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## TMHA MESSAGE

*Submitted by Louise Bonnette TMHA President*

**H**i. The hot summer, with not much rain, has kept us indoors quite a bit but we have still enjoyed the company of our Teakwood friends. I am writing this in the middle of July so hopefully things will have changed by the time you receive the media! It has been quiet around here. We had some fun 4th of July parties and watched the beautiful fireworks from our backyards.

I have only received a few notes from our residents with concerns and have addressed them. I have been working with the main office, the sales office and the residents to learn more about Teakwood and how to improve communication and improve the park. As always, contact me or any board member with any concerns or suggestions.

Before we know it the park will be filling up again and the fall activities will return! Stay cool...looking forward to meeting more of you.

## FROM THE MAIN OFFICE

*Submitted by Lori Figler*



**A**ugust is upon us, we are smack dab in the middle of the Dog Days of Summer, and I think my brain is melting. Topics are scarce, so here's a few things to make sure you are doing.

1. If your home backs up to a fence, you are not allowed to plant along the fence. Teakwood is having all growth on the fences either removed or trimmed way back. There are multiple utilities underground, near the fences that need to be accessible.
2. Dogs must be leashed, and accompanied, anytime they are outside the home. I am getting quite a few reports of dogs running loose. The owners tell me the dog snuck out when they answered the door. I have a suggestion, as there are no exceptions to the

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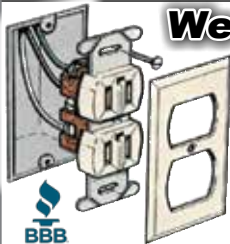
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4. Teakwood Village Sales is for selling or buying homes. All questions, complaints, etc. should be directed to the Main Office located on Commerce Drive at 727-581-2628 (phone/voicemail/text) or e-mail tkwdllf@aol.com.
5. If mailing rent checks, please use the address of: P O Box 838, Largo, FL 33779.

That about covers what popped into my head. Have a great Nat'l Goat Cheese month and we will chat again next month.

## USEFUL PARK INFORMATION

Watering Days – this includes lawns, gardens, washing your car or house siding etc.	Even # Homes – Thursday & Sunday Odd # Homes – Wednesday & Saturday NO WATERING BETWEEN 10 A.M.-4 P.M. on any day Only non-potable water may be used
Garbage Collection	Mondays – regular household trash Thursdays – regular trash & bulk items Weeds & plant trimmings must be bagged or tied in a manageable bundle if there are large branches
Teakwood Village Management Office	531 Commerce Drive; Largo, FL 33770 727-584-8684 tkwdllf@aol.com
Safety in the Park	We have many residents who walk & ride bikes in the Village. Please obey the 10 MPH speed limit. All pets when outside MUST be on a leash for their safety & the safety of residents. Be sure to clean up after your pet.





# TEAKWOOD EAST SOCIAL CLUB OFFICERS & COMMITTEES – 2022/2023



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Welcome:	Judy Glenn	317-473-2390
	Fay Killinger	812-340-6079

teakwoodgm@gmail.com

## SOCIAL CLUB MEMBERSHIP FOR 2023



**S**ocial Club memberships for 2023 are on sale at Tuesday Koffee Klatch. The \$2 membership fee is good from January 1 – December 31, 2023. Anyone wishing to get the lower cost of tickets for our special events throughout the year must purchase a 2023 membership. We have some great events coming up that you won't want to miss & will be glad to get the lower rate for.

## GEORGIANNA BOUCHER'S AUGUST 2023 BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS:					
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2nd	Brenda Ewart	16th	Dennis Roberts	24th	Barbara Wautlet
5th	Roland Lausier	17th	Marianne Schumacher	27th	Jean Baglino
6th	Jackie Mizula	17th	Vicki Monroe	28th	Yvette Gaulin
9th	Harry Rodgers	18th	Karen Rotham		
11th	Bill Beehler	19th	Barbara Gonzalez		
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27th	John & Brenda Ewart	63 years
27th	Don & Nancy Russell	63 years
28th	Don & Dorothy Clegg	47 years
30th	Vic & Moe Able	49 years
30th	Edna & William Hutchinson	10 years



CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES TO ALL! To add, delete or correct, please call Georgianna Boucher 603-689-4765 or e-mail gsite5a@gmail.com ASAP before the event as information must be submitted by the 10th of the month preceding your event. For birthdays I just need name, month & date. For anniversaries need names, month/day/year married. If I'm not home, please leave a message with your name, phone number and message with needed information.

