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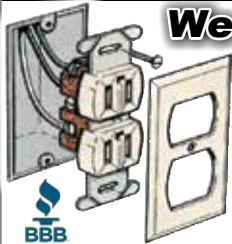
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## Co-op Updates

By Al Noeller

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**W**e welcome April and the changes that come with it, the community is doing well. Our friends will once again be going North and we will miss them. We hope everyone has a great enjoyable summer and we wish you the best for the year ahead.

We would like to announce Richard Thomas has joined us as our new Park Manager on site to support the community and lead our management staff. Richard comes to us with years of experience managing Co-Op style properties like PI and he will help the board guide the community into the future. We want to thank Pat, our former manager, for his service to us and wish him well for his next endeavor.

Our Neighborhood Watch Program is continuing to support the community and it helps keep us safe. NW will be offering some community programs this year. Keep an eye out for the next one and please consider participating. Program volunteers are always needed and appreciated, if interested please reach out and come to a once-a-month meeting. Please program this Largo Police Non-emergency phone number in your phone, so if you're not sure about calling 911, call 727-587-6730, to report an incident or suspicious activity. If you See Something, Say Something.

Many regular or special social events are available every day in the community, supported by the PISC and HOA. Please get involved, come on out and try/learn something new, be a volunteer or just enjoy the events, maybe you will make a new friend or two. The Church in the Park is also available, meeting Sundays in the Clubhouse. You live in Paradise, take time to enjoy all of it.

We would like to remind all residents and your heirs that all sales of homes must be authorized through the office. This process ensures the prospective buyer meets the requirements to live in our community and that the sale is documented properly for everyone's benefit. A sales package is available from the PI office as needed or include it in your important papers. Make sure the realtor you use knows our requirements to approve the sale and the new owners for residency.

New suggestion boxes have been installed at the Clubhouse and Park Office. The management and board are looking forward to your suggestions for improving our community. Every effort is being made to hear from all residents any suggestions or concerns on how we can improve Paradise.

With the warmer weather upon us, more residents and their visitors will begin using the pool. As a reminder, please review the rules about the pool use for such things as hours for our visiting children and allowable floatation equipment use, etc.

As our winter residents get ready to head North, please make ready your Florida home to protect your investment, your neighbors and the community while you're away. Consider storing away items in your yard for potential storms, clean gutters, shut off water (non-potable & potable), turn off the hot water heater, set thermostat up, ask a friend to check on things and make sure the office has your summer contact information.

Thank You for your community support, Enjoy your summer.



# HOA UPDATE

## QUARTERLY MEETING BEING HELD IN APRIL

By Ken Hopkins



We are excited to announce the 2nd quarterly residents meeting to be held on 4/3/24 at 7:00pm in the clubhouse. This will be a community style meeting with introductions and presentations by the CO OP Board, PISC, Neighborhood Watch and Church in the Park. In addition, we will provide updates on the activities of the HOA including Bingo and the Kitchen. Meeting starts at 7:00, but come early for coffee and doughnuts, this will be a great opportunity to say Hi to your neighbors and to meet some of the activity directors in our community. Due to time constraints, there will be limited questions. This will be a very informational meeting providing a look at what PI has to offer. Come on down!! We look forward to seeing you.

## Neighborhood Watch

By Nancy LaBelle



Our meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 10AM. Everyone is always welcome to attend. Officer Keith Bowling, our Largo PD liaison is usually there to discuss concerns and plan upcoming events for the residents. An upcoming event is the Senior Olympics on 4/13, 10 to 12 at the clubhouse. Inside and outside undercover activities. It will be FUN and Educational. There will be prizes!

I would like to highlight Officer Joel Quattlebaum, Largo PD Senior Services Officer for the past 6 years and also make y'all aware of the Safety Net Program. This includes Safety Net Tracking for eligible seniors. Information can be found online at largopd.com. Go to community services, >then Senior Services,> then its under Officer Joel. Or by calling 727-586-7351.

Keep your vehicles locked at all times. Light your carport and consider dusk to dawn and/or motion sensor lights.

