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President's Message - Happy Holidays CINA Neighbors!



I hope that this final letter of 2020 finds you and your whole family both happy and healthy! This year has been quite a challenge, and I believe that no one (not even George Orwell) could have predicted how this year would go. From lockdowns to toilet paper, social distance, hand sanitizer and wearing a mask everywhere, this year has certainly inspired us to new heights of ingenuity, resilience and adaptability.

This past week while reflecting on the word "Community", I was struck by the second half of that word: -UNITY. Our neighborhood is just that - a small community made up of different ages, genders, colors and opinions, but at the end of the day it takes (unity) to make a Community. And our neighborhood has seen great levels of unity this year. From neighbors making grocery runs to phone calls and emails to ensure friends are OK to taking turns watching kids while someone else works, we have pulled together to support and encourage us through this time.

As a community, here are some examples of ways in which we safely came together, celebrated and remained united during 2020:

- Many members enjoyed our "social distance boat parade" on the water, while others cheered them on from land.
- Our CINA Board held meetings via ZOOM so that we could still communicate and get information circulated and plan "safe" events.
- We held our first doggie Halloween Parade as they marched down 3rd St. on Halloween.
- We figured out a safe way to hold a Fall social, using boats and common sense to maintain a level of comfortable distance from others and still manage to be social with others from the neighborhood. We had over 40 boats and a handful of folks on land participate and spread some joy in an otherwise strange 2020.

Separately, we are saying goodbye to two Executive Board members, Charles Adkinson and Andrea Nation. They both will be missed on the Board, but they are staying in the neighborhood so I'm sure we will see them at future events. Charles has been instrumental in his Secretary duties and is still filling a vital role as champion to help keep the information factual and flowing with regards to the traffic calming circles. Andrea's attention to detail and diligence was greatly appreciated in her role as Treasurer. We wish these two all the best and thank them whole heartedly for their volunteerism and commitment to CINA.

I am happy to announce that we have had members of the community step up to fill in these pivotal roles. Effective January 1, 2021, Deb Schum (3rd St.) will assume the role of Secretary and Jim Richards (3rd St.) will step in as Treasurer. Deb Schum has been working with the board as social chairperson and Jim Richards is a CPA who also manages a mortgage company. We will welcome these two new individuals to the Executive board in January.

Lastly, I would like to thank everyone who has continued to support CINA by being a member. We have done much this year despite the challenges and we have much more to do in 2021. I would love to see the new CINA vehicle stickers in all the dashboards of our cars, so please become a member today! We have big plans for 2021 and need the support of the entire neighborhood to continue making positive impressions in our community. Membership applications are on the last page of this newsletter; please fill it out today or call me for more information.

Feel free to reach out to me anytime with questions or comments - and thank you for your support of our Association!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
Captain Bruce

PS: The Island wide garage sale is a big deal that we are coordinating with Yacht Club Estates to be held on March 13, 2021. Please save the date for this so you can get your items ready or leave town for the day as the streets fill up with treasure seekers!

CHARLOTTE HUGHES

No One Can Fill Her Shoes by Sue Massanari

Charlotte Hughes has been a vital and enthusiastic contributor to our neighborhood since 1998 when she and her husband Dennis moved to their home on 3rd Avenue South. Charlotte's involvement in the Causeway Isles Neighborhood Association has been unparalleled. Whenever there was a position to be filled or a task to be accomplished Charlotte could be counted on to step forward, as evidenced by her many former titles listed below. Charlotte and Dennis recently sold their home on 3rd Avenue South and relocated to Arizona to be closer to family. Although there will be fewer dinner parties now and we will miss Charlotte's tireless devotion to CINA, her informative e-mails, and her neighborly presence, we wish the Hughes much happiness as they embark upon this new chapter in their lives.



How long have you lived in the neighborhood?

Dennis and I moved into Causeway Isles in October 1998. It was just after a hurricane had approached, and the previous owner asked if we wanted to close early so, he would not have to worry about the house blowing away! We declined. . . .

How long have you volunteered for CINA as a Block Captain or in any other role?

