

# The Kings Point Democratic Voice

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# **Our President's Notes from Julie Fishman**

My column this month is in response to last month's "Random Thoughts" query, as to a major problem in our nation, and my thoughts as to a positive recommendation(s). To me, the most pressing issue is the changes made by the COVID Pan-

demic to the local and national workforce and the effects on employment.

The pandemic has required many businesses to allow remote working for so many employees and what these businesses are finding is that employees do not want to come back to the office. Employees have been able to better balance work and family by working from home. This means one of two things for the business: either they continue to allow employees to work from home or they lose that employee.

If the business is flexible in continuing to allow remote working, they, like many retail stores before them, will no longer need their current space. This will create a surplus in offices; again like the retail market where there are more storefronts than are needed. Since we are aware this will occur, government and business need to work together to devise a plan of action for those empty offices. Perhaps some could be converted into temporary/emergency housing or even permanent housing, especially with the eviction moratorium ending.

The other issue is what to do about restaurants not being able to get service staff back because staff makes more on unemployment than they do actually working. This is not a problem with the workers, but with a system that allows restaurants to pay \$2.01 an hour.

This is what I made as a young person, over 40 years ago!

In looking at how to best get our workforce back on its feet, I would suggest the federal and state governments look at updating an antiquated way of paying.

As always, my sincerest wishes for much happiness and great health, *Talie* 











# "RANDOM THOUGHTS" - YOUR RESPONSES by Geoff Grosky, Editor











LAST MONTH'S RANDOM RESPONSE COLUMN STARTED OUT: "Let's share our what we consider to be our major issues... Let's both think about the problems and talk about some positive solutions, be they local, national or world." I concluded with "LET'S SEE SOME REALLY GOOD RESPONSES!"

We did have some GREAT responses, from our membership and even from some distinguished area friends:

**Burt Scholl** (Fairfax): With respect to the question found in August's Random Thoughts article, I think the most crucial problem our nation faces is gun violence, because it is symptomatic of everything else that is wrong in American society today. One very direct and meaningful response would be the Federal reenactment of a law banning or limiting assault weapons. Such a measure, if only symbolic, would be of value to demonstrate a consensus on this menace to public safety. At the local level, cities like Tamarac can assert their concern about the insanity of easy accessibility to firearms. I hope that this doesn't come off as a rant, but this is a subject that obsesses me, both in the dangers it poses, as well as in the years of inaction by leadership in both State and Federal branches of Congress. I have often posted regarding this on Facebook and spoken directly to the Mayor, in to-date, futile efforts to make significant progress. I still think that with a concerted effort, perhaps our Club can be influential in this area.

Lurow Hall (Devon): I think an incredibly pressing problem in our 2021 society is the issue regarding those among us who for a variety of reasons, have failed to be vaccinated again the Covid-19 virus. Not only are they taking on grave personal risk, but are exposing all people - children and young people, middle-aged, and seniors, to that further risk. They are adding to the costs on hospitalization, not only in the sheer costs associated with hospital stays and treatment, but are also overcrowding our hospitals and their ICU facilities, and overworking and endangering their staffs. In addition, many who are in need of hospitalization are being endangered by the ballooning stress on hospitals in rural AND metropolitan regions all across our nation. I truly believe that the unvaccinated should be charged more for their insurance, especially as relates to medical care of covid - related illnesses.

Norman Bykofsky (Clairmont): In my opinion; There is no more pressing issue than "CLIMATE CHANGE"!!!!!!!!!!!! There may currently be, no "so called "realistic solution to this issue," because the world seemingly can not get along well enough to compromise and work together on anything that doesn't fit particular ideological profiles. However - if the nations of the world do not come together on this our progeny is doomed. What the world must do, regardless of the pain or cost, is put enough energy and money behind curtailing green house gasses or it will "SOON" be too late. The contribution to the effort should coincide with each nation's GDP or whatever formula works for the world's premier economists. The effort should than be turned over to a commission of scientists, doctors, engineers & technicians who have complete control of the effort and dare I say, "Let politics be damned." What we are witnessing now is only the beginning and if we continue to do next to nothing I truly fear for the coming generations. I personally do not want to be around for the consequences and suffering that will take place, should we continue to jeopardize our world's future by ignoring the science that so very clearly, stares us in the face.



