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#### PARADISE ISLAND UPDATE

Pat Walker, Guest Contributor

hank you all for attending the January Association Meeting and participating in the election of the 2025-2026 Park 1 Association board. Your new officers are:

President --- Cheryl Mathews
1st Vice President --- Vern Lusk
2nd Vice President --- Arlene Lueck\*
Treasurer --- Peggy Lyter
Secretary --- Kathy Kreiman

\*- Arlene has agreed to serve temporarily until a full time resident becomes available. Please give these new officers your full support as we go forward. They have ideas to generate new life into our community; the outgoing board fully supports their efforts and thanks them for their willingness to accept the challenges of leadership.

Well, I thought we had seen the last of the cold weather but early January proved me wrong once again. The snowbirds didn't seem to mind the icy temps but those of us who have been in Florida for years had a difficult time adjusting. I hibernated on the coldest days and even wore socks to bed on a few occasions. I assure you that I will open my next Duke Energy billing with great trepidation hoping I have sufficient funds to pay it. Oh, right, I forgot that I got a huge boost in my Social Security allowance – that should cover it. Not!

In January Park 1 held what must have been at least our 50th annual White Elephant Sale. I can remember of only one time when we were rained out, but many times when those of us handling the outside tables nearly froze our fingers and toes off. Actually it happened again only a couple of years ago when the men selling furniture from the open garage were like walking icicles. Even Paul Watts who never gets cold had to come into the clubhouse occasionally to warm up.

As always our community came together to get items set up and sold, and afterwards boxed the unsold items for donation to charity. Thank you to all who helped in any way – and especially to those who came and spent their hard earned dollars – we really appreciate your support. Once again Lei Crance organized everything so the sale went without a hitch, and the Hobby Club ladies got all the items sorted and priced. What a great team! Thank you all. And special recognition to Don Heller who made us a brand new White Elephant sign to post on Lake Haven Road to attract attention. Fantastic job, Don! Thank heaven he finished this project before he broke his arm. He also renewed our bingo machine – what a great guy!

Speaking of bingo – January saw another popular event – Special Bingo. Every year we set aside a week to reward our faithful players with a few extra \$\$\$ to thank them for their support. The prizes are not huge but larger than normal; however the downside is, that to win, players must be willing to indulge my creative games. While I describe them as creative some have the audacity

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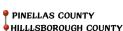
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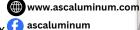




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of accusing me of heavily imbibing before I make them up – I resent that accusation, a small glass of wine cannot be construed as "heavily imbibing". LOL Special Bingo is a fun night AND attendees get to partake in extra special intermission desserts. The thing they appreciate most however is that there is an even greater number of cash drawings they have the opportunity to win. I'm considering forgoing the games and just having drawings.  $\odot$ 

Thank you Peggy, Kathy and Cheryl for the opportunity to just sit back and enjoy the January Pot Luck Dinner – what a treat for both Lei and me. Peggy made her Mom's "special" sloppy joe recipe which certainly met the taste test. In lieu of a pot luck dinner in February Cheryl has planned a Lake Haven community-wide Carnival event which will also serve as a membership drive. There will be carnival type food available and carnival games including a Cake Walk. She will need donations of small cakes for that game so plan on donating if you can. More details will be announced on Facebook and by flyers in your white tubes. Everyone is invited to this midafternoon event.

Richard Crance initiated Men's Poker in January and had a great turnout – seems that almost everyone in Lake Haven likes to part with their money. Actually the antes are small but the fun is huge, so guys if you're not busy on Wednesday nights c'mon over and join in. That dynamic duo known as CC and John Corley hosted the first of their 2025 Karaoke Nights – and had a super turnout. Seems that in addition to risking our money in games, we also like to perform by belting out a tune or two – or is it just lip syncing? Whatever – it's great fun. If you are hesitant or uncertain about getting up and testing your pipes before a crowd, trust me CC will get you on stage even if she has to drag you there. Not really, but she will certainly encourage you, and the attendees are very supportive. I haven't ever heard a boo......but I won't push the envelope by hopping on stage myself for I was not gifted with any musical talent and I fear the boos would be loud and long. I will spare us all that embarrassment by just sitting on the sidelines and cheering for everyone else. Karaoke is once a month through May so take advantage of this fun event. As a final note, all three parks are encouraging their residents to attend other parks events – this helps us to come together as one community – and besides you'll have fun and who doesn't want that.

