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Welcome Committee			

The next HOA Board Meeting will be on Tuesday, December 5, 2023, and the Social Committee Meeting will be on Wednesday, December 6, 2023. The HOA meeting will begin at <u>7:00 pm</u> and the Social Committee meeting will also begin at <u>7:00 pm</u>. The Social Committee will again have a Coach Drawing. Tickets are 3 for \$1. Half the money is given out and half is put into the coach drawing. If the resident drawn for the coach drawing is not present, the money rolls over until the next meeting. Lot 42 was drawn at the November meeting and was not present, so the money has rolled over. 2024 Dues (\$15) will be due beginning in January. You can either put a check or envelope with cash in the dues box by the sliding door at the clubhouse or give it to Pat Peterman, Lot 205, 618-960-9284. You must be a HOA member to attend the HOA meetings.







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### **Notes from the HOA Board of Directors**

**NOTICE:** This year in January at the Annual Meeting, there will be two (2) positions up for election to the HOA Board of Directors. Any member of the HOA can run for one of these positions. If you would like to lend your talents to this endeavor, please contact one of the current board members so your name can be given to the Nominating Committee.

Board of directors

In other Board news, we want to thank the Social Committee for wonderful Halloween activities. A pumpkin carving contest was held which provided to be great fun and later in the month a Halloween Party was attended by a good crowd. Costume awards were 1st Sharon Kachinski, 2nd Place Deanna DeRemer and 3rd Place Patty Peterman. Prizes for Table Decorations went to 1st Place Craig & Pizza Rodgers, 2nd Place Deanna DeRemer & Ken Franklin and 3rd Place Linda & Bill Bearley.

According to the office, the concrete for the pickle board court will be poured the week after Thanksgiving. Ceiling fans will be installed in the Shuffleboard area as soon as the electrician does some wiring. Question came up about back gate being open on Mondays for Bingo. They are going to start closing the gate as soon as Bingo begins since everyone should be here from outside by then. Management has decided to install card readers in the Exercise Room and the two pool gates. The cards that you currently use to get access to the park will also be used for that. Discussion is still ongoing about leaving the pool open until 11:00 pm. Mgmt. wants a survey done with residents that live close-by to see if they object due to the noise. Discussion was held about street parking and the overflow lot parking. Vehicles still cannot be parked on the street after 11:00 pm at night. If you have a reason to use the overflow lot overnight, you must discuss the issue with the office. We discussed the sad occasion where someone felt the need to ruin the pool sticks. Management is buying new sticks and will install a camera in room. They are also buying a cabinet for that room. There should be plenty of darts with the machine now. We also discussed the complaint process. Residents must contact the office (preferably by email or in writing) if there is a complaint situation. If the office does not resolve the issue, residents should contact Craig Rodgers on the HOA board. Per our previous request, management has fixed the sliding door that was broke.

We are still having delivery problems with the various carriers, so I will leave the contact numbers in the Media Guide for reference.

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Vou may find that the tracking will sometimes indicate that a package has been delivered, but you haven't received it. In these instances, check to see if the package was left with the office or a neighbor. You can visit Find a Missing Package That Shows As Delivered for more information. If you checked these places, and you still can't locate your package, please contact Amazon and we'll be happy to look into it for you.

# Volunteers needed to deliver monthly media guides to our neighbors.

n Diamond Blvd. Lot #23 thru #34, across the street to #404 thru #411, and #288 (20 books)

On Crystal Drive #289 thru 307 (19 books)

If you have a golf cart, it is a quick ride AND you get to meet and talk with neighbors. If you enjoy a walk, this monthly walk gives you exercise and you can meet and talk with neighbors.

