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TMHA MESSAGE

From Louise Bonnette President

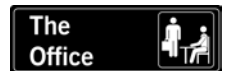
It's the beginning of February as I write this and heading to record highs! Living in Florida is quite an adventure. We had the TMHA elections and have 2 new people on the board. Here are the results.

President Louise Bonnette	Director Steve Janics
Vice President Natalie Cholewa	Director Judy Owen
Secretary Tom Ritchie	Director Byron Wren
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Congratulations to all and looking forward to serving all the residents of Teakwood! We meet the first Tuesday of the Month at Aloha at 1pm and residents are welcome to attend. Check out all the events and fun times that are happening on the East and West. Enjoy!

FROM THE MAIN OFFICE

Submitted by Lori Figler



Hello and happy March! First thing is I would like to thank everyone who turned in the Resident List/Census with their photo IDs and ask that anyone who has not done so make sure that it happens. This is not for Teakwood, but for the State of Florida. Second, don't forget that the rent increase has gone into effect as of March 1st.

****The cleaning of the Aloha Clubhouse will now be done between 11:30 AM and 1:30 PM on Wednesdays. Please make sure to plan any activities outside of these hours so that Teakwood can keep the clubhouse clean.**

****Dial Directories: Make sure that we have any changes or new numbers that you want to be**

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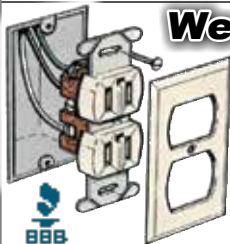


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in the yellow phone books. February 28 was the cutoff date for the upcoming 2025-26 Dial Directories. Please keep your eyes peeled around May as I will state in this article that the new books are out and we will post it in the clubhouses. You will need to pick up your copy from one of Teakwood's offices. We still have 2024-25 books if you have not picked up your copy. **Now for the big one. Common areas and pools. Yes, we are having a lot of people who are not following the Rules. You MUST accompany your guest(s) to all common areas and pools unless you have obtained Management permission in writing prior to your guest's arrival. Children under 18 years old, must be accompanied by an adult and are not allowed in the hot tub without adult supervision. Alcohol, food and non-plastic containers are not allowed in swimming pool areas. Please make sure to read and obey all posted rules at the swimming pools. We are seeing an uptick in people who are not following the Rules of the pool and hot tub and it is becoming a health and safety hazard for all.

Please take note and have a Happy National Umbrella Month.

USEFUL PARK INFORMATION

- WATERING DAYS: Even # homes Thursday & Sunday; Odd # homes Wednesday & Saturday; NO WATERING BETWEEN 10 A.M.-4 P.M on any day Non-potable only may be used
- GARBAGE COLLECTION: Tuesdays – regular household trash, Fridays – regular trash & bulk items. Weeds & plant trimmings must be bagged or tied in a manageable bundle if there are large branches
- Teakwood Management Office: 531 Commerce Dr; Largo FL 33770 727-584-8684
- Young at Heart Volunteer Helpers: For simple plumbing, electrical, moving furniture etc. call Don Monroe 727-269-3669 to schedule time. There is no set charge but a donation to Young at Heart is appreciated.





TEAKWOOD EAST SOCIAL CLUB OFFICERS & COMMITTEES

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Activity Coordinator	Pegg	630-440-6480
Welcome Committee.....	Linda Sawyer.....	702-354-0633
.....	Kat Ermish.....	972-841-7137

The Social Club Board meeting will be March 6th at 1:00 PM

The Social Club Members Business meeting is March 11th after coffee

NOTES FROM THE SOCIAL CLUB PRESIDENT

Janice Ross



Upon becoming your new president, I just want to say that I will try to do my very best to be diplomatic to the best of my ability. I will be honest and fair. I want the best for all those who are part of this club. I want to thank all of you who have given me words of encouragement and said you will help me out in any way you can as I take on this task. I know I will be unable to please everyone but will do my best in all situations. I have a wonderful Executive Board to work with who also have the best interest of the club in mind as we work for you.

