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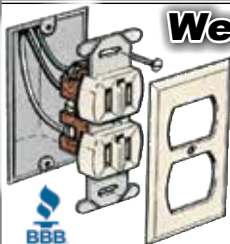


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Co-op Updates

By Al Noeller, President PI Co-Op

Time is flying and 2025 is already half over, please take time to enjoy your summer and stay hydrated. If you lose the use of your air conditioner in your home, please reach out to others, we don't want you to expose yourself to those extreme temperatures in your own home or have other risk issues. Ask for assistance from your friends, neighbors or the church.

The traffic light is coming and management is working with the contractors, to our best ability, to open and close the rear gate when needed, to make access to the community safe. The construction project will continue until November with on and off activity. We will notify residents of the times when the gate will be open, via the One-Call system and PI Largo Facebook page.

With the coming summer heat, don't forget your pets. The pavement and even the concrete can be too hot for their feet. The ambient temperature is even hotter near the asphalt then you might realize, but your barefoot pet can become over heated easily. Take care of your little friends, carry some water for them, and please don't leave them in the car alone, even for a minute. Everyone needs to stay hydrated.

The new shelter is now completed; it is by the Pavilion and looks very nice. Thank You to the Social Committee for yet another contribution back to the Paradise Island community. It is being put to use with the summer Social Committee pool parties and the other events scheduled for that area.

Life is what you make it, so make it special. Enjoy your Summer!

HOA UPDATE

By Ken Hopkins



Welcome to summer!! Activities have begun to help get you through the heat--Pool parties, dances, golf cart parades. We hope you can find the time to enjoy some of these activities and the camaraderie that comes with it. Not a lot to report from the HOA side, as we are working on completing our projects begun earlier in the year. Our next residents meeting will take place on July 1, and the program is under construction now. The fresh water shutoff ID is under way, but we can always use more volunteers for this important event. We are also researching another potential recipient for community donations and more will be forthcoming in the near future. On behalf of the board, I wish you a safe and happy 4th!! Be well.

HOA Home of the Month

By Vicky Ellis

The HOA is pleased to announce the Home of the Month winners for the month of June are Kim and Ed Massimino at 18 Bermuda Way. They have received a \$50 VISA gift card and a sign on display in their front planter. Their efforts to make our community beautiful are appreciated. We urge our residents to take a ride over to their home to see all of their creative work. Directions: From the entrance, make a right and continue around the bend. Their home will be on the right side of Bermuda Way.

We also would like to thank those of you who have volunteered for assisting the committee by submitting recommendations of homes to be considered for this award.



Did You Know?

By Co-Op BOD



That Paradise Island is one of a few communities that allows two pets per unit. Dogs and Cats are considered pets. Small Birds and fish may also be kept but no exotic animal may be kept as a pet. Owners must submit an application and it must be approved before the pet's owner moves into the community or before a resident obtains a pet after they move-in. Pet's must not weigh more than 40 lbs. at maturity. Each animal must be registered at the office and owners must comply with state, county and local pet laws. Pets must always be on a leash outside the unit unless in a fenced backyard. Pet owners must clean up after their pets in the community and properly dispose of waste at their units. Pets must be kept inside the unit if unattended and excessive noise is not allowed. No pets are allowed in the Community Clubhouse, recreation or common areas. Guest pets are permitted in the pet area only and guests must comply with all pet rules. All emotional support animals must be registered at the office as well and all owners of emotional support animals must comply with the applicable rules & regulations in the pet section so long as compliance does not unreasonable interfere with the emotional support animals' duties related to the treatment of the owner's disability symptoms. Let's all enjoy your pets/emotional support animals and be mindful of your neighbors by adhering to the rules & requirements.

Big Red Bus

By Jana Wolf



The Big Red Bus will be here in Paradise Island on Tuesday, July 22nd from 9am to 2pm, for our first blood drive of the year. Please be sure and save the date on the calendar. A few minutes out of your day may save a life. More details on how to sign up coming soon. Please call Jana Wolf at 317-432-8519 with any questions.

Neighborhood Watch

By Nancy LaBelle



Everyone is always welcome to attend our meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 10AM.

As work continues on Willow and Starkey, please be alert for One Call directions for closures.

As always SCAMS continue to affect all ages and to find every way possible to get our money. They are very believable. Don't be quick to tap on a link, or call a phone number, text or email. Ask a friend or family member their opinion. Call your bank or credit card company but not at the number the scammer had supplied. Anything that says "immediately", you must NOW", is usually a scam. A current email going around now is that there is a warrant for your arrest due to unpaid traffic tickets. No government agency would send an email regarding a warrant for your arrest.

