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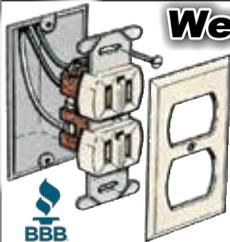
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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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The Activities Committee has been working hard organizing activities for all of our Southwind neighbors but **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS** to help plan, organize and hold future events! We also need help with set up, clean up, serving and doing the dishes and cleaning up the kitchen for our dinners, cookouts and other functions.

Anyone who is interested in joining this amazing committee, please contact co-chairs Connie or Debbie (see page 2 Directory – Activities in this issue).

Resident volunteers are the reason Southwind is a great place to live and enjoy!

Thank you, The Activities Committee

The Ladies Shuffleboard games held on Thursday evenings have been cancelled until further notice. It's just too hot and buggy...

The Game Night Social (on the annual events calendar) has been moved from Tuesday, August 8th to **FRIDAY, AUGUST 11th** at the Clubhouse, for the convenience of working residents who want to attend. Please check the Activities Board for details and we hope to see you there!



As always, Pool Exercises are “weather permitting” and the monthly Men’s Breakfast and Ladies Lunch’s are held offsite- place/ date info is posted on the Event Board in the Clubhouse. Sign up sheets for Events are posted in the Clubhouse.

### SAVE THE DATE – SEPTEMBER 2023

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4th – LABOR DAY PICNIC** – the Activities Committee is busy working on the menu and it was suggested that residents are invited to bring desserts. More details to be posted for this event.

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22nd – BYOB/TGIF 6:30pm** Poolside (or inside depending on weather)

**TALENTED RESIDENT MUSICIANS** are always welcome to volunteer to perform and/or entertain your Community at this monthly event. Please contact Connie or Debbie (Activity Committee co-chairs) to volunteer and thank you!

## AUGUST HAPPENINGS

[nationaldaycalendar.com](http://nationaldaycalendar.com)



**A**ugust 8 - International Cat Day is observed annually. Cats provide companionship and comfort to many. Studies show having a cat can help to lower stress, anxiety and even depression. Having a cat in your home can also help reduce the risk of heart disease in high-risk individuals. It can even help fight mental illness. Cats can be entertaining as well as beneficial to your health. Give your cats some extra time and cuddles today. You might even want to give them an extra treat.

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### August 12 – National Bowling Day | Second Saturday in August

While bowling style games likely existed in ancient civilizations, we probably owe the modern game of bowling to Germany. Kegels were used much like batons for protection or sport. Participants would place the kegels at the end of an alley. Each person then rolled a stone, attempting to knock down the kegels. It was believed that by knocking down the kegel, their sins would be forgiven.

In 1905, the game introduced the first rubber compound bowling ball. Up until then, players threw wooden balls made of lignum vitae. However, this modern ball launched a whole new era of bowling. To celebrate: Gather a group of friends and family and go bowling together. Throughout the country, bowling alleys offer discounts and deals to celebrate the day. It doesn't matter how well you play, the point is to have fun.

August 13th - International Left Handers Day recognizes all those individuals who have mastered using their left hand in a right-handed world. We take our hats off to you – left-handed! Approximately 10% of the population are southpaws. Scientists don't know why a person develops left-handedness. But it's more likely a child will be left-handed if one parent is a lefty, too.

Don't be shy on Left-Handers Day. Show the world how brilliant and unique you are!

August 27th - World Rock Paper Scissors Day celebrates the iconic hand game. It's also a day to play Rock Paper Scissors just for fun or to settle a dispute.

Rock Paper Scissors is considered the oldest hand game in the world. In fact, the game dates all the way back to the Chinese Han Dynasty. This era began in 206 BC and ended in 220 AD. It wasn't until the 1920's that the popular Asian hand game made its way to Great Britain. In 1932, an article in the New York Times described the rules of Rock Paper Scissors.

Throughout the years, many people have developed strategies to win Rock Paper Scissors. Some people who lose the first round switch to using the thing their opponent used to beat them. Others lean on statistics to help them win. These people throw each thing one-third of the time.

