

# The Flamingo Flyer

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of historic Flamingo Park

January/February  
2026



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## Airplane noise

### County sues over flight rule

County commissioners filed suit Dec. 12 against the federal government, challenging Secret Service rules forcing all flights to fan north of Mar-a-Lago even when Donald Trump is not in residence.

Relief for the more than 20,000 residents feeling the difference will not be quick, according to the news site Stet: "It will take at least a year to resolve the suit, said attorney Steven Osit, who represents the county on aviation issues."

Nancy Pullum, chair of the county's Citizens Committee on Airport Noise, and other committee members in a Dec. 11 meeting credited County Commissioner Gregg Weiss with persuading three other county commissioners to challenge the Secret Service in a suit known as a "petition for review."

CCAN heard from several members of the public, including (according to Weiss) "a lively presentation by Raphael Clemente, who

brought a speaker and let the committee members experience the noise impact he experiences at his home." (See story, Page 11)

Clemente and others worried about the new path being fixed going forward. Carol Roberts, a member of the noise committee who served on the County Commission when it battled Trump over airport noise, said, "We need to do whatever we can do to prevent it from becoming permanent. I do think that's what he wants to do."

Trump bought Mar-a-Lago in 1985 and then spent years suing the county to stop planes from flying over — even suggesting the airport be moved.

The committee discussed non-working noise monitors and will continue that at the Jan. 22 meeting. Ground monitors, however, are not used by the FAA to determine if noise levels exceed 65 decibels, its threshold to determine if an airport impacts residential areas, according to Stet.

## President's column

### Neighborhoods join fight against overflights

Overnight, as of Oct. 20, our quiet neighborhood was transformed. The FAA, following an order from the Secret Service, implemented a temporary flight

restriction whereby flights in and out of PBIA are now being routed northeast, right over Flamingo Park. This TFR is a 24/7/365 situation. We now "enjoy" a constant barrage of jets flying



Tanya  
Lewicki

overhead, deafening our daily lives. We understand the air traffic being rerouted when the president is in town, but this is now a daily onslaught, regardless of his presence at Mar-a-Lago.

We immediately reached out

to our elected officials and County Commissioner Gregg Weiss, a Flamingo Park resident, took action and — along with the town of Palm Beach, the Citizens Committee on Airport Noise and PBIA officials — arranged a meeting at the airport on Nov. 6.

This meeting was attended by many of you as well as people from Sunshine Park, El Cid, Grandview Heights and Palm Beach. Flamingo Park was well represented and the comments made by those who spoke were impassioned, informative, on-point and respectful.

Unfortunately, due to the government shutdown at the time of the meeting, there was no representation from the tower, the FAA, nor the Secret Service.

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### Yard sale No. 22: A chance to start your spring cleaning

Look alive, folks. The 22nd Flamingo Park Yard Sale Extravaganza is coming up fast on Feb. 14.

If you are new to the neighborhood, the deal is this: First, you rummage through closets, bureaus, attic and garage to come up with goods to sell in your own yard/driveway. When you know you have enough, email me ASAP (vmp735@mac.com), because we need about 15-20 sellers to make the event a draw.

Signup deadline is Jan. 15 and all communication is done via email. No calls or texts, my friends!

I produce and publish a map/list that helps visitors locate the goods they might be hunting for — baby and kid stuff, lamps, kitchenware etc. It also can highlight the unique or collectible — antique

tableware brands, framed art, sports memorabilia.

FPNA takes no portion of your revenue (but maybe it's a good time to join or renew your membership or even donate extra, eh?).

Once we're booked, it's marketed via the *Palm Beach Post* and Craigslist — though garage/estate sale apps "harvest" the online ads from those sources, extending our reach to app users.

Having suggested this in 2010, I ended up organizing and running it yearly, and occasionally twice a year, since then. In 2016, after years of sales in spring and/or fall, we pegged the event annually to the Saturday of Presidents Day weekend. And now we're hitting 22 sales in that 15

See Sale, Page 5

## House of the Month

Since 1990, the Flamingo Park Neighborhood Association has awarded the avian icon (mostly) monthly. It comes with a heaping helping of FPNA's appreciation for ongoing "curb appeal," or for the recent rejuvenation of a home's outside appearance.

Winners receive a \$25 gift certificate from **Serenity Garden Tea House**.



