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### From The Desk of the President

Robert F. Newman, Lot 46, 727-724-6283

would like to ask for a little co-operation on behalf of the volunteers who lock-up the pool and clubhouse every night. The pool and the clubhouse are supposed to be closed at 10:00PM each evening. That doesn't mean that you can start packing up your stuff or just be getting out of the pool or spa at 10:00PM. It means that

the doors and gates are supposed to be locked at that time.

We continually get comments like: "Don't lock the kitchen yet, I've got some stuff I need to get; "You have to wait because I need to rinse my hair for 2 minutes"; or "I have to dry off before I get into my car".

These and similar comments mean that the volunteer needs to wait around before they can finish locking up.

Please consider this if you are using the pool or clubhouse at night and be prepared to leave at 10:00PM, as required.

Bob

### **Home Owners .... Association**

Submitted by Linda Webster, Lot 27, 732-915-2458

have heard people say "I pay my rent, why should I have to pay for joining the HOA", "I don't get any benefit from the HOA" or "Why do I have to pay to attend this function?" and I am going to try to explain...

Everyone here in Island in the Sun is a home owner. Our Home Owners Association or HOA is the only united voice we have in dealing with park wide issues with Cal-Am, the park owners. That is the business side of the HOA.

Cal-Am charges us all \$740 a month or \$8,880 per year. What we get with our rent; lawn service, pool, hot tub, fitness center, bocce ball court, pickle ball court, billiard room, kitchen and a beautiful clubhouse with common area.

The HOA charges \$7.50 per year per person! Our dues pay for the activities that take place in the clubhouse, supplies for activities and services provided by the HOA.

The cost of the paper plates, napkins, plastic ware, glasses and non-alcoholic beverages supplied at all our events is courtesy of the dues paying HOA members. In addition, those dues pay for the messaging program that allows us to stay informed of upcoming events, park emergencies and the serious need or passing of our neighbors. Insurance protecting attendees at our activities and the protecting the board from prosecution is also covered by the HOA dues.

Cal-Am provides only \$300 per month to help towards the cost of park activities. Entertainers that the Activities Committee of the HOA brings in for us can run between \$150 to \$500, or more. We have to sell tickets to fund the gap and it is the best way to prepare for the correct number of participants. The activities committee strives to bring

fun to all the residents. The ticket prices usually give the HOA member a discount, that after a few activities, pays for the cost of the HOA membership. If the event brings in more than is needed that money stays in the

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activities account to help defray future event costs.

Do we all like the same things? Not at all, but most of us enjoy spending time with our neighbors, sharing a meal, listening to music, and sharing good fellowship. Pleasing everyone is impossible, but if you will join us in the HOA you can voice your opinion at the activities meetings and share your ideas. HOA meetings are open to all. HOA members can vote for the Board members and this gives you a voice in the running of the fun and the concerns we need to address with Cal-Am.

The HOA sponsored a FREE "Hurricane Survival Party" Saturday September 24th, from 6-9PM the duo of Tommie on guitar and Lisa on bass, entertained us. They provided live music, DJ music for some of the dancing, and karaoke! I hope you enjoyed this event and that you will support the efforts of the HOA and Activities Committee in the future.

### Spotlight on new residents Rich and Vicki Kiszka, Lot 220

Submitted by Pat Henderson, Lot 266, 727-400-6002

Vicki is from Newport, Rhode Island but grew up in a small town in Connecticut. Rich was born in England, but at the age of 7 his family moved to Connecticut. He attended Army Military Academy and retired after 23 years as a Chief Warrant Officer. He was also a police officer for 4 years.

They have a blended family of 4 children and 5 grandchildren.

Vicki and Rich met at a social event in Connecticut. Vicki was being bothered by a somewhat

obnoxious man, Rich rescued her, I guess I should say, "captured" her, as he asked her for a date and the rest is history. Rich's daughter was so excited that he had met someone that she packed them a picnic lunch for their day to a waterfall. Rich was so nervous he rolled backwards in his car and plowed into the car behind him. They have been happily married for 20 years.

After unfortunate life events and changes the family decided to move to Florida. Rich started a Park Ranger Program for the city of Cape Coral. They lived in Ft Myers, Fl. and owned a deli for 5 years but sold the business after Rich had back surgery.

