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From The President

Diane McSweeney

Dear Shareholders,

As of this writing, September 10, 2025, we have been spared the hurricane activity at this point in time. The park continues to be full of activity with the construction. Once again, thank you all for your patience with the disruptions. The company has been great to deal with. North Lake Dr has been paved with an underlayment patch. The roads will be done when the park is completely hooked up.

Summer has been hot and now it's rainy here in Florida. The weeds and algae are growing rapidly. Please be sure to check with whomever is maintaining your property that maintenance is completed. We all take pride in our property, making our park look outstanding. It has been difficult for folks that are in the midst of construction so please be a patient neighbor.

Please drive slowly through the park. Folks have complained of people exceeding the speed limit as they walk or bicycle through the park.

Holiday Shores is a great community with so many caring individuals. It is this sense of community that makes this a wonderful place to live.

Welcome back to many of our seasonal residents.

Best Regards,
Diane McSweeney



Leaving a Lasting Legacy: Your Impact on Holiday Shores Park

Camille Robinson

The natural beauty of Holiday Shores Park is evident to all who visit. The vibrant flowers, manicured lawns, and well-maintained paths are a testament to the community's collective pride and commitment.

This continuous effort to preserve and enhance the park's appeal presents a unique opportunity for every resident to contribute to a lasting legacy. We've all heard the complaints—about the ongoing sewer project, the water disruptions it causes, and the general inconvenience.

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solution. Holiday Shores Park is far more than just a piece of land; it's the central hub of our community. It's a place where shareholders and residents come together to enjoy the pool, play cards in the clubhouse, attend social events, meetings, and watch theater productions. Its condition directly reflects our collective care and commitment.

This is where you come in. We invite you to be a part of the positive change and contribute to the park's ongoing beautification. Your time and effort, no matter how small, can have a tremendous impact. Whether it's weeding a garden bed, or simply helping to pick up litter, every action helps to create a more beautiful and welcoming environment for everyone.

The spirit of being part of the solution is thriving in our community, driven by the incredible generosity of selfless residents and staff. From planting new flowers to managing park finances, these individuals show us what it means to be truly invested in our community. Their commitment is the reason Holiday Shores Park is such a special place to live.

For example: Kim Boyle and her team revitalized the area around the office and clubhouse, replacing thorny bushes, and dried out weeds with beautiful, flourishing flowers.

John Boyle led a water project that saved the park thousands of dollars. John was diligent in handling the office part of the project as well as leading the individuals in the field toward completion of the project.

Diane Duld stepped up to train residents on the new PayHoa system. Ensuring residents felt at ease utilizing PayHoa with a smile.

Harvey goes above and beyond his regular duties to help with park maintenance and offers a hand to any resident who needs it. Even willing to come to the park during emergencies outside of his regular work hours.

Sue Woodring in the office ensures residents' paperwork is completed and even takes time to drop off documents to Fed Ex or UPS which keep things moving smoothly.

Diane McSweeney is on call 24/7, ready to help with any shareholders and/or residents' problems that arise, day or night.

Judy Garneau works as board treasurer, and stepped up when the previous accountant retired, dedicating over 20 hours a week of unpaid work toward Holiday Shores accounting to avoid any financial gaps while multi-tasking her duties as board treasurer, and attending to her family.

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These individuals don't get paid for their extra work; they do it because they are committed to leaving a lasting impact of helpfulness in the lives of others.

The examples of our neighbors and staff show us what it means to leave a lasting impact. When we're part of the solution, we become people like Harvey—whose presence makes a difference and whose absence would be felt by many.

So, we ask you to think about what kind of legacy you want to leave.

Rather than just focusing on problems, please look for ways to be useful and helpful within our community. If you see something that needs attention, consider how you can be part of the solution.

There are countless opportunities to get involved, from helping with park activities to reaching out to a neighbor in need, and or joining a park committee. A little kindness goes a long way, whether it's offering a warm meal, a ride to the store, or simply lending an ear to someone whose spouse has passed away or is ill. Every act of care contributes to a stronger, more supportive community for all of us.

Let's be the generation that transforms Holiday Shores Park for the better and leaves an impact of active care and community spirit.

Camille Robinson
Licensed Community Manager



Social

Seniors in Service provide lunch each month as well as an informative presentation. The next Seniors in Service luncheon and presentative will be October 16, 2025 – 11:00 AM to approximately 12:30 PM. The presentative will be “Basic First Aid”

There will be a signup sheet in clubhouse and Seniors in Service is requesting everyone wishing to attend sign up before October 9th . Hope you can come.

