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MEETING WITH MANAGEMENT:

The HOA Board met with park management on Friday, April 4, 2025.

The park provided the HOA with an additional set of letter & numbers for the park event board. Per request, management will provide disposable toilet seat covers in the women's restroom in the clubhouse. The exposed wires at the base of the electrical pedestal at #243 have been covered. Management once again encouraged residents to contact office directly with any concerns.

July 4th B-B-Q

The HOA will have its Annual July 4th Event, 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm. Menu will consist of hamburgers, brauts, potato salad, baked beans, coleslaw and for dessert Klondike Bars. Tickets will be \$5.00 for HOA members and \$6 for non-members. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Marsha Lemons at 727-412-1433.

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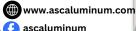




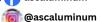
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REMINDERS

(1) Bicycles are not to be rode on the sidewalk in front of the clubhouse or on the pickle ball court area. They are to be rode in the back way and left at the bicycle rack. (2) Dogs are not to be in the clubhouse area unless they are Service Dogs. (3) Cars are not to be left parked on the street overnight. (4) If you walk your dog, you MUST clean up any waste they leave. (5) All dogs have to be registered with the office and aggressive dogs are subject to eviction. I know residents are getting tired of hearing these things, but as long as we have violators, we feel compelled to remind you.

New Residents

203 Jennifer and Clayton Parker

248 Terri Broussard

412 Melody and Charlie Perry



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SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Tith summer coming and our Snow Birds gone, interest in activities has been lower than usual. If anyone has something they want to plan, let us know but for now, activities are limited.

There has been discussion about starting a widow/widowers group that could meet once a month and share concerns and help each other. If you think that would be a positive addition to our activities, let the board know.

GAME OF HORSES

everal residents have started the game Horses on Thursday afternoons beginning at 1:00 pm. The game is easy to learn. Bring nickels and dimes for playing.

SHUFFLEBOARD LEAGUE

Will begin again next December.



KOFFEE KLATCH

ancelled until fall. Next Koffee Klatch will be September 9, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

LIBRARY NEWS

Please do not bring old, yellowed or torn books to the library. We take no medical books, Pamphlets, Maps, Magazines or sports books. Yes, we take CLEAN newer paperbacks and Hardbacks. Also, we take jigsaw puzzles with all the pieces. Please do not bring anything else to the library.

COLORING/CARD MAKING

his group is for both men and women. For questions, please contact Group Sponsor, Sharon Kachinski, Lot 165, 727-725-3745.

WALKERS & WHEELCHAIRS

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

AMBER GLADES FACEBOOK PAGE

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



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

Issues with Aggressive Dogs – Call Animal Control at 727-582-2600 Oversize Trash Pickup - Call Waste Pro 727-452-5278 to arrange for pickup.

DEADLINE FOR JUNE UPDATES

Topdates for the June 2025 Media Guide need to be turned in to Pat Peterman, 205, 618-960-9284, by
May 8, 2025. Includes calendar updates. Please email any updates to patt74429@
yahoo.com or deliver to Lot 205 Park Mailbox.

What To Know About Government Impersonation Scams

government impersonation scam often starts with a call, email, text, or social media message from someone who says they're with a government agency. They might give you their "employee ID number" to sound official. And they might have information about you, like your name or home address.

They often say they work for the FTC, Social Security Administration, IRS, or Medicare—but sometimes they give you fake agency names, like the non-existent National Sweepstakes Bureau. They'll also give you some reason why you need to send money or give them your personal information immediately. If you get a call or message like this, hang up or ignore it. It's a scammer.

Government agencies will never call, email, text, or message you on social media to ask for money or personal information. Only a scammer will do that.

How to avoid the scam

- Don't wire money or use gift cards, cryptocurrency, or a payment app to pay someone who says they're with the government. Scammers insist you can only pay these ways because it's hard to track that money, and just as hard to get it back. They'll take your money and disappear.
- Don't give your financial or personal information to someone who calls, texts, emails, or messages you on social media and says they're with the government. If you think a call or message could be real, stop. Hang up the phone and call the government agency directly at a number you know is correct. If the call is a robocall, don't press any numbers. Pressing numbers could lead to more calls.
- **Don't trust your caller ID.** Your caller ID might show the government agency's real phone number or name like "Social Security Administration." But caller ID can be faked. It could be anyone calling from anywhere in the world.

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• Don't click on links in unexpected emails, texts, or social media messages. Scammers send emails and messages that look like they're from a government agency but are designed to steal your money and personal information. Don't click on any link, and don't pass it on to others. Just delete the message.

FTC Impersonation Scams

The scam: You get a call, email, text, or message on social media that says it's from the FTC. It might even include the names of real people who work at the agency, like staff, contractors, or Commissioners. They might say you've won a federally supervised lottery or sweepstakes, but first have to pay taxes or a fee to get your winnings. Or they might pretend they're the "Refund Department," say they have money for you, and ask for your bank account number. These are all scams. The real FTC will never contact you and ask for money or information like your Social Security, bank account, or credit card number.

