



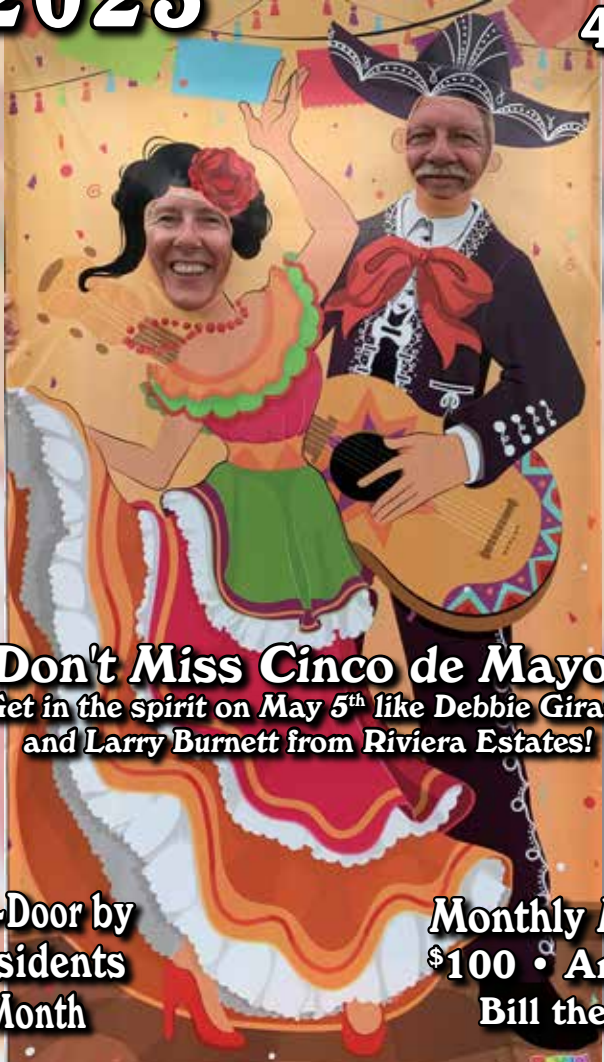
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**A**pril 17, 2003, Colonial Village Mobile Home Park closed on the land purchase to become a resident-owned, 55+ community and when residents could shares. Several long-time residents are researching the park's history for publication in a future bulletin. If anyone has information about our park prior to the purchase of land, please email or call Barbara Roos, [barbcroos@gmail.com](mailto:barbcroos@gmail.com) or 908-229-8799. In addition to the CV history, I am interviewing long-time park residents of 15+ years to publish brief bios. If this applies to you, call me or submit copy to [barbcroos@gmail.com](mailto:barbcroos@gmail.com). Follow the format used in the Meet Long Time Residents.



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## MAY EVENTS

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**Memorial Day** May 29

Hamburgers, hot dogs, potato salad, cucumber salad, baked beans

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## Note to Summer Residents--2023

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**I**f you would like to organize a Colonial Village coffee, activity, game night, or meal and need to supplement the event with food, or beverages (non-alcoholic), you can. The rule of thumb is that you must in some way reduce your expenses by having an entrance fee, raffle, or each attendee bring a food dish. Your additional expenses may be reimbursed to you by your Social Activities Committee (SAC). You must present your receipts to Terry B. unit 129 in a timely manner. Terry may also give you a key to access the kitchen pantry where you will find napkins, cups, coffee, paper plates, raffle tickets. Colonial Villagers are urged to provide their own cups for coffees, or table settings for dinners whenever possible.

