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### PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Submitted by Jan McCoy

ere we are in 2024. A year has come and gone; flown by really. Our 2023 Board of Directors have completed their term, and, by the time of publication in early February, we



Lerm, and, by the time of publication in early February, we will have welcomed new members to the board. The committee chairs will have presented their reports at our Annual Membership Meeting reminding us of all that was accomplished, at your request and on your behalf. I'd like to extend a very special thank you to the entire board of directors. It has been a pleasure to serve with you this past year. It really has!

I'd like to recognize two departing members whose contributions have been so significant it would take pages to detail: (1) Robert Lohrman, Past President, and longtime community volunteer is stepping down after 19 years to become a real retiree and (2) Maggie Stokes, Executive Committee Treasurer, is taking a well-deserved break, stating her hobbies are calling her name. I understand it is bittersweet to make such a transition. Work can easily become one's identity as dedication and effort to accomplish pushes one right past the bus stop to Fun Town and one becomes what one does repeatedly. Let us not forget the 19 years that Bob Lohrman served (with his team of board members) brought us to where we are today. There were significant accomplishments in those many years that did not happen by osmosis. As a result, we are grateful to currently enjoy a stable, well-maintained park that has not only thrived but has grown leaps and bounds financially from where we were at the start. Thank you, Bob, for your many years of service! Sunset Palms is the park that people want to buy into because of your accomplishments. I expect you will agree Maggie Stokes holds the record for the greatest number of volunteer hours dedicated to this park in a single year bar none. Her work ethic, even in retirement, is mind blowing. Her CPA background coupled with the expertise of a detail-oriented approach to all aspects of problem solving was exactly what was required to move our operation out of the misfortune it experienced because of staffing issues. We would not be springboarding into 2024 Vision work had she not dedicated herself to the many arenas needing attention in 2023. I've observed in my career that people always load the strongest horse. Maggie, we relied on you, over and over, and you delivered. Thank you simply isn't enough; but THANK YOU! Our thoughts and prayers go out to the families who've recently lost loved ones and who are facing health challenges. We are a kind and supportive community. If we can be of assistance, please reach out. We'll do our best.

Respectfully submitted, Jan McCoy Jmccoy7814@gmail.com 603-703-6371







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Submitted by Richard Thomas, LCAM

am pleased to announce the promotion of Marilyn Corazza to the position of Assistant Manager of Sunset Palms, reporting to me. We immediately benefited from Marilyn's keen organizational skills when she joined the team. Not only did she learn the position responsibilities but she documented and improved processes at every turn. Marilyn got her Community Association Management license this past summer and we look forward to her further involvement in all aspects of the operation. Please join me in congratulating Marilyn. Well done!

Richard Thomas, LCAM Community Association Manager

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### **SPOTLIGHT - FRONT COVER**

his month's Spotlight focuses on the Wee Zee Riders.



The "Wee Zee Riders" began around 2011 when a few men wanted to do something as a group. The name was picked by John Titus who is the spokesperson, and it was decided that we would have matching yellow shirts with our logo, matching jacket for cool days and black cap.

We meet at John Titus's - 34130 Oak, 6 days a week (Monday-Saturday) 8:30am and ride 3 laps of our park @10mph = 4.2 miles, then we head on to McDonalds for coffee and socialize. We have such a friendship with McDonald's that we made Jeff (McDonald's manager) an honorary member. Also, Bill Mischier (mayor of Pinellas Park -1998 -2012) was always so supportive and enthused to see us, he was installed as an honorary member. Once a month, we bike to a small restaurant "Early Bird" near Mainlands for a group breakfast. When riding within our park we ride by "twos" and when outside the park we ride single file with helmets.

Presently we have 18 members in our group and no cost to join - just your own clothing. All members are residents of our park from all over USA and Canada. Our goal in the park is to help when needed by the social club (dinners, flea market and even sing when required) and be there for each other and have fun. The Wee Zee Riders built the Santa Claus sleigh which is used in parade and set up in front of clubhouse during Christmas season. We have a call list for our group when we get any request for help. "If you're not having fun being at it - don't be at it!

(Above reposted from Spotlight May 2023)



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### **EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM – "MANAGING MONEY"**

Submitted by Drew Lawrence

here will be an educational program titled "Managing Money" covering estate planning for seniors and families with dementia. This program topic is presented by the Gulf Coast chapter of the Alzheimer's Association.

I will be the facilitator for the session. Sign up on Bulletin Board in the Clubhouse.

Program will be Thursday February 1st, 9am - 11am in the Clubhouse. Free for all to attend.









