

# Sandalwood Park News

February 2015



## *Sandalwood Park Homeowners, Inc. Venice, Florida*

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From the President,

As I start to write this letter, the Board of Directors is preparing for the annual meeting of the membership and election of three members to the Board.

While I do not know what the outcome of the election will be, I am grateful for the support and encouragement of the membership in the Board's effort to improve the overall look and efficient operation of the Park.

We have taken a completely different direction for the Park from what it had been for the first 16 years of our existence. Many are uncomfortable and find it hard to accept the changes taking place.

Instead of an in-house maintenance man, all around janitor and groundskeeper, we have contracted out all of those services at considerable savings to the Park

# Happy Valentines Day



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*Sandalwood Park Homeowners, Inc.*

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**Marietta Jones—Office Manager**

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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 [ssbngator@hotmail.com](mailto:ssbngator@hotmail.com).



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**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!

**BINGO!**

**Tuesday & Friday 7 PM**  
**So fun...try your luck.**

**Come one,  
come all.....**

**Leave all your troubles at  
home, join your**

**Neighbors at the clubhouse  
and have a good time!!!**



## Bustin' with Bargains Clubhouse and Carport Sale

Saturday, February 28, 2015

8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Pre-Sale for park residents, Friday, February 27, 4:00 until 5:30.

*No presales to park residents before Friday, February 27.*



Our sale for Friday includes the Boutique & Bake Sale, along with our Clubhouse sale. The Saturday sale will include the above mentioned along with the Hot Dogs, Snack Items and Pop served on the Patio along with the Carport Sales held throughout the park.

We are still collecting items for our boutique. So if you have jewelry, Florida casual wear, fine glass or china, small lamps & jewelry containers, call Charlotte Rivard at [941 480 0910](tel:9414800910).

For our clubhouse sale we are now collecting household items, call Connie Bressler at [941 412 3911](tel:9414123911) or Donna Eckman at [740 369 3105](tel:7403693105). We will gladly pick up your contributions and store them in our shed until the sale date.

If you are planning a carport sale, call Gail Hixon at [941 483 3512](tel:9414833512). The charge for conducting a sale from your home is \$3.00.

This year we are requesting that park residents respect the fact that the items donated for the sale were given to the committee for the designated sale days, as well, to generate the money for Social Activities Committee. Please be patient and wait for the sale so we can all enjoy this community event. Remember that Friday evening, the day before our Saturday sale has been set aside for park residents only, so you will have a chance to snatch some of the good merchandise.

If you plan to hold a Carport Sale, signs will be made for your sale & will be placed in your front yard. The sign will list items you will be selling such as toys, furniture, household goods etc. As in the past, maps of our park will be given to people as they enter the park and the clubhouse. These maps will circle the homes that are conducting a carport sale. There is a \$3 fee to hold a carport sale, please respect the other park residents who have paid their fee and contribute to this event. This fee helps cover the ad for the newspapers.

We will need help with pricing, so be sure to sign up for this volunteer position. A sheet will be posted on the community bulletin board for you to do so.

We are all looking forward to this community event. See you there!



Top 40 Professionals 2014



## How to have Confidence in Social Situations

Blair Post, HAS, BC-HIS, ACA

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The better headline would be, **Being Sexy and Attractive** in Social Situations.

We all know that the most appealing aspect is confidence. We all have been in a situation when we felt uncomfortable and it resulted in feeling unattractive. We all have that one moment we looked great and knew it. **That confidence.** That indefinable "I feel great about me."

That is the feeling I want you to have when you are out socializing.

Take a moment; think about the last four weeks and what activities you confidently participated in. Now, think about **any activities** you may have **avoided** since you knew it would not go well for you.

Are you limiting your lifestyle due to hearing challenges? If you **answered yes**, call me.

Many times I have been asked, "What is the best hearing device available?"

My response is always the same, "It all depends on your needs and lifestyle."

