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# The Audubon Village Voice

Audubon Clubhouse and Community News

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## Dear Friends and Neighbors

As I begin to write this letter, I am reminded that thirty-two years ago, August 24, 1992, our community was hit by Hurricane Andrew. For those of you who were not here at that time, be grateful. Surviving the hurricane was a miracle. Picking up the pieces was beyond any words that I could ever use to describe. Our lives changed forever and I will always be forever grateful for the thousands of people who came from around the country to help us in so many ways as we strived to put our lives in order.

Thirty-two years later, we are once again facing issues as the Covid variant has attacked our Homestead community with a vengeance.

I pray for our medical staff and the first responders who are on the front lines.

The Covid situation continues to deteriorate. Thousands of people across the country are being infected with the Flirt variant of Covid.

Just last week a dear friend of mine passed away with Covid pneumonia. I respect everyone's right to be vaccinated or not. I simply ask that we all respect each other by testing and staying away from people who are compromised if they feel sick.

Our clubhouse is open and we have had a very active summer. The children are back in school so things have slowed down during week days. We would like to welcome our new residents and invite them to visit the clubhouse and take a tour, if you haven't already done so.

We are offering more activities and fun events for all ages. If you have suggestions such as bingo, mommy and me, etc., please drop them off at the clubhouse.

Again, please be mindful of the weather reports as the ocean has very warm waters this year and the temperatures are perfect for hurricane formations. Make sure your cupboards are stocked with nonperishable food and have extra water stored.

Until next month, stay well and be kind to one another.



*Judy Waldman*

President  
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PS: Thanks Raul and Maria for all that you do.



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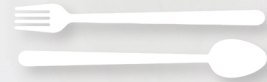


## “Neighbor’s Notes”

We are happy to share your special moments, weddings, graduations, anniversaries, kids’ grandkids, birthdays, engagements, memorials, etc. in our monthly newsletters.

Notes to: [villages.clubhouse@yahoo.com](mailto:villages.clubhouse@yahoo.com)

### What is RSVP?



“RSVP” derived from the French phrase “Répondez s’il vous plaît,” is a formal request for a response from invited guests to confirm or decline attendance at an event. It is a courteous and standard protocol used in invitations, indicating the host’s desire for an accurate headcount to facilitate proper event planning, including arrangements for seating, catering, and other logistics. Failure to respond may result in inconvenience to the host and may affect the guest’s inclusion in the event.

With the escalating costs of food, we kindly request your RSVP to our Friday dinner event, movie nights, as well as any other event we plan to properly prepare all food and drinks. All guests who do not RSVP by our regularly scheduled event will regrettably not be guaranteed a meal. Your timely response is greatly appreciated for proper event planning.

As a precautionary measure, we will be preparing an additional ten meals beyond the confirmed RSVP count but will provide meals to those that RSVP first.

Thank you for your participation and cooperation.

Please RSVP to the Clubhouse at 305-245-3003

### PET SAFETY HURRICANE CHECKLIST

BEFORE THE STORM: Remain Calm, Stay Informed and Be Prepared. The calmer you are, the less stressed your pet will be.

#### To do LIST:

- Get pet emergency stickers
- Microchip your pets
- Choose an alternate caregiver
- Download ASPCA mobile APP
- Keep up heartworm prevention
- Store vet info in your phone
- Be prepared to evacuate
- Gather hurricane supplies

#### HURRICANE KIT SUPPLIES

- 5-7 days' worth of nonperishable pet food in sealed container
- Pet first aid kit
- 2-week supply of prescription pet meds
- Comfort items: treats, toys, beds, blankets
- Dog and cat collars, leashes
- Pet ID tags filled out with contact info
- 7+ days' worth of bottled water for each pet
- Pet kennels (for evacuating or transporting to vet)
- Potty pads, indoor dog potty system, cat litter



Photos of your pets (printed and on your phone)

Copies of pet medical records (printed and online or stored in an app)

#### EXTRA SUPPLIES FOR EVACUATING:

- Disposable litter box
- Food dishes and water bowls
- Travel dog crate

AFTER THE STORM: Don't lose hope if you become separated from your pet.

