



# The News of Sun City Center

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## CA SCHEDULE

### JULY

#### 4 Independence Day Celebration

Bandstand Area  
Food Vendor - 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
Entertainment beginning at 11 a.m.  
Model Train Show - 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Corn Hole - 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

#### 5 In observance of July 4<sup>th</sup>

Office/Library Closed  
Facilities Open

#### 12 Board Workshop

Caper Room - 9 a.m.  
Also, via Zoom  
ID: 812 8377 5872  
Passcode: 453255

#### 14 Board Meeting

Rollins Theater - 9 a.m.  
Also, via Zoom  
ID: 826 6004 5843  
Passcode: 821949

#### 20 Special Membership Meeting

Community Hall - 10 a.m.  
Also, via Zoom  
ID: 877 7405 2600  
Passcode: 150919

Agendas for the monthly Board Meetings will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board in the Atrium the Friday before and on the CA website ([www.suncitycenter.org](http://www.suncitycenter.org) - under "Residents" - Upcoming Meeting Agendas). They will also be sent via "What's New in the CA" email.

## CA Contact Information

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## 4<sup>th</sup> of July Family Fun Day

The SCCCA is featuring a July 4<sup>th</sup> Family Fun Day, on Sunday July 4. The day will be filled with fun activities at the CA Central Campus on N. Pebble Beach from 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. C&J Specialties, a local food vendor will be serving breakfast from 9 to 11, followed by a full festival fare of goodies until 7:30 p.m. Free ice cream will be distributed while supplies last in the early afternoon. The Bandstand at 958 Cherry Hills Drive will be alive with entertainment during the day. From 11 to 12:30, enjoy the hip-swinging music of Billy "Elvis" Lindsay. The ever-popular Kevin Brooks will also perform, alongside Elvis. From 2 to 4, enjoy the musical soul sounds of David Morris. Wrapping up the day will be another favorite, 3-Dom Band, who will play from 6-7:30. The lawn will be golf cart accessible, and there will be a roped-off section right down front for lawn chairs. Cornhole boards will be available for those wishing to try their luck at the game. This event is open to all SCCCA members and their families; guest passes for family members are available M-F 8 to 3 at the CA office, 1009 N. Pebble Beach Blvd.

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## Important SCCCA Update: The Board Needs Your Response

By Bob Sullivan, President Sun City Center Community Association

On June 9, 2021, the SCCCA Board voted to put two very important items before the Community:

1. There will be a special Membership Meeting on July 20. This is when the Community will vote on the Capital Fund Fee increase. We are asking that the fee be increased from \$2,100 to \$3,000. This action will ensure that we will fund future projects and the ones we are presently planning from this point forward. The fee increase was shared at the Arena meeting. (Area Real Estate National Association) who brought up minimal issues.

2. The Community will also be asked to vote to increase the term limit for a director from two terms to three terms. (Bylaw II, Section 8 - Change consecutive elected terms from two (2) to three (3)). The term limit change will allow directors to continue to serve upon election by the Community and assure continuity and stability.

The Proxy ballots for the July 20 vote are in this paper. They are also available on our website and in the Sun City Center Association office. For persons out of town, the proxy ballot can be mailed or emailed upon request to



The full Board met on June 9, 2021 in the Rollins Theatre. Directors are (left to right) Front Row: Corporate Secretary Ron Matelski, Treasurer Dave Birkett, President Bob Sullivan, and Vice President Doug Seipelt. Back Row: CLD Larry Smith, Director Gary Bratt, Director Eric Porr, Director Ken Bauer and Director Kim Roush.

"secretary@suncitycenter.org".

We had another Town Hall Meeting on June 22 at 7 p.m., explaining to Community Members the aspects of the current Long Range Plan project. We had 469 residents at this meeting (184 on Zoom and 285 in person).

Due to the rise in construction

costs, the new building phase of the project escalated to roughly \$7 million, increasing 5% each month until we start breaking ground. With these projected costs, it has been decided by the Board of Directors that at this time, we are unable to move forward with these plans.

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## There is Something for Everyone at the Community Association Pools

By Diane M. Loeffler

There is nothing more refreshing than a dip in the pool on a warm summer day. The three north campus pools provide something for every resident of Sun City Center. They provide a place for exercise classes for people of all abilities, water volleyball games, swim dancing, lap swimming, competition preparation, socializing, walking and entertaining grandchildren and other guests. When concerts are held at the bandstand, the music can be enjoyed while keeping cool in the pool. On Independence Day, there are often special activities near the pool.

The pool area provides a great place to enjoy the sun. Tuesday through Saturday, it is also a great place to grab brunch, lunch, snacks, ice cream or an early dinner. CC's Grill is open from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. those days.

### Exercise / Walking Pool

The indoor pools are salt water pools, so you may find you are more buoyant in them. The saltwater exercise pool is open from 6 a.m. until 9 p.m. Walking there is so much easier than walking on land. You will probably find you can walk longer and more comfortably there. Most residents know this as the walking pool, but many call it "the talking pool" because it can be a great place to meet and socialize with others as you walk. Many residents go there at the same time every day and many friendships have been formed. From 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays you are welcome to join the arthritis classes in the exercise pool. It is not available for walkers at that time.

### Lap Pool

The indoor lap pool is used by Swim Dancers on Monday and Wednesday



Volleyball takes place in the shallow end of the outdoor pool from 5 until 7 on Tuesdays and Fridays.

evenings from 7 until 8:30 p.m. and 7:30 a.m. until 9 a.m. on Fridays. If you can swim a lap in the pool and are interested in trying this unique activity, contact Susan Muise at 813 633-2479. The Swim Dancers perform a full show here and one at Palm Harbor. They will also do a demonstration during FallFest.

Master Swimmers is a group for serious swimmers. Some of its members even compete against other master swimmers. To be a Master Swimmer, you must pass a test. This test includes swimming one full lap and back while doing one of these strokes: freestyle, breaststroke, back stroke or butterfly. If you would like to take the test, contact Susan Shuttleworth at 813.922.4965. The Master Swimmers club uses the lap pool

from 6 a.m. until 9 a.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays. If they finish early, the pool is available to others.

If outdoor conditions are bad, the Aquasizers Club may be using a few lanes of the lap pool between 9 and 11 Monday through Friday and 10 to 11 on Saturdays.

The lap pool is designed for those who wish to swim laps. Walkers are permitted in this pool only when it is not crowded. Noodles are allowed in the shallowest lap area only. This pool is open from 6 a.m. until 9 p.m. except for when the Swim Dancers, Master Swimmers or Aquasizers are using it.

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**SCCCA SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING TUESDAY, JULY 20, 2021 10:00 AM, COMMUNITY HALL**

200 members required for a quorum (Proxies will count to establish a Quorum) CA Membership Cards are required for admittance

**AGENDA-**

- I. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Vote on Amendments to:
  - Bylaw V., Section 9 to change amount of Capital Fund Fee from \$2,100 to \$3,000 and
  - Bylaw II, Section 8 to change consecutive elected terms from two to three \*
- III. General Discussion by Members
- IV. Adjournment

\*If you do not plan to attend the meeting in person or plan to use Zoom, proxies are available in this issue of the NEWS and in the CA office until July 19, 2021. This meeting will be available via Zoom but you will not be able to vote.

ID: 877 7405 2600 Password: 150919

Ron Matelski  
Corporate Secretary

**A Plea to All CA Members and Bylaw Changes**

By Diane M. Loeffler

Community Association (CA) President Bob Sullivan began the board meeting with a plea. "I wish all the people on social media from our community association would come to the meetings (or attend through Zoom)." He says, "If you have questions or comments you should talk to the board and come to the meetings." Sullivan says all board members can be reached through email. Their email addresses are the initial of their first names, their full last name plus @suncitycenter.org.

President Sullivan also gave his cell phone number and urged members to call him at 813-215-7050. Board meetings are held on the second Wednesday of every month. Workshop meetings are held two Mondays before that. These meetings are your chance to hear what is really going on and to give your input in a way that can yield results. If you are out-of-town, click on the Zoom link in your email blasts. One resident has been attending every meeting online despite being in Germany.

Erma Faron was approved as the new co-chair of the election committee. The other co-chair is Debbie Tourangeau.

The Board of Directors voted for some changes in policies relating to clubs. If clubs do not follow the rules and procedures, the Club Liaison Director, in conjunction with the board, may take appropriate action, including withdrawal of a club's privilege of using CA facilities.

Visitors are permitted to tour our facilities and property but cannot participate in any way in our affiliated clubs. Guests are defined as any person 18 years or older who is not a CA member. Guests may go to Bingo, Monday Movies, and outdoor concerts. They may use the pool, Fitness Center, and all outdoor facilities during those times when club activities are not occurring. A member may purchase a guest card for a guest for up to 30 days in a calendar year. Physical therapists may accompany members on campus during their rehabilitation period but must have a guest card. For clarification or more details, call the CA Office 813-633-3500.

**What's New at the Library?**

By Joanne Gilray, SCC Library Administrator

Hello Library Patrons, we want to thank everyone for their patience during this unusual time as we work to ensure the safety of our patrons, volunteers, and staff. We are excited, and looking forward to getting back to "normal". Please see below for an update on the Sun City Center Library operating procedures.

Hours of operation: Monday through Friday 9-4 with a 45-minute closure for sanitation between 12-12:45. Beginning Monday, August 2, the library will no longer close for sanitation and will return to its normal operating schedule. Computer room limited to two patrons. Please sign in at circulation. The conference room will be available with a max of six people. Sign in is at circulation. Please call ahead if you would like to ensure your spot.

Regular circulation has been reinstated. This means you can bring your return items inside to the correct designated check-in area based on if you're returning a Hillsborough County or Sun City Center item. The Book Sale Room is fully operational and all items are priced as marked. The Marked Down Sale in the walkway is now closed. But do not fret, our annual book sale is back and scheduled for January 2022.

Puzzles are to be returned on the cart upfront at circulation. This is to be a permanent part of the puzzle circulation procedure. We are accepting donations again based on our previous guidelines. We are also now accepting board games that are in good condition with no missing pieces. There's a new board game collection available for circulation based 100% on donations so we need your help to fill it up!

Happy Reading!

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Jonathan Moore and his assistant answered many CA Members' questions. Moore's company is overseeing the project on behalf of the Community Association. CA President Bob Sullivan stands behind him.

We had planned to have a referendum vote on Aug 17 and 18 for the residents to decide to use the capital and replacement funds and obtain additional financial support from a local bank. However, these decisions are no longer required with the postponement of the project.

The two-phase Long-Range Planning Project was for a 22,000 sq. ft. two-story building (Phase one) and an Adult Pool with Pavilion Area joining the pools and the café (Phase two).

Financing this project would have been based on using current and future Capital Funds and Replacement funds. The act of increasing the Capital Fund Fee and use of replacement funds would have only covered the building (Phase 1). To go to the next phase (Phase 2) – we would have needed to discuss the possibility of getting a Construction Advance from a local bank. This financial construction contract would have been pay as you use with a locked-in base rate of 3.4 % for a 10-year repayment requirement. No prepayment charges.

The Board of Directors will visit other opportunities: these include a revisit of United Community Church property and North Course properties. In addition, we will investigate other building possibilities that may be more feasible with our available funds.

The goal of the Sun City Center Community Association Board is to keep this Community updated. We look to the Capitol Fund Fee increase to allow future improvements that will increase the value of this facility and the value of every resident's property.

**Statement of Purpose**

The Sun City Center Community Association serves the residents of Sun City Center by providing assistance for the elderly, assistance and essential services to tax exempt entities, and operates in lieu of a municipal government, thereby lessening the burdens of government (Hillsborough County, Florida).

**Newcomers**

List prepared from CA staff data. Report corrections, additions to CA at 633-3500.

Local Adress	Name	Hometown	State/Country	Phone
255 Amesbury Circle	David & Claire O'Brien	Brockton	MA	727-667-6800
1005 Ardmore Way	Lisa Law	Detroit	MI	813-784-2979
303 Barstow Court	Cletus & Glynda	Machesney Park	IL	815-904-0308
1504 Belle Glade Avenue	Angelica Bermudez	San Sebastion	Puerto Rico	321-304-0042
	Dennis Echevarria			
222 Brockfield Drive, N.	Randy & Sharon Schaeffer	Mount Pleasant	WI	262-989-5942
1616 Brookton Green Drive	David McDaniel	Houston	TX	830-237-3866
	Nancy Fears			
675 Chipper Drive	Veronique Jurczyk-Willett	Boston	MA	727-776-3522
1572 Council Drive	Cheryl Hobbs	Ponca City	OK	620-222-4020
1412 Del Webb Blvd., W.	Ashley Mote	Tampa	FL	813-846-4550
2330 Del Webb Blvd., W.	Ronald Cantrell	Waynesville	MO	813-220-2902
	Esther Cantrell	Burlington	VT	813-220-1674
1649 Emerald Dunes Drive	Robert & Katherine Chrystie	Cumberland	RI	352-356-3023
2317 Emerald Lake Drive	Earl & Victoria Hughes	Union	KY	859-394-4332
2419 Emerald Lake Dr., Apt. 101	Frederick Bugg			813-773-7783
1212 Fordham Drive	Edwin Gonzalez-Gertz	San Juan	Puerto Rico	404-514-0202
1805 Fort Duquesna Drive	April Brake	Springfield	MO	417-830-9119
	Punky Fedora			
607 Fox Hills Drive	David Cote	Woonsocket	RI	401-473-1428
	Betty Cote	Hopkinton	RI	
1401 Hacienda Drive	Toni Hedgecorth	Ruskin	FL	239-362-5116
807 LaJolla Avenue	Genevieve Howard	San Diego	CA	229-402-1341
203 Meadow Vista Lane	Vicki Catoe	Old Hickory	TN	615-594-6820
	Kenneth Wiechman			
1713 New Bedford Drive	Michael Sherk	Baltimore	MD	918-565-9151
2135 New Bedford Drive	David Lemley	Atlanta	GA	404-606-0543
2212 North Creek Court	Douglas Behler	Lakewood Ranch	FL	610-704-0336
	Davene Heckman			
748 Ojai Avenue	William & Guadalupe Conrad	Bryan	TX	813-468-6203
1714 Pacific Dunes Drive	Keith & Brenda Jackson	Severna Park	MD	443-336-9305
1853 Pacific Dunes Drive	Norval & Jacqueline Stanley	Acushnet	MA	508-789-8748
1610 Pebble Beach Blvd., N.	John & Dana Muglia	Shelby Township	MI	586-292-8990
1204 Peridot Lane	Linda Geary	Springfield	IL	708-205-3712
	Timothy Geary	Chicago	IL	
2117 Sterling Glen Court	Lawrence & Deborah Walsh	Huntley	IL	847-867-6758
403 Stoneham Drive	Richard & Robin Rogovin	Valrico	FL	813-758-6359
1507 Weatherford Drive	Eileen Goff	Syosset	NY	561-738-5708
2108 Westview Drive	Capano, Brian	Northport	NY	651-925-2511
1705 Wolf Laurel Drive	Ken & Debra Zyer	Frankfort	IL	815-412-5838
1820 Wolf Laurel Drive	Gizele Stotts	Manchester	NH	760-819-9098
	Bryan Stotts	Tampa	FL	760-819-1243
1619 Woodmar Drive	William Wright	Rahway	NJ	722-841-6043
	Phyllis Anderson-Wright	Plainfield	NJ	908-723-2311

# Burgers, Hot Dogs and Friendship with the Multi-Cultural Heritage Club

By Bob Sanchez

Over 40 members of the Multi-Cultural Heritage Club held their second-annual cookout at the Horseshoe Pavilion on June 12. They enjoyed burgers donated by McDonald's, hot dogs, cold drinks, desserts, and plenty of good conversations and renewed friendships.