Judy Mathews
Social

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THEATER

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At this meeting, we’ll be brainstorming and planning our upcoming season of events and productions. Your ideas, energy, and enthusiasm are not just welcome, they’re essential! So bring your creativity, your boldest visions, and let’s make some theatrical magic together.

We’ll also be discussing how to navigate our production schedule during the upcoming sewer replacement project. While a script is already in hand for our March show, we may need to explore alternative staging options to keep the performance on track.

Let’s collaborate, adapt, and keep the spotlight shining...see you there!

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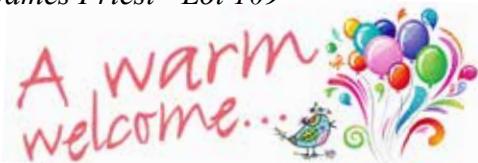
Just a couple of updates, the ladies of Activities have had the furniture in a clubhouse foyer cleaned. On October 13, we will be having a spaghetti get together. 3 o’clock. October 16 is seniors in service, October 31 Halloween dance Brad and Bert tickets \$10. Hope everyone is having a great day.

Rose Maiolino
Activities

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Welcome New Neighbor

James Priest - Lot 109





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Belle Bushong

Please call me (757-509-8122) if you are aware of any of our friends and neighbors who are ill, have had a death in the family, or have had a surgical procedure. I will keep you posted on any new developments. Please keep these friends and neighbors (and their families) in your prayers. Thank you.

In Memory of....

A Branch Has Fallen From Our Community
Dear Residents of Holiday Shores Park,

It is with a heavy heart that we share some very sad news with our community. In recent weeks, we have experienced the profound loss of some of our beloved neighbors.

In August of 2025 a couple of branches fell from our community as we said goodbye to two a cherished resident. Our thoughts and support go out to the family and friends affected by this loss.

It is with additional sadness that we must also announce the passing of two more of our neighbors.

- On August 18, 2025, we said goodbye to Ron Ciarco.
- On August 22, 2025, we also said goodbye to Charlene Ciarco.

Both Ron and Charlene Ciarco will be deeply missed by all who knew them here in Holiday Shores Park. Our hearts go out to their families, friends, and loved ones during this difficult time.

We encourage everyone to hold onto the memories you shared and continue to be a source of strength and comfort for one another.



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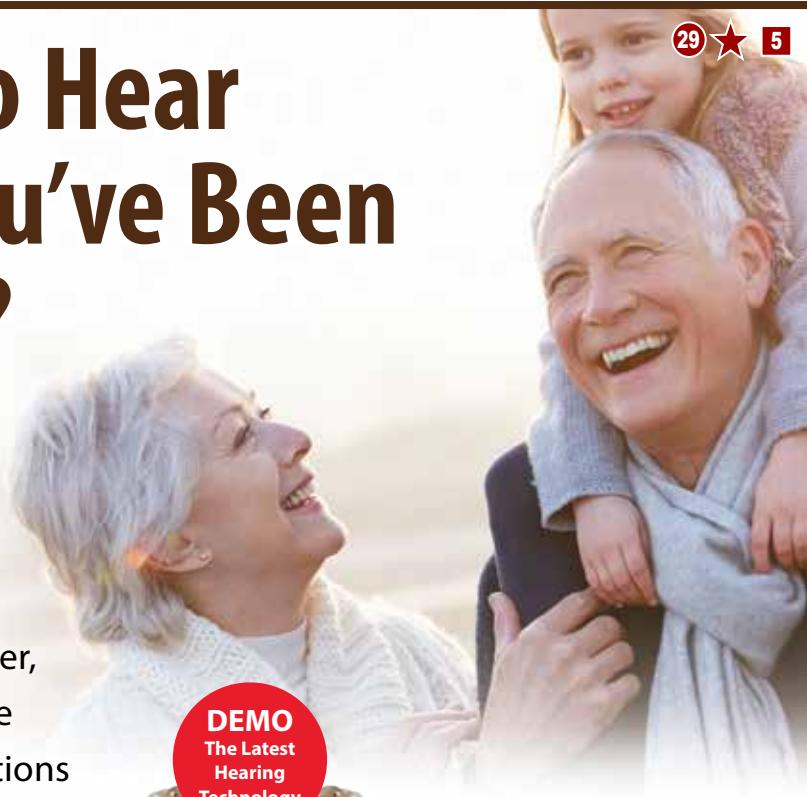
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Pat Spencer October 3
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Patrick Wilson October 4
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Gloria Monchilov October 7
Mary Graham October 8
Julie Anglin October 8
Karen Galbreath October 8
David Middleton October 9
Kathy Castello October 10
Shirley Johnson October 10