Continue to keep your homes well lit, vehicles locked and valuables out of sight. With northerners gone and many homes for sale, there are very Obviously unoccupied homes. We are ungated. There's lots of traffic in here all the time.

Don't Tempt Fate.

IF YOU SEE SOMETHING SAY SOMETHING. CALL 911 for an immediate concern, non-emergency number 727-587-6730 for other issues, then report to your Block captain 9AM to 9PM, next 24 hrs.

Be Safe. Be Kind

Here is a brand-new scam I wanted to tell you about:

By Officer Keith Bowling, LPD



For those of you flying, you get a text telling you your flight is overbooked and provides a link or number to call to change your flight. Do NOT click on the official-looking link. It is a scam. They will trick you into giving your flight information and confirmation number and then they will send you a real looking boarding pass for your "NEW FLIGHT"..... which does not exist. The scammer will refund your ticket and keep the money and they will try to get you to give them your credit card number to "refund" money to you or have you pay a transfer fee. All a scam and you will show up to the airport with no flight.

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Paradise Island Social Committee Calendar 2025/2026

Questions contact Nadine Peters 402-750-3083

Tickets for all events are sold on Monday nights from 6-7 pm

Date	Event	Cost	Addtl. Info	Time
July 19	Pool Party	\$5	& A Side Dish to Share @ Pavilion.	Meal @ 4:30 - 6 pm
July 22	Blood Drive	NC	Donate blood - Big Red Bus - North Parking Lot	
Aug 9	Pool Party	\$5	& A Side Dish to Share @ Pavilion.	Meal @ 4:30 - 6 pm
Oct 4	Resident Flea Market	TBD	Clubhouse	
Oct 18	Game Night - Bandingo	\$5	Bandingo	
Oct 25	Halloween Dance	\$12	Mikki Neal & The Real Deal	
Oct 26	Halloween Golf Cart Parade	NC	Lineup @ Clubhouse 5:30 p	Leave at 6:15 p
Oct 28	Blood Drive	NC	Donate blood - Big Red Bus - North Parking Lot	
Nov 1	Annual Craft Fair & Bake Sale	NC	Clubhouse	
Nov 15	Men's Club Event	\$10	Leesah Styles Show - Singer Entertainer	
Nov 27	Community Thanksgiving Dinner	NC	Clubhouse	
Dec 6	Ladies Holiday Luncheon	TBD	Clubhouse	
Dec 13	Community Christmas Dinner/ Dance Entertainment - Jacob Hunt	TBD	Clubhouse	
Dec 14	Golf Cart Parade	NC	Lineup @ Clubhouse 5:30 p	Leave at 6:15 p
Dec 31	New Year's Eve Dance	\$20	Soul Fish	

SAVE THE DATE 2026 EVENTS

Jan 17	Men's Club Event	TBD	Mark Minor - Ventriloquist
Jan 31	Game Night - Bandingo	\$5	Bandingo
Jan 27	Blood Drive	NC	Donate blood - Big Red Bus - North Parking Lot
Feb 14	Dance	\$12	Suncoast Band
Feb 21	Men's Club Event	TBD	Jeff Gordon - Elvis Impersonator
Mar 1	Golden Anniversary	NC	Clubhouse
Mar 15	Men's Club Event	TBD	Dave & Daphne - Singer & Musician
Mar 21	Dance	TBD	Shakes Society Band
Mar 28	Spring Flea Market	TBD	Clubhouse
Apr 4	Men's Club Event	TBD	Ron Mitchell - Singer
Apr 11	Dance	\$12	Tangent Band
April 28	Blood Drive	NC	Donate blood - Big Red Bus - North Parking Lot
Oct 31	Halloween Dance	\$12	Suncoast Band

Questions contact Nadine Peters 402-750-3083

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Bowling

By Claudia Gisvold



Time to start thinking about fall bowling league. Sign-up sheet in the clubhouse. Great way to meet new people and make new friends. Bowling starts in October 2025, if you any questions feel free to contact me Claudia Gisvold at 612-386-3515. Have great summer!

SHUFFLEBOARD

By Gary MacDonald



Although organized shuffleboard play has concluded for the season and will resume in November, residents can still enjoy the courts throughout the year. The storage shed is locked outside of organized play, but residents can obtain key access by contacting Gary at 727-474-6420. Wishing everyone a wonderful summer!