"All credit goes to the membership and our supporters," said Club President Vince Lopez. "People want to be part of a group that is positive and doing a variety of things in the community. Today we wanted to see each other, because we have been closed and inactive for a year."

"My first and definitely not my last Multi-Cultural affair," one commenter enthused. "It was a pleasure to be around such friendly people."

Diane Wheeler brought a Blueberry Casserole, the winning entry in the "best dessert" contest.

"The Multi-Cultural Heritage Club is dedicated to the effort of inspiring our members to extend fellowship and support to each other through social and cultural activities," according to their statement of purpose. "We, therefore, take tremendous pride in preserving and promoting the richness of the multi-

cultural heritage of Sun City Center's residents."

The Club meets in the Caper Room from noon until 2 p.m. on the second Friday of every month. Visit their Facebook page at Facebook.com/multiculturalheritageclubsc.



Treasurer Debbie Riley helps serve the food.



President Vince Lopez selling 50-50 tickets.



Gathering for food and fellowship.



Lois Dunbar samples desserts to judge the best.



John Mitchell (left) and Don Brooks man the all-important grill.



Enjoying a warm summer outing.



Don Brooks, Annie Davis and Lois Dunbar check out the feast.

## Dixieland Swing Jazz Garage Band



The Dixieland Swing Jazz Garage Band played during the June 16 concert. Band members are (left to right) Eddie Graham, Chuck Schlaich, Paul Hafer, and Wayne Pearson.

By Diane M. Loeffler

Ever since COVID restrictions were lifted, Entertainment Director Renee Bray has been arranging for monthly concerts. The performances include a wide variety of types of music. The musicians are always great. The June 16 concert was just one more example of quality entertainment.

The Dixieland Swing Jazz Garage Band played at the Sun City Center Community Bandstand from 6-7:30 p.m. The skies were gloomy with light sprinkles, but the music made up for the

lack of sunshine.

The Dixieland Swing Jazz Garage Band began by playing some Duke Ellington songs. The rest of the evening, CA residents enjoyed a wide variety of music including Dixieland Jazz, big band music, soulful jazz, show tunes and more. During one song, CA Member Bud Dickerson said, "Now that's small room jazz. That's good stuff." Band member Chuck Schlaich says, "We play music you can't hear today. Turn on your radio. You won't hear this music."

## Entrance to St. Andrews Estates Gets a Facelift



By Paula Lickfeldt

Fourteen volunteers showed up to help lay sod around the signs at the entrance of the St. Andrews Estates. After many years, St. Andrews HOA accomplished the difficult task of bringing a dependable water source to the entrance of the estates and it was time to upgrade and landscape. The HOA used extra funds in their account to buy sod, mulch and flowering ground cover. After a group

of dedicated volunteers prepared the grassy area, the call went out and 14 volunteers showed up ready to lay the sod. One person, experienced with a machete, cut the sod to go around the sprinkler heads.

As the saying goes, "Many hands make light work." The sod was laid in less than thirty minutes. The many volunteers had a good time working together and made short work of the sodding project.

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#### Hot Tubs and Saunas

When the indoor lap pool is being used by Swim Dancers or Master Swimmers, the indoor hot tub is not available. Otherwise you can use the hot tub any time between 6 a.m. and 9 p.m.

The outdoor hot tub is available between sunrise and sunset. During times when exercise classes are being held, hot tub users are requested to speak quietly so their voices don't make it difficult for exercisers to hear their instructors. Remember, voices carry far better over water than over land.

The indoor shower areas house sauna rooms, one for men and one for women.

#### Outdoor Pool

The outdoor pool has it all: exercise, sports, swimming, socializing and time with guests. Since the outdoor pool lacks the lighting required by the state of Florida, it is open from sunrise to sunset. All or a portion of the pool is available to everyone during daylight hours.

#### Water Exercise Classes

Monday through Friday, Aquasizers has Deep Water Classes from 9 until 10 a.m. at the deep end of the pool. Participants wear buoyancy belts and exercise using water weights and, two days a week, noodles. Since exercisers never touch the pool bottom, joints aren't jarred. Water provides resistance.

Monday through Saturday, Aquasizers holds Shallow Water Classes in the shallow half of the pool from 10 until 11 a.m.. The water makes movements easier than they are on land. This class uses pool noodles.

#### Water Volleyball

Water Volleyball is held in the shallow end of the pool from 5 until 7 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays. Contact Ted Lersch at 813.205.1414 or by emailing him at "tedlersch@gmail.com". If you have ever watched them play, you know this is a fun-loving group.

#### Guests

The pool is a really fun place to take our guests. The water is great and food is readily available from CC's Grill ranging from ice cream to meals. Be sure to pick up guest passes for anyone age 18 and older before you come to the pool area. Passes are available at the Community Association Office from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. Monday through Friday and at the Fitness Center from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. and on weekends. Guests over the age of 18 can be in the pools any time they are open to you.

Children love pools and we are happy to once again be able to have grandchildren, great-nieces and nephews and other youngsters join us. There is no charge for children under the age of 18. Guests between the ages of 3 and 17 can use the pool from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. and again from 3 p.m. until 5 p.m.

For a quick summary of times of activities, there are large whiteboards near the outdoor pool, indoor pool and exercise pool. These boards give the times and days for each activity.

If you love the water, Sun City Center Community Association has a time and activity that is just perfect for you.

## July Historic Happenings in SCC

Sun City Center is now in its 60th year, and the History Society Members have been very busy looking through their archives. July seems to have been a busy month for things to happen and decisions to be made.

July 1966 was crisis time for the SCC Emergency Squad. The ambulance service furnished by the funeral homes of Florida was to stop on August 1. Ray Watson, Chairman of SCC Emergency Squad, announced a July 15 fundraising of \$25 per member for the Squad's purchase and operation of its own ambulance. The successful response is obvious. For 55 years, we still operate our own Emergency Service.

BINGO!!! July 17, 1967, Bingo parties began regularly in the Town Hall and are still being played every Monday in the Community Hall.

July 1969 was a groundbreaking time for Prince of Peace Catholic Church.

July 26, 1970, the newspapers announced a class-action lawsuit against the County Tax Assessor for unfair tax assessment in Sun City Center, filed by Don Roszel, Chair of the SCC Tax Relief Commission. He called it the greatest miscarriage of justice since the Boston Stamp Act of 1765, which had been very unpopular among colonists. You might remember their slogan was "No taxation without representation." Despite valiant efforts on the part of our residents, we lost the case.

July 26, 1972, is Town Hall Day,



*W-G gives Town Hall Complex to the Civic Association, 1972, an agreement that would lead to the eventual construction of the Central campus with land and funds provided by the developer.*

commemorating the day in 1972 when the SCC Civic Association took over the deed from the developer for ownership and operation of the Town Hall Complex.

In July 1973, the members of Sun City (named by Del Webb) officially call it Sun City Center -- thereafter called the SCC Civic Association.

July 1, 1981, the new Sun City Center Post Office was officially opened at its present location.

July 10, 1990, 150 residents of SCC and Kings Point attended the Board of County Commissioners zoning meeting to preserve the "Master Plan" of 1973 for SCC, which restricted high-rise buildings. In this case, the residents were able to make positive compromises with the county.



*The Shallow Water exercise classes take place from 10 until 11 from Monday through Saturday. Deep Water classes are 9 until 10 Monday through Friday.*



*Arthritis Classes are held in the walking pool from 1 until 2 on Tuesdays and Fridays. The rest of the week this area is open to walkers.*



*L to R: Susan Roberts, Rosie Elam, Instructor Sandy Kelly, Roz Carter, Joanne Kerr, Jill Kelly, Kathy Gauthier and Bobie Cesarek.*

## Get Off The Couch: Try Cloggersizers

By Paula Lickfeldt

For years, several women had been clogging together on a weekly basis and then their dancing was interrupted by the Covid-19 virus. After the lockdown was lifted, they applied for CA club status, which was granted, and a room for dancing.

The CA Board granted club status to the Cloggersizers at the May meeting. The club meets weekly at the dance studio in the Atrium Building on Thursday mornings from 10 until noon. Clogging is a great total mind and body aerobic and conditioning exercise. To join the club all you will need is to pay \$5 a year dues and a pair of clogging shoes.

Clogging shoes are a special dance shoe. They have double taps on the soles so they make a loud sound and they can be somewhat pricey. Some club members have extra pairs of shoes that can be borrowed. Used clogging shoes can sometimes be found at second hand stores. The members of the club invite anyone who is interested in clogging to come and observe the practice.

At the present time the members of the club are all women, but men make wonderful cloggers. Anyone interested in clogging is invited to come for a visit. More information can be obtained by contacting Joanne Kerr at jograce55@AOL.com.

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# Swan Lake

By Kai Rambow

Swans capture our imaginations. These beautiful birds often grace covers of romantic cards. And the classic, "The Ugly Duckling," is one of those childhood stories that stays with us forever.

Swans are not native to Florida. We are fortunate to have some swans on Swan Lake. Residents living by the lake have been enthralled and saddened by the swans this year. Enthralled that five cygnets hatched this year; saddened by the death of four cygnets. It is nature's way, but one that we're not used to seeing up close.

"Lil [female swan] is highly intelligent," noted George Layton, "She knows when there's a gator in the lake." Layton is one of the most knowledgeable people about the history and the care of swans here. Another lake had originally won swans in a lottery from Lake Morton. Almost the moment the swans were released, an alligator killed the female. The remaining swan and witnesses to the incident were traumatized.

The remaining swan was transferred to Swan Lake. About 15 years ago, we received Australian black swans. They were very sociable. Today we have two muted swans. Muted swans are European, and these are descendants from British royalty.

Lake Morton

In 1957 a resident of Lakeland wrote to Queen Elizabeth asking for swans. She sent two muted swans from the royal collection, and the rest is history – well, almost. In order for the swans to survive and thrive, Lakeland has adopted some measures to ensure their wellbeing.

If you visit Lake Morton, you'll notice there are compounds built to protect swans from predation. When the cygnets are born, they and their parents are moved to another location for protection until they get bigger. Once a year, all the swans are gathered for a medical checkup. Layton handles that aspect for the swans here.

Lakeland also has the swans in their budget for their feeding and care. The result is that every few years, Lakeland has a lottery to reduce the population. Recently Lake Morton had over 80 swans; today you'll see far fewer.

You can still see the remaining cygnet on Swan Lake. If you would like to see more swans, cygnets, and a variety of them, Lake Morton is a short drive away. Recommend putting the library branch at the lake into your GPS. Note: There is a highly rated café in the library branch there, in case you get the munchies.



In the beginning most people could see the three cygnets. Unfortunately there is only one remaining.



There's only one cygnet left on Swan Lake. Here it is with one of its parents.

# Meet your Neighbors: Bill and Eileen Ballingall

By Ilona Merritt

Bill and Eileen Ballingall came to SCC to visit their cousin John Gilchrist. They liked our community and especially the many activities which are available here. In 2013 they left West Virginia and became snowbirds. They bought a small house here in 2014, and, in 2018, they moved here permanently. This time they purchased a larger home and settled into the busy life of SCC.

Bill and Eileen have two sons, Mark and Mathew. They will be celebrating their 45th wedding anniversary this May. Even while working and raising their family, they were active volunteers within their community and their church. Bill liked working on cars and helping neighbors. Eileen was a preschool teacher, and Bill had been a Master Instrument Technician at Union Carbide in West Virginia. He worked in research, development, design, purchasing, and installing control equipment. Imagine a giant wall of instruments to watch, and one day he came to work to find a small Mac Computer on his desk. In those days, most of us learned our computer skills independently, and the plan was



to computerize the control panel. Bill accomplished that, only to receive a new IBM computer, and he mastered it. He worked at Union Carbide for 34 years.

When they moved to SCC, it was only natural they would give their time to help others. Bill took an interest in the Computer Club, and it wasn't long until they recognized his talent and made him Vice President. Now that the Computer Lab is open again, he can help residents with their Cell phones and their Pads. The Computer Club also collects old cell phones and gets them recycled. The Lab is open from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. When asked about other activities, he told me he enjoys helping neighbors. It is nice to have residents like Bill and Eileen in our community.



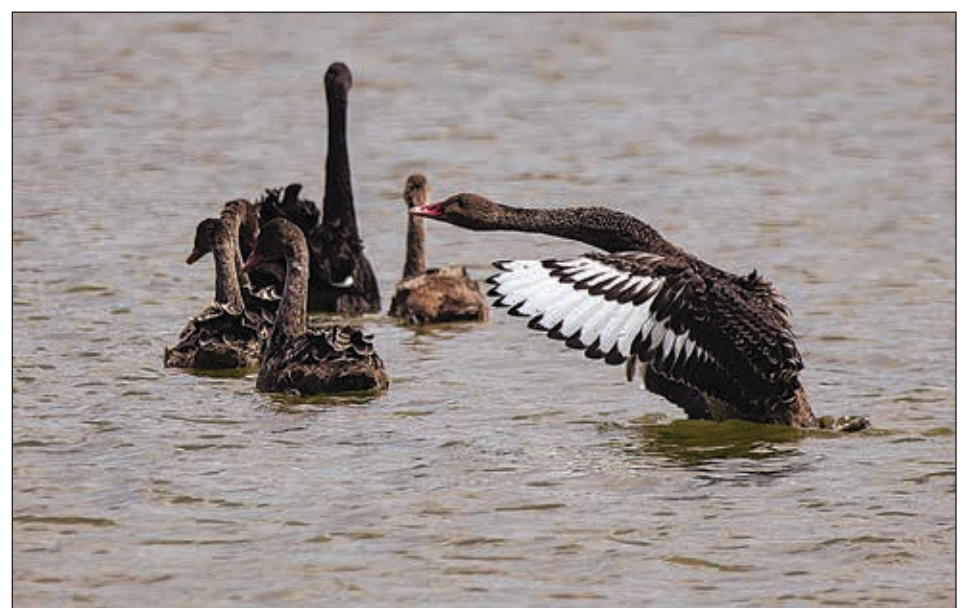
L to R around the table: Pennie Lemley, Kim Brauer, Joan Russell, Margo Lee, Debbie Goodrow and Cathy Leimkuehler.

# Lapidary Club Classes

By Paula Lickfeldt

Debbie Goodrow has been working with polymer clay for more than thirty years. She makes many different types of jewelry, bowls, trinkets from the polymer clay and she teaches classes.