SOCIAL CLUB MEMBERSHIP FOR 2025

The 2025 Social Club memberships are on sale at Tuesday Koffee Klatch. The \$2 membership fee is good from January 1 – December 31, 2025. Anyone wishing to get the lower cost of tickets for our special events throughout the year must purchase a 2025 membership. We have some great events coming up that you won't want to miss & will be glad to get the lower rate for these activities.

We encourage new residents to come to coffee, hear what is going on in the Village and take a minute to chat with Vickie Rios who is in charge of Social Club membership.

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WELCOME COMMITTEE

Linda Sawyer and Kat Ermish, our Teakwood East 'Welcome Committee', would like to meet and greet new residents to our community. If you are new to Teakwood East or know of someone who has recently moved into the Village please contact Linda or Kat. They have a welcome gift bag with useful information about the area and some goodies including a free Social Club membership that is good for January 1 – December 31, 2025.

DON'T FORGET!!!!

For those people who are in charge of running weekly or monthly activities, please make sure you have filled out a new form for the 2025 calendar year for your activity. If you have not, your day/time may be taken by someone else who wants to organize an on-going activity.

In the next month or two our snowbirds will be heading north. Please let me know as soon as possible what the last date of your weekly/monthly activity will be.

MARCH 2025 BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BY GEORGIANNA BOUCHER

BIRTHDAYS:

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4th "Dick" John Adams
5th Bill Pitrof
5th Debra Snyder
6th Marianne Rohlfs
7th Harold Voigt
12th Ed Hatch
13th Marilyn "Boots" Portegys
14th Jeffrey Stewarts
17th Rebecca Parke
17th Patsy Ervin
19th Kerry Scott
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28th Theresa Broad
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CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES TO ALL! To add, delete or correct, please call Georgianna Boucher 603-8820352 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.

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**



SUNSHINE REPORT FOR JANUARY 10, 2024 – FEBRUARY 9, 2025

Submitted by: Ruby Torino

Sympathy cards sent to the families of:
Pauline Cooke who passed away on 1/21/2025. Cards can be mailed to son Gary Cooke @ 38 Queens Ln Epsom NH 03234 Gunther Grunschel, resident at 686 Red Wing Circle passed away on 1/31/2025. Cards can be mailed to son David Grunschel at 499 Tide Water Dr. Warwick RI 02889.

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. Out of respect for the privacy of the individual, it needs to be a family member or a very close friend to inform me. Thanks.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST



People look forward to the first Saturday of each month because it means they can enjoy a great pancake breakfast prepared and served by Roland Lausier and his crew. Join your friends and neighbors at Aloha from 7:30 – 9:00 A.M. for his delicious pancakes and sausage March 1st. The tickets are \$4 and can be purchased at Tuesday coffee.

KOFFEE KLATCH – NEED HOSTS!!

Submitted by Sharon Sklar

Still need Hosts for the following dates:

April 1st & 8th

April 29th & May 6th

December 9th & December 16th

As I have mentioned before, if there are no hosts for a particular week then there is NO coffee. Koffee Klatch is every Tuesday at the Aloha Clubhouse starting at 9:00 A.M. The cost is \$3 for two donuts and all the coffee/tea you can drink. Please bring your own cup/mug and plate. Even if you don't drink coffee or eat donuts, we would like to see you. There is no charge for just sitting and catching up with friends or meeting new ones. We encourage all residents to stop by as this is the place to hear about all of the upcoming special events and purchase tickets for these activities.



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KARAOKE NIGHT

KARAOKE

The Social Club presents Karaoke Night with Larry Lancaster, hosted by Judy Glenn. All Teakwood residents East & West are invited to sing. It’s a FREE event for residents and any visiting family or friends who may be staying with them. It will be at the Aloha Clubhouse March 6th from 6:00 – 9:00 pm. We will have Share the Wealth. B.Y.O. B and snacks if you like.