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## Tuesday Bunch/Lunch

Restaurant list for February 2015

Lunch is at 12:30pm

### TUESDAY LUNCH BUNCH

Restaurants for February 2015

Lunch at 12:30 pm

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|---------------|---|
| February 3rd  | 3 Little Pigs<br>124 W Venice Ave<br>Venice, FL                     |
| February 10th | Olive Garden<br>1341 Tamiami Trail<br>Port Charlotte, FL            |
| February 17th | Pelican Alley Restaurant<br>1009 West Albee Road<br>Nokomis, FL     |
| February 24th | Alvaro's Family Restaurant<br>14512 Tamiami Trail<br>North Port, FL |

Residents wishing to attend lunches and bringing guests PLEASE call Sylvia Buchanan (941) 882-2699 for seating reservations.

Those who attend regularly don't forget to call if you cannot attend or bringing a guest.

Thank you.



## Bocce Ball



The 2 courts are completed! 65 players have signed up to play. Some want to learn and play with friends and others want to join team playing in tournament form.

Thanks to Ron Jumps a schedule has been made which is posted on the Hall Bulletin Board and in the Supply Shed.

Special thanks to all of the year rounders, particularly to Regina, for keeping abreast of the construction of this project over the summer months.

If you haven't signed up, come on over to the courts to watch, learn and play. Benches have been provided for the cheering section.

Mike Smith, Chair  
 (508) 221-0977  
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## Free Computer Classes

Computer classes began on Friday January 9th. The class is held in the clubhouse from 10 a.m.- 11:30 a.m.



These classes are free and open to anyone with basic knowledge of computer operations. You may bring your laptop computer to class, but it is not required.

You can come and join the class at any time.

The first hour is dedicated to instruction; the last half hour is for questions and answers. The first two to three classes will be on Windows 8. Other possible topics for future classes are:

- Facebook
- Youtube
- Ebay
- Craig's List
- How to access your banking information
- How to access your utility bills
- How to use your tablet, notebook or nook

## Hard Rock Casino Trip

February 18, 2015  
 Leave Sandalwood 9:30 am  
 Leaves Casino 4:00 pm  
 Cost \$20.00



Don't miss out, there is still time to sign up for a great day of fun!!

Only \$20.00 buys you a bus ticket on the "Fun Express" from Sandalwood Park to the Casino. We will play bingo, tell jokes have great raffles and give away super duper door prizes".

Sign up on the bulletin board and remit your \$20.00 to Alice at 432 Boxwood Drive.

Bring along your fun loving spirit for a great day!

Alice Fitzpatrick



## Sunday, February 1st

Game starts at 6 p.m.

Come watch the big game with us in the Sandpiper room on the large screen TV.

Bring a dish to share

Come dressed in your favorite sports team attire.

Cheer for your team to win!

BYOB



# The Marlinaires

The Marlinaires were a smash hit a few weeks ago, with a standing ovation!! They exuded talent.

Thanks to Carmen Wallin, who has made a fine selection of entertainment.

## NOTE:

Deadline for Newspaper entries is the 14<sup>th</sup> of each month.

If you deliver your article to Mary Ann and it needs to be retyped or proofed, please have it to her by the 14<sup>th</sup>.

Articles submitted after that date, will be held over for the following month.



Variety Show- March 29, 2015  
Thinking about it? Sign up now!

Sign up sheet on bulletin board in clubhouse.

Need people to sing, dance, tell jokes, lip sync, juggle, etc.

Also need behind the scene workers--director, sound person, prop person, gopher person.

Questions? Please call Judee Sunzere-231-972-0259

## Notice

There will be NO BINGO on February 27<sup>th</sup>, because of the Rummage Sale the following day.

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## Spinner of Songs *Terry Connolly* Performs for Sandalwood Residents on February 8, 2015

Terry Connolly will perform on Sandalwood's Sandpiper room stage on Sunday, February 8 at 7:00pm.

What a voice! Terry sings everything with amazing ease and a range to be envied.

He swings from the top 40 to Irish folk, Country, Rock n' Roll, Show tunes, and many more favorites from the 40's to the present. Terry has worked along such greats as Roy Orbison, Barbara Mandrell, Gladys Knight, Tony Orlando and Dawn, Tom Jones and Englebert Humperdink.

