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Brightline Rail Comes to Barefoot Bay, Forgets to Stop

By Rob Allan



The future is here, and it passes right through Barefoot Bay. Brightline (gobrightline.com) began service last week, providing passenger service from Orlando to Miami and back. A total of 32 trains will cross Barefoot Blvd and Micco Rd every day for the foreseeable future. The service is a boon for travelers in the Orlando area and those in southern Florida, where there are multiple stops from West Palm Beach to Miami. For those of us in Brevard County? Nothing. There are plans to add a train station in Cocoa, eventually, to accommodate cruise passengers, but as it seems with all things for southern Brevard County, we're always the last considered and the most easily forgotten.

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There are several natural locations for a new Brightline station between Melbourne and Vero Beach, where long stretches of undeveloped land are available. Palm Bay has an excellent location off US1 between Port Malabar and Palm Bay Rd that assumably would be large enough for the station and the parking facility required. Both Grant and Sebastian previously had passenger stations, though growth in both areas may limit options for a station today. There are long stretches along US 1 headed towards Vero Beach that would work, and even the Vero Airport would be a reasonable location for a new station. Any of these locations would be economically advantageous to our area and have a long-term, positive impact.

Many people would be willing to drive up to 30 minutes (north or south) to take advantage of the train. Any longer, and the convenience is lost.

As I've been reminded, this form of transportation has been around for over 200 years. The invention of the steam train was the catalyst for growth in the western United States. I'm also reminded that those communities that missed out on those transportation hubs, whether train or interstate, also missed out on the economic activity that travelers bring to an area. It's a shame it's taken this long to bring back passenger trains to Florida, but now that it's here, we need to make sure we're not left behind.

Barefoot Bay Recreation District Trustee (2 Seats Available)

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Luann E. Henderson Candidate Report Email: fairway209@aol.com	Announced 08/30/2023 Qualified 08/30/2023
Jeffrey Grunow Candidate Report Email: jgrunow54@aol.com	Announced 08/28/2023 Qualified 08/28/2023
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A Word From Your
CVO OFFICERS

After a long, hot August and a break to escape the heat, the CVO office has reopened for our regular hours of 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 pm Monday through Friday. We are located in the shopping center at 935 Barefoot Blvd, nestled between The Cart Guys and Sunshine Realty.

We offer a variety of services to Bay residents, including copy and fax access, as well as loads of information on Bay activities and available services. Please feel free to stop by during our regular hours.

CVO is off and running with two events, the Summer Car Show and the Senior Forum, already behind us as this goes to publication. October will bring four major events: the return of bingo, the BOT Candidate Meet & Greet, our cancer drive kickoff event, and Trunk or Treat.

Bingo, Wednesday, October 4th. CVO monthly bingo will return in Building A. Doors open at 5:00 pm, and play will begin at 6:00 pm. Food service will be available.

Meet & Greet Candidates Saturday, October 7th. The CVO will host the event with BOT candidates under the Pavilion from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 pm. Candidates Jeff Grunow, Louann Henderson, and Elaine Van Berschot will each have 5 minutes to address the residents. After that, you will have plenty of time to speak one-on-one with each candidate. Coffee, cookies, and light refreshments will be available. We hope everyone will take advantage of this opportunity.

Cancer Drive Kickoff Saturday, October 21st. This year, instead of focusing our fundraising efforts on just one day, our drive will extend over several months and culminate in January 2024. This event came about in 2019 to honor one of our own, JoAnne Diana, a brave warrior against cancer. Unfortunately, she lost her battle the following year.

The Florida Mobile Mammography bus will be in the main parking lot at 8:30 that morning and will be taking appointments until 2:30. Go to floridamobilemammography.com or call 877-318-1349 to make an appointment.

We will kick off our drive at 9:00 a.m. with a walk to honor all cancer survivors. Dress in pink or in any of the colors of cancer. We ask survivors to give their name, type of cancer, and the date they beat it. A memorial board will be created and displayed for the duration of the drive. Survivors will walk first, and all others will follow in support.

The drive will end in January 2024 with a Moonlight Golf Cart Parade and a walk around the path. We hope that other clubs will be inspired to create fundraising ideas during this time. The CVO will have a box in the office for individuals and clubs to make their donations until the Moonlight event in January. Please make checks payable to The American Cancer Society.

Mark your calendars for November and December. More information will follow in future issues.

Tuesday, November 7th - Don't forget to vote!

Wednesday, November 8th - Bingo

Thursday, November 23rd - Thanksgiving dinner, hosted by the CVO, will be served by Holy Cannoli at 1:00 pm in Building A. Tickets will be available at the CVO office beginning November 1st.

Sunday, December 3rd - Come out to the annual Holiday Bazaar, Christmas Parade, and food drive.

Wednesday, December 6th - BINGO

Sunday, December 31st - Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin Tribute dinner show. More information to follow. Tickets will go on sale December 1st.

Looking forward to seeing everyone out and about in the Bay!

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Trunk or Treat Sunday, October 29th

Sponsored by The Little Theater along with the CVO, this event is anticipated by kids and adults alike. If you are giving out treats, arrive at Under the Oaks by 4:15 pm to get in place and set up. The event will be from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.



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A Word From Your Recreation District Chair

Bruce Amoss

Happenings at the BOT meetings...

August 22nd meeting...

Over the past year, the staff has had many complaints pertaining to secondhand smoke at the Pool #1 complex. The Board of Trustees did not originate this request; the concerned residents did. As the Board of Trustees is required to make any policy changes, they were tasked to work with staff and find a solution for an acceptable "designated smoking area" away from the majority of people attending events and put it into the policy manual. This was finalized at this meeting, and Property Services will start immediately to create the area; there will be a temporary area in use until the spot is officially opened.

RFP 2023-01 –Golf Course The Golf Cart Lease for Barefoot Bay Executive Golf Course was awarded to Yamaha.

Under Employee Insurance Renewals, the BOT selected Florida Blue due to its low deductibles and very competitive premiums and Principle Insurance due to its low premiums and Employee satisfaction for the last five years.

