

Arcadia Villager

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News articles, stories, photos and other items for *The Villager* are always welcome.
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CALENDAR EVENTS and To book the clubhouse for an event Please contact

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TRASH & TRIMMING HOLIDAY PICK-UP SCHEDULE 2024-25



HOLIDAY TRASH PICK-UP DATE

NO - TRIMMI

MAY 27 TH	Tuesday	PU	
SEPT 2 ND	TUESDAY	PU	
OCT 14 th	Tuesday	PU	
NOV 26 th	Wednesday	PU	
Dec 26th	Friday	PU	
January 2nd (2026)		PU	

April 18th
July 4th

* No pickup on Thursday 11/27 or Friday 11/28

** Some trash days may change

**Trash pickup
Trimming Pickup**

**Monday and Thursday - starts 7:30 am
Tuesday and Friday - starts at 7:30 am**



OFFICE NEWS

We want to thank all residents for another amazing season here in Arcadia Village Country Club. We have new residents jumping right in with activities and residents that are volunteering to take over some existing events and those that are starting new event groups in the village. Keep your eye out for these in the newsletter and calendar (www.arcadiavillage.org/calendar) We are busier than ever here in the park and the weather is finally cooperating.

To say thank you, the Freeman’s annual Appreciation Day is on Sunday 12:00pm March 16th, with a Live Band, Hot Dogs, Chips, Soda, Dancing, Swimming and more, including the talented Village residents craft fair and quilters show. See you there! THANK YOU

Residents Home Maintenance Check List (not all-inclusive):

weeds plants trees house washing gutters lanai
shed carport roof windows RV Lot

VISITOR TAGS: Register visitors with the office and grab a yellow visitor tag, then return them to the office when visitors leave. Anyone under 18 years of age must be in the presence of an adult over 18 while at any amenity in the village.

DO NOT FEED THE COWS: The farm owner has contacted the office asking that you enjoy watching them. Your kindness may kill them. **DO NOT FEED THE COWS!**

DO NOT FEED THE WILDLIFE: Do Not Feed ducks, Alligators, sandhill cranes or ANY other wildlife. FEEDING WILDLIFE LEADS TO Bacterial Pollution, and Creates an imbalance in Native Ecology, Illness and Deformities of wildlife, and they lose fear of Humans and the wrong wildlife animal could approach you unwillingly.



It takes only one mistake. - - - Reminder to all residents, their guests, and their renters to follow the **Speed Limit of 15-MHP** and to **stop** at corners and at stop signs.

For Seasonal Residents leaving in March and April:

We recommend and would appreciate anyone leaving for several weeks or month(s) put away all outside items that could become projectiles or fly away in high winds causing damage to your home and or locations around you, don't forget hose that might be connected to outside faucet.

Check your outside lights, make sure they are working, non-working lights let people know you are not home. LED replacement will save on your electrical bill.

Ropes across your driveway say you're not home, a neighbor borrowing your driveway occasionally over the summer signals someone may be home, thereby being a discouragement.

Notify the office in a timely fashion when leaving. Make sure they have a current phone number to reach you should there be a reason. In addition, let the office know what day to have your water turned off. You should be present to turn off your water heater at the same time. Please schedule ahead of time during office hours.

Please return Guest passes promptly so others can use them and avoid replacement charges.

Spare Key's – Have you thought of a spare key, through a neighbor, house sitter or office for any service personnel during your absence, if you have an issue and would like to give access to your home for repairs. *NOTE: If your house is listed for sale, office personnel living on-site do not have access to the keys outside of office hours.

HOA MEETINGS AND UPDATES

President: Paula Stanton

Co-Vice-President: Bob Phillips

Co-Vice-President: Sandra Sloan

Secretary: Chuck Varney Treasurer: Jon Coulter

TO: [OBJ] Arcadia Village Residents
FROM: [OBJ] HOA Board of Directors
DATE: [OBJ] March 4, 2025
SUBJECT: Importance of HOA

The Arcadia Village Homeowners' Association (HOA), including the five (5) volunteer board members, serves the residents of the village to maintain the essential qualities of the village. Its primary job is to assist you, the homeowner, to make sure that all actions are done in accordance with the Florida Statute that governs parks such as ours. The association does not create or enforce the rules of the village. That is the responsibility of village management. Our goal is to act as an effective conduit between homeowners and management with greater impact. Simply by having a majority of the village as members, our power to control outrageous rent hikes increases.

We need you to join with us as members of the association, attend our meetings, contribute ideas and, volunteer to help with different events, and if inspired to do so, serve on the Board as a Director.

If you have been a member; we need you to keep your membership current. Membership dues are \$10.00 per year, per household. If you are new member there is also a \$10.00 one-time registration fee.

Our next meeting will be March 4, 2025, at the Cantina Club House.

This meeting will be a Town Hall format, all residents are invited to attend.

ARCADIA VILLAGE GOLF NEWS

GOLF COMMISSIONERS NEWS

The annual golf course membership meeting was held February 5th with approximately 30 members present. Since this meeting is for all golf course members, we would like to see a better attendance next year.

Canada Day was February 8th; USA weekend is scheduled for March 7, 8, and 9th; and Strollin' for a Cure outing is March 15th. League play will end in March, and our snowbird friends will be heading north for the summer. Have a good summer and we will look forward to your return in fall.

Heads up for all golfers. On the #2 fairway there is a ditch on the left. Some of this ditch is in yards. You may not hit from these yards.

From golf course management, please fix all divots on tee boxes and pitch marks on greens. If everyone did this, we could continue to enjoy this beautiful course. A big thank you from the Commissioners goes out to those golfers who not only fix their divots and pitch marks, but also fix those of others.

THE GOLF COMMISSIONERS



Tuesday 4-club League

The Tuesday 4-Club is coming to an end.

