

# THE CIVIC

The Civic is sponsored by:



**Cleveland Clinic**  
Florida

**THANK YOU FOR JOINING US FOR THE 81<sup>ST</sup> SEASON!**



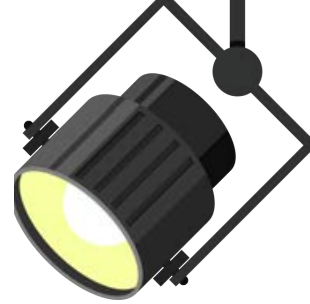
In this issue of The Civic, explore photo galleries from our exciting April programs. The Civic Association's health care committee presents the second in a series of inspiring, life-saving stories – this one focused on surviving stroke. Meet our newest directors and members and discover how you, too, can get involved with the Civic Association!

**CLICK OR TAP ON THE LINK BELOW TO OPEN THE CIVIC**

- Sponsors in the Spotlight
- Meet our New Directors
- View our Photo Galleries
- Welcome New Residential & Corporate Members
- Committees at Work: Watch – Every Second Counts: Stroke
- Felicia Taylor Arts Legacy Series: Palm Beach Dramaworks
- Our Town by William Kelly
- What's Trending on Instagram



## SPONSORS IN THE SPOTLIGHT



We thank **Palm Beach Island Hospice Foundation** and mailing underwriter **Linda R. Olsson** for generously sponsoring the Annual Meeting & State of the Town Address on Monday, April 7, 2025.

Since 2018, the Palm Beach Island Hospice Foundation has generously sponsored the Civic Association's Annual Meeting.

Mark W. Cook, a Civic Association director since 2004, is the Chairman and President of Palm Beach Island Hospice Foundation

[LEARN MORE:](#)



*Thank You*

Since 2016, Linda R. Olsson has generously underwritten the mailings for the Civic Association's Annual Meeting.

Linda has been a member of the Civic Association's Executive Committee and a Director since 2014.

[LEARN MORE:](#)





# We Welcome our 2025-2026 Newly Elected Directors

---



Wendy Bingham Cox

Director

[Link to Bio](#)



Paul Efron

Director

[Link to Bio](#)



John Olson

Director

[Link to Bio](#)



Hon. Ronald Rosenfeld

Director

[Link to Bio](#)





# MAJOR CONTRIBUTORS' RECEPTION

More than 150 of the Civic Association's Major Contributors enjoyed an elegant reception on board the Lady Kathryn V on Friday, April 4th. The stunning yacht was docked at the picturesque Palm Beach Marina overlooking the Intracoastal Waterway. Drinks, hors d'oeuvres and live music were enjoyed by all. The annual exclusive gathering is our heartfelt way of saying thank you for the unwavering support of our major donors throughout the season.







[CLICK TO  
VIEW ALL PHOTOS ONLINE](#)



[Capehart Photography](#)





# ANNUAL MEETING & MAYOR'S STATE OF THE TOWN ADDRESS

This year's Annual Meeting and Mayor Moore's State of the Town Address on Monday, April 7th marked a fitting close to the Civic Association's 81st season. The program brought together more than 250 people to the Flagler Museum, including town leaders, Civic Association members, directors and residents. The 2025 Raymond J. Kunkel awards were presented for heroic and meritorious service to the town and a new slate of directors was welcomed. The program was sponsored by Palm Beach Island Hospice Foundation and mailing underwriter Linda R. Olsson, Inc. Realtor.

**WATCH**  **ANNUAL MEETING & MAYOR'S STATE OF THE TOWN ADDRESS**  
**FULL RECORDING**







[CLICK TO  
VIEW ALL PHOTOS ONLINE](#)





## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

*List as of April 28, 2025*

### Residential Members

Cheryl and Bill Beatson

Fern Fodiman

Robert Andrew Roddy

Christina and Brian Flaherty

Mandy and Tim Murphy

Marie and Andy Unanue

### Corporate Members

[My Household Managed](#)

[Symphony Workplaces](#)

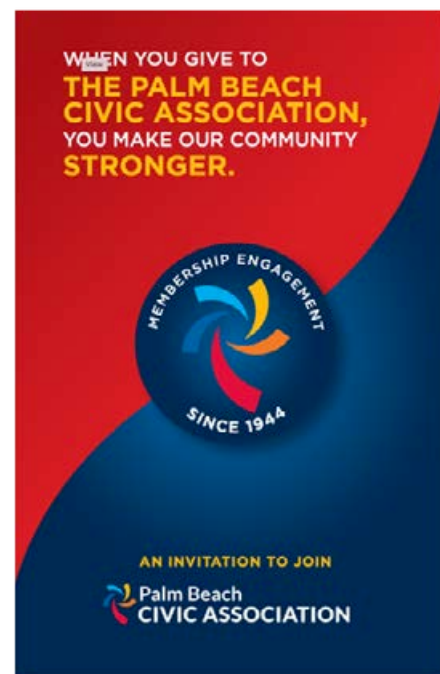
[The Weitz Company](#)

## CONNECTING YOU TO OUR COMMUNITY

Become a Civic Association member  
so you, too, can enjoy our programs  
and forums during our 82nd season,  
to be announced soon!

