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#### **New Spectrum Contract**

By Al Noeller

new Spectrum contract has been approved by the Co-op Board for the benefit of all residents and it will be implemented on December 1, 2022. The new features will include: every household will get one



standard box and one DVR with DVR service at no cost, internet speed will increase from 300 to 500 megabytes per second, the TV channels will include the present Standard Channels plus the Tier 1 Channels (Tier 1 presently costs extra). Spectrum will supply upgraded equipment as required for every home. The improvements also include bandwidth changes which will help all those smart devices in your home and site-wide WIFI availability. The upgrades needed to improve service connectivity and speed will no longer support channel 732. In addition, Spectrum will no longer offer Tier 2 Channels.

Every home will receive a letter from Spectrum identifying those that will need equipment upgrades. Check your mail.

For the installation of any new equipment in your home to obtain all the new benefits, it will be your responsibility to obtain such equipment from Spectrum, then do the installation yourself, ask a friend or pay Spectrum for a service call. We expect this information to be included in the notification.

Your Spectrum bill may or may not change depending on your personal preferences.

Please address your questions to: Albert Noeller @ 803-577-9339

#### **HOA-BOD**

By Linda LaVine

ith our first seasonal "calorie laden" holiday behind us, I hope many of you had the chance to partake in the community Thanksgiving Dinner chaired by our own Michelle Griffith.



I'm sure the meal was delicious and, best of all, you had no dishes to wash afterwards!

December 15th is fast approaching and this is the last day for you to indicate your willingness to serve on the Board of Directors of our HOA. These very important positions can benefit the entire community and be a way for you to "give back" to the great community we all reside in. If you are willing to serve please contact the chair of the Nominating Committee, Marge Murray, at 727-584-8701.

The election of officers will take place during the HOA Annual Member's Meeting on Wednesday, January 4th at 7p.m. In the Club House. Coffee and Doughnuts will be served beginning at 6 p.m.

Finally, I'd like to wish each and every one of my neighbors a Happy Holiday....be it Christmas, Hanukkah or Kwanzaa you celebrate, may the joy and peace of the season be with you.





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#### **Thanksgiving Dinner a Huge Success**

By Michelle Griffith

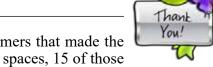
would like to thank our sponsors - The Church in the Park, PI HOA, Larry the Hot Dog Guy and PI Social Committee for their donations to make this a free event. I would also like to thank all the volunteers who cooked turkeys, cooked the sides, plated the meals, served the meals



and cleaned up as well as the Men's Club who set the hall up. Everyone's tables were festive and it was fun to see our community share Thanksgiving Dinner. Serving 230 dinners is a task in itself and I do hope you all enjoyed it.

#### **Paradise Island Annual Craft Fair**

By Nadine Peters - Annual Craft Fair Committee



BIG THANK YOU to all the vendors & customers that made the PI Craft Fair a great success. Over 50 vendor's spaces, 15 of those from our community.

**ANOTHER BIG THANK YOU** Men's Club for setting up and taking down all the tables & chairs. Bake Sale committee: Joan, Shirley, Evelyn, Elaine, Patty, Sue and those of you who supported by bring baked goods or purchasing. To the planning committee and all the other helpers: Lynne, Debi, Judi, Lynne, Linda, Diane, Jackie, Carol, Janet, Eleanor, Diane, Bev, Bill, Walt, Cindy & Kerry.

#### OUR COMMUNITY IS VERY BLESSED WITH GREAT PEOPLE.

Any questions, comments or suggestions, please contact: Nadine, call/text 402-750-3083, email: nadine5106@gmail.com Lynne, call/text 586-713-5487, email: redwingdtw@gmail.com

#### **Ladies Holiday Luncheon**

By Diane Billman

The Annual Ladies Holiday Luncheon will be held on Saturday, Dec. 3rd from 11:30 am to 2 pm. Lunch will be served at 12:30 pm. Tickets are \$12 and are available on Monday's from 6-7 pm in the Clubhouse. Set-up will be on Friday, Dec 2nd and you can come any time after 10 am to decorate your tables. Table decorations will be judged Friday evening after 6 pm. This year we would like to encourage you to decorate a Holiday Hat and wear to the event. Prizes for Most Unique and Funniest will be awarded so be creative ladies! The Men's Club will once again serve us lunch consisting of Lasagna, salad, role and desert. Coffee and soda will be provided. Feel free to bring Hors d'oeuvre for your table for social hour. Questions, contact Diane Billman at 727-434-0048 or Diane Marie on FB.