He's a polished entertainer.

You may buy tickets at the door for \$25 each, providing seating is still available. Don't miss the opportunity to see this professional entertainment right here at Sandalwood Park.



## Fish & Flick Manages Successful Event

Sandalwood Park thanks Bob Hastings for the 45 pounds of fish that he donated for our enjoyment.



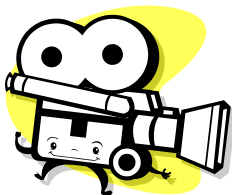
Seventy five tickets were sold, with a total profit of \$385 for our park. **JWD!** (job well done) in business terms.

The following people get an extra thank you for participating in this yearly evening: Al Burns, Tony Morono, Charlotte Rivard, Gail Hixon, Rose Boudrot and Carl Van Gilst. This team portioned out the meal in a buffet style, so it worked well.

Everyone enjoyed the fish, pepperoni potatoes, cole slaw, ambrosia, rolls and coffee and iced tea.

Hopefully, next year the date will be later in the month, and a faster fryer will be in use.

Several people stayed for the movie, *RED*, thanks to Gil and Marci Weidemiller for providing the military showing.



## Huff and Puff

Huff & Puff is Mon-Wed-Fri .. 9:00am





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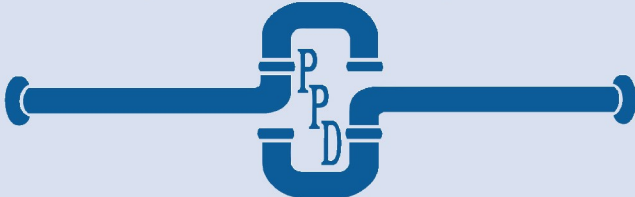
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## Cooks Corner



### **Cajun Barbeque: Peel and Eat Shrimp**

*By Mango Dragonfly*

- ½ cup butter
- ¾ cup hickory flavored BBQ sauce
- 2 Tbs. lemon juice
- 1 ½ tsp cayenne pepper
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 2 lbs. large shrimp, shell on

Preheat broiler. Melt butter in a large saucepan over medium heat. Add the barbeque sauce, lemon juice, cayenne pepper and garlic and stir until well blended. Spread the shrimp out on a large cookie sheet. Pour the butter mixture over the shrimp and toss to coat. Broil the shrimp for 3 minutes. Turn them over and broil for 3 minutes more. Remove from the oven and let them sit and soak in the juice for 5 minutes; then serve.

The six weeks leading up to the election saw the worst come out in some of our membership.

There was a letter generated and passed around by some nameless coward viciously attacking one member of the Board and the entire Board of Directors by association.

This letter, when I finally saw it the day before the election, could not possibly have misrepresented the facts more, and contained outright lies.

Unfortunately this letter caused many in the park to take it at face value, and not check by asking someone who would know the facts. It also caused many to vote much differently than they would have had the truth been known.

Shame on the cowards who wrote that trash, and on the people who believed it without bothering to check for the truth.

Unlike those who are guilty of this, I sign my name to my writings.

Carl Griffith

## **Valentine Breakfast**

February 14<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m. until 9:30 a.m

Everyone is invited to a pancake breakfast in the Sandpiper Room in our community center.

Bring your loved one, and surprise them with this wonderful breakfast.

What a wonderful Valentine's Day gift!!!

Pancakes, sausages, OJ and coffee will be served for only \$3.00 per person.



Please pick up your tickets early in the front office, so that the cooks can plan quantities of the items in advance. There is only room for you and 100 more.