Remain calm if your pet is injured. Use your first aid kit and call a vet.



## CLUBHOUSE'S FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER

Join us at the Audubon Clubhouse Friday September 20<sup>th</sup> from 6pm to 7pm for a delightful home cooked dinner. It's a fantastic opportunity to connect with your neighbors and enjoy good company. We hope to see you there. All residents are only \$7.00. Any questions please call us at :

305-245-3003



# SPORTS



## Miami Dolphins Pre-Season

September 8: Dolphins VS Jacksonville 1:00pm  
 September 12: Dolphins VS Buffalo 8:15pm  
 September 22: Dolphins @ Seattle 4:05pm  
 September 30: Dolphins @ New England 1:00pm



## Miami Hurricanes

September 7: Hurricanes VS Florida A&M 6:00pm  
 September 14: Hurricanes VS Bell State 3:30pm  
 September 21: Hurricanes @ USF TBA  
 September 27: Hurricanes VS Virginia Tech 7:30pm



## Golf

September 12-15 Procore Championship  
 Silverado Resort and Spa (North Course)-Napa, CA  
 September 26-29 Presidents Cup  
 The Royal Montreal Golf Club-Ile Bizard, PQ



## Florida Panthers Pre-Season

September 22: Panthers VS Nashville 2:00pm  
 September 22: Panthers VS Nashville 6:00pm  
 September 25: Panthers VS Tampa Bay 7:00pm  
 September 27: Panthers @ Carolina 7:00pm



## NASCAR

September 1 Cook out Southern 500  
 Darlington Raceway- Darlington, South Carolina 6:00pm  
 September 8 Quaker State 400 available at Walmart  
 Atlanta Motor Speedway- Hampton, Georgia 3:00pm  
 September 15 Go Bowling at The Glen  
 Watkins Glen International- Watkins Glen, New York 3:00pm  
 September 21 Bass Pro Shops Night Race  
 Bristol Motor Speedway- Bristol, Tennessee 7:30pm  
 September 29 Hollywood Casino 400  
 Kansas Speedway- Kansas City, Kansas 3:00pm



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# Summer Friday Dinner Schedule one dinner a month

- September 20<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

*Regular Friday dinner schedule will  
 resume in the fall*



# Upcoming Events

Audubon Clubhouse

**MOVIE NIGHT**

**September 21 2024**  
**6:00pm**  
**Featuring: Twisters**

Free Popcorn, Drinks and Chips  
RSVP required by September 15th

**POPSICLE SATURDAY**

STOP BY THE CLUBHOUSE ON SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 14

TO GRAB A FREE YUMMY POPSICLE.

**FROM 12:00PM-3:00PM**  
1851 SOUTH CANAL DRIVE.  
305-245-3003

**YOGA**

The Audubon Clubhouse will be offering a free adult aqua yoga class on Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 am. If any resident wishes to bring a guest there will be a \$5.00 charge per guest (cash only). RSVP is required to reserve pool noodle. All participants will need to sign a release form. This session is being held by *Tamera Anderson-Hanna, Licensed Mental Health Counselor and Registered Yoga Teacher.*

tchanna35@gmail.com  
786-457-1023

**SOLID WASTE PICK-UP SCHEDULE 2024**  
Garbage - Tuesday & Friday  
Recycling - See Below  
Bulky - See Below

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\*Note: In observation of Martin Luther King Jr. Day on January 15, 2024, Juneteenth Day on June 19, 2024, Independence Day on July 4, 2024 and Christmas Day on December 25, 2024, there will be no garbage service. Calendar indicates recycling and bulky make-up days.

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### What is bill pay?

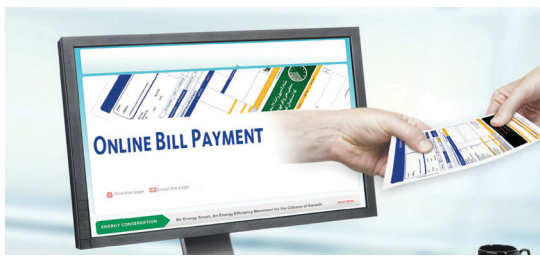
Bill pay is a service offered by many banks and credit unions that lets you set up automatic payments for bills. If you juggle rent or a mortgage, cable and electricity bills, credit card payments and more, online bill pay can save time and help you avoid late fees.