#### Paradise Island Social Committee Calendar 2022-23

Any Questions contact Diane Billman 727-434-0048

<b>.</b>	tickets for all events are sol			<b></b>
Date	Event	Cost	Addtl. Info	Time
Dec. 3	Annual Ladies Holiday Lunch	\$12	Men's club will be	11 00 000
			cooking for the ladies	11:30- 2:30
			Social Hour	11:30-12:30
			Lunch @	12:30
Dec. 3	Lighted Motorcycle Parade		coffee & cookies to	
			follow parade	6:30 pm
Dec .4	Caroling Organization Mtg	Free	Clubhouse	6:00 pm
Dec.10	Blue Grass Jam	Free	Fireplace room of Clubhouse	1-3 pm
Dec.10	Christmas Caroling		Join in as we bring	
			the sounds of holiday music	to
			the residents of Paradise Isla	nd 6 - 9 pm
Dec. 11	Golf Cart Parade		Annual Lighted	-
			Christmas Parade	6:30 PM
			golf carts meet @ clubhous	e 5:30pm
Dec. 17	Community Holiday Party	N/C	Entertainment by Tom Davis	5-10 pm
	Guests	\$5	Happy Hour 5-6pm Meal@6	pm
Dec.31	New Year's Eve Dance	\$15	Jerry Chase - BYOB and snac	ks 8pm-12pm
Jan. 14	Men's Club	\$10	George Casey	7pm-10pm
Jan.28	Talent Show	TBD	Showcasing our PI Resident tale	nts 7-10 pm
Feb.11	Dance	\$10	Silver Alert	7pm-10pm
Feb. 17	Men's Club	\$10	Dave & Daffney	7pm-10pm
Feb.19	Golden Anniversary Celebration	on	Clubhouse	2pm
Feb.25	Annual Flea Market	Set-up on 2/24 early bird entry at 8 am		
		for \$1		9 am-2pm
Mar.4	Dance	\$10	TBA	7pm-10pm
Mar. 18	Men's Club	\$10	2 Shay	7pm-10pm
Mar.19	Go Green Golf Cart Parade	N/C	Decorate your cart	
			and join the fun 5:3	0 - Clubhouse
April. 1	Men's Club	\$10	William Florian	7pm-10pm
April.8	Dance	\$10	Silver Alert	7pm-10pm
May.28	Memorial Day			
Golf Car	rt Parade	N/C	Decorate your cart	
			and join the fun 5:	30-Clubhouse
July.2	4th of July		-	
	rt Parade	N/C	Decorate your cart	
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#### **Social Committee Update**

By Diane Billman

Telcome back to all our northern residents. We are excited to see you at all our fall and winter events this year. We are looking forward to all the holiday events we have planned as well as a little bit cooler temperatures



At this writing we are on target to serve approximately 220-230 dinners to residents and family members on Thanksgiving Day. This would not be possible without the donation help of The Church in the Park, the Paradise Island HOA, Larry the Hot Dog Guy and all our residents for attending the events the Social Committee sponsor. Thank you to Michelle Griffith and her team of volunteers as it takes a village of volunteers to donate their time and talents and each one of you is very much appreciated.

The costumes were awesome at the Halloween dance and everyone had a great time and danced the night away! The Annual Craft Fair was a great success again this year and there were lots of wonderful handmade goodies from the vendors. Once again, The Men's Club didn't disappoint and Mark Raisch put on a great show.