*Current winners enjoy our grand new front yard bird!*

**January: 617 Claremore** — Kimberly & Thomas O'Donnell

**February: 745 Claremore** — Christopher Parolie

If you have a neighbor you would like to nominate, email [cullen@digital.net](mailto:cullen@digital.net).

## Socials rolling into new year

Residents had an opportunity to check out the renovated Roosters on Dec. 5, when the historic bar (and now restaurant) hosted FPNA for a special social hour.

After a 2020 fire devastated the bar and work inched forward during the early pandemic, the city placed the cultural and social icon on the local Register of Historic Places. The citation stated that the "site is the location of the oldest still operating gay bar in Palm Beach County." It reopened last May.

Information about hosts for Jan. 30 (Joel and Elizabeth

Crippen) and Feb. 27 (Loren and Greg Slaydon) will be shared in future FPNA email blasts.

Social hours are the last Friday of the month, January through October, typically in a resident's yard. Hosts receive a stipend to offset the cost of refreshments.

Social hours are free to paid members and \$5 for each guest. An email to residents who've signed up for FPNA news blasts gives details.

Linda Cullen keeps a running list of possible hosts. To get dibs on your favorite month, email her at [cullen@digital.net](mailto:cullen@digital.net).

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## Gardening

### Nuts for coconut palms?

Many folks love a coconut palm. Nothing screams “the tropics” more than the iconic swaying palms, laden with fruit, along a white sandy beach.

Sometimes the image is better than the reality, especially when a nut falls and shatters your windshield!

How South Florida, and particularly Palm Beach County, became obsessed with the coconut palm (*Cocos nucifera*) put our locale on the map.

It is a common misconception that coconuts are natives. Their origins are traced back to Polynesia but, over the millennia, their fruits have floated place to place across the oceans throughout the pan tropics ... but that is not how they came to Florida.

In 1878, the Spanish vessel *Providencia* wrecked on the shores of what we call today Palm Beach. Early pioneers salvaged its cargo of 20,000 coconuts and cases of wine.

Although they drank all the wine, they ate only a few of the nuts. Most of them were planted throughout the island.

Seven years later, when Henry Flagler happened to visit, he was so impressed by the coconut palms that he chose the island for his Royal Poinciana Hotel and named the island Palm Beach. The rest is history.

Throughout our area, coconuts grace many an avenue and several blocks in our neighborhood, where it is a designated street tree.

Although adapted to our climate, the existence of this palm, and our relationship with it, has not been an easy one. In the 1970s a disease, lethal yellowing, wiped out 75% of the trees in Florida. Although they made a comeback and developed resistance, periodically the disease thins out the population. Then in 2009 and 2010, two wet and cold winters brought on a bout of bud rot, killing many trees.

Maintenance becomes another issue, the need to remove bunches of nuts before hurricane season or falling on your car. Such events test our love for the coconut palm. The first rule of the Florida Friendly Landscaping

program is “right plant, right place.” Makes you wonder what we have been thinking.

Not to worry, I’m not suggesting all doom and gloom for the trees but a more thoughtful placement of them in our streetscapes. I recommend planting coconuts in the parkways (area between the street and sidewalk) along “no parking” zones. Then plant *Beccariophoenix* (false coconuts) along parking zones.

This coconut palm relative also produces an edible seed, but it is very small in comparison — nothing to worry about above your car or during a hurricane.

The trees are also more cold hardy (fewer bud rot issues) and less susceptible to lethal yellowing. They possess similar long arching fronds, leaf bases (boots) and fiber; however, their trunks are generally more stout and tend not to bend naturally in that romantic tropical look.

There are a few species of *Beccariophoenix*, each with its own characteristics, but the most suitable one is the “high plateau coconut” (*B. fenestralis*). Although not yet common in our area, it is gaining popularity throughout the world as a street tree coconut replacement.

Where to see a high plateau coconut? A row of them is planted at 801 Claremore Drive. There is one young one at 629 Flamingo Drive and two, of the species “windowpane palm” (*B. sp. 'Window'*) at 616 Flamingo Drive (on either side of the pedestrian entrance gate).

Where to find more information about this palm? A great website is: [Palmmedia.net](http://Palmmedia.net).

Where to get a high plateau coconut? Although it is becoming more popular, it is still uncommon locally and may require a bit of searching.

Amelia’s Smarty Plants in Lake Worth Beach is a good starting point; they may be able to source it for you if they do not carry it.