Paradise Island Annual Craft Fair

By Nadine Peters – Annual Craft Fair Committee



The Paradise Island Annual Craft Fair will be held Saturday November 1, 2025 from 9 am to 3 pm at the PI Clubhouse. The Fair is sponsored by the Paradise Island Social Committee. If you are new to Paradise Island Community and would like to participate as a vendor this year, email me to receive a contract and vendor guidelines, nadine5106@gmail.com with your contact information and lot number. This Craft Fair is for **homemade craft items only**. Questions contact Nadine at 402-750-3083

Horseshoes

By Stacy Pupecki

Organized horseshoe season is over for the summer. The horseshoe courts are available to all residents throughout the year for play or practice. The horseshoes are locked up outside of organized play. Please contact Stacy at 860-919-7325 for access to the horseshoes or for more information.



Midwest Lunch Bunch

By Sharona Oglesbee

We continue to meet the 2nd Saturday of each month at 11:30 a. m. July 12 we will meet at Finley's on Belcher. Come join the Friendships and meet your Neighbors. Contact Sharona 727-420-3460. We welcome anyone living in Paradise!





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Ladies Monthly Luncheon

By Beth Pieckiel

Happy July everyone! The monthly lady's luncheon will be held Tuesday, 7/22/25 at 11:30-a.m., your hostess for this luncheon is Melinda Clayton. She has chosen her restaurant and we will be going to:

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As always, the sign-up sheet will be in our clubhouse. If you do sign up to attend and then find you are unable to join us, PLEASE remove your name from the list. This is so your hostess can give her restaurant of choice an accurate headcount.

This luncheon is open for ALL of the women who reside here in Paradise Island. It is a great way to meet new and old neighbors and is always a fun afternoon with the ladies here in PI. If you have any questions regarding this luncheon, please call either myself, Beth Pieckiel at (214) 538 - 7094 or Kim Gibson at (440) 840 - 4093. We look forward to seeing everyone at this luncheon.

New England Plus

By Gail White

The New England + Dinner group will hold its next meeting at 4 p.m. July 2 at the Glory Days Grill, 4088 Park St. N., St. Pete.



If you need a special reason to come, keep in mind that July is many things besides the Fourth. July is also National Grilling Month, National Hot Dog Month and National Ice Cream Month!

All Paradise Island residents are welcome.

There is a Facebook group page called New England + Dinner that can be used to sign up. Or you can use the signup sheet in the clubhouse. Questions? Please contact dinner coordinators Gail White (412-561-5943) or Maureen Ronney (248-835-8127).

Thanks to everyone for a spectacular June dinner!

**A Complete Listing of Resident Services
can be found on the page before your calendar**

Thursday Bingo

By Jane Reitz



Test your luck and enjoy fun, food and fellowship. Bingo every Thursday night at the clubhouse.

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Questions call: Jane Reitz 727-278-7405

Linda Carver 330-990-5880

Men's Club

By Ken Jonas



Here it is July already! Before we know it, we will be meeting again and holding another season of great shows.

We want to express a big THANK YOU to the Social Committee for the beautiful new gazebo adjacent to the picnic pavilion! I know they went through a long 6 month struggle obtaining the necessary permits, but it will be well worth it, now that it is up and we can use it! It will be great not to have to deal with the temporary canopies for the summer events!

Stay safe and we look forward to getting back together again in the fall!

The Sunshine Committee

By Gloria & Wilma



Paradise Island Sunshine Committee is reaching out to all residents to please contact us if you are aware of a resident who is in need of some cheer regarding an illness or uplifting support for a resident's passing. We love and appreciate our community and our neighbors. Please text or call Wilma Largent for Bereavement Cards (260) 316-1296 or Gloria Garafola for Get Well Cards (727) 463-7307...





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Paradise Island Church in the Park

By Pastor Serena Johnson



Happy 4th of July!

Summer is upon us! While you are celebrating on the 4th be safe. Please be considerate of others when setting off fireworks. Enjoy your day in the sun or air conditioning. We are so blessed as a community, there are so many caring and loving people who give of their time and talents to serve others in many capacities. I would like to thank you all for all that you do to help or make it easier for others. May you all have a safe and memorable summer filled with love, peace and joy!

Everyone is cordially invited to join us on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM in the Clubhouse. We are a non-denominational church, we believe the Bible is the inspired Word of God and we welcome all, and look forward to meeting you. Come feel the love of God as we worship the Lord together. Pastor Skip Simpson is our Associate Pastor and ministers at least one Sunday each month. We look forward to his message. If you are unable to come to a service you can view it on YouTube under "P I Church in the Park."

