



Village of
ROYAL PALM BEACH
Florida

Village Voice

Official Newsletter of the Village of Royal Palm Beach
January 2024

Congratulations to our Photo Contest Winners!

Nearly 100 photo submissions were received for the Village of Royal Palm Beach's first annual photo contest! Our judges have reviewed them all, and after much deliberation, have narrowed down the top 3 submissions.

First Place: Anna Powers - Spring in Challenger Park
Second Place: Lucy Vasquez - July 4th at Commons Park
Third Place: Brandt Hawes - Challenger Park Sunrise





July 4th at Commons Park
- Lucy Vasquez

SECOND PLACE



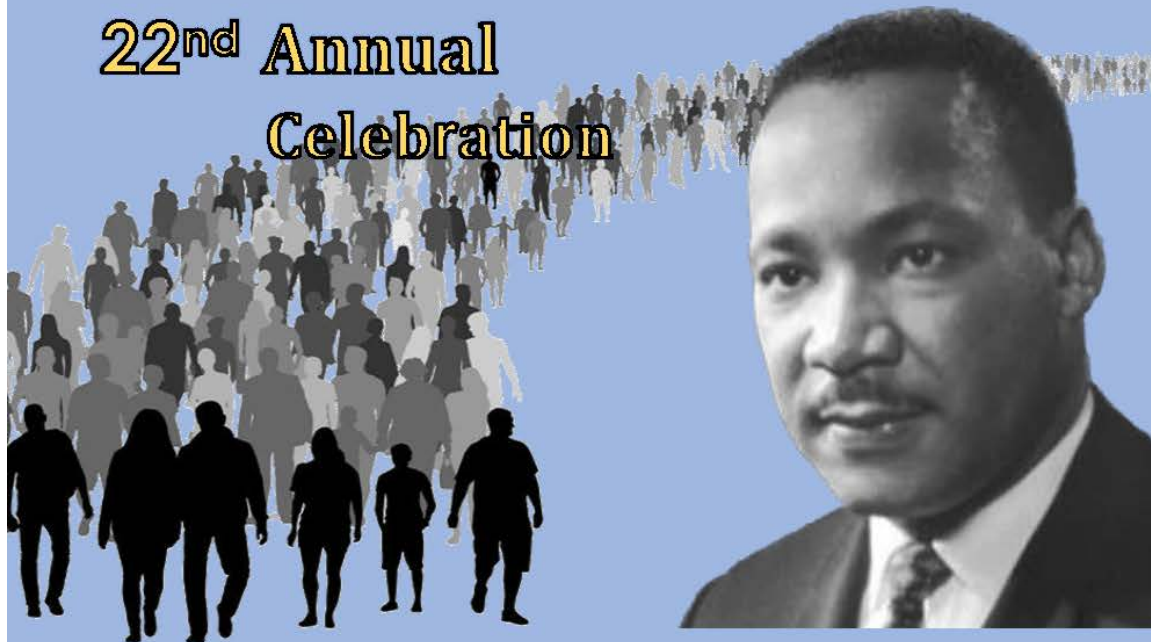
Challenger Park Sunrise - Brandt Hawes

THIRD PLACE

CAFCI 22nd Annual MLK Day Celebration

**Caribbean American For Community
Involvement in Florida, Inc.
& The Village of Royal Palm Beach**

**22nd Annual
Celebration**



“Everybody can be great, because anybody can serve.”

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Monday, January 15, 2024

Continental Breakfast 8:30 am – 9:30 am

FREE EVENT

Program begins at 10:00 am

Royal Palm Beach Cultural Center

151 Civic Center Way

Royal Palm Beach, Florida

Contact Hildreth Stoddart-Brown for info 561-880-1143



Parks & Recreation

Royal Palm Hires New Parks & Recreation Director

The Village of Royal Palm Beach has hired their next Parks and Recreation

Director. Mark Pawlowski (Aurora, IL) will follow the successful leadership of Lou Recchio who retired from the position in late October. Pawlowski comes to the Village of Royal Palm Beach with more than 20+ year of experience as the Executive Director at the Winfield Park District. Under his leadership at the Winfield Park District he has secured more than \$4.1mil in grants to enhance the parks and facilities of their District. He currently manages 18 active park sites that include playgrounds, athletic fields, natural areas, riverfront sites (with canoe/kayak launch), a museum, a splash pad, and numerous trails & shelters. His District area also includes 500+ acres of open space that is managed by the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County. Pawlowski stated “My current District is a near match to the programs and activities offered by the Village of Royal Palm Beach. The only exception is the tremendous asset that is Commons Park, which is unmatched by almost every community.”