The Palm Beach Palm and Cycad Society holds a palm sale every April and October at Mounts Botanical Garden, where they offer this palm and many other exotic ones.

— Joel Crippen, horticulturist



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## 2026 Flamingo Park Neighborhood Association election nomination form

**Nomination form for FPNA board of directors election on Tuesday, March 24, 2026**

- *Directors must be full (voting) members in good standing, over the age of 18, residing in Flamingo Park.*
- *Form must be completed, signed, dated and mailed to FPNA, P.O. Box 1112, West Palm Beach, FL 33402, and received by **4 p.m.**, Thursday, **Feb. 12**.*
- *The election will take place at FPNA's 2026 annual meeting on **March 24, at 6:30 p.m.** in the community room at the Howard Park recreation center.*
- *If you have questions, text/call Linda Cullen, 561-758-5227.*

**I nominate myself** for election to a two-year term in the **March 24, 2026**, board of directors election.

I certify that I am a paid member of the Flamingo Park Neighborhood Association in good standing, over the age of 18 and a deeded property owner, residing in the Flamingo Park neighborhood.

**Printed Name:**

**Address:**

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**Dated:**

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**Informational Questionnaire**  
*to be shared with voters before election*

**Name:**

**How long have you lived in Flamingo Park?**

**What projects/events have you helped with and/or participated in?**

**If you are elected to the board, what particular area(s) would you personally like to concentrate on and commit time to?**

**Have you served on other boards of directors?**

**Why did you decide to run this year?**

## **FPNA board**

# ***Four seats up for election; nominations due Feb. 12***

Alternate years bring either three or four seats up for election to the seven-member FPNA board for two-year terms. For 2026, four directors will be up for re-election in March, if they choose to run again: John Alford, Linda Cullen, Tanya Lewicki and Julie Mullen.

Three directors will go on to the second year of their terms: Susan Hill, Steve Large and Rick Reikenis.

Self-nomination is the typical route to the ballot. Completed forms for the March 24 election are due Feb. 12. Even current board members who run for re-election must complete the form again.

The nomination form is on the facing page.

Completed forms should be sent to the FPNA post office box: FPNA, PO Box 1112, West Palm Beach, FL 33402.

After the deadline, if we have contested seats, the nominations will be shared on the website for all to peruse.

Since the *Flamingo Flyer* is delivered to all residences within FPNA boundaries, and posted on the website for nonresident members to see, this issue is the effective notice of election that is required 60 days before the vote.

The annual election meeting is the only membership meeting required by the bylaws.

At the March 24 meeting, votes will be opened and counted or, if the election is

not contested, there will be a vote of members to accept the board slate.

The board members decide among themselves who will serve in each of the four offices: president, vice president, treasurer and secretary. No person can serve in an office for longer than 24 consecutive months.

Here is the timeline:

- 60-day notice of election — Friday, Jan. 23 (effectively, the *January Flyer*)
- 40-day deadline for nominations — 4 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 12
- 20-day notice if there is a contested slate — Wednesday, March 4
- Annual election meeting — Tuesday, March 24.

## ***Lighting contest results***

Our annual Flamingo Park Holiday Lighting Contest was held the evening of Dec. 13 and the results are in.

Three judges (nonresidents of Flamingo Park) toured the neighborhood and even said it was fun!

We thank our judges: Jill Brown from the Armory Art Center; Margaret Frazzini, president of the Grandview Heights Association; and Jordan Hodges, WPB historic preservation planner.

Winners receiving \$50 each are:

• Most creative — 810 Kanuga, Ken and Jessica Walters

• Most traditional — 711 Flamingo, Roger and Karyn Janssen

• Most tropical — 738 Kanuga, Tammy and Walter Umminger

• Brightest — 745 Kanuga, William Waters

• Awards of merit — 812 Flamingo, Michael & Patricia Roedel; 719 Avon, Warren Reuther; and 1815 Lake, Lauren Sheridan and Ryan Toth.

The judges said they had fun, so we recommend you take a stroll or a drive *soon* to catch the festive looks before the season winds down.

## ***Sale, from Page 1***

years.

I like to ask guests how they heard about the sale. People come from as far as Boca Raton, Wellington and Jupiter to our sales — and our neighborhood. One visitor told me that she knew Flamingo Park had a Presidents Day weekend yard sale and did not like to miss it!