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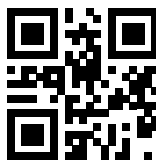


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## Spring Fling – March 25

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The lawn near the shuffleboard courts and the courts were busy with Colonial Villagers tossing, putting, and shuffling to gain and score points but the main goal was to have fun. And fun it was on that beautiful Saturday in March when the games on the lawn kicked off the traditional event, Spring Fling! Following the games put together by Rollie Tremblay, Vivian Hanson and Wendy Gluhushkin coordinated a pizza luncheon that was enjoyed by all. The day was topped off by a performance of our own East Bay Band who played and sang as we danced and once again enjoyed the company of our fellow residents. If you missed this fun filled day this year, be sure to add it to your calendar for next year. Many thanks to those who organized, volunteered to help, and who participated to make this yearly event a successful one.

## Looking Out Each Other

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Please be aware of your neighbors. If you know a neighbor who has been ill or you haven't seen them recently or their normal habits are not consistent, knock on their door or call to check on them. Perhaps they are in need of assistance. If no response and the door is locked, call 911 immediately, do not hesitate to call. If the CV office is open during business hours, call the office to report to them as well. Recently we had an incident and thanks to Barbara Stanley, unit 87, and Tony and Bonnie Lebovic, unit 76, a resident's life was saved when 911 responded.



## 5-Star Park

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What's makes our Colonial Village Park a 5-Star park? There are many aspects – professionally trimmed palm trees, well-manicured green lawns, colorful shrubs, well-kept white fence, well-kept sidewalks and roadways, signage, cleanliness, amenities including the pool and clubhouse, and, of course, the friendly residents.

Recently a team led by Jon Lago, unit 96, and Terry Benham, unit 129, both avid gardeners, removed the dead shrubs and planted the 'islands' with two varieties of twenty eight colorful scrubs consisting of mango and mammy Crotons and Schefflera Arboricola which blended nicely with the existing green and yellow shrubs. It was a 2+ day job. The islands at the East Bay entrance are inviting as well as the front door clubhouse entrance beds. The entrance park sign was recently repainted. The beds around the pool and the clubhouse front entrance were done too. Fifty-two bags of Cedar Mulch were put down; their helpers were Dave Benham,

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Melinda Hartsel, Unit 70, and Richard Bradish, unit 135. The shrubs will be pruned by Jon and Terry. The expense was under budget - \$600. Thank you, Jon and Terry. They both have beautiful plants around their units. Terry also helps with coffees, pancake breakfasts, and will be active with many summer activities.

## Watering and Colonial Village Equipment

**W**e have a lovely community because of you, our volunteers and staff. Residents are urged to keep their units clean, flower bed bricks clean and weeded, and shrubs groomed. If you irrigate your lawn and shrubs, please consider doing it in the early morning because it is the most effective and that 'stinky water' spraying during the day results in unpleasant odors for others enjoying outdoors, especially during meal times.



Let's review the park rules. Watering the lawn can be done by hand sprinkling using a shut-off valve per the City of Largo regulations. In-ground sprinkler systems are allowed. Only well water can be used for yard watering. Use of City water is not permitted. If excessive use of water is determined due to car washing, carport washing or lawn watering, the Resident will receive a notice of violation as determined by the Association. Watering restrictions may be in effect. Check with the

Colonial Village Office.

Folks that require assistance may find the tools available or guidance from our maintenance staff. Residents and other designated people are not to use maintenance department golf carts without prior written approval from maintenance department personnel. Golf carts are not to be taken outside Colonial Village for personal use. All users of the maintenance department golf carts must be insured at time of use. Maintenance department golf carts, tools and power equipment (push-mowers, edgers, trimmers, blowers, and power washers) are not to be used for personal use during normal maintenance department working hours unless authorized by maintenance department personnel. All of the above equipment is not to be removed from Colonial Village. Colonial Village shall be held harmless in all respects. Maintenance department equipment can be used by Residents only for personal use at their own risk, and Colonial Village shall be held harmless in all respects. All maintenance equipment used by Residents must be signed out. Residents will be held liable for any negligent damage to the equipment. Outside contractors are not permitted to use equipment belonging to Colonial Village. Thank you for your attention and contribution in keeping our community's high-end standards a priority. In addition, tables and chairs are not to be borrowed without authorization.