The General Counsel recommended that the Board of Trustees take the following actions and was the consensus of the BOT to immediately address ADA compliance issues with respect to pool 1 (if any), including contracting to modify an existing ramp to meet ADA standards and develop a self-evaluation program pursuant to current ADA requirements under the direction of the Community Manager.

September 14th meeting...

The Golf Course Fees and Charges Resolution 2023-14 was held over until the 9/26 meeting for language correction and will take effect on 10/1/23.

Classification & Compensation Recommendation Resolution 2023-15 was held over until the 9/26 meeting for language correction.

Liability & Workers Compensation Insurance Award of Contract was awarded to the Preferred Governmental Insurance Trust (Brown & Brown).

Lien Recording Service Award of Contract was renewed with Simplifile LC.

The Budget Development Calendar for FY25 was set.

Well, the signs are out, and the campaigning has begun. This election begins our transition to three-year terms, and there are three residents who are qualified by the Supervisor of Elections to run for those positions.

Get informed. Know the candidates, go to the forums and ask questions. This year, there are only two Trustee positions and the candidate with the most votes receives a three-year term, the second-place finisher gets a two-year term.

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Next PACT Act deadline Sept. 30: Direct Health Care Enrollment Veterans who deployed to a combat zone, never enrolled in VA health care, and left the military between Sept. 11, 2001, and Oct. 1, 2013, are eligible to enroll directly in VA health care through the PACT Act. This special enrollment period ends at 11:59 p.m. local time on Sept. 30, 2023. Contact our office.

Volunteer to Serve in Under-Resourced Communities: The Mission Continues helps Veterans and other service members continue their service after serving in uniform. Using skills developed in the military, Veteran volunteers deploy to work alongside other non-profit groups to make improvements in under-resourced communities.

Movie Night is moving to Afternoons at the Veterans Service Office. We are having movies on Wednesday at 2 pm or 1400. We have many movies to show on the big screen! Look for what will be playing in the Peek of the Week. At the Barefoot Bay Veterans Service Office. Movies, Popcorn, and Snacks at 2 pm at the Veterans Service Office; come on in! Look in The Peek of the Week for movies and times. All Veterans and Family welcome.

Disability Benefits for Vietnam Veterans: Vietnam Veterans may be eligible for expanded VA disability compensation under the PACT Act, a Biden law passed in 2022 that increases access to VA benefits and health care for Veterans exposed to toxic substances during their military service. If you are a Vietnam Veteran, find out if you're eligible for disability compensation due to certain medical conditions. Barefoot

Bay Service Office has forms and anything necessary to apply.

Disability Benefits for Eligible Dependents: If you have a 30% or higher disability rating from the VA, you can add dependents to increase your compensation benefits.

WARNING: Predatory Law Firms Scam your Benefits: Have you recently been aggressively contacted by a company or law firm regarding legal representation to file your PACT Act or Camp Lejeune presumptive VA claim or an e-mail? Dishonest attorneys are messaging Veterans with offers of assistance but charge inflated fees. VA will help gather the necessary evidence to support it. There are no costs or hidden fees to apply. Apply directly to VA securely online or in person at any regional office. Or at the Veterans Service Office in Barefoot Bay, Florida.

VA Has emergency buttons to call 911. You will have to see your doctor at Palm Bay Viera Clinic or Orlando. It is free to any veteran that might need one. The button is good anyplace in the United States of America for 911 calls.

Come into the Service Office for information on the Buddy Check program: The Service Office and the Service writers have all the information and sign-up forms. Get a call to see how you are and if you need help. You can also call and leave a message for a call to sign you up. 772-663-0645

Hero's Bridge Seeks a Better Quality of Life for Veterans 65 and Older: Go to <https://herosbridge.org/> for more information on the help from them! Email- info@herosbridge.org

Hosts and Hostesses: Still looking for Hosts and Hostesses. For "The Veterans Meeting Center". You can also email us at veteranscouncil32976@gmail.com. Our area in the building is like a day room where all can gather, talk, play cards, play games, or read; we have a library for you to look at and people you can talk to.

Veterans Council Office is at 931 Barefoot Blvd #1 ph-772-663-0645. If you need a ride to Viera or Palm Bay VA Clinic, contact us on the transportation line at 772-663-0644! Open every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9 am to 12 noon and from 1 pm to 4 pm; summer hours are Monday and Wednesday, 9 to 12 and Wednesday, 1300 to 1600 for fun and games and movies from 2 till the movie ends. Note the first Movie night was a big success! You can request a copy of this in your inbox and send your email.

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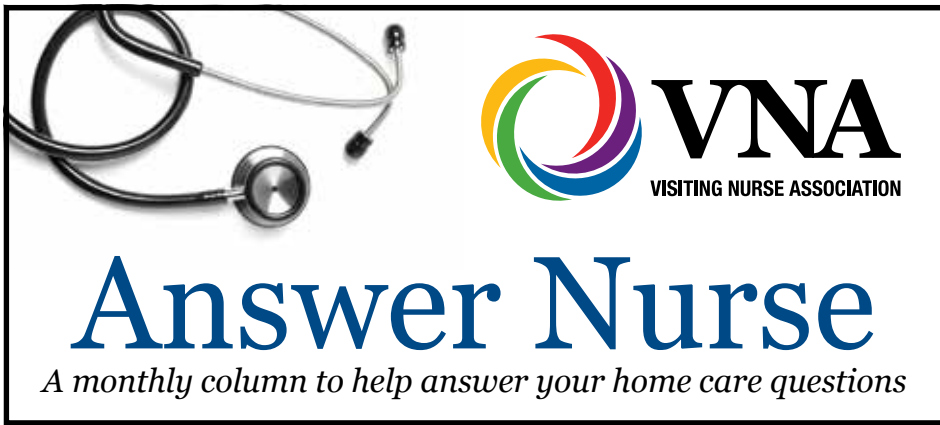
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Awareness is Power

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, a time to become educated on one of the most common cancer diagnoses in women in the United States. One of the best ways to defeat breast cancer is early detection, so it is important to remain educated on the early warning signs. Below, we answer some of your questions:

Q: A friend of mine got breast cancer, and she said that she didn't have any lumps. Are there any other warnings a woman can watch out for?

