# Sandalwood Park News

# January 2015



# Sandalwood Park Homeowners, Inc. Venice, Florida

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From the President,

January 1 2015.....this is the time to look to the future, and reflect on the past. The past year has seen significant changes in Sandalwood Park.

At the urging of our membership, we spent a little over \$42 thousand dollars to construct Bocce courts, alongside the Shuffle Board courts.

This money was budgeted for capital improvements in the 2014 budget, so no funds were borrowed or taken from the bank. This project was planned by a committee headed by Mike Smith, and the construction was herded along through the summer by Regina Fortin and Paul Lawrence.

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**SPH MEETING REMINDER** The Sandalwood Park Homeowners Assoc, Inc. Board Meeting is on January 14<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. All are encouraged to attend.

Sandalwood Park Homeowners. Inc. 300 Sandpiper Drive Venice, Florida 34285 Resident Owned Community for persons 55 years of age and older **Office Number** 485-3646 In an Emergency Call 911 SANDALWOOD MANAGEMENT STAFF Marietta Jones–Office Manager SANDALWOOD PARK HOMEOWNERS, INC.

SANDALWOOD PARK HOMEOWNERS, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Carl Griffith - President	223-3495
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#### Appointed by the board: Marietta Jones - Assistant Secretary

The Sandalwood Board of Directors has the responsibility of administrating the wishes of our shareholders. Contact any board member with your concerns or sug-



gestions 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.

#### SANDALWOOD NEWSLETTER STAFF

December-May Please submit information to: Mary Ann Jenne majenne@gmail.com 603-819-1252

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#### SANDALWOOD ACTIVITIES CLUB, INC.

President – Carmen Wallin Vice President – Betty Pratt Secretary – Susan Smith Treasurer – Pam Brown Barbara Hinkle Charlotte Rivard Johanna Lauzon

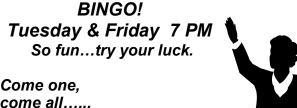


#### WEDNESDAY IS GAME NIGHT Do you like to play cards?



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!!!

# Marlinaires Spice Up First Concert

#### Sunday, January 11, 2015

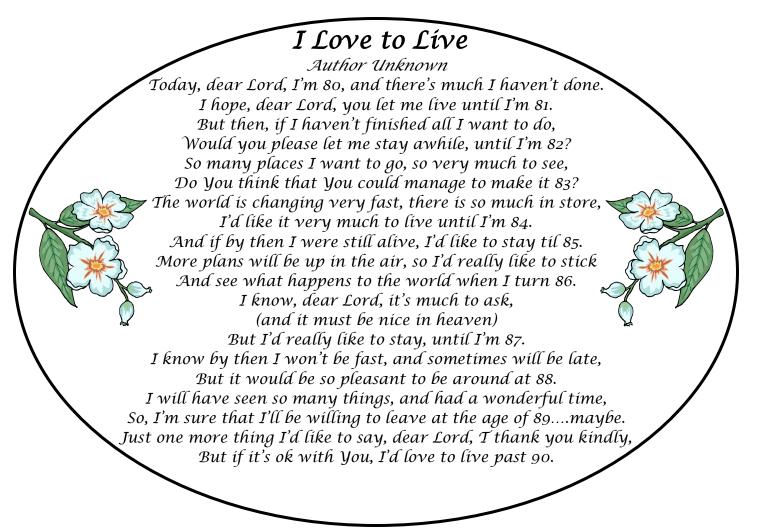


Since variety fuels live entertainment by playing a wide range of music, the Marlinaires will mix it up with swing, rock, dixieland and country. **The Marlinaires** shake things up in their show with just the right mixture of show and dance music. This Father-Daughter-Son trio may play a swingin' rock hit from the 50's, followed by a boot-scootin' country tune. It'll keep your toes tapping!

