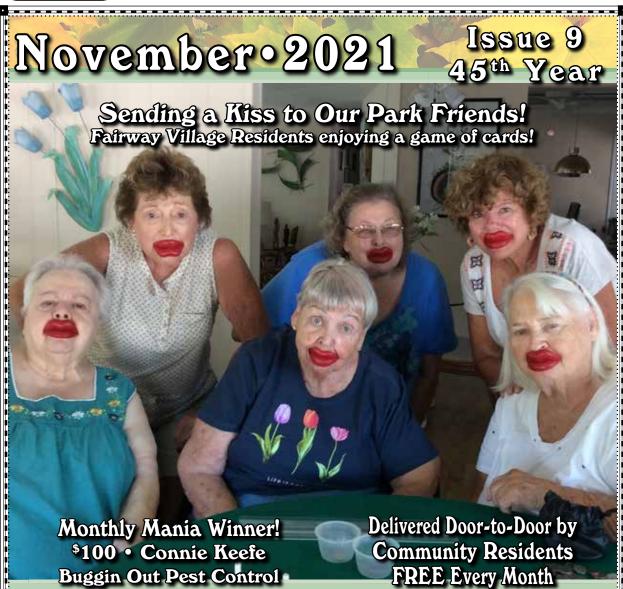


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Thank you! Kay Siudzinski



President's Message

Cindy Sadusky, Lot #14

Tovember is the time to be thankful, a time to remember and to embrace those who enrich our lives. I'm thankful for so much, including all of the friends I've met the past 2 years while living here in Island In The Sun. A quote I saw recently really hit home and reminded me that family isn't always our relatives.

"Family isn't always about the people in your life who are blood relations. It's about the people in your life who want you to be in theirs. It's about the people in your life who accept you for who you are, support you in the things you choose to do and no matter what, are there for you. It's the people in your life who love you, respect you and who you can depend on. Now that's family!" — Anonymous

While the past 2 years have been challenging, it's nice to know you have friends that you can depend on to make the best of a bad situation. If we can continue to look out for one another we will be able to look ahead to better times as the holiday season approaches. Happy Thanksgiving!!

Cindy Sadusky
IITS HOA President

Thanksgiving

From Wikapedia

Thanksgiving is a national holiday celebrated on various dates in the United States, Canada, Grenada, Saint Lucia, and Liberia. It began as a day of giving thanks and sacrifice for the blessing of the harvest and of the preceding year. Similarly named festival holidays occur in Germany and Japan. Thanksgiving is celebrated on the second Monday of October in Canada and on the fourth Thursday of November in the United States and around the same part of the year in other places. Although



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Thanksgiving has historical roots in religious and cultural traditions, it has long been celebrated as a secular holiday as well.

History

Prayers of thanks and special thanksgiving ceremonies are common among almost all religions after harvests and at other times. The Thanksgiving holiday's history in North America is rooted in English traditions dating from the Protestant Reformation. It also has aspects of a harvest festival, even though the harvest in New England occurs well before the late-November date on which the modern Thanksgiving holiday is celebrated.

In the English tradition, days of thanksgiving and special thanksgiving religious services became important during the English Reformation in the reign of Henry VIII and in reaction to the large number of religious holidays on the Catholic calendar. Before 1536 there were 95 Church holidays, plus 52 Sundays, when people were required to attend church and forego work and sometimes pay for expensive celebrations. The 1536 reforms reduced the number of Church holidays to 27, but some Puritans wished to eliminate all Church holidays, including Christmas and Easter. The holidays were to be replaced by specially called Days of Fasting or Days of Thanksgiving, in response to events that the Puritans viewed as acts of special providence. Unexpected disasters or threats of judgement from on high called for Days of Fasting. Special blessings, viewed as coming from God, called for Days of Thanksgiving. For example, Days of Fasting were called on account of drought in 1611, floods in 1613, and plagues in 1604 and 1622. Days of thanksgiving were called following the victory over the Spanish Armada in 1588 and following the deliverance of Queen Anne in 1705. An unusual annual Day of Thanksgiving began in 1606 following the failure of the Gunpowder Plot in 1605 and developed into Guy Fawkes Day on November 5.

In Canada

According to some historians, the first celebration of Thanksgiving in North America occurred during the 1578 voyage of Martin Frobisher from England in search of the Northwest Passage. Other researchers, however, state that "there is no compelling narrative of the origins of the Canadian Thanksgiving day."