### Please call LeeAnne McHugh at Lot #334 at 727-458-8134

# SAVE THESE DATES:

December 2, 2023 – Arts and Craft Fair December 3, 2023 – Trim the Christmas Tree December 5, 2023 – Mystery Lunch December 9, 2023 – Christmas Movie Night December 11, 2023 – Park Judging of Christmas Decorations December 16, 2023 – Charity Spaghetti Dinner December 17, 2023 - Christmas Golf Cart Parade & Caroling December 31, 2023 - New Years Eve Disco Dance

#### mber Glades Arts and Crafts Fair MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR SATURDAY - DECEMBER 2nd......9am -1pm

✓ ▲ Please come and support our residents as they show their wares. Visit with friends and neighbors and enjoy a breakfast snack or lunch from the kitchen. You may just find some Holiday gifts or useful items. Some of the categories of items being displayed will be: pillowcases, flip flops, bookmarks, greeting cards, holiday items, wreaths, keychains, baby clothing, body scrub, wind chimes, quilting, laser art, Diamond Art painting, shark tooth jewelry and painted palm fronds – sounds like something for everyone! The Amber Glades kitchen will be serving morning donuts and pastries and lunchtime sandwiches including hot dogs, sloppy joes and coney dogs, plus desserts and beverages at modest prices. A Silent Raffle will be held during the show with winners drawn at 12:30 pm. You DO NOT have to be present



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to win. Bring a new, unwrapped toy to donate to TOYS FOR TOTS, and receive a FREE donut or dessert from the kitchen. ALL PROCEEDS FROM THE KITCHEN AND THE SILENT RAFFLE WILL BE DONATED TO TOY FOR TOTS. We hope to see everyone out and about that day!

<u>Decorate the Christmas Tree – December 3 at 5:00 pm</u> Join us to trim the Christmas tree and decorate the clubhouse as we listen to Christmas Carols. BYOB & Snacks or Bring your favorite homemade Christmas cookies to share with friends. Bring the recipe along if possible.

<u>The Mystery Lunch is back!</u> On Tuesday, December 5, 2023, everyone is invited to join us at an undisclosed location for lunch with friends and fellow neighbors. We think you'll like this place and bet you've never been there before. We will depart from the clubhouse, where you will receive directions, promptly at 11 am. To make reservations (the restaurant likes to know how many to expect??): Sign the sheet on the clubhouse bulletin board or call and leave a message at 727-260-9112. Hope to see everyone for this Holiday Mystery Lunch – we'll have seats reserved for you and your friends.

<u>Christmas Movie Night December 9th from 6-9 pm</u> – Showing the Family Stone, Rated PG13. Bring a wrapped gift up to \$5 and laugh along with us as we play "Selfish Santa". Share the Wealth Raffle. We will have coffee, Cocoa, Popcorn & Tissues/BYOB & Snacks. Tickets at the Door - \$3.

<u>Christmas Lights/Decorations Contest</u> – The park management will once again give awards for best lights/decorations. Judging will be done the week of December 11, 2023, so lights should be turned on by 5:30 pm that week.

<u>Charity Spaghetti Dinner December 16 at 5:00 pm</u> – Always a wonderful dinner prepared by our "Mystery Chef'. Proceeds from the dinner will be given to a charity voted on at our next meeting. Tickets are available from Marsha Lemons, 727/412-1433 or Liz Johnson at 618/791-6555. Cost is \$12 each and all proceeds go to the charity.

<u>Christmas Golf Cart Parade and Caroling December 17 at 6:30 (Meet at Clubhouse</u> <u>at 6:00 pm</u>) – Deck out your golf carts/bikes/wagons or whatever and join in the fun. You can even bring goodies to toss out to spectators. Warm up your voices and we will sing popular Christmas songs.

<u>New Year's Eve Disco Dance December 31 – 8:00 pm until Midnight</u>. Come dance the night away to all your favorite Disco hits of the 70's & 80's. Bring snacks for your table and BYOB. Share the Wealth Raffle will be held. Champagne toast at Midnight. Tickets can be purchased from Cheryl 727/415-3355, Lot 93 or Debbie 531/275-3211, Lot 283. Tickets are \$7 Members and \$9 Non-Members.

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# **NEW RESIDENTS**



 hristopher & Susan Post, Lot 356; Brian & Jean Haley, Lot 340; Holly & Skip Harris, Lot 134; and Mark Rourk, Lot 328.
 PLEASE MAKE THESE RESIDENTS FEEL WELCOME!