### **CRIBBAGE**

Submitted by Madlyn Ward

he game is played on Tuesday at 1:00 pm in the library. Everyone is welcome. If you don't know how to play, we will teach you. Our group is small, but we have lots of boards. Come on down and join us!



Madlyn Ward, 157 Juniper.

### **SAVING OUR SENIORS FRESH MARKET**

Submitted by Don Barnes

his monthly occurrence is available to everyone in Sunset Palms, and it is FREE to you. (You may give a donation if you wish.)

A truck will be parked behind the Clubhouse on specific dates. You will be given a list of items available, and you circle which items you want. **There is a limit of 8 items per household.** 

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### **BINGO & SUPER BINGO**

Submitted by Julia Cadieux

### **BINGO:**

Monday nights we start selling games at 4:30 and stop selling at 5:40 to tally up the funds. Bingo then starts at 6:00.

Come on any Monday night see who will win and there are many laughs shared.

Who can yell the loudest - BINGO!!



Mark your calendar for Super Bingo for February 17, 2024.

Tickets are available and will be sold at Pancake breakfast in February (in the library) and any Monday night as long as they are available. Remember I only sell 100 tickets, so it is on a first come bases.

Super Bingo tickets are \$25.00 and will cover your game, lunch, and dessert at intermission. Doors open at 11:00, lunch is served, then we start to play Bingo at Noon.

Any questions? See me at Bingo any Monday night.



### **POKER RUN**

Submitted by Bet LeBrun

he first Poker Run of this season was held on January 14th and 18 people showed up - even if the weather was so cold! I'm sure more would have ventured out if the temperature had cooperated. A fun time was had by all, and good ideas were exchanged regarding future runs.

Congratulations to Kim Paquette – she went home with \$90.

A big thank you to all who showed up and brought their humor with them.

Stay tuned for another Poker Run date in February.

Questions or comments, contact me: (613) 323-1711 or <a href="mailto:betlebrun@hotmail.com">betlebrun@hotmail.com</a>



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### **HAND & FOOT**

Submitted by Renee Farrington

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initially meld or play. Players are dealt two sets of cards – one is their Hand, and the second set is their Foot which is placed face down at first and can only be played after the cards in the Hand have been played.



### The goal:

- 1. To get rid of all your cards in your Hand so you can play the cards in your Foot.
- 2. by melding your cards and forming Canastas (set of 7 cards, all the same rank, such as all 4's or all jacks).
- 3. while scoring more points than your opponent.

We have more detailed instructions for new players.

We meet every Monday at 1:00 pm in the Library. Ready to play?

### **SUNSHINE COMMITTEE**

Submitted by Barbara Kansorka

ollowing are the cards that were sent out in the last month:

**Thinking of You**Ann Farmer

**Get Well** Leona Buzzard Paula Kilgore

Sympathy
Amy Sullo (Brian)
James & Heidi Hamilton

If you know of someone who is under the weather, please contact me.

Barbara Kansorka bkansorka@gmail.com





### SUNSET PALMS ACTIVITIES EMAILS AND RESERVATIONS

Submitted by Maggie Stokes

unset Palms now has its own email account: SunsetPalmsActivites@gmail.com.

Kim Paquette and Danielle Rockett will be sending out the information for all social activities at the park. This includes the Social Club sponsored activities, Shuffleboard Leagues, educational programs, exercise groups, travel committee



trips & meetings, and musical excursions. If the activity is open to all Sunset Palms residents, please contact Kim and Danielle at the new email address if you wish to advertise your event.

If you are not receiving the emails, please check your promotions folder in addition to your junk mail or spam folders.

Board and Committee meetings will still use the <u>SunsetPalms3401@gmail.com</u> account. The office will continue to send out these emails.

All activities must be approved either by the Social Club or Sunset Palms management. The calendar will be maintained by the office for business purposes and by the Activities Communication Group for social events (Kim Paquette and Danielle Rockett). To request that an event be added to the calendar, login to the website (Sunsetpalms.org), click on the "Calendar" Tab and then click on the button "Submit your Event". In case of conflicting events, the official business of the park takes precedence with Social Club activities following.

### SILVER SNEAKERS

Submitted by Drew Lawrence

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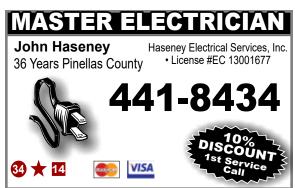
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### SUNSET PALMS CALENDAR AND CLUBHOUSE RESERVATIONS

Submitted by Maggie Stokes

he Clubhouse is a busy place during the winter season. There are lots of activities going on and we would like you to join in. To find out what is happening, check out the calendar on the website. The address is <a href="http://sunsetpalms.org/events">http://sunsetpalms.org/events</a>. Please note that you do **NOT** have to login onto the website to look at the calendar.