The origins of Canadian Thanksgiving are also sometimes traced to the French settlers who came to New France in the 17th century, who celebrated their successful harvests. The French settlers in the area typically had feasts at the end of the harvest season. They continued throughout the winter season, even sharing food with the indigenous peoples of the area.

As settlers arrived in Nova Scotia from New England after 1700, late autumn Thanksgiving celebrations became commonplace. New immigrants into the country—such as the Irish, Scottish, and Germans—also added their own traditions to the harvest celebrations. Most of the U.S. aspects of Thanksgiving (such as the turkey) were incorporated when United Empire Loyalists began to flee from the United States during the American Revolution and settled in Canada.

In the United States

Pilgrims and Puritans who emigrated from England in the 1620s and 1630s carried the tradition of Days of Fasting and Days of Thanksgiving with them to New England. The modern Thanksgiving holiday tradition is traced to a well-recorded 1619 event in Virginia and a sparsely

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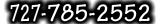


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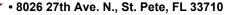


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documented 1621 celebration at Plymouth in present-day Massachusetts. The 1619 arrival of 38 English settlers at Berkeley Hundred in Charles City County, Virginia, concluded with a religious celebration as dictated by the group's charter from the London Company, which required "that the day of our ships arrival at the place assigned ... in the land of Virginia shall be yearly and perpetually kept holy as a day of thanksgiving to Almighty God." The 1621 Plymouth feast and thanksgiving was prompted by a good harvest. The Pilgrims celebrated this



with Native Americans, who had helped them get through the previous winter by giving them food in that time of scarcity.

Several days of Thanksgiving were held in early New England history that have been identified as the "First Thanksgiving", including Pilgrim holidays in Plymouth in 1621 and 1623, and a Puritan holiday in Boston in 1631. According to historian Jeremy Bangs, director of the Leiden American Pilgrim Museum, the Pilgrims may have been influenced by watching the annual services of Thanksgiving for the relief of the siege of Leiden in 1574, while they were staying in Leiden. Now called *Oktober Feest*, Leiden's autumn thanksgiving celebration in 1617 was the occasion for sectarian disturbance that appears to have accelerated the pilgrims' plans to emigrate to America.

Later in Massachusetts, religious thanksgiving services were declared by civil leaders such as Governor Bradford, who planned the colony's thanksgiving celebration and feast in 1623. In the late 1630s, the Pequot were blamed for the killing of a white man, leading to the colonizers burning down Pequot villages and killing those who did not perish in the fires. Hundreds of Pequots were killed, leading Governor Bradford to proclaim that Thanksgiving from then on would be celebrating "the bloody victory, thanking God that the battle had been won." The practice of holding an annual harvest festival did not become a regular affair in New England until the late 1660s.

Thanksgiving proclamations were made mostly by church leaders in New England up until 1682, and then by both state and church leaders until after the American Revolution. During the revolutionary period, political influences affected the issuance of Thanksgiving proclamations. Various proclamations were made by royal governors, and conversely by patriot leaders, such as John Hancock, General George Washington, and the Continental Congress, each giving thanks to God for events favorable to their causes. As President of the United States, George

Washington proclaimed the first nationwide thanksgiving celebration in America marking November 26, 1789, "as a day of public thanksgiving and prayer, to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many and signal favours of Almighty God".

Debate about the nation's first celebrations

Shrine of the first U.S. Thanksgiving in 1619 at Berkeley Hundred in Charles City County, Virginia

The question of where the first Thanksgiving was held in the United States has been a subject of dispute,



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primarily between New England and Virginia. The question is complicated by the concept of Thanksgiving as either a holiday celebration or a religious service. James Baker maintains, "The American holiday's true origin was the New England Calvinist Thanksgiving. Never coupled with a Sabbath meeting, the Puritan observances were special days set aside during the week for thanksgiving and praise in response to God's providence." Baker calls the debate a "tempest in a beanpot" and "marvelous nonsense" based on regional claims. However, the day for Thanksgiving services specifically codified in the founding charter of Berkeley Hundred in 1619 was instrumental in President John F. Kennedy's attempt to strike a compromise between the regional claims, by issuing Proclamation 3560 on November 5, 1963, stating, "Over three centuries ago, our forefathers in Virginia and in Massachusetts, far from home in a lonely wilderness, set aside a time of thanksgiving. On the appointed day, they gave reverent thanks



for their safety, for the health of their children, for the fertility of their fields, for the love which bound them together, and for the faith which united them with their God."

