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As members of the HOA we are always mindful of the needs of the residents and work hard to ensure that Management and Corporate are aware of our needs and the lifestyle we pay for and deserve to have; it's our responsibility.

It's hard to understand why anyone would choose not to support that. When we go to Management or Corporate with an issue, they see that only a fraction of us are willing to stand up for what we deserve. We wonder if we are taken seriously when they see that only a portion of our residents are willing to speak out. Sadly, that answer is NO.

Many of you have legitimate complaints that we hear in our HOA meetings and on the street. But if you aren't willing to show your support by paying \$12 per home per year for a membership, then you are talking to deaf ears. We can't support you if you don't support us. Its not that we don't want to, we can't. There is strength in numbers; that's just the way it is. If we are not a united group, they don't listen to us. And if you think that you are hurting us by not joining the HOA, well, yes you are and you are hurting yourself and everyone else.

If someone is telling you not to come to our meetings because people are always complaining and yelling, then don't complain and yell. If you are a member, you are entitled and welcomed to speak your concerns, then sit down, wait for a response and if that doesn't suit you, go to the Board and discuss it further after the meeting. That is your right as a member. If you are not a member, you have no right to complain.

If you want to become a member, come to the next HOA meeting the Monday the 3rd of August, bring your \$12 and see Rosalie at the front table. She will be more than happy to accommodate you.



OUR “NEW” RULES & REGULATIONS

With summer in full swing, we are seeing so many more people gardening and sprucing up their homes; we see them at the pool, the lake, bicycling and walking and visiting with their friends and neighbors.

Lately, the subject of their neighborly chats has included the ‘Rules and Regulations’ document that was delivered to each home by mail early in July. Those of us who have been here for a while know that not much has changed.

With the exception of a few things that did not pertain to our park, like the mowing of our own lawns, almost all the information was the same as it has been since the beginning of our park so there is no need to be alarmed.

One actual change has to do with the late rent date going back to the 5th of the month. Up until about 4 years ago, our late date was the 5th of the month. Then it was changed to the 10th to accommodate some residents who needed the extra time and now it’s going back to the way it was before the change. The five extra days (to the 10th) helped some, but not those others who got their checks even later in the month. So, what would be fair to all?

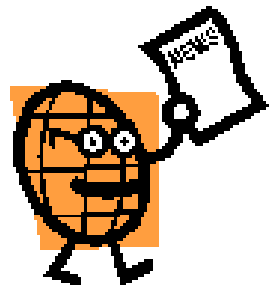
One big problem for us is that we have not had permanent Management, for so long, who knew or enforced our rules. Also, most residents don’t have their copy of the Rules or were never given one so they just don’t know. However, most of the rules are ‘common sense’ rules that you see in every community; keep your lot clean, clean up after your pet, don’t speed through the park and be courteous to your neighbor.

But now we have these Rules in writing and I encourage you to keep them in a safe place and refer to them as needed. If you need to discuss something about them that you don’t understand, either talk to Carol or ask a HOA Board Member or someone else whom you trust to give you accurate information. Don’t allow yourself to be angry or upset due to bad information and hype. Ask the right people.

SPECIAL NOTE: Management advises that due to the error concerning “Lawn Maintenance” a revision to these Rules will be coming soon.

FMO NEWS

*Submitted by Violet Escobar
FMO Park Representative*



Somebody asked me the other day, “What has the FMO done for me?” My answer was “What did you do with the approximately \$400+ that FMO saved you last year?” He asked, “What \$400?”

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**The following events are fictitious but not impossible.

January 2022 – In the year of their 60th anniversary, the Federation of Manufactured Homeowners of Florida, Inc (FMO) announced they are dissolving the corporation as they are no longer able to meet their financial and legal obligations, thus ending the only statewide advocacy group for mobile/manufactured homeowners.

February 2022 – Citizens Insurance announced they will no longer offer insurance to mobile homes older than 10 years and all carports and sheds will not be included in the coverage.