The Lapidary Club has a designated room in the Arts and Crafts Building. Dues are \$10 per year plus the cost of the materials for a class that you might choose to take. The gals in the picture are making Mica Shift earrings. The club also has a showroom where pieces of jewelry made by club members can be purchased.



Some of the Australian black swans and cygnets at Lake Morton in Lakeland.



**NOTICE:** Each community and club in Sun City Center and Kings Point has specific rules about membership and attendance. Unless specifically stated or posted, most venues, meetings and events hosted on the Community Association campus and in Kings Point require attendees to bring their SCC CA or KP ID or come with a resident member. When in doubt, contact the club in question - not the venue or association - prior to arrival. Thanks.

### Computer Club Classes

Brief descriptions here. Classes may be held in-person or online. More info: Pauline at "paulinebaker864@gmail.com", in the Computer Lab or online at "www.sccccomputerclub.org".

**Buying a Computer** • Monday, July 12, from 9 to 11 a.m.

**iPad/iPhone for Seniors** • Wednesday, July 14, from 9 to noon.

**Introduction to Computers** • Tuesdays, July 6, 13, 20 from 10 to noon.

**Peppermint 10 Workshop** • Thursday, July 8, from 10 to noon.



### Lapidary Club Gift Shop Open

Stop by any Monday, Wednesday, or Friday, 10 to noon  
20% sale off all month!

### Progressive Bridge Club

Monday, July 5 from 12 to 3:15 p.m.

Atrium Building Horizon Room

Registered SCCCA members only. Walk-ins welcome.

Info: Kathie at 410-879-1112, Barbara at 813-634-7137, or  
Donna at 813-634-8225

### Metaphysical Society Meetings

10 a.m. to noon, in the Heritage Room of the Atrium Building.

Wed July 7 • "What your guardian angels can do to help during these times"

Wed July 21 • "Understanding Symbols"

Meetings are open to Society members and SCCCA residents joining the Club. SCCCA ID is required. Free admission, with a love offering requested. Info: Karen at 830-832-7402. Membership: Kay at 757-535-8210.

### SCC New England Club Cookout

Thursday, July 8, from 5 to 7 p.m.

Horseshoe Pavilion, behind Community Hall

Cost: \$5 members, \$10 non-members (includes membership fee)

Reservations: Email Bob Sanchez at "suncitywriter@gmail.com"

### SCC Poker Club

Thursday, July 8, from 7 to 9:30 p.m.

Atrium Building Armstrong Room

Weekly, registered SCCCA members only

Info: "boukay49@yahoo.com"

### Ohio Club Welcome Back Party

Saturday, July 17, doors open 5 p.m.

SCCCA Membership Card required

Dinner buffet by Banquet Masters, BYOB

Come for music, great food, and good fun



L to R: New England Club of SCC Board members: Greg McKeown, Elaine Aquilino, and President Mike Burnham with SCC Charitable Foundation Board members; Jim Porrett, President Walt Cawein, Frank Reid, and Maggie Pliska at the CA's Horseshoe Pavilion. (Photo courtesy of Sally Reid)

### New England Club Donates to SCC Charitable Foundation

The New England Club of Sun City Center recently provided a \$100 donation to the Sun City Center Charitable Foundation in appreciation for its dedication and hard work in our community. The SCC Charitable Foundation is designed to shape the future of our community by creating public awareness, developing charitable resources, and directing donations to initiatives that particularly address the needs of our community.

### SCC Billiards Club 8-Ball Tournament

Congratulations to Ray Hansen, Pat Carswell, and Gary Waldron, the Billiards Club Eight Ball Tournament winners for May. The Sun City Center Billiards Club is over 300 members strong and is open to all Community Association Members. Info: "www.suncitycenter.org" under the Activities tab.

### Bridge is Back Big

The Duplicate Bridge Association of Sun City Center is reopening two or three baby steps at a time. Slow and steady is the best process as the pandemic, in this country, reluctantly recedes. Recently, Winnie Wright and George Green came roaring back to bridge play by winning the Open Game. Winnie and George both proudly admit to 97 years but Winnie wants it known she actually is the older in their bridge partnership. Congratulations, George and Winnie!



L to R: SCCCF Board members Jim Porrett and Maggie Pliska; Samaritan Services President John Mayoka; SCCCF Treasurer Frank Reid and Board member Patsie Ginley; Samaritan Services Treasurer Jim Gundry; SCCCF President Walt Cawein, and Board member Paul Wheat." Photo courtesy of Sally Reid.

### SCC Charitable Foundation Donates to Samaritan Services

By Sally Reid

Board members of the Sun City Center Charitable Foundation, Inc. ("SCCCF") recently presented a check in the amount of \$1,000 to Samaritan Services in recognition of the wonderful support services they provide to the residents of Greater Sun City Center. The funds for this grant originated from the Dr. Patricia A. Ginley Donor Advised Fund within the SCCCF. Samaritan Services provides and oversees many valuable support services, including "SCC Ride," "Meals on Wheels" and "Alzheimer's Respite Care." Info: 813-634-9283, or for SCC Ride, call 813-633-6111.



### Sew'n Sews Quilting Class

Starting Thursday, July 15 from 9 to noon

Beginners class, held weekly for seven weeks

Class open to all SCCCA members and KP Gold Card members

Cost: \$10 for the class

Register at Sew'n Sews Club Room,

Arts and Crafts Bldg. on Cherry Hills Dr.

Info: 813-505-9503 or email scc.sew.n.sews@gmail.com

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## Remembering Our Heritage

By Kai Rambow

At 75 years old it still turns heads. The iconic P-51 Mustang is considered to be perhaps the best fighter of World War II. "They're national treasures. The whole goal is to keep them around for the next generation, keep them alive, keep them in front of the crowd," enthused Lee Lauderback.

Lauderback is enthusiastic – and a little understated. He has flown P-51s for over 30 years, and was Arnold Palmer's chief pilot for 18 years.

Lauderback and his team, based in Kissimmee, have helped restore P-51s, trained over 200 pilots to fly them and regularly perform at airshows. "It's fun for me to share the airplane and let people see what it can do." Lauderback has over 10,000 hours flying the P-51; commercial airline pilots retire with an average of 20,000 hours but on several different types of aircraft throughout their careers.

Lauderback was infected with aviation from an early age. "I



Lee Lauderback with one of the P-51s at Stallion 51. Lauderback has over 10,000 hours flying P-51s.

grew up around aviation. My father was working in the Navy and Navy Reserves flying PBYs and then a little into the test world. There were five boys in the family. My father took me flying when I was two years old." Four of the brothers work together in the business today.

"Like so many kids, I was making models of airplanes before you

could fly. I started flying gliders at age 14. I soloed on my sixteenth birthday." Lauderback then went to college on an athletic scholarship and was studying aeronautical engineering.

He realized he was spending more time studying aviation rather than flying. Any opportunity to fly Lauderback took it. "I wanted to be a military

pilot, but my vision wasn't quite 20/20." Lauderback tried all branches of service, but was turned down. Still wanting to fly, he turned to corporate aviation.

**Enter Arnold Palmer**

Lauderback was flying a charter and met Arnold Palmer. "Arnold Palmer was a very accomplished pilot himself. I went from part-time to full-time getting rated in the airplane."

Palmer's chief pilot took a job with Learjet, and Lauderback became chief pilot. "Palmer had so much hand eye coordination, which is one of the attributes of being a good pilot. I flew with him all over the world in all types of aircraft.

"I was in virtually every business meeting he was in. I walked almost every golf course in the U.S. We became very close friends. He kept a very high pace. His lifestyle was always on the move.

"He could identify at any level. He was very comfortable going to the White House or we would walk into a coal miner

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## Moving Ceremony on Memorial Day



Gold Star Father, Craig Gross, singing the song he wrote in honor of his son, Frank, who died in Afghanistan in 2011. The combined camera angles allowed us to see Craig and his son at the same time in this blended image.

By Kai Rambow

After the live event was cancelled last year, people were glad to gather in person. Those who wanted to could join the streaming service. Almost everything followed well-established traditions, but this year had something special. Craig Gross, a Gold Star father, delivered a moving speech.

He began by playing his guitar

and singing us the song he wrote about his son three months after his death. It was well done and emotional for the audience. Gross then shared about his son who was killed in Afghanistan in July 2011. The stories were sad, they were funny and they were touching.

In addition to the emotion of the speech, visuals added impact. A picture of Gross's son, Frank, was on the stage. Frank's picture was also plastered on the guitar. Whoever handled the audio visual equipment beautifully blended images.

It's not often that one can say this about any event, but this one featured speaker made the whole ceremony very special, moving, and memorable.

## Not All Who Wander Are Lost, But They Still Might Need To Be Found



In this exercise, Deputy Merry is "the missing person" the helicopter pictured above is searching for.

By Andrea L.T. Peterson

On May 24 and May 26, members of Sun City Center's Security Patrol's Silver Alert Team participated in a Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) Silver Alert Training (Safety Net) Program. Also participating were representatives from the Tampa Police Department (TPD).

In communities like ours, more than a few are inclined to "wander" due to Alzheimer's and other chronic challenging conditions like Dementia and Autism. The first, most important thing one can do when a loved one "wanders off" and can't be found is CALL 911.

For chronic wanderers, the Safety Net Tracking System is an excellent resource. As demonstrated during this training, once the county

deputies arrive on the scene, they, together with our own Security Patrol Silver Alert Team, are able to more quickly locate the wanderer and avert potential disasters. "Safety Net," explained Security Patrol Chief Tim Broad, "is technology used for people who wander."

The tracking device costs \$500 and, according to Deputy Jeff Merry, there's a monthly fee of \$30. Like a smartwatch, the tracker can be secured on the wrist or ankle. Unlike a smartwatch, the Safety Net tracker's band is tamper-proof.

The brain-child of the people who brought us LoJack, the Safety Net Tracker uses a specific radio frequency (instead of GPS) assigned to the individual wearing it. Unlike GPS tracking,

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## The Editor's Corner

### Been There

By E. Adam Porter  
Editor, News of SCC & South County

This issue of *The News* will be in mailboxes the day before the nation gathers to celebrate our collective Independence, freedom with a capital "I". Most years, our extended family gathers in my hometown to celebrate together for a few days. Not this year. A cavalcade of what Paul Simon called "incidents and accidents" have conspired to keep us close to our respective homes this July 4th, though we're all committed to celebrating our Independence in our own special way.

For me, this 4th of July will mark independence from wheelchairs and walkers, casts and compression socks. The doc says my leg is healing well, the physical therapists say my range of motion and balance are much improved. I'm officially cleared to do all the stuff I've been doing for several weeks already. Maybe not all the stuff I did before the injury earlier this year, but most of it. I wonder if a doctor's note will exempt me from the growing honey-do list on the fridge? Probably not... and that's fine by me. I'm looking forward to chores. Carrying groceries up the stairs, repairing the fence, pulling weeds, mowing the lawn, dragging the trash bin up the hill to the curb... after months in a cast and then more months on limited duty, all of these chores feel like freedom. I wonder how long the honeymoon will last?

Something else I'm enjoying while being up and around, as well as being out and about, is all the smiling faces I'm seeing. Folks are getting The Jab, and masks are being left in cars or at home. Not everyone is tossing their mask, of course. There are plenty of folks who are dealing with chronic illness or disease and they are choosing an extra layer of protection. One thing I'm not seeing is people giving them a hard time about it. We truly never know what people are going through, so it helps to set our default response on "empathy."

Sometimes, though, you can look at someone and recognize their struggle, because you've seen it in the mirror. I was in line the other day, my first trip to my favorite bookstore in a long while. It was raining hard, and for a lot of folks coffee and a good book were the perfect way to spend the day. So, the line, and the wait, was long.

My ankle and knee still like to stiffen up and swell when I'm standing in one spot for too long. The doc says I can expect that for the next year or so, and the physical therapist suggested a few exercises that make a world of difference. Standing in line, as I felt the pain come on, I started doing one of the exercises:

Lift, extend, curl, hold, lower...  
Lift, extend, curl, hold, lower...  
Wince, breathe...  
Lift, extend, curl, hold, lower...  
Around the sixth or seventh rep, I heard a voice behind me say, "Rehabbing a break?"  
I turned to see a guy about my age, short haircut, distinctive military tattoos.

I nodded, "Yeah."  
He glanced past me through the windows of the bookstore, "Weather doesn't help, does it?"

I followed his eyes to acknowledge the summer thunderstorm flooding the parking lot, thinking about how well my knees could predict the weather even before the accident. "No, it does not."

He grinned knowingly, raised his knee nearly to his chest, went through the same routine I had been, though much smoother. No snap, crackle, or pop either. "Been there," he said, adding, "About three years ago. You keep that up, and you'll be back to normal before you know it."

"Thanks, man," I said, and meant it. These days, when every curb requires total focus and every set of stairs is a negotiation, "normal" feels like little more than a setting on my dryer.

I walked – well, limped – out into the deluge feeling encouraged. Stepped slowly down off the curb and slogged through the puddles to my truck, slow and steady, thankful the cashier had double-bagged my books. Climbed up into my truck thinking about the nature of independence. How our freedom is limited in so many different ways just by living... and how perspective really does matter. I could have stood there in line cussing the pain in my knee and the stiffness in my ankle, but I was just happy to be back at the store, doing something that, a few months ago, I took for granted. I may have still allowed the discomfort to get to me, if I hadn't been encouraged by a stranger.

We're all dealing with situations or circumstances that limit us, and a lot of it is outside our control. Health, finances, relationships, past choices, regrets, and mindsets... so many ways life and our own perspectives get in the way of what's possible, or the better days right in front of us. Maybe that Marine in the bookstore was just making conversation. Maybe he remembered what it was like to stand on legs that felt like they were about to betray you. Either way, my trudge through the storm back to the truck was made on lighter feet and with a little more hope. I know I will get better. I know a lot of people have it a lot worse... I've been through a lot worse myself and come out on the other side with nothing more than a few scars... but there are moments it just doesn't feel that way.

I had a conversation yesterday that really drove all this home.

Seven years ago, when he was in his early 20s, Ivan was diagnosed with leukemia. Had to face his own mortality at 21 years old, when most of his peers thought the worst thing in the world was a bad hangover. Not long after his diagnosis, he found a group dedicated to helping

young people with cancer, and not just medically. "They got me through it, especially the worst days," he said. "They gave me hope."

Today, Ivan is sharing hope with other young people dealing with a cancer diagnosis through his foundation, Ivan's Choice Leukemia Foundation. He's reaching out to people staring down the barrel of their own mortality, who, instead

of deciding what they want to be when they grow up, are wondering if they will even get the chance. Ivan and his charity partners are helping them connect with the care they need: physically, mentally, and emotionally.

"Been there," he told me. "Got through it with help from so many people. Who would I be if I didn't look for someone else to help in the same way?"



Barbara Gentry, church volunteer.

## St. John the Divine Market

By Paula Lickfeldt

St. John the Divine Episcopal Church on East Del Webb has a thrift shop that is open every Wednesday from 10:30 until 2. It is also open during Market Time which is the third Saturday of every month. Check out all of the interesting bargains that can be found.