Other claims include an earlier religious service by Spanish explorers in Texas at San Elizario in 1598. Historians Robyn Gioia and Michael Gannon of the University of Florida argue that the earliest Thanksgiving service in what is now the United States was celebrated by the Spanish community on September 8, 1565, in current Saint Augustine, Florida.

RESIDENT SPOTLIGHT

ur spotlight on an IITS resident this month is Ciel Gordon.
Ciel has lived in IITS for 4 years with her 3 constant companions, her dogs Ace of Cakes, age 13, Cookies and Cream, age 12, and Domino, age 11. They enjoy rides in their doggie buggies with Ciel and her friend Carol Flink, and get really excited when company arrives.

Ciel has two children. One son, Jared, who lives in the area, and one daughter, Lian, who lives in Minnesota.

Ciel tells me her life priorities are family, friends, and dogs.

She volunteers much of her time to our community. She chairs our potluck dinners, Sunday Sundae, and is on the activities committee.

Her favorite hobby is cooking, followed by sewing for repurposing, and enjoys being a Dumpster Diva, looking for items to repurpose and donate.

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She enjoys folk music and traveling, and has been to Italy, Hawaii, Scotland, China, and Japan, among other destinations. She is looking forward to planning another trip to Scotland.

Ciel grew up in St. Louis, lived 35 years in Minnesota, and retired from interior decorating in the furniture industry, teaching, and as a CNA.



SPOTLIGHT ON PETS

Submitted by Cathy Ralston/Nancy Bilcheck

Then Kay asked me to write something about Percy and Molly, I was unsure what to say but Nancy says to call them the cats that aren't. She is right these two are the least cat-like cats we have ever known. They came into our lives in January of 2012 when a friend told us about two kittens being left at their farm. We made immediate arrangements to go meet them and there they were hiding in the hay in the barn loft. They must have been separated from their mother very early. Percy and Molly have made our lives both richer and stranger. We have always had cats but none of the others were like these two. Neither cat likes loud noises, door bells, trucks, or other people. The slightest noise outside their experience sends them running under the bed until the "threat" has passed and if the threat involves a visitor, they do not come out for hours. We suspect their fear of trucks comes from the farm vehicles. These two don't



play, they don't chase string, they are not curious – getting into everything, and they do not sit and cuddle. They are both independent but love to be touched and fussed over but only on their terms. Their favorite noise is the sound of the automatic feeder. The Calico, Molly is our talker and our snorer. She wants what she wants and she wants it now. Our Gray and White cat, Percy is calmer and quieter but has a way of letting his requirements be known. In truth they have trained us more than we have trained them and that is just the way it is when you have cats. People say, Oh I have never seen your cats, and all we can do is shrug.





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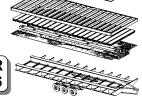
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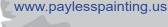
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Submitted by Anna VanVulpen

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He loves green beans it helps him keep in slim figure. He loves playing with his toys and spreads them all around the house. HIs favorite toy is the doughnut which in the picture it shows him carrying it around. He is homebound to the back yard due to his legs giving out - he has had to give up his daily walks. He has to sleep on the same side of the bed every night. Skippy loves other dogs and is super friendly. If you get a chance say Hi to Skippy.



November Anniversaries and Birthdays

Cynthia Sadusky Lot #14 - 717-587-2498

Note: If you notice anything is incorrect, please reach out to Cindy so she can update her records. Thanks.

Birthdays

- 3 Betty Mecke
- 5 Dick Robertson
- 9 Harry Black
- 14 Nancy Barnes Mike Harrington
- 21 Dick Nesco
- 23 Jill Norwick
- 27 Helen Leonard
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- 1 David & Darlene Gauthier
- 8 Thomas & Audrey Stone
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Thanks! Cindy



Facebook

Curious how to find out what is happening at IITS?

Submitted by Marilyn Babcock, Lot 161

s there are many new neighbors here at Island on the Sun, I thought I would take a minute to let you know about the various ways you can stay abreast of the meetings and activities taking place in the park.