Do not confront questionable folks, regardless of their age. Call 911 if you witness a crime in progress and the non-emergency number 727- 587-6730 for all other police issues THEN let your Block captain know, 9AM to 9PM, after you make the call. There is a wonderful colorful NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MAP in the office with the captains, phone numbers AND the PONDS are clearly numbered! We are here to help. Sometimes it may be pointing you in the right direction, like filling out a complaint form at the office or talking to your neighbor.

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**A Complete Listing of Resident Services  
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# Paradise Island Social Committee Calendar 2024

Any Questions contact Diane Billman 727-434-0048

## Tickets for all events are sold on Monday nights from 6-7 pm

Apr.6.....Men's Club Event.....	\$10	....Harley Worthit .....	6:00 pm - 10 pm
Apr.20.....Spring Fling Dance .....	\$12	....Double M BYOB and snacks .....	7:00 pm - 10 pm
May.7 .....One Blood Drive .....	NC	....North side of Clubhouse .....	9:00am - 2pm
May.10 ...Ban dingo .....	\$5	....Clubhouse .....	6:00pm-8pm
June.15 ...Father's Day Dance .....	\$10	....Tammy Nadeau.....	7:00 pm - 10 pm
Oct.26.....Halloween Dance .....	\$10	....Silver Alert.....	7:00pm- 10:00pm
Nov.2.....Annual Craft Fair .....	NC	....Clubhouse-set-up on the 1st.....	TBD
Nov.9.....Karaoke .....	TBD	....BYOB and snacks.....	5:00 pm -9:00pm
Nov.16....Men's Club Event.....	\$10	....Donna Marie - Singer/Entertainer .....	6:00 pm - 10 pm
Nov.28....Thanksgiving Dinner .....	NC	....Tables are responsible for desserts & drinks .....	4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Dec.6 .....Set-up for Ladies HL.....	NC	....Decorate tables.....	10:00am-5:30 pm
Dec.7 .....Ladies Holiday Luncheon... TBD...		....Enjoy a meal served by our Men's Club .....	11:00am-2:00pm
Dec.14 ....Community Christmas Party ... TBD...		....Tom Davis.....	5:00 pm-10pm
Dec.31 ....New Year's Eve Dance .....	TBD	....Shakes Society .....	8:00 pm - 12:15 am

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Jan.18 .....Men's Club Event.....	\$10	....Gary Roberts - Not So Newly Wed Variety ....	6:00pm-10:00pm
Feb.1.....Italian Night with Trivia.....	TBD	....Enjoy a great Italian meal & Trivia .....	5:00 pm-9:00pm
Feb.8.....Dance .....	\$10	....Taria Lee & Marty .....	7:00pm- 10:00pm
Feb.15.....Men's Club Event.....	\$10	....Rich Wilson - Singer/Comedian .....	6:00pm-10:00pm
Feb.22.....Golden Ann Set-up.....			
feb.23 .....Golden Anniversary .....	NC	....clubhouse .....	1:00 pm-3:00pm
Mar.15 ....Men's Club Event.....	\$10	....Two Shay Entertainers - Shania Twain Imp ...	6:00pm-10:00pm
Apr.5.....Men's Club Event.....	\$10	....William Florian - Singer/Entertainer .....	6:00pm-10:00pm



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# Social Committee Update

By Diane Billman



The winter season of 2023/2024 has flown by and here it is April and we are starting to bid farewell to our northern friends and neighbors once again. It has been a fun filled last 6 months and as we wrap up our March and April activities, we are in the planning stages for some new activities for our full-time residents throughout the summer months.

March started us off with a successful Flea Market. A huge thank-you to Tiffani Neu and Liz Newmann for chairing this annual event. I would also like to thank all the residents and non-residents who donated items for the flea market, the volunteers who worked to set-up and worked the event, the Men's Club for setting up the room, the guys who picked up furniture and then also delivered some to residents who bought items from the market, all who baked for the bake sale, those who bought the delicious goodies and to Cindy Maciejewski and crew who ran the bake sale. By the way, we had more baked goodies than ever before and it was a record \$\$ bake sale. Also thank you to the traffic control guys and gal and Larry the Hot Dog guy! You are all very much appreciated. You are what makes this park a great place to live and volunteer!