That's enough from me – see you around the park and for certain at the monthly Association meetings. Best wishes to our new leadership team.



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#### **PARK 2 TREASURE COVE**

Secretary: Jeanette Powers

Tt has been a pretty chilly winter so far even some of our Snow Birds are wearing sweatshirts and jackets!!!

Reminder: Monthly meetings are the second Tuesday of each month at 7pm. We need volunteers and your ideas for upcoming events.

February 15th is our Trash to Treasure Rummage Sale and Bake Sale 8:30am to 1pm. Donations for sale can be dropped off at the clubhouse on February 13th and 14th. Bake goods can be dropped off on the 14th and the morning of the sale by 8:30am. If you are interested in having your own table, they will be rented for \$20/table. Must be paid in advance by February 7th. Please contact Sue at Lot 280 or Grace at Lot 240.

#### **Scheduled Events:**

- Monthly Meeting Feb. 11th 7pm
- Rummage/Bake Sale Feb. 15th 8:30am to 1pm
- Family Feud Feb. 22nd 6:30pm
- Game Night Feb. 28th 6:30pm
- St. Patricks Golf Cart Parade/ BBQ March 15th 4pm. Spring Lottery Tree Sales to begin.
- Game Night March 28th 6:30pm
- Pooch Parade/Dog Show April 6th 1pm to 4pm. Followed by Lottery Tree Drawing

Keep watching for events on the poster board in the clubhouse. Look for updates and details in your tubes and Lake Haven Happenings on Facebook.



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#### **PARK 3 GUANA CAY**

Interim President: Bobby Kawasaki

s we settle into the New Year, we continue to have BIG NEWS from the Park 3 Association. In the January meeting a motion was raised to have Tracey Rast become a permanent member of the Park 3 Association Board of Directors. We are happy to announce that Tracey

has accepted the position and will serve as our Vice President. Join us in welcoming Tracey to the Board.

The Entertainment Committee has announced and scheduled several events for February:

Sunday February 9th – SB Football Party Saturday February 15th – Studio 54 / Disco Party Sunday February 23rd – Hair of the Dog

Reminders: Bocce Ball every Tuesday at 3:00 pm. Bar Poker on Wednesday February 5th and 19th.

Please check Facebook and the Announcement Tubes for updates and more details.

The Park 3 Rummage / Bake Sale has been set for Saturday March 8th. We are heavily dependent on the wonderful volunteers and bakers from the community and all your generous donations. More details to follow on how to volunteer (workers and bakers) and when/where to drop off donations for the sale.

The next Park 3 Association Meeting will be Wednesday February 5th at 10:00 am. We will serve coffee and donuts and the 50/50 Raffle is BACK!

Have a wonderful February!



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#### **Lake Haven HOA**

Interim President: Bobby Kawasaki



Tencourage everyone who can to attend and participate in the Annual Meeting.

How can you add value to this meeting? Every resident's input is needed for the following:

#### Set Priorities for 2025.

- The current Park Manager has been transparent and responsive to smaller issues the Board has raised. We want to continue to address as many of these items as possible.
- Larger issues (Park 3 Fountain, Canal Seawall Erosion, Sidewalk Repair and Water/Sewer Infrastructure) continue to be a challenge getting prioritized and completed. The Board will keep pressing Park Management/Ownership on these items.