CINA was just becoming active in 1998. The primary concern was to do something about speeding on 79th Street S. Sound familiar? Pat Brannon, Sue Massanari, Paula Engel and others were working hard to organize and energize this new neighborhood association. Paula and I met early on and began volunteer work with CINA. One of the reasons we chose Causeway Isles was to live in a "neighborhood", where there would be folks of all ages and a sense of year-round community.

As a volunteer, I held elected positions with CINA . . . every position except Treasurer. I have been Secretary, Membership, Directory Creator, Vice President, and President. I just did what needed to be done. I have been a backup block captain ever since the notices and Isles Style newsletter were created. With Paula Engel, I rounded up articles for the newsletter and did some proofreading. There are some memorable moments like when a former CINA president publicly berated some elected officials at our annual meeting; or when the CINA president just didn't show up for the annual meeting; or when I had the opportunity to interview Paul Yingst about the history of Causeway Isles. As an original owner and former City Councilman, Paul had a fascinating perspective to share about our history. For me, having a connection with my community is critical. I am so pleased that we chose this neighborhood.

Tell us a little about yourself, your family, your pets etc.

Dennis and I moved here after retiring from our careers. Dennis had careers with the U.S. Navy and then the FBI. Dennis was recruited by Raytheon to come to St. Petersburg and work for them. This was providential as we were planning on coming here anyway! We left Fairfax VA, having shipped our goods, and took the auto-train to Sanford. For several months we lived in a condo in Treasure Island. It took us four months to find this home.

My career was in human services/social work management. As we had moved around the country for Dennis' career, I had the opportunities to work as a mental health specialist, an adoption caseworker, and a social worker at a children's home. Over time, I discovered I was a better manager than case worker. I became the executive director of a new agency in Phoenix and then moved to become the director of Family Service Agency. In Virginia, I worked for Fairfax County in the Office for Children.

Early on, we had twin sons, Brennan and Jason, who are now unbelievably grown men and fun to be with. They both work for Intel in Chandler AZ. We plan to relocate to AZ in the coming months to be closer to them. Since we lived in AZ before, we still have friends there. My older brother and his family are there, as well. In a sense it will be like coming home.

We also had along the way several pets. The special Causeway pet was Nicky. Our neighbors, Waldo, and Barbara Rowell were without a pet and they

travelled a lot. We wanted to travel, as well. We all wanted a pet, so we decided to share one. Nicky was 8 weeks old, a cute black lab puppy who joined our famil(ies). We fenced off both front yards and put a swinging gate along the seawall. If Nicky were free to go between homes, the gate would be open. We planned our times away so he would have a home to stay in. Nicky brought fun and comfort to all of us for 12 years. The Rowell's moved to Westminster but would come to visit us or Nicky would go to visit them. One evening we were all having dinner on our patio. Nicky had not been eating much the previous few days. While we had dinner, he swam in the pool, sought pets and love from each of us, and then lay down on his bed. Waldo observed that Nicky did not seem right. The Rowell's left and I went outside with Nicky. Then he died. What a way to go! All his favorite people had been with him and were able to show their love.

Now we have Nora and Sadie. Nora is our rescue dog who likely barks at you if you walk or drive on our street! She is a "lab mix" they said. That phrase really means she has some pit bull. She is safe to be with, loves to eat, and unfortunately beginning to show her age. Sadie is a combination of a black lab, german shepherd, golden retriever and belonged to Ruth and Glenn Moore, previously of 79th St S. They moved to a condo, Glenn has now died, and Ruth finds this big hairy chunk of a dog too much to walk. Sadie is a lover. She, too, will bark at you!

What is your Occupation, volunteering, passion?

Since the election of 2000 I have worked with the Supervisor of Elections, helping recruit, train, and supervise poll workers. This is a periodic work arrangement. About 6 weeks before an election, I set up a training site (now at Allstate SPC campus) and manage the training program. On election day, I either visit precincts and do trouble shooting, or I work in the office in Largo, assisting by phone. Through this work I have met so many great people and have participated in a process that is constantly being improved. Dennis also worked for elections for a few years, but he has retired from that occupation.

Joyce Baffi, Causeway Blvd S, introduced me to FreeFall and American Stage theaters volunteer programs. I have been fortunate to see every production they have had over the last six years or so. All I do is hand out programs or usher patrons to their seats! Such a deal! Live theater is one of the activities I have sorely missed these past few months.