The March Dance with Soulfish was another huge success with a sellout. Everyone had a great time dancing to great music. Judi Mitchell is getting new bands in to play and from the looks of it, the residents are loving it. Great job Judi and crew!

As of this writing, the Men's Event "A Tribute to Dean Martin" hasn't happened yet but I am sure that it will also be a wonderful success. Ken Jonas and the Men's Club always seem to come through with some great entertainment.

April and May events to look forward to are: Harley Worthit – a Comedian and the April dance with Double M which will also be one you won't want to miss. Heard them and they are great. In May we will sponsor another Blood Drive on May 7th and then a first-time event called Bandingo on May 10th which will be a lot of fun. Look for separate articles that tell more information.

No dates for the summer pool parties have been set yet as we are seeking a chairperson for them. If you know of someone you think would be good or you yourself would like to step up to chair them, give me a call at 727-434-0048. We have several people willing to help.

The PISC is working together with the Co-Op and HOA to keep communication open between the three entities. We are all residents of PI and working together is very important to bring unity to Paradise Island.

We wish our northern friends a safe trip back to their summer homes and we look forward to your return in the fall/winter.

Remember, taxes are due April 15th!





## Article on Ban dingo

By Diane Billman



Put May 10th on your calendar as you will definitely want to come and have some fun playing Ban dingo! Johnny G combined Bingo/Trivia/Music all into one fun game and he will be here to entertain us on Friday, May 10th. No teams needed but you can work with the people at your table if you want to. Johnny will provide the sheets, daubers and of course the music and there will be prizes for each of the 10 games! Cost is only \$5. Call Diane Billman at 727-434-0048 if you have any questions. Will be a super fun night, with lots of laughs! Tickets will be sold on Monday evening from 6-7 from April 15th through May 6th.

## Line Dancing

By Diane Billman



On Friday, March 22nd we started a Line Dancing class from noon to 2 pm and on Wednesday, May 1st, we will add a class on Wednesday's from 10 am - Noon. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board at the clubhouse that you can sign up for one or both days. This class will be for beginners and those who have done some line dancing. All are welcome. We will be dancing to a DVD and will learn 1 dance at a time. For questions, call Barbara Steinmetz at 570-780-6848.

## Blood Drive

By Diane Billman

We had such a wonderful turn out for our February Blood Drive that they asked us to do another one! It was a huge success so I have scheduled the next one for May 7th from 9 am - 2 pm. I know many of our northern friends will have left by then but hopefully we can still have a great turnout. I will post more information as it becomes available to me. Any questions, contact Diane Billman at 727-434-0048.



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## Ladies Luncheon

By Beth Pieckiel

Happy April everyone, here's hoping and praying for a great finish to our 2024 season. The ladies monthly luncheon is continuing to grow again. It's wonderful to see so many of our ladies come together for the fun and fellowship with so many ladies from Paradise Island. This luncheon is open for ALL the ladies residing here in PI and feel free to bring your friends! The more the merrier!

This month our luncheon is on Saturday, April 27th, 2024 at 11:30 a.m. and your hostess, MaryPat McChesney, has chosen her restaurant and we will be going to:



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As always you can sign up for this luncheon at the clubhouse. If you do sign up and then find you are unable to attend, PLEASE remove your name from the sign-up sheet. This is so your hostess can give the restaurant of their choice an accurate headcount. So please come ready to eat and have a wonderful afternoon with your friends and neighbors.

If you should have any questions regarding this luncheon, please contact me Beth Pieckiel at (214) 538 - 7094. Hope y'all can come out and join us.

## Flea Market

By Tiffani Neu and Liz Newmann

We would like to thank all the volunteers who showed up in so many ways to help with this year's flea market. Being our rookie year, we appreciate each and every one of you and all you did to make it a huge success. We didn't realize what all went into this but now we know! The flea market was a huge success as was the bake sale. Thank you, thank you, thank you!