Michelle is an accomplished vocalist with any genre of music with a personality that enamors her to all audiences. Chris is a former Marine who lends his guitar playing skills, providing both lead and harmony. Jack is a multi-instrumentalist who uses his guitar and banjo playing, along with some trick fiddling, to lead his family in a great all-around music show. They have played over 1,800 shows, with a repertoire of over 300 of the best popular songs and always adding more.

Advance season tickets are still available in the main office for \$60 for

all three concerts. With a random drawing before Jan. 3, you can select your own reserved seating at the 10:00 a.m. gathering. If you can only attend one in the series, you may purchase a seat for \$25 at the door, depending on seat availability for that event. Come and enjoy our own Sandalwood Park concert series, right in our Sandpiper Room. It'll prove to have great crowd interaction, and leave you with a professional show impression.



#### Top 40 Professionals 2014



How to have Confidence in Social Situations Blair Post, HAS, BC-HIS, ACA

Board Certified Hearing Instrument Sciences American Conference of Audioprosthology

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.

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# **Tuesday Bunch/Lunch**

Restaurant list for January 2015 Lunch is at 12:30pm

January 6th NT

NTino's 660 S Tamiami Trail (Rialto Plaza) Venice, FL

January 13th Howards (new location) 70 North Indiana Ave Englewood, FL

- January 20th Norma Jeans Sports Bar & Grill (new) 1272 S Tamiami Trail (on left just before Blackburn Road) Osprey, FL
- January 27th Country Hound 1951 S McCall Road (Palm Plaza) Englewood, 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.

Thank you.

#### Presidents message continued from page 1

We have maintained and improved the irrigation systems throughout the park, and reduced the cost of irrigation by adding the clubhouse and pool areas to our well systems, thereby not having to pay for county water and sewer for those areas. The irrigation system in place with 22 available zones has allowed us to water all our landscaped areas and keep all our plants healthy. Now all irrigation systems are controlled by programmable timers, and require no action on our part. A water treatment system was added to the front areas to slow the hard water staining on our entry walls

Maintenance was done in the clubhouse with repairs being done and a fresh coat of paint added in some areas including the stage. The laundry was scheduled for new equipment so a much needed floor was installed. New ceiling tiles replaced the old and the laundry sink was replaced.

Greenscapes now handles our landscaping. They do our weeding, fertilizing, pruning and trimming of all of the bushes and plants in the common areas. They also handle our lawn care. We are very pleased with the condition of the lawns and the edging of our lawns has never looked so good. Greenscapes has agreed to service Sandalwood lawns again for 2015 with no increase in cost from the 2014 contract.

Maintenance on the building is being done by our on call maintenance man.

The cleaning of the clubhouse is contracted out to .a cleaning company. They are doing a marvelous job for less than \$2,000.00 per year.

With all that being said, and after spending \$42,000 on a Bocce court, we still have nearly \$600,000.00 in the bank. The projects that were completed added value to Sandalwood Park.

Looking to the future, it is time to continue to make haste slowly. We will continue to install new plantings and improve the ones that are in place. We plan to improve the looks of the back gate area, with some new and colorful plants. The pump house in the back needs work after storm damage, and new plants are needed to hide the water treatment system near the front gate.

We are now into the visitor/guest season, and I must remind everyone to register your overnight visitors and guests. In addition to being a requirement of our rules and proprietary lease, it is purely a safety consideration should something happen to them. Registration of guests/visitors is not the same as asking permission to have guests. Permission to have guests is not required. Just let the office know who is coming and when, stopping in the office to notify Marietta or contacting her by E-Mail, or leaving a message on the office answering machine.

Plan to attend the annual Members meeting on January 15th! The guest speaker(s) scheduled are from the Fire department and EMTs. Also, this is the time when members can make a motion and have the entire community present vote on it.

Carl Griffith



# Meet and Greet Breakfast Buddies

Every Thursday morning everyone is invited to join us at Perkins Restaurant for breakfast.