**SUNSHINE REPORT FOR JUNE 10, 2023-JULY 9, 2023**

*Submitted by Ruby Torino*

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**Get Well**

- 06/22 - Card sent to Toni Topczij @ 254 Half Moon
- 07/03 - Card sent to Joe Kapfhammer @ 671 Poinsettia
- 07/05 - Card sent to Vicki Rios @ 509 Poinsettia



**Sympathy**

- 06/21 - Truann (Trudy) Walker @ 685 Red Wing Cir. passed away on 06/17/2023. Card sent to husband James (Keith) Walker @ 4565 Ogemaw Dr. Prescott MI 48756.
- 06/30 - Ralph Napolitano passed away on 06/28. Card sent to his wife Theresa Napolitano @ 25119 60th Ave., Little Neck New York, NY 11362

If anyone knows of a Teakwood East Resident that is in need of some Sympathy or Sunshine, or just a "Thinking of You" please contact Ruby Torino @ 630-440-6480 or you can send an email to [rbytorino@yahoo.com](mailto:rbytorino@yahoo.com). Thanks.





## THANK YOU



I would like to thank all my Teakwood friends & neighbors for the cards, food & good wishes during my surgery & recovery. I'm home now & everyone is welcome to visit. *Sincerely, Toni Topczij*

I would like to thank my Teakwood friends and neighbors for their cards of sympathy on the passing of my wife Trudy. Your caring and support is very much appreciated. *James Walker*

## ATTENTION! CROSSROADS CHRISTIAN CHURCH DONATIONS

From July 8th through August 20th please do not leave donated items at our home They can be dropped off at the church in the drop off bin in the front of the chapel. Crossroads Christian Church, 1645 Seminole Blvd. Largo  
It is on the left by the Chevron station one block before the post office.  
Thanks Joyce & Hugh Austin

## TEAKWOOD EAST NEW RESIDENTS

*Submitted by Judy Glenn*




New residents to Teakwood Village East will receive a postcard inviting them to join us for our Tuesday Koffee Klatch when they get their Prospectus from the sales office. Please bring the postcard for free coffee & donuts, a welcome gift and information about the Social Club activities. We hope to see you at coffee soon. If you can't make it to coffee, let us know so we can get together with you some other time. Please contact Judy Glenn 317-473-2390 Or Fay Killinger 812-340-6079

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## SPECIAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

### TEAKWOOD DUDE RANCH

*Submitted by Dianna Martin*

**W**e had a sold-out crowd at the ranch, who had fun taking part in the “Buffalo Chip Toss”, the Wild Horse Lassoing contest and taking a few whacks at the candy filled piñata. Larry Kanan was the high scorer in the Buffalo Chip Toss and Laurie Biancardi roped more horses than anyone else. Give them both a big YeeHaw! It takes a lot of volunteers to put together an event like this and I would like to acknowledge their hard work and thank them all: Debbie Snyder (set-up & games), Maureen Liebler (set-up & games), Ann Cortez (set-up, photographer & games), Debbie Evarts (set-up), Jeanne Smallcomb (set-up), Ruby & Bernie Torino (set-up & clean-up), Judy Owen (clean-up), Sharon Chie (server & clean-up), Bill Chie (clean-up), Fay Killinger (clean-up), Larry Kanan (clean-up), Rebecca Parke (food prep, server & clean-up), Karla Tomlinson (tickets), Judith Henry (tickets), David Henry (printed tickets & flyers), Cheryl Tracy (music & pick-up and decorate desserts), Vivien Hughes (food prep), Harriet Halgren (food prep & server), Donna & Harold Voigt (Share the Wealth), Peggy O’Connel (Share the Wealth)

WHEWWW! That is 20 people who pitched in, some taking on multiple jobs. Thank you all so much for making this event truly memorable. I could not have done it without you!



