

Sandalwood Park News

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Sandalwood Park Homeowners, Inc. Venice, Florida

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This past summer has seen some big changes in the park. Charlie resigning was the most noticeable. We will miss him, but must carry on. That said the Board members and other volunteers in the park over the summer have done a tremendous job in picking up the slack left with Charlie's departure. Most maintenance work in the park is being sub-contracted to various businesses by the Board, and so far this approach is reported to be working well. Volunteers are still doing weeding and other tasks. If you see someone volunteering like that, please take the time to thank them.

When I started the Presidents letter in Sandalwood news, in 2001, I always included an excerpt from the rules, because we were a new resident-owned park, and that was one way to get wider distribution of the rules. This year I want to give wider distribution to a different idea.

Now, in 2013-14, we are an older park (actually middle-aged since it was started in the 70s) and I want to emphasize making this the most desirable park in the area. The Board will be looking at the common areas, and individual homes to find areas in which we can improve, with focus on getting the most bang for our bucks, when it comes to beautification of the park as a whole.

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Happy Halloween

Sandalwood Park Homeowners, Inc.

300 Sandpiper Drive
Venice, Florida 34285

*Resident Owned Community for persons 55
years of age and older*

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911

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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!!!*

Sandalwood TV Station

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

Roger Bliss of 350 Longwood Drive is the person who enters all materials for the station. Forms to use for submitting information are available in the office.

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Some areas for us all to look at include, but are not limited to:

Home maintenance:

- ◆ Mold/mildew growing on walls and planters can easily be removed by spraying with “Mold Armor” then washing off with a garden hose.
- ◆ Bent/broken carport posts present a wind hazard because they no longer support the roof. They must be replaced with new ones. I have seen many that have screws rusted away, which is a precursor to carport failure in wind
- ◆ Excess items in the carport. Permitted items are described in rule 3.2 (Sorry, I meant to stay away from rules in this letter).
- ◆ Dead or dying trees should be pruned or removed. (What has trimming a tree got to do with prunes anyway?)
- ◆ Weeding -always a problem in the summer lets minimize places they can go wild.
- ◆ We have a lot of older homes in the Park, but with a little work we can make them look as good as new ones.

Park maintenance:

- ◆ Please inform the Office or Board member if something in the park is not right
- ◆ New benches were purchased and installed over the summer, replacing the old concrete and rough-board benches.
- ◆ More focus on the entries to the park and to the buildings with flowers and flowering shrubs.
- ◆ More attention to what the clubhouse looks like to outsiders.
- ◆ We replaced some and installed gutters on the new clubhouse where there were none
- ◆ We have a new contractor cleaning and touching up paint in the clubhouses.

The Board as always encourages suggestions from all residents for ways to improve the look and function of our park.

It will not be long before we all gather in sunny Florida for another winter and work on making Sandalwood the envy of our neighbors.

Carl Griffith, President

October 2013



**SANDALWOOD
MAINTENANCE FEES**

Sandalwood quarterly fees are due on or before

October 1, 2013

Maintenance fees 343.00

Lawn care 60.00 (Optional)

If you are paying both Maintenance & Lawn Care, submit one check for 403.00.

Volunteer

Volunteering is love in motion

“YES I WILL”

I'll be there!

Can I help?

Volunteers aren't paid, not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless.

Thanksgiving Dinner

November 28, 2013

2:00 pm



*Join your friends and neighbors in the Sandpiper Room
for Thanksgiving Dinner.*

SUPERIOR VAPOR BARRIER



IN MEMORY

Michael Edward Herbert

Michael Edward Hebert of Jericho, VT and Venice, FL died Sunday evening, August 18, 2013, at the Fletcher Allen Health Care following a succession of illnesses.

Mike was born in Hartford, CT on September 9, 1943 to Wilfred E. and Felicia (D'Angelo) Hebert, the first of their five children. He grew up in Newington, CT. He was an avid hunter and fisherman in his youth.

Mike graduated from A.I. Prince Regional Technical School in Hartford. After service in the U.S. Navy (September, 1962 September, 1966), he attended Ward Technical Institute in Hartford where he had been awarded a full tuition scholarship. He graduated in January, 1969, earning an associates degree in Industrial Electronic Technology.