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★ 1/1.5 Bath \* Mansard Model ★ New Vinyl Plank Flooring ★ New: Paint, Vanities & Mirrors ★ Newer Windows.  
302 Andover PL # 162 \$92,000

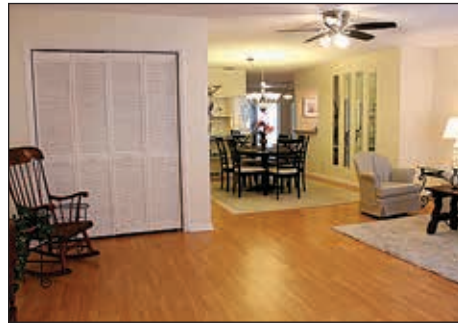


★ 2+Den/2/2G Vanderbilt Plan ★ No Carpet - Vinyl Flooring ★ Glass Encl Lanai ★ High Ceilings ★  
1127 New Winsor Loop \$205,000



★ 2/2/1.5G ★ No Backyard Neighbors-Very Private ★ Fresh Paint ★ Cul-De-Sac ★  
707 Churchill Place \$179,900

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Dedham ★ 2/2/1.5G ★ Marvelous Summer Rental W 2 Master Bedroom Suites ★ Spotlessly Clean ★ Want 6 Month Tenant.  
301 Faircross Circle July Thru December @ \$1500/mo



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714 Thunderbird \$1,500/mo



Hampton Unfurnished 2/2/C Attached ★ Park-Like Setting ★ Tile & Laminate Flooring ★ 1 Yr New A/C ★  
122 Glendower Circle 1 YEAR LEASE \$1,300/mo

### Unfurnished Annual Rentals

122 Glendower	2/2/1C	Tile & Laminate	\$1,300	AVAILABLE 7/27/21
401 Dorchester B41	2/2/1C	Laminate N Tile	\$1,350	LEASED
714 Thunderbird	2/2/1G	Updated/Sharp	\$1,500	AVAILABLE 8/01/21
2022 New Bedford	3/2/2G	Lake Wedgewood	\$1,700	LEASED

### Furnished Summer Rentals

301 Faircross Cir	2/2/1.5G	Spotless + Special	\$1,500	AVAILABLE TODAY
314 Caloosa Palms	2/2/2G	N GOLF / Split BR	\$1,400	AVAILABLE JUNE 1
1615 Cloister	2/2/2G	Twintree	\$1,350	AVAILABLE JUNE 15
1715 Atrium	2/2/1.5C	Open Plan	\$1,300	AVAILABLE 6/15 - 10/15
703 Tremont Greens	2/2/2G	Extra Special	\$1,550	AVAILABLE MAY 15
630 La Jolla Ave	2/2/2G	Spacious on Golf	\$1,375	LEASED
2187 Acadia Grns	2/2/2G	Close To So Club	\$1,700	LEASED
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 Redeemer Lutheran Church, 701 Valley Forge Blvd.  
 Info: 813.955.1819

**Front Porch Pickers**  
 Come listen or play: Wednesdays, 2 to 4 p.m.  
 Hospitality Hall at the SouthShore United Church of Christ  
 LaJolla and North Pebble Beach Blvd.

They perform country, bluegrass, traditional and gospel music. If vaccinated against Covid-19, masks and social distancing are not required. Acoustic guitar, banjo, mandolin, fiddle, ukulele, dobro and bass fiddle players are welcome to join us for good fun pickin' and grinnin'. Info: David Lickfeldt, "mandopicker2343@gmail.com".

**Sun City Center Lions Club Thank You**

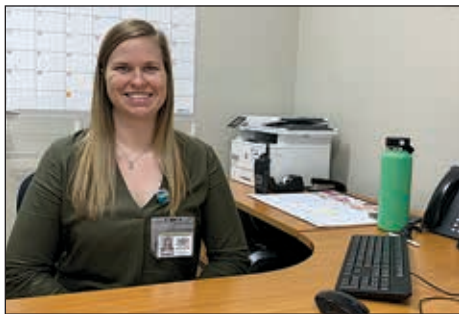
The Sun City Center Lions Club wishes to thank the residents and members who so graciously donated to the SCC Lions Club this past year. Without your help we could not continue to help those less fortunate than ourselves. Because of you we were able to help residents receive eye exams and get new glasses, with no charge to them. We established a \$1,000 Lion Terry McGovern Memorial Scholarship for a graduating Lennard High School Senior, and we donated more than \$6,000 back into the local community.



For further information, please contact Maryanne and Harry Eberle at "maryanne.eberle@gmail.com" or call 609.668.5767.

**Welcome, Sarah! Our New Community Service Aide**  
 By Diane M. Loeffler

Florida native, Sarah Hauman, is our new Community Service Aide. She assists Deputy Merry in his office at 948 Cherry Hills Drive. This office is open from 7:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. It is located just north of the lawn bowling field, east of ceramics and west of Model Railroaders and the back entrance to Sawdust Engineers.



Sarah Hauman is the new Community Services Aide in Deputy Merry's office.

Hauman previously worked at the Orient Road Jail. She completed training sessions before joining us here in Sun City Center. She knows how scammers and others target seniors. Hauman says, "Whenever anyone needs something, I am always here to talk to you and to help. I am very happy to be here."

You can reach the Sun City Center Substation by calling 813 242-5515. You can email Sarah Hauman at "shauman@hcsos.tampa.fl.us" and Deputy Merry at "jmerry@hcsos.tampa.fl.us".

**KP and SCC Pinochle**

Kings Point Pinochle players welcome Kings Point and Sun City Center residents to play single deck pinocle on Wednesday and Friday nights, 6 to 8 p.m., in the Kings Point Card Room, 1900 Clubhouse Drive, SCC. Join the fun and meet some of the friendly pinocle players. The group welcomes all knowledgeable players. Proof of COVID vaccination required. for info call Judy at 813.634.5364.

**Chief Bardell and Diane Simon Awarded**

Sun City Center residents Mike Bardell and Diane Simon have been recognized by the Senior Connection Center's Salt & Pepper Awards for their contributions to the community. Mike Bardell, Chief of the Sun City Center Emergency Squad, was nominated and won, in the Health & Wellness category by Matt Permut, Director of Program Development at Vesta. Diane was nominated and won in the Arts & Entertainment category for her many years of teaching art classes to seniors in our community. The Emergency Squad is proud to have such dedicated volunteers within their ranks!



This totally restored and powerfully updated 1986 Chevrolet Monte Carlo SS owned by Ken and Linda Wood of Brandon is the Roamin' Oldies Car Club's June cruiser of the month.

**Cruiser of the Month: A Potent, Pretty Chevy**

After 32 years and 120,000 miles of service, Ken and Linda Wood decided their 1986 Chevrolet Monte Carlo SS deserved some love. The result is a bumper-to-bumper restoration and mighty repowering that made it the Roamin' Oldies Car Club cruiser of the month. Its new fuel-injected Chevy Performance ZF engine produces 460 horsepower, compared to 180 for the original. Mated to a high-performance four-speed overdrive transmission, all that power required a new tachometer and a 140-mph speedometer in place of the old 85-mph unit.

The Roamin' Oldies host a cruise-in from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. the first Thursday of every month, with a rain date the following Thursday, at the Mira Bay Village Shopping Center on US-41 in Apollo Beach. Info: Chet, 813.842.1511.

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**School Supply Drive Through August 2**  
By Deputy Jeffery Merry

The Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office is leading a school supply drive for the Boys & Girls Club. Drop points for supplies include: the SCC Emergency Squad, 720 Ray Watson Dr and the SCC United Methodist Church, 1210 Del Webb Blvd W. Supplies will be accepted through August 2, 2021. Thank you for supporting local students!

**GFWC Sun City Center Woman's Club**  
**May Food Drive**

On Thursday, May 20, 2021 The GFWC SCC Woman's Club held a Food Drive for Our Lady Of Guadalupe's Food Pantry as our final activity for the club year. We collected about 1,600 items and monetary contributions which totaled an estimated \$6,400. St. Andrew Presbyterian Church allowed us to use their driveway and parking lot for this outdoor activity.



**GFWC Sun City Center Woman's Club**  
**Annual Gifts and Donations**

The GFWC SCC Woman's Club was able to continue their tradition of giving during this unpredictable year. During the year we donated heart pillows, blankets, seat belt covers and masks made by our members to healthcare facilities and caring organizations, at Christmas we gave Christmas gifts to school children in the Hope Fund Program, and collected gently used shoes, eyeglasses and hearing aids for our outreach program. We held food drives for Our Lady of Guadalupe Food Pantry, and a gift card drive for Haven of Hope. At the end they made monetary donations to Samaritan Alzheimer's, Samaritan Meals on Wheels, Samaritan Sun City Rides, Mary Petro Fund, Hope Fund, CARE, Pennies for Books, and Seeing Eye Guide Dogs and were able to give to some representatives in person.



Joann With, CARE; Madeline Hughes, Mary Petro; John Mayokas, SS SCC Rides; Marge Hartig Specht, Hope Fund; Jim Butner, SS Alzheimers; Sharon Nathan, Pennies for Books; Kirk Warren, SS Meals on Wheels.



**Security Patrol Volunteer**  
**of The Month**

Congratulations to Ann Gulesian who was awarded March Volunteer of the Month. Ann volunteered as a dispatcher for 41 hours during March in addition to training 7 new dispatchers. Thank you Ann!



**25 Years of Service**

25 Years of Service award being presented to Bill Panzner by Chief Tim Broad. Congratulations, Bill!



**Pelican Players President Rick Swenson.**



**Sound technicians Carlyn and Keith Postle.**



**Cyd Charrow, Paula Klein, Lucy Malacos, Mary Anne Moseley and Hilde Klein.**

**The Cabaret Singers Wow a Large Crowd**  
By Bob Sanchez

In their first event since the pandemic, the Cabaret Singers belted out show tunes "from Pop to Rock" before an enthusiastic crowd of about 350 on June 9 who packed the theater in Kings Point. Mary Anne Moseley said that everyone was "super excited to perform again," and that feeling carried through the entire show.

"The Cabaret singers wanted to get out there and begin entertaining for the Pelican Players right away," she said, "and we thought a free concert would be just the ticket for our audience to return."

The free hour-long event featured Ashley Lobo (Closer to You and South of the Border); Dan Tackitt and Ron Deitsch (Brush Up Your Shakespeare); Mary Anne Moseley (White Rabbit); Cyd Charrow (Gimme Gimme); Ken Rodman (You've Got a Friend in Me and Put On a Happy Face); Hilde Klein (I Dreamed a Dream and Wind Beneath My Wings); Paula Klein (Think of Me and I've Got Rhythm); Lucy Malacos (Nobody Does It Like Me and He Was My Boyfriend); Dan Tackitt (How to Handle a Woman); Cyd Charrow (You Can Always Count on Me); and Mary Anne Moseley and Ron Deitsch (Suddenly Seymour).

The Cabaret Singers first performed in October 2018 in the Waterside room in the Kings Point clubhouse. Since then, they had a main stage production called "Let's Go Do a Show." They have also performed for some clubs and Homeowners Association gatherings.

The program's director, Ron Deitsch, has a degree in Music Education from Lehman College in the Bronx, and he taught music and performed in a band in his younger days. He has been involved in musical theater in various places for 40 years.

Mary Anne gave shoutouts to Front of House Manager Joy Dunn, who is responsible for getting ushers and making sure the setup is right, and to Sound Technicians Carlyn and Keith Postle, "who are amazing at what they do. Any show we do is a team effort, and we rely on so many others besides the cast themselves."

For more information, visit "www.pelicanplayers.org".



**E-Squad Paying It Forward**

Please consider joining us for a significant event called Paying It Forward. Typically we think of this when someone buys something for the person coming after them. However, with us you would be providing a valuable service to the community while you are able to help others. We have had a long history of this and now several of those who serve the community need help now and again themselves. We are open 24/7/365. Most of the volunteers are retired, although we have a few younger ones. You can only ask people to work so many shifts, as they are retired like everyone else.

Please consider volunteering with us. We can always train you and make you a welcome part of our team. Our next event is Wednesday July 14, at 6 p.m. at our training center at 124 S. Pebble Beach.

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# MILITARY NEWS

## MOAA Recognizes Volunteers

The Sun City Center Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) recognized the 2020 communications achievement of Frank Kepley as the Chapter newsletter editor and Webmaster. Florida Council of Chapters Area VP Benny Blackshire presented Frank with MOAA Harris Communications Five Star Award certificates for both roles. The Chapter received a 2020 medallion for its Chapter flag streamer.

The keynote speaker at this luncheon meeting was Sarah Jones-Chambers presenting Sisters-In-Arms, her research into the role of women in U.S. conflicts from circa 1776 to present. Her presentation reinforced women's early commitment to our Freedoms and continued to present.

The Chapter meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 11 a.m. in the Florida Room. Contact Chapter President Jim Haney for more information at 813.220.8758 or "jhhaney1@gmail.com".



L to R: Ron Silva, Walt Cawein, Andy Kramer, Colin Howgill, Lori Germain, Bob Cochran, and Dale Vona.

## MFST Trustees Tour Southeast Guide Dogs

By B. Frank Kepley CAPT USN (Ret)

The Military Family Support Trust (MFST) trustees visited the new, upgraded South Eastern Guide Dogs (SEGD) facility in Palmetto, FL, to tour the facility and present them with a \$5,000 donation. The donation is to be used to assist SEG D in linking up expenses of veterans for either a guide or service/therapy (PTSD) dog. The trustees were given an active demonstration by a long time SEG D Dog Trainer of certain aspects of training and how rewarding the dog's correct responses fits into their training regimen.

## Celebrating Our Centenarian Veterans

By Sally Reid

On the heels of the recently publicized 100th birthday celebration organized for Sun City Center resident and military veteran, Elmer F. Mack, and with support from local military personnel and organizations, the Sun City Center Charitable Foundation ("SCCCF") is pleased to announce that it has created a new fund, called the "Veterans Centenarian Fund."

The purpose of the Veterans Centenarian Fund is to provide the financial resources needed for the SCCC F to be able to honor all of our local military veterans who are celebrating their 100th birthday.

Recognition of this landmark birthday would include purchasing and installing a commemorative brick at the Veterans Memorial on S. Pebble Beach Blvd. in Sun City Center in their honor, as well as covering any other associated celebration expenses. One such commemorative brick was generously donated by Polar Engraving in honor of Elmer F. Mack and has recently been installed at the Veterans Memorial.

If you would like to donate to the Veterans Centenarian Fund, or if you know of a local resident who is a military veteran and will soon be turning 100 years old, please contact SCCC F President Walt Cawein at 813-340-0533, or via email at "walt.cawein@gmail.com".



Induction ceremony: From left Vern Elarth, Capt USAF (Fmr); Jim Haney, Major USMC (Ret); Bill Guglielmi, Major USA (Ret); Don Gunn Jr., Lt. Col. USA (Ret); Dale Vona, Col. USA (Ret); Bob Hart, Col. USA (Ret).