We have spiffy signs that go along the feeder streets (Parker, Dixie and Belvedere) to direct drivers who might not otherwise have heard about our sales. Volunteers are needed for that job, so speak up if you can help.

— Victoria Preuss, sale coordinator

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## President, from Page 1

To fast-forward a few weeks, the mayor of West Palm Beach, town manager of Palm Beach, County Administrator Joseph Abruzzo, the Department of Airports, CCAN, along with County Commissioner Weiss' office joined in a call to ensure a united front was being presented.

At press time, Rep. Lois Frankel was scheduled to meet with the Secret Service on Dec. 18. Updates on that meeting will come to those of you subscribing to our MailChimp e-blasts.

As of our deadline, Palm Beach County commissioners had voted on two motions, which passed:

1. To extend the time the FAA has to clarify why the flight restrictions are in place, with the deadline for clarification being Dec. 12; and

2. For Palm Beach County to file a Petition for Review on Dec. 12 if the FAA has not responded to the extension by the deadline.

The Petition for Review is a formal legal challenge against the FAA, asking it to clarify the regulations relied on in deciding to implement the restrictions and to explain its reasoning.

Understandably we are frustrated, upset and angered by this disruption to our daily lives, not to mention health concerns, the value and integrity of our properties, and the list goes on.

Even though our interests are being well represented by our elected officials, we can still keep making our position known. We will continue to follow this matter and keep you updated.

Meanwhile, a local petition is available online. Go to [change.org](http://change.org) and search "safe and livable skies" to find the petition, launched by the Palm Beach Quiet Skies Coalition.

If you feel so inclined, let the Trump administration know how you feel about the flight path change.

Option 1: Fill out a form at <https://www.whitehouse.gov/contact/>.

Option 2: Call the White House comments line at 202-456-6213.

It's not for reaching a specific person. You give feedback, express concerns, or share thoughts on policies or issues. Staff members (or a recording system) collect and review the comments.

Option 3: Send a letter to the

White House.

• The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20500.

• Requirements:

If mailing a letter, type it on standard 8½×11" paper when you can. If hand-writing, write neatly using an ink pen.

Include your return address on both the letter and the envelope, and provide an email address if available.

Commissioner Weiss also welcomes emails

([District2@pbc.gov](mailto:District2@pbc.gov)) or calls (561-355-2202) to his office.

— Tanya Lewicki

## Block party on for Jan. 31

After many years of organizing our annual block party, Susan Hill is retiring her Rolodex. Susan did yeoman's work attending to all aspects of this event, ensuring a good time was had by all.

Thank you, Susan, for the many wonderful block parties we all enjoyed.

Our block party chair this year is Lauren Sheridan. Lauren represents the next generation of leadership in Flamingo Park. She and her husband, Ryan Toth (who painted our new House of the Month flamingo), are parents of two lovely daughters.

Lauren will ensure this event continues to be family-centric. As always there will be food, music and fun for the kids.

Last year, for the first time, our block party was held at Howard Park. This proved to be an excellent venue for us and we're opting for it again this year.

In the good-neighbor spirit, we will be inviting our friends from Grandview Heights and Sunshine Park to join us for this event.

The block party will be Saturday Jan. 31, 5-8 p.m. We hope you will be able to join us at this most fun, annual event.

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## 17th Garden tour on horizon

The 17th FPNA Garden Tour is set for March 8, with nine fantastic gardens lined up.

A 10th would be nice, so if there is anyone out there who wants to have a few hundred people oohing and aahing over their outdoor space, please let us know *now*.

This event is one of the largest fundraisers for Flamingo Park, and as such requires tremendous coordination and execution prior to, during and after the event. An army of volunteers is needed.

We have a lot of people contacting us to offer their help, but in this case, more is always better. Volunteers' roles are varied. We need people to help with set-up, delivering goods to the gardens, and breaking down afterward.

Another contingent of

### Volunteer spotlight

You could say, it takes a village to keep Flamingo Park in the pink.

The FPNA board *always* appreciates the volunteers working for the neighborhood.

Doing what?, you ask.

Here are a few traditional tasks: moving the House of the Month sign; tending to the U.S. flag; repairing and painting FPNA-owned garbage cans; making and sprucing up the wooden flamingos used for tours; being a block captain and distributing *Flyers*; refilling Dogi-Pot stations.

These are just the current "day to day" volunteer efforts. Home and garden tours bring out a whole crew of people for specialized event tasks — see the 2026 Garden Tour story above.