*Chuckwagon Crew –  
Ben Cortez, Rebecca Parke, Sharon Chie, Jeanne Smallcomb & Harriet Halgren*



*Paul Fadden & Donna Voigt  
"Buffalo Chip Toss"*



*Laurie Biancardi  
"Wild Horse Lassoing Contest"*



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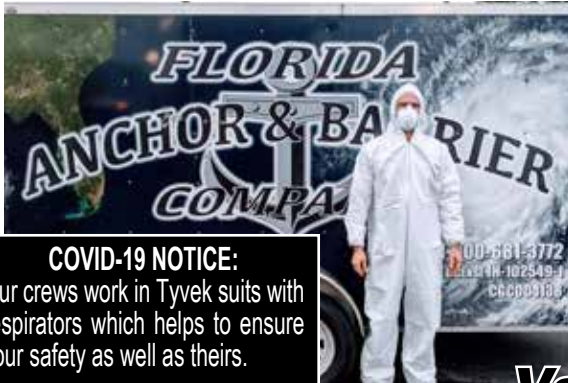
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Hope everyone had a good time at our July 4th cookout and dance. Judy Glenn and her helpers put together a great event. There was a sing-along with Kat Ermish at the piano followed by a traditional meal and a dance. Roland Lausier once again cooked up some great hamburgers and hot dogs. Carol Beckwith made her delicious over the top pasta salad, and dance music was provided by Ruby & Bernie Torino. Thanks to all of the volunteers who helped make this a fun day.



*Above: Bernie & Ruby Torino provide dance music for the party*



*Left: Family & Friends celebrate the 4th*



*Fay, Roland, Judy & Vivien*



*Residents model their Red, White & Blue Fashions*



*Residents ROCK*



## ICE CREAM SOCIAL

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**C**ome cool off and enjoy an afternoon of ice cream and socializing on Sunday August 13th at the Aloha Hall from 1:00 – 2:30 pm. Donna & Ed Hatch will be the hosts for this event. Tickets are \$3 per person and will be sold at Tuesday coffee. Please be sure to check with Donna or Ed to see if they need any help. Volunteers are always needed and appreciated.

## 2ND TV EAST WINE & CHEESE TASTING EVENT

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*Submitted by Bitsy Lajoie*

**P**lease mark your calendar for another FUN International Wine and Cheese Tasting to be held on Saturday August 26th at the Tiki Hall from 3:00 – 6:00 pm (DOORS WILL NOT OPEN TILL 3 pm so please do not come early). This event will be limited to 50 people so don't put off buying your tickets. The cost is \$5 for members & \$7 for non-members & guests. Tickets go on sale July 25th and the last day to purchase will be August 22nd provided the event is not sold out sooner. We will have some surprises for you this year with music etc...

## LABOR DAY DINNER & DANCE

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*Submitted by Maureen Liebler*

**T**his is a day for all of the retired, currently working, and many volunteers to celebrate all of our hard work and achievements that have made, and continue to make, our Country Great! Please join us on Monday, September 4th at 4:00 pm at the Aloha Hall. We will have a delicious dinner consisting of Pulled Pork, Scalloped Potatoes, Coleslaw and Dessert. Water and coffee will be served, or you may bring your own beverage of choice. Ice will be provided. After dinner dance music will be provided by a dynamic musical duo, Rich & Kelly Ann. They play a combination of rock 'n' roll and country music that is guaranteed to keep the dance floor full. Tickets go on sale at Koffee Klatch on August 8. Cut off for tickets is Thursday August 31. The cost is \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members & guests.



## POW/MIA REMEBRANCE

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**B**en Cortez and Cheryl Tracy will host a remembrance ceremony for all POW's and MIA's who served their country in past wars and conflicts. The event will be held at the Aloha Hall and will begin at 12:00 noon. After the ceremony light refreshments will be served. This is a free event. We hope you all will come to honor our still missing veterans.