We like to meet our new neighbors and guests at 8:30 a.m.

Come and bring your best smile and stories.

All you need to do is arrive; no reservations are required.



#### SANDALWOOD PARK



# Hard Rock Casino Trip

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



This trip is always a lot of fun, ask anyone who has ever gone on it. Many have commented that the bus trip is the best time of the day. We play games, have raffles and "great door prizes".

Sign up on bulletin board and pay your \$20.00 before 2/11/15. We must have the bus payment by that date.

Bring money to me at bingo or my home 432 Boxwood Dr-----Notice I have moved!!!!!!!!!!

Bring a pen, a couple of \$1.00 bills, a smile and join other fun-loving neighbors for a great day of fun!!!!!!!

Notice the key word in this ad is "FUN" "FUN" "FUN"!! Alice Fitzpatrick

### *Mary Poppins* Musical At Venice Theater

March 15<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m.,

If you would like to attend a musical at the Venice Theater, this is the one to pick.

Our park gets a special group rate, when a whole group goes at the same time.

We can get a \$3.00 discount off of the \$28, if we have a minimum seating request of 20 people by February 14th.

Please sign up in our hallway at our community center ASAP, if you are interested.

<sup>1</sup> This is not a commitment. Monies are due by February 20th.

# FISH & FLICK

MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2015 Served 5:45 - 6:30pm

# 8 oz Cod or Haddock fillet

(caught by Jared Hastings, cooked by Al Burns & Tony Morano)

Pepperoni potatoes

Cole slaw

Roll

Ambrosia

Coffee & iced tea

(bring your own cocktails if desired)

FRIED FISH DINNER \$\$.00

Tickets available at the office

(100 maximum - no sales after 12:00 noon Fri, Jan 2)

# FREE MOVIE 7:00PM



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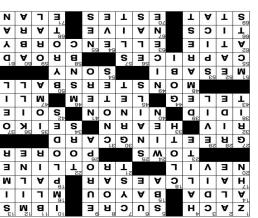
# NOTE:

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

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.

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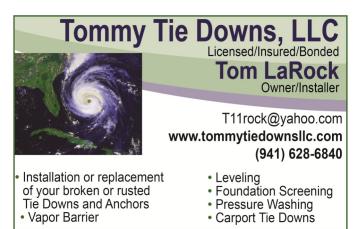
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### Cooks Corner



### RECIPE OF THE MONTH Green Garden Goddess Dressing

By Marci/ Mango Dragonfly

- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup mayonnaise
- 1/3 cup buttermilk
- 1/4 cup chives, chopped
- 1/4 cup Italian parsley
- 1 tbs. tarragon
- 1 tbs. lime juice
- 1 garlic clove

Place all ingredients in a blender or food processer. Blend until smooth.

Refrigerate dressing until ready to dress and serve.



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

# **New England Dinner**

#### Saturday, January 17, 2015

All New Englanders are invited to attend the New Englander Pot Luck dinner slated for Saturday, January 17 in the Sandpiper Room. Cocktails (BYOB) will begin at 5:30 p.m. and 6:00 for the pot luck dinner. Bring your favorite dish from up north, and sign up your food selection on the bulletin board at the Club House by Jan. 15.

The mouth-watering clam chowda, made by Pat Griffith, will be served again this year. So join us early, or we can't guarantee there will be enough of that fantastic chowda left.



Come and join the fun and laughter, and remember to bring your own drinks, dishes and silverware. Coffee and punch will be provided. As you know, the six New England states are Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Connecticut, Rhode

Island and Massachusetts. Bring some interesting facts about your state to share for everyone's entertainment.

Call Lucille Mitton at 941-504-3349 with any questions or ideas to make this a special event. Remember to circle Saturday on your calendar now, so you can plan on sharing in the fun time by getting to know friends and neighbors.