A: Signs and symptoms of breast cancer can appear in many different ways. While it's true that one of the most common symptoms is a lump or thickening in the breast that feels different from the surrounding tissue, there are other signs that indicate you may have breast cancer. These signs may include bloody discharge from the nipple, changes in size or shape of a breast, inverted nipples, peeling or flaking of the nipple, or redness or pitting of the skin over your breast.

If you have seen any changes or found a lump in your breast and are concerned, you should schedule an appointment to talk with your doctor.

Q: Are there any 'groups' more at risk for breast cancer than others?

A: There are some factors associated with an increased risk of developing breast cancer, but it is important to remember that having one or more of these factors does not mean you will automatically develop breast cancer. Many people who develop breast cancer do not have any of these risk factors.

The risk factors are:

Being female - Women are more likely to develop breast cancer than men (but men can develop it).

Increased age - The risk increases for those women who are 55 years or older.

Obesity - Obesity increases your risk of developing breast cancer because fat tissues produce estrogen that can help advance certain cancer cells.

Q: My sister was recently diagnosed with breast cancer. Thankfully, she caught it early, so the doctor said the prognosis was "good." But still, are there things I can do that could help minimize the chances of me getting breast cancer?

A: Small changes to your daily life can help decrease some of the risk factors associated with breast cancer. Maintaining or developing healthy habits such as exercising, maintaining a healthy weight, and limiting alcohol are measures you can take to institute a healthy lifestyle.

In addition to changing your daily routine, you can also take a more proactive approach to self-examinations and screenings:

Breast self-examination - Breast self-examinations require you to check your breasts to detect any lumps or changes. You should do a self-examination on the same day every month in order to remain consistent. Self-examinations are done by lying down on the floor or a bed, taking your three middle fingers, and moving them in small coin-sized circles around your breasts. Applying light, medium, and hard pressure throughout the examination will help you check the various tissue levels of your breast.

Mammograms - A mammogram is an x-ray picture of the breast, and it is meant to check for tumors in the breast that might not be detected through self-examination. Ask your doctor what age you should begin getting a mammogram. According to the

American Cancer Society, women ages 40 to 44 should have the choice to start annual breast cancer screening with mammograms if they wish to do so. Women ages 45 to 54 should get mammograms every year. Women 55 and older should switch to mammograms every 2 years or can continue yearly screening.

Q: My friend was recently diagnosed with breast cancer, and it was a reality check. Her doctor told her that surgery was her only choice. Is that true?

A: I cannot comment on a specific person, but in general, treatment for breast cancer varies depending on the type of breast cancer, how advanced the disease has progressed, and the patient's health. The various treatment options are:

Surgery - Surgeries vary depending on the severity of the disease. A lumpectomy is when the tumor and surrounding tissue are removed, and a mastectomy is the removal of all the breast tissue. A doctor may also suggest the removal of lymph nodes that surround the breast tissue to prevent the spreading of tumors and cancerous cells.

Radiation Therapy - Radiation is a type of treatment that uses high-powered beams of energy to kill cancerous cells. Radiation might be used after surgery to decrease the chance of cancer cells spreading.

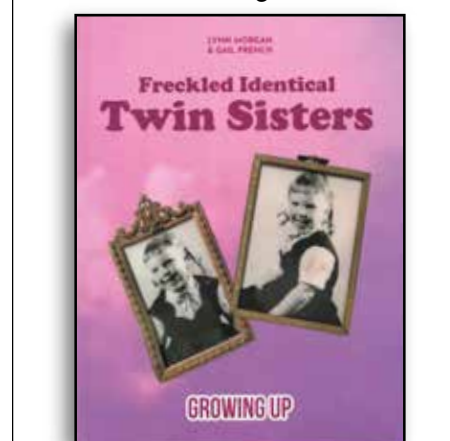
Chemotherapy - Chemotherapy uses drugs to kill cancer cells. This treatment may be recommended for people who have a stronger chance of reoccurrence with their disease, and it can even be given to women before they have surgery. The side effects of chemotherapy can be severe, with hair loss, nausea, vomiting, and fatigue.

Drugs - There are various drug treatments, such as trastuzumab, lapatinib, and bevacizumab, that are designed to treat specific abnormalities within the cancer cell.

For more information on the warning signs and treatment of breast cancer, please visit www.cancer.gov, www.mayoclinic.com, www.cancer.org, and www.komen.org.

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Again, thanks.

Deb D

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Jeff Grunow, Candidate for BOT

Please let me introduce myself and ask for your support on Election Day. Although formally named Jeffrey, I simply go by Jeff. In May of 2017, my wife and I moved to Barefoot Bay after taking early retirement from Weber State University in Ogden, UT. Having served three years on the violations committee, I was honored to be chosen to fill Roger Compton's unexpired BOT term in 2020. Again, I'm honored to be serving out Mike Mainos's term.

I've always contributed to public service. In my collegiate days, I was active in our rural volunteer fire department and rescue squad. Having gone to school to be an RN, I taught numerous first aid courses to the Boy Scouts and the community. As a volunteer mobile intensive care nurse, in 1982, the state of NJ allowed me to test out as a National Registry paramedic. Up until retirement, I built paramedic education programs in Central NJ, Eastern KY, Charlotte, NC, and the entire Intermountain West (ID, WY, UT, NV). I estimate over my education career, I've led to the certification of nearly 1,000 paramedic students. In addition to teaching, I served 22 years in the USAF Reserve as an aeromedical evacuation flight nurse, retiring as a Colonel. I presently serve as the commander of Barefoot Bay American Legion Post 366.

I'm pleased to say I make every effort to communicate with the residents. If you e-mail, phone, mail, meet me on my screen porch, and yes, I'll visit your home. I respond to all concerns. If you ask a question, I will be brutally honest with an answer.