[Click for Membership Information](#)

OR SCAN QR CODE



Click to read the  
benefits of membership





# Committees at Work

## Video: Every Second Counts: Understanding Strokes

April 17, 2025



When it comes to a stroke, quick action can mean the difference between life and death—or a full recovery and lasting disability. That’s the topic behind the health care committees second story of the season.

The educational story includes interviews with survivor Bob Watkins and his wife Patty. Plus, Dr. Dennis Selkoe, Co-Director of the Center for Neurologic Diseases at Brigham and Women’s Hospital, and a tour of the Comprehensive Stroke Center at St. Mary’s Medical Center. We delve into symptoms and prevention.

The Health Care Committee presented a story on heart disease in March. Watch “[How do I know if I have heart disease](#)” at this link.

LEARN MORE  
ABOUT ALL OF THE  
PBCA COMMITTEES



The important work of the Palm Beach Civic Association is done by our 15 standing committees. Directors and members volunteer to achieve the goals of each committee. We thank them for their dedication throughout the season.

## *Thank You*



Royal Poinciana Way medians will be redesigned this summer

APRIL 24, 2025

[Read the story.](#)

## Our Town by William Kelly

Two of the three medians on Royal Poinciana Way – Palm Beach’s historic “main street” – will soon undergo a landscaping redesign that will beautify the high-profile space while making it easier and safer to traverse.

The transformation of the two medians between North County Road and Coconut Row/Bradley Place is scheduled to begin in June and reach completion by November.



# *Felicia Taylor* ARTS LEGACY SERIES

In April, the 5th episode of the “Felicia Taylor Arts Legacy Series” was released. Civic Association Director Bob Merrill brings his musical knowledge to the studio to talk with the visionary leaders from some of the largest cultural institutions in Palm Beach and beyond.



In this episode, meet Bill Hayes, the co-founder of Palm Beach Dramaworks, where thought-provoking performances, timeless classics and community outreach has kept the curtain rising for a quarter-century.

## [PLAY VIDEO](#)

[Palm Beach Dramaworks website](#)



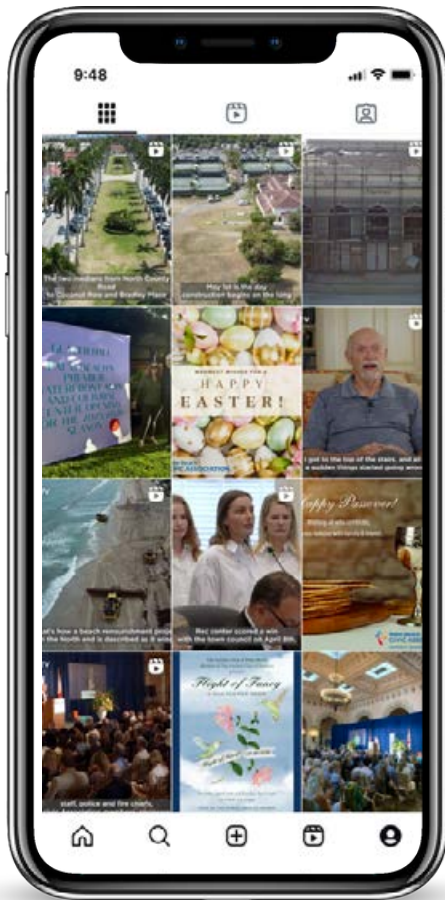
Meet Felicia Taylor:  
Palm Beach friends of the late Felicia Taylor discuss her love for the town and support of the Arts.

## [PLAY VIDEO](#)

The programming is made possible through the  
Estate of Felicia Taylor.



# THE CIVIC ON SOCIAL MEDIA



## WHAT'S TRENDING ON INSTAGRAM @palmbeachcivic

A story we're following closely is the progress inside GLAZER HALL, the new cultural arts venue. PBTv recently brought viewers inside for a look at what you can expect when it opens toward the end of the year. Watch on Instagram or [click here to view the story.](#)

[CLICK HERE  
TO FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM](#)

Follow PBCA's social media



## THE CIVIC

Published by:

The Palm Beach Civic Association's  
Communications & Membership Teams  
[communications@palmbeachcivic.org](mailto:communications@palmbeachcivic.org)

The Mission of the Palm Beach Civic Association is to protect and improve the quality of life in the Town of Palm Beach by taking proactive stands on civic affairs; informing, educating, and engaging residents on key town issues; working with local government; and encouraging citizen involvement in the community.