Another missed activity is singing with the SPC Community Chorus. We are a bunch of oldsters who try to make beautiful music. And, usually, it is not half bad. And, finally, I am normally able to play tennis with friends at the SPY&TC. . . . but not recently. Same with going to St. Pete Opera. . . . there is so very much to enjoy in this city (usually).

CINA has given us a vehicle to meet one another and get off our street! The friends I have made through the association might not have happened if we did not share in the work and fun of CINA. When we moved to Causeway, we thought we would be here until the end of our times. But times change. CINA



has surged and ebbed over the last 20+ years. When I see the holiday bows up or turn on 79th and see the entrance signs Linda Harris helped us obtain, I know that there has been positive impact. When I see the medians and the crosswalks, I feel the same thing. I would love to see all this maintained and improved. (Let us get some lights on those medians!) New energy by members of the association will always be needed. Janica and I have mentioned that there are so many new families here now. . . younger families. Time does, indeed, move on. The challenge with any group or organization is to keep on keeping on! The new faces we have here will be the ones to do that.

Best wishes to you all. Charlotte Hughes

LOOK WHO'S PRETTY

Causeway Isles Beautification Award Winner - Winter 2020...

Congratulations to Julie and Jason Rossi of 7822 Causeway Boulevard South, for being the latest recipient of the CINA Beautification Award. Julie and Jason moved to Causeway Isles after they purchased their 1000 square foot house just 1 year ago. They had moved from Yacht Club Estates, where Jason, a residential home builder and remodeler, had just redone a home there. They wanted to move to Causeway Isles, where they could design and build a custom home exactly suited to their desires, from the ground up. They wanted to be near the water with Gulf access, so they waited for the right property to become available. They found their 1950's 1000 square foot home right on the water including an old dock.



10 ½ months later, the dock was the only feature of the original house still standing. It now features about 3500 square feet with 4 bedrooms and 4 ½ baths. The original 2-bedroom, 1-bath home was completely removed, creating a blank canvas where Jason could utilize his design and construction talents to create their elevated home masterpiece. Being lovers of our Bay, they have two jet skis on the dock and two lifts, just waiting for a fishing boat in the future! Julie is a nurse at St. Joseph's Hospital in Apollo Beach, and a mother of two, Brooke-15, and Kian-13, plus Chip, their Spaniel. They both love to entertain and cook in their outside entertainment center with BBQ, fireplace, pool, hot tub, and great views. They also love to travel in their RV with several trips outside the US to Europe, Central America, and the Caribbean. They enjoy the Gypsy life! Julie grew up in Brandon, and Jason hails from Chicago, where his Dad was also a contractor and builder. So, Jason started his career early! As noted, he did all the design work himself, and had a draftsman complete his plans. And the rest is

history! A hearty "Congratulations" goes out to Julie and Jason for helping to "Beautify" Causeway Isles!



Do you want to nominate your neighbor or yourself for the CINA Beautification Award? Have you noticed new paint or landscaping that enhances the beauty of our neighborhood? Don't think that a house must be completely made over to receive the award. Please send your nominations to edgessen@gmail.com, or call at (310) 600-1007. If your nominee is selected, you will receive a \$25 Home Depot gift card (or CINA annual membership if you are not already a member). Winners receive a \$50 gift card (or CINA annual membership if they are not already a member). So keep your eyes open for "Who's Pretty"!!!! Ed Gessen

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Provide important neighborhood details like:

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- Popular landmarks and establishments
- Contact information for elected officials and other local leaders

CINA SOCIAL UPDATES

Howl-O-Ween

Toys for Tots

Band on the Land

Thank you to all the residents that came out for the Causeway Isles Fall Social. On Saturday, October 24, The Hatley Band rocked out in Bruce and Christy Erbeck's backyard. The band set up facing the water so folks could come by foot, boat and we even had kayakers join the fun. A big thank you to Kristin Mosca for researching and hiring The Hatley Band who were terrific and played a wide variety of music including country, classics, oldies and island tunes. We got to watch the sun set and catch up with neighbors and the weather could not have been more cooperative.