They moved to Palm Harbor, FL and had a big 5 bedroom home, but after Vicki recently retired from Laser Spine Institute they decided to downsize to a mobile home. After visiting 20 or so communities

they settled on Island in the Sun and have become quite active here. Rich is especially enjoying helping in the kitchen and with cooking. He enjoys fishing and target shooting.

Vicki has ridden horses since she was 4 years old and did "show jumping"

Due to a number of broken bones and injuries she has had to give it up for now but hopes to be able to ride again in the future. They both love Island in the Sun and find the people are friendly and love all the many fun activities.

You will usually find them at Bingo and at the many food events, so introduce yourself and get acquainted.



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### **Ladies Lunch Bunch**

Submitted by Helen Dennison, Lot 210, 727-754-6977

n August 18, the "Golden Girls" from Island in the Sun met at the Wildflower Cafe for their luncheon. Sixteen of our Ladies had a great time as they chatted away and laughed about times past. Doris was the lucky prize winner of a ticket to a future IITS activity. One dessert was ordered with 16 spoons. It was a huge slice of Chocolate caramel cake. We all took one bite and passed it on to the person next to us. Some remarked it was the best they had ever eaten. As we made our way out of the restaurant, I was stopped by some younger ladies who said that they had such a good time just observing the fun we were having that they were going to do the same thing when they retire.

Our next luncheon will be on October 20th at THE RUSTY PELICAN RESTAURANT at 12 Noon. If you have not been there before you have missed a good thing, and if you have I know that you will want to join us again. Be sure to sign up in the activities book at the clubhouse. Don't forget to invite your friends.

Sign up in the clubhouse. Do it now so you don't forget







### Men's Breakfast

Submitted by Richard Oliver, Lot 184, 727-726-0637

n August 18th "The Men of the Hood" met at The Athens Restaurant in Safety Harbor. There were six men in attendance: Don, John, Bill, Wayne, Ed and Richard. You sure could tell that most of our Northern and Canadian friends and neighbors have not completed their annual treks to cooler climates. Needless to say, they were sorely missed.

Most of the men were ardent fishermen. The stories flew fast and furious. They covered the entire spectrum from frozen water to deep sea.

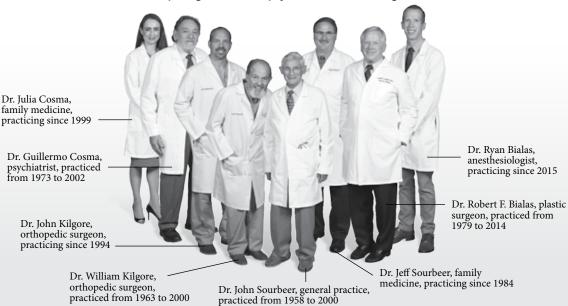
Richard told one about going fishing in a large lake in Millington, Tenn. With his next door neighbor who had a boat. When he got to the lake and was putting the boat in the water, I noticed a pistol lying next to his tackle box. I said to him, you Tennesseans sure fish differently than we do in Boston. We don't shoot them, we catch them using bait, hook and rod with reel. He said in response, this is to kill the Moccasins before they can get in the boat. He wasn't kidding about the snakes. I have never seen so many in one place. Since I do not like snakes, I never went back.

The restaurant was very good. It was well appointed. The menu was extensive enough to ...continued on page 13

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satisfy any palate. It was delicious and enough to fill up a Ditch Digger let alone and old retiree. The service was excellent also.

So, men come and join us on October 20th for our next monthly breakfast. It will be at Perkins Pancake House on Gulf to Bay at 8:30AM. Please bring a neighbor or friend. Hope to see you there. You can sign up in the clubhouse. The head count is needed to make sure the restaurant can seat us'





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### **October 2016 Anniversaries and Birthdays**

Submitted by Robert Newman # 46, 727-724-6283 pcfriar64@yahoo.com

#### **October Anniversaries**

- 3 John & Ann Marie Mackay
- 4 Rick and Vicki Kiszka
- 5 Bob & Dottie Newman
- 9 Tom & Cassie Watson
- 20 Thomas & Nancy Gunn



#### **October Birthdays**

- 3 Wayne Cleveland
- 4 Leslie Tomamichel
- 9 Vicki Kiszka
- 14 Pat Henderson
- 18 Roxane Obenauf Debra Walck Vince Wozniak
- 21 Bill Shiels Dick Tilton
- 26 Betty Jackson
- 29 Roger Nauheimer



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Bob and Dottie Newman, #46, 724-6283, pcfriar64@yahoo.com