We look forward to the Ladies Holiday Luncheon, Motorcycle Parade, Christmas Caroling, Golf Cart Christmas Parade, Christmas/Holiday Community Dinner and New Year's Eve Dance. Look for the individual write-ups on these events for more information as well as watching the Activities Board in the Clubhouse and our FB pages. It's time to enjoy and have fun with your neighbors and friends.

We welcome all the new residents of PI and encourage you to volunteer to help out at your favorite events. The Social Committee operates solely on volunteers and we appreciate your participation.

The Social Committee Board of Directors and Officers would like to wish everyone a Very Merry Holiday Season. May the time you spend with family and friends be filled with love, joy and happy memories!

If you can BE anything, BE KIND!

#### **Motorcycle Parade**

By Harold Noeller

n December 3rd Clearwater Chapter M of the Gold Wing Road Riders Association will be back at Paradise Island with their lighted motorcycle ride. The lighted motorcycles have been greeted with cheers and lots of folks



waiting to see them in front of their homes in past years. The group is made up of two wheelers, trikes and even bikes with sidecars. During the month of December they ride almost every evening at a different venue to help bring some Christmas cheer. Along with the mobile home

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parks they also participate in the Christmas parade in Pinellas Park.

After a ride throughout the community, they will be making their way to the clubhouse where you will have the opportunity to see their bikes up close and meet and chat with the members. You will also be able to make any donation you are comfortable making to help support the charities mentioned below. The riders enjoy presenting their decorated motorcycles with the charities listed below in mind so whatever you can do to help is appreciated! The social committee will be organizing coffee and cookies for the riders and residents again and we thank them for their support in helping to promote the ride.

Chapter M's fundraising efforts over past Christmas seasons have helped to raise several thousand dollars towards their charitable efforts. Thank you to all those who have donated and will donate! Last Christmas the Chapter donated to Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital and to Clothes to Kids. All Children's Hospital provides expert pediatric care in more than 50 specialties for infants, children and teens who face some of the most challenging medical problems in our community and around the world. This year they have added Toys for Children.

Clothes to Kids provides appropriate school clothing for children that would otherwise go to school and stand out as being under privileged. So once again a sincere thank you to all those who helped the cause.

We look forward to seeing all your smiling faces once again and hope you all enjoy the wonderful show.

#### **Paradise Island Holiday Celebration**

By Marcia White

ur annual Holiday Celebration will be held this year on Saturday Dec. 17th. We are happy to tell you that the Celebration is Free to all Residents only, of Paradise Island. The party is being sponsored by the Church in the Park, The PI HOA, the Men's Club and the PISC.



You will need tickets to attend and they will be available starting Monday Nov. 21, 2022. The Men's Club will be responsible for all tickets and you will be assigned a table when picking up your tickets. Tables will available for 10 or 12 residents so get your group together and bring a list of your friends joining you when you pick up the tickets.

Each table is responsible for decorating or covering their table and will bring a dish to share with your table. We will be serving platters of Baked Ham, rolls & butter, dessert, coffee, water and soda. BYOB and snacks for later on.

Tom Davis is returning as our entertainer for the Celebration and we are very happy to be able to get him back. Please plan on joining us for a night of fun and merriment with all your friends and neighbors. For Information call Ken Jonas 727-221-9613

Social Hour 5-6 (BYOB)

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awarded so be creative ladies! The Men's Club will once again serve us lunch consisting of Lasagna, salad, role and desert.

Coffee and soda will be provided. Feel free to bring Hord 'oeuvres for your table for social hour. Questions, contact Diane Billman at 727-434-0048 or Diane Marie on FB.

#### **Craft Fair and Bake Sale**

By Shirley Morrissey

would like to thank all the Paradise Island Bakers who donated to the November 5th bake sale. What a great response!! I also would like to thank my committee Elaine DeYong, Patty Olley, Evelyn Piscopo, Sue Stagner, Joan Dunn, and Marilyn Ventura for all their work.

Thanks to all the volunteers and to those who attended to make the sale a success.