There will be closing of the season with lunch on March 10th Noon till 2 Cantina pool area. Bring your drinks. Burger and sausage and chips supplied

Thank you Dave Hank.

Wednesday Mixed League:

We will be playing a 2 person scramble on **Wednesday, March 26th** to finish our season.

Play with the team you are scheduled to play. The play will be on the back 9!

Play must be completed by 3PM.

We will meet at the 19th tee at 4:30PM for the year ending party. We will have pizza. BYOB. If we have inclimate weather we will hold it in the Cantina Clubhouse. I will post the rules on the golf bulletin board in the Cantina. There will also be a set of rules on the 10th tee to read!



SOME HELPFUL REMINDERS

AVCC GATE INSTRUCTIONS

If you have visitors or if you need to get in the gate. Follow these instructions :

DIALS HOUSE NUMBER

(Must be 3 numbers ex: 80=080)

RESIDENT ANSWER PHONE CALL FROM GATE:

TO **ALLOW** ENTRY PRESS **9**

TO **DENY** ENTRY PRESS #

PROGRAM THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS INTO YOUR PHONE CONTACTS DO NOT IGNORE THE GATE CALL AS A SPAM OR UNKNOWN NUMBER CALL.

FRONT GATE – 863-266-8542

BACK GATE – 863-263-4314

ARCADIA VILLAGE MAIL AND PACKAGE DELIVERY

The following is the recommended address format for delivery for the AV residents:

1. U.S. Postal Service:

Your Name

2692 NE Highway 70

Lot #XXX

Arcadia, FL 34266

2. UPS, FedEx, DHL on other Services:

Your Name

2692 NE Highway 70

Lot # XXX and your Street,

(i.e., Casa Grande)

Arcadia, FL 34266

This may help with the recent package delivery

DON'T MAIL YOUR BIRTHDAYS CARDS **"Monthly Birthday Cards"**

Containers are located at both the Siesta Clubhouse and Cantina Clubhouse as done with Christmas Cards.

Those who'd like to send residents a birthday card could place a card in the container marked for birthday cards.

Residents can check the Clubhouses during their birthday month to retrieve cards addressed to them.

**Any question, please contact
Donna McGrue—47 Casa Grande Dr.**

APPLIANCE PICKUP

Tony Ambrose will be picking appliances up in the park taking over for Fran Flint.

Phone number is 810-287-2850

COLLECTING PLASTIC BAGS

Ellen Davis will not be returning to the village and her son is putting her house up for sale.

Her neighbors are taking care of any bags that are there right now.

If there is any volunteer that would like to take on this task, please let the office know.

THIS AND THAT & THANK YOU



Arcadia Village 90's Birthday Party

Thanks to everyone who attended the 90's Party on 2-9-2025 at the Cantina clubhouse. We had a great turnout to honor Judy Richards, Ellen Davis, Raymond Ashley, Robert "Bud" Laws and Dan Vincent! **For those turning 90 years young in 2026, the 90's party will be 2-15-2026.**

Thank you to the Freeman Family for providing this wonderful event!

THANK YOU!!!!!!!

Raymond would like to thank all the friends who come to the 90th Birthday Celebration!! It was such an enjoyable time!! Thanks for all the birthday wishes and HUGS, the cards, flowers, gifts, goodies and especially the Singing PINK PIG

Love to you all, Raymond and Sylvia Ashley



THANK YOU ELLEN DAVIS

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU HAVE DONE IN ARCADIA VILLAGE TO HELP MAKE OUR COMMUNITY A BETTER PLACE.

Ellen has been a resident here for many years. You always can see her yard and flowers not showing a weed, and you can see her with her cane and bag picking up scraps of whatever was in the streets. She baked cookies every year for the cookie exchanges, and was in charge of the HOA membership for many years. She is an example that many of us could take a lesson from. We will miss you Ellen, but enjoy your new location.



THANK YOU CANADIANS

On behalf of the Arcadia Village Comfort Quilters, thank you to Randy & Sheila Cleroux, the Canada Day committee and all who purchased tickets for the maple leaf quilt in honor of Canada Day here in the Village.

A total of \$282 was raised to support the comfort and donation quilt program for our village and children in the surrounding community. All proceeds will be used to purchase supplies for these quilts.

The winner is a very happy Becky Woodcock who lives in the Village.



“Strollin 4 A Cure” 15th Annual Golf Tournament Update:



On Saturday, March 15th, the 15th Annual “Strollin 4 A Cure”

Golf Tournament will take place on the Back 9.

Rain date is Saturday, March 22nd. The Tiki Bar will be there again this year!

This event has 4 shotgun starts (9am, 11am, 1pm & 3pm) and has a scramble format with a 4 person team. Pre-registration for the event was held on February 24th and 25th. Please contact Gary or Marla Wilkerson lot 452 to see if any time slots are still available for this event.

We are a non profit organization that assists the under insured and non insured residents of DeSoto and Hardee counties here in Florida with cancer related expenses. 100% of our funds raised stay here in our own community! We are currently assisting 20 to 30 cancer patients in DeSoto county including numerous children. There is a greater need for donations since there are so many needing help with expenses.

On the golf course, we also have signs in honor of a loved one who has won the battle and/or in memory of those who have lost their battle with cancer. These signs are placed on the golf course for the tournament and then line the entry to the Village after that for a week. The cost of the sign is \$30.00. We need to know by March 1st if you would like a sign. If you are renewing last years sign please let us know as well.

We will have tee shirts ready for pick up on Friday, March 14th at the Cantina Clubhouse from 10 am to 12 pm. Please have one team member stop in to pick them up. The starting tee placements will be posted only on the Golf Board at the Cantina.

Watch the Arcadia Village Country Club Events Facebook page for any further announcements. Winners will be announced on Sunday, March 16th at the Appreciation Day celebration.