He was hired as a Senior Equipment Technician at IBM in Essex Junction, moving to Vermont with his first wife, Margaret, and their two young children. He worked at IBM for eight years before seeking other challenges. In the twenty plus years prior to his retirement in 2004, he was partner/owner of Harbor Vintage Motor Company. He applied his hunting skills to procuring parts for use in the restoration of antique American motorcycles in the shop and for sale to antique enthusiasts. He meticulously restored several bikes for his own use, including his 1949 Harley with sidecar. He had a personal collection of motorcycle literature which he considered his retirement fund.

Mike married the love of his life, Olga (Hodgetts) on June 29, 1994. They shared many travel adventures with a month in New Zealand, a week long raft trip through the Grand Canyon, and winter vacations in Abaco, the Bahamas among them. For the past eight years, Mike and Olga spent winters in Venice, Florida, where they purchased a home in 2011. Mike was a well known collector of sharks' teeth at Caspersen Beach in Venice. He was also an avid reader with a particular interest in history.

Mike was predeceased by his parents, Wilfred Emil Hebert, Sr. and Felicia Hebert; his brother Harvey; his brother Wilfred E. Hebert, Jr. (Bill); his sister-in-law and Bill's wife, Elizabeth Hebert.

He leaves his wife Olga Hebert of Jericho and Venice. He also leaves his daughter Renee Myers and her husband Charles of North Augusta, SC; his son Kenneth and wife Maureen of Watsonville, CA; and his grandchildren: Elizabeth, Johnathan, Will, and Jack Myers, Gianna and Angela Hebert. Mike is also survived by his sister Jeannie Leonard and her husband Shawn of Simsbury, CT; his brother Tom Hebert and wife Jean of Manchester, CT; nephews Greg Hebert and Kieran Leonard; and his nieces Emily Hebert, Margot Hebert, and Melissa Hebert. Also predeceasing him were his hounds Charlie and Old Pete and his cranky cat Jaxson. They reserve a special place for him in animal heaven.

He leaves Olga's siblings and their children and grandchildren, Olga's son and daughter and her two grandchildren, who all loved him as family; numerous cousins; a host of special friends; and grateful customers worldwide. His wealth of knowledge will be greatly missed in many circles.

The family would like to express gratitude to the doctors and nurses of FAHC surgical ICU, medical ICU, McClure 5, and especially the palliative care team for the end of life care provided.


A celebration of Mike's life will be held at the convenience of the family in early September.

"To be yourself in a world that is constantly trying to make you something else is the greatest accomplishment."

— Ralph Waldo Emerson

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SANDALWOOD PARK OCTOBER 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26 Potluck 5:30pm Cocktails 6:00pm Dinner
27	28	29	30	31 		
	Huff & Puff 9am	Lunch 1pm	Huff & Puff 9am Poker & Cards 7pm	Breakfast at Perkins 8:30am Euchre 7pm	Huff & Puff 9am Computer Club 10am Bingo 7pm	Coffee & Rolls 9am

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YELLOW SUB CAFE

MOBILE HOME DEPOT

4th of July Celebration



4th of July is always a great time to get together with your neighbors and celebrate our country's independence. This year Sandalwood joined forces with many from Venice Isles Park who are regulars at our Tuesday and Friday night Bingo games. The old adage "*the more the merrier*" is very true when it comes to friends enjoying a good old fashion picnic. We had over 80 in attendance.

This year we celebrated Vernice Schlemmer's 100 birthday. A huge cake decorated in a combination of patriotic and birthday motif was wheeled out to Vernice along with a beautiful red rose and a rousing rendition of the Happy Birthday song. Vernice was asked to take the candles home and bring them back next year for her 101st.



The songs, the food and the bingo games were enjoyed by all. Many thanks to a great committee who just pitch in every year, know what has to be done and gets it done right! We have all worked together for the last four years and it seems to get better every year. You all know who you are and how much you are appreciated.

Submitted by Alice Fitzpatrick

Charlie's Hedge

Charlie Kane has retired from his job in the Park as Maintenance man because of poor health. We will all miss Charlie and are most appreciative for all the good work he has done over the years. The hedge on Cortina Dr. will always be thought of as "Charlie's Hedge" by all who travel through and enjoy it. The hedge has enhanced the appearance of Sandalwood and is growing very nicely.

Our best wishes to Charlie and hopefully his health will improve and he can enjoy his retirement.