# SHUFFLEBOARD LEAGUE

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The 2024 shuffleboard league will start Thursday January 4th and run until Thursday March 28, 2024. All games will be played on Thursdays each week at 10:00 am. We play 2 games each Thursday. There is a \$15 fee for the season. This goes toward first, second and third place prizes at the end of the season. There is also a league banquet at the end of the season that is provided. If you are interested, please contact Pat Marks at Lot #38, phone number 419-304-5568. We have a lot of fun and it's a chance to make some new friends. It doesn't matter if you don't know how to play. The game is easy, and we will teach you. Come and join the fun! Hope to see you there.

# **SUNSHINE COMMITTEE**

eeAnne McHugh, 727-458-8134, Lot 334 has graciously taken on the duties of the Sunshine Committee. If you know of someone sick or someone that has a death in the family, please contact her so she can send them a card.

# **KOFFEE KLATCH**



offee Klatch is every Tuesday morning at 9:00 am. Coffee is free. Join us for an hour of fun and banter. Bring your swimsuit and towel to enjoy the pool afterwards.

## COLORING

oloring is held on Tuesday at 11:00 am. If you don't have supplies, they can be provided for you. For any questions, contact Sharon Kachinski at 727-725-3745! This is a great way to alleviate tension. (We will no longer have a Thursday afternoon session.)

# BUNCO

unco is cancelled until further notice.





# **SUB-FLOOR & FLOORING EXPERTS!**

### **COVID-19 NOTICE:**

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# PRAYER GROUP

prayer group meets every Thursday at 1:00 PM in the Clubhouse Library. For questions, contact Eva Rivera at 917-662-1428. All are welcome!

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# EXERCISE GROUP

eeting at clubhouse on Tuesday and Thursdays at 6:00 pm (except for 1st Tuesday & Wednesday of month).

# WALKERS & WHEELCHAIRS

There are a few walkers and wheelchairs that are available to Amber Glades residents to borrow when needed. These should be returned when the need is over. For information contact Craig Rodgers, 502-435-1612.

# **BINGO**

ingo is every Monday night at 6:00 pm unless notified otherwise. (Bingo is cancelled on Christmas Day, December 25 and New Year's Day January 1, 2024.)

# AMBER GLADES FACEBOOK PAGE

t et connected to Amber Glades Facebook page. Pictures of events are posted there by residents and interesting discussions are often seen. Join in and "friend" the Amber Glades Facebook page. We also have an Amber Glades Marketplace page where residents can sell and buy items and an official HOA page – Amber Glades HOA Approved - where the board will post notices and activity announcements.

# Sheriff's Office CALL 9-1-1 FOR EMERGENCY ONLY

### All Other Calls: 582-6177

f you see suspicious activity in the park or have been confronted by a trespasser, solicitor or door-to-door salesperson – get a good description. Call the Sheriff's office immediately. This is your best protection and can possibly help apprehend the party.









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### **Oversize Trash Pickup**

→ all Waste Pro 727-452-5278 to arrange pickup.

# **DEADLINE FOR JANUARY UPDATES**

pdates for the January 2024 Media Guide need to be turned in to Pat Peterman, #205, 618-960-9284, patt74429@yahoo.com by December **AR** 8, 2023. This includes calendar updates.

### Jokes of the Month

(by Ken Spellman)



A n Irish daughter had not been home for over 5 years. Upon her return, her father cursed her heavily. "Where have ye been all this time child? Why did ye not call or write to us, not even a line? Can ye not understand what ye put yer old Mother through?" The girl crying, replied, "Dad, I became a prostitute." "Ye what? Get outta here, ye shameless harlot! Sinner! You're a disgrace to this Catholic family". "Ok Dad...as ye wish – I only came back to give mum this luxurious fur coat, title and deed to a 10 bedroom mansion, plus 5 million savings certificates. For me little brother, this gold Rolex. And for ye Daddy, the sparkling new Mercedes Limited Edition convertible that's parked outside, plus a membership to the country club – takes a breath – and an invitation for ye all to spend New Year's Eve on board my new yacht in the Riveria." "What was it ye said ye had become?" says Daddy. The girl crying again says "A prostitute Daddy!" "Oh my Goodness! Ye scared me half to death girl! I though you said Protestant! Come here and give ye old Dad a hug".