You are welcome to attend our Bible Study on Thursday mornings in the Clubhouse at 9:30AM led by Pastor Serena, After Bible Study on Thursdays we have Choir Practice from 10:30 to 11:30 AM led by Jenny Caldarello. Prayer meeting on Fridays at 10:30 AM led by Pastor Shawn, Room 3 Clubhouse. Saturdays at 9:30 AM in the Clubhouse is a Bible Study led by Pastor Skip Simpson. Come, join in, there is always room for YOU.

If you know of someone who needs prayer and you would like to add to or take off our prayer list, please contact Pat Murphy by email: pamurphy51@gmail.com, with pertinent information.

BE AWARE WE CARE! If you know of someone in the Park who is ill and/or needs some encouragement and a Prayer Bear please contact Wilma Largent at (260)316-1296 or largentw6048@gmail.com.

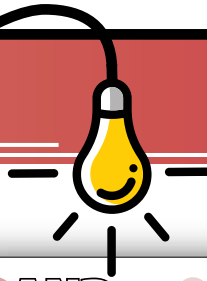
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Do you have need of prayer or would like a visit, please do not hesitate to contact: Pastor Serena Johnson (727)530-5905 or Pastor Skip Simpson (727) 480-9447 If no answer please leave a message and you will be called back asap

Prayer does not change God, but it changes him who prays. Soren Kierkegaard

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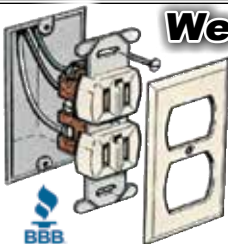
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Be sure to take a look at the GUIDE TAB at the top of the page!! This is where you can see various postings that are archived for you to be able to reference previous posts on the page. They are organized by categories for easy access.

Updated: June 7, 2025

Summer Pool Parties

By Allen Sumey

Thanks to all who made our first pool party a great event!

It was hot, but fun. This month, those gnomes are coming back... The July pool party is on the calendar for Saturday, July 19. The theme will be the "Return of those Splashin' Gnomies" We will again serve the food from 4 – 5:30ish and then head thru the gate to the pool for the rest of the evening. Phyllis will have her playlist ready and keep the music going until 8:30 or so... Cost is \$5 per person at the event. BYOB/Drinks. Contact Allen, 615.275.5458 or Sandy, 615.275.5460 for additional information. (As always, all rules of the pool area remain in effect.)



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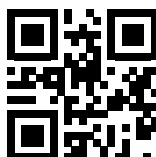
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Editor's Corner

By Harold Noeller



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- If your name, Lot number, birthday or anniversary is incorrect, e-mail me at the media email address and it will be corrected.
- Please send all articles to: (monthly.media@paradiseislandlargo.com)
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Also, there are 5 places to look for an activities date and time either in the current month or in future months. They are:

- Within the media, there might be an article with all of the details.
- The calendar section of the media.
- The Bulletin Board in the Clubhouse.
- Our web site at www.paradiseislandlargo.com under the Amenities link.
- Facebook group, 'Paradise Island Largo'

Letter(s) to the Editor

VETERAN'S CORNER

By Bob Behm

The Caissons Return to Arlington after 2 years:

The dark shapes of seven horses came into view across Section 62 at Arlington National Cemetery on Monday morning, returning to the hallowed grounds the sounds of clapping, huffing and the turn of wheels that had gone virtually unheard there for the last two years. The Army's Caisson Detachment, a ceremonial horse unit that transports veterans and service members to their final resting places at the cemetery, escorted the remains of a service

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member who died in 1942 after being captured by the Japanese during World War II.

Pvt. Bernard Curran, who was buried alongside other deceased prisoners of war in "Common Grave 723" in the Philippines, was identified last year by the military, and the ceremony that marked his final return to the U.S. also ended the detachment's hiatus following a massive overhaul of the program after two horses died in 2022 due poor living conditions.

"As far as actually doing the funeral itself, it was just like we picked up from two years ago and ran right through it," said Sgt. Daimien Copeland, a team leader with the caisson unit who participated in the ceremony. "Everything in between these last two years has just been a large expansion and growth for us inside here. But when you actually do it, it looked and felt exactly the same." Copeland has been part of The Old Guard, or 3rd Infantry Regiment, located at Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall in Arlington, Virginia, since 2022 -- so he, and other members of the unit Military.com interviewed Monday, have seen the changes to the program firsthand.



In 2022, CNN reported that the caisson herd was consuming poor-quality feed and living in unsanitary conditions after two horses died within 96 hours of each other that February, citing an internal Army report. Within the year, two more horses died. The horses, half of whom were considered "geriatric" at the time, were turned out in lots that had nearly two feet of mud and excrement; consumed dusty, sometimes moldy hay; had moderate to high levels of sediment and parasites found in their stool; and were limited to less than 20% of the recommended acreage for herds of that size, the report found.