**GLOBAL PROBLEMS - 2021** 

**LET'S FIX THE WORLD** 



Commissioner, Dr. Barbara Sharief: A very pressing issue is that Medicare does not currently cover long-term care, which is what our seniors need the most. A realistic solution is to get Congress to act to expand our Medicare benefits, specifically to allow for daily coverage of up to 8 hours of in-home support care for seniors experiencing serious chronic health conditions. I also believe that we can and must better educate seniors in applying for Medicaid Long Term Care and to streamline the system, in order to best help our senior community, as there is currently a long waiting list to process applications.

Donna Grosky (Granville): A very serious problem that must be addressed is the archaic "Filibuster" parliamentary procedure, which is currently in place. Its affect in debating a legislative proposal, is often a delaying or the actual blocking of a vote, even when a majority is in favor of a proposed bill. With the contentious and non-compromising battle between parties, that exists today, the filibuster has brought legislative efforts to an almost standstill. We need to end or reform this debate/filibuster/vote process, in order that meaningful legislation can be worked on, in a more bipartisan efforts, and then proceed via a simple majority rollcall vote. While this should probably be germane to ALL legislative efforts, it is MOST CRITICAL to today's issue as regards passing "Federal Voting Rights." Efforts to address and fix this quagmire, likely lie in putting pressure on Senators Manchin and Sinema from The Executive Branch, Congress itself, and the voters not only in their respective home states of West Virginia and Arizona, but from all states... as well as from organizations such a the KPIT Democratic Club. We need to act NOW, while the Democratic Party still holds a majority (slim though it may be) in both Houses of Congress, AND the White House!

If you would like to respond to any of the comments or add your own...

#### WHAT'S MOST PRESSING ISSUE IN YOUR OPINION? WHAT DO YOU THNK IS A REALISTIC SOLUTION?

Name:	Phone number:		
Email:	Please Email your response to: Geoff at: crunclass@aol.com		

#### **LET'S HEAR FROM OUR GENERAL MEMBERSHIP!**

SHARE YOUR OPINIONS WITH US. KNOWING HOW YOU FEEL, HELPS US TO BETTER PLAN ON HOW TO SERVE ALL OF YOU - AND THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY!IT'S SO IMPORTANT THAT WE HEAR FROM YOU!

We humbly pray for the recent losses of our US servicemen and women in Afghanistan.
We offer our condolences to

their families and to their many brothers and sisters in uniform.



Thank you all. Your sacrifices for our nation will be remembered always. God bless you and keep you, and God bless the United States of America.

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# **Kings Point Democratic Club in Tamarac**

# 2021 General Schedule

September No Meeting

October 20, 2021: 12:00 - 3:00

November 17, 2021: 6:30 - 9:30 December 15, 2021: 12:00 - 3:00

PLEASE MARK THIS WINTER'S BIG AND EXCITING, COMING

**EVENT IN YOUR CALENDAR** 

"KPIT DEMOCRATIC CLUB MEMBERSHIP DRIVE GALA EVENT"

DECEMBER 3, 2021, 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Lots of details in the coming few months!

# <u>Meetings</u>

**NEXT MEETING:** 

Wednesday, October 20, 2021

October				2021		
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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#### **OUR KPIT DEMOCRATIC CLUB MEETINGS REALLY DO HAVE A NUMBER OF GOOD PURPOSES:**

SOCIAL INTERACTION, SEEING OLD FRIENDS, MAKING NEW FRIENDS.

A CHANCE TO MAKE THE WORLD BETTER FOR OUR KIDS & GRANDKIDS.

TO KEEP US (AS SENIORS) INFORMED, INVOLVED, AND INTELLECTUALLY STIMULATED.

TO CAUSE A LITTLE (OR SOMETIMES, A LOT) OF GOOD "DEMOCRATIC" TROUBLE!

We do try to alternate our meeting times between afternoons and evenings to make it easier on the different schedules of our Kings Point community.

#### VERY IMPORTANT

Light lunches or dinners, with coffee, tea, and snacks provided. Work up an appetite and thirst for knowledge and helping our community, state, and nation!