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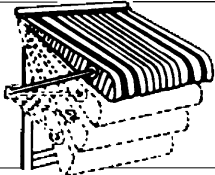
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Carla resigned from the board. Carla and Dave sold their unit 51 in April and will be moving to the nearby mobile home park-Pointe West. Carla and Dave, snowbirds from Corner Brook, Newfoundland, came to CV in 2020. Carla served on the Board as Treasurer for a year and Secretary on SAC for 1½ years. She was actively involved with hosting the Friday morning coffees, calling card bingo, volunteering for the flea market and many other park events. She is a quilter, avid reader, enjoys playing poker and working on puzzles. She loved working out in the pool. Dave enjoys playing pool. They have one son, daughter-in-law and one granddaughter. Thank you, Carla, for the many hours you spent on our finances and our QuickBooks system. Best wishes in your new Florida home!

## Meet Our New Treasurer

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Mr. David Hodges, unit 170, has been appointed as the Treasurer of the Board of Directors, effective April 7th. David and his wife, Irene, are residents of Old Orchard Beach, Maine, and have been members of Colonial Village, Inc. since 2016. Dave was an office manager for several private companies. Irene was in the medical field working with dialysis patients. Dave plays tennis three times a week, reads, and follows PGA (He used to play golf.). Irene enjoys entertaining folks at home and loves shopping. They have two daughters and four grandchildren. During one of their visits in the Largo area, someone at church from Canada mentioned our CV park. And here they are today. Thank you, Dave.

## Meet Our Newest Residents

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The office reports our newest owners: #6 is Lois Jensen, #10 is James Theil, #8 is Chuck and Susan Pinkham, #51 (will be) Ernest & Ada Shears, #63 (will be) Rick & Pauline Lockhart, #65 is Dennis & Tammy Adamski, #104 is John & Lynn Perkeslis, #126 is Terry McNeer & Julie Burgun and #134 is Rachel Boudrie. #51, Shears is supposed to close on May 15th, and #63, Lockhart's are supposed to close on April 28th.



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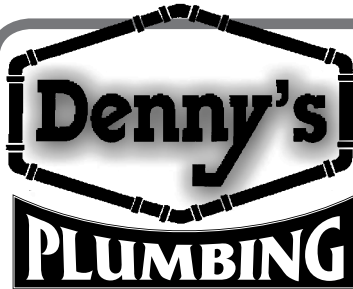
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## Meet Our Long Time Residents

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**I**lah Meddles, a Florida snowbird for 30 years, 27 of those years were in unit 46. She and Chet owned a mobile home on Seminole Blvd until Home Depot bought the property, then they moved to Colonial Park. They were married for 48 years until he died unexpectedly in 2007 from complications following surgery. Ilah is originally from Prospect, Ohio, where she spend most of her life, surrounded by corn soybeans fields with a river running through the area. After graduation in 1955 she began her career of 37 years with General Telephone which later become General Telephone and Electronics (GTE) Frontier and now Verizon. She started in the clerical field as a secretary to upper management then 10 years as Executive Secretary to the President of Verizon for the State of Ohio; retired in 1992. She was active in the local Lions Club and the United Methodist Church. Ilah loves interior decorating, flowers, yard work and helping others. Ilah became very active in the various activities in the park including on the sales team where residents showed park units for sale to potential residents. In 2010 she served our board of directors, welcomed and delivered copies of the Park Rules and Regulations to new residents including Ernie Bowman who lived in unit 73. At time they did not know they lived just 2 hours apart in Ohio. Now he lives in unit 46! Both Ilah and Ernie are avid Ohio State football fans and attend all home games. Go Bucks! As full time residents, Ilah and Ernie love their time spent here and with Colonial Village friends. They are in charge of the Dine Out Wednesdays during the winter months (which averages between 15-20 folks) and Joyce Shumaker, unit 25, during the summer months. Ernie makes sure there is a weekly 'fabulous foodie' destination. They are the 'go to' folks to ask about local eateries! Ilah has been extremely helpful with providing information for the History of Colonial Village. Thank you, Ilah!