After two years and millions more dollars in funding, the Army says that it has dramatically revamped the program, from training new soldiers in a now-12-week Basic Horsemanship Course, to retiring older horses and purchasing younger ones, to expanding stalls and transporting the roughly 60-horse herd for rest cycles at an equestrian wellness facility that boasts more than 40 acres of land and aqua treadmills just west of Arlington. The unit also upgraded to custom-fitted tack and saddles; replaced the actual caisson, the wheeled-cart the horses pull behind them, with a much lighter model; and tapped into the vast network of civilian equine experts across the country to dial in feed, supplements, training and other facets of horse care that continue even after soldiers have gone through the initial horse training.

The Caisson Detachment escorted the remains of President Jimmy Carter in January through Washington, D.C., marking the first official time it had been used since its suspension. Recently at the funeral for PVT Curran A full return of the program at Arlington happened, and soldiers rose early to prepare the horses, shine the caisson and touch up the tack so the Bronze Star and Purple Heart recipient could be laid to rest with full military honors. Later that day, Military.com saw soldiers with the caisson unit cleaning the stables, washing the horses and taking them out for a trot outside in the mild, sunny spring afternoon.

Bob Behm LTC, (US Army Ret.)

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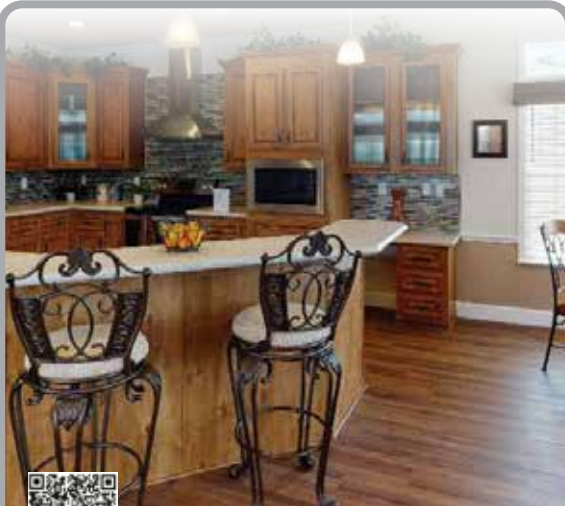
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792	Toni Sousa	July 7	182	Joseph Russell	July 24
411	Laura Lemay	July 8	306	Bj Szatkowski	July 24
681	Brian Hannon	July 9	369	David Matthews	July 24
793	Suzanne Pritz	July 9	436	Jane Ellis	July 24
557	Robert Johannes	July 10	553	Ray Olley	July 24
632	Barbara Estabrook	July 10	745	Ronald Heim	July 24
724	Karen Clator	July 11	825	Shirley Johnson	July 24
769	Betty Powell	July 11	496	Terry Reeves	July 25
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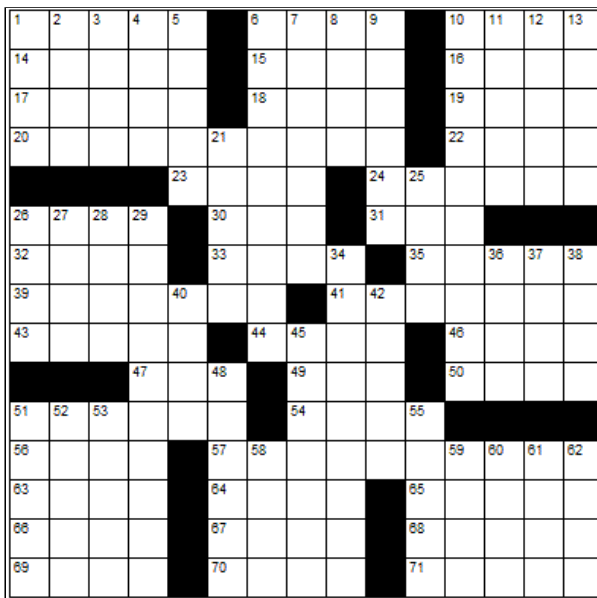
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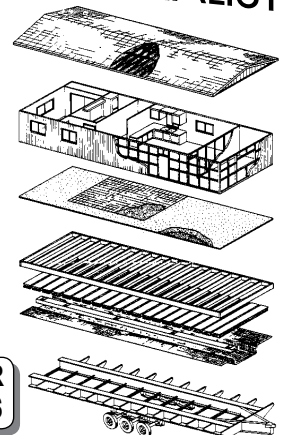
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