# **Kings Point Democratic Club in Tamarac**

# **2021 Board of Directors Meeting Schedule**

Board Meetings are scheduled for the first Thursday of each month, from 1:00PM to 3:30 PM, in the KPIT Islamorada Room as follows:

September 2, 2021 November 4, 2021



October 7, 2021

December 2, 2021

# POLITICAL RECIPES - Tasty First Lady Treats from both sides of the kitchen.

# Jackie Kennedy's Waffle Recipe

This waffle recipe is said to have been a favorite of JFK's:

## **INGREDIENTS**

- ½ cup butter
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 2 egg yolks
- 7/8 cup milk, or 1 cup buttermilk
- 1 cup plus 1 tbsp. of sifted cake flour
- 1 pinch salt
- · 2 stiff beaten egg whites
- 4 teaspoon. baking powder PREPARATION



- 1. Cream butter and sugar, add egg yolks. Beat. Add flour and milk alternately. When ready to bake fold in egg whites, and add baking powder. The mixture should be thick and fluffy.
- 2. Cook in a waffle iron and serve with hot maple syrup and melted butter

# **Barbara Bush's Mushroom Quiche**

A mother of six, Barbara Bush was a stellar home chef and had a healthy appetite for everything from Tex-Mex cuisine to steaks.

# **INGREDIENTS**

3 tablespoons unsalted butter

3 green onions, minced

3 shallots, minced

1¾ teaspoons basil

<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> teaspoon marjoram

1/4 teaspoon thyme

4 eggs

1 unbaked 9-inch pie crust

1¼ pounds mushrooms, sliced

1 garlic clove, minced

1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> teaspoons oregano

1¼ teaspoons salt

½ teaspoon black pepper

½ teaspoon dry mustard

3/4 cup whole milk or half-and-half



## **PREPARATION**

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Melt butter in a large skillet over medium-high heat.

Sauté mushrooms, onions, garlic, and shallots together.

Stir in seasonings and cook 2 minutes until liquid is evaporated.

Cool 5 minutes. In a medium bowl combine eggs with milk or half-n-half and beat well.

Stir in mushroom mixture and pour into pie crust.

Bake about 35 to 45 minutes until filling is puffed, set and starting to brown.

# Betty Ford's Corn Pudding

This recipe comes courtesy of the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library Museum archive in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Though Betty was born in Chicago, she grew up in Grand Rapids, Michigan and this recipe makes use of the top vegetables grown in the state. **INGREDIENTS** 

16 oz. can whole kernel corn, drained 3 tablespoons flour pinch of salt

3 eggs

1 16 oz. can cream-style corn
1 teaspoon baking powder
2 tablespoons sugar
2 tablespoons melted butter 1 cup scalded milk.

#### PREPARATION

Put whole kernel corn into mixing bowl, add flour and mix well. Add cream-style corn, sugar, salt, pepper, baking powder and melted butter.

Beat eggs in separate bowl, add scalded milk to eggs and beat well again.

Pour over corn mixture, mix well.

Pour into Pyrex dish.

Cook corn pudding in a 350-degree oven on middle shelf for 40 to 45 minutes.



# Michelle Obama's Sweet-Potato Soufflé With Burnt Marshmallows

Save this recipe the Obama's made during their time in the White House for the holidays.

## **INGREDIENTS**

Filling:

3 sweet potatoes 4 sticks cinnamon 5 star anise

1 orange, quartered 2 tablespoon melted butter

Custard:

3 cups crème Fraiche 1 teaspoon vanilla extract 4 whole eggs

2 teaspoon ground cinnamon 1/2 tsp. ground nutmeg 1/2 tsp. salt

# Topping:

1 package mini marshmallows

# PREPARATION

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit. Bake the whole sweet potatoes & all the aromatics on a sheet tray until tender.
- 2. Scoop cooked sweet potatoes out of skins & pass through a chinois. Set aside to cool.
- 3. Mix together all the custard ingredients, then fold into the cooled potato puree. Pour into a baking dish and top with the mini marshmallows.
- 4. Bake for about 35 minutes, until marshmallows are toasted.