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## KOFFEE KLATCH

*Submitted by Sharon Sklar*



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## BIBLE STUDY GROUP

*Submitted by Judy Bailey*



The monthly Bible Study will meet Monday August 21st at the Aloha Clubhouse from 6:00 – 8:00 P.M. The title for this month's lesson is "The Power of RIGHT BELIEVING! (The six inter-connected events that determine where I will spend eternity when I die." All Teakwood Village residents are invited to attend this non-denominational bible study group and are welcome to bring a friend.

## MONTHLY LADIES LUNCH

*submitted by Bitsy Lajoie*



We will continue to get together once a month for a Ladies Lunch in 2023. Check the bulletin board in the Aloha Clubhouse for more information and to sign-up.

## CANASTA

Join the fun on Monday nights at the Tiki Hall. The start time is 5:30 p.m. Please arrive a few minutes early to pick teams. The cost to play is \$0.75. Everyone is welcome.



## POOL AEROBICS

Low Impact Aerobics on Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 9:00 A.M., weather permitting. The temperature must be at least 60 degrees. The class is led by Darlene Coburn.



## TABLE POOL

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**T**uesdays at the Tiki clubhouse beginning at 5:00 p.m. Bring your own cue stick or use one provided at Tiki. Open to all Teakwood Residents.



## DOMINOES

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**P**lease come share an afternoon of fun with us every Wednesday at the Tiki Clubhouse. Please arrive by 1:15 so we can start play at 1:30 P.M.



## CRIBBAGE

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**L**ooking for something fun to do at night? Try your hand at cribbage on Wednesdays at 6:30 P.M. in the Tiki Clubhouse. Come join in and bring \$5. All monies will be paid out to the winner(s).



## UNLUCKY 7

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**C**ome join the fun every Thursday at 6:00 PM at the Aloha Hall. This game requires no special skill other than the ability to roll the dice! Start saving your nickels as you will need them as markers for your Unlucky 7 card. If you have not had your COVID vaccine you must wear a mask. Otherwise, they are optional.

## SAVE THE DATE

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**S**eptember 4th – Labor Day Picnic 4pm Aloha Hall  
September 15th – POW/MIA Remembrance 12pm Aloha Hall  
October 22nd – Music with Friends  
October 31st – Halloween Party 7pm – Aloha Hall





# CHOCOLATE IS GOOD FOR YOU!!

Submitted by Dianna Martin



**I** bet you never thought you would hear that but according to an article in Healthgrades it is true. Recent studies have revealed new health benefits of eating chocolate, and not just the dark kind. There's an expanding body of research outlining the sweet treat's power when it comes to staying healthy and keeping your mind sharp. Here are five ways a daily dose of chocolate can boost your overall health.

1. One study found that adults who ate slightly less than an ounce of chocolate each day had lower rates of heart disease than those who didn't eat any. While more research is needed to pinpoint exactly how chocolate is doing this, it's clear the type of chocolate you eat isn't important; positive effects showed up for both light and dark varieties.
2. Chocolate's antioxidants seem to protect against plaque buildup on your artery walls. A study in the Journal of Nutrition linked regular chocolate consumption with reduced LDL cholesterol, the unhealthy type that builds up in arteries. Two elements of chocolate, stearic and oleic acid, are thought to be the ingredients that keep cholesterol levels in check. Here, dark chocolate has the advantage as it has the strongest cholesterol-lowering effects.
3. Eating a small square of chocolate that contains 50 to 70% cocoa on a daily basis can help lower your blood pressure, especially if you have hypertension. Chocolate combats this with flavonoids, nutrients that have anti-inflammatory and antioxidant powers. These cause blood vessels to dilate, improving blood flow to the brain and heart and reducing blood pressure.
4. Drinking two cups of hot chocolate each day can improve brain health and prevent memory decline. A Harvard Medical School study showed that chocolate increased blood flow in particular areas of the brain, improving cognitive function in adults. Research has also shown that people who consume chocolate each day have improved attention, memory, and executive function.
5. Regularly eating chocolate can actually help you make healthy diet choices. Researchers from the University of Copenhagen found that after eating chocolate, particularly the darker version, people experienced fewer cravings for sweet, salty, and fatty foods, and they felt more satiated overall. This means indulging in a bit of dark chocolate on a regular basis can not only leave you feeling happy and satisfied—it can also help you stick to a healthy diet.