Howl-O-Ween

Coming off a successful Fall Social we carried the momentum right into Howl-O-Ween, Causeway Isles 1st annual dog costume contest and parade. Dogs, owners, and spectators gathered on 3rd Avenue South (East) and each contestant got to walk the red carpet, talk about their fur baby and what was the significance of the costume. The festivities included a parade (thanks for the neighbors that came out to cheer us on) and awards. The judges (international dog frisbee competition judge, K9 police officer, and the owners of Paws Inn Paradise Pet Resort) had a hard time picking from all of the contestants but in the end Cowgirls, Spider, Presidential Candidates and the Goblin King's spawn took home the gold. It is never too early to start planning next year's costume! We hope you will join us.

Toys for Tots

This year Causeway Isles became a Toys for Tots drop off site. Neighbors had the ability to drop off toys from 11/23 until 12/16. The toys were collected at 7840 3rd Avenue South and delivered to the Toys for Tots warehouse in Largo in time for Christmas. Thanks to all the neighbors that dropped off toys you brought cheer to boys and girls all over Pinellas County.



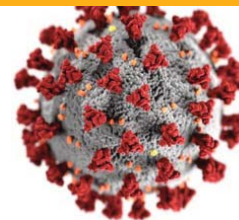
Band on the Land Fall Social



Treasurer's Report
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LOCAL CORONAVIRUS UPDATES (COVID-19)



The **City of St. Petersburg** launched a webpage dedicated to helping residents access local COVID-19 updates. For more information, visit www.stpete.org/emergency/restart.php

COVID-19 Vaccines in Florida

Securing and distributing a COVID-19 vaccine is a top priority for the state of Florida. A COVID-19 vaccine will be a critical resource to preventing the further spread of the virus and allowing Floridians to return to the normal pace of life.

The state's draft COVID-19 vaccination plan submitted to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is publicly available on the Florida Department of Health's website here. We encourage Floridians to also monitor updates from Governor Ron DeSantis and opt-in to receive these updates via text. Floridians can receive these text updates by texting FLCOVID19 to 888777.

The state of Florida is committed to providing timely and important updates regarding the distribution of a COVID-19 vaccine. Please find the latest information below.


12/10/2020 – Governor Ron DeSantis Provides Updates on COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Plan

On December 11, 2020, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) issued an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for the Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine to prevent COVID-19. By issuing this EUA, the first COVID-19 vaccine in the United States is approved for use in individuals 16 and older. **Florida**, visit the Department of Health website at <https://floridahealthcovid19.gov/>

Profit and Loss Statement , January 1 through November 4, 2020		
INCOME		
Newsletter Advertising		2,486
Dues		9,490
Gross Profit on Merchandise Sales		23
TOTAL INCOME		11,999
EXPENSES		
Annual Meeting		453
Beautification		1,009
Boat Club		56
Credit card fees		-16
Fall Social:		
Fall Social:		
Flyers	72	
Music	1,000	
Portapotty	300	
Total Fall Social		1,372
Membership		323
Newsletter Printing		2,996
Office Expenses		150
Postage and Delivery		12
Printing and Reproduction		93
Secretary of State Filing		61
Transportation:Stop signs		2,923
Website and Social Media		54
TOTAL EXPENSES		9,488
Net Income		\$2,511
Balance Sheet - As of 11/4/2020		
ASSETS		
Checking		10,758
Merchandise Inventory		1,357
TOTAL ASSETS		\$12,115
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
LIABILITIES		
Advance Advertising Receipts		125
Advance Membership Receipts		825
TOTAL LIABILITIES		950
EQUITY		11,165
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY		\$12,115

CINA NEWSLETTER PHOTOGRAPH CONTEST

We hope you like the new front cover design for the Causeway Isles newsletter, ISLES STYLE, featuring a photo from the local neighborhood! It was submitted by Barbara Baugher. We plan to continue with this theme, so we will need a photo for each edition, three times per year. We invite you to submit your photos for each issue and the winner will have their photo on the cover and will also receive a \$50 gift certificate (or membership renewal up to \$50). Submit your photo to marketing@causewayisles.com with the subject line "Newsletter Cover." Be sure to include your contact information so we know where to send the prize. Thanks for your participation!



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CAUSEWAY ISLES

Traffic Calming Update and Recap from February, 2019

Causeway Isles Traffic Calming Plan Update, December 12, 2020.

