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## **Message for our Board President**

want to extend best wishes to those who remain to have a pleasant

and safe summer. The property is in great shape and we can be confident that our Community Manager DeeVon, with Board Directors Jon Lago and Steve Hartseil, will address the ongoing needs and interests of the park. To the snowbirds as well, be healthy and safe as we will look forward to your return later this year". Roy Joeveer

## **Showering Before Entering Pool Announcement**

An urgent message from the Park Board and Administration.

s some of you are already aware, the pool deck furniture has been re-arranged. This has been done for two reasons.

- 1. While the Health Department was onsite last week, they noted the lounge chairs in the corner by the shower were encumbering the use of the shower. They also noted that people were not using the shower before entering the pool. This is a violation of the Health Department Code. Florida Department of Health Required Rules FAC 64Ee-9 and FBC 454.1 in part states; Shower before entering pool. This is also clearly stated on our signage; pool rule H on page 16 of the rules and regulations, as required by the above-mentioned rule. They did not write us a violation for it this time, but they could in the future.
- 2. The lounge chairs are consistently being pulled into the shower area. This poses a problem for those wishing to shower before entering the pool. People in those lounge chairs are then complaining that they are getting sprayed. We are going to place some tape in the designated shower area. Please refrain from pulling the lounge chairs into the taped off area. Again, they did not write to us about this violation either, but they can in the future.

We are trying to be compliant with the Health Department and still make the pool an enjoyable area for all. We are asking for your cooperation in using the shower to rinse off prior to entering the pool. Also, while applying tanning sprays, lotions, sunblock, etc., please be mindful of the mess being made on the pool deck pavers. It would be appreciated by the maintenance guys for you to put a towel or something down on the pavers, to protect them from this.

Thank you all for your understanding and cooperation in the above-mentioned matters.

Lastly, please refrain from going into the maintenance work area from 12:00-12:30. The guys only have 30 minutes to relax and enjoy their lunch. Please be courteous to them during this time frame and kindly wait until 12:30 to seek them out.

Thank you so much for taking the time to read this and adhering to not only our policies, but the Department of Health's.

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## **Enjoying The Pool**

The pool water temperature is being cooled and maintained at 88-90 for the summer months. Pool chairs and tables have been rearranged. Georgia Vanwassehnova, unit 118, donated a new large showerhead; and the shower enclosure has been well received.

## April 15 Tax Day Bash

The April 15 Tax Day Bash dance was a success! We changed the seating arrangement to two rows of four tables so no one's back was to the dance floor. Many commented on liking that set up. Music was well received, mostly....a mix of oldies rock and roll with newer Rock mixed in. The slow dance songs were very popular. Ended with "Time to say goodbye" by Andre Botticelli and Sarah Brightman then did an encore with "Perfect Symphony" by Ed Sheeran and Botticelli. Many thumbs up for the closing songs. Plans for a repeat in November and December with fine tuning with the help of Jack and his sound equipment and sharing his playlist with me. Many thanks to Dave and Steve for handling the sound, John for lighting and his experience, Terry for her always having my back, that girl is a whirlwind! And thanks to the many that helped Benham, unit 129, with the tear down after the evening ended. Jon Lago, unit 96.

## May 5 Cinco de Mayo Celebration

The Friday, May 5 Cinco de Mayo celebration was another success with the Taco Bar, Enchilada Casserole, Rice and Beans, Chips and Salsa, and the churros for dessert. Hopefully you met the deadline of filing your taxes so you could join the celebration in the clubhouse.

## **Memorial Day May 29 Picnic**

any of our full time residents enjoyed the picnic and celebrating Memorial Day with hamburgers, hot dogs, potato salad, cucumber salad, baked beans, of course friends.



## June 10 Picnic

oin us in the clubhouse for the June 10 Picnic with baked ham sandwiches, salads, chips, and something sweet. Sign up in the clubhouse.

## June 24 BBQ Bib Fest

oin us in the clubhouse for the June 24 BBQ Bib Fest with Grill Master Richard Bradish. Unit 135. Bring your own BYOB and funny BIB. Baked Beans, Mac N Cheese, salads, and something sweet. Sign up in the clubhouse. With all these summer fun events, some of us snowbirds wish we were still here!

## A 5-Star Park

hat'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 28 shrubs in the 'islands'. 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, Melinda Hartsel, Unit 70, and Richard Bradish, unit 135.