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### **Domino Results**

Submitted by Nancy Barnes, # 157, 727-799-2434

1-Aug Betty Mecke 8-Aug Rose Leduc Betty Mecke



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### **Rummikub Winners**

Submitted by Rose LeDuc for Patricia Clark, # 125, 727-726-5145

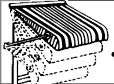
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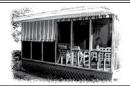
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### Spotlight on residents Don and Sharon Hendrickson Lot # 28

Submitted by Pat

on is one of 12 children, which includes 3 sets of twins. The family was big into farming and ate off the land. When he was just a small child the family moved to Rickman, TN where he got his early elementary education. His family later moved to Vincennes IN and he finished school, graduated and went into the Army. He met Sharon when she was only 15 and they dated several years and married when he got out of the Army.

Sharon was born and grew up and went to school in Vincennes. She was an only child,

but had a step-brother and step-sister by her father's first marriage. She and Don had 2 sons, both of which died while only in their 30's. One was killed in a motorcycle accident and the other from a serious illness. They lost one grandson early in life, but have two grandchildren still living. Their grandson is a "World Champion Professional Gamer".

Various occupations interested Don. He was a truck driver and delivered food to schools, he drove long distance trucks, worked in pest control and was a cement mason. He was hired by the Chrysler Corp. in Rockford, IL, where he was a line worker in the factory for 21 years. He was forced into early retirement due to an injury on the job.

Factory work was one of Sharon's first jobs. One factory made televisions, and another one made drawer knobs, handles, and pulls. Both of these jobs were in Rockford, IL. Don and Sharon bid on a job with Elliot Golf Course through the city parks department and got the job. Sharon cooked and ran the concession stand and Don ran the pro shop.



In 1990, after living in Rockford many years and after Don retired, they moved back to Vincennes, as Sharon had to help take care of her dad. She worked for a bridal shop where she hand sewed tiny beads on beautiful wedding dresses.

In 2013, Don fell after a snowstorm and hurt his knee and that was the deciding factor in their moving to Florida. One of their sons had lived here previously, so they packed up for the move south. They spent some time driving around looking at mobile home parks and fell in love with Island in the Sun. They found the perfect home with a little fence in the back yard for the dogs.

Bocce ball was of interest to Sharon and golf interested Don. They both enjoy Euchre and played here at one time, Apparently it is a game known by northerners and they don't know anyone now that plays, so if any of you have interest, let them know. They both enjoy watching old Westerns, especially those with Matt Dillion. Sharon walks some close to their home, but Don walks faithfully every afternoon or early evening with Bob, a white hair gentleman that has become a friend. You often see others walking with them. They walk the exterior of the park 3 times which is about 3 miles

They often linger to talk with golf cart riders or folks sitting or working outside their homes. Don has been in all 50 states and every province in Canada during his tour in the Army and career in truck driving. ... continued on page 25











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While stationed in Waikiki, Hawaii, Don and some Army buddies were swimming in the ocean and saw Matt Dillion struggling in the water, so they assisted him in getting ashore. Matt was so grateful that he invited all of the guys to a private party he was having at a local establishment.

Four of these Army guys hung out together. After a few drinks, they had heard about a party Debbie Reynolds was having, so they decided to "crash" it, but they didn't get very far, as the bouncer's sent them away.

Ricky Nelson was filming "Wackiest Ship in the Army" while Don was stationed there and they got to meet him. I imagine Don has lots of tales he could share about his Army days. I hope to hear more someday.

Don and Sharon are a fine couple and both are extremely friendly and talkative. You have probably seen them around in the park and they attend quite a few events, so if you run across them, stop and get acquainted.

They will surely make you laugh when they tell you about some of their shenanigans.

### **LET IT BE SO!**

Submitted by Chris Riley, Lot 290, 727-648-4102

randpa, some ninety plus years, sat feebly on the patio bench. He didn't move, just sat with his head down staring at his hands. When I sat down beside him he didn't acknowledge my presence and the longer I sat, I wondered if he was OK.

Finally, not really wanting to disturb him but wanting to check on him at the same time, I asked him if he was OK. He raised his head and looked at me and smiled. "Yes, I'm fine.

Thank you for asking," he said in a clear strong voice. "I didn't mean to disturb you, Grandpa, but you were just sitting here staring at your hands and I wanted to make sure you were OK,"

I explained to him.