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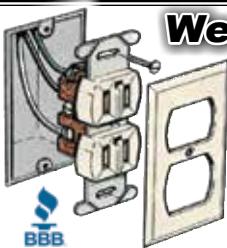
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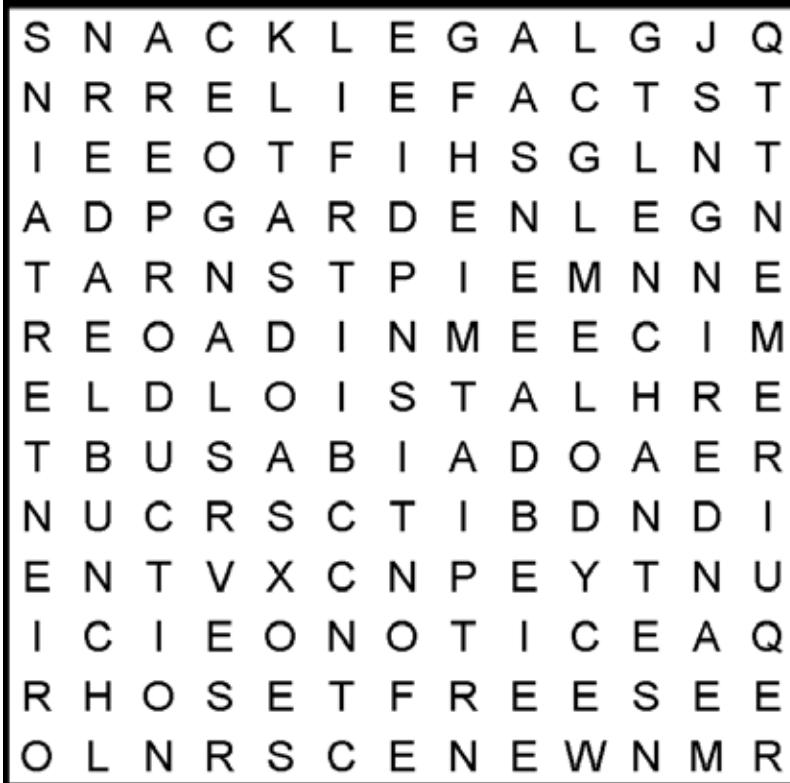
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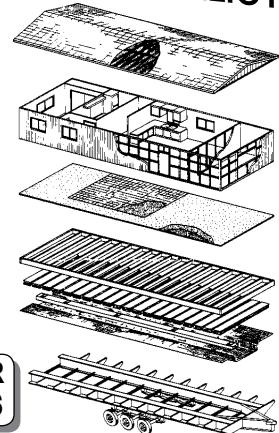
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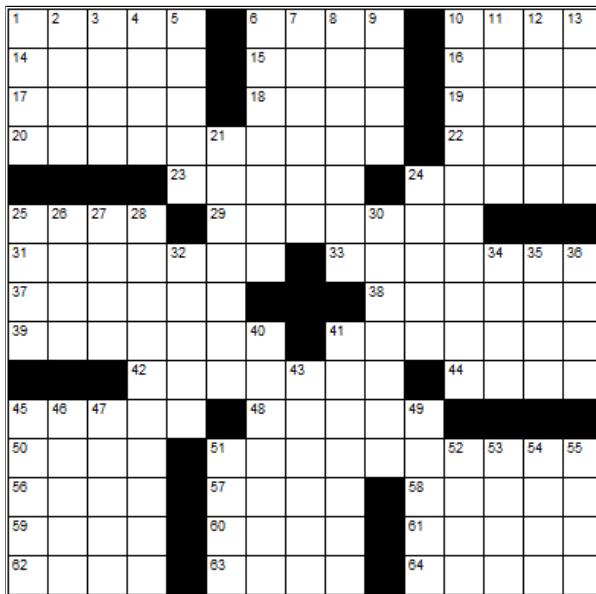
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- 16. Arm bone
- 17. Drama set to classical music
- 18. All right
- 19. Lives, in brief
- 20. Relating to menopause
- 22. A heavy open wagon
- 23. Go inside
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- 33. To the touch
- 37. Streamer
- 38. Mild expletive
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- 41. Interpret incorrectly
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- 44. Glimpse
- 45. Grizzlies for example
- 48. Pertaining to the sun
- 50. Precipitation
- 51. Being at the right time
- 56. Rear end
- 57. Thought
- 58. Female demon
- 59. Misfortunes
- 60. Breathing organ
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- 62. Colors
- 63. French for "Head"
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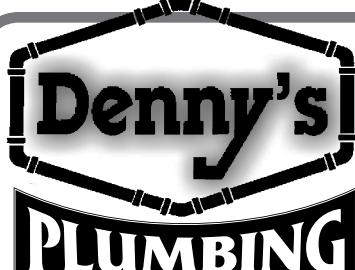