Online bill pay also allows you to manage your payments to various companies — all in one place. There's no need to pay a Verizon bill on Verizon's website, a Wells Fargo credit card with Wells Fargo bill pay, then write a check to your landlord. Instead, you could do it all from your financial institution's website or mobile app.

An added bonus: Many banks and credit unions guarantee your payments will arrive on time and will reimburse your late fee if they don't.

### How does bill pay work?



How online bill pay works is straightforward: Log in to your bank account, navigate to its online bill pay feature, then select the provider you would like to pay. If you haven't paid the provider through online bill pay before, you'll need to add it by choosing it from a list or by plugging in the account number and billing address, then authorizing your bank to send payments for you.

Payments can be sent by your bank electronically or via paper check, so you can pay even if the biller isn't online — virtually eliminating the need for a checkbook. You can also choose a one-time payment or set up a recurring one.

Many banks offer basic bill pay service for free with their checking accounts. If you're trying to minimize unnecessary fees, signing up for free bill pay service is a good way to keep track of your accounts and avoid charges for missing or late payments.

Many merchants and service providers offer the option of letting you receive an e-bill, or an electronic version of your paper bill, into your online bill pay account. If an e-bill arrives, you can have your bank alert you by email, text message or push notification via the bank app. Typically, you can choose whether to pay the entire balance, just the minimum due or another amount. You can even opt to have your bills paid automatically.

### How to set up bill pay

The effort you take in the initial setup can save you time and headaches in the long run. Each bank or credit union will have its own rules and steps, but generally here's what you need to do to set up bill pay:



- Gather your bills, including account numbers and the addresses to where you mail the payments.
- Enter each biller's information into your bank's online bill pay platform, or choose them from a list provided by your bank.
- Choose when to send the payment.
- Select a recurring or one-time payment.

- Set reminders or alerts to track when each bill is due.

Online bill pay helps you organize bills and keep track of due dates. It also makes it easier to see where your money is going, so you can make sure you have enough funds available to cover each payment. You receive and pay your bills all through your bank — one list, in one place.

<https://www.nerdwallet.com/article/banking/online-bill-pay-what-it-is-why-you-should-use-it>



## Creamy Ranch Chicken



PREP TIME: 10 MIN.  
COOK TIME: 20 MIN.  
TOTAL TIME: 30 MIN.



### CHICKEN

- 2 large boneless/skinless chicken breast
- 2 teaspoons Italian seasoning
- Salt/Pepper
- 2 tablespoons butter, melted
- 2 tablespoons olive oil, can sub vegetable or canola oil

### SAUCE

- 10.5 oz. cream of chicken soup
- 1 ½ cups milk
- 1 cup sour cream, at room temp
- ½ teaspoon onion powder
- 1 oz. packet Ranch seasoning mix, about 3 Tablespoons

**COOK MODE** Prevent your screen from going dark



### INSTRUCTIONS

#### Season/Sear the Chicken:

1. **Slice the chicken into 2-3 thinner slices.** Pound with a meat tenderizer if needed, the chicken will plump up more when cooked. Aim for ½ inch thick slices.
2. **Sprinkle each side of the chicken with Italian seasoning and salt/pepper. Brush one side of each piece with melted butter,** make sure the butter isn't too hot.
3. **Heat olive oil in a large pan over medium-high heat.** Add 2-3 pieces of chicken, (buttered side down), leaving room around each. **Sauté for 4-5 minutes per side,** until a golden-brown crust has developed. Remove and set aside. Repeat with the remaining chicken.
4. **Pro Tips:** Make slight adjustments to the heat, (up or down), as needed during cooking. Add an additional splash of oil if needed throughout cooking. Try to leave the chicken undisturbed as it cooks to get a nice crusty sear. Don't force it up from the pan, it will release when the crust has formed.

#### Make the Sauce

1. **Remove any excess oil from the skillet if needed. Add the sauce ingredients over medium heat.** Stir until combined. Let it bubble gently and reduce for 5 minutes. Add the chicken and spoon the sauce on top.
2. **Cover the skillet partially and let the chicken heat through** and absorb the flavors from the sauce, about 10 minutes.
3. **Optional:** Serve with baked potatoes and spoon the sauce over each potato (it is so good that way)!

