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From The President

Diane McSweeney



As we roll into the holiday season, I wish you all the best of times with family and friends, and a joyous holiday season to all.

We are so fortunate at Holiday Shores to have such a strong sense of community. Because so many of you are involved in our activities and committees, this is a truly wonderful place to live.

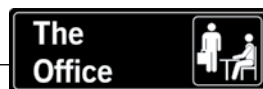
The park looks fantastic! Thank you everyone for maintaining your properties to such a high standard. We are definitely maintaining a 5-star park status.

The timeline for the sewer project will be updated by Pinellas County in December or January. We will let you know when the meeting with them will take place. Please come with your questions so we all have full understanding of what is going on and a more specific time frame.

This will be quite a disruptive process. There will be heavy equipment, pipes, and other materials throughout the park, but we will do our best to keep the clubhouse parking areas free. We will get through this together, with some patience and understanding, and will come out of it on the other side with our sewer problems solved and annual plumbing expenses reduced.

From The Office

Gay Rosetti



OFFICE & PARK CHRISTMAS GATHERING

OThis year we are hosting our Office & Park Christmas Party on Friday, December 1, 2023, at 11a.m. in the Clubhouse. We are looking forward to a celebration of Christmas with all our Residents of Holiday Shores. We will provide desserts, coffee, and non-alcoholic beverages.

See You There!! 😊

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting is on Saturday December 9, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in the Clubhouse. You will have until 9:30 a.m. to put your votes in the ballot box. Be sure you vote on the officer vacancies and put them in the Blue Envelope only. It is very important to have a full Board of Directors to run the business of Holiday Shores Park. Regarding the proxy vote, remember to return it in the pink envelope only. If the proxy is put in the wrong envelope it will not be counted. Finally, please consider the Yes vote for both proxy questions. We must have 51% of the shareholders vote YES on the issue of waiving the full funding or full funding will automatically be adopted.

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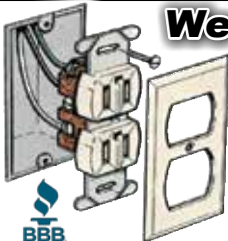
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Please VOTE, we need everyone’s support.

MANAGER

I want to thank all residents for welcoming me into your lovely Community. I have truly enjoyed working here and I look forward to another great year!!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL OF YOU!

Newsletters Cut-Off Dates

December 8th

Holiday Shores Activities Association

Rose Maiolino



At our last meeting, everyone who was on the Activities committee was voted in again. Rosemary Maiolino-President, Patti Dempsey-Vice president, Juliet Dudinsky-Treasurer and Peggy Beane-Secretary.

I would like to thank John Gramatikas and Monty Slaybaugh and Kathy Bornick for all their help.

December events will be a Christmas party on Dec 13th at no cost to residents and we will have entertainment from 7-10 with a DJ. Christmas lights judging will be Dec 16th with a jingle mingle afterwards with hot chocolate in the clubhouse at 6:30. Christmas Brunch will be on Dec 25 which is a potluck. New Year’s Eve party with entertainment by Eddie Guion - tickets are \$10.00.

There is a container in the clubhouse for your donations for Military Matters. Thank you cards to send to the military men/women are also available. Please have your donations in by December 15th.



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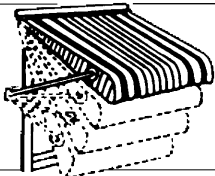
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GOLF: HOLIDAY CHIPPERS

Priscilla Donegan



Welcome back everyone. By the time you read this article Chippers will have had their first outing of the season.

There have been a couple of changes this year. First of all it will be \$2.00 to play and the dues which is due in January will go to \$5.00. Everything has gone up and it is necessary for this activity to increase their fees, too.

Hope to see you all on the putting green this month.

Sharing and Caring

Juliet Dudinsky

Please call me (727-242-0737) if you are aware of any of our friends and neighbors who are ill, have had a death in the family, or have had a surgical procedure. I will keep you posted on any new developments. Please keep these friends and neighbors (and their families) in your prayers. Thank you.

We would like to offer our prayers and sympathies to the friends and families of Ed Mousseau, Charles Wilson and Greg Spangler who recently passed away.

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Theater

David Middleton

As the last notes of “It’s Now or Never” fade away and the spotlight dims, we put away our Elvis memories. The murder of Artie Phischel, Elvis Impersonator, has been solved. The reviews are in, and it seems that the Shake, Rattle & Croak Mystery Dinner was a huge success.



On Friday and Saturday, November 17 and 18, 2023, sold out audiences enjoyed Steve and Rhonda Jones’ Salisbury Steak Dinner with all the trimmings while attempting to solve the murder mystery acted out on stage. Thanks to all who participated to make this event for the Theatre Group a huge hit.