If you have driven on 79th Street S lately, you have undoubtedly encountered the new mini traffic circles being tested at 2nd Ave S and 4th Ave S. As you may recall, this test is intended to validate the objective of slowing down speeders on 79th St S. This test will be monitored for 4-6 months by The City of St. Petersburg to determine its efficacy. If proven successful, a permanent set of mini traffic circles will be installed. Preliminary observations seem to indicate that it is working, but it will take time to make any modifications and adjustments necessary to fine tune the mini-circles. Please be patient! Here are the facts:

1. The City recognized several years ago that we have a speeding problem on 79th St S, so they recommended that we create a Traffic Calming Plan to resolve the issue.
2. The Plan was developed, discussed and approved by the neighbors in Causeway Isles, and approved and funded by The City.
3. The Plan and all documentation was sent to the President of the YCE homeowners association advising them of the proposed Plan.
4. A test of the Mini Traffic Circles, the recommended solution, is currently underway and will run for 4-6 months to determine the efficacy of the Plan.
5. A car accident caused a car to flip over at the Yacht Club bridge two days ago, on December 9th, on 79th St S, further illustrating the ongoing problem. Fortunately, the driver was not seriously injured.
6. The mini traffic circles will be modified to add some additional “physical structure” to better simulate the actual structures when installed. Therefore, cars will not be able to just go straight through the intersections in the near future, as many are doing today.
7. 15 MPH signs are being discussed for those intersections at 2nd and 4th Avenues, for additional pedestrian safety.
8. A new “boat on a large trailer” test will be scheduled for vehicles entering 79th St S for a left turn (North) from 4th Ave S as you head East.
9. Professional Traffic Engineers designed the mini-circles, and they meet all required traffic flow criteria, including emergency vehicles. However, ongoing adjustments are expected to be made as needed.
10. The Engineers are continuing to study the traffic situation, and may modify the physical circles, the signage, the roadway markings, and potentially widening the corners for easier turning. Also, possible sidewalk installation strategies may be investigated. Even the medians at 4th Ave S may possibly be modified if necessary.
11. Therefore, any negative comments already made by neighbors or others are obviously premature, as the final configurations of the circles are not yet complete. This project is a work in progress and will take time!

12. I met with Mr. Michael Frederick of the City yesterday at the circle sites, and he indicated that no decisions will be made until all the tests are completed in 4-6 months. Comments will be solicited from residents at that time.



Recap 2019 Traffic Calming Plan

This **recap**, below, is the information on the TRAFFIC CALMING PLAN that was presented at the CINA Annual Homeowners Meeting held on January 29th. There is a lot of misinformation being put forward by fellow residents that may not have attended the meeting, and that may not understand all the facts. I hope this document will help clarify those facts for everyone. There is one fact that is frightening and horrific: if we do not address and manage the speeding problem on 79th Street South, someone we know is going to be injured or possibly killed in our neighborhood. Below is the plan to help avoid that possibility: TRAFFIC CALMING PLAN-79th St S, CAUSEWAY ISLES-2019.

1. The ongoing and highly dangerous speeding problem on 79th St S requires the development of a Traffic Plan.
2. Several members of the CINA Board met with Mr. Michael Frederick, Neighborhood Transportation Manager, City of St Petersburg, on Jan. 10, 2019, to address this unresolved and dangerous situation.
3. Upon reviewing the Traffic Speed Data Collection statistics on 79th Street S, we found that we are eligible for some traffic calming alternatives due to our history of "Over 35 MPH Average Operating Speed". (Continued on Page 14)

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Traffic Calming Update and Recap (CONTINUED from Page 13)

4. We reviewed multiple alternative measures such as: -Additional Speed Limit signs (several more have already been added) -Raised speed humps (vertical elements) -Additional medians -Stop signs -Roundabouts -Chicanes -Mini Traffic Circles (horizontal elements).
5. It was determined that the best solution for our neighborhood would be to install two "Mini Traffic Circles", one at 2nd Ave S and another at 4th Ave S. Mr. Frederick endorsed this approach.