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# TEAKWOOD WEST NEWS & ACTIVITIES

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\*Appointed by the President and approved by the Board to fulfill the remaining term of Dan Kay, who moved from the community.

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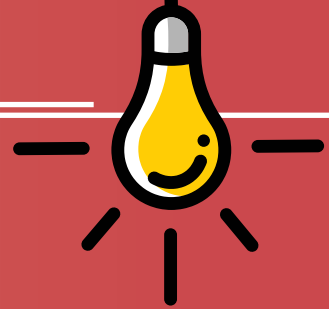
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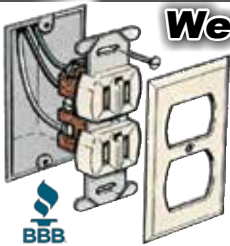
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# Teakwood Village East

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29 Coffee Klatch - A Shuffleboard - A Pool - T	30 9a - LI Pool Aerobics 1:30p - Dominoes - T 6:30P - Cribbage - T	31 6p - Unlucky 7 - A		



## A MESSAGE FOR TEAKWOOD WEST RESIDENTS

- Julie Smiedendorf

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**I** wonder how many of us are asking ourselves right now, “Did I really choose to live in this heat?”

The good news is that it won’t last forever! There are probably very few of us that didn’t know that the entire world hit an all-time high heat record this past month! The world-wide average has never been so hot in the entire time they’ve been recording temperatures—now that’s a LONG time! It seems to affect every area of our lives—when we run our errands, what we eat, what we drink, and when we go outside and jump in the pool to socialize with our friends and neighbors. Let’s just say that it’s been pretty quiet outside lately, and the weather has a lot to do with it.

Although the heat may influence things for the moment, taking a look back, we’ve had lots of activities and events going on since our Northern friends headed home for the summer: Bar Poker, Shuffleboard, Dominoes, Nickels, Bocce, Crafts, Lunch with the Bunch, and then we’ve had some very cool events too: the Cinco de Mayo Party, the Memorial Day Remembrance gathering, and 4th of July Celebration, just for starters!

Thank you to Mary Jane (MJ) Schultz for chairing a flawless 4th of July celebration, along with everyone who assisted her in this endeavor. We enjoyed all the hot dogs we could eat, complete with “all the fixins,” side salads, and a huge array of desserts! It was a great success!

While this booklet and its calendars list many of our events and activities, I encourage every resident to wander into the Clubhouse periodically to look at the bulletin boards to see what’s going on that may spark your interest! We’ve got a few irons in this summer of fire—and you won’t want to miss them!

An **Ice Cream Social** is being planned for **Wednesday, August 16th** from 2-4:00pm. Mary Lou Sanford has graciously agreed to chair this event, and I’m sure will enlist the assistance of others when the time comes. What could be better than an ice cream cone, a sundae, or a banana split made just for you! Sounds amazing, given the heat we’ve been experiencing!

MJ Schultz is planning to host a **Paint N Sip** at the Clubhouse on the West side from **6-9:00pm on Friday September 15th**. I hear so much about events such as this one but have never had the opportunity to attend. I’m anxious to see what they’re like! MJ will provide all the supplies needed to paint something specific and will then guide everyone through how to paint it like a pro! She also provides ginger ale, but if you’d like to bring something else, you are more than welcome to do so! (I know I’ll be bringing a bottle of sangria, myself!) There will only be 25



tickets available to this event, so be sure to pick yours up right away or you may have to catch it the next time around!

September plans are a bit tentative at the moment, but there will be **an event to end our summer with a bang!** Be sure to keep an eye out on the bulletin boards and an ear open during our Coffee hours to get the specifics as the event continues to be organized.

We'll be working with the East side on the **annual Car Port Sale** sometime in the fall, so be sure to save all those items you haven't used in years and turn your "trash into someone else's treasure"—and make money doing it! Just a heads up...there will be a special addition to this one, so **keep your eyes and ears open for this unique and classy twist!** (Something that's not surprising, coming from the chairpersons, Christ Bassett and Mary Lou Sandford.)

