

COBWRA DELEGATES MEETING • QUAIL RIDGE COUNTRY CLUB • APRIL 18, 2018 • MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

THE PALM BEACH COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS HONOR GUARD & PIPES AND DRUMMERS opened the meeting with a musical tribute to the American Flag and the Pledge of Allegiance.



Installation Program

Master of Ceremonies **ANDRE FLADELL** presented a nostalgic and very personal portrayal of COBWRA's beginnings in 1981 and provided a detailed chronology of how the organization has evolved from its humble roots 37 years ago to become a respected and influential civic organization.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER MARY LOU BERGER discharged the 2017/2018 Board of Directors.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER DAVE KERNER Installed the incoming officers: First Vice President **BARBARA ROTH**, Second Vice President **NIKKI DESCOTEAUX**, Secretary **GERRI SEINBERG**, and Treasurer **BETH MILLER**.

STATE ATTORNEY DAVE ARONBERG installed **PRESIDENT PHIL BARLAGE**.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER STEVEN ABRAMS led the following incoming Directors in reciting their oath of office: **BARBARA FINK, SAM MANUELE, MEL MORRIS, STEVE OSEROFF, STAN SHERMAN** and **STEVE WALLACE**.

OUTGOING PRESIDENT ROSOFF reflected on the accomplishments of her presidency, including the enormously successful campaign in response to the GL Homes attempt to dismantle the Ag Reserve Master Plan. She reminded the Delegates and Guests that the Ag Reserve is the *Jewel of Our Neighborhood* and that attorney Richard Grosso continues to work on behalf of COBWRA to **Preserve the Reserve!** Rosoff also noted that during her tenure two of her three major goals have been initiated: The Canyons Park and the Canyons Library. She was then presented with a crystal gavel to commemorate her presidency.

INCOMING PRESIDENT PHIL BARLAGE expressed a strong commitment to further strengthen our organization's influence.

Barlage expressed a desire to reach out to the family communities within COBWRA in an effort to better understand their needs.

Also on the new president's agenda is a focus on mental health issues through COBWRA's participation in the PB County Alliance for Mental Health.

Other priorities for the Barlage Administration will be Education, Water & Wetlands, and Government Affairs Committee issues.

By Sharon Reuben Photos by Ken Lassiter & S. Reuben

WELCOME

Quail Ridge Country Club **GENERAL MANAGER AND COO WILLIAM LANGLEY** welcomed the Delegates and guests to their beautiful newly rebuilt Clubhouse.

RECOGNITION OF RETIRING BOARD MEMBERS AND RECORDING SECRETARY

OUTGOING PRESIDENT MYRNA ROSOFF presented appreciation awards to three retiring board members: **BRUCE BRODSKY, JOAN BRUNSWICK,** and **DEBBIE MURPHY**. She also recognized retiring recording secretary **MARLENE MALOFF**.

RECOGNITION OF PAST PRESIDENTS

COUNTY COMMISSIONER MARY LOU BERGER recognized all of COBWRA's past presidents and introduced those who were in attendance.