We truly appreciate all the participation in Arcadia Village with “Strollin 4 A Cure” and the Freeman Family for their continued support!

Please contact Vicky, Marla or Gary for any questions or concerns. Thank you.

Vicky Klopfenstein at 269-221-1512 lot 65
Marla Wilkerson at 585-406-7524 lot 452
Gary Wilkerson at 585-721-8095 lot 452

QUILT RAFFLE

During the time tickets are being sold and also during the Saturday & Sunday events of the USA Weekend on March 8th and 9th, the Arcadia Village Comfort Quilters will be raffling off a USA themed quilt.

All proceeds will go towards purchasing materials needed to continue offering comfort quilts to children and adults throughout the community in need.

Please help to continue this great service in our community





The Dance Committee 2025



COME JOIN IN THE FUN

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY DANCE
WITH THE LIVE BAND**



LATITUDE 26

**MARCH 17TH AT THE CANTINA CLUBHOUSE
7-10:00 P.M. DOORS OPEN AT 6:30**

ADMISSION: \$5.00 AT THE DOOR



**SHARE
THE
WEALTH**



**BRING YOUR
FAVORITE HOLIDAY
GOODIE TO SHARE AT THE
BUFFET
TABLE**

**Please don't eat from the
buffet table. Take your
plate to your seat!**



**Raffle
Baskets give
away**

THE ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE



Daisy Fever Band

Daisy Fever is a 70's eight-piece rock group, with music that ranges from Woodstock to Disco. Don't forget to bring your dancing shoes, frayed and bell-bottom jeans, and tie dye outfits.

DATE: March 29, 2025

WHERE: CANTINA CLUBHOUSE

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

With a special drawing!!!!!!!



So, how does one-month of free rent sound?

Thanks to Arcadia Village Management supported by the Freeman family, the Entertainment Committee will hold a special drawing at the Daisy Fever concert, March 29, 2025, for one-month no rent.

Tickets for this drawing are \$1.00 each and there is no limit on the number of tickets you can purchase. However, you must be present to win.

Tickets to the Daisy Fever concert are \$15.00 and the one-month no rent tickets can be bought in advance, so watch for ticket sale dates and times coming up in the near future.

The Daisy Fever concert will be the last Entertainment event this season.



Let The 2025 USA Celebration Begin!

The USA Celebration committee has been busy planning an exciting weekend for all USA residents.

The celebration will kick off on **Friday, March 7** with a **USA Golf Outing**. It is a 2-person scramble format to be held on the back nine (please try to go out in foursomes). Teams may tee off any time after 9 a.m. All cards must be turned in to the mailbox at hole 18 by 4 p.m. Event ticket and 2025 golf tag required

Friday evening we will show our USA spirit with the **USA Golf Cart Parade**. Decorate your carts in USA style and join us as we parade through Arcadia Village and Big Tree. Carts should **gather at 5:30 p.m. at the Cantina parking lot near the tennis courts. The route will begin at 6:00 p.m.**

PLEASE - if you are participating in the parade and decide to stop at a spectator's home for a refreshment, pull off to the side of the road, get your beverage and fall back in line where you can. Let the other carts go by to help keep the parade flowing.

Saturday, March 8 we will gather at the Cantina patio area at noon. There you and your friends can enjoy music, socializing and perhaps try your skills at some of the games. Make sure you bring some cash as we will be taking donations at the **Tiki Hut for Strollin For A Cure**. This is sure to be an afternoon full of laughter and fun. Hot dogs and chips will be provided while supplies last.

Wrapping up the USA Celebration on **Sunday, March 9** starting with a delicious **dinner, prepared by Terry & Fran Locke, will be served at 5 p.m.** The menu for the evening is Roast Beef, potatoes & gravy, vegetable, cole slaw and rolls & butter. Delicious cake decorated in USA style for dessert. Dinner will be followed by award presentations and some door prizes. **At 7 p.m. we will conclude the celebration on the dance floor** with music provided by Dave Lange. A fun time that is sure to keep everyone on the dance floor.

Tickets are \$15 per person and cover all activities Friday - Sunday. There are no individual day pricing available.

No tickets will be sold at the door

During the time tickets are being sold and also during the Saturday & Sunday events, the Arcadia Village Comfort Quilters will be raffling off a USA themed quilt. All proceeds will go towards purchasing materials needed to continue offering comfort quilts to children and adults throughout the community in need.

Table reservations can be made at the time of ticket purchase; however you must purchase a full table (8 seats).

Hope to see you there!!

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING CRUISE

Come join us on Celebrity Eclipse
Dec 6th, 2025

Free Classic
Drink
Package &
Wifi

Book soon space is limited

Day	Port	Arrive	Depart
SAT	FORT LAUDERDALE	-	3:30 PM
SUN	AT SEA	-	-
MON	AT SEA	-	-
TUES	ANTIGUA	9:30 AM	6:00 PM
WED	ST MAARTEN	8:00 AM	6:00 PM
THUR	SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO	7:00 AM	4:00 PM
FRI	PUERTO PLATA, DOMINICAN REP	9:30 AM	5:00 PM
SAT	AT SEA	-	-
SUN	FORT LAUDERDALE	7:00 AM	-

Book by April
20th, 2024 and
receive a \$100
onboard
credit!

Cabin Category	Oceanview Balcony
1 st and 2 nd Passengers	\$1646.03 Per Person

All of the above prices include: 8-night cruise, food, entertainment, port charges and taxes. Penalties apply to cancellations after final payment. Optional travel insurance is available upon request.

\$300 due per person to reserve cabin
Final due **SEPTEMBER 1, 2025**

To reserve your cabin and get travel info call Teri at (888) 462-1434 or (941) 627-8795.
Mail check payable to: Castaway Cruises, Inc., 1396 Ultramarine Lane, Punta Gorda, Florida 33983
Otherwise, please call for credit card payments.