6. The rationale was: -Two Mini Traffic Circles will slow down the traffic on 79th St S -It will increase safety for pedestrians and bicyclists by slowing traffic and not decreasing the pedestrian refuge areas -Maintain existing 10' travel lanes and paved shoulders -It will allow for the passage of emergency vehicles, and trucks towing trailers due to a "mountable apron" feature which will allow for passage over the skirt of the mini-circle. -Large vehicles such as trucks towing trailers, motorhomes, and emergency vehicles will be allowed to make left turns in front of the mini-traffic circles if there is a constrained turning radius present. -Plantings/landscaping in the center of the circles will enhance the beauty of the neighborhood -This plan would be eligible for 100% city funding (Penny for Pinellas).

7. The process is as follows: -Traffic Committee develops a Traffic Plan (completed) -Plan is presented to residents at the January 29th



2019 CINA Annual Meeting (completed) -CINA Board votes to approve going forward with the new Traffic Plan (completed) -Homeowners on 79th St S sign a petition agreeing to this plan (completed, February, 2019) --Once approved, City does design work and prepares budget -Final approval is obtained after testing is completed -Construction of improvements begins.

8. Here is a link to view the proposed mini-traffic circles and an explanation of their features. Click it or paste it into your browser. <https://www.ite.org/pub/?id=2c9b7dd8%2Dcaf9%2De149%2Df491%2D9f9790ba5f19>



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CINA "ADOPT-A-MEDIAN" PROGRAM

THANKS TO OUR NEIGHBOR VOLUNTEERS!

Hi, All. Our "Adopt-A-Median" Program has been underway for several years now and all medians have been well cared for and are looking GOOD! We have replaced two dying palms along the route and have added two additional Foxtail Palms to the triangle median at 79th St Circle. We continue to fertilize the palms, clip the shrubs, and weed and clean the medians. Thanks to all the civic minded neighbors who have volunteered to participate. Your efforts have been most appreciated. Below is the list of our Median Mavens!

1. Entrance sign on southwest corner, 79th Street & Central Avenue: **Chrissy O'Connell and Ed Gessen**
2. 79th Street S/Causeway Blvd S (intersection): **Ed and Ann Gessen**
3. 79th Street/3rd Avenue S (Intersection): **Michael (New Volunteer!)**
4. 79th Street S/@343 79th Street S (midblock): **Chuck Altman**
5. 79th Street S/4th Avenue S (North side of intersection): **Jeff and Diane Davis**
6. 79th Street S/4th Avenue S (South side of intersection): **Jeff and Diane Davis**
7. 79th Street S/@473 79th Street S (midblock): **John and Christin Mosca**
8. 79th Street S/79th Circle S (triangular area just before bridge): **Bruce and Christy Erbeck**

These gracious neighbors are keeping all our medians on 79th Street South looking good. If you see an "Adoptive Arborist" toiling in our medians, please slow down and thank them! Best Regards, Ed

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7856 3rd Ave. S.	\$783k	\$776k	1 day	\$400sft
700 79th Cir. S.	\$654k	\$640k	1 day	\$390sft
7811 1st Ave. S.	\$635k	\$610k	4 days	\$292sft
7840 3rd Ave. S.	\$599k	\$575k	4 days	\$417sft
7878 Causeway Blvd. S.	\$510k	\$510k	1 day	\$282sft
7812 3rd Ave. S.	\$550k	\$550k	26 days	\$339sft

*** 7 listings selling on average in 6.1 days!**



Days on Market

My Average Days on market is 6.1



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3

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CINA NEIGHBORHOOD

Annual Membership Dues 2021

Hey neighbors!!

It is that time of year to renew for 2021! Following the last newsletter and the Band on Land, we have had over a dozen new members join CINA for the upcoming year! Exciting! We hope that you have had the best year you could have and we are hoping that 2021 will be up and up!!

The social committee has a lot of great ideas in the works for 2021. Our hope is for parties and fun where we can all be together again, but in the meantime we will continue to have events that keep YOU, our membership safe and healthy!

Reminder! The YETI raffle is still happening! Any First Time member or member who refers a new member will receive entries into the raffle. Bronze members will receive 1, Silver 2... up to Diamond at 5 entries! We will be letting you pick the hard or soft cooler of your choice (up to \$300 value)

Also we will be including some CINA swag for Platinum and Diamond members. Totes and Tervis coming your way folks. If you renew at the Platinum level now, you can score a CINA tote. Renew at Diamond and score a CINA 32oz Tervis. While supplies last!