#### Preparations for 2026 Lot Rent Increase.

- We are in the second year of a two-year lot rent agreement with ELS.
- Lot rent negotiations with the Park Owner cannot start until October 2025 after the Rent Increase Letter has been issued and a negotiation committee has been established. However, we need to start preparing for our presentation NOW by documenting ongoing, systemic issues that have resulted in a reduction/loss of services or utilities.

#### HOA Board Nominees and Elections.

• Members of the HOA shape the composition and the direction of the HOA Board through the election process. Make sure that YOUR board represents your concerns and needs.

We are here to serve you. As stated in the by-laws, the HOA Board of Directors are responsible for the following:

- 1. To represent all homeowners in negotiations with the Park Owner on Prospectus and Rules & Regulation issues.
- 2. To promote the general welfare of Lake Haven homeowners.
- 3. To foster, assist, and promote social and recreational programs within the Community.

Your questions, feedback, and participation are always welcome!



# Did You Know?

Groundhog Day is actually based on a German superstition? Instead of a groundhog, Germany uses a badger.

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# **Lake Haven**

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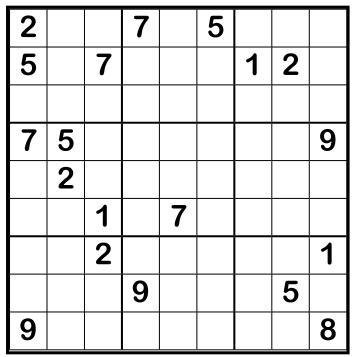
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#### **February Major Holidays**

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Valentine's Day (February 14): A day to celebrate love and affection.



Presidents' Day (February 19): Honoring all U.S. presidents, past and present.

#### **Monthly Observances**

**Black History Month:** Celebrating the contributions and history of African Americans.

American Heart Month: Raising awareness about heart health.

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#### **Weekly Observances**

Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week (February 7-14)

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National Eating Disorders Awareness Week (February 25-March 3)

#### **Daily Observances**

February 1: National Freedom Day, National Dark Chocolate Day

February 2: Groundhog Day, World Wetlands Day

February 3: National Carrot Cake Day, National Golden Retriever Day

February 4: National Homemade Soup Day, National Thank a Mail Carrier Day

February 5: World Nutella Day, National Weatherperson's Day

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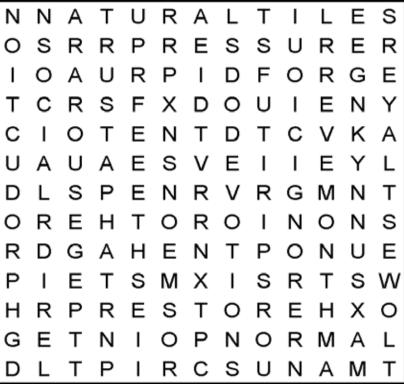
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- 1. Radiolocation
- 6. Combines
- 10. Not yours
- 14. Lacquer ingredient
- 15. Highlands dagger
- 16. Computer symbol
- 17. Another time
- 18. African sheep
- 19. Fluff
- 20. Administration
- 22. Lascivious look
- 23. Kiss
- 24. Not clean
- 25. National symbol
- 29. Temporary
- 31. Beaming
- 33. Plane engine enclosure
- 37. Seek revenge
- 38. Keep in custody
- 39. Trigonometric function
- 41. Made broader
- 42. Intestinal
- 44. Overhaul
- 45. Ready for anything
- 48. Flower feature
- 50. Stinging insects
- 51. Highland native
- 56. Farm building
- 57. Border
- 58. Hesitate
- 59. Largest continent
- 60. Winglike
- 61. Expend
- 62. Exude
- 63. Colors
- 64. S S S



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- 1. Unit of paper
- 2. Seaweed
- 3. College bigwig
- 4. Dogfish
- 5. Finger jewelry
- 6. Unyielding
- 7. Frank
- 8. Intoxicated
- 9. Short theatrical episode
- 10. 10 to the centimeter
- 11. More aloof
- 12. 9 person musical group