DERBY RACES

Submitted by Sandy Miller

We are getting ready for the last race of the season on March 9th at the Aloha Hall. Hopefully we will see you all there. Doors open at 6:00 PM and the first race starts at 7:00 PM. All bets for that race must be placed at the betting table before the race begins. Please, no writing on your forms... only the Betting Tables or the Winning Table are allowed to do that.

The kitchen will be open for water, soda, popcorn and ice cream or you may B.Y.O. I do need a few volunteers as it does “take a village” to run the event to ensure everyone has a fun night. Let’s make the last race a good one. Everyone is welcome, East and West and we encourage new residents to join us. The cost is only \$5 which is cheap for such a fun night out. All of the money is paid back in top prize and door prize money. I hope to see everyone there.

FUN NIGHT WITH MUSIC AT TEAKWOOD

Submitted by Ruby Torino

The next Fun Night With Music concert is on March 15, 2025 at Aloha. Our main objective is to be part of our community by giving and to help our Largo Public School children. All proceeds we collect from tickets sales and tips are 100% donated to the Young at Heart. Every donation you make, great or small can make a difference in someone’s life. Some of the songs that the group will be playing, to name a few, are by Fleetwood Mac, Eagles,



Lady Gaga, Alan Jackson, Alabama and, of course, Elvis Presley. Our concert is going to be a “Little Bit Country, a Little Bit Rock & Roll”. We have two new members in our group that play rhythm guitar and bass guitar. All of our members are great musicians and wonderful singers and they are ready to entertain you.

Doors will be open at 6:00PM, concert starts at 6:30PM. The cost is \$4.00. Please join us for a fun-filled night of music, relaxing and enjoying time with friends. Let us entertain you, and let’s have some fun together. It is for a great cause. Hope to see you there!

If you cannot make it to Tuesday Coffee and you need tickets, you may contact Ruby Torino @ Cell: (630) 440-6480 Email: rbytorino@yahoo.com.

ST. PATRICK’S DAY DANCE



Let the Irish pixie in you loose on March 17th at the Aloha Hall beginning at 7:00 PM. Soulfish will be providing the music. The tickets are \$10 for members and \$13 for non-members and guests and are on sale at coffee or by contacting Donna or Ed Hatch who are our hosts for the evening. So put on your dancing shoes, practice your brogue and join us for a fun evening!

BINGO

Our next fun night of Bingo is March 19th. This activity is open to Teakwood East and West residents and their visiting friends and/or family. The first game will start promptly at 6:30 but the doors will open at 4:30 to buy your cards and find a seat. Cut-off time for buying cards is 6:00 P.M. The kitchen will be open before the game starts and during intermission for hot dogs, snacks and beverages.

SPAGHETTI DINNER

Mangiamo – Let’s eat! Please join us on Saturday March 22nd at 5:00 pm at the Aloha Clubhouse. On the menu are Spaghetti, meatballs, salad, garlic bread and dessert. Tickets are \$8 for members and \$10 for non-members and guests. We will have Share the Wealth. Come for the food, stay for the camaraderie!



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FAREWELL DANCE

FAREWELL

It is always a little sad to say goodbye to friends and neighbors who spend the summer months up north but it is a good reason to have a dance! This is a FREE EVENT but be sure to B.Y.O. snacks and beverages. Music will be provided by Tom Davis, a favorite entertainer here at Teakwood. The date is March 28th and the dance starts at 7:00 PM at the Aloha Clubhouse. Don & Sue Sewell will be our hosts for this event.

TROUBADOURS SPRING CONCERT

Submitted by Bill O’Sullivan

The Troubadours would like to thank everyone who attended and helped stage a very successful Jukebox concert on January 25, 2025. Your enthusiasm and singing was greatly appreciated and your generosity from the last two concerts raised over \$2000.00 that was donated to Hope Villages of America (food bank). The Troubadours’ next concert will be on Saturday, March 29th, 7:00 PM at Aloha Hall, doors open at 6:00. The Troubadours full band will be performing a wide range of dance music including classic Rock & Roll, Pop, Motown and Country and other musical hits from the 1950’s to the present. The cost is \$5.00 and all proceeds again go to Hope Villages of America. Tickets will go on sale mid February through March at the East and West morning coffee klatches. Tickets will also be available at the door or can be purchased by contacting Ben Cortez(727-242-6093) or Bill O’Sullivan (727-584-3856). This concert will be highly entertaining. See you there!