So you see, it really does take a village. And we think ours is the best!

To bring public adulation to some neighbors currently doing the unsung work, the board is bringing back the "Volunteer Spotlight" in a future *Flyer*.

— Linda Cullen

volunteers is needed to stay on-site in gardens to guide visitors, basically telling them to "watch your step," and to help serve food and drink.

People who are either master gardeners or simply garden savvy are needed to help visitors identify some of the plants they will be seeing.

The super-cool side of volunteering is that you are automatically included in the follow-up tour held just for hosts and volunteers — folks tethered to one garden the day of the event. This private tour is held the next Sunday after the event. We'll gather and move as a group from one garden to another. It is a very relaxed and fun afternoon.

Our garden tours draw from Palm Beach and surrounding counties as well as visitors who are in town from afar.

The 2024 Garden Tour was amazing, with approximately 500 guests. Flamingo Park has such cachet as a historic district and our gardens are hidden gems that pique visitors' interest.

Let's all join together to make this next tour a rousing success.

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## Nonprofits News

**FPNA shares news of nearby nonprofit organizations.**  
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### Norton offerings delight

From *Rebecca* to Rembrandt, the Norton Art Museum has something to interest everyone.

Back by popular demand, enjoy a classic film on a Sunday afternoon. In Alfred Hitchcock's *Rebecca*, based on the famous story by Daphne Du Maurier, a self-conscious woman juggles adjusting to her new role as an aristocrat's wife and avoiding being intimidated by his first wife's spectral presence. *Woou* Jan. 25, 2 p.m.

The 36th annual Palm Beach Jewish Film Festival screens *The True Story of Tamara de Lempicka & the Art of Survival*.

Tamara de Lempicka was the preeminent Art Deco painter and this sweeping documentary traces her life and survival, from her rise to stardom in 1920s Paris, to her move to the United States in 1940, fleeing the rise of fascism,

and her revival in the current art market. Jan. 30 at 1 p.m.

"Art and Life in Rembrandt's Time" runs through March 29, but requires a timed ticket to see this landmark exhibition of more than 75 works from The Leiden Collection — one of the world's foremost private collections of 17th-century Dutch art.

It is the largest exhibition of privately held Dutch 17th-century paintings ever organized in the United States. Among the highlights are over a dozen astounding paintings by Rembrandt van Rijn and the only painting by Johannes Vermeer in a private collection.

Beyond these, an array of family and teen programs encourage creativity and inspiration for everyone.

The Norton is a nationally known cultural gem right here (almost) in our neighborhood. Check it out at [Norton.org](http://Norton.org).

### Get arty with RD in your closet

Time again to refashion your wardrobe with ReFashion Weekend at Resource Depot.

First, check out the site at [resourcedepot.org/refashion-weekend](http://resourcedepot.org/refashion-weekend) to see what you can donate (now through Feb. 21 — maybe some things left from your yard sale might be on their wanted list).

Then buy a ticket for access to the curated selection: Before anyone else, go March 6, 5:30-8:30 p.m., and sip some bubbly, enjoy light bites and exploring racks of incredible finds. (Ticket \$75)

Next opportunity is the Saturday Morning Style Rush, March 7, 9 a.m. to noon. Shop two floors of gently-used women's clothing, shoes and accessories, from designer boutique items to the Fill-A-Bag section. (Ticket \$50)

Not an early riser? Opt for Saturday Afternoon Style Edit, from 2 to 5 p.m. Still score



amazing sustainable fashion finds. Shop the boutique and Fill-A-Bag section while enjoying surprise deals and the thrill of hunting for one-of-a-kind pieces. (Ticket \$35)

And lastly, Monday March 9 get Fashion by the Pound from 9 a.m. to noon. Leave with as many fab finds as you like and pay just \$2 per pound. A \$5 ticket will get you in for Monday's wind-up.

ReFashion Weekend is the perfect chance to score stylish treasures while giving pre-loved fashion a new home.

Resource Depot is an environmental/educational nonprofit at 2508 Florida Ave., [resourcedepot.org/](http://resourcedepot.org/).



