

Sandalwood Park News

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From the President

In the last newsletter, I compared Sandalwood Park to traditional communities, such as a town or small city.

There are significant differences though, between Sandalwood Park and a small city or town.

Unlike in a city or town, none of us own the chunk of land that our homes sit on (thus our community is a cooperative). While our unit or share has the same number as our street address, that doesn't mean that we own the land. Each of our shares represent one 239th of the Park and its' assets, and includes a 99 year lease on the plot of land at that street address. Speaking of plots, none of our plots were surveyed when we purchased the Park. We have to determine the boundaries, with a lot of input from the neighbors and rough drawings of the Park.

Like those other communities we have a government (the Board of Directors) elected by the voting members of the community. Unlike the average town or city the members of our Board of directors receive no monetary compensation.

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SPH MEETING REMINDER

The Sandalwood Park Homeowners Assoc, Inc. Board Meeting is on November 12th 10:00 a.m.
All are invited to attend.

Sandalwood Park Homeowners, Inc.

300 Sandpiper Drive
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Marietta Jones—Office Manager

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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 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.



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

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

Sandalwood TV Station

Tune in to Channel 195 on your TV for Sandalwood information and updates.

Regina Fortin is the person who enters all materials for the station. Forms to use for submitting information are available in the office.

Presidents message continued from page 1

Like many small communities that are governed by a Board of Selectmen, one of their members is selected to be the Mayor or First selectman, or they hire a person to be the town administrator, to carry out the policies of the selectmen (in many cases that person is a professional with a degree in public administration).

In Sandalwood Park, our Board of Directors selects one member to be the president, and act in a role similar to a town administrator, in carrying out the Board's policies in accordance with our Bylaws.

Unlike cities and towns, our community is wholly owned by the majority of its residents - the shareholders. (those that do not own a share, are our tenants, and they pay rent to the landlord - SPH Inc.).

Like a small town or city we have local ordinances (The Park Rules), documents that describe how the government is to operate (the Bylaws, Chapter 719 of the Florida statutes, and the Proprietary Lease), and local building codes (The park Rules and the proprietary lease). Unlike towns, we do not have a police force to enforce the rules, or a code enforcement officer to enforce our building codes. We mainly depend on our citizens' self-interest to comply with the various rules that we all agreed to when we purchased here.

There is another very significant difference between Sandalwood Park and a town or city. In addition to being a community, Sandalwood Park Homeowners Inc. is a publically owned corporation with assets in the range of 12 million dollars (239 shares at \$50k per share is \$11,950,000). As member of the Board of Directors, I take very seriously the responsibility inherent in the management of this corporation. All Board members are trained in, and frequently reminded of their fiduciary responsibility (that is the responsibility a person or group has to handle other people's money with integrity).

The Board as always encourages suggestions from all residents for ways to improve the look and function of our park. Please inform the Office or Board member if something in the park is not right, or can be improved.

Carl Griffith

SPH AGENDA MEETING

The Sandalwood Park Homeowners Assoc., Inc. Agenda Meeting will be held on November 5th. All are invited to attend.

Sandalwood Has New Facebook Page

You can now follow Sandalwood Park on Facebook.

Keep up with friends and neighbors along with ongoing activities in Sandalwood.

Open the following like and take a look.

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Sandalwood-Park-Homeowners-Venice-Fl/251759168368609>

Articles Needed

This newsletter is for you and about you and without you it would not exist.

If you are Chairman for an event or have something interesting to share with Sandalwood residents, please submit to the following:

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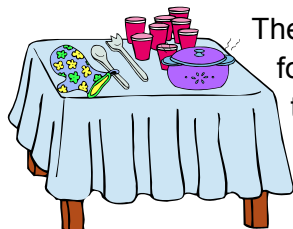
NEWSLETTER MAILBOX

Submit letters or articles to Pat Gleckler at patannee@copper.net. All correspondence must be signed. Contents may be edited for space, clarity and suitability for print.

Articles and editorials printed in this newsletter reflect the thoughts of the individual writers and do not necessarily reflect those of the editor.

Pot Luck Dinner

Saturday, November 8, 2014
5:30 p.m. Cocktail Hour
6:00 p.m. Dinner



There is a pot luck dinner planned for Saturday, November 8th in the Sandpiper Room.

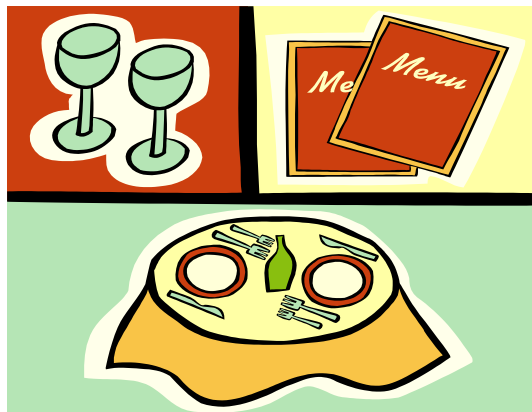
There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin board.

Bring your own plastic dishes and silverware.

Cocktails start at 5:40 (BYOB)

Dinner will be at 6:00 p.m.

Join us for a great time, everyone is welcome!



Tuesday Bunch/Lunch

Restaurant list for November 2014

Lunch is at 12:30pm

November 4th

3555 S. Access Road
Beyond the Sea
Englewood, FL

November 11th

Rib City
4187 Tamiami Trail S
Venice, FL

November 18th

Burgundy Square
227 Miami West
Venice, FL

November 25th

Leone's Ristorante
1266 Jacaranda Blvd.
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Anyone wishing to join the lunches please contact Sylvia Buchanan at (941) 882-2699 by 11 am Monday.