MONTHLY LADIES LUNCH

submitted by Bitsy Lajoie



We will continue to get together once a month for a Ladies Lunch in 2025. Check the bulletin board in the Aloha Clubhouse for more information and to sign-up.

CARD CLASS

Submitted by Ann Cortez

The March Greeting Card Workshop will be held on March 6, 2025 at 10 am in the Tiki Hall. This is for those who signed up by the February deadline. The next Greeting Card Workshop will be held on April 3, 2025 at 10 am in the Tiki Hall. There will be a sign up sheet for this class in the Tiki Hall until March 19, 2025 at which time it will be taken down so I have time to prepare everything for the class. You do not need to bring anything to the class, as materials are provided. The cost is \$10 to make 5 cards.



ANNUAL VARIETY SHOW

Thanks to all who participated and to Judy Glenn for once again organizing this fun event.



WALK AEROBICS

Submitted by Audrey Wilson



I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the Aloha Hall at 8:30 AM every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday for Walk Aerobics. If you are just starting don't worry if you can't do the full 3 miles that we have gradually worked up to. Just do what feels comfortable.

POOL AEROBICS

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BID EUCHRE

Submitted by Marilyn O'Sullivan

Bid Euchre will continue on Sundays at 6:30 in Tiki clubhouse. The cost is \$2.00. Our last evening for this season will be Sunday, March 30th. Everyone is welcome!

CANASTA

Canasta is on Monday nights at 5:00 PM at the Tiki Hall. Please arrive about 15 minutes early to pick teams. The cost to play is \$0.75. Everyone is welcome.

TABLE POOL



Tuesdays 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, MEN & WOMEN!

TARABISH

Shelly Shepphard is organizing this new weekly card game, which will be every Tuesday evening at 7:30 at the Tiki Clubhouse. I looked this up on the internet and the origins are a bit muddled though it is believed the card game started in WWI when soldiers wanted to play a game but had lost some of the cards. This is the end result and sounds like a lot of fun!

DOMINOES

Please 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.



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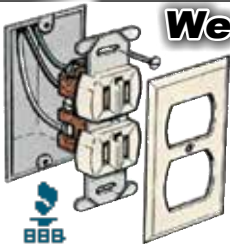
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CRIBBAGE

Looking 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).

LINE DANCING

Submitted by Phyllis Melanson

Line dance classes take place every Thursday at the Aloha clubhouse from 9:30 to 11:00 A.M. Classes are open to the men and women from the East and West sides, whether you've danced before or not. I start with very easy dances at 9:30 so if you are a beginner, 9:30 is the time for you. We have lots of fun and lots of laughs.

SHUFFLE BOARD

Submitted by Bob Gilleran



Join in the fun at the Aloha shuffleboard court. Regular shuffleboard is on Thursdays at 10:00 A.M. New players are welcome! Horse Collar shuffleboard is played on Friday at 1:00 P.M. the cost is \$1 per player and all money is paid out in prizes at the end of the game.

Due to the holiday, there will be NO regular shuffleboard on January 2nd or Horse Collar on January 3rd. Both regular and Horse Collar shuffle will continue through the end of March.

CO-ED POKER

Thursday night poker has gone co-ed so practice your shuffle and put on your best poker face and join us for Poker every Thursday evening at the Tiki Clubhouse starting at 5:00 pm.

UNLUCKY 7

Come 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.



LADIES POKER

Hey ladies, do you love to play Texas Hold ‘Em, 5 Card Draw or perhaps 7 Card Stud? Well, here’s your chance. Come join the group at the Tiki Clubhouse on Fridays at 12:30 p.m. (Green poker visor optional).