The members of the Social Club Board wish to thank each and every one of you for your contribution to the success of all our activities and events—without you there would be nothing going on for any of us! It takes everyone to build a community such as ours, and we are thrilled to be able to witness continued growth through the efforts and involvement of everyone here! Again, without you there would certainly be no us! Thank you for your part in making some great memories!

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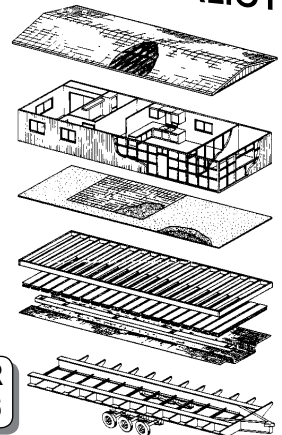
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➤ Interested in helping with serving and preparing for our Coffee meetings? Volunteers are **greatly** appreciated! Signup sheets are on the Clubhouse board.

## WELCOME NEW TEAKWOOD WEST RESIDENTS !

- Linda Staskal



I have had the opportunity to meet many new residents this past year. There are some people I haven't been able to make contact with as several have headed north for the summer. Hopefully I will be able to meet you in the fall, and bring you some information about our park, our social club, and the surrounding area.

Our Social Club has many activities and events throughout the year which everyone is welcome to attend. A list of activities and events are posted in the Clubhouse and in our Monthly Media. Social club membership is only \$5.00 per year and gives you reduced rates for our big events. If you would like for me to bring some information to you, please feel free to call (Linda) at (608) 622-8359 or Louise (508)667-6790.

Looking forward to meeting you soon!

Linda Staskal

## FROM THE EDITOR

-Sharon Lotwick

If you have anything to submit for our monthly Newsletter/Tidings Book, please email me at [slotwick@ptd.net](mailto:slotwick@ptd.net) (all lowercase letters) or send a text to my cell phone 484-274-3544. Information can be sent via Word document or simple email. Fancy font and creative headings will only be changed by the organization putting our booklets together.

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As a reminder, you can also view our Monthly Newsletter online, in COLOR, anytime @ [www.monthly-media.com](http://www.monthly-media.com). Scroll all the way to the bottom on the first page to Teakwood Village West. Select and you will be taken to the Newsletter and the Monthly Calendar page. Click on the month on the left, then click on the Booklet picture. The on-line version is typically available between the 1st and the 4th of the month.

Please check out our Facebook page called Teakwood Village West Social Club. This private, resident group was created to share important information regarding upcoming events, share photos and highlight Social Club activities. Please join the FB group if you would like to stay up to date with any event changes or additional photos of our events! We are limited to the number of photos that can be submitted for the newsletter, but our Facebook page will have many more to enjoy!

Have something to sell? Need help or support for a project? Have a question regarding events? This is the place to look and share and ask!

If you are a member/committee chairperson of a group, we look forward to you sharing information or pictures.

Shout out of appreciation to our **new** residents sharing a photo of themselves on our Facebook page! It is nice to put a name with the face for our current residents in Teakwood West! Thank you!!

\*\* Events, times, and dates can change before the next publication of our newsletter. Please be sure to check the Clubhouse boards for new or updated information, in addition to the sandwich boards (located outside of the Clubhouse) and our Facebook page.

**Do you have any ideas as to what new information can be added to our Monthly Media, please let me know! I welcome new information that you feel would me interesting to publish. Thank you !**

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## THE KITCHEN CLEANING IS COMPLETED!

- Julie Smiedendorf



A special *thank you* to everyone who assisted in the complete cleaning of the kitchen in our Clubhouse! Every single cupboard, drawer, shelf, and everything they held has been cleaned inside and out and from top to bottom! Every electric appliance has been tested, every pan scoured, every salt and pepper shaker ran through a dishwasher, and every utensil has been washed. The kitchen has never been so clean—be sure to take a look the next time you’re in there. You’ll also notice that every drawer and cupboard has been labeled with pictures of what is in them, and the shelves in the back have been organized and labeled as well! No more looking through every cupboard and drawer to find what you’re needing... it’s all right there in black and white!