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## Airplane noise

# Resident reacts to change, seeks return to prior path

*Former executive director of the Downtown Development Authority and a Flamingo Park resident, Raphael Clemente wrote to the Citizens Committee on Airport Noise in advance of the Dec. 11 meeting. This is his letter, edited for style and space:*

As a resident of West Palm Beach and a 50-year resident of Palm Beach County, I am writing to express strong opposition to the recent change in the flight path over my neighborhood of Flamingo Park. My wife and I chose our home very intentionally, ensuring it was outside the airport's flight path, yet close to family, friends and the amenities that make West Palm Beach such a wonderful place to live and raise our family. We spend much of our time outdoors — gardening, relaxing, enjoying meals and hosting family and friends.

Now, with the sudden redirection of more than 100 planes a day directly over our neighborhood, we have lost much of our ability to enjoy the peace and outdoor beauty that we have worked so hard to create at our home.

On Thursday, Nov. 6, between 11 a.m. and noon, 14 commercial airliners passed directly overhead — one every four and a half minutes. That same night, at nearly 10 p.m., the flights continued at an even greater frequency of roughly every two minutes.

I have personally measured noise levels of 89 decibels — about as loud as a lawnmower or leaf blower — many times per hour, from early morning until late at night. The background noise in our neighborhood averages 50 decibels.

This is not an inconvenience; it is an assault on our quality of life.

The World Health Organization identifies 55 decibels as the threshold for serious community disturbance.

Prolonged exposure to noise at these levels has been shown to cause stress, sleep disruption, hypertension and cardiovascular

disease.

Families in Flamingo Park and surrounding neighborhoods are now being subjected to these conditions without warning or consent.

There should be no consideration of making this altered flight path permanent. Before even temporary changes are made, there must be a transparent and comprehensive evaluation process, including:

- Environmental impact assessment of noise and air quality, including modeling of projected exposure levels.
- Health impact assessment — an independent review of the physical and mental health effects of sustained aircraft noise exposure, especially for children, seniors and vulnerable populations.

- Residential and property impact study quantifying expected property value losses and related declines in tax revenues.

- Public notice: Residents must be informed well in advance of any proposed change and given a real voice in the process.

- Temporary measures should remain temporary. The county should work with the FAA to restore the preexisting flight paths that safely served this community for decades.

Historic neighborhoods like Flamingo Park, Grandview Heights and El Cid are integral to West Palm Beach's identity, character and economy. Property values in these areas are the foundation of the city's tax base and a key driver of neighborhood reinvestment.

When aircraft noise degrades property values — as studies show by 10% or more — it doesn't just hurt individual homeowners, it erodes the fiscal foundation that supports schools, parks, infrastructure and public safety.

I strongly urge the Citizens Committee on Airport Noise to take a clear position opposing any permanent or long-term flight path change over residential areas of West Palm Beach. This situation must be corrected, not codified.

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**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

*(We won't share it and we won't bombard you!)*

Check areas in which you would like to volunteer:

- ☐ Social Hour host  
☐ Advertising sales  
☐ Block Party  
☐ Events/tours  
 Environmental:  
☐ Cleanups  
☐ Plantings

- ☐ \$50 per household for deed-holders / Full [voting] Membership  
☐ \$35 for non-deed-holders / Associate [non-voting] Membership  
☐ \$20 Associate Members **additional** to list in *Flamingo Flyer* Business Directory  
*NOTE: There is no extra charge for Voting Members to list in our Business Directory*  
☐ \$\_\_\_\_\_ extra for tax-deductible donation

*FPNA operates primarily on membership funds and events income.*

**Write checks to FPNA**  
**Give finished form to Linda Cullen,**  
**828 Biscayne, WPB, FL 33401**  
**or, mail it to FPNA, PO Box 1112,**  
**WPB, FL 33402**

### Datebook

#### January

Tuesday, Jan. 13 — Board meeting  
 Monday, Jan. 19 — Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
 Friday, Jan. 30 — Social Hour, see Page 2  
 Saturday, Jan. 31 — Block party, see Page 7

#### February

Tuesday, Feb. 10 — Board meeting  
 Saturday, Feb. 14 — Yard Sale, see Page 1  
 Monday, Feb. 16 — Presidents Day  
 Friday, Feb. 27 — Social Hour, see Page 2

#### Save the date

Sunday, March 8 — Garden Tour, see Page 9  
 Tuesday, March 24 — Membership/election meeting, see Pages 4-5

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 flamingopark.org.*

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*The FPNA board encourages residents to speak  
 with the offending neighbor or with a board  
 member before reporting a code violation to the  
 city, but this is not required.*

**Garbage and yard waste:**  
 561-494-1058

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