"Have you ever looked at your hands," he asked. "I mean really looked at your hands?"

I slowly opened my hands and stared down at them. I turned them over, palms up and then palms down. No, I guess I had never really looked at my hands as I tried to figure out the point he was making. Grandpa smiled and related this story: "Stop and think for a moment about the hands you have, how they have served you well throughout your years. These hands, though wrinkled, shriveled, and weak have been the tools I have used all my life to reach out and grab and embrace life. They put food in my mouth and clothes on my back.

As a child my mother taught me to fold them in prayer. They tied my shoes and pulled on my boots. They have been dirty, scraped and raw, swollen and bent. They were uneasy and clumsy when I tried to hold my newborn son. Decorated with my wedding band they showed the world that I was married and loved someone special. They trembled and shook when I buried my parents and spouse and walked my daughter down the aisle. They have covered my face, combed my hair, and washed and cleansed the rest of my body. They have been sticky and wet, bent and broken, dried and raw. And to this day, when not much of anything else of me works real well, these hands hold me up, lay me down, and again continue to fold in prayer. These hands are the mark of where I've been and the ruggedness of my life. But more

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importantly it will be these hands that God will reach out and take when he leads me home. And with my hands He will lift me to His side and there I will use these hands to touch the face of Christ "

I will never look at my hands the same again. But I remember God reached out and took my grandpa's hands and led him home. When my hands are hurt or sore I think of Grandpa. I know he has been stroked and caressed and held by the hands of God. I, too, want to touch the face of God and feel His hands upon my face.

### **Anagrams**

Submitted by Helen Dennison, Lot 210, 727-754-6977

PRESBYTERIAN:

When you rearrange the letters:

BEST IN PRAYER

ASTRONOMER:

When you rearrange the letters:

MOOŇ STARER

DESPERATION.

When you rearrange the letters:

A ROPE ENDS IT

THE EYES:

When you rearrange the letters:

THEY SEE

THE MORSE CODE:

When you rearrange the letters:

HERE COME DOTS

DORMITORY:

When you rearrange the letters:

DIRTÝ ROOM

SLOT MACHINES:

When you rearrange the letters:

CASH LOST IN ME

ANIMOSITY.

When you rearrange the letters:

IS NO AMITY

ELECTION RESULTS:

When you rearrange the letters: LIES - LET'S RECOUNT

SNOOZE ALARMS:

When you rearrange the letters:

ALASÍ NO MORĚ Z 'S

A DECIMAL POINT:

When you rearrange the letters:

I'M A DOT IN PLACE

THE EARTHQUAKES:

When you rearrange the letters:

THAT QUEER SHAKE

ELEVEN PLUS TWO:

When you rearrange the letters:

TWELVE PLUS ONE

AND FOR THE GRAND FINALE:

MOTHER-IN-LAW

When you rearrange the letters:

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### It's that time of year

**IITS CHORUS** 

ARE YOU READY FOR THE CHORUS TO START AGAIN?

Date: Every Monday, starting November 7th, 2016 to March 2017

Time: 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

Place: IITS Clubhouse

Who is invited? Anybody who likes to sing in the shower, anybody who has sung in a choir and misses it, or anybody who thinks they would like to try singing in a chorus and wants to come and have fun with us. There is no musical training necessary.

We usually have about 8 performances during the season. They are Thanksgiving, 3 at Christmas time, our annual performance, Valentine's Day, Can/Am party, and we

finish the year with St. Patrick's Day and then a parting breakfast.

Bill Shiels, Lot 133 and Wayne Cleveland, Lot 183, are Co-Directors. We would like to make the chorus comfortable for people who live here full time and for our northern friends. If you have any questions, please call Wayne Cleveland at 727-600-6773 or E-mail at wrcleveland@tampabay.rr.com or Bill Shields at 727-437-7101 or E-mail at marcybillshiels@yahoo.com.

We will let you know when the first practice will be held on the calendar and the phone messages. We will be so happy to have you join us with your smiling face.

### **October Park Activities**

It is almost here...

Make Plans to Join Your "Island in the Sun" Family for Thanksgiving Dinner!!

November 24, 2016

2pm Fellowship and Entertainment

2:50pm Turkey/Ham Presentation

3pm Blessing

Roasted Turkey

Traditional Baked Ham

Beverage, Coffee, Ice and BYOB

Sides and Desserts provided by Residents

Please get tickets and sign-up for the side you will be providing.