If we do anything in the fall, it will be a resident type garage sale where you can sell your own items. We will provide details later when we decide what we are going to do.

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# The Sunshine Committee

By Wilma & Gloria



Paradise Island residents are here for you and would like to send our caring thoughts to those park residents who are ill, having surgery, a shut in, or have had a death in the family. Please contact Wilma Largent at 260 316-1296 for Bereavement cards, or Gloria Garafola at 727 463-7307 for sending Get Well cards.

Thank you so much.

# Men's Golf

By Bob Pultorak



Men's golf Mondays at Lans brook Golf club. T off at 7:45 am. Be there at 7:25 am. Any questions call Bob Pultorak at 315-796-2153.

# SPRING FLING PARTY!!!

BY JUDI MITCHELL

Saturday, April 20th we will be having the Spring Fling Party, featuring the band DOUBLE M. Tickets will be on sale at the clubhouse every Monday except April 1st. Remember BYOB and bring your own snacks.



# SHUFFLEBOARD

By Gary MacDonald

Our seasonal Shuffleboard season will be ending Tuesday, April 23. I would like to thank all our residents who came out to play over the last 4.5 months. We will continue to play organized shuffleboard in April for a few more Tuesday and Thursday mornings starting at 935 AM. Please arrive by 930 AM for team selection. We play two sets, which takes approximately 1.5 hours, and we play for fun. No experience necessary, cues are provided and all are welcome.

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# Paradise Island Facebook Group

By HOA Media Committee

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All postings will be screened and approved by the PI Largo group administrator(s). The commenting option will be turned off for each posting. Posting will inform you as to who to contact if you have questions or concerns.

## This group is purely for informational purposes

You may sign up by following these steps:

1. On your Facebook page search for: **Paradise Island Largo**
2. Click - Join
3. **Answer all of the questions – DO NOT CLICK SUBMIT UNTIL YOU HAVE ANSWERED ALL THE QUESTIONS AND YOU AGREE TO THE RULES.**
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6. If you are having trouble joining contact: Cindy at 727-248-7146 or [dclord80@hotmail.com](mailto:dclord80@hotmail.com)



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Be sure to take a look at the GUIDE TAB at the top of the page!! This is where you can see various postings that are archived for you to be able to reference previous posts on the page. They are organized by categories for easy access.

Updated: March 15, 2024

## Morning Exercise Classes

By Bev MacMillan



Walk Away the Pounds

Thank you to the group of ladies that have exercised with me this winter season.

We will continue to walk away the pounds for a while longer on: Monday and Wednesday from 8:45 - 9:45 am and Friday from 9:00 - 10:00 am in the clubhouse.

I plan to continue until Friday April 12th. If there is anyone who would like to carry this on over the summer the key to the exercise cabinet will be left with the office.

In the cabinet is all the CD'S you will need, the weights and yoga mats.

Thanks and hope you all have a wonderful and healthy summer.

I will see you all in November, 2024 where I will resume the Walk Away the Pounds Program.



## New England Plus

By Gail White

The New England + Dinner group will hold its February meeting at O'Keefe's Tavern, 1219 Ft. Harrison Ave., Clearwater, at 4 p.m. April 3.

All Paradise Island residents are welcome!

There is a Facebook group page called New England + Dinner that can be used to register and sign up. You can also use the signup sheet in the clubhouse. Questions? Please contact dinner coordinators Gail White (412-561-5943) or Maureen Ronney (727-648-2571).

## Midwest Lunch Bunch

By Marge Murray



The Midwest Lunch Bunch will meet on April 13th at 11:30 am. We will eat at Applebee's 5110 East Bay Dr, Tri City Plaza in Largo. All residents of Paradise Island are welcome to join us. Please RSVP to: shar4ub68@gmail.com or call Marge at 727-584-8701. This is so the restaurant can be told how many are coming and that they will have staff available.

## Men's Club

By Ken Jonas

It is hard to believe that it is April already and so many of our friends are beginning their journey back north. We will miss you all, but we understand you have family and friends back home too.