BUNCO

Submitted by Laurie Goudreau & Roland Lausier

Come join us on Friday nights at the Aloha Clubhouse. The cost to play is \$5 and all money is given out in prizes – please bring small bills! We start play at 6:30 sharp so please come a little early to get your Bunco card and seat. The kitchen will be open before we start and at intermission for snacks, ice cream, soda & water (\$1 each) coffee is free. Please join us for an evening of fun!

IMPORTANT DATE CHANGE: There will be no Bunco on Friday 3/28 due to the Farewell Dance

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A MESSAGE TO OUR TEAKWOOD WEST RESIDENTS

-Natalie Cholewa

January seemed to never end but the month of February has gone by so fast... but we have a lot more to come here in Teakwood!

We want to congratulate Tom Richey for being elected to the Secretary position on the TMHA Board. Tom will be a great asset to the board, and we look forward to his contributions! The Chili Cookoff, chaired by MJ Schultz, was a fun event. The chili entries were tasty and attendance was great...so great that we almost ran out of chili ! Congratulations to the winners Kelly Follweiler(1st), Debbie Harvey Shippey(2nd), Natalie Green(3rd) and John Morse for Honorable Mention. Thanks to Bob Schultz for running our Superbowl activities !

As we are working on March's calendar, there are a few reminders-

1. The Food Pantry will be at the clubhouse on the 17th with distribution going out at 12:00 noon.
2. St Patrick's day dance will be on March 17th from 7pm -10pm with a great DJ by the name of Carl Motyka. Tickets are on sale now at \$7 for social club members, \$10 for guests and non-members.
3. Jon's Pancake breakfast is on March 15th from 8-10am Tickets are \$6
4. Hard to believe, but we are working on our annual Farewell to Friends gathering which is going to be on March 26th from 3pm-5pm at the clubhouse. As of this writing, we are going over the menu but look for the sign-up sheet in the clubhouse. Social Club members must get their FREE ticket so we know how much food (meats/rolls) to buy.
5. Wine & Cheese Event with Music Bingo will be on March 28th from 7-10pm. Tickets are on sale at \$7 for Members and \$10 for guests and non-members.

More events are being planned for April, and we look forward to new ideas for activities in the coming months!

COFFEE HOUR



Coffee Hour continues on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday each month at 9 am.
The third Tuesday of each month is our General Meeting, open to all members of Teakwood West.

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Don't forget your coffee cup! \$2 per person to enjoy a donut along with your coffee. You do not have to drink Coffee or purchase a Donut, but these meetings are intended to keep you informed on what is happening in our Social Club, any activities within the park, and news from the Board,

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WELCOME NEW TEAKWOOD WEST RESIDENTS!

-Ellie Mills (727) 475-8880

We have many activities and events in our park, which everyone is welcome to attend. Most of our events are free to attend. A nominal fee of \$10 per year per person to join the Social Club will get you a discount on any events that have a fee.

Ellie Mills, our new lead for the Membership committee, will be in contact with new residents of Teakwood, but at this time we ask that any new residents attend our Coffee hour meetings and introduce yourself to Ellie and the community. The meeting will give you information about events, as well as meeting your neighbors. Thank you, Ellie, for stepping up to this position to help out our community and a special *thank you* to Linda Staskal and Mary Lou Sanford for previously filling this role and doing a great job welcoming new residents!

- We urge **all new and current** residents to stop by the Clubhouse, at any time, to look at the bulletin boards for more information! Additionally, if you did not receive a book in your mailbox, please look for our monthly newsletter booklet in front of the Clubhouse and read information pertaining to Teakwood West.

MONTHLY GOOD NEIGHBORS FOOD PANTRY

Please take advantage of the Food Pantry coming to our Clubhouse every month. Exact dates/changes will be on our Facebook Page or you can hear updates at our Coffee Meetings.
Next Food Pantry Date ➡ March 17th

Please remember to be courteous to your fellow neighbors as this is a first come, first serve event. Each household is allowed one bag of items; if two are required, you will need to wait for the end and see what items are left over. Spread the word to your neighbors that may not know about the Food Pantry or may need help getting the items to their homes. Look for that day's Food Pantry lead(usually Linda Staskal) and provide your house number... and don't forget a bag to carry your selections!