Good Luck my friend.

Submitted by Alice Fitzpatrick

Breakfast at Venice Isles



Venice Isle would like to invite everyone from Sandalwood to their monthly breakfast starting on October 12th.

The delicious breakfast offers a choice of blueberry pancakes and sausage, or sausage gravy and biscuit, or ham and eggs.

You can't beat the price which is only \$4.00 and even includes coffee and juice!

Remember



Check your smoke alarm monthly.

It could save your life!



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Watch Channel 195
Sandalwood TV Station**

SANDALWOOD PARK

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2013-2014

REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

Monday	Huff & Puff	9:00 am
Tuesday	Lunch	12:30 pm
	Bingo	7:00 pm
Wednesday	Huff & Puff	9:00 am
	Poker & Cards	6:30 pm
Thursday	Breakfast at Perkins	8:30 am
	Euchre (begins Jan.)	7:00 pm
Friday	Huff & Puff	9:00 am
	Computer Club	10:00 am
	Bingo	7:00 pm
Saturday	Coffee & Rolls	9:00 am

SPECIAL EVENTS

OCTOBER

October 26 Potluck 5:30/6:00 pm

NOVEMBER

November 5 SAC agenda 10:00 am

November 6 SPH agenda 9:00 am

November 12 SAC board meeting 10:00 am

November 13 SPH board meeting 10:00 am

November 18 Movie 7:00 pm

November 28 Thanksgiving dinner 2:00 pm

November 30 Decorate for Christmas Coffee & Donuts 9:30 am

DECEMBER

December 3 SAC agenda 10:00 am

December 4 SPH agenda 9:00 am

December 8 Cookie Exchange 2:00 pm

December 10 SAC board 10:00 am

December 11 SPH board 10:00 am

December 14 Christmas potluck 5:30/6:00

December 16 Movie 7:00 pm

December 25 Christmas dinner ?

December 31 New Year's Eve dinner/dance ?

JANUARY

January 1 New Year's Day dinner ?

January 4 Take down decorations 9:30 am

January 4 Select seats for concerts 12:00 PM

January 5 Jimmy Mazz-1 st concert 7:00 pm

January 7 SAC agenda 10:00 am

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SANDALWOOD PARK

January 8	SPH agenda	9:00 am
January 11	Pancake breakfast	8:00 to 9:30 am
January 14	SAC meeting/election of board	10:00 am
January 15	SPH board	10:00 am
January 22	Newcomers party	2:00 pm
January 25	New England Dinner	5:30/6:00 pm
January 27	Fish & Flick	5:30/6:00/7:00pm
January 29	Casino Trip	9:15 am
FEBRUARY		
February 1	Michigan/Ohio Dinner	5:30/6:00 pm
February 2	Superbowl Party	?
February 4	SAC agenda	10:00 am
February 5	SPH agenda	9:00 am
February 8	Pancake Breakfast	8:00 to 9:30 am
February 11	SAC board	10:00 am
February 12	SPH board	10:00 am
February 13	SPH Annual Meeting	2:00pm
February 15	Valentine potluck dinner dance	5:30/6:00/7:00pm
February 16	Rick Starr-Z" concert	7:00 pm
February 21	NO BINGO-set up rummage/bake sale	
February 22	Rummage/bake/hot dog sale	8:00-1:00pm
February 26	Casino	9:15 am
MARCH		
March 3	Movie	7:00 pm
March 4	SAC agenda	10:00 am
March 5	SPH agenda	9:00 am
March 8	Picnic	12:30 pm
March 9	Donna & Dunning-J" concert	7:00 pm
March 11	SAC board	10:00 am
March 12	SPH board	10:00 am
March 15	St. Pat potluck/karaoke/joke night	5:30/6:30 pm
March 16	Venice theater "Oklahoma"	2:00 pm
March 29	Anniversary dinner/dance	5:30/6:00pm
March 30	Cover to Cover - 4th concert	7:00 pm
APRIL		
April 1	SAC agenda	10:00 am
April 2	SPH agenda	9:00 am
April 5	SAC board	10:00 am
April 9	SPH board	10:00 am
April 12	Potluck	5:30/6:00 pm
April 20	Easter dinner	2:00 pm
MAY, JUNE, JULY		
	Kentucky Derby, Preakness, Belmont parties and July 4 picnic	

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