# Important Messages For all events:

The chairperson who is responsible for organizing an event in the clubhouse must be present to advise and assist Larry Reed in the design and set up of the table and chairs. The set up needs to be known in advance of the event, so the correct design is completed correctly from the beginning. The chairman is also responsible to help in the storing of all tables and chairs, when the event is done.

The Kitchen should not contain any leftovers, and should be immaculately cleaned. Nothing should be left in the dishwasher or on the counters. All garbage should be taken outside, since maggots are now appearing in the garbage when left in the kitchen area over time.

We do not have a full-time maid service for our community center. Please take the responsibility of organizing your own clean-up committees.

Thank you for your **urgent**, **non-buggy**, cooperation.

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



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### Sandalwood Activities Committee Minutes of December 9, 2014

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

Board Members Present: President, Carmen Wallin; Vice-President, Betty Pratt; Treasurer, Pam Brown; Barbara Hinkle, Charlotte Rivard. Absent was Johanna Lauzon and Susan Smith

Secretary's Report: Was accepted as read.

Treasurer's Report: Was accepted as read.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS;**

Bingo - Going very well Huff & Puff – Going well Poker & Cards – Poker 6:00 and Cards 6:30 Walkers - Going fine Mah Jongg – Going great, Wed. at 1:00 and going so well we need 1 more set. Tuesday Lunch – Going well Movies: This month was canceled because of illness. Future ones in question. Tai Chi – Mondays and Thursdays at 10:30

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Concert Series – Dec. 20 last day for sign-up – Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup> is seat selection. \$60.00 for series tickets. \$25.00 for each individual at door.

Gospel Sing – January 25, 2015 – 6:00 – 7:00

Newsletter articles are due no later than the 14<sup>th</sup> of each month.

Potlucks and Dinners – Sign-up sheets will be taken down 2 days before event. No admittance if not signed up.

#### COMING EVENTS:

Christmas Party	<ul> <li>- 5:30 to 6:00 – entertainment will be provided. Seats may be picked at 10:00 am</li> <li>Place settings are being provided by committee.</li> </ul>
December 31	New Year's Eve - hors d'oeuvre & BYOB and dancing with CD's.
December 29	Concert Series commitment.
January 3	Seat selection for the series.
January 5	Fish & Flick 5:30-6:00, movie at 7:00. Cost \$8.00. Need to know by Friday.
January 6	SAC agenda – Board elections. If interested in running for the Board, please let one
	of the members know. All are welcome to apply.
January 10	Pancake Breakfast – – 8:00 – 9:30am.
January 11	Marlinaires are first of Concert Series Time is 7:00
January 18	Welcome Back Pool Party at 1:00
January 21	Newcomer's Party – 2:00 pm
January 24	Spaghetti Dinner/Dance - \$10 per ticket. 5:30 cocktails, dinner 6:00 and 7:30 – 10:30 with band "The Spotlights".

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Board Election: Up for re-election are Pam Brown, Susan Smith and Johanna Lauzon

The Meeting adjourned at 10:45am.

Respectively submitted,

Charlotte Rivard Acting Secretary

# SANDALWOOD PARK HOMEOWNERS, INC.

#### **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Nov. 11, 2014

All present stood for the pledge of allegiance

Meeting called to order: Carl Griffith, President

Roll Call: All Board Members present

Minutes of April 22 and June 30, 2014 Board meetings approved by board

#### Consideration of Communications:

Letter from unknown: Regarding American flag.

Letter from Dave & Susan Alvis: Thanking and complimenting the Board for work completed in the park over the past year.

Letter from Marci Weidemiller: Complimenting the Board on the beautification of the park over the past year.

Letter from Carl VanGilst: Regarding road access on Cortina Rd. for Habitat for Humanity. Carl Griffith stated that park attorney was checking into.

#### Reports of Officers:-

Treasurers report for October 2014 approved as presented

President Carl Griffith reported on Seymour Estate. Home went thru foreclosure and sold to new owner. Monies owed SPH received from Clerk of Court.