What to know:

- The FTC will never ask you for money, threaten to arrest you, or promise you a prize.
- Here's how the real FTC might communicate with you:
 - If you reported something to the FTC and provided an email address, you'll get an email with advice about how to recover and protect yourself.
 - If you're getting a refund or payment from an FTC case, you'll get it by check, prepaid debit card, or PayPal. The payment or claim form will tell you more about the case and why you're getting money. To see a list of FTC cases that resulted in refunds, the name of the company sending payments, and a phone number to call with questions, go to ftc.gov/refunds.

What to do:

• If someone says they're from the FTC and offers you a prize, threatens you, or demands money, they're a scammer. Don't pay them or give them any personal information. Hang up, or delete the message.

Social Security Administration Impersonation Scams

The scam: You get a call, email, text, or message on social media that says it's from the Social Security Administration. They say your Social Security benefits will end, or your Social Security number will be suspended, unless you pay immediately. They insist the only way you can fix the problem is to pay with gift cards, a wire transfer, cryptocurrency, or a payment app. They may even threaten that you'll be arrested if you don't pay. But it's not the Social Security Administration calling. Your benefits won't be suspended, and you don't owe anything. It's a scammer trying to get your money or personal information to steal your identity.

What to know:

- The real Social Security Administration won't threaten you or suspend your Social Security number.
- The real Social Security Administration won't call, email, text, or message you on social media and ask you to pay.
- No government agency will demand you wire money or pay with gift cards, cryptocurrency, or a payment app.

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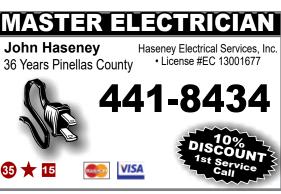
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What to do:

- Ignore calls, emails, texts, and messages on social media that claim to come from the Social Security Administration and ask you to pay, confirm your Social Security number, or give other information. The real agency will never call, email, text, or message you on social media to demand money or information.
- Call your local office directly if you need to talk to the Social Security Administration. Find the number on the agency's website.
- See the Social Security Administration's advice on what to do if you get a call from someone who claims there's a problem with your Social Security number or account. And report these calls to the agency's Office of the Inspector General.

IRS Impersonation Scams

The scam: The caller says they're from the IRS and you owe taxes you have to pay immediately. They might threaten that you'll be arrested or deported if you don't pay right away. Or that your driver's license will be revoked. The caller may have some information about you, including your Social Security number or Federal Tax ID number. Scammers want to make you think it's really the IRS calling you. But it's not the IRS — it's a scam.

What to know:

- The IRS will never email, text, or message you on social media with threats or demands that you pay. And the IRS will not call you about your taxes unless you set up an appointment. If you owe taxes, the IRS will contact you by mail.
- The IRS does have private debt collectors who might call you, but only **after** you've gotten two letters in the mail about your debt: one from the IRS, followed by one from the debt collector.
- A private debt collector working on behalf of the IRS will never ask you to pay over the phone. The IRS has guidance on private debt collection and answers to frequently asked questions.
- The IRS and its debt collectors won't demand that you wire money or pay with gift cards, cryptocurrency, or a payment app.
- Neither the IRS nor its debt collectors will threaten to arrest you.

What to do:

- If you get an unexpected call from someone claiming to work for the IRS, and you haven't gotten notification in the mail about your account being placed for collection, hang up. It's a scammer calling you. Don't call back the number the caller gave you, or the one on your caller ID. Instead, view your tax account information online to make sure you don't owe money, or call the IRS at 800-829-1040.
- See IRS consumer alerts for more advice, and report IRS scammers to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at tigta.gov.

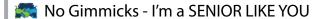
Medicare Impersonation Scams

The scam: You get a call, email, text, or message on social media from someone saying they work for Medicare. They ask for your Medicare, bank account, or credit card numbers for your "new" Medicare card. But it's a scam — Medicare sends its cards to you automatically for free. You never have to do or pay anything.



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In another variation of the scam, the caller says they need your Medicare number for a medical equipment claim that you don't remember making. That's also a scam. Medicare impersonators want to steal your Medicare number and file fraudulent claims for benefits.

What to know:

- Real government agencies won't contact you to ask for your Medicare number or other personal information, unless you've called 1-800-MEDICARE first and left a message.
- Medicare won't call, email, text, or message you on social media to sell you anything or tell you to pay for your Medicare card.

What to do:

- If you get an unexpected call, email, text, or message on social media from someone claiming to be affiliated with Medicare, don't respond. That's a scammer. Don't call back the number they give you, and don't use the number on your caller ID or in the message.
 - Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227) for questions about your benefits, Medicare number, or Medicare card, or to report anything suspicious.
 - Learn more about Medicare fraud at medicare.gov.