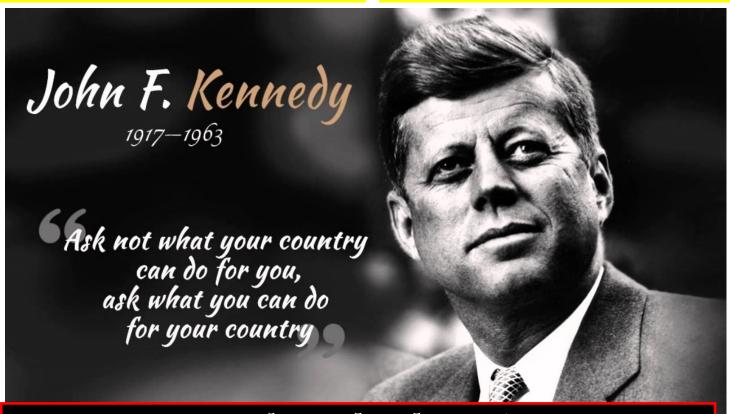


#### **GET INVOLVED!**

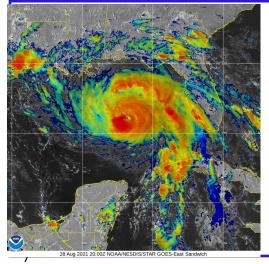
Get your family, friends, and neighbors involved. Bring a registered Democrat to our meetings. Bring a guest to our "Tuesday Tables and get him or her registered and to take part.

#### **GET INFORMED!**

Attend our monthly KPIT Democratic Club meetings. Read our newsletter. Find out about area events that can help our cause in electing Democrats! Do your part and MORE!



Let me paraphrase just a bit: "Ask not what the KPIT Democratic Club can do for you; ask what you can do for the Democratic Club and the Democratic Party, here in Broward County, throughout our state, and across the nation."



Our prayers, thoughts, and love go out to our sisters and brothers whose lives were tragically and forever affected by the very recent New Orleans Hurricane, "Ida." We mourn with you, and offer you, all of our support in any possible way we can. God bless and watch over you all.



**#LOUISIANASTRONG** 



# **SEPTEMBER QUIZ** -Fill in the blanks with the dates from those listed below.

All these big events happened in September. All you have to do is match the event with the year.

1	Britain and France declare war on Germany	year:
2	The siege of Malta ends with defeat of Napoleon's forces:	year:
3	Mickey Mantle play his last game September	year:
4	Chewing gum is 1st produced commercially in Sept	. year:
5	Teddy Roosevelt was a September baby, born in	year:
6	1st Lady, Martha Jefferson, born September 27th	year:
7	Ted Williams homers in final time at bat in	year:
8	The Liberty Bell arrived in Philadelphia in September	. year:
9	9/11/	year:
10	Ruth Bader Ginsburg dies in September	year:
11	California became our 51st state on September,	year:
12	Nathan Hale hung by British as a sny in	vear:

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**B - 1772** 

C - 2020

D - 1848

E - 1776

F - 1850

G - 2001

H - 1800

I - 1752

J - 1960

K - 1939

L - 1858

September EVENTS QUIZ

WATCH OUT! THIS IS A REALLY TOUGH QUIZ!

I SUGGEST THAT YOU DO THE EASY ONES 1ST,

AND THEN TRY TO FILL IN AS BEST YOU CAN.

# **GOOD LUCK!**

(Answers on the next page)

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# **QUIZ ANSWERS**

1: 1939

2: 1800

3: 1968

4: 1848

5: 1858

6: 1772

7: 1960

8: 1752

9: 2001

10: 2020

11: 1850

**12**: **1776** 



# SEPTEMBER WORLD EVENTS

# THROUGHOUT THE YEARS...

**HOW MANY QUIZ QUESTIONS DID YOU CORRECTLY ANSWER?** 

# **COVID 19 - DELTA VARIANT**



**GET TESTED!** 



**WEAR A MASK!** 



**GET VACCINATED!** 

**GET THE BOOSTER SHOT!** 

The DELTA VARIANT- a new and virulent strain of Covid - 19 has been identified, and is a very real threat to Southern Florida. Covid is again on the rise, and is again, accounting for a huge increase in both numbers of cases, and actual hospitalizations in Broward and Miami-Dade Counties. PLEASE - PLEASE - Take the utmost care in protecting yourself and loved ones!

# **BELIEVE THE SCIENCE!**

THE DEMOCRATIC CLUB, AS ALWAYS - OFFERS OUR WORDS OF PRAYERS, ADVICE, AND ANY POSSIBLE ACCESS TO KNOWN CONTACTS, FOR THE BEST COVID INFORMATION, WE CAN PASS ON TO YOU ON HOW BEST TO BE SAFE AND HEALTHY.

PLEASE CONTACT OUR BOARD, OR THE NEWSLETTER, FOR FURTHER DIRECTION.