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# SANDALWOOD PARK FEBRUARY 2014

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

						
1	2 Groundhog Day	3 SAC Agenda Meeting 10am	4 SPH Agenda Meeting 9 am	5	6	7 Valentines Potluck 5:30 Cocktails 6:00 pm Dinner
8 Terry Connelly- 2 <sup>nd</sup> of SHOW series 7:00	9 Movie Night 7pm "Joyful Noise"	10 SAC Meeting 10am	11 SPH Meeting 10am	12	13	14  Pancake breakfast 8:00-9:30
15	16 Presidents Day	17	18 Ash Wednesday Casino Trip 9:30 am	19	20	21 Michigan/Ohio Dinner 5:30 Cocktails 6:00 pm Dinner
22	23	24	25	26	27 Park sale for residents 4pm NO BINGO	28 Rummage/Bake Sale 8 am to 1pm
	Huff & Puff 9am Walking 9:30am Tia Chi 10:30am Shuffleboard	Walking 9-10am Lunch 12:30pm Bingo 7pm	Huff & Puff 9am Walking 9:30am Mahjong 10am Poker 6pm Cards 6:30pm	Walking 9-10am Mat Making 9-11am Tia Chi 10:30am Euchre Club 7:00pm	Huff & Puff 9am Walking 9:30am Computer Club 10am Shuffleboard Bingo 7pm	

# SANDALWOOD PARK

Go to [www.Printable-Puzzles.com](http://www.Printable-Puzzles.com) for hints and solutions!

Puzzle ID: #H076SC

**Across**

- 1. Gripped
- 5. Holy, to Henri
- 10. Garbage containers
- 14. Carolina college town
- 15. Many a Mormon
- 16. Oriental nursemaid
- 17. Baked in a cream sauce
- 19. Zapata's 'zilch'
- 20. Portraitists' family name
- 21. Post-Renaissance language
- 23. Peer Gynt's mother
- 26. Vacation complex
- 27. Consumer service agcy.'s morning meal
- 32. Tic-tac-toe victory
- 33. Actor Bruce of radio's "Sherlock Holmes"
- 34. Abates
- 38. Moroccan tree
- 40. Rain-snow mixture
- 42. Filmdom's Vittorio De\_\_\_\_

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- 43. \_\_\_\_ Kabloozie (character voiced by Ruth Buzzi in "Sesame Street" shorts)
- 45. Like many statesmen
- 47. Dad, to Grandpa
- 48. Sign of spring #3
- 51. Pocatello potatoes
- 54. "To \_\_\_\_ His Own" (1946 Olivia de Havilland movie)
- 55. Place that often has picnic tables
- 58. Carries
- 62. "Get \_\_\_\_ writing!"
- 63. Star of the Food Network
- 66. Ornamental border
- 67. U.S.S.R. collective
- 68. Ancient region bordering Palestine
- 69. One-dish meal
- 70. Dutch river
- 71. Moscow's land: Abbr.

**Down**

- 1. "David Copperfield" character
- 2. If not.
- 3. "Livin' La Vida \_\_\_\_" (#1 hit of 1999)
- 4. Where crime scene evidence might be analyzed
- 5. "Vieni \_\_\_\_ Mar" (Italian tune)
- 6. \_\_\_\_ Z (everything)
- 7. \_\_\_\_ Crunch (cereal brand)
- 8. Korean leader Syngman \_\_\_\_
- 9. Samantha's mother on 'Bewitched'
- 10. Card games
- 11. Italian baritone Pasquale \_\_\_\_
- 12. Very depths
- 13. Won't
- 18. Gain knowledge
- 22. \_\_\_\_ majesty

- 24. Spaniard's six
- 25. Aerie builders
- 27. Feathery neckwear
- 28. Brian \_\_\_\_, a king of Ireland
- 29. Husband of Ruth, in the Bible
- 30. Starting points in shipbuilding
- 31. Provide with feathers
- 35. Emphatic assent in Acapulco
- 36. B-school subj.
- 37. Performed an aria
- 39. 'Stat!'
- 41. Buddhist monastery
- 44. Mythological archer
- 46. Valium drug company
- 49. Off the correct path
- 50. Seagoing fishing boat
- 51. Crocuses, e.g.
- 52. Coup--

- 53. Set \_\_\_\_ (save)
- 56. Rowing pair
- 57. Police hdqrs.
- 59. Language of Karachi
- 60. Cambodian neighbor
- 61. Sylvia \_\_\_\_, British leading lady
- 64. Bit of a titter
- 65. Pledge of Allegiance ending

Solution on page 15

## Free Movies At Sandalwood Park

On Monday, February 9 there is a FREE movie being played in the Sandpiper Room at 7 p.m.