The entertainment we have been able to present for your enjoyment during the 2023-2024 season has made this one of our most successful seasons ever and we owe a big THANK YOU to Bob "Coach" Pultorak for lining up all this great talent!! He already has a great line up for next year which I will post in this article next month.

But we are not done yet! We have one more great show on Saturday, April 6th when "Harley Worthit" will keep you in stitches with his side splitting comedy routine!! Your last chance to get advance sale tickets for this show will be Monday April 1st from 6 to 7 PM at the clubhouse. Be sure and get your tickets and join us for this fantastic show as we wrap up the season!



Next Men's Club meeting - Tuesday April 2nd - coffee and donuts at 8:30 and a brief meeting at 9 AM to close out another season.

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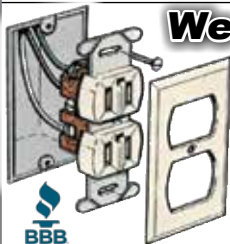
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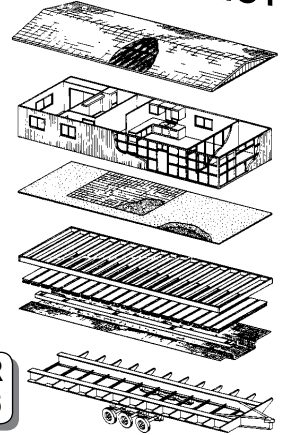
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# PARADISE ISLAND BOWLING LEAGUE

By Shirley Pultorak

**P**I Bowling has given me a lot of great times and fun with great friends. This season will end on April 18, 2024. We hope to have any resident who wishes to bowl with us beginning in October 2024 to sign up on the bulletin board in the clubhouse. It's a great way for new residents to get involved and meet fun loving friends. All skill levels are welcome. I hope to see all of our bowlers return for next season.

## BOWLERS OF THE WEEK

	Women.	Men
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February 22.	Claudia Gisvold.	Rich Clevensine
February 29.	Shirley Pultorak.	Gary Goodwin



I hope you all have a blessed Easter. Be kind to one another

## Paradise Island Church in the Park

By Pastor Serena Johnson

**H**appy Spring!

Wow! It seems like the snow birds just came down and now they are going back up north! We will miss you! All the flowers starting to bloom and the smell of what is cooking on the grill. Ah. we are so fortunate. Thank you, Lord, for these blessings. Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are traveling. May you stay well and happy and come back soon.

Everyone is cordially invited to join us on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM in the Clubhouse. We are a non-denominational church, we welcome all, and look forward to meeting you. Come feel the love of God as we worship the Lord together. Pastor Eddie Lamb has joined our church family and will give the message every second Sunday of the month, Come and welcome him. If you are unable to come you can view the service on YouTube under "PI Church in the Park."

You are welcome to attend our Bible Study on Thursday mornings at 9:30AM led by Pastor Serena Johnson, After Bible Study on Thursdays we have Choir Practice from 10:30 to 11:30 AM led by Jenny Caldarello. Prayer meeting on Fridays at 10:30 AM led by Pastor Serena Johnson, Room 3 Clubhouse.

If you know of someone who needs prayer and you would like to add to or take off our prayer list, please contact Pat Murphy by email: [pamurphy51@gmail.com](mailto:pamurphy51@gmail.com), with pertinent information.

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## Editor's Corner

By Harold Noeller



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Also, there are 5 places to look for an activities date and time either in the current month or in future months. They are:

- Within the media, there might be an article with all of the details.
- The calendar section of the media.
- The Bulletin Board in the Clubhouse.
- Our web site at [www.paradiseislandlargo.com](http://www.paradiseislandlargo.com) under the Amenities link.
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# Letter(s) to the Editor

## VETERAN'S CORNER

By Bob Behm



### Time To Contact the VA

Millions of U.S. veterans will be eligible beginning March 5 for health care with the Department of Veterans Affairs under an accelerated effort to provide benefits and services to those exposed to toxic substances while serving. The VA announced Monday that all veterans who have served in a combat zone since the Vietnam War, as well as those who participated in training or operations and came into contact with hazardous materials, will be able to enroll in VA health care.