Upon election, I will continue to serve ALL residents and the interests of the Bay. As we go forward, the greatest challenge for the District will be our aging infrastructure, which is approaching 50 years of age. As a board member, I will continue to prioritize infrastructure projects in our five-year plan. I'm not afraid to question the status quo. I also like the consistency of operation. During my first term, I was keenly interested in reviewing the Bay's COVID-19 status at every BOT meeting. I was a champion in changing BOT terms to 3 years on a 2-2-1 election cycle. This change, up for referendum in 2022, passed and will allow for greater efficacy of new board members and never allow a majority of the BOT to turn in any election. Another initiative I successfully supported was to raise our capital spending limit to \$50K, allowing our Neighborhood Revitalization Program to better compete with developers and "flippers."

I've enjoyed serving the Bay by finishing Roger Compton's and Mike Maino's terms as a trustee. If elected, I will continue to serve the residents of the Bay with both the ethical and due diligence expected.

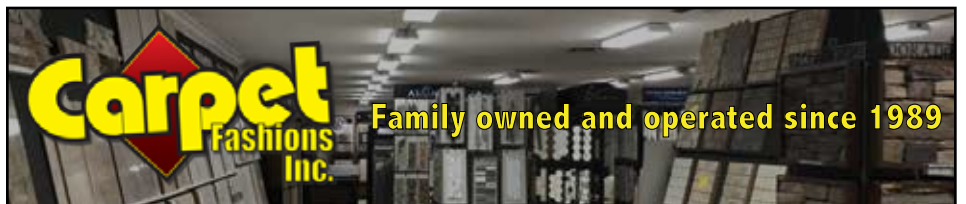
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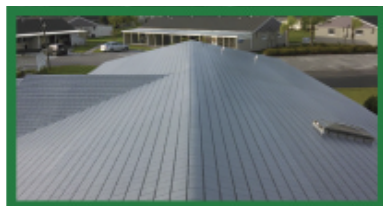


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Adult Crafts: Thursdays, October 12th and 26th at 3 PM: Join us and get inspired to craft. Bring your creative genius or beginner enthusiasm. Beginning in October, please sign up for classes to help plan supply needs.

October 12th: Fall Centerpiece
October 26th: Handmade Greeting Cards hosted by De.

Beginning in November, craft classes will require registration and will have a \$5.00 material fee to help cover the costs of supplies. These funds will be used only for craft class programs.

Adult Game Party: 3rd Thursday of each month, starting October 19th, at 3 PM. Join us for an afternoon of games and fun or a special guest presentation. Board games will be provided. Meets in the Reading Room.

Mystery Book Club: Group schedule resumes the 2nd Tuesday of each month on October 10th at 2 pm.

Discussion for the October meeting will be on Finding Nouf by Zoe Ferraris. Book club copies are available in the Reference area of the Library, back left corner.

Third Thursday @ Three Book Club: The group schedule resumes on the third Thursday of each month on October 19th, at 3 pm, to discuss the suspense novel entitled These Silent Woods (2021) by Kimi Cunningham Grant 275 pages. Book club copies are available back in the Reference area of the Library.

Memoir Writers: The first session this Fall is on Monday, October 23rd, at 9:30 a.m. Learn how to pen your own memoirs and share if so inclined. This group meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday of every month at 9:30 a.m.

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Most Board of Trustee Meetings Are Poorly Attended

By Becky Culp

I have seen multiple comments on Barefoot Bay-related Facebook pages asking why the Barefoot Bay Board of Trustees (BOT) meetings are not held in the evenings. Historically, people don't attend evening meetings. Evening meeting attendance has been no different than afternoon meeting attendance, which is lackluster at best unless there's a "hot topic" like the recent fee schedule changes. People say they will go to the evening meetings, and they may go once or twice, but then they stop going. It's also important to note that evening meetings are not conducive to having department heads from BBRD attend due to their 8-5 work schedules. I think everyone would agree that it's important to have them at these meetings.

What are you going to accomplish at an evening meeting that can't be accomplished at a daytime meeting? Actually, very little. You can call or email the BOT members and the Community Manager anytime and ask your email to be read aloud during the audience participation part of the meeting. As long as your letter takes less than 3 minutes to read, you've accomplished exactly what you would have accomplished going to the meeting since Trustees do not respond to audience participation. You're not missing out on interaction with them, but they are still hearing your point of view through your email.

BOT meetings are live-streamed, and recordings of the meetings are available if you are unable to stream them live. If there's an issue with the recording, minutes of every meeting are available in the agenda packet for the next meeting. The meeting schedule is in the Peek of the Week every Monday, and the BOT meeting agenda is available on BBRD.org one week prior to each meeting. These are available for those interested in viewing what will be before the BOT twice a month. The District publishes these ahead of each meeting. No one is hiding agenda items from you. No one is secretly voting.

There were lots of comments online regarding the new fee schedule, which was completely ready to go after months of meetings, and because of the volume of emails received and calls from residents, the Barefoot Bay Recreation District Trustees held a town hall meeting, followed by a workshop to adjust the fees. Please stop suggesting the Trustees don't listen to the community because your suggestions weren't included or acted upon. I have been unhappy with some of the BOT's recent votes, but I realize that they are doing what they think is in the best interest of the District and the residents of Barefoot Bay.

You have elected the Board of Trustees to represent you. They strive to represent the majority of the community, not their own interests. If the majority of the community doesn't tell the BOT what matters to them, how can they know how to vote? Use your voice. Email them, call them, or text them about issues that matter to you. You have the agenda at your fingertips one week before each meeting. Trust that they are working as best as they can for you. If you think they are doing a terrible job, let them know and consider voting for someone else...

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Our monthly meetings will be beginning on October 11, 2023, at 1 pm in Building E near the golf course. Guests are most welcome. Refreshments are always served.

Many yearly dues have already been paid. Please feel free to send your dues directly to the membership chair, Sue Reddy. Members' ID cards are available and will be distributed shortly.