*Joyful Noise* shows off Queen Latifah's and Dolly Parton's voices in a melodious, light-hearted musical for everyone to enjoy.

This movie tells the story of an unlikely partnership between two strong-minded women, played by Queen Latifah and Dolly Parton, who are forced to work together to save a small town church choir.

With FREE popcorn being offered, this beats our local movie theater.

Think of the gas you will save.

Bring your friends, grab a seat, and just relax.

Thanks to Gil and Marci Weidemiller, we are grateful for this friendly gathering once again.



Shuffleboard is always an enjoyable pastime at Sandalwood Park



SPH Board Members hard at work

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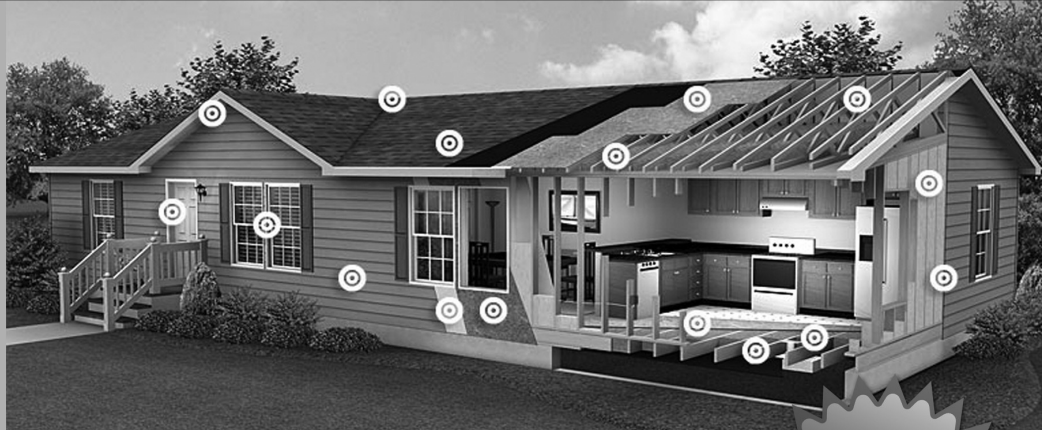
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## Thank You Christmas Carolers

It is so quiet tonight, not like the old days when you had all the relatives in for a festive evening. Due to unusual circumstances, we are alone this Christmas eve and it seems very strange. Feeling a little melancholy, I'm looking at my Charlie Brown Christmas tree, and trying to get into the Christmas spirit.

I can't believe it! I hear singing and it is coming from my driveway. I quickly open the door, and there are carolers singing joyous Christmas songs. Oh, there are more people sitting in decorated golf carts. What a joy!!!

They serenade us with a few songs, and then go their merry way to please more neighbors. I come back in the house; turn on the radio for Christmas music; pour my husband and me a glass of wine; dance around a little, and then decide to make Christmas cookies for Santa.

Oh boy, do I have the spirit now! Maybe we should take another glass of wine, while we wait for the cookies to bake. They are done. Maybe I better taste one to make sure they are tasty for Santa. I hate to tell you, but we ate all the cookies, had another glass of wine, and we went to bed as happy as larks.....while visions of sugarplums danced in our heads.

So, thank you carolers for making our Christmas Eve a very joyous one. I'm sure you brought many happy moments and memories to all whom you visited. I hope you make this an annual visit to our home!

Ann Onymous

## Valentine Potluck/Dance



This year's **Valentine Potluck/Dance** will be held at the clubhouse on Saturday, February 7th.

Meet and Greet will be @ 5:30 and Dinner at 6:00.

We are fortunate to have Bobby Holloway again this year, so get out those dancin' shoes and be ready to kick up your feet.