Everyone must get a ticket; free for residents with a suggested \$3 donation per person for non-resident family and guests. Tickets will be available until November 22nd@ 6PM.

\*Looking for 5 people to

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Please contact the Riley's #290,727-648-4102

We are working out details for our Thanksgiving Dinner for residents of the park. It would be greatly appreciated if we could have some input from our residents as to what they would like to have. Since no budget has yet been presented this has not been approved by the board however, due to time constraints we are letting you know now that it is in the planning stages.



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### **Hello from the IITS HOA Activities Committee**

Submitted by Linda Walker, Activities Chairperson, Lot #301, 540-272-1992

irst of all, I wanted to thank everyone for the positive responses/ideas and assistance with the ongoing activities in our Community since I have assumed the Chair position. The Community has many regularly scheduled activities, most of these have chair-persons and are very well organized. These activities are posted in the media each month. This article is primarily related to 'special' events and parties.

For those who are not familiar, the Activities committee meets the **1st Saturday** of each month at 10 am, and the **3rd Monday** of each month at 7:00 pm and everyone is welcome to attend. The purpose of the meetings is primarily to discuss ideas for monthly entertainment and special events. Cal Am provides us with a budget for entertainment each month, which can include bands, musicians, other acts, etc. These events can include special or 'theme' dinner parties, or BYOB and BYOF (Bring your own Food) parties. Note that when an event/party is planned we need a chairperson to head up that specific event.

It is important to note that ticket sales for meals are usually **cut off** approximately two days before the event, and are **not sold** at the door. This is so we know how much food to buy for each event. For other events where no food is sold, we can sell tickets on a 'walk in' basis.

Generally the cost of a meal provided that does not include any outside entertainment will run around \$5 per person, such as the upcoming spaghetti dinner. For an event with a band or other entertainment, the cost of the event will be based on what is needed to cover the cost of the performer(s), above the amount Cal Am provides each month. For instance, if a band, etc. costs \$500, we have to come up with the extra \$200 in ticket sales to cover what Cal Am does not pay. So, for the above example, if the estimated number of attendees for the event is 20, then we would need to charge \$10 per ticket to make up the extra. In addition, we pay the cost of supplies. Good entertainment is not inexpensive (you get what you pay for!), and this is why we need participation in the activities meetings and also in the events that the HOA sponsors. The same holds true for dinners, and although we make every attempt to keep the prices down, we do have to cover our costs for any event. This is why different events are priced differently.

Good entertainment is not cheap (you get what you pay for!), so it is important to have participation in the meetings so the Activities Committee can bring the residents the entertainment and parties that will provide enjoyment to the largest number of people. We also need to plan activities/events with enough advance notice so they can be published in the monthly media. That way everyone is aware of what is going on in the Community at least a month ahead of time. The large sign on the lawn in the clubhouse area is also a good source of information, as events, meetings, etc. are posted there, and the prices of said events.

Specifically, the following means are used to disseminate information to the residents about upcoming events:

- Activities meetings
- Phone Messaging 3 times a week (please provide your phone #'s to Wally and Chrissy Riley at Lot 290 to get on the list or fill out the form in the back of the Media)
  - Sign in front of the clubhouse
  - Monthly media/calendar

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See below for upcoming activities/events that are happening in the Community in October:

Saturday, October 8 – Spaghetti Supper

Chairs: Rick Kiszka and John Opaczewski

- Spaghetti with six meatballs, spring mix salad and garlic bread, coffee, pop and lemonade
- This is a sit down dinner with tableware and non-alcoholic drinks provided by the HOA. Cost is \$5.00 per person with the cutoff date for buying tickets of Oct 6th 8:00PM. You can pick up final ticket sales at Bingo on Thursday.
  - Community Yard Sale
  - October 13, 14 and 15th, Thursday, Friday and Saturday
- 8-5. Please sign up in the clubhouse so you can get you donuts and cider there the day of the morning when you pick up your balloons.

Friday, October 28 – Sunday, October 30 – Halloween Happenings

• Pet parade/dress up

**Decorated Golf Cart Parade** 

**Halloween Dress up Dance** 

October 29th 6:30 – 9:30PM

Chairs for the Dance: Rick Kiszka and John Opaczewski

Come dressed in your best and worst Halloween outfits or come as you are. There will be lots to do and music. Bring some extras \$1's for the Halloween HOA Jail and put your friends and enemies in jail. Phil Tursi has a special thing he is doing for the night also, ask him about it.