For God and country,
Sue Reddy,
 1st Vice President

AMERICAN LEGION POST #366

Barefoot Bay American Legion Post 366 is restarting regular meetings. We meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 1 p.m. in Building D. The next meeting is on October 17. Please note the LEGION Act was passed by Congress and signed, removing the "date gaps" in order to join the American Legion. Any member of the military who has served honorably since Pearl Harbor Day (1941) is now eligible to join. For information, call 772-202-4926.

Jeff Grunow - Commander

AQUA ZUMBA

Clap, Snap, and the Aqua Zumba classes are back! The schedule for this Free class is Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday; classes begin at 2:00 p.m. and are held in pool 3. All residents and guests with passes are encouraged to participate. The music and camaraderie is motivational. Many snowbirds are returning, and we want all to know there is plenty of room to move and shake. Bring a towel, sunscreen and water shoes to get involved in a physically healing and supportive form of exercise. Zumba love.

Dawn Forsman
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ART GUILD

Hello from the Barefoot Bay Art Guild. We welcome fall with grateful hearts that Hurricane Lee passed us by and pray for the people it affected. We have been very fortunate this year with storms. Let us all hope they are over for another year.

Did you know that the Barefoot Bay Art Guild is a year-round Art Club? Business Meetings are on the 3rd Friday of every Month. The 1st, 2nd, and 4th Fridays are available for some exciting Workshops. Through these workshops and Art Shows, we donate to the Barefoot Bay Community Fund and to the Barefoot Bay Baptist Church Food Pantry. We welcome anyone interested in becoming a potential member or guest.

In September, we had various workshops. Maureen Fitzpatrick demonstrated how to make several types of 3D pop-up greeting cards. At the workshop, we had fun making cards to give to our favorite person. Sarah Kelley led a workshop about art trading cards. They are 2.5 x 3.5 inch cards decorated with original artwork, which we traded with each other. Also, Rita Delassandro

demonstrated a method of Faux Stained Glass painting using regular acrylic paints. Each creation was unique in its own way. We continued this workshop for a few weeks and started another workshop to create a beach scene painted on any surface using tiny shells incorporated into the creation. Any ideas for any type of workshop would be much appreciated.

Our first Art Guild meeting for the fall will be held on October 20th. We will welcome new members to our Group and enjoy a luncheon from the 19th Hole.

Bonnie J. Murphy

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Can you believe it's fall already? Our seasonal friends will be here soon! We've been busy bees working on some fun fall projects and, yes, gearing towards Christmas projects. You could be here making some wonderful treasures! Please Call for class availability. Our main focus is sewing projects (not clothing) and quilting.

All Classes are Thursdays, 12:30-3:15; some supplies are provided for use.

We are in Bldg C by Bldg A and Pool 1 entrance. Look forward to seeing you!

Let's make something fun and friends along the way!

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Shawna Greene
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BOAT AND FISHING CLUB

Hello to our Boat Club members. Hope you have all enjoyed a good summer. It is time now to mark your calendars for the start of our Club's fall meetings and events.

Our first fall meeting will be Friday, October 13th, at 7:30 p.m. in Building D/E. On Wednesday, October 18th, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., we will hold our annual Oktoberfest at Micco Park. As always, we will include a possible rain date, which would be Friday, October 20th. A sign-up sheet for the event will be passed around at our meeting on Friday, October 13th. If you cannot attend the meeting but plan on attending the event, you will need to contact Mary McGrath no later than Sunday, October 15. (Phone #'s are cell - 631-905-8806, home 772-202-4564).

Our November meeting will be on Friday, November 10th, at 7:30 p.m. in Building D/E. At the current time, we have no event scheduled for November.

Our December meeting will be on Friday, December 8th, at 7:30 p.m. in Building D/E. The following day, Saturday, December 9th, will be our Christmas Luncheon in Building D/E. Further details on this event will be available at our October 13th meeting.

We are still looking for Club members to come forward as candidates for one of our five officer positions to become effective.

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tive in January 2024. These positions are for Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Purser (treasurer), and Yeoman (secretary). If you wish to be considered as a candidate for one of these positions or have questions about the positions themselves, please contact Jim Hale at (618) 314-3455. He chairs the Search Committee for candidates to fill these officer positions.

Mary McGrath
Rear Commodore

BRITISH HERITAGE CLUB

As the summer winds down, the seasonal residents and snowbirds are starting to return to Barefoot Bay!

Our October fun night will be held on Tuesday, October 10th. Our menu will include meat and cheese Lasagna with extra sauce on the side. Tossed salad, garlic bread, grated parmesan, and crushed red pepper per table with Tiramisu for dessert. Yummy!

Please contact Liz at 321-750-3119 for tickets by the Thursday before (Oct 5th). Tickets are \$12.00 per person. The bar opens at 5:00, and dinner will be at 6:15. Just a reminder that these nights are open to all and not just British Club members. So, bring a friend!

This will be the last Summer Fun Night for 2023, as we will be starting our regular meetings in November. Our first meeting will take place on November 14th (second Tuesday of the Month). All other meetings, starting in December, will be held on the first Tuesday of the month in building A. This will allow us to expand our entertainment options and give us more space.

We will be making some exciting changes to our table at the Ethnic Festival this season. Along with updating our "look," we will be adding more food choices to our table. So, we will not only be looking for bakers but also looking for people to help provide some hot items since our meat pies went over so well last year. We are also going to include more theme nights for our monthly meetings. We will include the horse races again, as that was a big hit.

Safe travels to everyone returning this month!

Cyndie Bourassa

CHESS CLUB

Chess Club meets in Building C 8:30-12:00 every Wednesday. All skill levels are welcome. On the 1st Wednesday, we offer instruction if you would like to learn or improve.

