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Letter norm the r resident

May Christmas bring you Health, Happiness and Peace

May the New Year be everything you could wish for...

Regina Fortin President

New Year's Eve Party

The New Year's Eve party will again be hors d'oeuvres and dancing and will be at 7:00. It must be the New Year somewhere at 10:30, so be prepared to greet the New Year then. Lucille Mitten, Betty Pratt, and Pat Breame are in charge, so it you have questions, contact them. The signup for the New Year's Eve party will be December 10 for



residents only, December 17 for residents and guest, and the sign will come down December 28. BYOB.

Christmas Party & Pot-Luck Sign-Up

The Christmas party signup for park residents only is Saturday, November 26 by 12:00 noon. On December 3 residents and guest may sign up, and the sheet will be taken down on December 10. YOU MUST SIGN UP FOR ALL POTLUCKS. SAC will provide the meat for Christmas, St. Patricks and Easter. On those potlucks that provide meat the signup sheet will come down a week before the event. On those that are full potlucks the signup sheet will not come down until the Thursday before the event. SAC will provide the plates and silverware for all SAC dinners, so you only need to bring your covered dish and whatever you wish to drink. The time for potlucks unless otherwise announced will be 5:30 for social time and dinner at 6:00.









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The Sandalwood Board of Directors has the responsibility of administrating the wishes of our shareholders.

Contact any board member with your concerns or suggestions and they will act in the best interest of the park.

Written comments may be sent to the office or e-mailed to 14tinspub@aol.com.

DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

ARTICLES FOR THE NEWSLETTER ARE DUE ON OR BEFORE THE 14TH OF THE MONTH.

PLEASE MARK THIS ON YOUR CALENDARS SO YOU WON'T FORGET.

Procedure for submitting articles to OnTrac Publishing for the Newsletter.

All articles and information for the Newsletter are to be submitted only through the Sandalwood Editor.

Only information sent by the editor will be published in the newsletters.

Articles must be submitted on or before the 14th of the month.

Editor information is on page two.

Helpful Guidelines for Events Now Available for Everyone

There is now a "guideline-help" book on a shelf in the kitchen to help anyone plan and find objects that are needed for any activity.

The SAC committee will even suggest an experienced resident, so that a newcomer can organize and run any event at the park's facilities.

The 3-ring, yellow binder explains where the location of all the supplies are, how to reserve the space, and what is necessary for clean-up, placement of garbage cans and activity break down.

This binder is available for anyone who would like to create any event.

WEDNESDAY IS GAME NIGHT

Do you like to play cards?

Come to the clubhouse on Wednesday evening and join the fun! Everyone is welcome, the more the merrier!



Leave all your troubles at home, join your Neighbors at the clubhouse and have a good time!!!

SANDALWOOD WEBSITE



Did you know that Sandalwood has a Website?

It is a good way to keep up with happenings and reading the newsletters online.

The address for the website is www.sandalwoodpark.com

SUB-FLOOR & FLOORING EXPERTS!



Christmas Party



Our Christmas party this year is Saturday, December 17 at 5:30 for social time and 6:00 for dinner. SAC will provide turkey for the dinner and you can bring your wonderful side dishes and desserts and BYOB. SAC will also have an entrée for those who are vegetarians, and that will be served from the kitchen on request.

Our entertainment for the party will be something very different. Two harpists, Kathy Donkus and Natalie Wagner, will play a variety of Christmas songs for your pleasure and lead a sing-along of some favorite Christmas classics. They will also talk some about the harp and answer any questions from the floor, and perhaps some may be able to "play" a harp after the program.

We will again be giving gifts to the Mother House for children. We ask that you put your gifts under the tree in the activity room by December 7 so they may be delivered in time for their Christmas party. They are requesting gifts for children from 0 to 3. Suggestions are toys, diapers, and clothing up to sizes 4 or 5. Toys and clothing should be wrapped and identified as to gender and age. They have always been very appreciative of our support.

The sign-up sheet will be on the bulletin board on November 26 for park residents only, and residents and guests may sign up on December 3. We look forward to seeing you there.







A reminder to all returning residents to check in at the office so we can change your mailing address to your Florida address. This will insure that you get any mailings sent to you while you are here.

Thank you.



Thank you to everyone who helped decorate the park for Christmas, and a special thank you to Johanna for the wonderful homemade goodies. So good!