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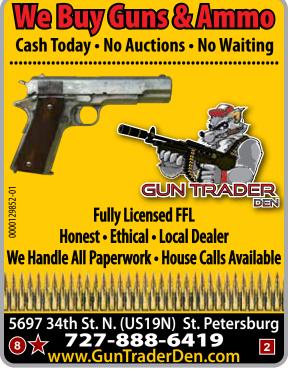
### **Meet Our Long Time Residents**

Russell Smiddy, unit 32, is from Highland, Indiana (about 35 miles from Chicago). He started visiting his dad and mom, Colonial Village residents since 1965, as a young man before he and Betty became residents in 1994. He was Betty's care giver



before she died 12 years ago. They have four daughters who still live in Indiana. Daughters Dana and Caroline take turns visiting Russell; they take him to the pool and cook up great meals. Russell worked for North Indiana Public Service (electric and gas providers) for 32 years. Ask him about his hobbies and be ready for some interesting stories about his 1968 Model A Ford and the 57 years of once-a-month club outings and his trophies. His favorite memory was the club's 200-mile drive to Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, Michigan. Another favorite memory was the 400-mile outing to Natches, Mississippi, for a national meet (he towed the car this time). His favorite food is chicken...once a day! He says his daughters can cook up chicken many ways! Russell likes the friendly park neighbors, its cleanliness, and its convenient location.





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## **Meet Our Long Time Residents**

Ary Jane and Charles (Charlie) Preble, unit 159, formerly from Maine relocated to Colonial Village in 2003 in unit 53 originally. They frequently visited Mary Jane's sisters and parents who lived nearby when they found this park. Her parents advised them to purchase in a resident owned park. Mary Jane was a teacher in the middle and high school. Charlie owned his own small business, wholesaler of various brands of tires. They have traveled to 50 states, all the ten provinces in Canada, 34 different foreign countries; and all 32 major league stadiums. Charlie roots for the Baltimore Orioles, Toronto Blue Jays, and the St Pete Rays; and golfed. Mary Jane is an avid knitter, making many baby hats, booties and such for give-a-ways at church events and handmade items for craft fairs. For 20 years she has been active in the park with the chicken and pot luck dinners, and shuffles. They have two children and four grandchildren.

## **Carnival Mardi Gras Cruise Update**

Where 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. As of May 10 we have 37 people registered and 3 more who have shown an interest.

Available cabins and price, includes port fees and taxes, final price.

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The inside cabins are alike. The price reflects the location on the ship. Same for balcony Cabins. These prices are guaranteed for at least 30 days. Fifty (50) cabins have been reserved for the group. If you have family or friends that you would like to bring along, as long as the availability lasts, they are welcome. <u>The extended deadline is August 30</u>. The ship itself is selling so well that Carnival has no inventory to give CV additional balcony staterooms.

Call Connie St Pierre, unit 101 at 352-216-8472 or email her at conniestpierre@gmail.com or contact Karen Saltarelli at 727-290-4998 or jsaktarekku@cruiseplanners.com if you have questions. If you contact Karen, please mention you are with the Colonial Village Cruise. She will want you to set up an appointment.





et's welcome Linda Chambliss, unit 167; Louis and

Diane Warrington sold to Linda. As of May 10, there is only one unit in the park for sale.

## **15 MPH is the SAFE Speed Limit**

Please abide by the Park's Speed Limit Rules; 15 mph. The speed bumps are there for a reason. We have walkers, bicycle riders, people with impaired hearing and vision and sun shining in our eyes. There are many months when we have young children in the park too. Let's make this a SAFE Park for everyone. Thank you.

## **Looking Out For Each Other**

If you know of a neighbor resident who has been ill or you haven't seen him or her recently or the inside lights aren't on in the early evening, knock on their door or call to check on them. Maybe they have fallen and can't get up. If no response and the door is locked, ask another nearby neighbor if they know something about him/her. If the CV office is open during business hours, call the office to report and then call 911.

## Visitors, Your Guests, Must Know Park Rules

s residents you are responsible to inform your guests of the Park Rules including speed limits, covering the body while walking around the park, recycling, swimming pool, shuffle board, etc. We have many new residents who may not have a copy of the 16page Rules & Regulations document available in the office.

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## Watering Our Lawns

et'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.