MONTHLY BINGO

- Natalie Cholewa

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MONTHLY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

-Jon Harner

Mark your calendars for Saturday March 15th 8am-10am

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Please remember to bring your plates, coffee cups and utensils... and **your ticket.**

ANY IDEAS FOR FUTURE EVENTS ??

Please see one of the Board members to have your idea submitted. We welcome your suggestions!!

We have some exciting things coming your way ! In the planning stage OR on the Seasonal Calendar (Subject to change)

Mardi Gras Theme Happy Hour	March 4th
Pancake Breakfast.....	Saturday March 15th
St. Patrick's Day Dance	Monday March 17th
Farewell to Friends	March 26th
Wine& Food pairings -Tasting w/Music Bingo	March 28th
Games Day	TBD
Nighttime Adult Easter Egg Hunt.....	April 4th/11th(rain date)
70's 80's Disco Dance.....	April 18th 7pm-10pm
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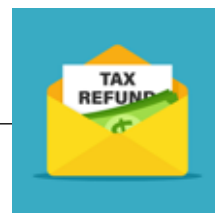
A big congratulations to **Richard Carey** at 185 Beechwood on winning the \$100 gift certificate to Island Way Grill. Enjoy!!
I would like to say thank you to everyone who participated and based on feedback, we will do it again in the future!

IT'S THAT TIME

-Jean Griffith

Income Tax Assistance

February 3rd - April 14th Largo Library
Assistance will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis
Sign-up opens each scheduled day at 9:30am. Individuals must sign in with an AARP volunteer.
Unofficial sign-in sheets will not be honored.



Monday 10:00am - 3:00pm	*Tax assistance will only be available on these Saturdays:
Wednesday 10:00am - 3:00pm	2/8, 3/8, 3/22, 4/5
Friday 10:00am - 3:00pm	There will be no assistance on:
Saturday 10:00am - 3:00pm*	2/17 or 2/21

Please note ➡ AARP Tax-Aide does not prepare:

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- Some Form K-1 and complex Schedule C for self-employment.

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- Your picture ID and Social Security cards or Form SSA-1099 for all people on your return. A copy of your 2023 return prepared by Tax-Aide may suffice.
- Any forms or other evidence showing your income and potentially deductible expenses for the year.
- Your account's routing number and account number if you want direct deposit of a refund or direct debit of an amount owed.

If you receive a Personal Identity Protection Pin number (IP PIN) it must be included, or your return will be rejected.

If you purchased health insurance through the Health Care Marketplace, you must file and you must have Form 1095-A.

FROM THE EDITOR

-Sharon Lotwick



If you have anything to submit for our monthly Newsletter/Tidings Book, please email me at slotwick@ptd.net (all lowercase letters) **or** send a text to my cell phone 484-274-3544.

If changes/updates are required for anything in the current/future Newsletter or Calendar, please let **ME** know of any unintentional errors that need to be corrected. The normal submission deadline to me is the **10th** of each month for the following month's edition; however, **holidays may change this deadline.**

As a reminder, you can also view our Monthly Newsletter online, in COLOR, anytime @ 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, current resident only group was created to share important information regarding upcoming events, share photos and highlight Social Club activities. Please join our group if you would like to stay up to date with any event changes or additional photos of our events!

*** 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, and our Facebook page.*

HOPE VILLAGES OF AMERICA

-Sharon Lotwick

Our **Annual Food Drive** through Teakwood will be the morning of Thursday, **April 24th at 9am**. If you would like to volunteer to collect the food and walk with the big truck, please see Sharon Lotwick. The 'hope' is that we have a great turnout and the best Food Drive ever !

Just a thought ➡ In preparation for this event, why not purchase one (1) canned item every time you go to the grocery store and keep it until our April event? You'll have a stockpile of items to donate and help those in need in our area!