Here are the exact statistics for how often each thing is played:

Rock – 35.4 percent

Paper – 35.0 percent

Scissors – 29.6 percent

A few of the objects have been tied to cultural stereotypes. For example, aggressive or angry people will most likely play the rock. If you're playing against an aggressive person, playing paper gives you a better shot at winning. Women are most likely to throw scissors and men throw rocks more often.

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## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

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August 6 Mike Hendrixson  
 August 6 Terry Goldstein  
 August 7 Dave Lense  
 August 8 Pat Bryant  
 August 9 Bruce Dean  
 August 10 Melody Hendrixson  
 August 10 Laura Vanzino  
 August 12 Ed Green  
 August 13 Bob Hopes  
 August 15 Colan Alford



August 17 Eddy Cuevas  
 August 17 Cookie Pontis  
 August 19 Christine DiVincenzo  
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 August 23 Bonnie Brown  
 August 23 Gail Swiatkowski  
 August 26 Mardy Adams  
 August 27 Bill Adams  
 August 27 Tammy McGeehan  
 August 28 Pat Lense

## AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

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August 2 Tim and Tammy McGeehan



## FLAG DAY POT LUCK

*By Terri Campbell*



Every time this Community comes together for a pot luck event, we just get better and better! On June 14th, for Flag Day, Southwind held a pot luck dinner. Our HOA provided grilled chicken breasts cooked/prepared and served by volunteers including Patrick and Tammy, Dale and Julie along with our fabulous Activities Committee and beverages were available as well.

More than 40 people attended this event and brought the best homemade sides and desserts ever. The feast was incredible! Too many to list all, there was green beans & potatoes, cornbread, pasta salad, cucumber salad, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, shrimp and more. The dessert table featured a flag cake, lime fluff, fruit salad, huge strawberries, cupcakes, brownies, cookies and a very special peanut butter cake that went very fast and was all of the rave!

Cookie Pontis made the peanut butter cake and is kind enough to share her recipe with us! (see attached recipe)

The next time we hold a pot luck event, I am certainly NOT going to MISS it, and I recommend that you whip up your favorites, join in and share them. You will be glad you did!



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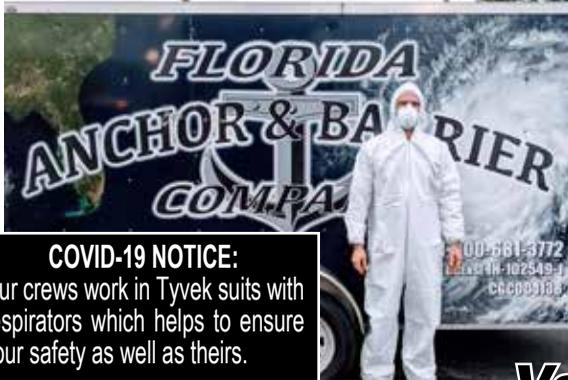
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## Peanut Butter Sheet Cake

*From Cookie Pontis and Kim Alford*



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- 1/2 cup oil

Combine 1st 4 ingredients in medium saucepan and bring to a boil. (watch closely). Then pour into a large mixing bowl. Add the following ingredients :

- 2 cups flour
- 2 cups sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 2 eggs- slightly beaten
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Combine all ingredients until smooth. (Batter will be very thin but don't worry )  
Pour batter into a greased jelly roll pan (15 1/2 x 10 1/2 inch pan 1 inch high).

Bake in a preheated 375 degree oven for 20 minutes. (use toothpick to test for doneness).  
Remove from oven and immediately apply icing while still hot.

Icing ingredients:

- 1 stick oleo
- 1/3 cup milk
- 1/2 cup peanut butter

Bring 1st 3 ingredients to a boil and add:

- 1 - 3 1/2 cups powdered sugar
- 1 tablespoon vanilla



Combine until smooth and pour over hot cake. Let cake cool completely before cutting.

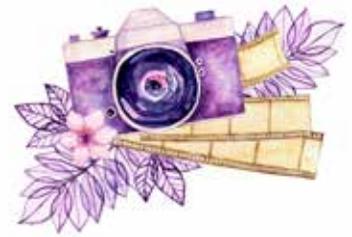
PS- I like to use smooth peanut butter in the cake batter and crunchy in the icing...

Enjoy!