Bring a dish to pass and your own place settings.

A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the clubhouse hallway.

You **MUST** sign up by Thursday, February, 6th if you plan to attend.

If, for some reason, you put your name on the list and then find out you cannot attend, please cross it off, so we can plan accordingly. No one will be admitted into the clubhouse to save places until 10:30 Saturday morning. Please observe the sign on the door. We will have place cards for you to pick up at the door. Just look for your name(s).

See you there. Call (508) 240-8526 or email ([susansmith6699@gmail.com](mailto:susansmith6699@gmail.com)) Susan Smith for questions or information.

## Ohio & Michigan Pot Luck

Saturday February 21 5:30pm

Once again, it's time for our annual Ohio/Michigan get-together. Or, if you're from Michigan, it's the Michigan/Ohio party.



Either way, be prepared for a fun-filled evening of treat home-cooking, lively conversation, and good entertainment from comedian David Lucas from last year's Hills of Kentucky dulcimer group.

Save the date of Saturday, February 21, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. If there are any questions, contact Connie Bressler or Betty Pratt.

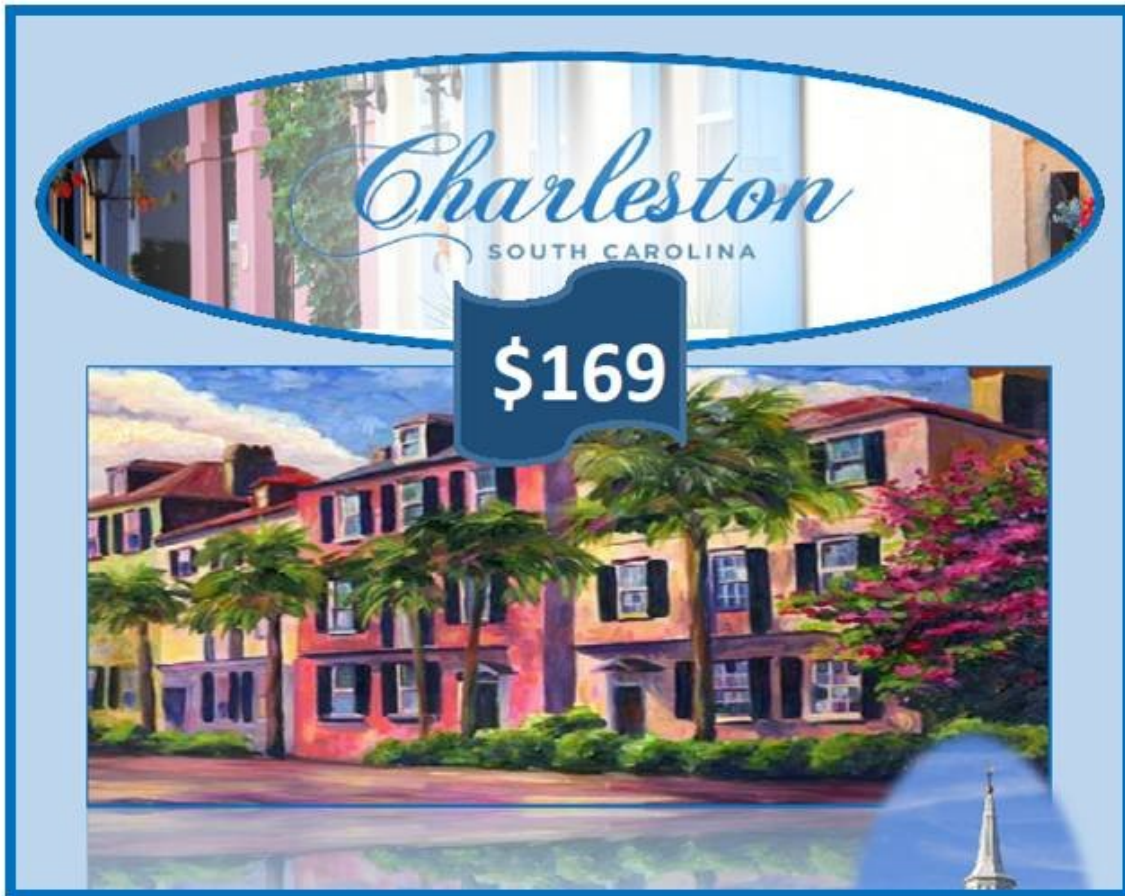
## Bowlers Needed

The Venice Isles Bowling League is in need of bowlers or substitute bowlers on Friday mornings at 10:00. If interested, please contact Jean De Loreto at ([PJDELO@aol.com](mailto:PJDELO@aol.com)) or (941)-488-1521.

Kathie Hamering from our park is in the league.



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## Sandalwood Activities Committee

### Minutes of January 13, 2015 Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Board Members Present:** President, Carmen Wallin; Vice President, Betty Pratt; Treasurer, Pam Brown; Secretary, Susan Smith; Barbara Hinkle; Johanna Lauzon; Charlotte Rivard

**Secretary's Report:** Accepted as printed in the January Sandalwood Park News

**Treasurer' Report:** Accepted as presented

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Bingo:** Continues to have great attendance

**Cards and Games:** Poker, Euchre, "65", and Mah Jongg have had a good start to the year. All are well attended. If you would like to participate in any of these activities, see a SAC Board member for more information.

**Huff and Puff:** meets Mon., Wed. and Fri. at 9:00 . On Monday they had 20 participants. The **Walkers** meet after this group, as well as on Tuesday and Thursday at 9:00.

**Tai Chi:** Marci Weidemiller is leading this class from 10:00 to 11:00 on Tuesday and Thursday. The number of participants has varied. Some are still "experimenting."