To reserve the Clubhouse for an event, please make sure the time is available before you make the request. The request form is on the calendar page of the website. You do need to be logged onto the website. You will receive an email verifying that the request is approved, and the calendar will be updated with your event. If you have an issue logging into the website, you may also email SunsetPalmsCalendar@gmail.com with your request.

If you are reserving the Clubhouse for a private event, you must contact the office to fill out paperwork and to leave a check for \$100. If the Clubhouse is left clean and is not damaged, your check will be returned to you. Please note you cannot limit access to the Clubhouse. Residents of the park are allowed to use the library, exercise room and restrooms.

The Clubhouse is used for multiple activities. Board of Directors meetings and Committee meetings take precedence. Recurring activities are next in line with private events being last. We encourage you to use the Clubhouse and ask that you be courteous to your fellow residents.

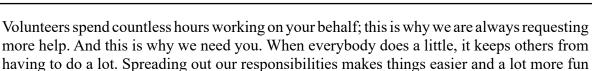
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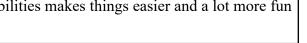
Submitted by Jamie Calandra

n Feb 9th, we will have music bingo.
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### TRAVEL CORNER

Submitted by Kim Paquette

### **NEW ORLEANS, LOUISANA (NOLA)**

ew Orleans is a vibrant and culturally rich city with numerous reasons to visit, especially during Mardi Gras. Mardi Gras, French for "Fat Tuesday," is an annual carnival celebrated predominantly in New Orleans, marking the last day before the Christian season of Lent. It's a culmination of weeks of festivities characterized by parades, vibrant costumes, music, dance, and culinary delights.

**Cultural Extravaganza:** Mardi Gras embodies the essence of New Orleans' culture, showcasing its diverse heritage through elaborate parades, music (jazz, blues), and traditional cuisines like gumbo and jambalaya.

Unique Celebrations: Witnessing the flamboyant parades with stunning floats, masked participants, and lively music is a one-of-a-kind experience. Each parade has its own theme and history, adding depth to the celebration.

Community Spirit: Mardi Gras fosters a sense of community, where locals and tourists come together to celebrate. It's a fantastic opportunity to immerse yourself in the city's warmth and hospitality.

Cruise Ship Advantage: Arriving on a cruise ship during Mardi Gras can offer unparalleled convenience. Docking minutes away from the



parade route allows you to witness the festivities from a unique vantage point - the top level of the cruise ship. If you prefer less interaction, you can enjoy a panoramic view of the parades without being amid the crowds.

**Easy Access:** Being docked near the parade route also provides easy access to the heart of the celebrations, allowing you to explore other aspects of Mardi Gras, such as local street parties, live music performances, and renowned eateries.

Canada: The relationship between Canada and New Orleans is historical and multifaceted. There's a lot of history that dates back to the mid-1700s and many French Acadians relocated to Louisiana. Canada has influenced New Orleans' cultural fabric through trade connections, immigration, and shared influences on music and cuisine. Moreover, the port of New Orleans has been pivotal in trade with Canada, facilitating the exchange of goods and contributing to the city's economic growth.

**USA:** New Orleans holds immense significance in American history and culture. It's often regarded as a cultural melting pot, blending French, Spanish, African, and American influences. The city's architecture, music, cuisine, and traditions have shaped the broader American cultural

landscape. Additionally, New Orleans' strategic location as a port city has made it a crucial center for trade and commerce within the United States.

Overall, experiencing Mardi Gras in New Orleans, especially from the vantage point of a cruise ship, offers a unique and unforgettable way to engage with the festivities while appreciating the city's cultural diversity and historical significance to both Canada and the USA.

### INVITATION

The Newfoundland Society of Florida has extended an invitation to join their Mardi Gras cruise in 2025. It's worth noting that nearly everyone in Sunset Palms has a connection to a Newfoundlander, be it a friend/family or neighbor. This cruise is open to all family and friends and resembles our memorable 2020 Sunset Palms cruise. Both NL and NOLA cultures are renowned for their exceptional warmth, friendliness, and hospitality. The fusion of these cultures and their music guarantees a wealth of unparalleled experiences that cannot be duplicated. All are encouraged to be a part of this event. Special arrangements have been made for events that will showcase a traditional "Newfie kitchen party" alongside genuine NOLA Cajun music. Both cultures have a common appreciation for the lively sounds of accordion and fiddle music. Secure your spot now and iron out the specifics later. This cruise is expected to fill up quickly, so don't miss out on this opportunity.