We will collect Non-perishable Food Items with GOOD code dates.

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COMMUNITY OUTREACH

-Louise Bonnette

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SUNSHINE AND SHUT-INS

-Bettie Wickersham

Please remember to let Bettie know if you become aware of someone in our Teakwood community who is ill, suffered a tragedy, lost a loved one, needs encouragement, could use a quick visit, or needs help to put a puzzle together. She'll do what she can for those in our community, but she can't do it without your help, so please reach out and let her know. (727-420-3469) CALL – TEXT or email at jlbwick37@gmail.com

TEAKWOOD WEST BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

-Jean Hamilton johnjeanhamilton@hotmail.com.

March Birthdays

Bruce Johnston	3rd
Pat Kennedy	6th
John McCarten	7th
Bob Schultz	9th
Gord Greig	9th
Ellie Mills	14th
John Robinson	19th
Paul DesRoches	22nd
Pat Dobson	29th
Earl Jones	31st



March Anniversaries

John & Jean Hamilton	4th
Grant & Cindy Murray	31st



Congratulations and warmest wishes to all those celebrating in March!

If your birthday or anniversary have been missed, there is an error in the date or spelling, or names on the list change and/or need to be deleted, please accept my apologies and provide the correct info to johnjeanhamilton@hotmail.com.



WEEKLY / MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

CHAIR YOGA/SENIOR EXERCISE

Kelly Follweiler and Cindy Basham

Come join us for Chair Yoga and Senior Exercise every morning, starting at **8am** in the Clubhouse. (* Tuesdays, when there is a Coffee Meeting, start time will be 11am).



BAR POKER \$\$

-Linda Staskal & Sharon Lotwick

Sunday Nights at 6:30pm in the Clubhouse.

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TRAIN DOMINOES

-Buffy Handville 727-754-3185

Monday 6:30PM at the Clubhouse.

No cost to play - we play for the fun of it, so just bring yourselves! This is a good way to meet new neighbors and renew friendships with past ones while trying to keep your train off the rails. Hope to see you there!

BOCCE AND WEEKLY BBQ

-Bob Schultz

Join us on **Tuesdays** (rain day Thursdays) at the Bocce Court next to the Laundry area – First slot time is **10am**

Our weekly **BBQ** takes place behind the Clubhouse from **11:30-1pm**. **All Teakwood West Residents are welcome!**

Food/drink items available for purchase with proceeds going towards the Bocce tournament and the Social Club.

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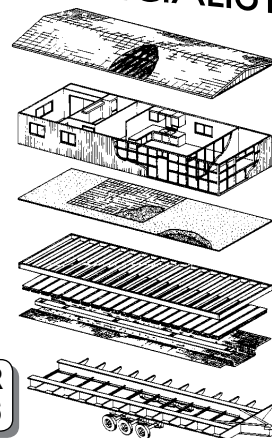
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HAPPY HOUR ON THE DECK

-Dean Londo & Mike Pini

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Here's an opportunity to get together and meet new folks and see old acquaintances. We have so many new residents and it's great to meet everyone! **Mardi Gras Theme → March 4th**
If you would like, feel free to bring a snack/appetizer to share or enjoy your own snacks. Pack up those coolers, fill your cups and enjoy some conversation and fun relaxing by the water. Don't forget.... It may be hot, chilly or rainy, but we have fans, heaters and shades to utilize and still have fun !

BID EUCHRE

-Cindy Murray

Come to the Clubhouse at 6:20pm every **Wednesday** to play Bid Euchre! The game starts promptly at **6:30pm**.

The cost is \$2.00 and all money is paid out to the players.

CRAFTS

-Debbie Ryder



We 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!

DEE's NICKELS

-Chris Bassett

Thursday Nights at **6:30pm** at the Clubhouse.

Come early, grab a seat, and play Unlucky 7's.

And don't forget your Nickels!

I got it! You got it! I need it! You need it! Always a fun evening!