**Computer Class** (Fri. @ 10:00) Mike Belanich has posted a schedule of topics for his computer classes. Check bulletin board in clubhouse hallway and your January Sandalwood News. They are open to having new classmates.

**Shuffleboard:** Ron Jumps has set up a Monday-Friday schedule to begin on Monday, January 19. Players have received their times and opponents' names. A cheering section is always welcome.

**Bocce:** Michael Smith has had a fantastic response from those interested in learning/playing Bocce. His schedule will soon be available for the Tuesday and Thursday tournament players. All names will be distributed to those who have shown an interest, so if you are interested in only playing on your own "for the fun of it," you will have the names and phone #'s of others.

**The Lunch Bunch**, coordinated by Sylvia Buchannan, has been in full swing since the return of the snow-birds. It's a great way to familiarize yourself with new restaurants or to return to a favorite. Monthly locations are listed on the clubhouse bulletin board and in the newsletter.

Monday night's **Fish and Flick** movie was "**RED.**" Next month, February 9, @ 7:00 Gill will be showing "**Joyful Noise.**" Be there. We will miss Jerry Marcoe's great popcorn.

**The Fish n' Flick** was a success thanks to all the hard workers and, particularly, to Jerry Hastings who provided 45 pounds of fish.

### OLD BUSINESS

**Mats for the Homeless:** Judy Peterson encouraged us to save our plastic bags and bring them to the clubhouse. There is a big box in the hallway next to the library for you to put them in. She will be starting a class on making these mats on January 29, from 9:00-11:00. There is a job for everyone. Come when you can and stay for as long as you can. 700 bags are needed to make one mat, which can be used to sleep on, sit on, or as a cover/ wrap for protection from the elements. (Thankfully, here in FL it won't be snow.) Many hands make light work.

**Concert Series:** Carmen Wallin reported that 83 season tickets were sold. All who attended the Sunday night show by the Marlinaires were enthralled with their performance. If you are interested in attending one or both of the last two concerts, individual tickets can be purchased. February 8<sup>th</sup>'s entertainer is Terry Connolly. His write up is on the clubhouse bulletin board.

**Pancake Breakfast:** 53 people attended last Saturday's Pancake Breakfast. Please make a note on your calendar now to treat your Valentine to the second (and last) one on February 14. Although you can buy your tickets at the door, advance ticket sales are encouraged, so the kitchen staff can have an idea about how many to plan for. Ask your neighbor to join you.

