

## CGPOA April 2021 eMinder

**Message from the Board (Kathy Winters):** President Report: I hope this finds everyone doing well. Your board is still hard at work. We meet through Zoom and anyone is welcome. Just let me know you want to come, and I will send you the invite. I think we are very close to in person meetings but not ready to make that call yet. The board decided at the last meeting that membership in the association is not a requirement for receiving the e-minder since it is handled by email and cost is not an issue. With that in mind, if you know of someone who is not a member and would like to get a copy of the e-minder, be sure and let me or one of the other board members know so we can make that happen. If you are contacting me, email is preferred so I can keep up with the requests. One issue that was brought up at the last meeting was the problem of excess vegetation creating an issue for boat navigation. Just a reminder that it is your responsibility to make sure the vegetation is cleared. Are you wondering when the Cudjoe Gardens sign will ever be replaced?!? Well, we are also. We are waiting on the county. I think all of us can identify with that wait; who isn't waiting on the county for something. The board is contacting the county and hopefully we will make some progress. We are still looking for a location between Colson and Sawyer for a sign. Wonder what are rules about people fishing at the right of way? The State of Florida grants the right to fish from any right of way. The moment people step on someone's property, they are trespassing. Did you know all the canals are considered NO WAKE ZONES? The board is working with the FWC to get official signs. This report will not for reasons of privacy name issues being pursued that involve individuals including discussions of code enforcement. Be assured these are being pursued and worked on. As always, if you have issues you would like to board to investigate, please contact us.

**Love Your Dog but Not Their Poop (Kathy Winters):** In Cudjoe Gardens, we love our dogs. We even have birthday parties for them. However, if you have walked on Drost lately, you know we have a problem. Many are not picking up after their dogs. If you are out walking or riding your bike and see someone not picking up after their dog, offer the offender a bag; perhaps they forgot one or ran out. If you have a rental house, please place a note telling the renters they need to clear up after their dogs; maybe you can give them a roll of doggie bags. Thanks everyone for your help with this

**Termites (Cindy Dresow):** **TERMITES ARE ATTRACTED TO LIGHT** From <https://termitesblog.com/are-termites-attracted-to-light/> If you have porch or backyard lights then they should not be left on for extended periods of time. Only turn them on while you are outside, and then turn them off when you go back inside. As for your indoor lighting, try not to leave the bigger lights on for too long. If you have to, leave only the smaller lights on that are away from any windows or doors. This will be the best way in preventing termites from infesting those areas of your home.

**CGPOA Member Benefits (CindyDresow):** **CGPOA members will receive full membership benefits in the new Cudjoe Gardens Restauranté Délicieux.** After years of upholding the highest culinary standards as the Chef & owner of the legendary “Délicieux”. Chef Jacques has reimagined the Cudjoe Gardens Restaurant space and stamped his name on it. Chef Jacques has directed renewing the space inside and out, including a lumière faible dance floor.  
**His culinary artistry meets the highest service standards. Join us at “Restaurante’ Délicieux” to enjoy**

**Chef Jacques' gastronomic creations that will delight your senses! Opening April 1 (April Fool's Day)!**

**40th Annual 7-Mile Bridge Run April 17, 2021 (Cindy Dresow):** US 1 will be closed from 6AM - 9AM at the 7-mile bridge.

The start lines this year will be on the WEST side of the bridge, instead of the EAST side

**Assistant Board Member Profile (Debbie Saavedra):** I was born and raised in upstate New York. A junior year study abroad program took me to Salamanca, Spain where I met my husband, Joe. We settled in the great state of Florida in 1975 and have been here ever since. We have a son, Daniel who lives in Tampa and a daughter, Elissa who lives in Tallahassee. I have a Masters of Art in Spanish Literature and a Bachelor of Science in Accounting; a CPA from the state of Georgia. The highlight of my life are my twin grandsons, Austin and Hudson, 18 months old. I have never experienced such joy and I am reliving my life through them. We built our house on Pattison Drive in Cudjoe Gardens 4 years ago. In my free time I enjoy volunteering at the Tropic Cinema in Key West. We have a second home in North Redington Beach and split time between both houses. We thoroughly enjoy "island living" and have met many wonderful people.

**CGPOA Monthly Happy Hours (Cindy Dresow):** CGPOA Happy hours and Social Events are not being scheduled due to Covid-19.

**Canal Water Samplers needed (Randy McDonald):** Want to help out the neighborhood with a very small investment of time? We are in need of another team of water samplers. We need two volunteers – one of which must have a small boat that is

maneuverable in our canals – to augment the two teams we have now. We only sample every other month, so with three teams, you are called upon to sample only twice a year. Sampling involves going around to our ten designated test sites and collecting water samples and measuring the clarity of the water. It takes about an hour and a half to get the samples and then another hour and a half to vacuum pump some sample water through filters. The samples and filters are then sent to Gainesville for analysis. Can you spare three hours of your time twice a year to keep our long history of water samples going? Please call or text me – Randy McDonald 305 587 0690.

**Rain Report (Randy McDonald):** The rain total for March was 0.00”. The dry season is being unkind to us. The last measurable rain was February 24<sup>th</sup> 0.29”. Rain total for the calendar year so far is 1.53”, over half of which came from a 0.81” on January 14<sup>th</sup>. To check rain more often visit <https://www.cocorahs.org/ViewData/StationPrecipSummary.aspx> and enter my station: FL-MN-6.

**Property Owner’s Concerns:** If a property owner has a specific concern, it must be mailed to the Cudjoe Gardens Property Owners Association (CGPOA) or given to a Board Member in writing. It will then be discussed at the following Board of Directors Meeting and kept on record. Please mail any correspondence to: CGPOA, PO Box 420121, Cudjoe Key, FL 33042.