## MOWW Welcomes Former Google Employee, Inducts New Members

By B. Frank Kepley CAPT USN (Ret)

Anne Wanken, recently retired from Google Headquarters, was the featured speaker at the May meeting of the local Military Order of the World Wars (MOWW). The meeting was held at the Freedom Plaza Club on May 20.

Anne related her strong family connection of serving in the U.S. Army. Her father was a retired Army Major and her grandfather was a retired Army Colonel, who was a battalion tank commander, participating in the D-Day landing at Utah beach. During WWII, he received two purple hearts and a Silver Star. Two of Anne's uncles were also Army officers. Ann's father flew helicopters in Vietnam and her two uncles were retired Army Colonels.

After the presentation, MOWW Chapter Commander Vern Elarth inducted two new members, Bill Guglielmi and Don Gunn.

## We Welcome Selina J. Lin, M.D.



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bar in the middle of Nowhere, Pennsylvania. He would get along with coal miners; he truly enjoyed people. I think one of the reasons he was so successful, people could always identify with him. He was a master at finding common ground. Humble, very genuine. People can see through a false façade. Arnold Palmer didn't have a façade. He was who he was every day of his life.

"He [Palmer] was such a popular golfer because he was always in trouble. He was always in the rough, and people could always identify with that. Then he would always make these miracle recoveries.

"Everyone assumed that if I worked for Arnold Palmer, I must be an accomplished golfer. I never did anything to prove otherwise. After 10 years of working for him, we went to Palm Springs. He said, 'Here's a bag of golf clubs. They're yours.' Meet me in the golf shop tomorrow morning. I'm going to teach you how to play golf.

"Five o'clock in the morning, I get a knock on my door. 'Get up.' 'For what?' 'We're going to go practice.' 'Practice what?' 'Golf.' Arnold did teach me to play golf. I started with an 18 handicap and played with him several times."

**Enter a P-51**

As a child, Lee's favorite model to build was a P-51. He first flew one in the mid-70s. His younger twin brothers had experience rebuilding WW2 aircraft.

Lauderback and a partner acquired a P-51 and used it to help military test pilots. Lauderback was doing work with the P-51 and still flying for Palmer. "Eventually I had to leave. Our friendship never ended."

Today Lauderback's company, Stallion 51, helps people see the aircraft perform, enables people to experience the plane in flight, and trains those fortunate enough to buy a P-51.

One of the now beloved aspects of many air shows is the Air Force Heritage program. One of more current fighter aircraft will fly with a P-51, giving audiences a chance to see the progression made in aviation. Lauderback performed these flights for almost 20 years. He noted the mutual admiration. He would marvel at the big, modern F-22 beside him, and the F-22 pilot would admire the P-51. A unique experience for both pilots. It is also a unique way to remember our heritage.

Special thanks to Lee Lauderback, the team at Stallion 51, and Sun'n Fun.

**Wander** continued from page 1.

the Safety Net technology is able to penetrate concrete and is detectable in up to 100 feet of water.

There are about 300 currently on the program in Hillsborough County, nine of which are worn by habitual wanderers in Sun City Center. The residents and their trackers are registered with the county so once the HCSO gets set up here, in town, at the Security Patrol office, all of the basic information like height, weight, hair color, places the wanderer likes to go is readily available with the click of a mouse.

On the morning of this exercise, the county helicopter landed at the South Bay Hospital landing pad awaiting word that the "missing person" — in this case, Deputy Merry accompanied by yours truly — was, indeed, missing. Once the search began, search teams set out on foot and in golf carts, allowing access where patrol cars cannot go, like the golf courses. While we waited snugged up against some brush on the Caloosa Golf Course, just across from the pond behind Aston Gardens (north), we listened on Deputy Merry's radio as searchers sought the signal that would tell them they had located us. It took them about 35 minutes. Hard to imagine how long it would have taken the old-fashioned way—on foot, in every yard, behind every building and bush, and anywhere else you can think to look.



**Safety Net Tracking System is an excellent resource.**

As we all know, someone who can take 15 minutes trying to get out of a Lazy Boy chair can cover an incredible distance in no time at all, once in the great outdoors! We have many hazards like ditches, uneven sidewalks, and numerous ponds and lakes, any of which can mean serious injury, even death, to a wanderer who isn't paying attention to his or her surroundings!

The program is expensive. One \$40,000 grant has already made possible the acquisition of 80 devices free of charge for the unit and the first three years. HCSO is attempting to get other grants to expand the program to those who cannot afford the unit or the monthly fees. Contact Deputy Merry (813-242-5515) if you feel this program is one you need for your loved one.

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*– Eugene Vaadi*

**For more information on TAVR, please contact the Structural Heart Program staff at 941.708.8064.**



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Kings Point residents Russ and Yasmin Kevala made a three-day weekend trip to Winter Park, which they called, "An ideal place to go as a couple, or with family and friends."



Where is Jack Melquist? If you know, you also know that he offers plenty of delicious chilly treats to beat the heat without leaving SCC. Where is Jack? (Photo by Bob Sanchez)

## Where Around Town Is The News?

For years now, our readers have told us one of their favorite features is our "Where in the World" photos, where you take *The News* with you on your travel excursions and snap a photo someplace fun and far away. Over the past year or so, we haven't had the opportunity to take *The News* all that "far and wide," so we wanted to try something a little different that's still a lot of fun. While we all hope to be globetrotting again very soon, over this summer, we would like to invite all of you to take *The News* with you on your local travels: around town, on day trips, and anyplace you like. Send in your shots of smiling faces holding *The News*, and we'll print them.

To inspire you, our News team has a challenge for all of our readers. They have carried *The News* and invited folks around town to snap a photo. In each picture, we identify the person, but it's up to YOU to identify the place. Send in your guesses, as well as your "Where Around Town" photos to "editor@soco.news." Looking forward to hearing from you soon!.



Not able to take a cruise quite yet, Gloria and Bob Bellendir "cruised" over to Cocoa Beach.



Sun City Center's own Cyndi Burger is playing for a packed house three evenings a week: Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday from 5 to 8 p.m. But where is she? (Photo by Andrea L.T. Peterson)

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# Adventure With Barbara Lee

**By Kai Rambow**

The very large, Spanish moss adorned cypress tree glided past us. Nestled in the branches, an osprey paused, eating its very large fish. I too had taken a break from eating fish – salmon. My lovely meal was part of a relaxing experience on the Barbara Lee. I say “the” because Barbara Lee is a ship not a person.

Your adventure begins by boarding the Barbara Lee in Sanford. Located on Lake Monroe the cruise traverses the lake, crosses under I-4, then along the river before returning. Even though we did this during less than optimal wildlife viewing time, we saw plenty of ospreys and osprey nests. It's fun to spot the nests in unusual locations, such as channel markers.

**Meals**

Even though it is a luncheon cruise, you'll receive a dinner meal. Once you are seated, there is a menu for you to select your food. There are a wide variety of choices including prime rib, chicken marsala, chicken parmesan, salmon fillet and vegetable lasagna.

Everyone in our party ordered a different meal, and all were pleased with their selection.

Iced tea, sweetened iced tea, and coffee are available throughout the cruise. Alcoholic beverages are available for an extra charge.

You'll receive some light appetizers to hold you over until your meal is prepared. The food is thoughtfully spread out instead of eating all the time on a multi-hour trip.

The table service is really attentive without being intrusive. We were well taken care of.

**Weekday vs. Weekend**

If you do a weekday cruise, you're likely to see more wildlife, however, you'll have more traffic driving through Orlando. If you do a weekend day cruise, there'll be less wildlife due to all the people recreating on the water, however, you'll have less traffic on your drive.

**Notes**

When you want to book tickets, you must do so by phone. Cruises run from Wednesdays to Sundays.

Be sure to let them know when you book, if you have mobility

challenges. There is a main deck and an upper deck. Seating on the upper deck requires using a few stairs. The crew was both very good and experienced helping people board.

Tickets are \$60 to \$75 depending on the cruise you take. Gratuities for service staff are not included.

Many people on our trip were celebrating special occasions. It was easy to see why. It's a lovely cruise on the water, with a really good meal, shared with friends. It is also great for friends or family who want to see more of Florida, but are unwilling or unable to do a hike in one of our parks. I'll be doing this again in the future.

**Tips for a Great Trip**

**Suggested Itinerary:** This is a full day excursion. Plan for 2.5 hours drive time each way. It only took us 2 hours to get there, but 2.5 coming back (Disney traffic). Most of the construction near downtown Orlando is done,

so it's not as troublesome as before. We left at 9, arrived at 11, which left plenty of time to check in. Boarding starts 30 minutes before departure.

It's a pretty straight drive. Take the I-4 past Orlando, then exit 101C for Historic Downtown Sanford. GPS will be helpful to get you to the dock, and back to the highway when you're done.

**What to Wear:** Everyone was dressed comfortably. You might need sunglasses for being out on the deck, possibly a jacket indoors (we did not).

**Where to Park:** There is free parking right by the ship.

Special thanks to Jayne Kirse of Travelworld for this wonderful suggestion.

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**ISAC Donates to South Shore UMC**

South Shore United Methodist Church received a grant of \$10,000 from the Interfaith Social Action Council of Sun City Center for their Backpacks On A Mission program. The program provides meals for food insecure children in our area. Sales from the Nearly New Shop fund these types of grants. Please shop our store on Saturday mornings from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. The shop is located on the back side of 1601 Sun City Center Plaza. Donations accepted Monday thru Friday. Volunteers needed! Please call the shop for more details. 813.642.9099.



L to R: Pastor Sarah Miller; Connie Bishop, Coordinator of the program, and Judy Duhamel, Nearly New Shop volunteer and member of the ISAC Grants Committee.

**Redlands Christian Migrant Association Receives Grant**

Redland Christian Migrant Association recently received a grant of \$3,000 from the Interfaith Social Action Council of Sun City Center. The grant will provide for educational field trips for the children of the school, including a trip to the Tampa Zoo and the Tampa Aquarium.



L to R: is Mark Haggett, Principal of the RCMA; Ann Miller, Nearly New Shop Volunteer, and Heather Hanson, RCMA.

**Interfaith Board Elected**

The Interfaith Social Action Council's Board Members for 2021-2022 were installed at the May 10th ISAC Council meeting. They are: Dee Kelly, President; Barb Caleca, Treasurer; Sally Morse, Secretary, and Ron Pelton, Vice President.

ISAC partners with nonprofits to make a significant difference in our community. Funds generated through sales at the Nearly New Shop, located at 1601 Sun City Center Blvd, provide funding to support scholarships of local high school seniors, as well as grants for local organizations. The shop is open 8 to noon Wednesdays and Saturdays. Donations may be dropped off at the shop Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Fridays. Volunteers are always needed. Stop by any day to speak to one of volunteers regarding the opportunities available.



Nearly New Shop Volunteers Ellen Dragomal, Jackie Potts, and Lucy Bailey present the grant check to Carolyn Florio and Rafael Santiago.

**Interfaith Donates to St. Vincent De Paul**

St. Vincent DePaul, Prince of Peace Conference (S.V.D.P.) was recently awarded a \$10,000 grant by the Interfaith Social Action Council of Sun City Center. S.V.D.P. provides assistance for local individuals and families in financial need.

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**Caloosa Country Club Couples Match Play Series**

The first Couples Match Play Series at Caloosa Country Club concluded their nine weeks of play with a banquet recently. Couples were divided into four groups playing a 9-hole match. Couples Match Play winners were Lou & Bobbie Cesarek from Group A. The winners of Group B were Kim & Mike Moore, Group C were Beth & Craig Tengler, and Group D were Jaye & Jeff Carroll. For information about golf and social memberships contact the membership team at 813.634.6481 or visit their website at "www.golfcaloosa.com".



Michael with members of SCC's competitive traveling ladies team: Rolande Poulin, Helene Peterson, Lee Greenlee, Deb Zieg.

**New Tennis Pro in Sun City Center**

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**Ringers Horseshoe Club Invitation**

Sun City Center Horseshoe Association, "The Ringers", invites you to check us out and join a group of men and women having fun, exercising at a great sport, and enjoying the camaraderie of the members. We're located behind the South Community Center, adjacent to the Tennis Courts. We play Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday mornings from 8:30 to 10:15. You can play one day, two, or three days. Drop by and watch and get info on joining. Check us out. We'll teach you and get you started on the sport and the fun. Call any member or Joe Epstein, Secretary, at 575.361.5325



**Sun City Center Pickleball**

The Greenlacs Pickleball Group played a tournament on Thursday June 17. The winners of group A, John Stark and Steve Tortodella, played the winners of group B, Steve Esenbock and Dave Baker, for the Championship. Stark and Tortorella defeated Esenbock and Baker 11-0 in a hard-fought match. Congratulations to all the players!

**Tuesday Social Shoot Hour Changes**

The SCC Archery Club changed their weekly Tuesday "Social Shoot" meeting time to 6:30 p.m. at their range. CA Members and KP Gold Card Holders are welcome to attend the clubs weekly Tuesday shoot. CA members and KP Gold Card holders are eligible for free archery lessons from Club Instructor Jerry Anderson (330.206.7048). For archery club questions not instruction related, call Club President Mark Erickson at 813.634.0796.

**SCC Lawn Bowling Memorial Day Tournament**

The Sun City Center Lawn Bowling Club's 2021 Memorial Day Tournament was held recently. Twenty-two pairs teams played two 12-end games. A point system was used for scoring with the team of Marge Lange and Bob Fladung winning the event with 40 points and the team of Karen Cooper and Paddy Lennon a close second with 39 points. To see all the tournament results and learn more about the sport of lawn bowling, visit "suncitycenterlbc.com". The club welcomes members of the Sun City Center Association.



**2021 Memorial Day Tournament winners, the team of Bob Fladung and Marge Lange.**



**Accomplished By: Bill Barker**

Bill Barker scored a hole in one on May 28 at Scepter Golf Club, Osprey #2 (109 yards) using an 8-iron. Witnessed by J. Bolt, T. Yoakum, D. Eckerson.

**Accomplished By: Bob Fitzgerald**

Bob Fitzgerald hit a hole in one on May 22 at Club Renaissance, 14th hole (132 yards) using an 8-iron.

**Accomplished By: David Dunnington**

David Dunnington scored a hole in one on June 18 at Scepter Golf Club, Osprey #2 (126 yards) using an 8-iron. Witness by King Slater.





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**Moonglow Dance Club**

Moonglow Dance Club invites all SCC Community Association and Freedom Plaza members, and Kings Point 2021 Gold Card holders only to join us on Thursday, July 22 from 7-9 p.m. at Community Hall, 1910 S. Pebble Beach Blvd., Sun City Center. Local Entertainer, Bryan Ashley, will provide sax, keyboard, and vocal music for our dancing or listening pleasure.

Singles Tables are available. Attire is smart casual (no shorts). BYOB, snacks, ice, cups, etc. 2020 Moonglow Membership has been extended to cover all of 2021, and other dancers/listeners will pay \$6 at the door. Bring your Community ID or a photo of it. CDC guidelines will be followed. Limited to 12 tables. Masks are optional. More info: "gail3357@gmail.com" or 813.633.1297.