“I am very much aware of the high level of service, parks and facilities the Lou has built and maintained for the Royal Palm Beach community and I plan to continue those efforts with the team that is in the Parks and Recreation Department and on the Recreation Advisory Board,” continued Pawolwski. Pawlowski comes to the Village with a strong background of park site management, athletic field and facility maintenance, and construction. He most recently completed a \$5.6 mil remodeling and expansion of the 30,000sq.ft. C.R.Beggs Activity Center. This experience will be very useful as the Village of Royal Palm Beach nears the expansion of their Recreation Center.

Moving to southeast Florida will not be a completely new experience for Mark and his wife Amy, as their two children both have lived and worked in the Miami area for the past few years. “My son graduated from FIU-Miami a few years ago and I had always hoped to be able to continue my career in south Florida. Royal Palm Beach is known as a community that really supports and uses their parks and recreation offerings. I’m excited to get started in early December and become part of that community. The Village of Royal Palm Beach looks very similar to the communities I have lived and worked in for several years. I have a comfort level in establishing relationships in a much larger city like Aurora (pop. 180,000-200,000) where I reside, as well as smaller villages like Winfield (pop. 11,000-20,000),” continued Pawlowski. In his downtime, Pawlowski enjoys coaching high school girls’ basketball, golfing on the weekends, and playing pickle ball with his wife.

Winter Concert Nights

Grab your lawn chairs and blankets, load up those coolers, and join us at Commons Park for our Food Truck Expo and Concert nights! Food truck vendors are open from 5:00pm - 9:00pm and the band takes the stage at 7:00pm.

Thirty Hertz - Classic Rock, Pop, & Reggae

January 12, 2024 7:00pm - 9:00pm



Crazy Fingers - Tribute to the Grateful Dead
January 19, 2024 7:00pm - 9:00pm



WINTER CONCERT NIGHTS

ROYAL PALM BEACH COMMONS PARK



N2NATION
R&B Band
January 5



THIRTY HERTZ
Classic Rock, Pop, & Reggae
January 12



CRAZY FINGERS
Grateful Dead Tribute
January 19



MATTHEW CURRY BAND
Rock and Blues
February 2



NIRVANNA
Nirvana Tribute
March 1



JADED
Aerosmith Tribute
April 5



DARK SIDE OF THE SOL
Pink Floyd Tribute
April 19

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 561-790-5140
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Early Childhood Adventures



Early Childhood Adventures VPK & Preschool Enrollment Now Open!



11/27/23 - Current Families
1/9/2024 - General Public

www.earlychildhoodadventures.net




Did you know we have a VPK and Preschool program located at the Recreation Center?

Early Childhood Adventures registration is now open for current families.

 Registration for the general public begins January 9th. Space is limited!

 Preschool - Monday & Friday 9am - 1pm

 VPK - Tuesday, Wednesday Thursday 8:30am - 1:30pm

Senior Programs

Young at Heart Club

Luncheon: Friday, January 5th

Theme: Wear Purple


Entertainment: Ashley Cooper

Entrée: Salisbury Steak

Business Breakfast:



Calendar of Events



2024

January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
❄️ ❄️ ❄️	1 <i>HAPPY NEW YEAR!</i> ALL VILLAGE OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAY	2 RPB YOUTH BASEBALL MEETING 7:00PM	3	4	5 FOOD TRUCK EXPO & CONCERT NOVATION 5:00 PM TO 9:00 PM COMMONS PARK	6 RPB GREEN MARKET & BAZAAR 9AM 1PM VILLAGE HALL
7	8	9	10 SPECIAL MAGISTRATE HEARING 5:30 PM	11 TECHNICAL STAFF REVIEW 9:00AM	12 FOOD TRUCK EXPO & CONCERT THIRTY HERTZ 5:00 PM TO 9:00 PM COMMONS PARK	13 RPB GREEN MARKET & BAZAAR 9AM 1PM VILLAGE HALL
14	15 <i>CAPCI MLK DAY CELEBRATION</i> ALL VILLAGE OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF MLK DAY	16	17 RPB YOUTH BASKETBALL MEETING 7:00 PM	18 COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING 6:30 PM	19 FOOD TRUCK EXPO & CONCERT CRAZY FINGERS 5:00 PM TO 9:00 PM COMMONS PARK	20 RPB GREEN MARKET & BAZAAR 9AM 1PM VILLAGE HALL
21	22 RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING 6:30PM	23	24 JUKEBOX BINGO 4PM RPB CULTURAL CENTER RPB YOUTH FOOTBALL MEETING 7:00 PM	25 TECHNICAL STAFF REVIEW 9:00AM	26	27 RPB GREEN MARKET & BAZAAR 9AM 1PM VILLAGE HALL
28	29	30	31			❄️ ❄️ ❄️

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