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Halloween



Origins & History

- **Ancient Celtic Festival of Samhain:** Halloween traces back over 2,000 years to the Celtic festival of Samhain, marking the end of the harvest and the beginning of winter. Celts believed that on this night, the boundary between the living and the dead blurred, allowing spirits to roam the earth.
- **Christian Influence:** In the 8th century, Pope Gregory III designated November 1 as All Saints' Day, and the night before became known as All Hallows' Eve, eventually shortened to Halloween.
- **American Evolution:** Irish and Scottish immigrants brought Halloween to the U.S. in the 19th century. It evolved from somber spiritual traditions into a fun, community-centered celebration.

Traditions & Activities

- **Trick-or-Treating:** Children dress in costumes and go door-to-door saying “Trick or treat!” to receive candy. This practice stems from medieval “souling,” where people collected food in exchange for prayers.
- **Costume Parties:** People of all ages wear costumes ranging from spooky creatures to pop culture icons and attend themed parties.
- **Pumpkin Carving & Jack-o’-Lanterns:** Inspired by Irish folklore about “Stingy Jack,” people carve pumpkins into faces and light them with candles to ward off spirits.
- **Haunted Houses & Corn Mazes:** These attractions offer spooky thrills with eerie decorations, jump scares, and ghostly themes.
- **Horror Movies & Storytelling:** Watching scary films and sharing ghost stories are popular ways to embrace Halloween’s eerie vibe.

Symbols & Superstitions

- **Ghosts & Spirits:** Represent the belief that the dead return on Halloween night.
- **Witches & Black Cats:** Associated with magic and superstition.
- **Skeletons & Gravestones:** Symbolize death and the afterlife.
- **Bats & Spiders:** Creatures of the night that add to the spooky atmosphere.

Source:

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“Shadows of a thousand years rise again unseen, voices whisper in the trees, ‘Tonight is Halloween!’”

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🧥 Sweater Roulette

A woman wore a chunky sweater to work because it was 55°F in the morning. By lunchtime, it was 82°F. She spent the afternoon fanning herself with a file folder and muttering, “Florida fall is a prank.”

☕ Pumpkin Spice Panic

A guy ordered a pumpkin spice latte and took it outside to enjoy the crisp air. A gust of wind blew leaves into his cup. He took a sip and said, “Extra fiber. Very seasonal.”

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A family planned a fall picnic based on a “clear skies” forecast. It started raining halfway through. They huddled under a tree with soggy sandwiches and declared it “a very authentic autumn experience.”

🐿️ Squirrel Sabotage

A woman set out decorative mini pumpkins on her porch. A squirrel stole one every day. She finally put out a fake one. The squirrel tried to bite it, got mad, and threw it at her window.

On change

We all have big changes in our lives that are more or less a second chance.

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—Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

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2 Day Park Wide Sale. Friday and Saturday, October 3 and 4, 2025. 8am - 1pm. Vendors in the clubhouse on Friday ONLY. Semiannual Bake Sale and Refreshments available Friday ONLY in the Clubhouse. La Plaza MHP 6700 150th Ave. N. Clearwater	November 8th. 9am-2pm. Craft & Bake Fair - Island in the Sun. Multiple vendors with multiple wares. Held in the clubhouse. 100 Hampton Rd, Clearwater, FL 33759. Come check us out!	Carport Sale - Oak Crest Acorn, 9925 Ulmerton in Largo, Nov 1st, 8am-2pm
Community flea market. Paradise Island, 1001 Starkey Rd. Largo. Saturday, October 4th, 9-2. Early bird entry 8am for \$1. Bake sale, hot dogs, golf cart taxi service. Follow signs to the clubhouse.	FALL BAZAAR Rancho Village 7100 Ulmerton Road, Hacienda Clubhouse. Sunday 11/9/25 from 11am-3pm. Crafts, baked goods, raffle baskets & more. Vendors: Rent a table for \$15. Contact: Donna Dahmm 309-263-2640	OTHER
BINGO at Pointe West MHP starting Tues. October 14th. Doors open at 4:30pm. Bingo starts at 6:30pm. 12651 Seminole Blvd, Largo.	Crafters Wanted Fair Nov 15th at Palm Hill Country Club 401 8th Ave, Largo. 8am - 1pm. Email Tom for more information at brendas76@verizon.net	Attention shufflers! Friendly League is looking for additional teams to join our league or a smaller league to merge with ours. Our teams are located within 10 miles of East Bay Drive in Largo and play our games on Thursday. Please contact John Halliday, Embassy Park, johnhalliday3@aol.com, 508-360-3875
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