The Parker
Feb 1-23	mat/eve	Jimmy Buffetts Escape to Margaritaville	Delray Beach Playhouse
Feb 10-13	mat/eve	Linda Paul-This Could Be the Start	Delray Beach Playhouse
Feb 17-20	1PM	Funny Women of a Certain Age	Delray Beach Playhouse

Activities in the Area for February (continued from page 19)

DATE	TIME	EVENT	VENUE
MULTIPLE DATES (Continued)			
Feb 24-26	2PM	Tapestry - A Carole King Songbook	Delray Beach Playhouse
Feb 27-28	3PM	The Edwards Twins – final farewell	Delray Beach Playhouse
Feb 1-16	mat/eve	Beautiful-The Carole King Musical	Wick Theater
Feb 14-23	mat/eve	I Love You, You're Perfect, Now	Willow Theater
Feb 13-16	19-23 mat/eve	Mr. Swindle's Peculiarium Under a Big Top	Mizner Park Amphitheater
ART/CRAFTS SHOWS			
Feb 1-2	all day	South Florida Garlic Festival	Wellington Amphitheater
8-Feb	all day	Boca Raton Winter Fine Art Show	Sanborn Square Park, Boca
Feb 14-16	all day	Palm Beach Fine Craft Show	Palm Beach County Convention Center
Feb 15-16	all day	Artigras Fine Arts Festival 300 artists	Abacoa Town Center, Jupiter
Feb 15-17	all day	Coconut Grove Arts Festival 360 artist	Downtown Coconut Grove
Feb 15-16	all day	Ft. Lauderdale Beach Arts & Crafts Fair	3351 NE 32nd Street, Ft. Lauderdale
Feb 22-23	all day	Street Painting Festival 701 Lake Ave.	Lake Worth
OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE, FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY (OLLI Florida Atlantic)			
3-Feb	3-4:30PM	Estee Lauder: A Historical Portrayal	FAU
11-Feb	12:30-2PM	Memory as We Age	FAU
13-Feb	12:30-2PM	The Life Journey of the First Four Female Supreme Court Justices	FAU
14-Feb	10-11:30AM	The Fracturing Relations Between US & Israeli Jews	FAU

Venues

- **Arts Garage** — 94 NE 2nd Ave,
Delray Beach, FL 33444, (561) 450-6357
- **Aventura Arts & Cultural Center** — 3385 NE
188th St., Aventura, FL 33180,
(877) 311-7469
- **Boca Black Box** — 8221 Glades Rd Suite #10,
Boca Raton, FL 33434, (561) 483-9036
- **Broward Center** — 201 SW 5th Ave,
Ft Lauderdale, FL 33312, (954) 462-0222
- **Delray Beach Playhouse** — 950 NW 9th St,
Delray Beach, FL 33444, (561) 272-1281
- **Delray Marketplace** — 9025 W Atlantic Ave,
Delray Beach, FL 33446, (561) 865-4613
- **Funky biscuit** — 303 SE Mizner Blvd #59,
Boca Raton, FL 33432, (561) 395-2929
- **Galuppi's** — 1103 N Federal Hwy,
Pompano Beach, FL 33062,
(954) 785-0226

- **Hard Rock Live** — Seminole Hard Rock Hotel &
Casino, 1 Seminole Way, Davie, FL 33314,
(954) 797-5531
- **Kings Point Theatre** — 7000 W Atlantic Ave,
Delray Beach, FL 33446, (561) 499-3335
- **Kravis Center for the Performing Arts** — 701
Okeechobee Blvd,
West Palm Beach, FL 33401, (561)
832-7469
- **Mizner Park Amphitheater** — 590 Plaza Real,
Boca Raton, FL 33432, (561) 393-7890
- **Old School Square Pavilion** — 51 N Swinton
Ave, Delray Beach, FL 33444,
(561) 243-1077
- **The Parker Playhouse** — 707 NE 8th St, Fort
Lauderdale, FL 33304, (954) 462-0222
- **The Wick Theater** — 7901 N Federal Hwy,
Boca Raton, FL 33487, (561) 995-2333