## Meet Our Long Time Residents

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**B**rian and Joyce Shumaker, unit 25, are full time residents and were originally from Indiana's capitol city, Indianapolis. Joyce was her Indiana church's secretary for 20 years before retiring and relocating to Colonial Village 23 years ago. What's interesting is that Ilah Meddles showed Joyce and Forest the unit they bought! She and Forest were married for 51 years before he passed 18 years ago. Forest was Vice President on the CV board and was involved in the park's purchase. This mother – son team enjoy going out to eat! Joyce is the Dine Out Wednesdays event coordinator during the summer months which averages 5 folks. They have been to Buffalo Wild Wings, Rosterfish Grill, Dug Out, Abe's Place Tap & Grill, Country Inn Pizza, Cody's Steakhouse, Our Place, Rumba, Acropol Family, and Acapulco Neighborhood. Folks can always recommend a restaurant. They are anxious to find new eateries! A list of area restaurants is on the bulletin board. Before Covid, often times

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the group was more than 20 folks. Joyce, an avid reader, stays very busy with her Indian Rocks Baptist church, and activities in the clubhouse: 65-two nights, bingo-one night, Friday coffees-four a month, dinners once or twice a month and, of course, Dine Out Wednesdays four times a month. She has two sons still living in Indiana. Joyce used to knit for many years. Joyce sold her unit recently; Iris Feldhamer will eventually move in.

## Carnival Mardi Gras Cruise Update

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**W**e have a cruise in place with 50 cabins set aside for us at the group rate. The cruise will be on Carnival Mardi Gras, a near new ship that will sail on January 27, 2024, out of Port Everglades (Orlando). It is for 7 nights, and the ports of call are Nassau, Bahamas, Amber Cove, in the Dominican Republic, and Grand Turk in the Turks and Caicos.

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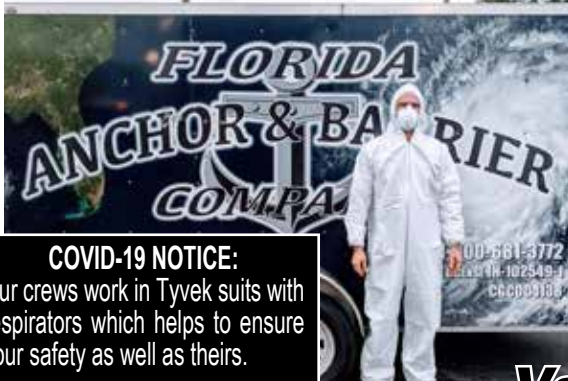
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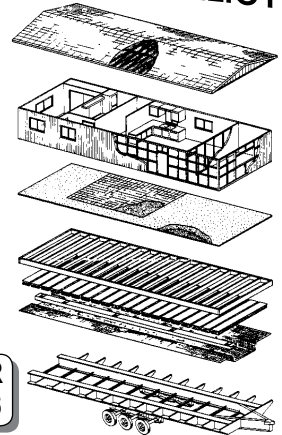
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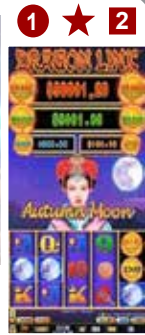
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## Correction in April's Bulletin

