

## PGA POA Jottings

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### Happy New Year!

Another year is behind us. It's true that the older we get, the faster time seems to go! I wish each of you a New Year filled with happiness and good health.

### Annual Meeting

This article is written before the first of the month so I don't yet know the annual meeting election results; however, it was great to see so many qualified candidates

express an interest in the community. Thank you to each of you and welcome to the four elected Board members! If you weren't at the annual meeting, I will announce the names of the PGA POA Board of Governors next month (or you can go to the POA's website at [www.pga-poa.com](http://www.pga-poa.com) after Jan. 8 to find out who was elected).

### Reminders

It was great to see all the holiday decorations on the individual residences and the HOA/Condo common areas. Please remember that lights and decorations need to be removed as soon as possible. The POA usually waits until after Jan. 10 to start sending reminder notices so if you are reading this and your decorations are still outside, please remove them.

### They're Baaacccckkk!

No, I'm not talking about the seasonal residents; I'm talking about Whitefly! A few years ago the previously indestructible ficus hedges and trees were stripped bare of leaves and/or killed by whitefly infestations.

In warm temperatures (uh, hello? Florida!) whiteflies develop quickly. A female can lay 200 to 400 eggs and about a week later, they hatch into crawlers that take over the plant then they start extracting plant juices, pupate and a new whitefly emerges. The cycle takes about four weeks depending on the species of whitefly.

If you have white gnat-looking insects flying around plants you probably have whitefly. If you see sticky stuff

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## PGA National's Season's Opening Event Salutes Our Veterans

PGA National's annual Member-Member kickoff golf weekend celebrated our country's veterans with a very special salute to those in our own community who have served. The weekend began with Friday Night Pub-Club dedicated to our members and staff who have served in our Armed Forces, those family members currently serving, and remembering those who fought in past conflicts.

### Wall Of Honor

The "Wall of Honor" was made up of over 50 portraits of our members and family members in uniform from WWII to present day. The "Wall" was the perfect focal point and backdrop for some great photos and conversations over the entire evening.

Members shared the joy of watching a WWII veteran having his picture taken with his family, in front of his portrait, and three Korean War vets, meeting for the first time and sharing memories.

### "Our Freedom Is Not Free...."

Mayor Maria Marino opened the event, asking all who served to stand...

"These veterans include sons and daughters, brothers and sisters, mothers and fathers, grandmothers and grandfathers, friends and relatives who stood in our place around this world in lands many of us would never want to see all so we could be free." The mayor then introduced The Naval Junior ROTC of Palm Beach Gardens High School for the Presentation of Colors.

Kaitlyn Casiano of the G-Star School of the Arts stunned the crowd of over 200 with her rendition of *The Star-Spangled Banner*.

The Master Starter for the event was Captain Bob Crippen, USN (ret). Retired astronaut Captain Crippen, piloted America's first space shuttle. He provided a brief history of Veterans Day and then added...

"It has been proven time and time again that freedom is not free. It has required the sacrifice of many thousands since our

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*World War II Army Air Force pilot Mike Manolios came with his family members and had his picture taken in front of his Wall of Honor portrait.*

*Naval Junior ROTC Color Guard Palm Beach Gardens High School in the Presentation of Colors with Kaitlyn Casiano singing The National Anthem.*

*PGA National members and Korean War veterans in front of the "Wall of Honor" from left to right, Howard Smith, Jack Childers and Gerald Petrillo.*

# Are You Ready For The Wildest Night Of The Season? —

It's raining men! And ladies, this wild storm is worth getting caught in. The Arc of Palm Beach County's Wild Pants Party offers a trifecta of fashion, fun, and philanthropy. On Friday, Jan. 25 make your way to the catwalk for the wildest night of the season.

Each year, local celebrities, community leaders, and clients from The Arc boast their boldest prints and personalities in this colorful fashion show. The 30 models compete to raise money for the nonprofit, which serves people with disabilities. The top fundraiser is crowned king and gets a championship belt along with bragging rights.

"This party puts the fun in fundraising," said Kimberly McCarten, president and CEO of The Arc of Palm Beach County. "It's heartwarming to see how dedicated these men are to helping fund programs and services for people with disabilities. They are willing to put their pride aside and really ham it up and get the crowd cheering."

The ninth annual Wild Pants Party takes over the Grand Court of The Gardens Mall on Friday, Jan. 25 from 6 to 9 p.m. General admission is \$75 and includes access to the bar and hors d'oeuvres. Or, schmooze with the VIPs for \$125, and enjoy heavy hors d'oeuvres, an open bar, access to the after-party, and a swag bag filled with special surprises. To purchase tickets, please visit [arcpcb.org](http://arcpcb.org).

**About The Arc Of Palm Beach County**

*The Arc of Palm Beach County has been improving the lives of children and adults with developmental disabilities, and their families, through services, education, and advocacy since 1958. The Arc supports programs throughout Palm Beach County that reach more than 2,800 families each year.*

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Nick Kassatly at Wild Pants




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