<https://thecozycook.com/ranch-chicken/#wprm-recipe-container-40268>



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### A BROKEN-WINGED EAGLE

PART 4 OF 6

Surprisingly, many people who journey through grief find that those they thought would take front and center in their time of distress actually don't. However, on the other hand, there are those who unexpectedly show up, slipping in from the background. Those who were never expected to show up do exactly that – show up.

Sometimes in knowing that someone is in a fragile state, we do the worst possible thing – we stay away. In our fear of saying the wrong things, we say nothing. We reason that if we say nothing, we can't possibly say the wrong thing! We reason that if we stay away and don't show up, we can't possibly do the wrong thing. While these may seem like the right things to do, they are actually the most wrong things we can do.

Our presence alone says everything. *Showing up speaks louder than any words.*

Do you know someone who would benefit from your drawing near? Don't hesitate to go simply because you don't know what to say... just go and say everything by saying nothing. And always remember, tears of compassion are a language everyone is fluent in.

#### Helpful Reminders:

- Compassion is needed in no greater place than in the time of someone's season of loss and grief.
- Just show up.

#### A Helpful Song:

Revival by Lauren Daigle

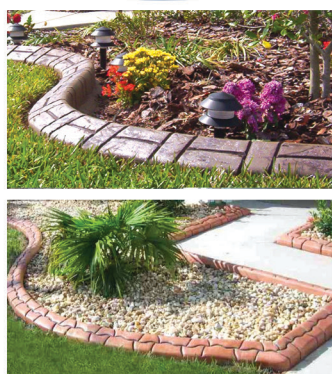
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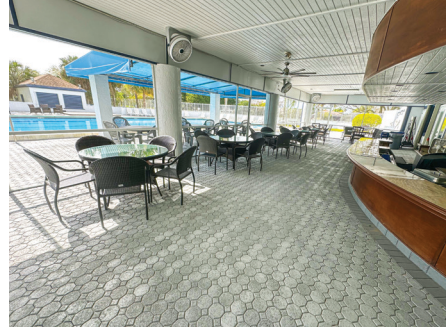
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**Audubon Clubhouse:** The Audubon Clubhouse handles all matters including the Clubhouse and its surrounding property. All other concerns can be handled through the appropriate management companies.

**Alton Madison:** 305-247-5085



Villages of Homestead Clubhouse

An HOA Clubhouse can provide several benefits to our community. The Villages of Homestead was Established in 1979, The clubhouse has always been a major part of this community for decades from birthday parties to weddings, but most importantly everything has been centered around our great pool. We encourage all residents to visit are state of the art facility because creating a sense of community is indeed an essential part of the clubhouse staff's role. We are very happy to announce The Audubon Village voice newsletter will be mailed to every house in the villages once a month with information about clubhouse events along with community information. Please feel free to contact the clubhouse with ideas or things you would like to see. Audubonclubhouse@att.net or 305-245-3003

**BOOK YOUR EVENT TODAY!**

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# SEPTEMBER 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2  Labor Day NO SCHOOL	3  Garbage Day  Committee of the Whole Meeting at City Hall 6:00 pm	4	5	6  Garbage Day Bulk Pickup	7  Zoo Miami Farmers Market 10:00 am  City of Homestead Eats & Beats Summer Concert Series at Losner Park 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm
8  Zoo Miami Farmers Market 10:00 am at Zoo Miami	9  Recycle Day	10  Garbage Day	11	12	13  Garbage Day	14  POPSICLE SATURDAY 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm
15	16	17  Garbage Day	18 City Council Meeting at City Hall 6:00 pm	19	20  Garbage Day Bulk Pickup  Friday Dinner 6:00 pm: Pulled Pork	21 Movie Night Featuring Twisters 6:00 pm   Aqua Yoga 9:00 am 
22	23  Recycle Day	24  Garbage Day	25	26	27  Garbage Day	28
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All meetings are subject to change please call appropriate management companies for updated meeting dates.