ARCADIA VILLAGE SPRING GETAWAY

Come join us on Celebrity Silhouette
March 15, 2026

Free Classic
Drink
Package &
Wifi

Book soon space is limited

Day	Port	Arrive	Depart
SUN	FORT LAUDERDALE	-	4:00 PM
MON	KEY WEST	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
TUES	AT SEA	-	-
WED	GRAND CAYMEN	7:00 AM	4:00 PM
THUR	COZUMEL	11:00AM	9:00 PM
FRI	AT SEA	-	-
SAT	FORT LAUDERDALE	7:00 AM	-

Book by April
20th, 2024 and
receive \$100
on-board
credit

Cabin Category	Concierge Oceanview Balcony
1 st and 2 nd Passengers	\$1281.17 Per Person

All of the above prices include: 6-night cruise, food, entertainment, port charges and taxes. Penalties apply to cancellations after final payment. Optional travel insurance is available upon request.

\$300 due per person to reserve cabin
Final due **December 1, 2025**

To reserve your cabin and get travel info call Teri at (888) 462-1434 or (941) 627-8795.
Mail check payable to: Castaway Cruises, Inc.,
1396 Ultramarine Lane, Punta Gorda, Florida 33983
Call to make credit card payments.



ARCADIA VILLAGE SAILS AWAY ON Celebrity Eclipse January 29th, 2027

Free Classic
Drink
Package &
Wifi

Book soon space is limited
Additional Holiday sales may apply

Book by Dec.
14th 2024 and
receive a \$100
onboard
credit!

Day	Port	Arrive	Depart
FRI	FORT LAUDERDALE	-	4:00 PM
SAT	AT SEA	-	-
SUN	AT SEA	-	-
MON	ANTIGUA	8:00 AM	6:00 PM
TUES	ST. LUCIA	8:00 AM	6:00 PM
WED	BARBADOS	8:00 AM	6:00 PM
THUR	ST. VINCENT	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
FRI	ST. KITTS	8:00 AM	6:00 PM
SAT	AT SEA	-	-
SUN	AT SEA	-	-
MON	FORT LAUDERDALE	7:00 AM	-

Cabin Category	Balcony	Aqua Class
1 st and 2 nd Passengers	\$2115.67 Per Person	\$2516.67 Per Person

All of the above prices include: 10-night cruise, food, entertainment, port charges and taxes. Penalties apply to cancellations after final payment. Optional travel insurance is available upon request.

\$500 due per person to reserve cabin
Final due **October 21st, 2026**

To reserve your cabin and get travel info call Teri at (888) 462-1434 or (941) 627-8795.
Mail check payable to: Castaway Cruises, Inc., 1396 Ultramarine Lane, Punta Gorda, Florida 33983
Otherwise, please call for credit card payments.



NEW RESIDENTS AND CONDOLENCES



TO OUR NEW RESIDENTS

Give a warm welcome to your new neighbors
In Arcadia Village

NAME	ADDRESS	FROM
James and Elizabeth Taylor	Lot 583	OH
Thomas and Lori Gilmore	Lot 494	MI

Reach out and welcome these people and show them around to all the fun that is here in our Village.

Condolences

*Our Deepest condolences to the family and
friends of the loved ones
who have passed before us.*

You will be sadly missed here in Arcadia Village

Lot 567 Karol Beauregard
Lot 507 Erban Gajewski

*I know there are former residents who have passed recently, but I do
not have all their names.*

Blessings to all their Family and Friends



MARCH HAPPENINGS

CYNDY'S PAINT and SIP CLASS



Fun Utensils

Wed. Mar. 12th 3-5 pm

\$20. ea



Garden

Posts

Sun Mar. 23rd 2-5pm

\$30.00



Classes will be held at the Cantina Club house Kitchen area. Join us for an afternoon of entertainment, fun, painting and laughing with friends. You do NOT need painting experience or to be creative to join in the fun to paint in this class. We will instruct you step by step to create your own masterpiece. We supply everything you need to create your own project.

The two Kitchen utensils are painted with Acrylics, you can paint this design, or you may bring your own ideas and creativity. I will instruct you on how to decorate your own set. I will have a few different types of Bamboo utensils, forks, spoons and spatulas for you to choose from.

"Garden Post" is a 4x4x24" wood post, we will paint all 4 sides so this class will be approximately 2 and a half hours long. I will have stencils for the Welcome Friends, or if you want something else to print on them you may choose your own. Because of the cost of wood and the preparation, I will have to charge \$30. Ea. **Make sure you register in advance as I won't have extras unless someone cancels.**

We will have everything needed for each session. Dave and I will do all the setup, cleaning, and tearing down. All you will need to do is sign up, show up, and bring your favorite beverage.

Please register in advance by signing the sheet at the Cantina or Siesta Bulletin board or you can send me a text at 616-520-1456, Registering in advance insures we will have enough set ups for each painter when you arrive, however we will carry a few extras for those last-minute change of plans or guests that were not able to register ahead of time. Arrive a few minutes early so we can start on time, and you can get your seats with your friends.

MARCH HAPPENINGS



COME ENJOY THE Arcadia Community Concert Band

Free performance by the Arcadia Community Concert Band

Wednesday, March 5, 2024 at 7pm, Cantina Clubhouse

The Arcadia Community Concert Band is a volunteer organization made up of local musicians dedicated to playing a wide variety of music for your entertainment. DOORS OPEN AT 6:30PM

**Come join us and enjoy an evening of music including patriotic songs, show tunes, and popular hits.
DONATIONS APPRECIATED**



It's SUNDAY SUNDAY, everybody! Join us on March 2, 2025 at 1:30PM

Come to the Cantina cafe and enjoy the Ice Cream Social on Sunday. We feature home made hot fudge sauce.