President Carl Griffith reported road damage due to Waste Management oil leak will be taken care of next summer. Monies received from insurance company for all costs.

#### **Reports of Committees:**

Putting Green: No report from committee. Tabled until January 2015 meeting

Hot Tub: No report from committee. Tabled until January 2015 meeting

**Mail Boxes:** Bob Jenne stated he had an appointment next week for more information and estimate of costs. Tabled until January 2015 meeting

**2016 Park Anniversary Celebration:** Regina Fortin stated information would be available at January 2015 meeting

#### Unfinished Business:

**Dog Leashes:** Larry Reed suggested rule change. To require dog leashes to be no longer than 6 ft. He had had complaints from residents about walkers letting their dog too far into yards. Discussion followed. One month trial to watch and see what happens, Will be discussed again at December 2014 meeting. Everyone present was asked to watch and report any incidents back to Board.

#### **Original Resolutions and New Business:**

**2015 Budget and Reserve:** Carl Griffith stated all shareowners had received copy. Discussion followed. **Motion by** Norm Vandenbusche to accept Budget and Reserve 2<sup>nd</sup> by Regina Fortin. **Motion Passed** Carl Griffith stated Paul Lawrence had volunteered to be interim Treasurer. **Motion by** Al Burns to appoint Paul Lawrence as Board member and interim Treasurer 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Jenne. **Motion Passed** Paul Lawrence was sworn in as Board member and Treasurer.

**Speeding in Park:** Regina Fortin stated several residents were speeding and not stopping at signs. Discussion followed **Motion by** Regina Fortin if same resident is reported 3 times then board will disable back gate pass **2<sup>nd</sup> by** Larry Reed **Motion Passed** 

**Park Truck:** Carl Griffith stated resident had suggested selling truck and purchasing golf cart with bed. Discussion followed. It was agreed to keep truck at this time.

Water Cooler for Activities Room: Lucille Mitton suggested placing bottled water with cooler in room (see attached). Discussion followed. Motion by Regina Fortin to table until Dec. 2014 board meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> by Al Burns Motion Passed 7 yes 1 no

Meeting adjourned by President Carl Griffith

#### **Next Meeting:**

Agenda: Wed. Dec. 03, 2014 @ 9:00 a.m. (Sandpiper room) Board: Wed. Dec. 10, 2014 @ 10:00 a.m. (Sandpiper room)

Respectfully Submitted

Regina Fortin, Secretary

# SANDALWOOD PARK HOMEOWNERS, INC.

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES** 

December 10, 2014

All present stood for the pledge of allegiance

Meeting called to order: Carl Griffith, President

Roll Call: All Board Members present

Minutes of Nov. 11, 2014 Board meeting approved by board

#### **Consideration of Communications:**

**Letter from Wm. And Nancy Edwards:** Carl Griffith read attached letter wanting Board approval to purchase 2<sup>nd</sup>. home in park. Lengthy discussion followed. **Motion by** Norm Vandebusche **2<sup>nd</sup>. by** Bob Jenne Board agreed to allow purchase of 2<sup>nd</sup> home as long as purchasers signed SPH agreement provided by park attorney. **Motion Passed Lucille Mitton abstained due to personal interest in sale** 

#### **Reports of Officers:-**

President Carl Griffith reported sign- up sheet on bulletin board for help to cover and uncover the pool.

#### **Reports of Committees:**

#### **Unfinished Business:**

**Dog Leashes: Motion by** Larry Reed **2<sup>nd</sup> by** Mitch Watson to make policy of board for a 6ft. dog leash in Sandalwood Park. **Motion Passed** 

Water Cooler for Activities Room: Lucille Mitton stated cooler could be supplied by Culligan on 6 month bases for around \$154.00. Motion by Lucille Mitton 2<sup>nd</sup> by Norm Vandebusche to have cooler installed with costs not to exceed \$200.00. Motion Passed.