We are also looking for volunteers this upcoming year. Could be as little as weeding a median or helping deliver materials. We do have some positions that do need to be filled on committees! Any form of volunteering is always welcome.

The contest ends February 28th.

Have a safe, happy and wonderful holiday!!

Chrissy
Membership committee

Membership Bonus

Any NEW MEMBER that joins in the 2021 membership drive will be entered in our **YETI Raffle!** The higher the tier; the better odds of winning!

For Bronze, you will receive 1 ticket, Silver-2 tickets, Gold-3, Platinum-4 and Diamond-5.

EXISTING MEMBERS!! GET IN ON THE ACTION! Refer your neighbor and we will match the tickets!! That is, if your neighbor chooses Diamond, you both get 5 tickets!!

Membership dues help us accomplish all the goals of Causeway Isles to beautify and maintain our stellar neighborhood!





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Sue Massanari Block Captain Coordinator

Block Captains

Block Captains deliver all correspondence from CINA to each house in the neighborhood. I hope you know who your block captain is and thank them for volunteering their time. CINA makes this neighborhood a better place to live with beautification, maintenance, socials, and gives us a voice with the city. If you are not a member, I hope you will consider joining.

If we ever miss you or deliver two newsletters by mistake! Please let me know (my email is listed on the back page of the newsletter).

Thank you to the block captains who volunteer regularly with their deliveries. The last delivery was a little more challenging with different materials going to members and non-members. Thanks again for your patience with that task.

See you around the neighborhood

Sue Massanari

Thank You Andrea and Charles

For many years CINA has reaped the benefits of two Board members who have poured their hearts and souls into the success of Causeway Isles. Both have given generously of their time. A lot of the work they have done on our behalf has gone on behind the scenes. Much of our neighborhood's success is because of their consistent effort. They will be sorely missed. Andrea Nation and Charles Adkinson are both retiring from the board at the end of this year. Please join us in giving a shout out to thank them for their ceaseless work on our behalf.

Thanks Andrea and Charles.



Awkward Wildlife by Matt Park

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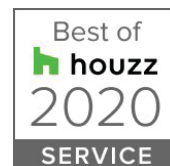
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July, 2020 - December, 2020

	Status	Address	Heated Area	Current Price	Listed SqFt.	Sold SqFt.
1	ACT	7802 CAUSEWAY BLVD S	4,499	\$1,979,000.00	\$439.88	
					Average: \$439.88	
1	PND	7974 1ST AVE S	1,366	\$550,000.00	\$402.64	
2	PND	7960 CAUSEWAY BLVD S	1,613	\$649,900.00	\$402.91	
3	PND	7911 CAUSEWAY BLVD N	2,188	\$1,150,000.00	\$525.59	
4	PND	7801 3RD AVE S	3,067	\$1,599,000.00	\$521.36	
					Average: \$463.13	
1	SLD	7894 CAUSEWAY BLVD S	1,331	\$370,000.00	\$276.11	\$277.99
2	SLD	7810 CAUSEWAY BLVD N	1,490	\$440,000.00	\$295.30	\$295.30
3	SLD	7842 CAUSEWAY BLVD N	1,399	\$445,000.00	\$392.42	\$318.08
4	SLD	7913 3RD AVE S	1,232	\$452,500.00	\$367.29	\$367.29
5	SLD	790 79TH CIR S	1,840	\$455,000.00	\$254.89	\$247.28
6	SLD	7938 CAUSEWAY BLVD S	1,640	\$565,000.00	\$350.55	\$344.51
7	SLD	7996 CAUSEWAY BLVD S	1,524	\$649,000.00	\$426.38	\$425.85
8	SLD	497 79TH ST S	1,716	\$735,000.00	\$434.15	\$428.32
9	SLD	7993 2ND AVE S	1,853	\$752,000.00	\$415.49	\$405.83
10	SLD	7973 CAUSEWAY BLVD N	1,898	\$782,000.00	\$414.65	\$412.01
11	SLD	260 79TH ST S	2,125	\$833,000.00	\$364.71	\$392.00
12	SLD	7972 3RD AVE S	2,192	\$950,000.00	\$387.68	\$433.39
13	SLD	7985 4TH AVE S	2,624	\$960,000.00	\$342.61	\$365.85
14	SLD	7812 1ST AVE S	3,562	\$1,210,000.00	\$379.00	\$339.70
					Average: \$364.00	
						\$361.00

COMPLEMENTS OF Capt. Bruce Erbeck Realtor with RE/Max Metro
 Captain Bruce is a realtor with Remax Metro and resides in Causeway Isles. The above information provided by him is for illustration purposes of homes available, pending and sold within a specific time period. This data was pulled from MLS and is recorded as public information.