#### **Mid-West Lunch Bunch**

By Marge Murray

The next luncheon will be on Saturday December 10th. We will gather at Sage Bistro at 11:30 am, 883 West Bay Dr in Pinellas Central shopping center. Save the date on your calendar. All residents of Paradise Island are welcome to join us for lunch and fellowship.



#### PARADISE ISLANDS GOT TALENT SHOW

By Ken Hopkins

The talent show is scheduled for January 28th, 2023 in the clubhouse. We are calling for participants for next year and will take all comers. This show has been a big hit in the past with your friends and neighbors sharing their talents with all of us. So, come one, come all!! Singers, Dancers, Magicians, Comedians, or any talent you might have. Give me a call to get on the schedule and who knows....you might just walk away with the best of show and bragging rights for the next year!!! Contact Ken Hopkins at 727.303.3417 today.

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#### **New Year's Dance**

By Nancy Sullivan

Ickets for the New Year's Eve Dance will be sold at the clubhouse every Monday night in Dec starting on Monday Dec 5. The cost is \$15 per person. Hats and noisemakers will be provided and the hall and tables will be decorated for New Years. Music will be provided by DI Jerry Chase, B.



will be decorated for New Years. Music will be provided by DJ Jerry Chase. BYOB and Snacks. Formal wear is not required but if you want to sparkle and shine this is your opportunity. It has always been a lot of fun here in the park ringing in the New Year with family and friends. At midnight we watch the ball drop in Times Square on the clubhouse TV. So come on out and ring in the New Year without having to leave the safety of the park. Hope to see you there.

#### FLEA MARKET PICKUPS LIMITED

By Ken Hopkins

this time, we are limited on pickup ability due to space constraints. However, please give us a call to see if we can accommodate your donation. Also, if you can hold the item(s) till the show in February, that would be great. Contact Ken Hopkins at 727.303.3417 for more information. Thanks in advance for your cooperation and understanding.

#### **Christmas Caroling Event**

By Terri Dacy

ome one, come all! Let's all get in the Christmas spirit together! Please join us for the Paradise Island Christmas caroling event on December 10th at 6:00PM. You are welcome to ride in a



golf cart, ride your bicycle, or walk, as it will be very slow paced to allow for singing to all your neighbors. There is a sign-up sheet in the clubhouse, or you may email me (Terri Dacy) @ tdacy1@gmail.com or call me @ 727-278-3395 with any questions. We will be having an organizational meeting prior to the caroling event to assign groups and neighborhood sections so that we can cover the entire neighborhood. The organizational meeting will be held in the clubhouse on December 4th at 6:00PM. Spread the word! The more singers, the merrier!

#### **Euchre**

By Linda Carver

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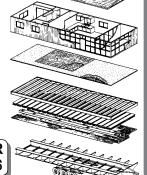
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#### **Ladies Luncheon**

By Beth Pieckiel



ere we are and it's December already. Hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving. We will be having our PI Monthly Ladies Christmas Luncheon on Saturday, December 10, 2022 at 12:30 p.m.

Please bring a wrapped \$10.00 Secret Santa gift and everyone will leave with a surprise. Your hostesses Kim Gibson and Beth Pieckiel have rebooked our luncheon for December at:

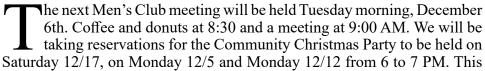
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As always the sign-up sheet will be in the clubhouse. If you do sign up and then find you are unable to attend, PLEASE remove your name the sign-up sheet so that your hostess(es) can give their restaurant an accurate headcount. We hope that the ladies of PI will come out and enjoy a wonderful holiday luncheon.

If you should have any questions regarding the PI Monthly Ladies Luncheon, please contact me, Beth Pieckiel at (214) 538 - 7094.