# Pictures

By Bill Roberts



Pictures. It is said they are worth a thousand words. I would say at least that many, if not more. Pictures reignite our memories. They are something that you want to feel, touch, taste, and is of course a natural conversation starter. The topics are wide as we take pictures of family, weddings, babies being born, birthdays, vacations, and of course sunsets. The subjects I have mentioned are only a drop in the bucket compared to the endless reasons and occasions that we find to snap almost daily. What card carrying grandparent can't pull out their phone quicker than an Old West gunslinger on the streets of Dodge City to either take a picture of their grandchildren or show you a picture of them? I will also admit it is rare for me to go to the beach and not have the urge surging through me to take a pic of the ocean and its sheer vastness and beauty.

As children we are introduced to the world of picture taking by our parents or those over enthusiastic grandparents. Of course at that time we were being commanded to stand straight, be still, and smile so we replied with the sticking out of our tongues or some other hideous facial expression. This in turn caused extreme consternation for the adult picture taker and we giggled with delight. The understanding of these special moments had not quite caught up with us at such a young tender age. It wasn't that we minded having our picture taken, but it was so much more fun to aggravate an adult until the proverbial "jerk a knot in your tail" came spilling angrily out of the mouth of the person taking the picture. We all know that children in general love to ham it up for picture taking. Who am I kidding? I still love for somebody to include me in the photo. Why you might ask? Because it is a memory that you are sharing with that individual. Remember if they didn't want you in the picture they wouldn't have asked.

Can a person take too many pictures? Is that even a question? I have a friend that posts a picture everyday on Facebook with a little story included. Marking time. A moment of importance. Isn't that why all of us take pictures? A look back in time from long ago or maybe yesterday. One of my favorite things to do is drag out my children's pictures when they visit and all of us reflect on the Christmases, birthdays, and activities that shaped our lives as they were growing up. I also enjoyed this as a child as my grandparents would pull out old black and white pictures of people with names of Grafton, Tyree, Otto, Mabel, Huey Lee and many others. Wow! That's history right there folks. I am very appreciative that my sister Jill is the keeper of the Roberts side of the family pictures with her seemingly endless assortment of the past. Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) is a Mexican tradition that honors those who have passed. Could there be a better reason to keep snapping those pictures?

Speaking of old black and white photos Jamey Johnson sings a song called "In Color" where he and his grandfather are strolling down memory lane enjoying the photos of his grandfather's past. Then the older gentleman states "you should have seen it in color." Exactly. We live our lives in color. No matter how messy it might get it remains a beautiful vibrant color. One that can be captured with a quick snap of the phone camera. To say that you were there and lived when it otherwise might have been forgotten. Stamp your place and let it be remembered long after you're gone.

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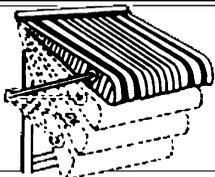
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Lot #51 Todd Schoenfeldt & Lisa Vega  
Lot#98 Stephen & Judy Winchell and Kelly Winchell

Welcome home!



# FACTS ABOUT HURRICANE SEASON FOR OUR AREA

*Compiled by Terri Campbell*

- If you are new to the West Coast of Florida, here are some facts you might want to know:
- Please remember ALL MOBILE HOMES IN PINELLAS COUNTY MUST EVACUATE when given the order for Zone A.
  - To learn about making your evacuation plan please go to this website: <https://pinellas.gov/make-a-plan/hurricane-guide-english/> Special needs residents must register for County assistance in advance. Pet owners can also pre-register for shelters that take pets in evacuation.
  - Recently Southwest Florida has been hit by a major storm once about every 5 years. These included Hurricane Irma in 2017 and Hurricane Ian in 2022.

TAMPA, Fla. (WFLA) — when Fall arrives that not only means the promise of a gradual slide into cooler and drier air, but also the greater risk of a direct hit from a Gulf of Mexico hurricane on the West Coast of Florida. That’s because as the seasons change, so do the steering currents which guide storms.

Since 1950, Florida’s West Coast – from Apalachee Bay to Cape Sable – has only had two direct hits from Gulf hurricanes in August. Hurricane Charley is one of those rare exceptions, making landfall in mid-August 2004 near Ft. Myers. That number ramps up in September and jumps to 10 direct landfalls during the month of October over the past 71 years.

Anyone in the path of the potential storm should make sure they have an up-to-date hurricane safety kit and a family plan in case you plan to leave. You can keep checking back WFLA.com for updates as new information is released.