**Summer Financials (copies attached):** Paul Lawrence stated he had looked over all financials for the year and saw no improprieties with park finances. Board members reviewed all summer reports and had questions answered, all were approved by the Board

#### **Original Resolutions and New Business:**

**Park Audit:** Al Burns stated he felt board should wait until after Annual Vote by Shareholder before proceeding.

Meeting adjourned by President Carl Griffith

#### Next Meeting:

Agenda: Wed. Jan. 07, 2015 @ 9:00 a.m. (Sandpiper room) Board: Wed. Jan. 14, 2015 @ 10:00 a.m. (Sandpiper room)

Respectfully Submitted

Regina Fortin, Secretary



# Christmas Party Completes a Perfect Year What a blast!!!



The Christmas party was the highlight of the year 2014! The festivities were lit up with gorgeous decorations, and elegant table centerpieces that looked like they came out of a magazine!

We have Gil and Marci Weidemiller and Betty Pratt to thank for arranging a wonderful evening. The crew of thousands (maybe less) that supported the whole event also gets a round of applause from all the party goers. Without everyone pitching in to help with tables and chairs, this major party couldn't take place.

Thanks go to all who signed up in advance to reserve a seat and brought a dish. The foods galore were to die for!! What a spread!

Then came our entertainment, *the Encore Group* from the Venice Theater. We listened to blending melodies, and solos.....one by our Gil.....that heightened the Christmas holiday mood. Additional music was provided by our own DVD's, and dancing hit the floor.

A special thank you also goes to all who brought presents for the kids of the *Mother's house*. Both holiday trees were surrounded with your thoughtful gifts for the children, which also added to the Christmas flair.

Sandalwood could not ask for a better social event.



January 2015

### Fish and Flick Promises To Feed all our Senses

On Monday night Jan. 5, a fried fish dinner will be served in the Sandpiper Room between 5:45 to 6:30 p.m.

The cost is only \$8 for an 8 oz. cod or haddock fillet, with pepperoni potatoes, cole slaw, rolls and ambrosia. Coffee and iced tea will be available, BYOB.

There is a maximum of 100 people for the meal, with no sales after 12 noon on January 2, the day before the dinner. Tickets can be purchased in the main office.

The fish was caught by Jared Hastings, and cooked by Al Burns, Tony Morano and Carl Van Gilst.

The dinner will be followed at 7 p.m. with the free movie, **Red**. The movie **Red** is about a former black ops CIA agent (Bruce Willis), who has his identity compromised. He assembles his old team, and sets out to prove that they still have a few tricks up their sleeves. It's an explosive action-comedy.



### Spaghetti Dinner & Dance Slated for January 24, 2015



The Spotlights, a three piece band, will rock the night away after our spaghetti dinner on January 24 in the Sandpiper Room.

> Tickets are available in the front office or from Harley Wheeler or Mitch Watson at \$10 a person.

The event starts with cocktails at 5:30 p.m. (BYOB) with a 6:00 p.m. dinner. Don a bib for the Italian feast.

**The Spotlights** will rev up their music from 7:00p.m. to 9:30p.m, and wait for everyone to start rocking the evening away.



Grab your partner (or not) and swing!



A thank you goes out to Harley Wheeler for arranging the AARP Safe Driver's school.

It was very informative and I highly recommend it for all residents of the Park.

Barbara Hinkle

### Welcome Back Pool Party Sponsored by SPH

Pull out your bathing suit and beach towel and enjoy the company, while relaxing by the pool!

On January 18 everyone is invited to meet on the patio at 1 p.m. and enjoy some free hotdogs and chips and ice tea.

Live music will be provided by "Escape Entertainment" for our enjoyment.

BYOB and, you may bring anything else to snack on.

Come and meet your new neighbors, and have fun.