NIGHTTIME BOCCE

- Bob Schultz

Come join the group on **Thursday** evenings - **8pm!**

This is for ANYONE, whether you know how to play or not, if you are new to the game or just keeping your current skills sharp, we welcome you to join us on Thursday evenings



WATER AEROBICS

-MJ Schultz

Join the morning water aerobics group **Monday-Wednesday-Friday** at **8:30am** by the pool. Bring your pool noodles and have some morning fun!

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NIGHTTIME SHUFFLE

-John Morse

Come join the nighttime crew on **Monday, Wednesday, and Friday** evenings at **8pm!** This is for **ANYONE** who would like to learn the game, keep their current skills sharp, or just play a game to have fun!

RED HATS

-Andrea Durkin

Red Hats will be meeting in the Clubhouse on the **1st Monday** of the month @ **11:30 AM**. All are welcome to attend!



LUNCH WITH THE BUNCH

-Debbie Ryder

Lunch 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!

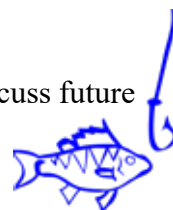
FISHING CLUB

-Pat Dobson

Who loves the sport of fishing?

The *Teakwood Anglers* will meet on the **1st Friday** of each month at **3pm** to discuss future fishing trips and related topics.

Come check it out and see if this club is of interest to you!



A SPECIAL NOTE OF THANKS

With heartfelt thanks to all the special friends and neighbors for all the beautiful sympathy cards for my wonderful husband, Ernie Comeau. We were together for 62 years. For those that went to the service for him on Jan 8th, 2025 I was impressed that so many were at the Mass. A lot of love was shown there for both Ernie and me. The service was so beautiful.

I thank all my special friends and family that were there. My love to all of you. - Mary Comeau

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ATTENTION RESIDENTS!

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LEASH UP AND CLEAN UP!

2. **Reminder** – if you are on the Clubhouse deck and take advantage of using our **shades**, please be sure to secure them and return them to the rolled-up position that you found them in. We tend to get strong winds and we do not want to damage these wonderful additions to our outside area. Additionally, if you use our **large fan**, please remember to replace the cover and tie it.

LAUGHTER SOOTHES THE SOUL

Stealing someone's coffee is called MUGGING !
Pasteurize means ➡ too far to see.

My granddaughter put me on speed dial....I call it INSTAGRAM!

The other day I held the door open for a clown... It was a nice jester.

A true friend is someone who thinks that you are a good egg even though they know that you are slightly cracked.





HOW ABOUT TRYING THESE RECIPES?

Submitted by our Buffy

Pea Soup and Beer Biscuits - Happy St. Patrick's Day

In Solvang, California, Anderson Split Pea Soup Company is known for its Pea Soup - some of the best I've ever tasted. The recipe below duplicates or comes close to duplicating their recipe. Perfect for St. Patrick's Day - I suppose you could add a little green food coloring if you want to.

DUTCH PEA SOUP

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| 1 c. green split peas | 6 c. cold water |
| 1 tsp. salt | 2 potatoes |
| 1 small piece of pork on bone | 2 leeks (white part only) |
| 2 stalks of celery with leaves | 1 small celery root, chopped |
| 1 medium onion, chopped | 1/2 c. finely chopped bacon |
| 1 chicken bouillon cube mixed with 1/4 c. hot water | |



Rinse peas thoroughly, cover them with water, and soak overnight. Simmer peas in water in which they soaked for 1 hour. Add all ingredients except bouillon and cook for 1 hour or until vegetables are very soft and meat is tender. Remove the pork, shred the meat, and discard the bone, and set aside. Puree the vegetables and bacon in food processor or blender. Return to pan along with the pork and cook for 30 min. or until thick. Add chicken bouillon.

BEER BISCUITS

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| 4 c. buttermilk baking mix | 2 Tbsp. sugar | 12 oz. beer |
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- Mix ingredients; spoon into greased muffin tins. Bake at 350 for 10 - 15 min. or until brown.

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