\*\*\*Check out this adorable you tube video I found, from a dog’s perspective about evacuation (note - that part is a few minutes into the video).\*\*\*

<https://youtu.be/TEqY-o4UzSQ>





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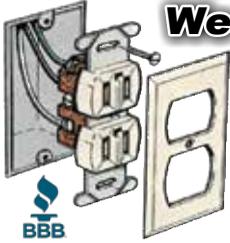
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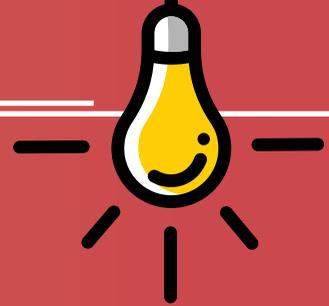
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# Southwind celebrates ALL AMERICAN PET PHOTO DAY

By Terri Campbell

July 11th was a very special National Calendar Day, and in honor of our unique community, this special feature article shares the spotlight with some of our most beloved residents, our pets! Southwind is well known and highly regarded as a pet-friendly community and here's what they have to say...

Hello! We are Bella and Bailey Harvey of Lot#99. Our human Mom and Dad are Leanne and Dudley Harvey. We are both of the shih-tzu breed and were the pick of the litters! I'm Bella (age 6), the tan and white one and I was born in Maine. My sister Bailey (age 5- black and white) was born in Clearwater, FL. Peanut butter is our favorite treat and would you believe Mom buys us peanut butter flavored toothpaste? We both just LOVE to have our teeth brushed every day!



My favorite toy is a Boyd's bear I swiped from my Mom's collection, but she's ok with that now... Bailey loves her squeaky binky. I have my very own bed, which I love, and my space is decorated especially for me with wall hangings that read "Live, Love, Bark" and "Home is Where the Dog Is". We love riding in the convertible and hanging out with our neighbor "Jasper" across the street and our human friends, Tammy T. and Sharon K. They are so good to us! The best thing about Southwind is the people, for sure.

My sister, Bailey is a "nosy posy" because she likes to sit and look out the window and when she gets bored, she will start a wrestling match with me by grabbing my tail and dragging me around! But I hold my ground – we circle each other and jump and tumble, Mom says we're like sumo wrestlers, whatever that means.

Dad told me to say how "good looking" he is, but his girls(including Mom) are most proud of him for serving our Community on the HOA Board and helping neighbors around the house; to organizing and holding a very successful community yard sale! We're happy to be home here at Southwind.



Hi, my name is Harley. I am 10 years old and a "pommie-poo" (mix of pomeranian and poodle) and I live in #198 with my human mom Ellen Kunkel. I was a Christmas gift for my Mom from my human sister. Born in Nashville, TN I love country music! I like milkbone treats and playing with my favorite toy Ricky Raccoon, a squeaky furry boy.

I like walking in the park every day with my neighbors Senge, Lilly and Minnie who all live on my street. What luck to have so many friends to hang out with, so closeby.

Southwind is great and I love the people here – they are great petters and give belly rubs! I also love my "spa" grooming treatments at Pupperazzi Pet Spa in Palm Harbor, and my friend Senge goes there too. Mom entered me in our Spring Fashion Show and I won

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2nd place modeling my Sebastian the Crab costume. That was fun!

I guess I have to say my one “pet peeve” is that dang floor cleaning robot. I don’t recommend having one in the house.. Whenever I see it, I chase it, bark at it and circle around it until it goes away. Good grief, what a pest it is. Other than that though, I have to say I’m a pretty happy guy and get along with everybody.

Hi, it’s nice to see you! I’m Jasper and I live here in #54 – you may know my human parents, Jim and Rita Angle. I am a 12 year old Morkie (maltese-yorkie mix) from Las Vegas, NV. Mom says I’m the sweetest dude on 4 legs – I think from the day I met her I’ve had her wrapped around my front paw. I was living in a pet store and wanted to get outta there. She caught a glimpse of my best “please take me home” eyes and couldn’t resist me. I love her and Dad with all my heart! Dad says in his next life, he wants to come back as Rita’s fur baby – so that says a lot about her.