Come join us; you are welcome to come and watch.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CLUB

Barefoot Bay Christian Women's Club held its September luncheon on the 7th. Nearly 60 women attended. We were served a Greek luncheon, which was delicious. Linda Buckwalter told us of a new Bible study, which will begin September 28th. It will be on Thursday evening, starting at 6:30, with a light meal. It will be taught by her husband, who is a retired Baptist minister. For information, call her at 772-269-3737. They live in Snug Harbor Villages.

Linda is the director of Love INC's (Love in the Name of Christ) thrift shop, one of the best around. It is the Villages Thrift Shop, located on Apollo Boulevard in Melbourne. Our choir sang, and everyone enjoyed the music. We need more people to come and sing, so if you are interested, please call me at 772-202-4214. We practice every Monday at 10 AM, D & E building.

Our speaker was my pastor, Carole Coon. She gave us a great testimony, with a number of women asking for prayer from her. The Christmas luncheon is set at 80 and is currently filled with a waiting list. We are working on ways to raise the number, so if you are not on the waiting list, I would suggest you call and get on it.

The next luncheon is on October 5, D & E building at noon. Call Ruth Fanning at 772-

202-4251 for all reservations. We love the light we are becoming in Barefoot Bay. Our main goal is to bring women to Christ and to help widows and orphans. This year, our mission is to raise money for Wings of Grace, a ministry that helps kids who are aging out of Foster care with nowhere to go. It is a wonderful ministry; for more information, check with anyone in our group.

Hope to see you in October!!

COMPUTER CLUB

The Computer Club meetings are on the 4th Friday of the month at 6:00 pm in Building D&E. The Computer Club is a 'hands-on' group, learning to make better use of those electronic devices that are designed to save us time and energy.

Remember using an encyclopedia to find out about a constellation or a plant name? Now you can use an app (application) that gives you all the information you need on just that subject you are interested in, without lugging around a book or searching through countless pages. Think of the Google search engine as the Table of Contents on the resource book multiplied by all of the resource books available on that subject.

During the September meeting, we looked at some of the fun shortcuts available on your smartphones. In October, we will design the program to the requests of the membership. The choices will be security, safety, online shopping, or fraud, and there will be speakers available to provide the best information for our local area on the subject selected.

Please come at 6:00 pm if you have individual questions to be answered or if you would like to take a few minutes for coffee and snacks before the meeting starts. This is a great time to share ideas and help each other. The business meeting begins at 6:30, and the program begins around 7:00 pm and lasts about a half hour.

Come spend some time with the Computer Club and find out more about that phone you carry with you everywhere or that computer you use for more involved programming.

DEMOCRATIC WOMEN'S CLUB

We thank our volunteers and signees who, despite HOT weather, got signatures for the "Right to Clean and Healthy Waters" 2023 bipartisan petitions, which demand clean water in Indian River Lagoon and Florida.

In October, we will be outside the South Mainland Public Library on Saturday, 10/14, 10-noon, and on Thursday, 10/26, 3-5 pm. Meet us at "Boo Bash" in Riverview Park, 600 US-1, Sebastian, on Saturday, 10/21, 10 am-3 pm. Bring friends and families who are registered Florida voters to get these issues on the November 2024 ballot. Information on How to Register to Vote and How to Vote by Mail is available. Another 2023 petition initiative for the November 2024 ballot is to "Limit Government Interference with Abortion" so that all Florida voters can decide. To date, we have collected 137 clean water and 85 safe abortion petitions.

We vote on Barefoot Bay Recreation District candidates on November 7, 2023, from 7 am - 7 pm. Registration closes Tuesday, October 10th, and the last day to request a Mail Ballot to be sent is Thursday, October 26th 5 pm. Go online to <https://www.votebrevard.gov> or call 321-290-8683 for more information.

If you are a registered Democrat from any state, please join us. Both men and women are welcome! Democratic-leaning Independents are welcome to attend after contacting us. We meet monthly on the 3rd Thursday at 3:30 pm in Bldg D next to 19th Hole. If possible, bring a non-perishable donation for the local food pantry.

Leave a message at 772-252-9679 or email to dwcbbay@gmail.com.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Bible Study.....10:00 A.M.

Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 A.M.

Wednesday Bible Study.....7:00 P.M.

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EUCHRE

Come join us for a fun Wednesday night for Euchre. Come by yourself or with others. We begin playing at 6:30 pm but arrive earlier, please.

We play in the building at the golf course, bldg. D/E. Any questions, contact Ron at 772 202 4036.

GARDEN CLUB

Welcome Back, Garden Club; it's time to gather! We hope to see you on October 18th at 9 a.m. in Building D&E (at the Golf Course). We will have our business meeting accompanied by coffee and muffins. Our Program details will be revealed in the Peak at the Week. New members are always welcome. For more information, call Shelly at 860-395-9353.

GERMAN CLUB

Welcome German Club members and guests to our 2023-2024 season. Our 1st meeting of the season will be on Oct. 24, 2023, in Building A. Happy hour will be at 5:00 p.m. with a brief meeting at 5:30. A Pot Roast dinner will be served after the meeting. The dinners will be \$15.00 for members and \$17.00 for guests. Please contact Debbie Zglobis at 860/383-5089 to make reservations and obtain tickets.

We are planning a "Game Night" for our entertainment at this meeting. So please bring playing cards, dice, or board games to share with your table.

We have a lot planned for this upcoming season. Just to name a few: Horse racing, Line Dancers will have their own designated area when music is provided, and a bus trip to Sanford, FL, to have dinner at a German Restaurant. Details about these will be discussed at our Oct. meeting. As always, we welcome input from our members for suggestions on how to keep our club active and entertaining.

Meetings are held the 4th Tuesday of each month, unless noted differently, in Building A with Happy Hour at 5:00 p.m.

Remember, you do not have to be of German heritage to join our club. We enjoy the fellowship of all Barefoot Bay residents.

Dues will be \$10.00 per person. With your dues payment, you will receive 5 Ethnic raffle tickets.

Looking forward to an enjoyable season. See you Oct 24, 2023

Willkommen (German for Welcome) to our 2023-2024 season.