Prices for this 8-day cruise range from \$2000-\$2700 per person and include alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, Wi-Fi, gratuities, bus to port and organized activities.

For additional information contact Kim at 613-443-3685 or 727-603-6222.

### **BIBLE STUDY AT SUNSET PALMS**

Submitted by Scott & Renee Farrington

here is a weekly, non-denominational Bible study every **Thursday evening between 6:00**- **7:00 pm** in the Sunset Palms Clubhouse (Library).

It covers a wide variety of topics that are helpful for dealing with life's little problems (and some BIG problems too!). We offer a relaxed, come-as-you-are format. We welcome questions and discussion about the lesson. We do NOT have tests or pop quizzes. We just try to have fun (new jokes every week) and learn a little bit about the Bible.



Our teacher, Scott Farrington, has a Bachelor of Theology from Baptist Bible College (Springfield, MO) and has been teaching the Bible for over 50 years.

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### **GIVE ME FRIENDS AND MUSIC**

Submitted by Ralph Payne

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Give me friends and music And time in the sun Give me friends and music For all night long In the evening calm Down on the island Give me friends and music In Sunset Palms

Blue gulf waves on Madeira Beach Umbrellas are pined and still We can leave footprints on Clearwater Fort De Soto to Pass a Grille The sun always shines, in the blue above When rain stops from the skies Give me thanks for friends and music In this place we live with pride

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This secret is often shared about
As we walk on this sacred ground
Music rings out while sharing a drop
With friends and new ones we found
We're in this place, in the sunshine state
We found this formula out
New people walk along our streets
And this is what they're shouting about

Give me friends and music
And time in the sun
Give me friends and music
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In the evening calm
Down on the island
Give me friends and music
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Many have traded the coldest nights And the dim dark rainy skies For the sun and warm faces Where the clouds and the time flies Palm trees look down on our streets Where carports become the place With a drink, food, and music We sing along with a smiling face

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Submitted from the Office

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- ➤ Wet Wipes
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- ➤ Food, etc.
- ➤ When in doubt, DON'T FLUSH IT!



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### **MONTHLY EUCHRE PARTY**

Submitted by Kim Paquette

Te kicked off the season with an incredible turnout of 40 participants at our first Euchre party held on Saturday, December 30th. It was a lively evening filled with delightful snacks and great camaraderie. As the games concluded, several lucky winners left with smiles and prizes in hand. And,



once again, Dean Duff showcased his skills, claiming victory - after all, they say you never challenge someone over 90!

For those joining us for the Sunday Monthly Game for the first time, let me introduce you to our unique computer scramble. Each game switches up the table and partners, offering an everchanging, dynamic experience.

If you're up for a Friday afternoon game at the clubhouse or want to join our monthly group

party, everyone is welcome! Curious but new to Euchre? Reach out to me, Kim Paquette at 727-603-6222, and I'll arrange private lessons for you.

### A bit of history:

Euchre has a rich North American heritage dating back to the early 19th century. Originating as "Juckerspiel" in Alsace, it journeyed to the New World through German-speaking immigrants. The game's terminology, like "bowers" for jacks, has roots in German, deriving from the word "bauer" for farmers.

Euchre and bridge are akin, but Euchre is its faster, more spirited cousin. Both involve bidding, trumping, and teams of two, but Euchre brings its own flair. In Euchre, four players on two teams aim to secure at least three tricks, with a bonus for winning all five. The strategy? Play the highest-ranking card to claim victory in each round.

### FROM THE EDITOR

Submitted by Bet LeBrun

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Many thanks to all who helped with and contributed to this month's newsletter.

You can access the monthly newsletter as well as the calendar at https://sunsetpalms.org/.