For \$1.00 you can get just a bowl of plain ice cream OR if you prefer a sundae for \$3.00, with your choices of banana, nuts, old fashion hot fudge, walnuts, syrups and a cherry with a stem on top. We feature Publix premium ice cream along with Decaf coffee, water and cookies for both the \$1.00 and \$3.00 choices.

PLEASE sign up sheet will be on the bulletin board at the Cantina Clubhouse. Please add your name and number of guests so that we know what to order. Of course if you decide to come at last minute, you are certainly welcome. Come and treat yourself and your friends. Questions?

Call Wayne and Arline Seavey. 207-669-5602

SCROLLING SIGN INFORMATION

Karen Elmore is in charge of the sign at the Siesta Club house.

Contact Karen directly or send **information to Arcadiavillage18@gmail.com.**

Thank you- Karen and Lori

MARCH HAPPENINGS

CHINESE AUCTION

The auction will start promptly at 2 pm on Saturday March 1st. A short intermission will be scheduled.

The Habitat truck will be available for donations if you do not want to take your winnings home.

We want to thank our community for your help and support. Signup lists will be available on the bulletin board for runners, ticket sellers and seat sales.

This has always been a great success and we anticipate it will be again this year.

The Chinese Auction Committee

RED HATS

**Red Hats will meet March 11 for Lunch
at the**

Sunset Grill in Sebring Fl. at 11:30

Address is 2640 U.S.HWY 27 S,
Then off to the Lakeshore Mall for shopping .



Sign up sheets will be in the Cantina and Siesta clubhouse , we need a count for reservations at the restaurant. If you need a ride check mark after your name.

Any questions contact:

Cheryle Harmon 659 EL Presidente Dr. 614 571 4972

Sleuth's Mystery Book Club

Come join us Thursday, March 20th at Siesta Clubhouse card room at 10:30.

For more information contact **Kathy Rasmussen at 989-289-3698.**

More information will come via AVCC Events, Activities & Office.



MARCH HAPPENINGS

MARCH CARRY-IN DINNER



Wishing everyone a Happy New Year. Here are the details for the March Carry-In/Potluck.

Thursday, March 20th, 2025!
5:00 pm Siesta Club House

Please use the signup sheet that is posted on the Siesta bulletin board. Everyone is welcome, even if you don't sign up but, signing up helps us to prepare.

Coffee, tea, iced tea, water, lemonade is provided. Please bring your own dishes and cutlery
Looking forward to seeing you there,

Randy and Sheila Cleroux, 25 Casa Grande – srcleroux@gmail.com

Cupcake Decorating

You will be using Homemade Buttercream to Decorate two **Homemade Cupcakes** as well as learning one new Buttercream Flower.



When: Every Wednesday
Time: 11:00am
Where: 671 El Presidente
Cost: 10 dollars per class **Registration:**

Must pre-register due to seating and prep work involved. I will post on Facebook if or when class is full. Pre-register by messaging me on Facebook or Text.

3/5-Salted Caramel
3/12-St Patrick's Day Theme
3/19-Spring Theme
3/26-Key Lime
4/2-Snickerdoodle
4/9-Cookie n Cream
4/16-Easter Theme



All supplies included except for one wet hand towel and one dry hand towel for your personal use. I will also have misc. tips, couplers, bags and goodies for sale. Thank you!

Kelly Schmeltzer- 671 El Presidente 906-235-4518

Arcadia Village Quilt Group



The 2025 Arcadia Village Quilt Show is Saturday March 15th and Sunday March 16th. This year's show also includes craft vendors from Arcadia Village.

The show has been expanded to 2 days this year so **ALL** village quilters and crafters can display their wonderful talents to the public on Saturday and to the village on Sunday. **This quilt show is open to ALL quilters in the Village – you do not have to belong to a quilt group. There is no fee to enter a quilt or quilted item in the show.** All community residents are welcome to enter quilted items

Activities will include quilts and quilted items, door prizes on Saturday, a quilt raffle, a quilt basket raffle and our talented craft vendors. All proceeds from the raffles will be to purchase supplies for donations quilts for our community comfort quilts and local charities. Last year we donated over 70 quilts to our community and charities.

Entry forms will be available after February 10th in the quilt room at the Cantina clubhouse. All items must be entered by March 3, 2025 to Barb Luscombe or Jeanne Ross. The entry form will include all instructions to display your items. For questions or assistance please contact:

Barb Luscombe 716-868-8424 (Lot 526)
Jeanne Ross 941-661-5390 (Lot 486)

Final date for entry is: March 3, 2025. Entries must be brought to the Cantina on Friday March 14, 2025 between 1:00 pm and 2:00 pm.
Late entries will not be accepted.

Appreciation Weekend – Craft Sale – UPDATE **Appreciation Weekend this year is March 15 and 16, 2024.**



Our talented Arcadia Village Quilters are holding a 2-day Quilt Show so this gives our craft vendors an opportunity to showcase our talents. Thank you, Quilters!

If you want to participate in the Craft Sale, you need to contact me: Sheila Cleroux at srcle-roux@gmail.com as soon as possible. I prefer emails because I won't lose your messages!!

Reminders for vendors:

- ◆ No cost to participate
- ◆ The sale is open to Villagers and the general public but, because of space limitations, vendors must be Village residents.
- ◆ Set-up is either Friday: 4 pm to 6 pm or Saturday, 8:30 to 10 am
- ◆ Show and sale hours are: 10 am to 3 pm on Saturday and 10 am to noon on Sunday

The main day of the Sale is Saturday, Sunday is optional
Call me if you have any questions or drop by at 25 Casa Grande. Sheila Cleroux 705 – 822 -8915

March Happenings

COME ENJOY AN EVENING OF MUSIC AND HELP SUPPORT THE DESOTO HIGH SCHOOL BAND

WHEN: MARCH 27, 2025

WHERE: CANTINA CLUBHOUSE

TIME: 7:00 PM

Come and listen to a fabulous concert with the Desoto High School Band. These kids work hard to give you the best music. Please come and join us to help support these teens.



DONATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED

There will also be a SHARE THE WEALTH drawing and some yummy refreshments after the show.

ALL DONATIONS AND SHARE THE WEALTH GO TO THE DESOTO HIGH SCHOOL BAND



The Bloodmobile will be back for our blood donations on March 25th.

You will be able to give double red blood cells, plasma, and regular donations at this time. Often giving doubles is best because fluids are returned and systems often react better with hydration. Getting two donations of the red blood cells from the same donor is safer for the

recipient. Double red cell donors have to allow 108 days between donations. Minimum weight is 110 pounds. Diabetics can donate if they are regulated with diabetic medicine. Advanced age does not limit eligibility. Cancer survivors can donate after one year cancer free.

The buses will be on the tennis court side of Cantina Clubhouse. Please do not park there after 9:00 PM March 24th.

Sign up in Cantina or Siesta on the bulletin boards for an appointment. Text questions to Arline @ 207 669 5602 . The blood that we donate is used by local hospitals. CDC precautions are followed. You will receive free tests of cholesterol, blood type, blood pressure, temperature, pulse, Covid 19 antibodies and iron count (hemoglobin).

There is a donor rewards program online, which will earn points toward gifts for your donations. Three percent of eligible donors donate. Some of our most frequent donors are Canadians.

You never know when you or a loved one will need this precious gift. Blood supply is critically low.

See you there on March 25, 12:00 to 5:00 (Please bring your ID)

If it is more convenient for you to donate elsewhere in the Suncoast area, please ask to have your donation credited to Arcadia Village CODE 440

Mark your Calendar

Karaoke!!!!!!!

If you missed at the February Karaoke with Johnny B. Good, you missed out on some amazing talent from our friends and neighbors here in Arcadia Village. The talent within our community is amazing.

Share your talent, enjoy the talent of your neighbors or perhaps take a stroll on the dance floor.

A great time is always had by all. Admission is \$2 per person.

A share the wealth will also be held.

Karaoke is held the third Monday of each month at 7:00 pm

March 17th

Mark your calendars and come join us for an enjoyable evening out and support your fellow friends and neighbors as they share their incredible talent with us.



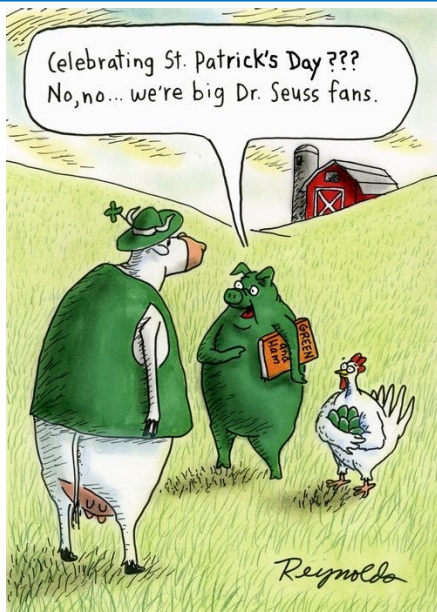
NEW BEGINNINGS GROUP

Are you living alone, grieving about a loss in your life, then this group is for you.

Wednesday at 1 pm in Cantina kitchen area.

Our purpose is to setup a buddy system and to help each other through the grieving process while doing fun things together.

Please join us and see how we can help you enjoy life, just a little bit better.



WHAT FUN IT WAS !!!!!!!

AV's Got Talent 2025



The show on February 8, 2025 was full of previously hidden talent, and that's what it's all about!

We are already thinking about 2026 and looking for lots of new acts, so please be thinking of what YOU can do- sing, dance, comedy, play an instrument or do a skit. Ask any of us, it's a lot of fun and the audience is very appreciative!

A few acknowledgments that we missed are Brenda Dickie, who assisted with an act, Dave Hendricks, whose drum rolls added to the fun, Cyndy Lange, who painted The Bad Boy's boat, Kirk and Laurie Feaster who helped set up chairs, David Kirby, who took photos and the audience members who moved the tables and chairs back into place in record time! Thanks to all who helped in any way and of course thanks to the performers and helpers and the wonderful audience!

Bob and Karen Kish



FUN THINGS TO DO

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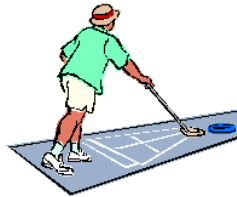
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Questions, Please contact
Bonnie Kress 216-536-8306
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BUNCO

Come join in the fun on Thursdays
sign in by 12:45pm
Game starting at 1:00 PM. at the
Cantina kitchen area.

For any questions please contact:
Shirl Pumphrey #708
941-875-1270

FUN THINGS TO DO

Line Dancing 102

In the first 8 weeks we have done 14 beginner, 2 improver, and 1 intermediate level dances, and have had a lot of fun!

For anyone who knows the basic steps, it's not difficult, so don't be afraid to give it a try. To add a little challenge, we do the meatier dances at the end of the two hour class for those who wish to stay.



Classes take place on Mondays from 2:00 to 4:00 at the Siesta Clubhouse. Everyone is welcome.
Karen Kish Lot 490 Call me at 863-990-1801 if you have questions.

Beginners Line Dancing

Sessions will be held every Tuesday from 11-12 in the Siesta Clubhouse.

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JOIN US FOR SOME FUN WITH DOMINOS

Come join us at the Cantina Clubhouse on Friday at 1:00 p.m. for a fun afternoon of Dominos.

If you don't know how to play we will teach you!