# SANDALWOOD PARK

Articles for the Newsletter: If you have an article for the newsletter it must be to Mary Ann Jenne ([majenne@gmail.com](mailto:majenne@gmail.com)) by the 14<sup>th</sup> of the month in order for it to be included in the following month's newsletter.

## New Business

**Election of Board Members:** Up for re-election—Pam Brown; Susan Smith; and Johanna Lauzon who was completing Gil Weidemiller's unfinished term. Due to the resignation of Barbara Hinkle, Marci Weidemiller was elected as a new member. Thank you, Barbara, for your valuable participation on the board; and welcome Marci to the position of treasurer.

**Stage Screen:** Judy Sunzere presented a request for \$250 to cover costs for making 2 tri-folding screens for the stage. They will be used for the Variety Show and then be made available to the Park for other groups or performers who may want to use them. The board granted her request.

**3-Day/2 Overnight Trip to Charleston, SC:** Gil Weidemiller proposed to the group a project he has been working on since last year. A 40 person commitment is needed to make this \$169 3-day/2 overnight tour a reality. Cost includes the round-trip fare, two night stay in a hotel, continental breakfast, and the bus tour with guide of Charleston. Information and sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the clubhouse hallway.

**Newsletter Publication:** After significant discussion and group input, it was suggested that a committee be formed to investigate the possibility of changing our newsletter publisher to someone local.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Newcomers Party:** Wednesday, January 21 @2:00 (Johanna Lauzon and Charlotte Rivard)

**Spaghetti Dinner:** Saturday, January 24 (SOLD OUT) (Harley Wheeler)

**Gospel Sing Along:** Sunday, January 25 @ 6:00 (Johanna and Ken Lauzon)

**Valentine Potluck/Dance:** Feb.7 @ 5:30 for Appetizers; 6:00 Dinner (Susan Smith)

**Concert Series #2--Terry Connolly:** February 8@ 7:00 (Carmen Wallin)

**Pancake Breakfast:** February 14 (Tony)

**Casino Trip:** February 18 (Alice Fitzpatrick)

**Michigan/Ohio Dinner:** February 21 (Connie Bressler)

**Bustin' With Bargains Clubhouse and Carport Sales:** Feb. 28 (Donna Eckman)

**Bustin' with Bargains** at the clubhouse is in full gear. The date is Saturday, February 28 from 8:00 -1:00. Plan to help out if you can. See Donna Eckman or Connie Bressler. There will also be a Bake Sale, organized by Judy Peterson and Diane Souza; Lunch, "manned" by Tom Thompson and Michael Smith; Boutique by Charlotte Rivard and Susan Smith; and Parking directed by Larry Reed. Individual carport sales, coordinated by Gail Hixon, are also encouraged. A Park Preview Sale will be held Friday, the 27<sup>th</sup>, from 4:00 to 5:00pm. **THERE WILL BE NO BINGO FRIDAY, THE 27<sup>th</sup>.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Smith, Secretary



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Thank you from  
"Our Mother's House"

We received a lovely note signed by all the residents of  
"Our Mother's House" thanking us for the toys and  
clothing donated to them in December.

Thank you to everyone who generously contributed to  
making the holidays brighter for this worthy cause!

### Happy Anniversary

"Wheeler" of Fortune still spins for the happy  
couple after 63 years!

Congratulations to Harley and Connie Wheeler  
on their 63 wedding anniversary.

We all wish you the best of many happy and  
healthy years ahead.

Thanks for all you do  
and have done for our Park.

63rd

Anniversary



## St. Patrick's Day Pot Luck Saturday, March 21

Get ready for some great fun at our  
Saint Patrick's Day Pot Luck, which  
will be Saturday, March 21 in the  
Sandpiper Room. Bring some jokes  
to tell.

Bring your own cocktails for 5:30 and  
dinner at 6:30. Music, laughter and  
good friends will join together and  
wear some green for good luck.

Sign-up sheets will be up as the time  
gets closer.