Clubhouse And Park Sale

It is hard to believe that it is time to think about the annual Sandalwood Clubhouse and Park Sale. However, as we all know well, time marches on! Some of you may be aware that the shed beside the shuffleboard court is reaching near capacity. This is a result of Connie and myself gathering furniture and items before leaving in April. Now don't worry about offering your unused items, we are still interested in collecting them. Emptying the shed to rearrange furniture and boxes for more storage space is one of our talents. So if you have things to donate, call Julie Friedman at 941 223 8213 until the end of December. In January, call me at 740 369 3105. If everything goes well for Connie's husband Tom (he is having back surgery in November) she will arrive later in January. Connie's number is 941 412 3911. We are still collecting items for the boutique such as jewelry, small decorative items and Florida Casual Wear.

Looking forward to being with you this winter. Safe travels to all! Donna Eckman

News from S.A.C.

Our concert series tickets will go on sale at 10:00 on Friday, December 2 in the activity room. The price is only \$60.00 per person for the entire season. Again we have three outstanding shows for you. All of our shows are at 7:00 P.M. on Sunday evenings. We'll open our season on Sunday, January 15 at 7:00 P.M. with a very entertaining musical variety band, "Wallstreet". You won't want to miss it.

Our second show is "The Katie Brooks Show" on Sunday, February 19. Katie is a talented vocalist with a rich and varied song styling, but that doesn't begin to describe her as an entertainer. Her repertoire is extensive and covers many types of music. Her warm and playful interactions with the audience will make her a favorite.

Our last show is "Those Were the Days" with William Florian on Sunday, March 12. Florian will give you an upbeat musical journey of America's greatest folk and pop songs of the 60's, including hit songs he performed as the former lead sings of the famous "The New Christy Minstrels".



Concert Series

Don't forget the concert series tickets and selecting seats will be at 10:00, Friday, December 2 in the activity room. If you

are not able to be there to get your tickets, you may have a friend buy your tickets for you, or you may send your check ahead of time and call at 10:00 on that morning. On that day you may call 712-330-9521 to select your seats. We must have your money before you select your seats, so allow plenty of time if you mail a check.

The tickets are only \$60.00 per person for the whole season. You won't have a seating chart to look at but maybe knowing how the seats are arranged may help. We have 8 rows with 6 seats on the left (by the patio) and 8 seats on the right (by the front door). The seats are numbered with seat number 1 being on the aisle.

We have three wonderful shows. The first is "Wallstreet", a variety band show on Sunday, January 15th at 7:00; the second is the "Katy Brooks Show, which is a variety vocal show on Sunday, February 19 at 7:00; the third is William Florian with "Those Were the Days Show" with music of the 60,s.

More detailed information about the shows will appear later.

If you have any questions about the concert series, call me (Carmen Wallin at 941-483-4527). My phone number is also in the park directory.

Children's Gifts

Don't forget to bring your gifts for children at the Mother House. Gifts are for children up to three years of age. Wrap your gift and specify sex and age.

Diapers and wipes are also accepted and do not need to be wrapped. Place them under the Christmas tree in the activity room before December7. Thank you! It means for much to them.



(Puzzle on Pg.13)

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Did You Know?

Rule 6.1

All animals must be kept on a maximum of a 6-foot leash, must be under the control of the owner at all times, must not create a disturbance to other residents and may not be outside unattended.

Rule 6.2

No animals are permitted in the recreation areas or Park Buildings.

Did You Know?

THE SPEED LIMIT IS

15 mph

Please respect your neighbors and the rules

DRIVE SAFELY

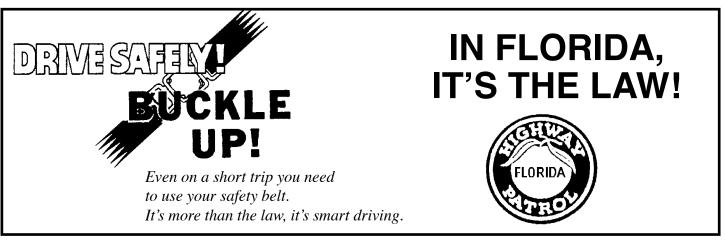
The Dumpster

The dumpster is <u>NOT</u> for personal use.

Should you be leaving for the summer or a vacation and need to drop off a bag of rubbish, that is permissible.

Please do not put anything other than rubbish bags in or near the dumpster.