# Our New 2021/2022 Kings Point in Tamarac Democratic Club Officers and Board

Officers
Julie Fishman **President** 

1st Vice President John Donnelly

2nd Vice President Lurow Hall

Secretary **Annie Latimer-Beeks** 

Treasurer **Joe Kientzy** 

Past President Mona M Malbranche



#### **Board of Directors**

**Norman Bykofsky Judy Camel Geoffrey Grosky Gerald Heller Helen Stoddard Burt Scholl** Dyanna Skolnick **Monique Sajous Gerry Streete** 

# **KPIT Democratic Club**

**Committees and Chairpersons - 2021** 

# COMMITTEE



# **ASSIGNMENTS**

Marketing & Communications – Work on branding and communication for the Club.

**Committee Chair** Julie Fishman -**Annie Latimer-Beeks Norman Bykofsky Jack Donnelly Geoffrey Grosky** 

**Budget/Finance – All things financial** 

Joe Kientzy - Committee Chair Sid Prine **Mona Malbranche** 

Bylaws - Go over current Bylaws and come back with any needed changes.

Mona Malbranche - Committee Chair

**Gerald Heller** Joe Kientzv Burt Scholl **Geoff Grosky** 

Candidate/Legislative - Work on candidate forums and put together information on candidates to share with the Club. Also, look at issues impacting us at the local state and national level.

Julie Fishman – **Committee Chair Gerald Heller Geoffrey Grosky** 

**Mona Malbranche Burt Scholl** 

**Norman Bykofsky** 

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<u>Newsletter</u> - Create, publish, & distribute monthly Democratic Voice Newsletter.

Geoffrey Grosky – Committee Chair Lurow Hall Gerald Heller Gerry Streete

<u>Phone Banking</u> – Work to get out the vote. Monique Sajous – Committee Chair

<u>Food and Greeting</u> – Set up, clean up and pass out food at monthly meeting. Greeting members in the meeting.

Judy Camel – Committee Chair Jack Donnelly Monique Sajous Dyanna Skolnick

Cruise - Plan annual cruise

Geoffrey Grosky – Committee Chair Roberta Kranz Norman Bykofsy Donna Grosky

<u>Fundraising</u> – Work on annual fundraising events and 50/50 ticket sales during monthly meetings. Create new opportunities to Fundraise.

Julie Fishman - Committee Chair

<u>Membership</u> – Help increase the membership of the Club.

Gerry Streete – Committee Chair Annie Latimer-Beeks Norman Bykofsky Lurow Hall Monique Sajous

If you would like to volunteer to serve on one of these committees, please contact the Committee Chairperson, or let Julie Fishman know, or even send an email or text to Geoff. These are important committees; your joining one of them is not only an act of service to the Democratic community, but should be a fun endeavor. <a href="LET'S ALL STEP UP">LET'S ALL</a> STEP UP! We really want an active club membership!

# STEP UP DEMOCRATS!



To our Jewish friends, we say, "Shana Tovah!"

We wish you and your loved ones all that is sweet and good

in this coming year... and for always.





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# **IMPORTANT VOTING NOTICE:**









RANDOM THOUGHTS

Anyone who needs to update his or her registration, request a mail-in ballot, or update their signature (which Broward County may or may not have), should come to the KPIT Democratic Club table on Tuesday mornings - between 9:00 and 11:00, and see Lurow Hall. The sooner you insure that you are up to date with county requirements, the better. Please remember there is an important election on November 2nd to elect a Democratic candidate to run in a January General Election to fill the US House seat, formerly held by the late, Congressman Alcee Hastings. If you have any questions, please reach out to Lurow, or our Club President, Julie Fishman, or even to direct your questions to the Newsletter or our website.

## **GEOFF'S RANDOM THOUGHTS FOR SEPTEMBER**

HELP ME OUT HERE - PLEASE! I am trying so VERY hard to figure out how to better involve YOU - our regular members, Board, and Officers in our own KPIT Democratic Club, as well as in the Democratic Process here in Tamarac, across Broward County and Florida, and even nationwide. I honestly don't know whether it's Covid, whether it's us being retired, cruising, leisure-living seniors, whether it's the feeling time has passed us by and this is the work of the "younger generations," or whether we just don't have the inclination or energy to be "more involved."