There are 2 Facebook pages:

- 1. The Official Island in the Sun HOA this page contains information about HOA related issues.
- 2. Island in the Sun Social Group this group has information about activities taking place in our community and provides notifications.

The Island in the Sun Sentinel, also known as the media, is delivered by fellow neighbors monthly. It contains information about the community and articles of general interest.

The marquee as you enter the park has up-coming events. If sign-up is required, the form will be in the clubhouse on the table straight ahead as you enter.

The HOA meeting for all residents takes place on the first Tuesday of the month at 7 PM. HOA meetings will resume on September 7 in the Clubhouse. By the way, if you have not already done so, please join the HOA. Current dues for a 2 person household are \$20.00 annually. See any Board Member at the HOA meetings or in the community for membership.

There is also a Robocall, placed by Mike Malliet, for upcoming events. If you wish to be on the list to receive these calls, please send Mike an email at: mmal1974@yahoo.com. Please include your Name, Lot number and full telephone number including area code. Be aware some carriers have auto-blocking for numbers. If you add 1-877-333-9336 to your contacts the call will go through without issue. If you do not have access to email, please see any board member and we will be happy to forward your information to Mike.

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Ray lived at Island in the Sun for 24 years with his wife Donna. They had recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Before moving to IITS, they lived in Largo.

Island in the Sun HOA Activities and Events



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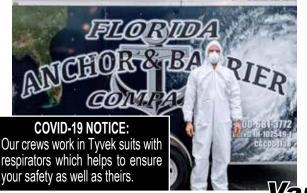


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That's all you do. At the end of the month the Publishers will pick up the tickets and hold a drawing. If your ticket is drawn, we mail you a check. (Allow 8-12 weeks for mailing of check). This month's cash winners are:

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)BugginOut Pest Control
Peggy Jordon	\$10	Oberg Decorating
Robert Skerkavich	\$10	Air Masters of Pinellas
De Carr	\$10	Heller's Mobile Home Washing
		Boss Electric
		Battleline Termite & Pest Control
		Jones & Sons Plumbing
Monica Kranzel	\$10	BugginOut Pest Control
Yvonne Ciesemier S	\$10	Got Dirt? Call Dirty lil'
		Air Masters of Pinellas
Mary Pilles	\$10	Rod Runners
Marilyn Holmes	\$10	Battleline Termite & Pest Control
Arlene Skolnekovich S	\$10	Heller's Mobile Home Washing
Rose London	\$10	Jones & Sons Plumbing
Susan Lothary	\$5	E & E Gliddon
William Pruett	\$5	Air Masters of Pinellas
Gail Allen	\$5	BugginOut Pest Control
Forrest Jackson	\$5	Boss Electric
Lori Berry	\$5	Battleline Termite & Pest Control
Bill Hoyer	\$5	Jones & Sons Plumbing
Val Pietrkiewicz	\$5	Heller's Mobile Home Washing
		Air Masters of Pinellas
		. Barron's Air Conditioning & Appliance
James Tilley	\$5	Ricks Appliance Repair

Emile Laflamme	. \$5	Battleline Termite & Pest Control
John Kenny	. \$5	Jones & Sons Plumbing
Donald Hunt	. \$5	Air Masters of Pinellas
Mary Tavernier	. \$5	Community Roofing
Dave Floyd	. \$5	Heller's Mobile Home Washing
Gary Downs	. \$5	Air Masters of Pinellas
Louise Anderson	. \$5	Battleline Termite & Pest Control
Judith Rickard	. \$5	Jones & Sons Plumbing
Mr. & Mrs. Capotosto	. \$5	Rod Runners
Frank Hemming	. \$5	BugginOut Pest Control
Robert Gornicki	. \$5	Got Dirt? Call Dirty lil'
Pat Budney	. \$5	Heller's Mobile Home Washing
Steve Sell	. \$5	Boss Electric
Gary Thrasher	. \$5	Royal Enterprise
Lou Zampitella	. \$5	BugginOut Pest Control
JoAnne McBride	. \$5	Jones & Sons Plumbing
Bart Beal	\$5	Heller's Mobile Home Washing
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Not enough qualifying winners for November!

Mail in your tickets or paid receipt for your chance to win!

- · Limit of one ticket per visit · Advertiser may have up to 4 winners per month · Advertiser must have bill paid current to qualify
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