Waste Management will pick up just about anything you put to the curb









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| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| | | | | - | 2 Concert seat selection & ticket sales | 3 Christmas party sign-up, residents |
| | 5 | 6 SAC Agenda mtg | 7 SPH Agenda mtg & Toys Due/Mother House | œ | 6 | 10 New Years Eve Party, residents sign up |
| 1 | 12 Movie Night | 13 SAC Bd. Mtg. 10:00 & Arti- cles/Newsletter Due | 14 SPH Bd. Mtg., 10:00 | 15 | 16 | 17 Christmas Party 5:30 & New Yr. Eve Party guests sign up |
| | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| | 26 | 27 | 2 8 In up Newcomers Pa | 29 | 30 | 31 New Years Eve Party, 7:00 |
| | Huff & Puff | Lunch 12:30 pm Bingo 6:30 pm | E K L Y E V E V E N | N | Huff & Puff Bingo 6:30 pm | |

SAC CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2016-2017 REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS

Bingo-Tues. & Fri. 6:30 All year Poker-Wed. 6:00 Nov.-April Cards-Wed. 6:30 Nov.-April Huff & Puff-MWF 9:00 October-April Computer Club-Fri. 10:00 Jan.-April Euchre-Thurs. 7:00 Jan.-April Tuesday lunch-12:30 All year Mah Jongg-Wed.-1:00 Jan.-April Bocce-Tues. & Thurs. -Jan.-March Shuffleboard-Mon. & Fri. Jan. -March Walkers-Tues. & Thurs.-9:00 –Jan.-March Rhythmettes-Tues. & Thurs.-4:00 Movies-2nd Monday-7:00 Nov.-April

Sandalwood Comfort Club-Thurs 9-11Jan-April

SAC agenda meetings-lst Mon. 10:00 Nov.-April

SAC board meetings-2nd Mon. 10:00 Nov. -April

SPH agenda meetings 1st Wed. 9:00

SPH board meetings-2nd Wed. 10:00

Dinners 5:30 social/6:00 dinner unless announced otherwise.

Sign-up for seating for dinners will be at noon three weeks before event for park residents only, two weeks before event for residents & guests, and sign-up to come down one week before event

MONTHLY EVENTS

DECEMBER

- 2nd-Concert tickets go on sale at 10:00 in activity room
- 3rd-Sign-up for Christmas party for park residents & guests
- 10th-Sign-up for Christmas party to come down
- 12th-Movie
- 13th-January newsletter articles due
- 16th -Money due to All Around Tours for trip
- 17th-Christmas party
- 31st -New Year's Eve party-7:00-

<u>JANUARY</u>

2nd-SAC agenda

3rd-SPH agenda

6th-Take down Christmas decorations-9:30

6th-Sign-up for January potluck for residents only 8th-Movie

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9th-SAC board-board election

10th-SPH board

13th-February newsletter articles due

- 14th-Sign-up for January potluck for residents & guests
- 15th-First of Concert Series- "Wallstreet"
- 17th-Newcomers' Party-2:00
- 21st-Pancake breakfast-8:00-9:30
- 21st-Sign-up sheet for January potluck to come down
- 28th-Potluck
- 28th-Sign-up for Valentine dinner/dance/potluckfor residents only

29th-Gospel Sing-6:00

30th through Nov. 1-Trip

FEBRUARY

4th-Michigan/Ohio dinner

- 4th-Sign-up for Valentine potluck for park residents & guests
- 7th SAC agenda
- 8th -SPH agenda
- 11th-Pancake breakfast
- 13th-Movie
- 13th-March newsletter articles due
- 18th-Valentine Potluck-Bobby Holloway
- 18th-Sign-up for St.Patrick's Karaoke Potluck for residents only
- 19th -Second Concert-Katie Brooks Show 7:00
- 24th & 25th-Sale
- 25th-Sign-up for St. Patrick's Karaoke Potluck for residents & guests

26th-Gospel Sing-6:00

MARCH

1st-SPH agenda

4th-New England dinner

- 4th-Sign-up for St. Patrick's Karaoke Potluck to come down
- 7th-SAC agenda
- 8th-SPH agenda
- 9th-SPH board
- 11th-St.Patrick's Karaoke potluck
- 12th-Final concert-William Florian- "Those Were The Days Show" 7:00
- 13th-Movie
- 13th-April newsletter articles due
- 14th-SAC board
- 19th-Venice Theatre Musical 2:00
- 24th-Shuffleboard/Bocce party 12:00 ??
- 25th-Variety Show 7:00
- 26th Gospel Sing-6:00