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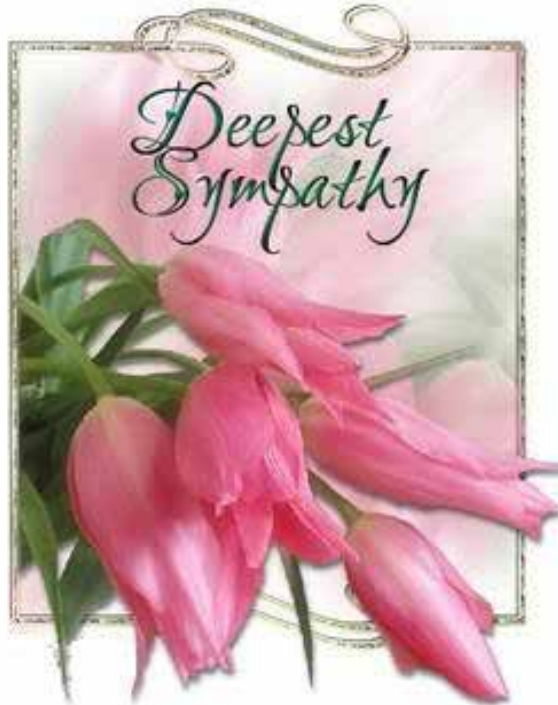
Bo on Jack and Peg Moore, unit 140, ...Ohio State's rival is Michigan University ...sorry Chuck Pinkston, unit 56, and Jack! Keep flying those flags!



## Condolences

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If and when there are deaths of CV residents, we give mention to them in the bulletin. **Doris Ashley**, unit 158, passed away April 4th at the age of 88. She was born in Dale, Indiana. Her husband Jack passed in 2019. The unit was sold.



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## An alphabet for mom...



**A** is for **ADULT**: A person who has stopped growing at both ends and is now growing in the middle.

**B** is for **BATHROOM**: A room used by the entire family, believed by all except mom to be self-cleaning.

**C** is for **COMMITTEE**: As in decision by committee, which is how mom says something will be decided when she has already made up her mind how things are going to be.

**D** is for **DATE**: Infrequent outings with dad where mom can enjoy worrying about the kids in a different setting.

**E** is for **EMPTY NEST**: See “WISHFUL THINKING.”

**F** is for **FABLE**: A story told by a teenager arriving home after curfew.

**G** is for **GUM**: Adhesive for the hair.

**H** is for **HINDSIGHT**: What mom experiences from changing too many diapers.

**I** is for **INFLATION**: Cutting money in half without damaging the paper.

**J** is for **JUNK**: Dad’s stuff.

**K** is for **KISS**: Mom’s medicine.

**L** is for **LEMONADE STAND**: Complicated business venture where mom buys powdered mix, sugar, lemons, and paper cups, and sets up a table, chairs, pitchers and ice for kids who sit there for three to six minutes and net a profit of 15 cents.

**M** is for **MAYBE**: No.

**N** is for **NONSENSE**: What mom says your friends are full of.

**O** is for **OVERSTUFFED RECLINER**: Mom’s nickname for dad.

**P** is for **PANIC**: What a mother goes through when the darn wind-up swing stops.

**Q** is for **QUIET**: A state of household serenity, which occurs before the birth of the first child and occurs again after the last child has left for college.

**R** is for **REFRIGERATOR**: Combination art gallery and air-conditioner for the kitchen.

**S** is for **SPOILED ROTTEN**: What the kids become after as little as 15 minutes with grandma.

**T** is for **TOWELS**: See “FLOOR COVERINGS.”

**U** is for **UNDERWEAR**: An article of clothing, the cleanliness of which ensures the wearer will never have an accident.

**V** is for **VACATION**: Where you take the family to get away from it all, only to find it there, too.

**W** is for **WALLS**: Complete set of drawing paper for kids that comes with every room.

**X** is for **XOXOXOXOXO**: Mom salutation guaranteed to make the already embarrassing note in a kid’s lunch box even more mortifying.

**Y** is for “YIPPEE!”: What mothers shout the first day of school.

**Z** is for **ZUCCHINI**: Vegetable which can be baked, boiled, fried or steamed before kids refuse to eat it.

— *from quotesandjokes.com*



# May Word Search



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"65" .....	Thursday .....	6:30pm .....	Vickie Hilgert .....	#55
Darts .....			Brian Penney .....	#146
Dining Out .....	Wednesday .....	4:00pm .....	Rotating Hosts	
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