If you would like more Information contact: **Karen Elmore Lot #756 269-506-1013**



BRIDGE

Come play bridge with us!!!



Thursdays at 7 pm in the card room of the Siesta Clubhouse!!

All level players invited!!



SHUFFLE BOARD EVENING FUN

Starting TUESDAY'S shuffle board for fun starts at 6:30-8pm at the Cantina shuffleboards.

Teams will be picked before play begins, so come on down and have some fun with lot of laughs.



Any questions see Stan McCoy

FUN THINGS TO DO

TUESDAY BINGO

Doors open at noon and start play at 1:00 pm

Cantina Clubhouse you need to be there no later than 12:45 pm



Refreshments are available. Hope to see you all

FRIDAY BINGO

Doors open at 5:00 pm and start play at 6:00 pm
Cantina Clubhouse you need to be there no later than 5:45 pm

(Open to the public)

DON'T WANT TO COOK???

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STAY FOR FRIDAY NIGHT BINGO

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Gary 231-887-5014

Beginner play is Tuesday, Thursday and
Saturday from 9:00AM until 10:30AM

Contact beginner play!
Cathy Murtaugh 419-205-7452
or Bea Phelps 928-706-0909



EUCHRE

Suzanne Worster would like to remind everyone that Euchre is every Monday at the Cantina in the kitchen area.

The fee to play has increased to \$1.00. Don't be late! Games start promptly at 6:15pm.



RUBBER STAMPING CLASSES



If you are a returning stamper, come and see all the new products and ideas I have put together for you! If you are new to rubber stamping, I welcome you to see how you can create easy and impressive greeting cards and packaging. All ability levels are welcome!

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Classes meet on Wednesdays 1-3pm.

Thursdays 9-11am and 1-3pm.

All classes meet at my house...638 El Presidente. Please call for space availability.

FROM THE EDITOR

SAYING GOODBYE

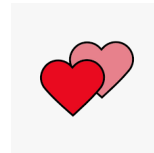
Saying goodbye is never easy, especially when you have enjoyed something you have been doing in your life.

I truly have enjoyed doing the Villager over the last few years, but at this time it has become much more difficult to accomplish the finished product. When you have loved ones in our lives that need your attention, that becomes your first priority. With that being the case in my life right now, I am announcing that this will be my last issue of the Villager. Perhaps at some point I may come back to helping with it again.

With that being said, I would like to announce that Kathy Nelson will be taking over the Editor position for the Villager. She is new to our community, but she has great knowledge in doing this type of project and I feel very confident that she will be doing an excellent job for you all. Please be patient with her as we go through this transition together.

I want to thank her personally for taking on this project for all of you. Please continue to send all articles for the Villager by the 10th of each month for the following month's edition and the articles in Word format to arcadiavillage18@gmail.com

Again thank you to everyone that supported me on this journey-
Lori Milliman, Past Editor - Lot 606
Kathy Nelson, New Editor- Lot 682 612-219-8644



Just a reminder! Please!!! If you are interested in nominating someone for "Volunteer of the Month" just send me an email along with why you think this person deserves this honorary title for the Month.



Did you know?

Arcadia Village activities (ALL OF THEM) are run by residents. If you golf, thank the golf commissioners who work on and off the course. If you play cards, well there are several groups that volunteer to run different card game groups, then there is Dominoes, Bingo, Shuffleboard to name some of the other games. Then the Golf Cart Parades are run by the Nantel's for the seasons and special holidays. There is entertainment nights and talent shows and concerts with your fellow residents singing, these are all organized by volunteers. I am not forgetting that the prized Directory that everyone looks for every year is also put together by a volunteer and this article in this newsletter was put here by a volunteer.

None of it is hard, it is done by residents that want to do it. This village would not be as fun or enjoyable without everyone of the volunteers in this park. Thank you all Very Very Very Much!

There are some areas that we need volunteers right now.

Everyone likes the food trucks. Terry & Fran Locke have asked for someone to take over this task or we will not be having any more yummy meals available to us. Also, Marla Wilkerson and Lori Milliman will not be doing the decorating for the clubhouses this coming year. We got a lot of help from the dance committee this last christmas which helped so much. We will be glad to show you the ropes of the numerous decorations. Please get involved with the many committees, as it make a difference to all of us here. PLEASE CONSIDER BEING A VOLUNTEER!!!!!!!!!!!!

SHOW LOVE TO A FAMILY MEMBER

BUY A BRICK!!!!

The Arcadia Village Veteran's Park is located on the south side of the Siesta Clubhouse (near the lake). The park is to honor Arcadia Village members, friends and family who have or are now serving our country in the Military or Merchant Marines.



Proceeds from your donation to purchase memorial, recognition bricks are used solely to maintain the Veteran's Park.

The **4x8 brick will cost \$45.00** and allows for 3 lines of text (all capital letters) 18 characters per line (You must count punctuation and spaces as characters) If desired you may include a logo from the designs shown for an additional \$10.00 (total cost with logo \$55.00) A Sample brick can be seen at the Village Office or a walk through Veteran's Park! All bricks have a lifetime guarantee.