<u>APRIL</u>

- 1st-Picnic 12:00
- 2nd-Anne Marie Rideout Wine & Cheese/Art Silent Auction-4:00
- 4th-SAC agenda
- 5th-SPH agenda
- 9th-Snowbird Farewell-3:00
- 10th-Movie
- 11th-SAC board
- 12th-SPH board
- 13th-April newsletter articles due
- 16th-Easter Dinner 2:30

MAY

6th- Kentucky Derby 20th-Preakness

<u>JUNE</u>

10th-Belmont

<u>JULY</u> 4th-Picnic

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Women's Voíces

I have a long time client who is trying new hearing aids. We'll call him Bob. Bob has worn hearing aids for years and his lifestyle is very active. He is involved with a few groups in town, regularly attends HOA events and connects with his family frequently. His level of activity is what I define as a demanding lifestyle for hearing.

To ensure a successful fit, I let him try a variety of manufacturers so he was confident in his hearing. He dropped in during one of his demo phases and Karen was in her office, so he popped his head in and said "hi" to her. He made a slight comment about having challenges hearing women's voices, so Karen wanted to dissect exactly what the challenges were so I could help Bob hear his best.

So, Bob mentions he struggles to hear women's voices in TV and music. Also he struggles when he is sitting in the backseat of a car.

Bob is currently wearing a higher end hearing aid that offers more flexibility to attack specific areas of hearing loss. I was able to adjust three internal settings speech in noise, noise reduction and soft speech. I adjusted each of these settings from the manufacturer default setting to one that was specific for Bob's listening preference.

Bob wore the hearing aids with the new settings for a couple of days and reported back that he did hear better with the new settings that were specific to his loss. He was able to hear his wife with less strain.

If you also struggle to hear women's voices clearly or your grandkids or you haven't heard the birds that migrated this season, call us to have your settings adjusted to your listening preference.



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DECEMBER SUDOKU PUZZLE

| Sudoku Puzzle #A415PC Presented by Puzzle Baron | 4 | | | | | 1 | 8 | 2 | |
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DECEMBER CROSSWORD PUZZLE Crossword #TN4T83L5 Down

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Across

- 1. Canaries and cardinals
- 6. Impetus
- 14. January, to Juan
- 15. Beginner
- 17. Words of agreement
- 18. Late-night ABC program
- 19. Plants new trees
- 21. Yalies
- 22. Sorry sinner's declaration
- 23. Catch fire
- 25. Violas' sect.
- 26. To be, in Toulon
- 28. 2,000 pounds
- 29. QVC rival
- 30. Device with a mute button
- 32. Three ft.
- 33. Goes through again
- 34. Schedule abbr.
- 37. One who sips
- 38. Yiddish "yuck"
- 41. Icy dessert

- 43. Indian titles
- 45. Anaheim team, on scoreboards
- 46. Excessively precious
- 47. Hangs out
- 49. Puccini piece
- 50. Most difficult to deal with
- 52. Nuts sometimes dyed red
- 55. Clean in a tub
- 56. Town north of Denver
- 57. "You _____ the right track"
- 58. Some intense searches
- 59. Pub game

- 1. Like some markets
- 2. Newspaper ads, often
- "Where the _____ Grows" (Rawls novel)
 - 4. Start to wilt
 - Evening event
 - 6. Medieval singers
 - Not procrastinating
- 8. Russian warplanes
- 9. Ordinal ending
- 10. Point to pick
- 11. Natural ability
- 12. Type of Monopoly property
- 13. Large lizard
- 16. Attempt to e-mail again
- 20. Supplication
- 23. Kind of decorator
- 24. The Bee _____ (singing group)
- 27. Radiates
- 31. Fails to notice
- 33. Numbered rds. (abbr.)
- 34. Prison break, e.g.
- 35. Big industry in Florida
- 36. Rembrandt, to Romans
- 38. More like cheetahs
- 39. Within ____ (close by)
- 40. Quickens
- 42. Off the ____ path (uncommon)
- 44. Sailor of story
- 48. Pageant prize
- 50. Better late ____ never
- 51. Dixieland jazzman Al
- 53. Blonde shade
- 54. PC piece

(Solution on Pg. 10)

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