13. Door

- 21. Distinguished
- 24. Cut into cubes
- 25. Social group
- 26. Molten rock
- 27. Gulf port
- 28. Spicy cookie
- 30. Extreme
- 32. Go-between
- 34. Alley
- 35. Told an untruth
- 36. Prefix meaning
- "Within"

- 40. In a lukewarm way
- 41. Shrivels
- 43. West Indies music
- style
- 45. Old Jewish scholars
- 46. Rent
- 47. Spooky
- 49. Oversight
- 51. Noggin
- 52. Short sleeps
- 53. Member's fee
- 54. Slave
- 55. Crimsons



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Carport Sale Feb. 1, 2025. East Bay Oaks and Eldorado Village. 601 Starkey Rd and 2505 East Bay Dr. 8am-2pm. NO EARLY BIRDS

Embassy Mobile Park, Inc. Saturday, February 8th, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Park-wide Yard Sale. Off of East Bay just west of Tri City Plaza, come in by Wendy's onto Pine Forest Dr. 16416 US Highway 19 N, Clearwater-Largo area.

CARPORT SALE - RANCHERO VILLAGE, 7100 Ulmerton Road, Largo. Saturday, February 8, 2025 from 8AM to 3 PM

Community Carport Sale Saturday February 8th. Hillcrest MHP from 8-1. Food available at the clubhouse. 2346 Druid Rd, Clearwater.

Carport Sale: Sugar Creek. 10265 Ulmerton, Largo. Saturday, February 8, 2025. 8am-1pm

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

Huge carport sale outside and inside. Browse in comfort! Furniture, art, housewares. Saturday, February 15th 8am-NOON 9790 66th St. North, Pinellas Park. Refreshments available.

Carport Sale, Saturday February 22nd 8:00 am to Noon. Golden Acres Rd Park. 1040 Main St Dunedin, Florida

#### **EVENTS & PROGRAMS**

Community Carport Sales. Oak Crest MHP, 9925 Ulmerton Road, Largo and Acorn MHP, 435 16th St. SE, Largo. Saturday, 2/22, 8-1. Rain date February 23. Lunch available at the Pavilion.

DORAL VILLAGE YARD SALE BIZAAR, Saturday, February 22nd, 8am -1pm, 29250 US Hwy 19N, Clearwater. Furniture, Clothing, Linens, Books, Electronics, Glassware, Jewelry, Kitchen Items, Baked Goods, Lunch, and Great Raffles and Prizes!

Blue Jay Estates Annual Community Rummage Sale. Friday, February 28 and Saturday, March 1, 2025. 8am to 1pm. Bake Sale and Lunch available both days. Clubhouse and deck. 2755 Curlew Road, Palm Harbor, FL 34684

2 Day Park Wide Yard Sale Friday February 28 and Saturday March 1st. 8am-1pm. La Plaza MHP 6700 150th Ave N. Clearwater. Our Semiannual Bake Sale will be located at Lot 824 for both days

# March Events

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

Sat. March 1st, 8-12noon. Flea Market, Colonial Village, 2000 East Bay Drive, Largo. Furniture, Kitchen appliances, housewares, bicycles, clothing, homebaking.

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

#### **EVENTS & PROGRAMS**

White Elephant & Bake Sale, Lake Highlander Park, 1500 #1, Dunedin. Saturday 3/1/25, 8:00am-1:00pm. Small appliances, furniture, lamps, liners, jewelry, baked goods, household appliances, tools, outdoor furniture, miscellaneous. Snacks and drinks.

Ranch Mobile Park, Park-Wide Yard Sale, Saturday, March 1, 2025, 8:00am -2:00pm at: 6800 - 150th Ave. N., Clearwater (Largo)

Regency Heights Carport Sale Friday and Saturday March 7-8. 8am-2pm. 2550 State Rd. 580 Clearwater

Palm Hill 2nd Annual Craft Fair. March 15, 8am-1pm. 28 Tables Inside. North Clubhouse- 8th Ave Entrance Largo

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