GRANT HISTORICAL HOUSE

The Grant Historical Society is happy to announce that the Historical House will be opening on October 6th, 2023. Please note that the schedule has changed to new hours for tours. Tours will be given on Fridays and Saturdays from 10:00 – 4:00. The house will be closed from November 12th – November 30th and opened for Christmas Open House on December 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. Mark your calendars to meet with your friends and kick off the celebration of the Christmas Holidays. We look forward to seeing you again. Special tours are available for groups of five or more. To arrange an appointment for a group, call 321-544-5727.

GREEN THUMB GARDENING CLUB

At our September meeting, we had a good turnout; we discussed the need for gardeners to go check and weed your gardens and walkways.

We will have our seed & plant swap at our October & November meetings.

The club has 4 gardens for sale. Contact Val if interested.

A club fee of \$10.00 will be collected at our January meeting.

Our next meeting will be on Saturday, October 7th, near the greenhouse off of Dotti Road at 9:00. Dessert & coffee will be provided. Bring a chair.

Facebook page: Barefoot Bay Green Thumb Gardening Club.

President-Val Abbate
631-495-4703

IRISH AMERICAN CLUB

Good day to you Irish club members!!

As we enter into October, we are looking forward to the cooler weather, as well as our members gathering for the upcoming year!! Please bring your badge to purchase any of the events.

October 17th from 2 pm -5 pm at the Barefoot Bay golf course outside the bandstand area, we will be selling tickets for the following.

Thanksgiving dinner ticket (November 15th): \$18.00 per member.

Mt. Dora Fall Festival bus trip (October 29th): \$37.00 per member round trip.

Raffle tickets are \$10.00 each (To the Yellow Dog restaurant).

Accepting payment for membership dues of \$15.00

Per member: For the new year, we will accept checks or cash. Please bring your badge to purchase any of the events.

Mark on your calendar that our Christmas dinner is on December 8th. 5 pm. Building A. Tickets will be \$25.00 per member. (surf and turf)

Please call or text 508 269-3933 Michelle Donnelly with any questions or email me at sunshine61367@yahoo.com.

Travel safe see you all soon!!

ITALIAN AMERICAN CLUB

On August 24th, thirty-two members of the club met at Italian Cousin's in Sebastian for an evening of great fellowship, good food, and a few spirits. All those who said they would come did. It was a great night, and I hope to do it again next year.

Throughout the summer months, members of the club met on the fourth Thursday of each month for pizza at the lounge by Pool 1. Each month, we had great turnouts. Unfortunately, it has cost the club a good amount of money to do that every month. Our club's income is from dues or the ethnic festival. I think next summer, we "might" entertain a \$5 donation from all who join us for pizza. That's a small amount but would serve to be of great help.

We have put a major effort into e-mail addresses of members. If you have an e-mail address, please make sure Shirley Fashano has it. It's the best way for me to communicate with all. We will have a catered meal in October, along with entertainment. Because of the date, we can't sell tickets in advance. I will be giving more info through the e-mail system. For those members who are just returning from the north, "Welcome Back."

Ron Fashano/President

LAGOON ARTISANS

LABB artists have spent the summer preparing for the new season of shows in Barefoot Bay. Some explored new techniques, while others employed styles they had perfected.

The organizational meeting of the club will be held on Wednesday, October 11, from 10 to noon in building D/E. Topics of discussion will include the yearly schedule, new memberships, and election of officers. Barefoot Bay artists interested in exploring the club and meeting the members are invited to attend this meeting. Dues are cheap at \$15 per year. Show fees are \$10 for members.

The club holds four art shows each year, mostly in Building A. The club meets monthly from October to April to discuss business, which is followed by art demos and discussions. The club also hosts four luncheons a year at Thanksgiving, Christmas, Valentine's Day, and End-of-the Year. These socials provide opportunities for members to get to know each other outside of the club meetings and to learn new things about art from their colleagues. The club welcomes

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new fine artists to join in the fun.

These activities fulfill our mission to support each other as fine artists while having fun and creating opportunities to show and sell our work. Many members belong to other art associations and galleries. Creating it is one aspect; selling it is another that takes much effort. At our meetings, we share techniques and skills involved in marketing and selling our products.

The featured artist this month is Elke Suderman Fisher, who works in acrylics, 3-D designs incorporating natural elements, and, most recently, fabrics.

Text me an email address if you wish to join our contact list and keep up to date with club events. LABB also has volunteer opportunities at our shows for folks who would like to engage in the art community.

Dan Martin, Secretary
609-432-1059

LINE DANCE CLUB

Learn to line dance to country classics while supporting our local veterans, their families, and the Barefoot Bay Community!

The Barefoot Bay Line Dance Club will begin the 2023 - 2024 season on Thursday, October 5, 2023, in Building A at 9:30 a.m. The instructor will be Dona Gionet, assisted by Eileen Derrick.

The schedule will be:

9:30 a.m. to 9:55 a.m. - Absolute beginner step review

10 a.m. to 11 a.m. - Beginner class with instruction

11 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. - Improver level with open dance and requests.

The cost of each class will be \$5 for Barefoot Bay residents and \$8 for non-residents. Please remember to bring your badge each week. Season. A portion of all monies collected will go to our Veterans at the end of the season.

The October schedule will include the following dates: 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th

Hope to see you on the dance floor!

Joanne Blum President
Jill Anderson Vice President
Lyn Simmons Secretary
Cathy Dugan Treasurer

LITTLE THEATER CLUB

Tickets are Now on Sale!

Little Theater's Show: Tunnel Vision...
Escape The Bay. November 2, 3, and 4, 2023.

Tickets are \$12 on sale at the CVO office on Wednesdays and Thursdays from Noon to 2 pm.

For more information, contact Louise Crouse at 772.913.5113. Don't Miss Out!

NEW YORK CLUB

Well, Fall is upon us, and it won't be long until we're all back together again. Our first meeting will be on November 9th, with a social hour at 5 PM and dinner served after. As always, the first meeting will be a potluck. Please bring a dish or dessert to share.

