

## Dave Murley Recognition – Jan 9, 2025

Instead of the usual monthly president's report, let's start the year by recognizing the contributions of our immediate past president, the honorable Mr. Dave Murley. As RCA president for over a decade, Dave also served as engineer-in-residence. He kept the lights on, the pool pumping and the irrigation sprinkling...

Just last week, Dave spent hours working on the Pelican streetlamps that were all but shut down due to old wiring and underground shorts. He took it as far as he could and brought in American Pride Electric to finish the job.

When Dave passed the torch to me as new president, he also passed on his tool kit...that I have with me today. Now we can all know how he kept this place together over the years: let's see...a Swiss army knife, a roll of string, some chewing gum, Velcro???, cables ties and of course, duct tape. That's it ...the rest is magic!

In addition to Dave's service to RCA, he's well known across PBC for his service to the master board, including time as president and treasurer. He also served as chair of the Landscaping Committee, PBC News contributor...the list of volunteer activity goes on. Perhaps he is best known across PBC for his roles as social coordinator, event planner, and consummate master of ceremonies.

Along with equal contributions from Joan, he organized and built props for Race Nights, Cafe on the Deck and New Year's Eve parties. Neighbors recall happy memories of Thursday Ibis pool parties and in particular, a special Thanksgiving night at the Murleys, with a deep-fried turkey, lots of food and neighbors dressed as Pilgrims.

Neighbors go on with a list of admirable attributes:

- Dave is a jovial, welcoming, get things done kind-of-guy. Joan – true?
- Mr. Congeniality!
- Dave's middle name is community
- My recollection when I first moved to Roseate Court is that every question I asked of any neighbor, the response was always "ask Dave Murley". He has a wealth of "institutional knowledge."

- Dave's love of competition shines through every Christmas with leading the decorating at the Ibis Pool and Pelican circle.
- Dave retains his titles as social coordinator, publicist, humorist and engineer-in-residence
- Everyone agrees - we are fortunate to have you fully engaged in our neighborhood

Finally – there was more than one story reported about whiskey tasting. Something about bottles of good whiskey and single malt scotch. Written notes of the characteristics of each, followed by intellectual discussion. I was told the Johnnie Walker Wisdom runs high at these events.

Dave – we can't thank you enough for all that you do for our neighborhood. We have a token of our appreciation...and I have a question. When's the next whiskey tasting event?

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