Other Government Impersonation Scams

Here are some other examples of government impersonation scams:

- Scammers impersonate "the national consumer protection agency." They might say they're from the non-existent National Sweepstakes Bureau or another made-up agency. If you're in doubt, check out the list of real federal agencies at usa.gov.
- Scammers impersonate your local sheriff's office or a court official. They might say there's a warrant out for your arrest and that you'll go to jail if you don't pay immediately. Or that they're from the local court and you need to pay a penalty for missing jury duty. This is most likely a scam. But if you're worried, look up the real number for the government agency or office the caller mentioned. Then contact them directly to get the real story.
- Scammers impersonate representatives of immigration authorities. They might say they're calling from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Service (USCIS) or another agency, there's a problem with an immigration application or petition, and you have to pay them to solve that issue. This is a scam. If you're concerned, contact USCIS directly. Also read Avoid Immigration Scams and Get Real Help.

Report Government Impersonation Scams

If you spot a government impersonation scam, report it to

- the FTC at ReportFraud.ftc.gov
- your state attorney general

And if you gave your personal information to a scammer, go to IdentityTheft.gov for steps you can take to protect your identity.





Cinco de Mayo commemorates Mexico's victory over France at the Battle of Puebla on May 5, 1862?

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Domino's, Roy Rogers, Taco Bell, Popeye



5. Taco Bell

4. Los Del Rio

3. North & South

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I. Dolly the Sheep

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- 41. Perception
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Here's a charming anecdote about May:

In a small village in England, there was a long-standing tradition of celebrating May Day with a grand festival. Every year, the villagers would gather in the town square, where a tall maypole stood decorated with colorful ribbons. Children and adults alike would dance around the maypole, weaving intricate patterns with the ribbons as they moved.



One year, a young girl named Emily was chosen to be the May Queen. She was thrilled and spent weeks preparing her flower crown and practicing her speech. On the day of the festival, Emily stood proudly at the top of the hill, overlooking the village. As she was crowned with her flower wreath, she felt a sense of pride and joy that she had never experienced before.

The festival was a huge success, with laughter, music, and dancing filling the air. Emily's parents watched with tears of happiness as their daughter led the procession around the maypole. That evening, as the sun set and the bonfires were lit, Emily realized that this May Day would be a memory she would cherish forever.

This story captures the essence of May Day celebrations—community, joy, and the beauty of spring.

Here are some famous May festivals around the world:

- 1. Cannes Film Festival (France): Held from May 13-24, this prestigious film festival showcases new films of all genres and is attended by celebrities and filmmakers from around the globe.
- 2. **Vivid Sydney (Australia):** Running from May 23 to June 14, this festival transforms Sydney with stunning light installations, music performances, and creative discussions.
- 3. **Bergen International Festival (Norway):** From May 21 to June 4, this festival celebrates music, theatre, and dance, making it the largest arts festival in the Nordic countries.
- 4. **Hamamatsu Festival (Japan):** Held from May 3-5, this festival features kite flying and traditional music to celebrate the birth of firstborn sons.
- 5. Cinco de Mayo (Mexico and USA): Celebrated on May 5, this day commemorates the Mexican army's victory at the Battle of Puebla and is marked with parades, music, and traditional foods.
- 6. Florence Nightingale's Birthday (UK): Celebrated on May 12, this day honors the founder of modern nursing with various events and activities.
- 7. **Memorial Day (USA):** Observed on the last Monday of May, this day honors fallen military personnel with parades, ceremonies, and family gatherings.

These festivals offer a glimpse into the diverse cultural celebrations that take place in May.

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Cinco de Mayo

inco de Mayo, or the Fifth of May, is a celebration held on May 5th each year. It commemorates the Mexican army's victory over the French forces at the Battle of



Puebla on May 5, 1862. This victory was significant because the Mexican forces were vastly outnumbered and less equipped, yet they managed to defeat a powerful European army.

While Cinco de Mayo is a relatively minor holiday in Mexico, primarily celebrated in the state of Puebla, it has become a much larger celebration in the United States. In the U.S., it is often seen as a day to celebrate Mexican culture and heritage, especially in areas with large Mexican-American populations. Festivities typically include parades, music, dancing, traditional foods, and events highlighting Mexican traditions.

Here are some popular dishes for Cinco de Mayo:

- **1. Tacos:** Soft or crispy tortillas filled with meats, beans, cheese, and various toppings.
- **2. Enchiladas:** Tortillas rolled around a filling and covered with a savory sauce.
- **3. Guacamole:** A creamy dip made from avocados, lime, onions, tomatoes, and cilantro.
- **4. Tamales:** Masa (corn dough) filled with meats, cheeses, or chilies, wrapped in corn husks, and steamed.
- **5.** Chiles Rellenos: Poblano peppers stuffed with cheese or meat, then battered and fried.
- **6. Quesadillas:** Tortillas filled with cheese and other ingredients, then grilled or fried.
- 7. **Pozole:** A hearty soup made with hominy, meat (usually pork), and seasoned with chili peppers and other spices.
- **8. Mole Poblano:** A rich, dark sauce made with chocolate, chili peppers, and spices, typically served over chicken.
- 9. Sopes: Thick corn tortillas topped with beans, meat, cheese, lettuce, and salsa.
- 10. Horchata: A sweet, creamy beverage made from rice, milk, vanilla, and cinnamon.



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