



## ***Letter from The President:***

***Hello Everyone,***

Spring is sprung and that means that we are beginning to have our snowbirds spread the wings and migrate north for the summer. We will miss you and hope you have a great summer wherever that might be.

At the last two board meetings we discussed the issue of speeding on Drost. We have asked the sheriff for extra patrols and thought about putting up some permanent signs showing your speed. We are going to ask the county if they would share in that expense. Please share with the board your thoughts on that approach. You can help by reminding the people working at your house about the speed limit.

Several other issues were discussed. The no wake buoys should be up soon. A question was raised by one of our neighbors as to why the minutes of the June and July of 2021 meetings had not been posted. Summer is a time of traveling so we simply did not follow through. You should be able to find them on the website now. Also, we had an error in stating we were holding a “special board meeting”. Those should have read “Executive Session”. This has also been changed.

There are a couple of changes coming in April on how we handle board meetings and complaints. Be sure and read those sections so you will be prepared.

We want to have more participation in the board meetings, so we decided to have a Social Hour before the next board meeting. The social hour will run from 5:30 – 6:30 and the board meeting will begin at 7. The social hour and board meeting will be at my house, 20788 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue W. Hope to see you there.

Kathy Niemann,  
President

***Board Meeting Attendance:***

We have run into a lot of issues with using Zoom in a hybrid format for our board meetings. We originally began using Zoom during the pandemic and it allowed us to meet when it was not possible to do so in person. We consulted a lot of people and without a lot of expensive equipment the use of Zoom in a hybrid format for general meetings is very difficult. We have what we hope is a workable alternative. If you cannot physically attend the board meeting and still want to hear what is going on, contact one of the board members. We will set up conference calls on our phones and connect you in. You must give one of the board members your phone number to be included.

***Complaints or Concerns:***

If you have a complaint of concern that you would like for the board to consider at the next meeting, we request that you provide that information to one of the board members at least 72 hours prior to the next board meeting. We will assign it to a board member for resolution. We welcome you to come to the meeting and provide information that you think the board needs to know. You will be heard at the beginning of the board meeting, may choose to stay or not, and the issue will be discussed during the new business section at the end of the meeting. This will allow the board to possibly have a ready answer for you and control the length of the meetings.

We are forming a new Welcome committee. Leslye Gartrell is heading up this committee and we are looking for individuals who would like to serve on that committee. If you are willing to serve, please contact a member of the board.

***Easter is Coming:***

The Lower Keys Community Choir and keys Chamber Orchestra will present the Easter music No Stone Could Hold Him. You are invited to come to one of the three presentations: Tuesday, April 5 at Big Pine United Methodist, Wednesday, April 6 at Venture Out, and Thursday, April 7 at St. Peter Catholic Church. All performances will be at 7:30. Several of you neighbors are participating. Hope to see everyone there.

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Lower Keys Community Choir  
Keys Chamber Orchestra  
Present

**No  
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HIM**

Tuesday, April 5, 2022 – 7:30 p.m.  
Big Pine United Methodist Church – Big Pine Key

Wednesday, April 6, 2022 – 7:30 p.m.  
Venture Out – Cudjoe Key

Thursday, April 7, 2022 – 7:30 p.m.  
St. Peter Catholic Church – Big Pine Key

A free-will offering will be taken.





## Calendar of Events

*Lots of fun events around the Keys coming up can be found at <https://fla-keys.com/calendar/>*

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### ***Please Trim Your Vegetation!***

All vegetation that overhangs a canal must be trimmed back so as not to impede boat traffic. Please note that there are not many vacant lots left--we are about filled up. That means that we have more boats in the neighborhood than we have ever had. Add the many boats that come in for mini-season and with short-term rentals and we have an increased potential for collisions and other accidents. You may think to yourself, "but wait, I am an expert boat handler". Maybe, but there are a great many who are not and need all of the room they can get. Per County Code, every lot owner is responsible for their property. Please take the time to go out and look your property over. If you have vegetation that overhangs a canal, or creates a "blind bend", clean it up and get in compliance with applicable regulation (10% of the canal's width).



***Next Happy Hour will be April 14, 2022***

Please join us ***Thursday, April 14th*** for Happy Hour at Randy and Karen Livingston's home at ***20849 6th Ave West from 6-8 pm.***

Please BYOB and an appetizer to pass.

***IMPORTANT: Bring your own chair.***

Popcorn and snowcones will be provided!

***Here are some pix from our March Happy Hour at Mangrove Mamas. Great turnout!!***



***Next Board Meeting:***

The next board meeting will be at Kathy Nieman's House 20788 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue W



## **MISSING KEY TO SAFE DEPOSIT BOX!**

**CGPOA Board turnover, resulted in key being misplaced. If you know the whereabouts of said key, contact a Board member ASAP. We don't want to pay to have it drilled.**



March has really been dry although near the end we did get .53 one day... so the total for the month was .92 in of rain. April usually gives us some rain ...then May is rather dry again ,before the rainy season starts in June. Enjoy the spring.

~ Peggy Jent

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***PLEASE DO NOT BLOW YOUR YARD TRASH INTO THE  
CANALS!***

Many people swim in our beautiful canals and no one wants to swim in trash. Please have some consideration.

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