**SCC Men's Chorus Starts Fall Season**

If you start hearing the sound of stout-hearted men in song filtering through the beautiful trees and buildings over the area where you live, it may not be just your imagination, but will soon be the sound of your Sun City Center Men's Chorus primed and ready to build back into full strength, continuing a 53-year tradition.

Plans are back in place for a hearty fall season focusing on the 2021 Christmas Concert with 3 p.m. Thursday rehearsals starting August 19. The SCC Men's Chorus has set an early date this year for its main Christmas event: Sunday, November 28, at 3 p.m. at the SCC United Methodist Church Auditorium. Chorus President Tom Henkebein and his advisory board welcomes all who enjoy listening to or singing with 4-part harmony in a new and dynamic season of vocal music.

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**SCCCA Entertainment News**

**SCCCA Entertainment Season Line-Up 2021-2022**  
By Renee Bray, SCCCA Entertainment Director

The SCC Community Association has announced the line-up of entertainment for the coming Entertainment Series season. Please remember that this season will be a bit different as we ease back into normal operations following a cancelled season due to COVID. The Atrium ticket kiosk on N. Course Drive will open on September 1 for sale of non-series tickets (Series ticket sales begin October 1). You must present your SCCCA badge or KP badge to purchase tickets. There are no outside sales beyond SCC this year due to limited capacity seating. No "season" tickets will be available (you cannot buy all shows for one price), all shows will be sold individually. Note the date the tickets will go on sale by show for SCCCA Members and then for Kings Point members. In addition to the shows listed below, the SCCCA will also bring you additional entertainment during the year, outside the Entertainment Series; watch for announcements regarding these additional performances that begin in October.



Renee Bray

**Series Schedule**

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| <p><b>Savannah Jack</b><br/>(Nov. 5, 7 p.m.) \$20 (SCC) \$22 (KP). On sale Oct. 1 (SCC) Oct. 22 (KP).</p>                     | <p><b>Rocky &amp; the Rollers</b><br/>(Jan. 28, 7 p.m.) \$19 (SCC) \$21 (KP). On sale Dec. 10 (SCC) Jan. 3 (KP).</p>                |
| <p><b>America's Sweethearts</b><br/>(Nov. 14, 2:30 p.m.) Tickets \$20 (SCC) \$22 (KP). On sale Oct. 1 (SCC) Oct. 22 (KP).</p> | <p><b>Portrait of a Queen</b><br/>(Feb. 20, 2:30 p.m.) Aretha Tribute, \$18 (SCC) \$20 (KP). On sale Jan. 7 (SCC) Jan. 29 (KP).</p> |
| <p><b>Sound Up</b><br/>(Dec. 3, 7 p.m.) \$17 (SCC) \$19 (KP). On sale Oct. 27 (SCC) Nov. 17 (KP).</p>                         | <p><b>MPIRE</b><br/>(Feb. 25, 7 p.m.) \$18 (SCC) \$20 (KP). On Sale Jan. 7 (SCC) Jan. 29 (KP).</p>                                  |
| <p><b>Atlantic City Boys</b><br/>(Dec. 12, 2:30 p.m.) \$18 (SCC) \$20 KP. On sale Oct. 27 (SCC) and Nov. 17 (KP).</p>         | <p><b>Shake Baby Shake</b><br/>(Mar. 13, 2:30 p.m.) \$20 (SCC) \$22 (KP). On sale Feb. 4 (SCC) Feb. 25 (KP).</p>                    |
| <p><b>Tony Pace</b><br/>(Jan. 16, 2:30 p.m.) \$18 (SCC) \$20 (KP). On sale Dec. 10 (SCC) Jan. 3 (KP).</p>                     | <p><b>Private Stock</b><br/>(Mar. 25, 7 p.m.) \$19 (SCC) \$21 (KP). On sale Feb. 4 (SCC) Feb. 25 (KP).</p>                          |
| <p><b>Showcase of Talent</b><br/>(Jan. 19, 2 p.m.) Tickets \$11 (SCC) \$13 (KP). On sale Dec. 10 (SCC) Jan. 3 (KP).</p>       |   |

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## A Caregiver's Story Sun City Center's Donna Baskwell Shares What She's Learned

**By Andrea L.T. Peterson**  
 My first thought when it was suggested that I review Donna Baskwell's memoir, *I Cared and They Changed My Life*, was "been there, done that!" But I was way too hasty. I met with Baskwell, got a copy of her book, discussed it with her, then read it carefully and, while most of us here in Sun City Center have been there and we have done that, what we haven't done is put it all together, handbook-style to share with others facing the challenges we have conquered.  
 It's hard to imagine a time when the entire area we now know as Ruskin and Sun City Center had only one bank! But, there was a time 50 or so years ago, when "The First Ruskin bank was the only bank between Bradenton and Tampa," and Donna, still in high school, was employed there. Decades passed and with each the landscape changed and so did Baskwell's career. From bookkeeping to teller, to head of the loan department, she still wasn't really satisfied.

On she went to work for tax and estate attorneys. When it was time to raise her sons, she worked in the family accounting business so she could be a stay-at-home mom.  
 With her well-rounded resume, it's no surprise that the people she worked with along the way began to suggest people see her for help with all kinds of things beyond tax prep and gradually she found herself in the midst of a career in elder care management.  
 After several decades of managing the affairs of dozens of seniors, friends encouraged her to put it all together into a book. What she really wanted to do was put together what is more like a handbook so her sons would have a better picture of how she handled the affairs of the men and women they had come to know through their mother's commitment to them. And she wanted to "help people understand what goes on" in the lives of seniors as they age, as they lose their life partners, and as they move into

and through the final stages of their lives.  
 "It's a short, quick, easy read priced at just \$6. I'm not depending on it (the income generated from the book) I just want it to be there, to help people."  
 "When potential clients no longer wanted the responsibility of paying bills, balancing bank statements, understanding legal documents, or handling their daily lives," says Baskwell, "I became their surrogate daughter. After 25 years in this environment the next step was to share some of the things I have learned about how to keep them in charge as long as possible and how to gain their trust. How to laugh with them and not at them and how to make them secure."  
 Among the most important points Baskwell makes time and again are the following:

- Protect their independence as much as possible
- Stick to facts
- Don't hover
- Their happiness is important, too
- Let them vent
- Pick your battles
- Stick to routines
- Keep things simple
- Have documents in order and know where they are
- This is not an on again/off again commitment, it is ongoing!
- Remember: memory loss, personality changes, threats to control of their own lives and the frustration of aging may mean that the person you are working with today may not be the same person you worked with yesterday.

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Answers to Puzzles on Pages 22 and 23

**CryptoQuote**  
answer

The seeds of resilience are planted in the way we process the negative events in our lives.  
— Sheryl Sandberg

**CryptoQuip**  
answer

Do you suppose horticulturists have a tendency to get involved in grass-roots organizations?

**SCRAMBLERS**

solution

- 1. Pirate 2. Lovely;
- 3. Serene; 4. Elated

Today's Word

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Answer

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**Super Crossword**

Answers

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## News of Freedom Plaza

By Peggy Burgess

As always, July at Freedom Plaza brings festivities associated with the observance of our nation's birthday (fanfare, flags and picnic food) and, as always, residents will respond with patriotic fervor. As well, July of this year brings yet another important occasion, Freedom Plaza's 29th Anniversary Celebration, slated for July 15. Freedom Plaza officially opened, welcoming its first resident move-ins, on July 31, 1992. As the date of this current celebration draws near, several long-time residents and employees reminisced: they recalled that First Anniversary Celebration, in 1993, with its memorable "main event". That incident involved Bob Roskamp, CEO of Freedom Group, Inc., the builders and original managing company of Freedom Plaza. Roskamp, whose appearance and demeanor of a serious college professor hid a fun-loving streak, made a spectacular entrance into the scene of the party: he slid down the second floor balcony stairway banister, directly into the Atrium! This was on a dare from a group of residents, who were astounded --and whooping with delight-- when it actually occurred.

The forthcoming anniversary celebration, to be held in the Auditorium, will not feature anything quite so dramatic. Yet this 29th anniversary will seem, perhaps, even more celebratory than the first one. It will mark the first time in 2021 that a major social gathering has taken place minus stringent health restrictions. On this occasion mandatory masks will be worn by staff only (masks are now optional for residents). Tables for six in dining rooms will actually seat six people. No



The Nelons will be on stage to entertain at Freedom Plaza's 29th Anniversary Celebration.

social distancing in auditorium seating arrangements. Freedom Plaza happily joins in America's slow but welcome transition into normalcy from the pandemic period.

The theme of this year's anniversary event is "Americana". Apple pies and other sweet treats will be served, along with a variety of coffees, tableside at a cabaret-style entertainment. Two identical events will be held, back-to-back, on July 15 in order to accommodate all Freedom Plaza residents.

While the "main event" of this year's Anniversary Celebration does not involve a stair banister, it will be just as spectacular and memorable as that one of 1993. It is a stage appearance by The Nelons, a performing group, winner of multiple Dove Awards and nominated for a prestigious Grammy Award. At Freedom Plaza they will weave a nostalgic musical tapestry of America's favorite songs in a presentation titled, so very appropriately, "Americana".

Here's a congratulatory "tip of the hat" to Freedom Plaza on its 29th Anniversary!



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## Summer Fun at Camp Bayou

Camp Bayou has expanded their monthly paddle tours, now offered on the first and third Saturdays each month. Canoes or kayaks are available for rental for just \$25 each or bring your own canoe or kayak for a small donation of \$5 each. Registration limited: call the office at 813-641-8545 or email "campbayou@gmail.com". Paddlers should arrive at Camp Bayou by 8:30 a.m. to be out on the river by 9.

Golf cart tours of the trails are again available on Saturdays at 10 a.m. Call to register: space is limited, 813-641-8545.

Camp Bayou offers nature youth programs to scheduled groups from schools, summer camps, homeschoolers, and scouts. Check the website for more info and to make a

reservation request.

Save the Date: Our Back to School- Back to Nature is scheduled for Saturday, July 31 this year, from 9-noon. Children visit nature activity tables then receive a free school supply item. There's more educational fun throughout the morning. Mark your calendars!

Camp Bayou Outdoor Learning Center is open for day use only, open to the general public. Thursday-Sunday from 9 a.m.- 2 p.m. and Mondays-Wednesdays from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. for passive recreational pursuits such as wildlife watching, nature photography and trail walks. General admission is still free. For more information: "www.campbayou.org" or call 813-641-8545.

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# South County Events



By Debbie Caneen

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**PLEASE NOTE:** This area is for SPECIAL EVENTS only. WEEKLY, MONTHLY, or ONGOING EVENTS are listed on our website under WEEKLY & MONTHLY MEETINGS at [www.SCCAdsAndEvents.com](http://www.SCCAdsAndEvents.com) which is updated every weekend.

**THU. JUL 8, 15, 22, 29 - WIDOWER'S SUPPORT GROUP**

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. - every Thursday at Sun Towers Retirement Community, 101 Trinity Lakes Dr. SCC in the theater. Meeting for WIDOWERS ONLY. We're taught early on that when adversity hits: "suck it up - get on with it!". However history has consistently proven regardless of what we think. Healing starts when you share your grief with others. Allow yourself to talk about your feelings of loss and loneliness and the special things you miss about your partner. We invite YOU to attend a meeting, coffee and snacks on us. For more information call 813-892-2990.

**THU. JUL 8, 15, 22, 29 - THE LIFE**

**CHALLENGES SUPPORT GROUP EVERY THURSDAY**

1:00 - 3:00 p.m. in the Theater at Sun Towers Retirement Community, 101 Trinity Lakes Dr. Sun City Center. Are you struggling with loneliness, anxiety, depression, grief, loss, or life changes? Then this group is for you. Strict Covid-19 guidelines will be adhered to for everyone's safety. Masks and social distancing required. Temperature checks performed upon entrance to Sun Towers. All meetings are in complete confidence and free of charge. Facilitator is Cheryl Lewis who is an effective therapist. Questions? Call Debbie Caneen 813-892-2990.

**MON. JUL 5, 12, 19, 26 - MONDAY "FOR TODAY" MEETING OF OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS**

10:00 a.m. for Weekly Monday meetings at St. John Divine Episcopal Church, 1015 East Del Webb Blvd, Sun City Center, FL. The meeting is in the Banner Building in the Dom Room. The only requirement for attending OA is a desire to change your eating behaviors. OA is an international 12-step program which addresses the emotional, spiritual (not religious) and physical needs of those desiring to stop compulsive food behaviors and stop compulsively eating. No scales, dues or fees. This meeting is open to those who have a problem with their weight, eating patterns and self-image. Please join us any Monday morning at 10:00 a.m. You can learn more about OA online at "[www.oa.org/newcomers/is-oa-for-you](http://www.oa.org/newcomers/is-oa-for-you)". We are available via Zoom also. Call Jan at 813-633-3932. Leave a message if you wish.

**WED. JUL 7, 14, 21, 28 - THE FRONT PORCH PICKERS PERFORM**

2:00 - 4:00 p.m. every Wednesday in the Hospitality Hall at the SouthShore United Church of Christ, corner of La Jolla and North Pebble Beach Blvd, Sun City Center to perform country, bluegrass, traditional and gospel music. If vaccinated against Covid-19, masks and social distancing are not required. Acoustic guitar, banjo, mandolin, fiddle, ukulele, dobro, and bass fiddle players are welcome to join us for good

fun pickin' and grinnin'. For more information contact David Lickfeldt "mandopicker2343@gmail.com".

**FRI. JUL 9 - LOW VISION SUPPORT GROUP**

11:00 a.m. at Sun Towers Retirement Community 101 Trinity Lakes Drive. Do you wonder how others with Low Vision advance through their day? Do they receive care from outside sources? What adaptive vision devices successfully assist them? Learn what assistance there may be for you if you have low vision in order to maintain your independence. If you have low vision, then this meeting is for you! FREE VALET PARKING AVAILABLE AT ENTRANCE - For more info call Debbie Caneen 813-892-2990

**MON. JUL 19 - PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP OF SUN CITY CENTER**

1:30 - 3:30 p.m. at Sun Towers Retirement Community 101 Trinity Lakes Drive, Sun City Center in the theater. Jennipher Lenoir, COTA with Sun Towers Outpatient Therapy Department will facilitate. This meeting will concentrate on the importance of daily exercises to improve functional movement to complete all basic activities of daily living from the perspective of occupational therapy, physical therapy, and speech therapy. Complimentary valet parking available at entrance. Info: Debbie Caneen 813-892-2990.

**TUE. JUL 20 - LESSONS LEARNED ABOUT MY HEARING LOSS**

12:15 p.m. Login Zoom

platform, 12:30 pm Round Table Rap Session. Moderators include Eloise Schwarz, Chapter Leader/Retired RN and Debbe Hagner, President FL Chapter and Peer Mentor. Join us for an insightful and uplifting meeting where we will hear our stories in the first of three summer meetings as we move ahead in our hearing wellness. [www.hlaascc.com](http://www.hlaascc.com). Email "Debbe.Hagner@gmail.com" to register. Text to register 727-271-0770.