The following people are to be commended for working so diligently during the most heated days of this summer to make this happen: Lynn Klimek (not only cleaned, but chaired this “event”), Maggie Lopez, Mary Lou Sanford, Julie Smiedendorf, Chris Bassett and Louise Bonnette. A very special thanks goes to Bob Schultz who not only helped to clean the kitchen, but also repaired nearly every drawer in the place AND took all the electric cords home to repair properly! That’s going above and beyond, and we sincerely appreciate all the effort you put in to get this accomplished!

## RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE – POP TABS !

- Julie Smiedendorf

Arrangements have been made to drop off the HUGE collection of pop tabs to the Ronald McDonald house serving families who have little ones in the Children’s Hospital in St. Petersburg. They were thrilled to hear that we had collected such a large donation and are eager to have them! **THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO DONATED TO THIS REMARKABLE CAUSE!** The pop tabs will be melted down to provide surgical instruments for hospital and clinical use. The funds go directly to the Ronald McDonald house to assist families who have children in hospitals (or other care centers) that cannot afford hotels and have no other place to stay. This is an incredible blessing when you’re a parent going through such a traumatic time in life! Trust me, your donation makes some of the worst parental nightmares a bit easier, enabling them to focus on their children and not worry about where they’re going to stay or how they are going to eat—and while they may not be able to thank you personally, I most definitely do.... Thank you, from the bottom of my heart!





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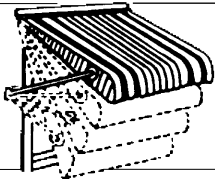
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## HOPE VILLAGES OF AMERICA

-Art Bush 727-363-5275

If anyone wishes to collect non-perishable food items while I am up North, as well as other items which are listed below or on the whiteboard in the Clubhouse, please give me a call or let another Board member know. We have food items already being brought into the Clubhouse but I need someone to collect them from time to time and take them to Hope as needed. **Would you be willing to do this occasionally until September? It really doesn't take a lot of time.... Feel free to reach out to me (Artie) should you have any questions!**

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# TEAKWOOD WEST BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

-Jean Hamilton

## August Birthdays

Stacey Marquet	4th
Art Bush	12th
Betty Collings	14th
Judy Nelson	15th
Alex Low	16th
Dean Londo	16th
Monica McCarten	16th
Monik Gagnon	17th
Debbie Layfield	18th
Barry Furey	21st
Marlene Baker	23rd
Kim Langworthy	28th
Jean Parisotto	30th



## August Anniversaries

Pete & Natalie Cholewa	8th
Ed & Toni Jarema	9th
Rich & Becky Davis	10th
Claude LeBlanc & Monik Gagnon	23rd
Sandra Harrison & Jack Toof	24th
Lee & Linda Kozola	30th



***Congratulations and warmest wishes to all those celebrating in August !***

If you have been missed or there is an error in date or spelling, please accept my apologies and provide the correct info to [johnjeanhamilton@hotmail.com](mailto:johnjeanhamilton@hotmail.com). As a reminder, should you wish to have a Birthday or Anniversary added/deleted to our list, please send your information to Jean Hamilton. [johnjeanhamilton@hotmail.com](mailto:johnjeanhamilton@hotmail.com)





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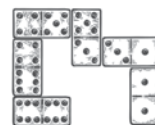
### SUMMER BOCCEE



**B**occe is now being played on Thursdays at 9:00am, thanks to Bob Schultz who has kindly stepped up to serve as Chairperson for a fun summer Bocce activity! This is for ANYONE, whether you know how to play or not—so whether you are new to the game or just keeping your current skills sharp, we welcome you to join us on Thursday mornings! (Please note that this will be played similarly to shuffleboard. We'll play with the number of people who show. Ideally, we will need 8 people per game, but we can play with as little as two and we can rotate through as many as show up each week. Bob will make anything work!

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### LUNCH WITH THE BUNCH

*-Debbie Ryder*



**L**unch with the Bunch is the 3rd Thursday of the month at 11:30am. Please look for the signup sheet posted in the Clubhouse. The selection of restaurants has been awesome, and the group usually decides on the next month's lunch spot at the end of the current lunch gathering. We welcome all suggestions!