Hopefully, we'll need some sun screen as well.

See you there!





# New Homeowners Introduced To and Welcomed by Park Residents

January brings several new residents to Sandalwood Park.

Therefore, on January 21 at 2 p.m. the SPH and SAC members are sponsoring a welcoming get-together in the Sandpiper Room for all new residents to be introduced to the Park.

The new homeowners will be invited to tell everyone present where they are from, anything about their family, and what their likes and dislikes are....prompted by Johanna Lauzon, our Master of Ceremonies.

A small gift of a Tervis Tumbler with the Sandalwood logo will be given to them as an incoming treat.

Light refreshments, coffee and cake will be available for all to enjoy, and we hope everyone comes over to meet the newbees in person.

# SAC Election Openings

#### At January 13 Meeting

If you want to give your input into events at Sandalwood Park, here is your chance.

There are several openings that you could run for at the SAC General Meeting on January 13 at 10 a.m. in the Sandpiper Room.

Everyone is encouraged to attend to find out what is happening in the park, and to offer opinions.

Elections will take place, during the meeting. It's fun to participate in the planning phases.

Join us.

# Sandalwood Community Project

We will be making plastic floor/sleeping mats for the homeless in January.

Please keep all your plastic bags for this project. There is a large container in the Activities Room to collect your plastic bags.

Please come and help us make the mats.

Watch the bulletin board for time and date specifics.

# January Crossword Puzzle

Go to www.Printable-Puzzles.com for hints and solutions!

Puzzle ID: #Z434YE

59. Of speech

64. Lady of Eden

60. Magic word beginning

61. Cannon in Hollywood

65. Super Mario Bros. video

game console, for short

#### Across

 2007 Masters champion Johnson
 Quito cash
 Some early PCs
 Actor in "Same Time, Next Year"
 Inlet
 1052, in a proclamation
 Greeting for Julius
 Tree in Miami
 "On the Beach" author Shute

**21.** Many-hooked fishing tool

23. What a tug does

26. More destitute

27. Hallmark product

32. Kind of "vu" in a classified

33. Author Lafcadio \_\_\_\_

**34.** Watch brand that means 'precision' in Japanese

38. Words of admission

40. Curtain material

42. Silk: Fr.

**43.** Wire: abbr.

45. "\_\_\_\_ In" (McCartney tune)

**47.** 1051 on monuments

**48.** 2001 film for which Halle Berry won Best Actress

51. Minnesota range

54. Major TV brand

55. Chevrolets, sometimes

58. Like some shoulders

62. Play to: draw

63. Esther Walton player

- 66. Tiny spasms
- 67. Green, so to speak
- 68. Lipinski on the ice

69. Baseball card datum

70. "Ginger Pye" author

71. Liveliness

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1. CNN's Paula

- 2. Insects' wings
- **3.** 404 in old Rome
- 4. Rock salt
- 5. Loan-granting Fed.agcy.
- 6. Mideast fed.

7. Anatomical sac

- 8. Safari sound
- 9. Minos's mother
- 10. Bursts inward
- **11.** British P.M. Tony
- 12. Pooh creator A.A.
- **13.** 2000 cooking method
- 18. Piece goods
- 22. Rocky tops
- 24. Austria's capital, to the
- locals
- 25. Slow movers
- 27. "True \_\_\_\_:" Wayne film

- 28. Go by horse
- 29. Bad deeds
- 30. Blood-red
- 31. Big bills

**35.** "Arrivederci "

**36.** Do in

**37.** Trompe l' \_\_\_ (visual deception)

- 39. He played Uncle Charley
- 41. Caligula's nephew
- 44. Great stony desert
- 46. "Hardball" broadcaster
- **49.** \_\_\_\_\_ Creed or Council
- 50. How some learn
- 51. Exams for future drs.

**52.** Really love something, with "up"

53. Bright star in Virgo

**56.** Greek resistance force in W.W.II



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