Membership dues are \$10.00 per person and must be paid by our January 11th meeting. New members are always welcome. We meet the second Thursday of each month, November through April.

As an extra fun event, we will be going to see the Sound of Music at the Henegar Theater in Melbourne on Sunday, January 21st, at the 2 PM showing. Tickets are \$30.00 per person and must be paid by our November 9th meeting. We will buy the group tickets on November 10th, but you will have to provide your own transportation. Checks are to be made payable to the New York Club. If you will not be at the November meeting, please mail your check to our Treasurer, Martin Murphy, 822 Oleander Circle, Barefoot Bay, FL 32976, to arrive by November 9th.

For those traveling back, have a safe trip. we look forward to seeing everyone again.

Bob Kahl

PINOCHLE

Come join us for single-deck pinochle every Friday night in Bldg. C, which is next to Bldg. A. We begin playing at 6:30 pm, but arrive a little earlier, please. Any questions, contact Lois at 772 664 1199.

STRIKERS BOWLING LEAGUE

ATTENTION ALL BOWLERS

If you like to bowl, come join the Barefoot Bay Strikers Bowling League.

Formerly known as the Barefoot Bay Swingers bowling league.

We are not a sanctioned league; we bowl for fun and friendship.

For information, call Irene Lavoie at 772-664-6818 or 772-480-0675.

Please leave a message if no answer. All are welcome.

The bowling league will start October 2, 2023, with a meeting on September 25, 2023, at the Shore Lanes Bowling Center in Palm Bay, with three free games of bowling after the meeting.

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• And then the rest of us will walk behind them as support for the battles they have overcome!
In the next 3 months, we challenge other clubs to fundraise or donate to this cause. Barefoot Bay always makes a difference!
On January 7, 2024, we will culminate this drive with a Moonlight Golf Cart Parade from the golf course to the Walking Path under the Oaks. Prize for best cart!
On this night, we will tally our donations and Walk Once More! Be part of the cure!
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"Beyond Driving with Dignity," bringing a peaceful resolution to the complex, sensitive, and emotional senior driving issues, will be presented by John Daley, Certified Eldercare Consultant, on Thursday, October 26, from 7:00 PM until 8:00 PM at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 1301 Sebastian Blvd. This program is open to the public, and the church is handicap accessible.

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On Sunday, September 11th, we held a memorial for all those who were caught up in the horrific attack 21 years ago and for those still suffering from it. We also presented awards to the twenty service organizations and individuals serving our local community while thanking them for their service. It amazes me to see how much these people give of their time and energy to make life easier for all of us. We all enjoyed ice cream and cookies thanks to the efforts of our WELCA ladies and the women of Concordia Lutheran Church. God made his presence known with some rolling thunder followed by sunshine to brighten the day and brighten our spirits as well.

"Well done--- good and faithful servants" Matthew 25:21

It is so nice to have our Music team back in the house after their brief hiatus. Thanks to all who played sang solos and duets and for enriching our services every Sunday over the summer.

Concordia will be joining the Barefoot Bay cancer walk again on October 15th - this year's theme being "Kiss Cancer Goodbye." To raise money for research towards the elimination of this disease that affects everyone in some manner. Please consider joining us in the walk if you are able and by supporting this cause with a donation.

Looking ahead- our Flea Market is scheduled for Saturday, November 12th, from 8 a.m. to noon in the church parking lot. Call the church office at 772-664-1104 for more information or to reserve your space.

As always, we meet every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. to hear the "Good News" and to sing and worship our Lord—you are loved and welcome to come join us.

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"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. [2] He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. [3] He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. [4] Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. [5] Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup (a symbol for your life) runneth over. [6] Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house (a place of safety and love) of the Lord forever."

I have several books that illuminate Psalm 23. I want to tell you just one thing I love about this psalm, something that launches in its very first sentence. The Lord is my shepherd.

The start is so God. I was walking with my wife. We saw a dress in a shop window, and she said, "That is so Linda." Linda is her best friend. This sentence is so God. It's him, right from the get-go, being my shepherd. Your shepherd.

There's no plea. "Please be my shepherd." There's no distance. "I'll be humanity's shepherd rather than your shepherd." There are no conditions to take care of before he takes up the role.

One college professor makes this same point in this way. He asks his students if they know how the Ten Commandments begin. Maybe you think you know? "Thou shalt not have any other gods before me." But that isn't it. That's number one, but that isn't the start. The ten starts with, "I am the Lord your God who brought you up out of Egypt, out of the house of slavery." How did that happen? How did we get him, this amazing God, for our God? How did we get him to deliver us? Because we pled and promised to do this and this and that and that? No, God just showed up and started doing shepherd stuff for us before we even knew we needed it.

Do you know what is happening to you right now? Silently, lovingly, quietly, caringly, God is being your shepherd.

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Obituary

Carl "Chip" H. Shields

Carl "Chip" H. Shields, 55, passed away on September 19, 2023, at his home in Barefoot Bay with his mother, Linda McNess, by his side.

He was born in Naples, FL on June 9, 1968. Chip lived in Daytona, FL and Buffalo, NY before moving to Barefoot Bay 12 years ago.

Chip was in the Special Olympics in Buffalo and won numerous medals over many years. He enjoyed riding his three-wheeled bike to the local Fire Station. He also enjoyed riding on the back of his mother's motorcycle with friends.

There are no services scheduled at this time. Condolences may be sent to his mother.

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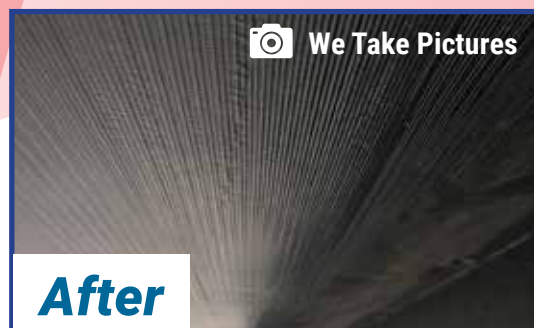
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