I went for Chinese last night and got chatting with the waiter. He told me he lived in Japan during the war and was a kamikaze pilot and his code name was "Chow Mein". I said, "Correct me if I'm wrong, but didn't kamikaze pilots sacrifice their own lives?" He replied, "Yes, but I was Chicken Chow Main".

While on a road trip, an elderly couple stopped at a roadside restaurant for lunch. After finishing their meal, they left the restaurant and resumed their trip. When leaving, the elderly woman unknowingly left her glasses on the table, and she didn't miss them until they had been driving for about forty minutes. By then, to add to the aggravation, they had to travel quite a distance before they could find a place to turnaround to return to the restaurant to retrieve the glasses. All the way back, the elderly husband became the classic old grumpy man. He fussed and complained and scolded his wife relentlessly during the entire return trip. The more he chided her, the more agitated he became. He just wouldn't let up for a single minute. To her relief, they finally arrived at the restaurant. As the woman got out of the car and hurried inside to retrieve her glasses, the old geezer yelled to her, "While you're in there, you might as well get my hat and the credit card".







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# **Amber Glades**

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What I like about retirement! Question: How many days in a week? Answer: 6 Saturdays and 1 Sunday. Question: When is a retiree's bedtime? Answer: Two hours after falling asleep on the couch! Question: How many retirees does it take to change a light bulb? Answer: Only one, but it might take all day. Question: What's the biggest gripe of retirees? Answer: There is not enough time to get everything done! Question: Why don't retirees mind be called seniors? Answer: The term comes with a 10% discount! Question: Among retirees, what is considered formal attire? Answer: Tied shoes!

And the ever-lovable Maxine: "Either I have the holiday spirit, or the doctor changed my meds! If he had to untangle my holiday lights, Santa would be on the naughty list too. Hope your holidays are filled with family and fun. Good luck combining the two." And the best – "I usually hang mistletoe on the back loop of my pants."

## FMO - WHAT IS IT AND SHOULD YOU BE A MEMBER??

**H** MO (Federated of Manufactured Homeowners of Florida, Inc.) is an umbrella organization that represents owners of manufactured homes in Florida. It consists of a Board of Directors with a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, (3) Directors at Large and 8 members representing the 15 Districts of Florida. Within each of the districts, there is a President representing



that district. They also have an FMO Attorney and Legislative Counsel. Pinellas County is in District 2 and our Representative is currently Colleen Gartner, 484-880-6816. Our Board of Director Representative is Bonnie Darling at 727-290-9618.

FMO has several functions. Their most important one is to represent us in the state legislature. They were key in passing the bill which is paying for the "Tie-Down" program and are currently working on several issues such as the inherent unequal bargaining position between homeowners and park owners. Other issues are getting the state to enforce Chapter 723 of the Florida Statutes which covers manufactured homes. They also have issues with HUD not recognizing mobile/manufactured homes with the definition of affordable housing, so federal funds are not available for our choice of homes. Florida funding for Affordable Housing should include precision-built homes. FMO is the only group in Florida that represents owners for these and other issues. If that isn't enough, they also have programs such as Education for Board Officers and a legal department that is a good resource for any legal questions regarding manufactured housing laws. All this and more information can be obtained on their website FMO.com. Membership is only \$30 a year or \$75 for 3 years and the application for membership can be found on that site.







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### FESTIVE WAYS TO CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS IN FLORIDA

here are many wonderful ways to celebrate Christmas in Florida. Here are a few I picked out from the HMO Magazine.