#### Men's Club

By Ken Jonas





is a free event put on jointly by the Men's Club and the Social Committee for all residents of Paradise Island. There will be a meal served and dancing to the music of Tom Davis! You must make a reservation and have a ticket in order to attend!! Then, starting on Monday, December 19th we will be selling tickets for our next Men's Club Presentation to be held on Saturday, January 14th. This is a show everyone has been asking about! We are proud to bring back GEORGE CASEY! George is a fantastic comedian who will keep you in stitches all night long! You don't want to miss this show!! Be sure to get your tickets for this one early as it will surely be a sellout!! Ticket sales on Mondays from 6 to 7 PM on 12/19, 12/26, 1/2/23 and 1/9/23.



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#### **Paradise Island Facebook Group**

By Media Committee



he Facebook group, Paradise Island Largo, is an exclusive group for ALL Paradise Island residents for the sole purpose of keeping all residents informed of community events, committee happenings, meeting schedules, and contact information for your community leaders - anything that is deemed to be newsworthy and informative to assist you as you live the Paradise life!

All postings will be screened and approved by the PI Largo group administrator(s). The commenting option will be turned off and each posting. They will inform you as to who to contact if you have questions or concerns.

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- If you are having trouble joining contact: Cindy at 727-248-7146 or dclord80@hotmail.com Nadine at 402-750-3083 or nadine5106@gmail.com

Be sure to take a look at the <u>GUIDE TAB</u> at the top of the page!! This is where you can see various postings that are archived for you to be able to reference previous posts on the page. They are organized by categories for easy access.

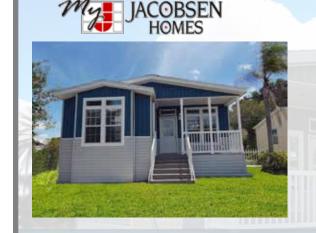
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#### **Dart League**

By Anne Elkins

The new season started on Monday, October 10, 2022 at 6:30 pm, and we play until April. We really need substitutes so why don't you give it a try. Just show up on any Monday night, and I have extra darts if you don't have any. It's a lot of fun mixed in with playful competition. No experience necessary, darts is an easy game to pick up. If you have questions, call Anne Elkins at 210-7364.

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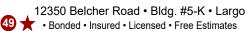
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#### **Thursday Co-Ed Bowling**

By Shirley Pultorak

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If you are a resident and would like to meet some new friends and fun loving people, then please call Shirley Pultorak at 315 796-2110. There is also a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the clubhouse. I look forward to talking with you.

#### Paradise Island Church in the Park

By Serena Johnson

reetings!
This is a busy and hectic time of year. As we witness the beautiful decorations and excitement going on all around us.

This is a time we can reach out to those who are gong through a tough time due to the loss of a loved one, illness or just plain loneliness.

Jesus is the reason for the season. Let us wrap our minds around what His birth, death, and resurrection means for our life. That He has made the way for us to accept His free gift by inviting Him into your heart and life and asking His forgiveness so that you may experience His love, peace and joy! He will fill that vacant spot if you let Him. May you experience the wonder of His love today and every day. Merry Christmas to All!

Everyone is cordially invited to join us on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM in the Clubhouse. We are a non-denominational church we welcome all and look forward to meeting you. Come feel the love of God as we worship the Lord. If you are unable to come you can see the service on Spectrum channel 732. We now are also on YouTube each Sunday at "PI Church in the Park" for those who are not in the Park and would like to tune in to our services.

You are always welcome to join us for Bible Study on Thursdays in the Clubhouse at 9:30 AM led by Pastor Bill Ogburn. We had just started a new study called "Spiritual Warfare" by Dean Sherman. when due to recuperating we had to postpone the class. We shall resume the study in January. Always room for more,. All are welcome. We are also broadcasting the Bible Study on Spectrum channel 732.. After Bible Study we have choir practice from 10:30 to 11:30 am. led by Jenny Caldarello.

If you know of someone in the Paradise Island Park that needs prayer and you would like to add to or take off our prayer list please contact Pat Murphy by email: pamurphy51@gmail. com, with pertinent information.