Don’t tell anybody but I’m kind of the boss of my house and usually get what I want. I’m very protective of my stuff. I dine on Fresh Pet chicken dinners and get my favorite bacon treats. I have a whole basket of toys that Mom likes to keep picked up so I can go spread them all over my house again. My favorite toy is squeaky lady bug. I want to give a shout out to all my Southwind buddies, especially the girls Bella and Bailey, Maggie May and Buffie. I like looking sharp and well groomed. I love my groomer, Keris, at the Barker Shop Salon! Really, I love almost everybody...

I love rides on the golf cart, sitting on Linda K’s porch (with Linda) and people watching from my window. My favorite music is “duet howling” with my Dad! I’m so proud of my Mom, Rita! She is a Sales Agent here at Southwind – she’s always helping people buy and sell their homes here. She is also on the HOA Board, RAC and helps with Events as much as she can. I can’t imagine a better life than the one I have here in Southwind! Love, Jasper



Hi, everybody! My name is Minnie and I live in #208 with my human Mom and Dad – Dan and Debbie Coy. I’m a 2 years old Welsh Corgi, born in Kathleen, FL and I became a Coy as a 4 month old puppy. Dad says he’s proud of me because I am smart, well-behaved, easy to train and very friendly. I love to go on car rides and especially go camping! Our last camping trip was to St Augustine Light House in FL.

My photo is of my serious side but Corgi’s are well known for our great big smiles! I love all food flavors and all treats and of course any toy that squeaks! I enjoy walking and hanging out with my neighbors: Senge, Lilly and Harley. I get the “zoomies” often and love to run and chase (my breed is the smallest of the herding breeds, very agile and active). My Mom and Dad laugh when I lay on my back with my short legs up in the air. I like to go to the dog park when they

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cut the grass short (just right for little legs) and I would love it if we had a nice shade tree in there. I love going for walks in our Park, stopping to smell wonderful smells, hanging out in the grass under the trees and just saying hello by smiling to everybody.

Southwind is a great place for pets to live, great neighbors and friendly people. I'm very proud of my Dad, who serves on the HOA Board and my Mom who is co-chair of our Activities Committee – they both work hard for the benefit of our whole Community. I'm happy we live here!



Hello Southwind neighbors! I'm Senge and we are new to this community. I'm a 14 year old Lhasa apso and I live at #195 with my human mom Joy Pulley. I was born in Salt Lake City, UT and was 10 weeks old when I was given to my Mom as a gift from her family. We like our new home here and I have great neighbors to walk with every day, like Harley and Lilly. My favorite place to go is on walks by the pond. I tend to take care of "my business" first and then stop and visit neighbors. I fit right in here because everyone is so friendly.

My favorite food is salmon flavored and I like soft milk bone treats. Mom takes me for a weekly visit to Pupperazzi Pet Spa (grooming and boarding) and I really like looking handsome! She entered me in Southwind's Spring Fashion Show. I proudly modeled my "Sharkey" costume and I won 3rd place!

I miss hanging out with my former neighbor, Scott, since he moved out – what a nice guy he is. Mom and I watch TV together, relaxing and enjoying life. I'm a happy guy to live out my retirement in such a wonderful place like Southwind. See you around and have a great day!

Introducing Trina and Smokey, of Lot# 206, who live with human Mom, Karen Ragsdale. Both of these beautiful fur babies are 15 years old and were foster pups from Suncoast Animal League in Palm Harbor, FL. Karen volunteers with this great organization that is a non-profit, no-kill, no-time limit animal rescue. Foster parents get first choice to adopt, and Karen did just that!

Smokey is a gray and black Pomeranian who is the "boss" of his house! Doesn't he look handsome in his All American red white and blue flag tie for this photo? He loves chicken, pupperoni treats and hanging out with his buddy "Bower". He stays to himself a lot but he likes to "strut" his stuff around the Park and meet other dogs and people. He loves to go see Mary, at Pet Smart, for his grooming visits. He loves to watch his favorite hockey team, the Lightening – Go Bolts! on TV with his sister and Mom. Smokey won First Place at the Southwind Spring Fashion Show and his trophy is bigger than he is! Congratulations for his second win at our annual Fashion Show...