Hallmark Channel Presents Holidays at **LEGOLAND**: Let's talk about festive! Holidays at LEGOLAND are a truly decked-out extravaganza of lights, decorations, massive Christmas trees, and interactive performances. What is really exciting is that all the holiday festivities are included in your general admission ticket to LEGOLAND! You get to enjoy all that the park has to offer regularly with the added bonus of extra holiday fun and entertainment. LEGO Santa and Toy Soldier will be making appearances throughout the holiday season which makes a great photo opportunity. You also get to experience hands-on building at different stations throughout the park.

**SANTA'S ENCHANTED FOREST:** The next fabulous thing to do during Christmas in Florida is in Miami. Santa's Enchanted Forest is a 37-year-old family tradition for the holidays. It is the world's largest holiday theme park that features over 100 games, rides, attractions and shows. The rides include kiddie rides for guests over 36 in. tall, family rides for guests over 42 in. tall, and thrill rides for guests of 54 in. tall. The entire theme park is decorated for Christmas and includes South Florida's Tallest Christmas tree. The real highlight is the light show specular.

**DIŠNEY CHRISTMAS EVENTS:** There are so many Disney Christmas events that they can't be showcased in one post. With recent changes, favorites such as Mickey's Very Merry Christmas Party are being substituted with after-hours events with a Christmas theme. There is also the candlelight processional at Epcot which is a yearly favorite and one of the best ways to celebrate Christmas in Florida, complete with celebrities and music. There is truly something for everyone at one of the many Disney Christmas events, including Holiday Cookie Stroll at Epcot Festival of the Holidays. Please remember that park admission is required for experiencing Christmas in Florida Disney.

**BUSCH GARDEN'S CHRISTMAS TOWN:** Christmas Town is open between November 14th through January 3rd. Visiting Busch Gardens Christmas Town is a great thing to do to celebrate Christmas in Florida. You get the fun theme park experience with all the added holiday trimmings which is really one of the more festive Christmas activities in Florida! Christmas Town features indulgent desserts, handmade gifts, millions of lights, a sing-along train and light tunnel walkway. Meet Santa and Mrs. Claus at Santa's house and leave with a souvenir photo. The best part is just walking around with all the lights. The whole park is decked out and it really is a very nice way to experience Florida during Christmas!

**NIGHT OF LIGHTS:** The Night of Lights takes place in St. Augustine from Late November through early February. The roots of this festival honor the old Spanish tradition of placing a white candle in your front windows during the holiday season. St. Augustine is truly one of the best Christmas Towns in Florida. The entire town is fully decorated and filled with the Christmas spirit. Millions of lights, tons of wreaths, lots of bows and palpable joy are to be found in this historic town. The historic district in St. Augustine is really festive during the rest of the year, but during Christmas, it is even better. You can stroll and try treats from sweet shops, go shopping, see Christmas trees and more. Christmas in St. Augustine really is the best

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and the weather is nice too. Trains and trolleys offer special tours that highlight the best parts of the festival. What's really great about this event? It's free. This is a really fun way to celebrate Christmas in Florida without hurting your budget.

**CHRISTMAS, FLORIDA:** Located only 23 miles east of Orlando, the town of Christmas is a cute little town with a military background. It is home of Fort Christmas Historical Park that features artifacts and exhibits that tell the story of the Second Seminole War. Christmas town in Florida features a lot of quirky tourist attractions including a 200-foot-long building that is painted to look like an allegator. You enter Jungle Adventure through the allegator's mouth for a real Florida animal park experience. Every year people travel from all over to mail their Christmas cards with a very special postmark. The town fully embraces their name with tons of holiday cheer and Christmas Spirit. If you are looking for a real Florida Christmas, does it get any better than this? Visiting Christmas, Florida is a fun little day trip with touristy photo opportunities. An affordable and low-key way to enjoy Christmas in Florida.









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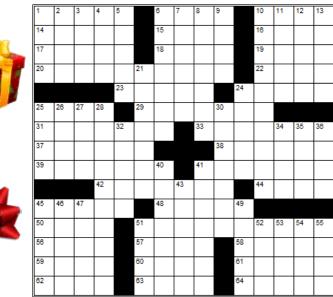




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