**SAT. JUL 24 - JAMES SUGGS: TRIBUTE TO BLUES ALLEY AT THE FIREHOUSE**

7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Location: Firehouse Cultural Center. James Suggs Tribute to Blues Alley jazz artists. Local favorite James Suggs is no stranger to the Firehouse! Call in for tickets: 813-645-7651. Tickets: \$23 members \$28 future members. All reservations are in advance.

**SAT. JUL 31 - REV. BILLY C. WIRTZ AT THE FIREHOUSE**

7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Location: Firehouse Cultural Center. Join us for a Saturday Night Event, July 31 at 7:30 p.m. at The Firehouse Center Stage Music. Time for some music, humor and history with Rev. Billy C. Wirtz! Buckle your seat belts and get ready for some high energy boogie woogie with the Rev. Wirtz combines old-school nightclub shtick with highbrow/lowbrow humor guaranteed to keep you entertained. Ticket Prices: \$23 members \$28 future members. All reservations are in advance. Call for tickets: 813-645-7651.

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# Have a Plan: Hurricane Preparedness

**By Diane M. Loeffler**

Hurricane season began June 1. On Tuesday, June 8, SCC Community Manager Lyn Reitz held a meeting about hurricane awareness and preparation. She says that the Community Association (CA) is responsible for our campus.

A HURRICANE WATCH means there is a hurricane in our area. The CA will close all of its buildings and put away anything that could become airborne. The CA is not approved or licensed as a shelter. Members will not be able to stay in CA buildings.

Sun City Center is a non-evacuation zone and not in a flood area, so you may wish to shelter at home during a hurricane watch or warning. If you live alone, consider having a friend or neighbor "ride out the storm" with you. If you plan to leave the area, you should probably do so several days before the projected storm or you may find the highways crowded and the hotels full. Whatever your plans are, make sure your neighbors, friends and family know what you will be doing well in advance. Reitz says, "The more people who know where you are, the better.

Hillsborough County has shelters for those who need them. The nearest one is Shields Middle School. Be aware that you will need to bring your own food, cot or sleeping bag. Space will

be very limited. Some shelters allow pets if they are in a crate and have their shot paperwork, food and supplies. For shelter information go to "ACFLGov.net/HCFLAlert". Shelters should be your last resort.

If you need to go to a special needs center, the county must have your medical forms well in advance so they can be prepared for you. These centers are for those who must have electricity. I was able to find this form by typing "Hillsborough Shelter Evaluation Form" in my internet search.

Reitz says, now is the time to make sure that you know where your hurricane shutters are and to make sure you have all the parts (bolts, etc.) on hand. If you are unable to install them yourself, you should make preparations to have someone else install them when needed. Be sure to make these plans at or near the start of every hurricane season. If you wait until there is a hurricane warning or watch, you will likely find there is no one available. If you need to hire someone, the SCCCA has a listing of licensed and insured handymen in its office and on its website. You may also want to familiarize yourself with how to open and close your garage door manually since you may lose power. Usually, there is a cord you can pull. This cord releases the garage door from

the door opening mechanism so you can open it manually.

You are responsible for your home. If you are going to be out of town during hurricane season or if there is a hurricane warning or watch, be sure to bring in your potted plants, grills, furniture and any items that could possibly become airborne. If you will be out of town and want to be notified, you should fill out a card containing your contact information at the Security Patrol.

After high wind events, you may find yourself without power for hours or days. If you are depending on a gas grill or a generator after the storm, be sure you have plenty of fuel on hand.

Water is also a concern. You may wish to fill your tub and/or buy bottled water. If you have a hot water heater, they generally hold 30 to 40 gallons of clean water.

Be sure to have non-perishable food on hand. Reitz says, "Have a hand operated can opener. If your power is out, you won't be able to use your electric one."

Reitz is a Florida native who lives in St. Petersburg where power outages are more likely than here. She says, "I fill a cup of water, freeze it, then put it back in the freezer with a quarter on top of it. If the quarter falls into the water, I know my food is spoiled."

If the sustained wind speeds reach or exceed 35 m.p.h., everything shuts down. Travel is unsafe with winds that high, so the police, ambulances and firetrucks will not be available at that time.

Since the local sheriff substation is in a flood zone, the deputies stay in the SCCCA Fitness Center and Maintenance buildings during hurricane watches. The maintenance building also houses the Amateur Radio Station. When all other communications are down, the station continues to function and to be able to communicate with the outside world. Some members of the KP and CA radio clubs will display orange signs in a front window to indicate he or she is an amateur radio operator and can relay information for you. These signs are orange with a drawing of a black rotary telephone.

After winds let up, half of the deputies assess the roads and work with chainsaws and other equipment to clear the roads.

If you would like more detailed information, the SCCCA has some copies of the Hillsborough County Disaster Preparedness Guide 2021. You can also access the guide online by typing in this title.

If you do not already have plans in place, make them today and tell everyone who cares about you what those plans are. Be safe.

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# CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR  
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One letter stands for another. In this sample, **A** is used for the three L's, **X** for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

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YCPSDTJ BS DET VPR VT

YZLITXX DET STMPDBQT TQTSDX

BS LKZ CBQTX.

— XETZRC XPSJNTZM

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# SOLUTIONS TO PUZZLES ON PAGE 17

# CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: G equals D

GI NIY XYTTIXL JIQDUFYZDYQUXDX

JVOL V DLMGLMFN DI CLD

UMOIZOLG UM CQVXX-QIIDX

IQCV MukVDUIMX?

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# SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Bandit

**PARTIE** \_\_\_\_\_

Delightful

**VOLLEY** \_\_\_\_\_

Quiet

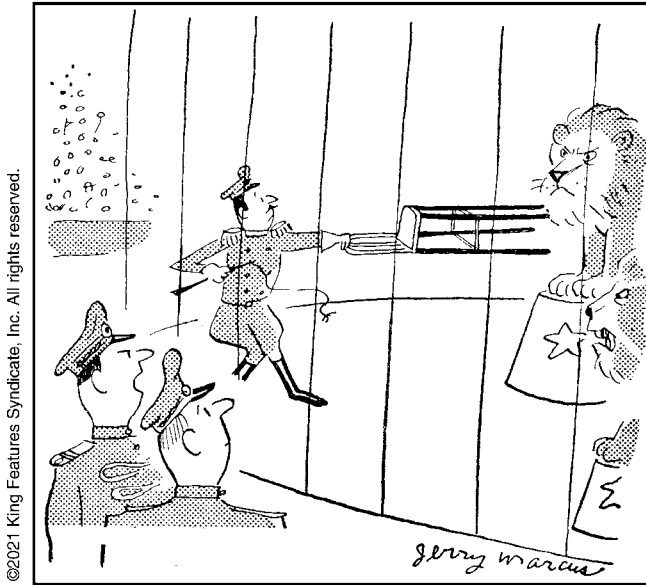
**ERENSE** \_\_\_\_\_

Joyful

**DALETE** \_\_\_\_\_

**TODAY'S WORD**

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"If you ask me, he's losing his \_\_\_\_\_."

## Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



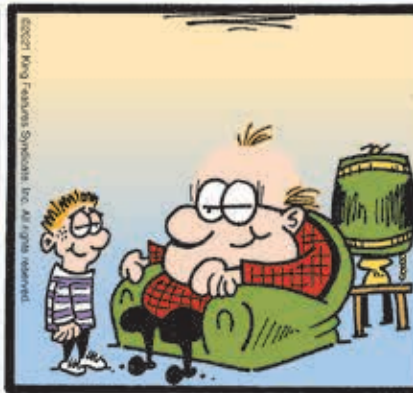
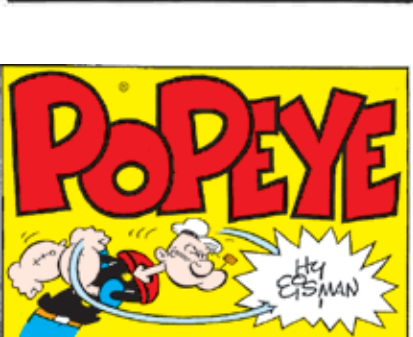
I JUST HAD THE BEST DREAM. I WAS BEING PAMPERED BY SERVANTS WHO WERE ALWAYS COOKING AND CLEANING. IT WAS SO REALISTIC.

LAFF-A-DAY

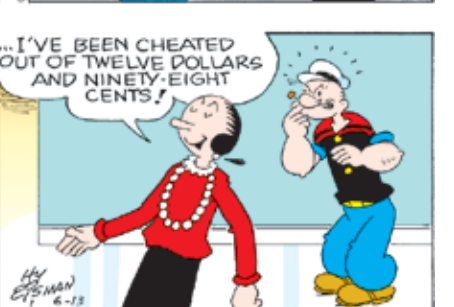


It's always a shock to find out you're overdrawn more than you thought you were.

## The Spats



## by Jeff Pickering



# Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging  
◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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# Super Crossword

UNTHEMED #1:  
MASSIVE MIDDLE

**ACROSS**

- 1 City in Orange County, California
- 11 Extended animal shelter initiative
- 21 Regular guy
- 22 Well-practiced pieces
- 23 Good snorkeling sites
- 24 Within a single school
- 25 Have a brawl
- 26 — liver (dish rich in iron)
- 28 Secret agent
- 29 — -mell (confused)
- 30 Frozen water
- 31 Narrow sea routes
- 33 Title girl in a J.D. Salinger story
- 35 Swift feline
- 39 "Have a Heart" singer Bonnie
- 41 Total up again
- 45 People giving accounts
- 49 Many Bosnians
- 51 Socratic "T"

- 52 Homer Simpson voicer Dan
- 56 Opiate, e.g.
- 58 Johnson of old comedy
- 59 Some rupee spenders
- 60 Most tranquil
- 61 Ring around the collar?
- 62 Cellars
- 64 "Mercy me!"
- 65 Ring around the collar?
- 67 Diet for a boxer
- 69 Get a move on
- 72 Discussion venue
- 74 Ponchos' kin
- 76 — Fernando Valley
- 77 Major U.S. field yield
- 80 Soft, knit fabrics
- 81 Herr von Bismarck
- 82 She admired the Man of Steel
- 83 Perfume ingredient
- 85 Suffix with meth-
- 86 Soothing additives
- 88 Like needles with fibers through them

- 89 Resembling a hornet, say
- 91 "Republic" philosopher
- 93 Largest parts of brains
- 97 Memo start
- 99 "Dream on!"
- 103 Bk. after Exodus
- 104 Send cyberjunk to
- 107 Kind
- 109 Took illegally
- 110 Electric resistance measure
- 113 Long-life-cycle plants
- 116 Cabal boss
- 118 "Way to go, hero!"
- 119 Field of a retail boss
- 120 Gazpacho, basically
- 121 Warnings about shady deals

**DOWN**

- 1 Milk-derived
- 2 Affirm as true
- 3 Olympian Jackie Joyner- —
- 4 Distinctive stretches
- 5 Descend
- 6 Horrid giant
- 7 "Riddle me, riddle me —"

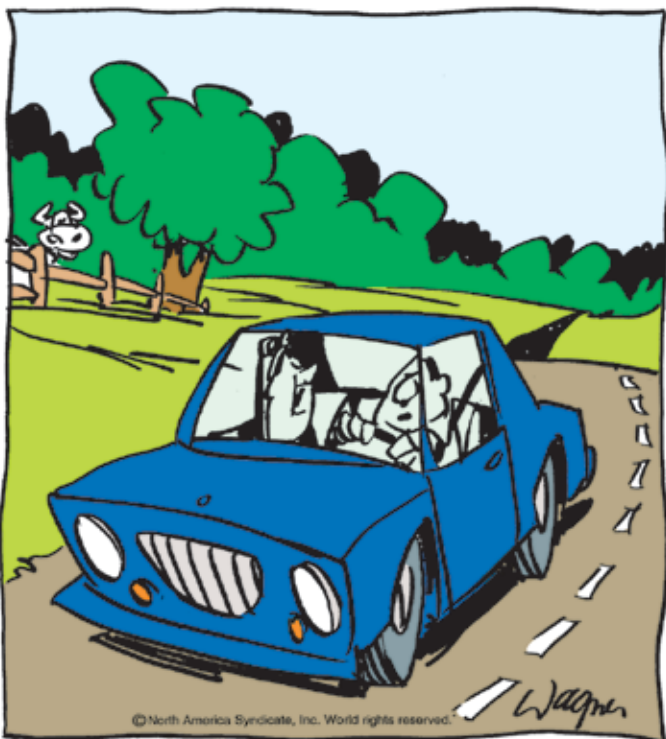
- 8 Thrust out
- 9 As of now
- 10 Model 3 car
- 11 Former Sony record label
- 12 Where lions lie
- 13 Makes a selection
- 14 Be guilty of
- 15 Waiters' loads
- 16 24-hr. cash cache
- 17 Certain wig
- 18 Put to work
- 19 Verbal
- 20 Tony-winning Carter
- 27 Method of valuing inventories
- 31 Sedimentary rocks
- 32 She's part of the fam
- 34 North Pole wife
- 36 One-named Art Deco artist
- 37 Summer top
- 38 Free of artificial ingredients
- 40 XXX, maybe
- 42 Affirms as true
- 43 Oration station

- 44 With 46-Down, held together with a plumbing adhesive
- 46 See 44-Down
- 47 Fill with love
- 48 Consign to an inferior rank
- 50 "Glass half full" outlook
- 52 Announce
- 53 Sector
- 54 Uses a wok
- 55 Bowl over
- 57 Alero's make
- 62 — Center (Brooklyn arena)
- 63 World Cup sport
- 66 Electrojet particles
- 68 Lorna of literature
- 70 Sol followers
- 71 Hydroxyl compound
- 73 Corners on the market
- 75 Hook up (to)
- 77 Hawk's nail
- 78 "Game of Thrones" actress
- 79 Lime discard
- 81 Bygone, quaintly

- 84 — Lingus (carrier to Dublin)
- 87 Announce
- 90 One of the Ewings on "Dallas"
- 92 Even choice
- 94 One on in-line skates
- 95 Acting king
- 96 Heads off
- 98 Rio — (mining company)
- 100 Fishing bait
- 101 Of a pelvis bone
- 102 Three-time Grand Prix champion Ayrton
- 104 Roast rod
- 105 Colombian cash
- 106 William Saroyan's "My Name Is —"
- 108 Deck in a boxing ring
- 110 Korbut on a balance beam
- 111 Loaf end
- 112 Musical "Auntie"
- 114 Rabid fan
- 115 Hitter Gehrig
- 117 Whale pod

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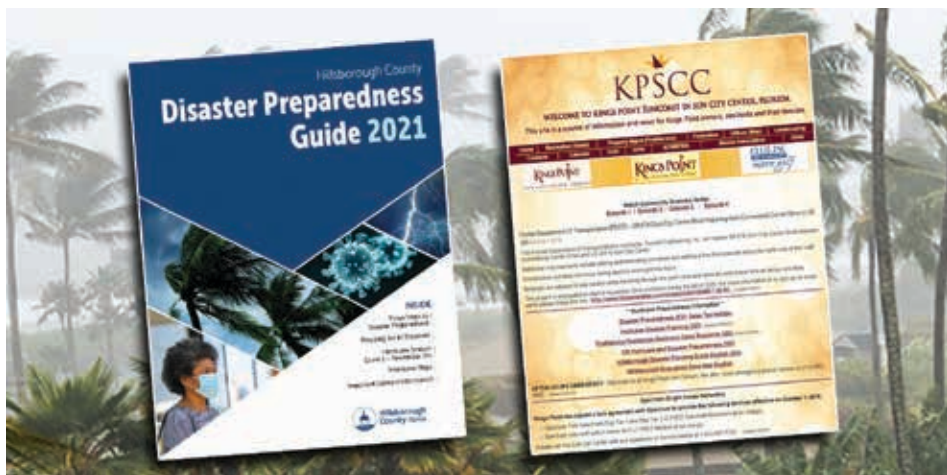


## Hurricane Season Is Upon Us Again...



It's time to update our plans for this 2021 hurricane season. Hurricane season runs from June 1st through November 30th. There have already been three named storms. **A Disaster Planning Symposium will be held July 13, 2021, at 9:30 AM in the Kings Point Veterans Theater**, to provide local hurricane preparedness information of interest to the Associations and residents of Kings Point. To reserve seating please go to <https://kingspointuncitycenter.com/signups> and click the [Diaster Preparedness Seminar](#) link.