Trina is a puggle (pug-beagle mix) and a very out-spoken FL native, but she has come a very long way living here. When she first came to Southwind as a foster rescue, she had been

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traumatized. She didn't want any one near her and was afraid of everything. But she was welcomed into this Community so well that she became very social. She makes more noise than her brother but she does what Smokey tells her to do! One time she tried to eat out of Smokey's food bowl but he corrected her and she will never do that again!

Trina says she loves to go outside rain or shine even in the heat. She says her brother is "too cool for school" and he just won't go out in the rain but she likes to take her time on walks. The beagle in her makes her stop to smell every blade of grass and she loves the dog park because of all of the smells there. She does agree with her neighbor, Minnie about how nice it would be to have a shade tree there. She enjoys hanging out with Pepe, the Pekinese, who is her neighbor and watching hockey with her family at home. A very friendly good girl, Trina now loves her community and is very proud of her brother and her Mom.

Trina says she is so proud of her Mom, Karen Ragsdale, because she owns her own business locally, serves as Treasurer on our HOA Board, volunteers for HOA events and still makes time to volunteer at Suncoast Animal League at their adoption events at Pet Smart. Trina and Smokey are very grateful they were both fostered/ adopted by Mom and love living here!

Their rescue always needs foster parents and 2 other Southwind homeowners have reached out and answered the call to foster/ adopt. They are Dick and Jody Farr, with "Juno" and Kimberly, with "Cassie". Thank you for your support!

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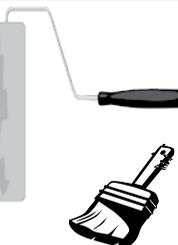


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What kind of socks does a gardener wear? Garden hose.

Why are husbands like lawn mowers?  
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## GARDENING TIPS AND INFO



**F**all is the perfect time to plant flowers and plants in West Central Florida. According to <https://thegardeningdad.com/best-flowers-to-grow-in-florida/>, the most popular fall annual flowers in our area include:

- Petunias - They thrive in the heat but should be in hanging baskets or window boxes because rabbits will eat them before they bloom on the ground.
- Daisies - Plant bulbs in the fall and actual plants in the spring to watch them come back year after year with little to no maintenance. They thrive the hotter it gets and more sunlight it receives, making this the perfect flower to plant anywhere in your yard. Deter rabbits and deer from your flower garden with the pungent flavor of daisies.
- Dahlias - are the easiest flower to grow. You do not need to fertilize it, barely needs water, and can be planted in any soil. The best spot to plant dahlias is in gardening containers. This is because you can grow them anywhere, such as in your house, on your patio, or transplant into a window box. Dahlias are prone to garden pests, like squirrels, deer, and rabbits that will eat bulbs, flowers, and even the plant itself.
- Lilies – are one of the only flowers on this list that grows perfectly vertical. This means it is perfect for small spaces, urban gardeners, or in between other plants as a cross-pollinator. Make sure to plant this flower close to your house, in a raised garden bed. Lilies tolerate rain, heat, cold, shade, and droughts. But too much rain can cause root rot and other diseases that will kill your Lilies. They are the most popular summer-blooming flower in Florida, and one of the least expensive perennial flowers to grow.

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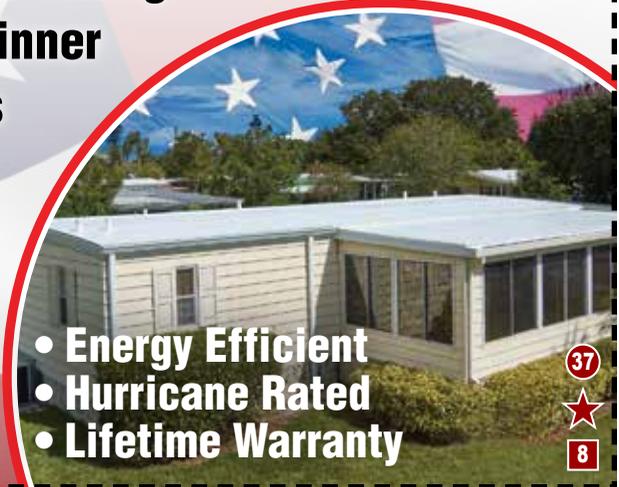


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- Marigolds
- Lemongrass
- Lavender
- Bay Laurel
- Chrysanthemum

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## Gardening



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