BEAWARE WE CARE! If you know of someone who is ill and/or needs some encouragement

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If you know of someone in the Park that has a need, please let us know. All requests are confidential. We would like to help if we can. Please call one of the numbers below and we will look into what we can do to help.

Do you have need of prayer or would like a visit, please do not hesitate to contact:

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Prayer does not change God, but it changes him who prays. — Soren Kierkegaard

#### **Editor's Corner**

By Harold Noeller

- For the January 2023 edition, articles are due by December 9, 2022 as are the dates you might want on the calendar for January 2023 events, meetings or dinners.
- If your name, Lot number, birthday or anniversary is incorrect, e-mail me at the media email address and it will be corrected.
- Please send all articles to: ( monthly.media@paradiseislandlargo.com )
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  Please note the persons in charge of delivery of the Monthly Media are Dave and Elaine De

  Yong. If you don't receive your copy of the Media please call them at (727) 531-8426.
  - <u>Disclaimer:</u> Remember, this publication is for News & Events for the benefit of Paradise Island residents. The Board of Directors of Paradise Island Co-Op and the Editor of the Monthly Media are not responsible for the content of any articles submitted. If the article is determined not to comply with the 'News & Events' concept, it will not be printed. If you have a 'Letter to the Editor', a section is provided for opinion related articles not of a negative nature! Also, articles might appear in the media before the actual event date.

Also, there are 6 places to look for an activities date and time either in the current month or in future months. They are:

- Within the media, there might be an article with all of the details.
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By Bob Behm

irst thing I would like to do is wish all the Veterans a Happy Veterans Day and say Thank you for your service! Since it is Veterans month, I would like to share a story about a famous American that I hope you enjoy.



Born Anthony Dominick Benedetto in 1926 to Italian immigrants, Tony Bennett has come a long way since growing up poor in Queens, New York, during the Great Depression. His father was a grocer who died when Tony was just 10 years old. Like many people and many families, the Benedettos' lives were forever changed by World War II. Bennett turned 18 in 1944 and was drafted into the U.S. Army. By March 1945, the young soldier was deploying to Europe with the 63rd Infantry Division, replacing casualties lost in the Battle of the Bulge. In his 1998 autobiography "The Good Life," he called the war a "front row seat in hell." Bennett wrote that he spent his time on the freezing battlefields digging into foxholes as German 88-millimeter flak guns rained death down on him and his unit. On March 15, 1945, the 63rd Infantry Division assaulted the Siegfried Line. It took them five days to breach the defenses east of Saarbrucken. The 63rd fought its way across Germany, leaving a path of "blood and fire" through Worms, Mannheim, Heidelberg, Gunzburg and Landsberg. It earned a collective seven Presidential Unit Citations and captured more than 21,000 enemy soldiers. From April 24-27, 1945, Bennett was among the soldiers who liberated the Kaufering Concentration Camp, the largest subcamp of the notorious Dachau complex. As the liberating U.S. Army approached, there were more than 10,000 prisoners at Kaufering. Many of those were transported to Dachau itself before the Americans arrived. Most of them were forcibly marched to other camps. Many of those who stayed behind were slaughtered. When soldiers like Bennett arrived, they found 500 charred corpses strewn out on the ground. World War II in Europe was over within days after the liberation of the Kaufering camp. Cpl. Benedetto, as Bennett was then known, was sent to Mannheim as part of the Allied occupation force of postwar Germany. It was there he first picked up the microphone to sing jazz standards with Army band units. He adopted the stage name Joe Bari and began singing with the 314th Army Special Services Band. He couldn't sing under his own name because he'd been demoted to private and reassigned to the Graves Registration Service for dining with a Black friend at a time when the Army was still segregated. It just so happened that Bennett ran into an old friend, Frank Smith, while they were both stationed in Mannheim. They had dinner together on Thanksgiving Day, when an Army captain walked into the hotel restaurant. The officer ripped his stripes off and put him on gravedigging detail. It lasted only a week before a colonel learned about it and sent Bennett to an orchestra. After returning home and leaving the Army, Bennett studied bel canto singing at the American Theater Wing using his GI Bill benefits while working a day job operating an elevator. He took his singing under the name "Joe Bari" into the nightclubs of New York City by night. One night, singer Pearl Bailey saw his act and asked him to open for her at the Greenwich Village Inn. When he did, actor and comedian Bob Hope happened to be in the audience. Hope met with the young singer and told him they would perform together in Hollywood, but there was just one problem:

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His name was no good. "He asks what my real name is," Bennett later recalled. "I say Anthony Benedetto. That doesn't do it for him, either. So, he goes out and says to the audience, 'And here's a new singer, Tony Bennett!' He had to introduce me twice, "because I didn't know who he was talking about." A little training paid by the GI Bill and one chance opening led to a career spanning seven decades, millions of records sold and 19 Grammy Awards.

#### In Memoriam

By Dianna Gilmore

Cheryl Ann Harvey 10/21/22 Lot 218



Cheryl passed away on Oct. 21. She is predeceased by husband Steven in 2018. She is survived by her daughter, Amy (Shawn) Finch; son, Erik (Liza) Harvey; 3 granddaughters; 2 great-grandsons and a sister, Kathy (Jerry) Gordon.

Please contact me, Dianna Gilmore at 303-748-6572 of any deaths you are aware of in our community. It is my honor to lower our community memorial flag and post notices on the flag board, the clubhouse and in the Monthly Media. Your calls to me will be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

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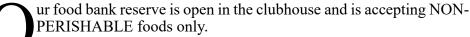
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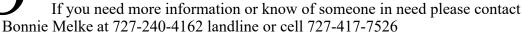


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By Bonnie Melke





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310	Phyllis	Laus	December 1
417	Nora	Bernot	December 1
216	Amy	Liang	December 2
270	Linda	Laux	December 2
305	Linda	Coburn	December 2
397	Dennis	Kreke	December 2
187	Rick	Atkins	December 3
258	Jean	Dittman	December 3
650	Vicky	Swinden	December 3
718	Mary	Olsen	December 3
801	Steve	Sullivan	December 3
335	Anne	Elkins	December 4
366	Cindy	Leblanc	December 4
579	Wilma	Bechtel	December 4
583	Joseph	Branley	December 4
464	Linda	Smith	December 5
484	Janet	Pike	December 5
661	Betsy	King	December 5
36	Ken	Clayton	December 6
77	Michael	Bedynek	December 6
598	Lenore	Maloney	December 6