## Important Resources



The latest Hillsborough County Disaster Preparedness Guide 2021 is available online at [www.hillsboroughcounty.org/residents/public-safety/emergency-management/annual-disaster-planning-guide](http://www.hillsboroughcounty.org/residents/public-safety/emergency-management/annual-disaster-planning-guide). The Guide contains the latest information specific to our area and offers a wide variety of planning information and tips. Check it out online.

Kings Point's web site [KPSCC.COM](http://KPSCC.COM) home page contains links to several documents important to Kings Point residents:

- FirstService Hurricane Disaster Planning 2021 overview with important telephone numbers.
- FSR Hurricane Guide Residents 2021 (5/28/21)
- USI Hurricane and Disaster Preparedness 2021
- Hillsborough Disaster Preparedness Guide 2021
- Hillsborough Evacuation Zone Map

## Important Things To Keep In Mind

- You are responsible for your own safety and security.
- Emergency services are suspended when wind speeds reach 35 MPH—no one will come to your rescue until after a storm and it is safe to travel.
- The Main and South Gates will not be staffed once the wind speeds reach 35 MPH. Security Staff will be sent home for their safety, and no one will answer the phones until it is safe to return to the Gate Houses.
- The Kings Point Clubhouses (Main & South Clubhouses, 2020 Centre, Cyber Café, Gate Houses, etc.) are NOT shelters and will be closed before the storm and will not reopen until they are deemed safe for occupancy.
- Kings Point is not in a Hillsborough County designated Evacuation Zone.

## What You Need To Know About Shelters

The County operates 3 types of shelters during an emergency. Additional information is available online at [hillsboroughcounty.org/residents/stay-safe](http://hillsboroughcounty.org/residents/stay-safe). (Click on [Storm Safety Information](#))

- General Population Emergency Shelters
- Pet Friendly Emergency Shelters
- Special Needs Shelters

If you or a family member has special needs with a medical condition that may require the use of electrical equipment, oxygen, dialysis, or is an individual with a physical, cognitive or medical condition that may require assistance from medical professionals you should immediately complete the Hillsborough County Health Department Shelter Evaluation Form. <https://www.hillsboroughcounty.org/library/hillsborough/media-center/documents/emergency-management/spec-needs-evaluation>

## Working Together For Kings Point Residents

A Leadership Team, including the following entities, has been working on this comprehensive disaster plan for Kings Point. The Leadership Team looks forward to seeing residents at the upcoming Disaster Planning Symposium on July 13. Thank you to everyone for their time and effort on this important initiative:

- Federation of Kings Point
- Kings Point Master Association
- Vesta Property Services
- FirstService Residential
- Kings Point Condominium Owners Association
- SCC Emergency Squad
- SCC CERT
- SCC Samaritan Services
- Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office

### IMPORTANT REMINDER FOR KINGS POINTS RESIDENTS



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Emergency #

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# Be Prepared: Before – During – After A Storm

## Stay Informed

## Plan Ahead

Sign up for HCFL Alert at [www.hillsboroughcounty.org](http://www.hillsboroughcounty.org) Get connected and stay informed about emergencies with Hillsborough County's official notification system. Go online to [HCFLGov.net/HCFLAlert](http://HCFLGov.net/HCFLAlert) to sign up.



It is important that you plan ahead how you will keep in touch in case of emergency. Prior to the storm we have access to television, radio and internet. If you lose power, it is highly recommended that residents have alternate sources of information and alternate sources of power for communications devices.

### The Kings Point Amateur Radio Club offers a Disaster Radio Service (DRS)

Prior to the storm we have access to television, radio and internet. If you lose power, it is highly recommended that residents have alternate sources of information and alternate sources of power for communications devices. At a minimum have on hand a battery-operated radio with extra batteries.

- Low cost emergency communications serving the Kings Point and Sun City Center communities.
- Handheld two-way radio (\$15)
- No license needed, easy to use
- Visit [DRS.KPARC.ORG](http://DRS.KPARC.ORG) online for more information on their program.



Visit the Kings Point Radio Club on Wednesday mornings between 9 AM and 11 AM to obtain radios, test radios, or learn how to make emergency calls.

## Watch vs Warning - Know the Difference

**Tropical Storm Watch** – sustained wind speeds of more than 39 mph, but below 73 mph. These conditions are expected to reach an area within the next 36 hours.

**Hurricane Watch** – when sustained winds exceed 73 mph, it becomes a hurricane. The Watch is issued when the hurricane conditions will reach an area within the next 48 hours.

**Hurricane Warning** – when hurricane conditions are expected to reach an area within the next 36 hours.



## Should I Stay Or Should I Go?

Your answer to this question will drive your planning going forward...

### If You Stay...

**If you need an emergency shelter schedule it NOW – DO NOT DELAY.**

**Make your Plan!** Research your options and decide early. Refer to the many publications such as the Hillsborough County Disaster Preparedness Guide 2021 and other emergency planning organizations, to tailor your plan to your individual needs.

**Select a Safe Room** – an interior room or closet or an area without windows where you should go in the event of a hurricane or tornado.

**Review your Insurance Policy** – understanding what is (or is not) covered in your homeowner's or renter's insurance policy is a necessity. Take time now to learn about the risks you may face and build confidence that you are properly protected.

**When a hurricane is forecasted for our area** – Take the actions and gather your supplies. Keep in mind that most of your neighbors will also getting the same materials, so don't delay!

### If You Go...

- » Fuel Up and Leave Early.
- » Make arrangements well in advance: Where will you go? How will you get there? Where will you stay? Who knows where you will be and able to contact you? What will you do if the route is closed? What if your reserved room is not available?
- » Stay informed of the current and potential weather conditions you will be faced with throughout your journey and at your destination.

### **Before you go...**

Secure outside items – All furniture, flower pots, urns, grills, garden tools, hoses and other items not secured to the ground or walls of your condo/HOA, loose items in the limited common areas, or your entryway or lanai, must be brought indoors to a garage or storage room to prevent any damage they could cause when blown about by high winds.

**Let your Association know that you are leaving and who will have access to your home for emergency access.**



# Recovering From a Hurricane

Whether you stay home and ride out the storm, or are forced to evacuate, there are challenges with post-hurricane recovery.

## If You Evacuated and Are Returning Home:

- Do not attempt to return home until roads have been declared safe.
- Do not drive your vehicle into standing water and stick to the designated open roads.
- When first arriving home, assess the area for danger. If you smell gas, notice a fire, or can't enter your home because of floodwater, leave the area.
- Assess damage to your home before attempting to go inside. Structure damage may not be immediately obvious, and it's important to ensure that your home is structurally sound before entering.

## If You Stayed Home To Ride Out The Storm:

- Don't leave your home until it's been officially determined that the storm is over.
- Avoid drinking, cooking, or brushing your teeth with tap water until it's been declared safe.
- Do not run your generator inside or near you home.
- If the power is out, use flashlights instead of candles.
- Assess damage to your home before attempting to go inside. Structure damage may not be immediately obvious, and it's important to ensure that your home is structurally sound before entering.

### Important Things To Note:

The Master Association will begin clearing the roads as soon as it is determined to be safe for the workers to get to Kings Point.

The Kings Point Association's Insurance has arranged for Disaster Response Contractors to begin evaluation and restoration to damaged Association buildings.

**This handout is not a replacement for any governmental (Federal, State, or Local) information or instruction you may receive Before, During or After a severe weather event. In such an event, all residents should follow the directions of governmental entities.**

## Safety With Electricity And Natural Gas Are Critical Issues During a Hurricane

**Stay away from downed power lines:** Always assume that a downed power line is energized. Move and stay a safe distance away and call 911.

**Stay out of floodwaters:** Floodwaters can hide energized power lines or electrical equipment and other hazards, or put you at risk of drowning. Submerged electrical equipment can be extremely dangerous.

**Use portable generators safely:** DO NOT connect your portable generator to your home's circuits. Plug your appliances directly into the generator. Also, portable generators cannot be used within residences or any enclosed space (including an open or closed garage), where deadly carbon monoxide gases could build up.

**Take precautions with gas appliances:** It is not necessary to turn off your natural gas service. If you are required to evacuate your home, you gas service should operate uninterrupted throughout the storm

**Report Gas Leaks**  
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 (877-832-6747)  
 Call immediately if you smell gas. This number is open 24/7

**Emergency Phone #**  
 When life and property are in immediate jeopardy  
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### How To Report A Power Outage

**Report by using any of these options:**

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Add "TECO Outage as a contact in your phone and save #877-588-1010, the text #27079 and most importantly, add your 12 digit account number in the notes section.

**Stay Safe Brochure**

For more information check out TECO's Stay Safe Brochure available online at [www.tampaelectric.com/files/content/hurricane-season.pdf](http://www.tampaelectric.com/files/content/hurricane-season.pdf)

## DISASTER PLANNING 2021

*Emergency Preparedness Starts With You*

Who you gonna call?  
 What you gonna do?

**Kings Point Disaster Planning Symposium**  
 Get information about how to plan and prepare for hurricane season!

**PURPOSE:**

- Inform the unit owners regarding preparation and safety in the event of a severe storm or other disaster.
- Inform residents regarding services (and suspension of services) during a disaster.

VETERANS THEATER  
 North Clubhouse  
 1900 Clubhouse Drive  
 Sun City Center, FL 33573  
**9:30 AM - 11:30 AM**  
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# Meet Your New Irrigation Contractor



Polk Pump is a family-owned business that was founded in 1958. It was purchased by Rob Averitt and his late brother-in-law Rich McDonald in 2010 after making the decision to expand their landscape services to include total property maintenance. They have continued the tradition of being a family-owned business and have grown nearly 200% in 7 years.

In 2017 Rob understood the need to address water management at a higher level. He wanted to add an irrigation professional with a complete understanding of the issues facing Florida such as providing water with shrinking resources and stringent water restrictions. Rob conducted a nationwide search for someone to push Polk Pump and Irrigation to the next level.

This search led to a meeting with Russ Proffit. Russ is a

a second-generation green industry professional with over four decades of experience in the irrigation and landscape industry. His experience in the industry varies from design, installation, service, consulting, and training. His range provides a level of expertise that is impossible for other firms to compete.

Russ holds multiple certifications from the Irrigation Association that include design in both residential and commercial irrigation applications, contracting, auditing, and water management. His credentials include CID, CIC, CLIA, and CLWM. Russ is also an EPA WaterSense Partner as well as a Florida Water Star Accredited Provider.

For the past two decades, Russ has focused his work on Irrigation and Water Management with an emphasis on water working with central control and cloud-

based irrigation control systems utilizing ET-based and soil moisture sensors has made him the go-to person for upgrades to increase efficiency by correcting coverage and/or hydraulic issues within existing systems and control systems. Russ has had irrigation contracting licenses in multiple states that include Texas, Florida (Polk, Osceola, Lake, Orange, and Hillsborough Counties) Georgia, and North Carolina.

Utilizing the Team Concept and adding key players and reorganizing the structure and responsibilities of our team, the company has continued growth and increased quality.

As Polk Pump begins their partnership with the Kings Point Master Association, Russ has brought the perfect fit, Larry Lentz to be our Site Manager. Larry is a seasoned irrigation and landscape professional and is a past Florida Irrigation Society President and current board member. Larry is a lifelong resident of the Tampa Bay area and he was in his last position for over 22 years managing landscape and irrigation crews. Larry is also a licensed irrigation contractor in Hillsborough County. His experience along with the experienced technicians that have been brought on board will be of great benefit to the irrigation systems in Kings Point.



Welcome to the first edition of the News of Kings Point, The Master Association will be distributing this publication to all 5,595 homes in the Kings Point Community going forward. The purpose of this publication is to keep you updated on what's happening in your community.

If you have any suggestions for content or have an article you'd like to submit for consideration, please submit them to [master@kpmaster.com](mailto:master@kpmaster.com).

## Updated Logo Unveiled



Last week the Federation Membership approved an updated and refreshed logo for the Kings Point Community. The goal wasn't to create a new logo but rather to refresh it with a modern look. The community would like to thank Nick Fader (shown in the photo above), Mark Nekes, Diane Williamson and the rest of the Federation's Promotions Committee as well as J2 Studios for all of the hard work they put into this project. Reproduction and use guidelines of each logo design will be forthcoming.

## Irrigation Updates

Great News! Irrigation technicians will now be placing door hangers on your door everytime they come out to respond to an Upkeep Ticket so you know someone has been out and whether or not they were able to resolve your issue.

You will soon see signs similar to the one below posted at both of the gated entrances. The purpose of these signs is to alert County Code Enforcement officers who may come on property that the community is under a variance with SWFWMD exempting us from irrigation water restrictions.



## Irrigation FAQ's

**Q:** What do I do if I have a broken sprinkler or irrigation leak?

**A:** All irrigation issues should be reported to your Association's Irrigation POC s.

**Q:** How do I report irrigation emergencies after hours?

**A:** Call FirstService's emergency number at 813-642-8990.

## Master Association Board Update

For those who may not be aware, the Master Association will be adding two new directors to the Master Board. Resumes from several qualified individuals have been recieved and the current board will spend the next few weeks reviewing them and conducting interviews. The current board is looking forward to this addition and plans to announce the new directors at the next Master Board meeting (date TBD).



**PHOTO OF THE MONTH**

If you have a photo you'd like to have featured in the next edition of the News of Kings Point please submit your photo for consideration to [master@kpmaster.com](mailto:master@kpmaster.com) with "photo of the month" in the subject line.



We will be holding a tree lighting ceremony at Charles Hassel Park on November 26th. Festivities will include madrigal carolers strolling through the park and there is even a rumor that Santa may make an appearance!

Planning is still underway so stay tuned for more information coming soon.

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