And now, we are on to our biggest happening of the season - the Spring Show. This colorful and fun musical production hits the stage March 11, 12, and 13, 2024. We’re having an organizational meeting on Tuesday, December 12 at 2:00 pm in the Clubhouse to start assembling a cast and crew for the production. Rehearsals start January 2, 2024, and will be on Tuesdays and Fridays at 1:00. It’s a big production with many small parts and we will need help from actors on stage to backstage help to costumers, set builders, ticket sellers, etc.

Come “play” with us...we believe theater is not just for the young, but the young at heart. It’s never too late to be in the spotlight! The Way Off Broadway Theatre Group offers an exhilarating new learning experience and a fun way to find out what really happens on stage and off. Even if you think you are too inhibited to be on stage, have never been on stage, or just want to renew your acting skills, we’ll find a spot for you in the show. It will be fun times for all - join us! No experience necessary!

Theatre Group Officers David Middleton, President; Lunda Dunn, Vice President; Judy, Secretary; and David Helms, Treasurer, welcome you; we’re always looking for new talent on stage and off! If you have questions or comments, contact David Middleton at jdmiddle78@gmail.com.

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Shuffleboard News

Mary Brown



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The winners of November's turkey shoot will be in January's newsletter.

We are having a great time so if you haven't given shuffleboard a try come out & enjoy.

Holiday Shores Park Anniversaries – December

Alfred & Brenda Augustine	December 13
Paul & Carrie Gosse	December 14
Christopher Rodgers/Dena Mullaly	December 15
Bill & Merrell Morrissey	December 26
Roy & Peggy Harless	December 27



Holiday Shores Park Anniversaries – January

George & Sondra Wright	January 3
Norman & Linda Burkey	January 7
Martin & Susan Lerner	January 11
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 Vicki Dieter December 1
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 Tony Guagliardo December 4
 John Bellamy December 4
 Christopher Rodgers December 4
 Cas Castello December 5
 Art Pion December 5
 John Ricks December 5
 Charlie Spencer December 5
 Martin Karan December 7
 Carol Ann Mai December 11
 Paul Blaney December 14
 Anne Carter December 14
 Doug Brown December 14
 Judy Campbell December 14
 Helen Woznick December 14
 Asynthia Sukal December 16



Pat Osentoski December 17
 Jan Lessard December 17
 David Bishop December 19
 Kenneth Graham December 20
 Yvonne Tarlton December 21
 Albert Choi December 21
 Lucien Bouchard December 22
 Russell Cummings December 23
 Eva Domen December 24
 Pat Hop December 25
 Ann Marie Reid December 26
 Ron Phillips December 26
 Robert Dieter December 27
 David Adair December 28
 Nina Fields December 29
 Lynne Blaney December 30
 Peggy Wallace December 30
 Sondra Wright December 30

Holiday Shores Park Birthdays – January

Elizabeth Kerr Jan 2
 Sandra Pisano Jan 2
 Al Mele Jan 4
 Suzanne Dechamps Jan 7
 Ed Donegan Jan 7
 Marilee J. Myers Jan 7
 Ginny Erskin Jan 9
 Roy Harless Jan 9
 Teresa Pearce-Jordan Jan 9
 Diane Wall Jan 10
 Jerry Burdick Jan 12
 John Dieter Jan 12
 Bogie Labounty Jan 13
 Sharon Wilson Jan 13
 Heather Sanford-Johnson Jan 14
 Marilyn Handy Jan 15
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 John Orton Jan 15
 Joan Taylor Jan 16
 Diane McSweeney Jan 17
 Bernardine Gordon Jan 19



Mary Stanfield Jan 19
 Helene Bouchard Jan 20
 Bert Hansen Jan 20
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 Denise Close Jan 22
 Patricia Dempsey Jan 22
 Joan Chapman Jan 23
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<p>24</p> <p>Christmas Eve</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Christmas</p> <p>9:00A: Exercise</p> <p>10:00A: Chair Exercises</p> <p>12:30P: Bridge</p> <p>6:00P: Cards & Poker</p> <p>Christmas Brunch</p>	<p>12:00P: C</p> <p>1:00P: C</p> <p>6:00P: C</p>
<p>31</p> <p>New Years Eve Party</p>	<p>9:00A: Exercise</p> <p>10:00A: Chair Exercises</p> <p>12:30P: Bridge</p> <p>6:00P: Cards & Poker</p>	
<p>New Year's Eve</p>		