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302	Percey	Doiron	December 7
321	Michael	Cozens	December 7
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389	Richard	Mackinnon	December 7
520	Robert	Pyne	December 7
255	Diane	Rode	December 8
460	Sandy	Cordrone	December 8
547	Denise	Samson-Nadeau	December 8
341	Elaine	Van Patton	December 9
719	Larry	Finch	December 9
514	Dave	Ruvola	December 10
624	Linda	Forzano	December 10
26	Wilma	Larcent	December 11
207	Melanie	Barcley	December 11
350	Rick	Mac Millan	December 11
84	William	Stein	December 12
340	Lou	Kluzynski	December 12
643	Arlene	Rutkowski	December 12
726	Peggy	Gray	December 12
748	Beverly	Mortimer	December 12
822	Joanne	Johns	December 12
541	Paul	Snellenberger	December 13
680	Anne	Carpenter	December 13
761	Linda	Smolen	December 13
280	Sharon	Slauter	December 14
283	Barbara	Davis	December 14
451	Serena	Johnson	December 14
279	Linda	Gwin	December 15
126	Ruth	Charron	December 16
252	Nellie	Adams	December 16
245	Fran	Grant	December 17
736	Sandra	Jones	December 17
175	Patrick	Mccoy	December 18
572	John	O'keefe	December 18
610	Joe	Demarco	December 18
179	Betty	Shipman	December 19
209	Robert	Wood	December 19
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209	Karen	Wood	December	21
519	Jan	Schaner	December	21
485	Edward	Black	December	22
649	George	Phinney	December	22
714	Pat	Meging	December	22
113	Nicholas	Maxfield	December	23
463	Glen	Halter	December	23
350	Bev	Mac Millan	December	24
630	Gary	Goodwin	December	24
777	Robert	Grippo	December	24
13	Christy	Bouch	December	25
226	Astrid	Scott	December	25
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665	Jeanne	Czikowsky	December	25
796	Dianna	Gilmore	December	26
69	Susan	Davis	December	27
147	Judy	Demartin	December	27
477	Linda	Farris	December	27
763	Jeffery	Welch	December	27
819	Alvaro	Barsi	December	27
127	Dawn	Foss	December	28
438	Nancy	Mccann	December	28
498	Steve	Wilson	December	28
633	Joanne	Koenig	December	28
552	Sue	Fiorentino	December	29
696	Lorraine	Richards	December	
676	Dan	Bieganski	December	30
753	Nathan	Brotherwood	December	30
50	Linda	Dugas	December	31
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411	Mike & Laura	Lemay	December	1	1995
556	Robert & Glenna Mae	Breckenridge	December	2	2006
382	Donald & Carol	Berg	December	4	1965
143	Arthue & Debra	Cherbonnie	December	5	1980
787	Tom & Julie	Watson	December	5	1996
390	Richard & Patricia	Miller	December	7	1991
547	Francis & Denice	Fata	December	7	2003
127	Joe & Vivian	Wanniger	December	10	1998
699	Anthony & Vickie	Burton	December	16	1988
321	Michael & Angela	Cozens	December	17	1988
440	Don & Marge	Maconi	December	18	2006
69	Richard & Susan	Davis	December	19	2006
677	Peter & Doris	Venero	December	20	1958
821	Jim & Kim	Gibson	December	24	1988
664	Richard & Anita	Denning	December	28	1957
791	James & Kathleen	Whiteside	December	29	1949
513	Frank & Irene	Fialko	December	30	1950
429	Ozzie & Carolyn	Osborne	December	31	1975





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- 6. Resorts
- 10. Baby buggy
- 14. Ready for anything
- 15. Seaweed
- 16. Rattling breath
- 17. Upswell
- 18. Extol
- 19. Scent
- 20. Encouraged
- 22. Twinge
- 23. Formerly (archaic)
- 24. Come forth
- 26. Russian emperor
- 30. Form of "to be"
- 31. Zero
- 32. After-bath wear
- 33. Linguistic unit
- 35. Andean animal
- 39. Marjoram
- 41. Calmed
- 43. Moon of Saturn
- 44. Distribute
- 46. Require
- 47. British rule in India
- 49. Joke
- 50. Sounds of disapproval
- 51. Handgrip
- 54. Death notice
- 56. Absent Without Leave
- 57. Spin-like
- 63. Domestic
- 64. Slaloms
- 65. Love intensely
- 66. Ages
- 67. Celtic language
- 68. Employ again
- 69. Crimsons
- 70. Type of sweet potatoes
- 71. Donkeys



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- 1. Lack of difficulty
- 2. Urban renewal target
- 3. Belgrade native
- 4. Therefore
- 5. Inscribed pillar
- 6. Showroom
- 7. Flower box
- 8. Chills and fever
- 9. Make unhappy
- 10. Fuel
- 11. Radiolocation
- 12 Beside

- 13. Get together
- 21. Illustrated
- 25. Grinder
- 26. Gait faster than a
- walk
- 27. Fern clusters
- 28. Assist illegally
- 29. Irrespective
- 34. Data arrays
- 36. Affirmatives
- 37. Docile
- 38. Combines
- 40. Nitpicky to a fault

- 42. In accordance with 1aw
- 45. Conceit
- 48. Sports pullover
- 51. Bigot
- 52. Mindful
- 53. Wanderer
- 55. Coronet
- 58. Gumbo ingredient
- 59. Lyric poems
- 60. French for "We"
- 61. Rear end
- 62. Dregs



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