### CRAFTS

*-Debbie Ryder*



**W**e meet every Thursday at 10am in the Clubhouse. Please look for any sign-up sheets or hear announcements on what we are working on at our next Coffee meeting. Come join us!



## RED HATS

-Andrea Durkin



**R**ed Hats will be meeting in the Clubhouse the first Monday of the month @ 11:30 AM. All are welcome to attend!

## HAPPY HOUR ON THE DECK



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# A LITTLE TWINKLE IN OUR WRINKLES

- Sharon Lotwick

**A** woman's husband had been slipping in and out of a coma for several months, yet she stayed by his side every single day. One day, when he came to, he motioned for her to come closer. As she sat by him, he whispered, eyes full of tears; "You know what ? You have been with me all through the bad times. When I got fired, you were there to support me. When my business failed, you were there. When I got shot, you were by my side. When my health started failing, you were still by my side. You know what? "What dear? she asked gently smiling as her heart began to fill with warmth. "I think you are bad luck."





## IN AND AROUND THE LARGO AREA

- Sharon Lotwick

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**W**ith all our new residents coming into our community, I thought I would highlight some areas to check out or things to do in the coming months. Our full-time summer residents hopefully find this information useful as well!

- **Mutts and Martinis** – this is a cool bar where you can take your 4 legged friends while watching TV on big screens! This is the first ever dog waterpark in the area. Check out more information on the link below. Let your pet cool off while you relax!

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- -The Spirit of **Santana Friday Sept 15 8pm**

Concert at Largo Park – look for information with link below

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## ATTENTION RESIDENTS !

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-Monthly Media Staff



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# FROM DEE'S KITCHEN TO YOU

-Dee Potenti

## Hawaiian Short Ribs

- 3 tablespoons sesame seed
- 4 pounds beef short ribs
- 1 medium onion, sliced
- 1/2 cup soy sauce
- 1/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 5 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/4 teaspoon ginger and pepper
- 2 small, dried hot chili peppers-seeded and crushed
- 1 1/2 cups water
- 1 teaspoon water
- 1 teaspoon cornstarch



Put sesame seeds in 5 quart Dutch oven. Place over medium heat until lightly browned, shaking pan often to toast seeds evenly. Remove from heat and arrange ribs and onions on top of seeds. Combine soy sauce, brown sugar, garlic, ginger, pepper, chili peppers, and water. Pour over meat. Cover it and cook at 350 degrees in oven for 2 to 2 1/2 hours, or until meat is tender. Combine cornstarch and water. Remove meat from pot and make gravy.

## Chicken, Peach, and Pistachio Pizza

- 1 10 ounce prepared thin pizza crust
- 4 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- 1 shallot, finely chopped
- 2 teaspoons fresh rosemary leaves, finely chopped
- 1 large, fresh peach, thinly sliced, or one cup of frozen peach slices
- 1 pound chicken breast tenderloins
- 3/4 teaspoons of kosher salt, divided
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 2 tablespoon olive oil, divided
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 8 oz deli, mozzarella pearls
- 1/4 cup, dry, roasted shell pistachios, finely chopped

Prepare oven at 400° place pizza crust on baking sheet. Chop garlic, shallots, and rosemary. Peel and pit peach, then thinly slice. Cut chicken into half inch cubes. Prepare large sauté pan on medium high for 2 to 3 minutes. Seasoned chicken with half a teaspoon of salt and pepper. Add 1 tablespoon of oil to pan, then add chicken. Cook 2 to 4 minutes, stirring occasionally, and until chicken is 165F. Combine in a small saucepan, garlic, shallots, butter, and remaining 1 tablespoon of oil and quarter teaspoon of salt. Cook and stir 2 to 3 minutes over medium heat until garlic is softened. Brush pizza crust with butter mixture, topped with peaches, chicken and cheese then sprinkle with rosemary. Bake 20 to 25 minutes until cheese melts and crust browns. Chop pistachios sprinkle over top of pizza. Slice and serve. Enjoy.



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