Everyone bring a dish to share \$3.00 for HOA members and \$5.00 for non-members. Get your tickets from our **HOA sellers.** 

• Tickets for events can be purchased from the following individuals:

#46 – Bob Newman

#133 – Bill Shiels

#221 – Don Salisbury

#312 – John Opaczewski

### Did you know?

**Men's Golf League**. If anyone is interested in playing in a men's golf league, please contact: **John Mackay**, Lot 271, <u>727-230-1663</u>.

### Pool/Billiards Submitted by Jim Walker, Lot 301

For those who are interested, a few of the residents have been getting together on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm to shoot pool. Right now it is an informal gathering, but if we can get enough people interested, it might be possible to set up an actual pool league. If you would like to get involved, please come by the clubhouse on any Monday and talk with the group of pool players. I am sure they would like to have some more competition!

**Euchre Submitted by Don Hendrixson, Lot 28, 812-890-8942**. Looking for Euchre players for Wednesday nights in the club house starting at 7PM. Please contact Don for more details and starting date.

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### Here's what's happening around our neck of the woods in October

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593-5536

This offshore powerboat race will feature some of the fastest powerboats in the world competing for the title of National Champion. The boats will race from Pier 60 north for about a half mile and back, doing laps around the loop. The race, which is free and open to the public, will take place on October 2. VIP packages available for purchase.

#### Christmas under the Oaks

October 13th 9-4PM Coachman Park, Clearwater

### **Clearwater Jazz Holiday**

Thursday, October 13 – Sunday, October 16

Coachman Park, 301 Drew St.

461-5200

The Clearwater Jazz Holiday features national and local performing acts. There will be food and drink concessions, exhibitors and Clearwater Jazz Holiday merchandise on sale. Coolers, food, drinks, pets, fireworks, tents, and canopies are not permitted. Tickets range from \$16-\$170.

Thursday, October 13th

4:30 p.m. Gates Open

5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. – Bach to the Future Featuring The Silverman Brothers

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Commodores

8:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - Kool & The Gang

Friday, October 14th

4:00 p.m. Gates Open

4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. - Al Downing Tampa Bay Jazz Association Presents: Crescent City Dream Featuring Dwayne White

6:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. – Flow Tribe

7:45 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – Preservation Hall Jazz Band

9:30 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. - Trombone Shorty & Orleans Avenue

10:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. – Clearwater Jazz Holiday Official After-Party At The Capitol Theatre

Saturday, October 15th

2:00 p.m. Gates Open

2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Show Biz Kids Steely Dan Tribute & Event Band

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Fred Johnson And The Michael Ross Quartet Featuring Cliff Downs

5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. – Brian Bromberg Full Circle Band

7:15 p.m. - 8:45 p.m. – The Mavericks

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9:15 p.m. - 10:45 p.m. - Daryl Hall

10:45 p.m. – Fireworks Presented By HCA West Florida Pinellas County Hospitals

11:15 p.m. – 1:30 a.m. Clearwater Jazz Holiday Late Night Aboard The StarLite Majesty

Sunday, October 16th

1:30 p.m. Gates Open

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. - REH / CJH Youth Jazz Band with Special Guest Brian Bromberg

3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. – The Ries Brothers

5:00 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. - The Lone Bellow

6:45 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Houndmouth

8:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. - Grace Potter

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October 21 – 23, 2016

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Oct. 21, 2016 — Oct. 23, 2016

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### Oct 27 – 30th John's Pass Seafood Festival

John's Pass, Madeira Beach Thursday 12-11PM

Sunday 10AM to 8PM

Friday 10AM – 11PM

Saturday 10AM-11PM

### Sign up now to participate in our Island in the Sun Telephone Messaging Service!

essages pertaining to activities or events are now being delivered to your telephone. This service is being provided free to IITS residents by the IITS HOA. Messages are being delivered to telephones throughout the US and Canada, on land lines or cell phones. This service is limited to one telephone number per lot.

For our part time residents, during your time away from IITS, you may forward the messages to another phone or discontinue receiving messages until your return.

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• Polls/Counts

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• Remind residents of HOA meetings

- Announce/Remind/Poll activities and events
- Communicate information to specific groups (Chorus, Shuffleboard, etc.)
- Announce safety concerns in the community and surrounding area
- Make you aware of the unfortunate loss of one of our neighbors
- Other uses as recommended and approved by the IITS HOA Board of Directors.

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