## **Donation To Benefit Military Veterans**

o you have a vehicle to donate? Here is a resource which directly benefits veterans. Military Order of the Purple Heart Service Foundation, Inc., P O Box 49, Annandale, VA 22003. FL residents only call 888-414-4483

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## June 6 is D-Day

hat is D-Day? The largest invasion ever assembled, before or since, landed 156,000 Allied troops by sea and air on five beachheads in Normandy, France. It was the start of Allied operations which would ultimately liberate Western Europe, defeat

Nazi Germany and end the Second World War.

- 73,000 American troops. 23,500 on Utah Beach, 34,250 on Omaha Beach, 15,500 airborne troops.
- 83,115 British and Canadian, (61,715 of them British) with 24,970 on Gold Beach, 21,400 on Juno Beach, 28,845 on Sward Beach and 7,900 airborne troops
- Other Countries participated in D-Day and the Battle of Normandy were Australia, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, France, Greece, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway and Poland.

By the end of June 11, 1944, D+5, 326,547 troops, 54,186 vehicles and 104,428 tons of supplies had been landed on the beaches. 11,900 Allied aircraft were available to support the landings. Operation Neptune (Allied ships), including D-Day, involved huge naval forces including 6,939 vessels. Over 100,000 Allied and German troops were killed during the Battle of Normandy, as well as around 20,000 French civilians, many as a result of Allied bombing.

Why is the term 'D-Day' used? When a military operation is being planned, its actual date and time was not always known. Therefore, the term is used to mean the data of which operations would begin, whatever date that was. The day before D-Day is known as D-1, while the day after D-Day Was D+1, and so on. The armed forces also used the term 'H-Hour' for the start time.

Source: https://theddaystory.com/discover. The D-Day Story Portsmouth



## June 14 Flag Day

In a gamma and the first flag resolution was passed.

On June 14, 1777, less than one year after Betsy Ross had received the order from General Washington to make the first flag, the Second Continental Congress passed a flag resolution stating:

Resolved, That the flag of the United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new Constellation.

The first national observance of Flag Day was on June 14, 1877; 100 years after the flag resolution was adopted by the Continental Congress.

In the late 19th century, schoolteachers all over the United States began conducting patriotic ceremonies commemorating Flag Day as a way to teach children about history. One such schoolteacher, Bernard J. Cigrand, is often referred to as the "Father of Flag Day." He lobbied Congress for many years for Flag Day to be officially observed.

Other patriotic groups, including the Colonial Dames and the Sons of the American Revolution, also spent years trying to convince Congress to make Flag Day official. In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation stating that June 14 shall be National Flag Day, and in 1949, it was made official by an Act of Congress.

On June 14, 1891, the Betsy Ross House began publicly celebrating Flag Day, and has been celebrating Flag Day every year since 1911. Since 2008, the Betsy Ross House has revived the patriotic zeal of the earliest celebrations with Flag Fest – an all day, old-fashioned, family fun street fair with games, live entertainment, a patriotic pet contest, shopping and more, celebrated on the Saturday before Flag Day.

Source: www.betsyrosshouse.org/hist\_flag/day.html





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Euchre	Tuesday	7:00pm	Carmel Foster#171
Poker	Mon, Wed, Fri	2:00pm	Dave Denny#139
Texas Hold 'Em	Wed	7:00pm	Connie StPierre#101
		-	Vickie Hilgert#55
	•	-	Brian Penney#146
Dining Out	Wednesday	4:00pm	Rotating Hosts
			Social Activities Committee
Golf	- 		Brian Penney#146
Memorials			Evelyn VanDuyne#57
Monthly Media Magazine.	Deadline 10th of month.		Barbara Roos#58
Pickle Ball	Tues, Wed, Fri	2-4pm	Scott Oke#148
Ping Pong	Wendesday	11:00am .	Bonnie Lebovic#76
			Brian Penney#146
			Cliff Bugden#78
Water Aerobics	Tues. and Thurs	11:00am.	Hapi Frye#37
Wellness	Thursday	10:00am.	Diane Moores#42

#### Social Activities Committee

Chairman	Jan Tremblay	#26
Secretary	-	
Treasurer	Terry Clement	#117
Kitchen Supplies	Seeking Volunteer	
Entertainment	Betty Skelly	#61
	.Jack Sonneborn	#149