- **Sunset Cove Amphitheater** — 12551 Glades
Road, Boca Raton, FL 33498,
(561) 488-8069
- **Studio @ Mizner Park** — 201 W Plaza Real,
Boca Raton, FL 33432, (561) 203-3742
- **Movies of Delray** — Villages of Oriole Plaza,
7421 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach, FL
33446, (561) 638-0020
- **Huntington Pointe Theatre** — 6251 N Oriole
Blvd., Delray Beach, FL, 561.496.3801
- **Canyon Amphitheater** — Canyon Town Center,
8802 Boynton Bch Blvd, Boynton Beach, FL
33472, (561) 966-7094
- **Willow Theatre** — Sugar Sand Park Community
Ctr, 300 S Military Trail, Boca Raton, FL
33486, (561) 347-3948
- **Wellington Amphitheater** — 12100 Forest Hill
Blvd, Wellington, FL 33414, Phone: (561)
791-4000

TRIVIA TIME – TV shows from the 1960s and 1970s



Let us see how well you know two popular TV shows from the 1960s and 1970s that were produced by Sherwood Schwartz – Gilligan's Island & The Brady Bunch. No cheating. No google. The questions will get progressively harder. I hope you enjoy it.

1. When was the first episode of Gilligan's Island shown publicly on TV?
A. 1962 B. 1964 C. 1966 D. 1968
2. When was the first episode of The Brady Bunch shown on TV?
A. 1965 B. 1967 C. 1969 D. 1971
3. What was the name of the boat that Skipper & Gilligan took on this three hour tour?
A. SS Gilligan B. SS Sherwood C. SS Pacific D. SS Minnow
4. What job did Mike Brady have?
A. Architect B. CPA C. HOA Board Member D. School teacher
5. What color hat did Gilligan usually wear in the show?
A. White B. Red C. We do not know as the show was always shown in black & white D. Blue
6. Who played Jan Brady?
A. Ann B. Davis B. Susan Lambertson. C. Eve Plumb D. Maureen McCormick
7. What was Ginger's last name on the show?
A. Gordon B. Luft C. Howell D. Grant
8. What High School did the Brady children attend?
A. Eastdale B. Hickory C. Three Ponds D. Westdale
9. In what show was Bob Denver a regular before Gilligan's Island?
A. My Three Sons. B. The Many Loves of Dobie Gillis C. Bonanza D. Sonny & Cher
10. What was the name of the guy that Marcia pretended to date to get back at Greg?
A. George Glass B. Steve George C. Warren Mullaney D. Douglas Dittmeyer
11. Actor Kurt Russell was just 13 years old when he appeared on Gilligan's Island. What did they call him?
A. Jungle Boy B. Wiley Ranger C. Bar Mitzvah Boy D. Boy Wonder
12. What song did Marcia hear Davy Jones sing on The Brady Bunch?
A. Daydream Believer B. Girl C. We've Only Just Begun D. Look out
13. The Wellingtons sang the theme to Gilligan's Island. What did they call their rock band when they appeared in an episode?
A. The Mosquitoes B. The Beach Boys C. The Scorpions D. The Way Outs
14. What was Carol Brady's maiden name?
A. Martin B. Weinreb C. Channing D. Tyler
15. We asked before when the first Gilligan's Island episode was publicly shown. The pilot was not shown to the public until 1992. Where was the pilot filmed?
A. Oahu, HI B. Catalina Island, CA. C. Kauai, HI D. Key West, FL
16. Which regular Brady Bunch cast member was not in their final episode about hair tonic turning hair the color of orange?
A. Mike Brady B. Carol Brady C. Cindy Brady D. Bobby Brady

Please email me your answers and I will tell you how you did. Thank you. Neil
NeilKellerFL@gmail.com

Humor!



"I'm looking for an Uber driver who can take me back to 1964"