We have military vets in our club, who served in WWII, Korea, & Viet Nam. We have people who were medical personnel, healing our brothers & sis-

ters. Our members include leaders of industry, of politics, tradesmen, proud union workers, retailers & banking merchants, educators, homemakers, and from just about every walk of life. We've made a difference over nearly a century.

It is so important for you to be involved, in our democracy - at some level. I am challenging each and everyone in in the Club from Julie, to our other officers, and to ALL of our members to try to somehow become more or better involved. If you'd like some suggestions, you do know how to reach out to me.

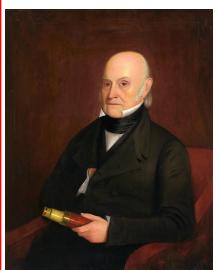


TO ELECT DEMOCRATS, ESPECIALLY HERE IN FLORIDA, WE NEED TO **ALL** WORK AS A UNITED TEAM - AND TO REALLY, REALLY WORK!

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CONCERNS, OR COMMENTS REGARDING THE NEWSLETTER, PLEASE ADDRESS THEM TO GEOFFREY GROSKY, DEMOCRATIC VOICE NEWSLETTER EDITOR, EITHER THROUGH THE KPIT DEMOCRATIC CLUB, DIRECTLY TO GEOFF VIA EMAIL: CRUNCLASS@AOL.COM, BY PHONE: (954) 366-1791, OR BY TEXT: (508) 284-2561. WE'D LOVE TO HAVE ARTICLES OR LETTERS TO THE EDITOR FROM OUR MEMBERSHIP. ANY MATERIAL SUBMITTED MUST INCLUDE YOUR NAME AND CONTACT NUMBER FOR EDITORIAL PURPOSES. SHOULD YOU THEN WISH TO NOT HAVE YOUR NAME INCLUDED, WE CAN ACCOMODATE YOUR REQUEST. - "Geoff"

# Quote of the Month

"If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader." -John Quincy Adams



Editor's note: I have a great niece who is starting her teaching career tomorrow. She asked on Facebook for words of advice. As a teacher and her great uncle, I dutifully passed on some sage words to her. A few hours later, in working on this newsletter, I came across these John Quincy Adams words which I quoted above. I then replied

words, which I quoted above. I then replied a second time to Shaina, – giving her the above quote as a great, time-tested guide-line for teachers AND all sorts of leaders.

Shaina - with much love, Uncle Geoff

Come visit us in the Cabaret Room at our Democratic Club Tables every Tuesday morning, from 9:00 - 11:00. Stop by and chat with our Club Officers and the Board. Give us your thoughts on today's world of local, state, and national politics and the direction, you'd like to see our Democratic Club and Party go. Bring a friend and sign them up with our KPIT Democratic Club! Take advantage of our special, INCREDIBLY low Democratic Club membership rate, of just \$7.50 for the rest of 2021!

# COME VISIT OUR TABLE!!!!!!



#### **BROWARD COUNTY COMMISSION SEPTEMBER 2021 NOTES**

# Michael Udine - City Commissioner, Vice Mayor -

Labor Day means firing up the grill and the beginning of the college football season (Go Gators!)! Local cities have many different festivities planned for you including  $^{\prime\prime}$  those in recognition of Hispanic Heritage Month. In addition, for all who celebrate I

would like to wish you a Happy Rosh Hashanah and a meaningful Yom Kippur.

Broward County Parks became the first parks system in the State of Florida to partner with a wayfinding app for the visually impaired. The Aira app is free for park patrons. You can download the application at any county park and connect instantly with a guide who can assist. From finding shelters, kayaks, restrooms, or many other features, our parks make accessibility a top priority. For more information visit Broward.org/Parks today!

I will be visiting Port Everglades to learn about the key role that port pilots play in the daily operations that are vital to our community. Port pilots guide ships in and out of our critical waterways whenever they are accessing the port. From longshoremen, to truck drivers, ship captains, and many in between, it takes a team of many skilled people for our port to run efficiently. I look forward to gaining insight into this critical job and seeing how Broward County can best continue to support them in the future.

Broward County hosts many events at our libraries both in person and virtually. One great program is the brand new "Director's Book Club" series with Broward County Library Director Allison Grubbs. This month's book is New York Times Bestseller, "The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks" by Rebecca Skloot. Check out the book today from your local library and get more information on the book club by visiting Broward.org/Library.