Holiday Shores

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 9:00A: Exercise 10:00A: Chair Exercises 11:00A – Christmas Party for Residents 6:00P: Cards	2 9:00 Activities Meeting
5 Pool/Billiards Games/Cards Cards/ Euchre	6 9:00A: Exercise 10:00A: Chair Exercises	7 1-4P - Music 1-3P – Hand & Foot Card Game Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day	8 9:00A: Exercise 10:00A: Chair Exercises 6:00P: Cards	9 8:00-9:30 – Polls Open 10:00 – Annual Shareholders Meeting 2P to 6P – Memorial Svc- Jean Crosman
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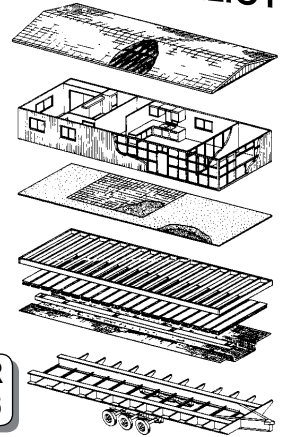
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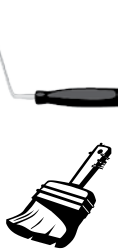
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- Art and Architecture Month
- Egg Nog Month
- Handwashing Awareness Month
- Hi Neighbor Month
- Learn a Foreign Language Month
- Made in America Month
- National Drunk and Drugged Driving (3D) Prevention Month
- National Fruit Cake Month
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- National Pear Month
- Procrastination Awareness Month
- Read a New Book Month
- Root Vegetables Month
- Safe Toys and Gifts Month
- Sign Up for Summer Camp Month
- Stress-Free Family Holiday Month
- Tomato and Winter Squash Month
- Tropical Fruits Month
- Universal Human Rights Month
- World AIDS Awareness Month
- Write a Friend Month



Weekly

- Hanukkah* (changes yearly and lasts for 8 days)
- National Handwashing Awareness Week (first week)
- National Influenza Vaccination Week* (typically first week)
- Tolerance Week (first full week)
- Human Rights Week (second week)

Daily

- December 23: Festivus, National Roots Day, National Pfeffernüsse Day
- December 24: Christmas Eve, National Egg Nog Day
- December 25: Christmas Day, National Pumpkin Pie Day
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One day, the old man Silenus wandered off from Bacchus' caravan because he was intoxicated. The rotund and aging drunkard was found passed out in a bower of roses near the palace. The servants, having a little fun, bound him with garlands of flowers and crowned him with a wreath of roses and took him stumbling and looking ridiculous to King Midas as a great joke.

Midas welcomed Silenus and entertained him for two days. Then the king led the old man back to Bacchus, the god of wine and intoxication, where he belonged. Bacchus was so glad to get Silenus back that he told Midas that whatever wish he made would come true.

Without giving the matter any thought, Midas immediately wished that whatever he touched would turn to gold. Bacchus, being a god, of course, immediately saw the folly of the king's wish, but granted it anyway.

Then Midas sat down at his table to take his dinner, but as he lifted his food to his lips he saw that it had become a lump of metal. Frightened, and beginning to suffer from hunger and thirst, he was forced to hurry off to Bacchus again and beg him to take the favor he had been granted back. Bacchus instructed the king to wash in the source of the river Pactolus and he would lose the fatal gift. The king did so, and that is why, they say, that gold was found in the bed of that river.

And what are we to take from this tale? Midas was not able to profit from his riches because he had committed a folly, which was just as fatal as sin. Even though the poor king meant no harm, he had failed to use his intelligence, and because of that he faced certain doom, had he not begged the gods to rid him of what he had asked for.

The story tells us that failing to use our intelligence can bring us to ruin just as quickly as wrongdoing. That being intoxicated with the so-called "riches" of our world can bring us down quickly, and the best course of action is to stop and think about the consequences of what we are about to ask or wish for.



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A study published in the journal *Neurology* suggests that keeping physically fit in old age can also keep the brain functioning normally.

“Our study suggests that being physically active in old age could keep the brain fit,” says study author Boukje M. van Gelder.

Physical activity can improve blood flow to the brain and in so doing reduce the risk of dementia, stroke and cognitive decline. Activity could stimulate the growth of nerve cells in the hippocampus, the region of the brain involved in memory function. This could help the brain prevent further deterioration, because there is a “reserve” of nerve cells available.

The study included data on 295 men between the ages of 70 and 90, born between 1900 and 1920. The study began in 1990, and the men were tracked for physical activity and mental agility over a 10-year period.

Researchers found:

- Men who reduced their physical activity by an hour or more were 2.6 times more likely to suffer cognitive decline than men who maintained their activity levels.
- Men who performed their physical activity at a lower intensity over a 10-year period were 3.6 times more likely to suffer cognitive decline than those who maintained intensity level.



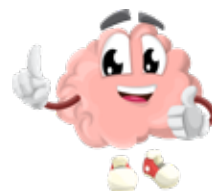
Researchers prove learning keeps brain physically fit

Researchers at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology have finally proved that when it comes to brainpower the lowdown is “use it or lose it.”

According to DrWeil.com’s Weekly Bulletin, rats that were put into a two-chambered box and then learned to avoid a darkened area through receiving unpleasant foot shocks exhibited strengthened connections among synapses in the hippocampus.

Weil says that even though this learning/brain health connection has been suspected for decades—that this evidence actually shows the physical change in the brain when learning takes place.

This is an important piece of evidence that learning keeps the brain physically strong.



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