The expansion of health care benefits was mandated by the PACT Act, signed into law by President Joe Biden in August 2022, which required the expansion to occur by 2032. VA officials said last month the acceleration is a result of a hiring blitz made possible by provisions in the law. "If you're a veteran who may have been exposed to toxins or hazards while serving our country, at home or abroad, we want you to come to us for the health care you deserve," VA Secretary Denis McDonough said Monday in a release.

Under the PACT Act, more than 100,000 veterans have enrolled in VA health care and roughly 760,000 disability claims have been approved. VA officials did not detail exactly how many veterans now will be eligible for care under the expansion but said the figure is in the "millions." "Beginning March 5, we're making millions of veterans eligible for VA health care years earlier than called for by the PACT Act," VA Under Secretary for Health Dr. Shereef Elnahal said. "We want to bring all of these veterans to VA for the care they've earned and deserve." The expansion allows all veterans who deployed to combat zones in support of the Vietnam, Persian Gulf, Iraq and Afghanistan wars to enroll in VA health care.

In addition, veterans who never deployed but were exposed to pollutants while participating in a known "toxic exposure risk activity," or TERA, either in the U.S. or abroad, will be eligible. That would include exposure while on active duty, active-duty training or inactive-duty training to: air pollutants from burn pits, particulate matter, sulfur or oil well fires; chemicals such as pesticides, herbicides, contaminated water or depleted uranium from embedded shrapnel; occupational hazards such as lead, industrial solvents, toxic paint, asbestos and firefighting foam; radiation, including nuclear weapons handling, maintenance and detonation, X-rays and occupational exposure; and chemical or biological weapons or nerve agents.

According to the VA, the department will use service records and other resources to determine whether a veteran participated in a TERA. Veterans are not required to have a service-connected disability or file a compensation claim to be eligible for VA care. New enrollees will have access to a toxic exposure screening provided by their primary care physician and may be referred to specialty care depending on need, Elnahal said during a call with reporters last month.

They also will be assessed for placement in the VA's priority-based health system and referred to the Veterans Benefits Administration if they qualify for additional benefits. Priority group placement determines whether a veteran is required to make copayments for appointments or

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prescriptions, depending on treatment or the medications. During a press conference Monday, Elnahal said that, by law, veterans receiving treatment for exposure-related illnesses will not make copayments for appointments related to that care.

"This is a real economic benefit opportunity for veterans but also a clinical benefit," Elnahal said. The Veterans Health Administration has set a goal to hire 52,000 employees this fiscal year, which, when factoring in attrition, should grow its workforce by 3%. Elnahal said the increases could help to absorb new patients, meet demand and standardize -- or even improve -- wait times.

"Challenges abound with hiring for every single health care system, so we are not complacent at all," Elnahal said. "We're continuing to make the changes we need to make the hiring process better and faster."

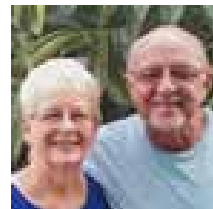
**The VA is encouraging veterans to apply for care or benefits by visiting the VA.gov/PACT website or calling 1-800-MYVA411.**

Bob Behm LTC, (RET ARMY)

## **New Residents Joining our Community**

*By the Welcome Team, Nancy & Ken Jonas*

**T**his will be my last article on behalf of the Welcome Team, as I have been elected to the Co-op BOD and feel a need to dedicate most of my time to that position. Nancy will continue serving on the Welcome Team and Paulette Rich has graciously stepped up to help greet all of our new residents and inform them of all the great activities the PISC has planned for your enjoyment! If you are new to Paradise Island and have not heard from us yet or we have left a message for you, please return our call so we may set up an appointment to meet you at your convenience. Welcome to Paradise !!!