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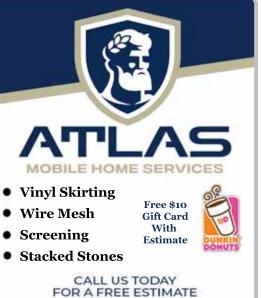


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1	Donald Smith	10	Jeffrey Duff	21	Tom Conner	happy
1	Peggy Lerch	11	Willie Roldan	23	Ken Land	with
1	Phil Thoms	12	Beth Beaupre	23	John Titus	*13
2	Michael Zwicker	12	Marilyn Moore	23	Carole Titus	T *
3	Sharon Bell	12	Donna Christensen	23	Myrna MacIvane	*
3	Mark Trimboli	14	Harry Harvey	24	Dennis Michaud	D
3	Brenda McCarthy	14	Maureen Harvey	24	Elaine Greenland	K
5	Lloyd Holbrook	15	Sue Webb	25	Beate Eates	
5	Wayne Tibbo	16	Barb Evans	25	Inke Veltman	4
6	Donna Conner	17	David Brown	26	Robert Murphy	- *
7	Eleanor Pearlman	17	Billie Barnes	27	Carolyn Frampton	4D
7	Kathleen Tiedt	17	Paul Edwards	27	Mabel O'Quinn	*D
7	Kathleen Hornyak	17	Alicia Sutherland	27	John Hulley	A
8	Gert Burke	18	Edward DiMascio	27	Carmen Aponte	*
8	Bruce Link	18	Trisha Donze	28	Ben Osmond	
9	Lynn Cook	19	Donald Bos	28	Norma Head	
10	Olive Morey	19	Ron Harris			

### **FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES**

- 2 Myrna & Gerry Mac Ilvane
- 4 Karen & Dean Duff
- 5 Nancy & Bill Anderson
- 7 Barbara & Mickey Henson
- 11 Patricia & Peter Fowler
- 12 Pat & Bob François
- 14 Tina & Tony St. Anthony
- 14 Evelyn & Don Chambers
- 21 Linda & Joe Bossio
- 26 Priscilla & John Thomas





NOTE: If your birthday or anniversary doesn't show up, it may be because we don't have it. If you would like to have it shown in the Spotlight Newsletter in the "event" month, please let me know and I will add it to the master list. On the other hand, if you don't want your event to be published, I can remove it from the list - no questions asked.

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Carport Sale, Feb. 3, 2024. East Bay Oaks and Eldorado Village. 601 Starkey Rd. 8am-2pm. NO EARLY BIRDS

SUGAR CREEK CARPOT SALE. SATURDAY, FEB. 3RD - 8AM-1PM. 10265 ULMERTON RD, LARGO

Carport Sale: February 3rd, 8am-noon. Golden Acres RO Park. 1040 Main St., Dunedin FL

Community Yard Sale: Holiday Shores Park, Feb 9th and 10th. Entrances on 104th Avenue North and 106th Avenue North, Largo. 8AM to 2PM

### **EVENTS & PROGRAMS**

CARPOT SALE- RANCHERO VILLAGE, 7100 Ulmerton Road, Largo. Saturday, February 10, 2024 from 8 am to 3 pm

HUGE carport sale inside and outside the clubhouse. Browse in comfort. Clearwater Cascades, 9790 66th St. North, Pinellas Park. February 17th, 8-2pm. Furniture, décor, housewares, tools. Refreshments available.

BriarCreek Community Annual Bizaar. 2/23 5-7pm. 2/24 8am-1pm. 3175 McMullen Booth Road. South of Mease Hospital.

Flea Market Sat. Feb. 24th, 8-12 pm. Colonial Village, 2000 East Bay Drive, Largo. Furniture, Kitchen appliances, housewares, bicycles, clothing, homebaking.

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2 Day Yard Sale Friday and Saturday March 1st and 2nd. Outdoors and in clubhouse. 8am-3pm. Bake Sale in Clubhouse and Refreshments available. LaPlaza MHP 6700 150th Ave N. Clearwater

White Elephand & Bake Sale: Saturday March 2, 2024, 8am-1pm. Small appliances, furniture, lamps, dishes, linens, jewelry, baked goods, lunch. Lake Highlander Park, 1500 Country Road 1, Dunedin

### **EVENTS & PROGRAMS**

Palm Hill Country Club Annual Bazaar. Saturday, March 2nd, 8am- 1pm. 1800 Seminole Blvd, Largo.

Lake Seminole Resort Spring Flea Market, Bake Sale and Lunch on Saturday, March 2nd, 9:00am -1:00pm. Located at 10245 110th Ave. N., Largo Florida

Sugar Creek Craft & Bake Sale. Saturday, March 2, 2024. 9:00-2:00. 10265 Ulmerton Rd.

Blue Jay Estates-Annual Community Rummage Sale. Friday, 3/8 and Saturday, 3/9. 8am-1pm. Bake Sale and Lunch available Saturday only. Clubhouse and deck. 2755 Curlew Road, Palm Harbor, 34684

Craft Fair, 3-16-24. 8-1pm. Palm Hill Country Club, 8th Ave Clubhouse. Crafts, food, & Baked Goods

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