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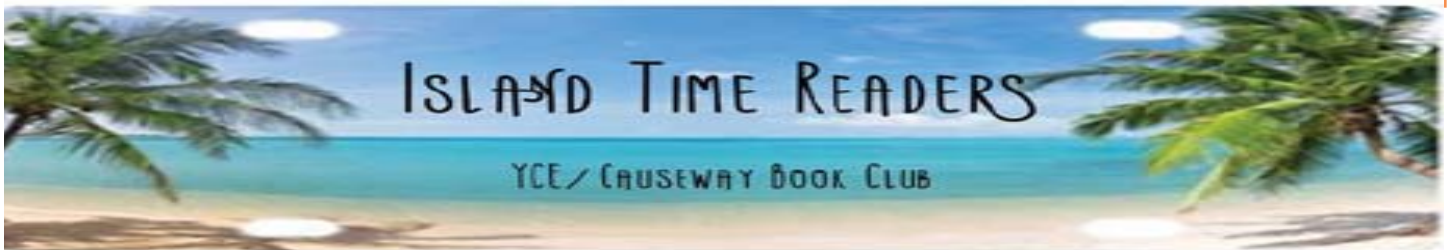
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ISLAND TIME READERS

Next Meeting January 20, 2021



December

Charitable Donation

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Annual Holiday Party

Like almost everything in 2020, our holiday gathering this year was celebrated differently. We still gathered to socialize and played a few fun games via Zoom. We toasted one another with our favorite beverages to help spread some much needed holiday cheer! It was a resounding success!!

January 2021 Book Selection

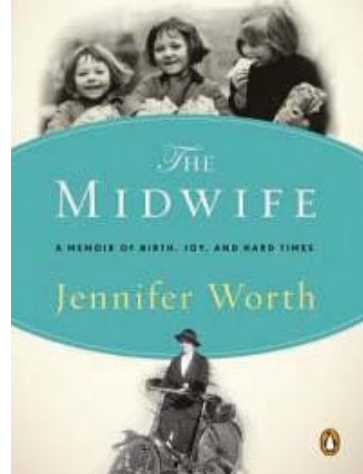
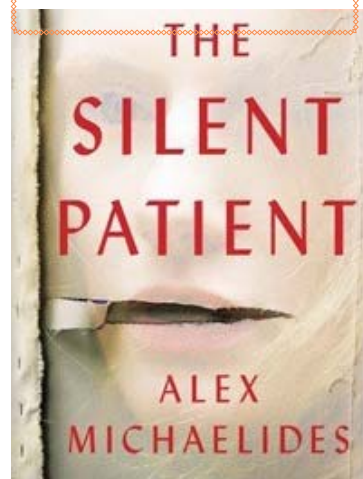
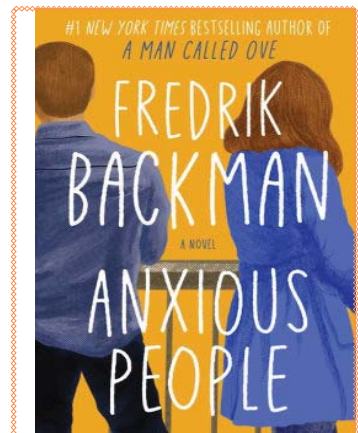
Sara Dubbeld
Anxious People by Frederick Backman
Zoom Meeting

February 2021 Book Selection

Nancy Hunter
The Silent Patient by Michael Michaelides

March 2021 Book Selection

Trina Park
Call the Midwife: A Memoir of Birth, Joy and Hard Times by Jennifer Worth



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- Neighborhood activities

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