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*By Bonnie Melke*

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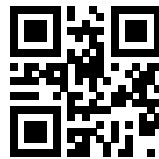
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607	Jeffrey	Nolan	April 10
705	Donna	Fabbro	April 10
809	Gary	Jira	April 10
32	Mark	Rogers	April 11
671	Diane	Andrews	April 12
494	Allison	Schrobback	April 13
646	Rena	Fowler	April 13
424	Charles	Blankenship	April 14
443	Lou	Cox	April 14
656	Loretta	Tibbo	April 14
170	Nan	Honeycutt	April 15
660	Thomas	Donohue	April 15
103	Paul	Humphries	April 16
186	Mildred	Little	April 16
236	Hillary	Davidson	April 17



343	Darlene	Stubbendick	April 17
551	Maryanne	Rodak	April 17
624	Patrick	Kilcoyne	April 17
800	Sandy	Pariseau	April 17
469	Yvan	Poire'	April 19
719	Lisa	Williams	April 19
5	Michelle	Griffith	April 20
68	Dawn	Maclean	April 20
446	Dick	Fournier	April 20
760	Julia	Vega	April 20
444	Peggy	Dumas	April 21
632	Phillip	Estabrook	April 21
741	Hershell	Carter	April 21
168	Sandy	Sumey	April 22
228	Jack	Allendorf	April 22
238	Eva	Mushow	April 22
294	Diane	Jones	April 22
434	Brenda	Kinsey	April 23
740	Jean	Boisse	April 23
783	Bill	Jazbec	April 23
601	Carol	Enos	April 25
98	Carol L.	Capuano	April 26
429	Patrica	Hahn	April 26
568	Linda	Carter	April 26
640	Al	Noeller	April 26
684	Bill	McNally	April 26
817	Betty	Simpson	April 26
653	Terrol	Getson	April 27
417	Kelly	Stafford	April 28
630	Sandra	Goodwin	April 28
224	Pamela	Chance	April 29
398	Kelly	Temple	April 30
510	Jackie	Mccarty	April 30
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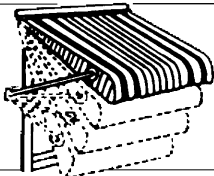
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744	Douglas & Darlene	Blair	April 2	1977
98	Fred & Carol	Capuano	April 4	1990
814	Jeffery & Cathy	Hickman	April 6	1984
602	Curt & Dena	Payonk	April 6	1991
189	Erictoft & Bonnie Fulle		April 6	2018
228	Jack & Jennifer Klasner	Allendorf	April 7	2020
761	Robert & Phyllis	Risi	April 8	1977
827	Richard & Mary	Desjardin	April 9	1981
354	Jim & Paulette	Rich	April 9	2005
159	Steve & Beth	Pieckiel	April 10	2004
356	James & Beverly	Spikes	April 11	1981
650	Herb & Vicky	Swinden	April 12	1980
352	Gordon & Denise	Mcmillan	April 12	
166	Walter & Cindy	Peifer	April 13	2019
261	John (Gene) & Sherry	Wells	April 18	1981
31	Melvin & Harriet	Blaiss	April 19	1959
704	Frank & Brenda	Pittman	April 23	1977
548	Randy & Jane	Reitz	April 23	2005
763	Jeff & Donna	Welch	April 25	1987
665	Ronald & Jeanne	Czikowsky	April 26	1969
238	Ronald & Eva	Mushow	April 26	1996
480	Ken & Sue	Stagner	April 28	
656	Paul & Loretta	Tibbo	April 28	
173	Robert & Norma	Patterson	April 30	2018
255	Diane & Deb	Rode	April 30	



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Lake Haven Mobile Home Park 2 Treasure Cove Clubhouse Community Sale and Bake Sale. Saturday April 6th, 8:30 am - 1 pm. 1415 Main Street Dunedin	Golf Cart For Sale - \$2,500. In Good Shape. 727-623-1984	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px;"> <p align="center"><b>ATTENTION RESIDENTS!</b></p> <p>Did you know this Emporium/                      Classified listing reaches over 21,500                      homes in Pinellas County? It goes                      into 60 community newsletters (just                      like this one) from Dunedin to St.                      Petersburg. This is a great market to                      sell items, advertise your next event,                      try and get help for a function, and                      many other things. Remember to                      think about this the next time you're                      planning something.</p> <p align="right">-Monthly Media Staff</p> </div>
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