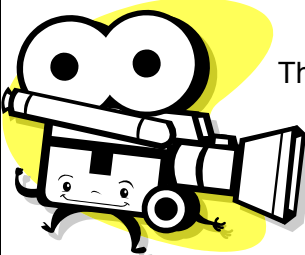
Thank you.



Movie Night

There will be a movie on the Monday, November 10th
7:00 p.m.

Movie is undetermined at this time.



check the bulletin board and the TV station for more information on which movie will be shown.

NOTICE - SAC AGENDA MEETING

The SAC agenda meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 4th @ 10:00 a.m. All are invited to attend.

NOTICE - SAC BOARD MEETING

The SAC board meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 11th @ 10:00 a.m. All are invited to attend.

ACTIVITIES ANNOUNCEMENT

After the November SAC meeting we will be posting a calendar for the year with all the upcoming events on the bulletin board.

Concert Series



We will be having a concert series again this year, so put these dates on your calendar. We'll have more information on the shows in the December newsletter.

Season tickets are \$60.00 and can be sent directly to the office, simply write Concert Series on the check and there will be a cut-off date for checks to be sent; so sending it in sooner is better and will give us a good idea of how many seats will be needed.

The first performance will be "The Marlinaires" on January 11 at 7:00 P.M. They are a trio who do singing, instruments, and comedy.

The second show will be Terry Connelly who plays piano, sings and does comedy. Terry will be Sunday, February 8 at 7:00 P.M.

The series will conclude with "The Music City Brass" on Sunday, March 8 at 7:00 P.M. "Music City Brass" is an instrumental trio that we know you'll find very entertaining.

Carmen Wallin

Huff and Puff

MON, WED & FRI .. 9:00AM



The Huff & Puff will start after the 1st of the year.

Christmas Tree Ornaments & Park Decorating



The first year of the Sandpiper Room we asked residents to bring an ornament for our Christmas tree to represent their state, home or special interest, and they are displayed on our Christmas tree each year.

Since that time we have many new residents and would like to invite anyone who doesn't have an ornament on our tree to bring one.

This is completely voluntary; if you wish to participate, bring your ornament with you to Sandalwood Club House the day decorations are going up November 29th @ 9:30.

Also, don't forget any help with the decorating would be greatly appreciated.

Donuts and coffee will be available.

Carmen Wallin

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2	3	4 SAC Agenda Meeting 10am	5 SPH Agenda Meeting 10am	6	7	8 POTLUCK 5:30 pm Cocktails 6:00 pm Dinner
9	10 Movie Night 7pm	11 SAC Meeting 10am	12 SPH Meeting 10am	13	14	15
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Cooks Corner



RECIPE OF THE MONTH Flourless Cookies

Ingredients

- 1 cup light brown sugar
- 1 cup Chocolate Chips
- 1 cup peanut butter crunchy
- 1 egg
- 1 tsp. baking soda

Directions

Mix all ingredients together. Bake @ 350° for 10 minutes. Serve warm.

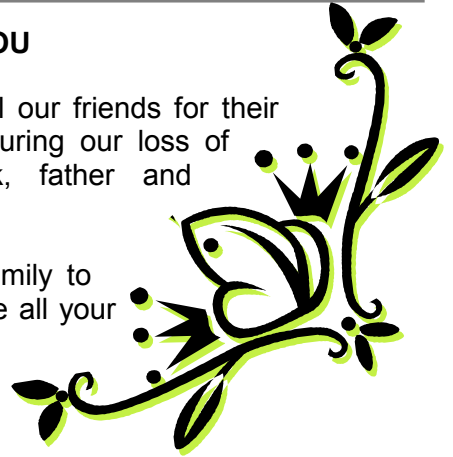


SPECIAL THANK YOU

We want to thank all our friends for their outpouring of love during our loss of my husband Frank, father and grandfather.

Our community is family to us and we appreciate all your prayers and support.

Mildred Hunt & family



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Speaking Q+A

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At a recent presentation I had a common question from the start, "How do I get my husband to get a hearing test?"

I wish I had a simple answer. The only answer I have really come up with is to drag him in. If you need to use a cave man club and drag him by the hair...well, he may not have hair so that won't work. Seriously, I haven't heard one answer that works for all couples.

I've had wives who complained and nagged enough that their husbands came in voluntarily. Well, the husband thought it was their idea but had the wife not nagged and complained the husband probably would not have come in to see us.

I've had wives who started being more social and leaving their husbands out of the social loop since they were tired of repeating what everyone said and every joke told during their social night out.

I don't recommend either. Being married myself and watching my parents struggle with being happily married, since my mom, MaryEllen, had a severe hearing loss, I understand.

My goal is to reduce the frustrations that occur between a couple, when the frustration is a hearing loss. Helping to heal relationships has been one of the most rewarding aspects of my career. I didn't know when I entered this industry that this was part of the results when couples seek out solutions.

If you are the spouse getting frustrated repeating everything, or tired of translating everything, or feel like you're their personal ears, get them to come in and see me. I will let you know if it really is selective hearing or a hearing loss that can be addressed with hearing aids.

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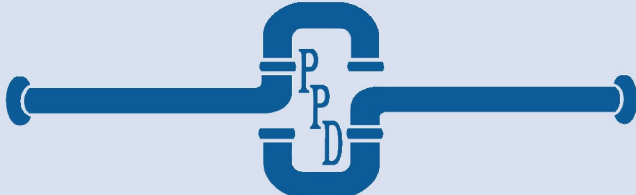
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