September is National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month. Mental health conditions can affect anyone and too often those who are struggling do not receive the support they need. If you or someone you know needs help, please reach out to Broward County's suicide prevention help line by dialing 211. Counselors are available 24 hours a day, and getting assistance is always confidential. #Let'sTalk and continue to break down the stigma surrounding mental health all year long. Know that you are supported by our community, and we are here for you no matter what.

2021 is the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the attacks on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001. I still remember that day clearly, as I am sure we all do, and where I was when I heard the news. The memories of those who lost their lives, and the heroes of that day will remain with us forever.

The top priority for my staff and I is staying connected with the residents of District 3. We are available by phone, email, and social media. Reach me at MUdine@Broward.org or at my office at (954) 357-7003. Follow on social media @CommissionerMichaelUdine on Facebook and @MichaelUdine on Twitter or Instagram to receive important updates and see what is happening in our community. Let's connect!

Editor's Note: As always, Thank you Vice Mayor Udine - for your informative monthly letters to our membership, as well as for your continued support of our Democratic Club, here at Kings Point in Tamarac. IT'S MUCH APPRECIATED!





# Dear Kings Point Democratic Club,

#### 2021 TRIM Notices

The Broward County Property Appraiser's Office mails the TRIM (proposed tax) Notices in August of each year. This is NOT a tax bill but a notice showing your 2021 just value, exemptions and proposed taxes as set by the various taxing authorities. The TRIM Notice is your opportunity to review your property's 2021 just value and ensure you are receiving all the tax-saving exemptions you are entitled to. If you would like to discuss the just value of your property or apply for any 2021 tax-saving exemption, please contact our office by September 20, 2021.

Our office does not set or collect property taxes. If you have questions about the proposed tax rates, the contact information and public hearing dates for the individual taxing authorities are listed to the right of each agency name on this notice.

#### I Recently Applied for Homestead Exemption – Why Is It Not Showing on my TRIM?

Florida Statutes require our office use January 1 as the date of assessment and to determine exemption eligibility each year. If you purchased your home after January 1, 2021, you are eligible for 2022 Homestead Exemption. The 2022 exemptions will show online in December and be included for the 2022 tax year.

#### I Had Homestead Exemption Last Year - Where Did My Exemptions Go This Year?

If you purchased your home in 2020, you may have "inherited" the previous owner's exemptions last year. These 2020 exemptions would have been removed at the end of last year, so they are no longer showing on your TRIM Notice for tax year 2021. Fortunately, you can still late file for 2021 Homestead, and any other exemptions you may qualify for, until September 20, 2021. To apply online, please visit our website at <a href="https://web.bcpa.net/">https://web.bcpa.net/</a>

#### I Am a Senior Citizen - Why Isn't the Senior Exemption Showing?

The Senior Exemption is both an age and income-based exemption that is not automatically applied to a property because of the income requirement. To be eligible for this exemption, an applicant must be age 65 or older as of January 1, 2021 and have an adjusted household gross income for 2020 not exceeding \$31,100. If you believe you qualify for this additional exemption, you can still late file until September 20, 2021. To review the exemption requirements and to apply for this exemption, please go to our website at https://web.bcpa.net/bcpaclient/#/SeniorExemption

The health and well-being of our community continues to be of great importance. If you would like to schedule a virtual conference, our Mobile Exemption and Information Team will gladly assist you. To schedule an appointment, please call 954-357-5579 or visit our website at <a href="https://web.bcpa.net/ExemptionsExpress/calendar">https://web.bcpa.net/ExemptionsExpress/calendar</a>

If my office can ever be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me direct-

ly at martykiar@bcpa.net

Take care,

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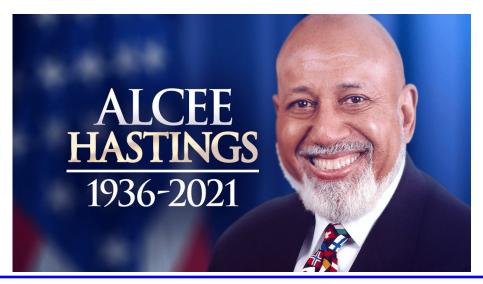
Broward County Property Appraiser

Editor's Note: Thank you Mr. Kiar - for your timely and informative monthly letters to our membership, as well as for your continued support of our Democratic Club, here at Kings Point in Tamarac. It really is appreciated!

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