



## More Than \$200,000 Collected for Haitian Hurricane Relief

Here at Ocean Reef we were prepared for Hurricane Matthew. Club Management, ORCA, Public Safety and Monroe County held meetings and conference calls in the days leading up to Matthew's projected landfall. Ocean Reef Club and South Florida were spared. The Club recorded just one half inch of rain.

However, just 700 miles southeast of Miami, Matthew had a devastating impact. Parts of Haiti, where more than 200 of our most loyal, long-term associates have family, were leveled. The headline above reads like a cruel case of déjà vu. As in 2010, when an earthquake put many of these same families in jeopardy, so many of our Members immediately came to their aid to assist in any way they could, some going so far as to organize private flights from our Airport. In the end, \$350,000 were raised. For Associates to see their Ocean Reef Club family helping support their Haitian family was a remarkable and unforgettable experience.

On October 11, 2016 a collaborative email was sent out from **Bob Schmetterer**, Chairman of Ocean Reef Club, **Bill Nutt**, Chairman of the Ocean Reef Community Foundation and Michael Leemhuis, Ocean Reef Club President, to the entire Membership making a

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## Pirates Invade Buccaneer Island



Dexter Falk



Freya Samuel



The Tyhgem family.



Luca and Mia Verona

## November Snapshot Upcoming Events

November might be our favorite month of the year because it means that everyone we love is back home on The Reef! We're kicking off yet another beautiful winter season of Reef camaraderie with formal parties, amazing dining opportunities, competitions, and (of course) Thanksgiving!

### Traditional Events

The **Ocean Reef Club Invitational** kicks off on Wednesday,

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### AROUND THE REEF

**Vote!**  
**Tues. Nov. 8**

7 a.m. – 7 p.m.  
The Academy at Ocean Reef

**Pickleball Opening Day Exhibition & Free Clinic**

**Tues. Nov. 8**  
10–11:30 a.m.

Nov. 9. Members are invited to bring a guest for four days of golf, delicious dinners, cocktail hours, an Awards Presentation, and a formal dance in Town Hall. To register, please call the

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Be sure you have these two important Equity Member events marked on your calendar: **Sunday, November 13** is The Gathering, Equity Welcome Back Party in Town Hall. **Friday, November 18** is the first Town Hall Meeting of the winter season.

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similar appeal as in 2010, to help Haitian Associates' families. Within minutes, donations began to come in to oceanreef.com. Within an hour, \$35,000 had been committed. At the writing of this article, more than \$210,000 has been raised.

While mainstream media may have forgotten the story, the Club and the Ocean Reef Community Foundation have not. This is an ongoing effort. Both continue to see donations coming in through the website, the mail and through ORCF's donor-advised funds. Club Associates held a clothing and essentials drive the week of October 17 and were able to contribute truckloads for a container leaving for Haiti this week. Your Club and the Ocean Reef Community Foundation continue to offer two ways to help:

The first is a tax-deductible donation through the Ocean Reef Community Foundation. Donated funds are already being put to good use through an initial gift to All Hands Volunteers, an organization we worked closely with after the 2010 earthquake, and grants to other organizations that can most benefit the families of our associates are being researched and in the works. The second is a donation directly to the Club. These donations will be used for specific requests from our Haitian associates in need. Visit [oceanreef.com/haiti](http://oceanreef.com/haiti) or you may mail your check to the Club to: 35 Ocean Reef Drive, Suite 200, Key Largo, FL 33037 Attn: Haiti Relief or to ORCF: 35 Ocean Reef Drive, Suite 138, Key Largo, FL 33037.

Our hope is that this quick action and strong support will enable us to have an immediate impact on the families of our associates.

OCTOBER 28 –30, 2016

# HALLOWEEN WEEKEND

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

## ARTS & CRAFTS – PAINT A HALLOWEEN MAGNET

2:00 p.m. • Buccaneer Island

## HAUNTED HALLOWEEN TRAIL

6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Candy Corn, non-scary

7:30 – 9:00 p.m. – Full-on scary

The Academy Parking Lot

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

## CREEPY CANNONBALL CONTEST

11:00 a.m. • Buccaneer Island

## BARKTOBERFEST...IT'S OKTOBERFEST FOR DOGS!

11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. • Fishing Village

## ARTS & CRAFTS – COLOR A HALLOWEEN BAG

2:00 p.m. • Buccaneer Island

## DEATHLY DODGEBALL

3:30 p.m. • Buccaneer Island

## TRICK-OR-TREAT GOLF CART PARADE

5:00 p.m. • The Academy