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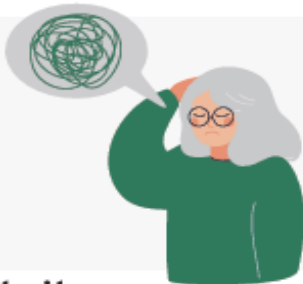


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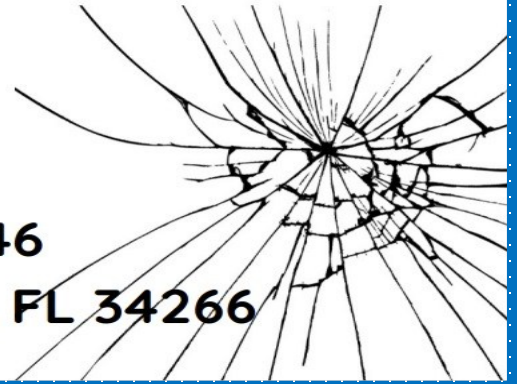
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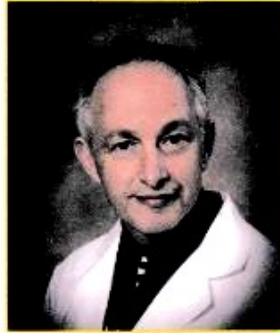
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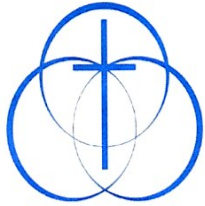
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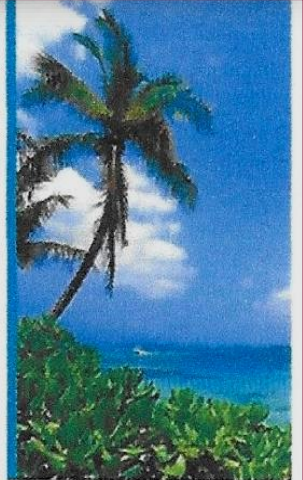
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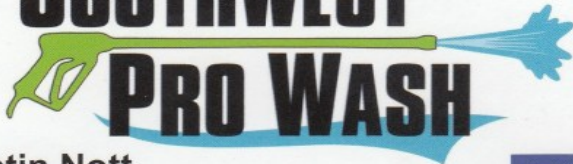
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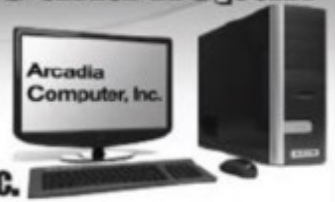
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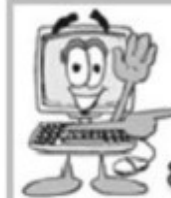
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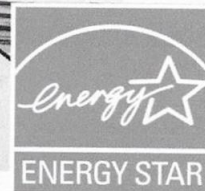
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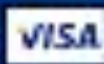
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FALL/WINTER WEEKLY SCHEDULES

For Arcadia Village Residents and Their Guests

Monday

8:00a Tennis
8:00-10:00 Advanced Pickleball
8:00a Horseshoes**
9:00a Aerobic Exercise (Walking)*
10:00a Water Exercise**
1:00p Hand and Foot**
2:00-4:00 Line Dancing 102*
3:30-5:00 Easy Play Pickleball
6:15p Euchre**

Tuesday

9:00-10:30 Beginner Pickleball
8-9:00a Strength-Stretch-Movement**
8:30a Horseshoes**
9:00a Shuffleboard**
9:00a Aerobic Exercise (Walking)*
11:00-12 Beginner Line Dancing *
10:00a Water Exercise**
1:00p Bingo** calling begins
1:00 pm Cribbage * Card Room: Siesta
6:30-8pm Evening shuffle board
7:00p Advanced/Intermediate Line Dancing*
7:00p Ladies pool**

Wednesday

6-8:00 Men's Coffee Group *
8:00-10:00 Advanced Pickleball
8:00a Tennis
9:00a Aerobic Exercise (walking)
10:00a Water Exercise**
10:00-12 Intermediate Line Dancing**
11:00 am Cupcake Decorating
2:30p Fun pool/billiards*
1:00 pm New Beginnings **
1-3:00p Rubber stamping
3:30-5:00 Easy Play Pickleball
6:00p Vegas 7**
6:30p Texas Holdem*
7:00p Men's pool** (November-March)

Thursday

8:00a Horseshoes*
9:00-10:30 Beginner Pickleball
8-9:00a Strength-Stretch-Movement**
8:00a Pickleball
9:00a Shuffleboard*
9:00a Aerobic Exercise (Walking)*
9-11a Rubber Stamping
10:00a Water Exercise**
12:45p Bunco** 7:00p
1:00-3:00p Rubber Stamping
6:30p Texas Holdem*
7:00p Bridge * (card room)
7:00p Men's pool** (November-March)

Friday

8:00a Tennis
8:00-10:00 Advanced Pickleball
9:00a Quilting **
9:00a Aerobic Exercise (Walking)*
10:00a Water Exercise**
10:00a Ladies Fun Golf
1:00 pm Dominos**
6:00 pm Bingo (doors open at 5:00)

Saturday

9:00-10:30 Beginner Pickleball
8:30a Aerobic Exercise (Walking)*

Garbage & Trash Pickup—Monday & Thursday am

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						1 Chinese Auction 2:00 pm Ticket sales till 12:00
2 Ice Cream Social 1:30**	3	4 **HOA Town hall meeting 7:00pm	5 Arcadia Community Ban Concert 7:00pm **	6	7 USA golf **Golf cart parade 5:30	**8 USA Picnic/ music/ games 12pm
**9 USA Dinner 5:00 & Dance 7:00 pm	10 Tuesday 4 club bash 12-2:00pm Cantina Pool Area	11 Red Hats 11:30	12 **Sip and Paint 3-5:00 pm	13	14	15 Strollin 4 a cure Golf **Craft sale Quilt show 10-3:00pm
16** Appreciation Picnic 12:00 Quilt Show/ craft show 10-12:00 pm	17 *Karaoke 7:00 pm **St. Patrick's Dance 7-10	18	19	20 *Book Club 10:30 am * Carry in Dinner 5:00	21	22
23 **Sip and Paint 2-5:00 pm	24	25 **Blood mobile 12-5 pm	26 End of the year Mixed Golf bash 4:30 19TH HOLE	27 **Arcadia High school Band Concert 7 pm	28	29 **Daisy Fever Band 7:00 pm
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