March 2022 – In a cost cutting measure, the Governor has recommended abolishing the Division of Condominiums, Timeshares and Mobile Homes, thus eliminating the DBPR (Florida’s Department of Business and Professional Regulations)

New bills have been created in the upcoming Legislative Session to:

- Abolish the sales tax exemption on mobile home lot rentals
- Eliminate the funding for the Mobile Home Tie-Down Program
- Eliminate the Florida Mobile Home Relocation Corporation

April 2022 – Mobile home installers no longer need to be licensed.

April 2022 – All park bingo cards subject to sales tax

April 2022 – Residents in cooperatives will lose their homestead exemption

May 2022 – Mobile homes on rental property will now be taxed as real property

June 2022 – park owners have begun to lobby for elimination of Florida Statute 723, indicating Florida Statute 83, the Landlord – Tenant Act, should once again be the governing document for mobile homes on rental property.

December 2022 – Purchases of Mobile/Manufactured homes has seen a momentous decline and is expected to continue to decline as this once affordable lifestyle has seen significant rental increases and devaluation of these homes. This once affordable alternative option to Florida Retirement is no longer viable.

Source: FMO News March/April 2015

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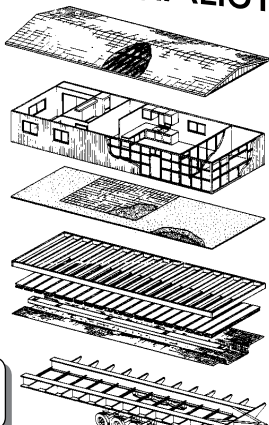
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REPORTS:

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND PARTY

By Ricardo Vega, Acting Reporter

Our Memorial Day Weekend Party was, without a doubt, one of the most successful events we've had in a long time. Crystal Lake HOA and Management worked together to coordinate this occasion and the fantastic weather made the day all that much more spectacular.

Approximately 90 residents came out to enjoy Hamburgers, Hot Dogs (grilled by Chef Richie), Chicken, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Cupcakes and Beverages.

A special THANKS to all who worked so hard to make our Memorial Day Weekend Party of 2015 a total blast! We love getting together and spending quality time and good food with all our friends and neighbors and hope even more will plan to attend our next event.

If you missed this one, keep an eye out for the next. We'd love to have you join in the fun.

MEET AND GREET WITH NEW MANAGER

By Ricardo Vega, Acting Reporter

The residents of Crystal Lake were invited to a PANCAKE BREAKFAST MEET-N-GREET with the new Community Manager, Carol Haney on Saturday, June 20, 2015. Carol was happy to answer many of our questions and concerns: approximately 50 people attended.

The event was sponsored and planned by HOA and Carol Haney our new Community Manager.

Large fluffy Pancakes (prepared by Chef Richie from scratch), Sausages, Orange juice and Coffee were served and enjoyed by all.

Thanks to everyone who worked to make this MEET-N-GREET a success.

Do you think there could be another 'MEET-N-GREET'? Keep your eyes open and you will know.

POLICE MEET AND MINGLE

By Ricardo Vega, Acting Reporter

The HOA and Neighborhood Watch sponsored a POLICE MEET AND MINGLE on Saturday, June 13, 2015. The Pinellas Park Police in partnership with the Crime Prevention Unit met with our residents for a cookout while they registered our bikes and shared experiences.

The new Chief of Police, Michael Haworth was our guest speaker. He spent much of his time chatting with the residents, answering questions and sharing experiences. Pictures were taken and will help to serve as a reminder of their constant support.



Officer Breilind Hoffman and her horse “Dash” and Officer Tim Pasley and his horse “Chief” from the Mounted Unit were present and rode their horses throughout the park as a reminder for all to come to the clubhouse for the event. Some residents even had pictures taken with the officers and their horses.

Other officers that were present included: Officer Donna Saxer, Officer Daniel Butterworth, Officer Tim Osgood and Volunteer Officer R. Cavness.

The planning of the event included many people including Officer Donna Saxer from the Crime Prevention Unit and Violet Escobar from the Crystal Lake Neighborhood Watch along with Richie Vega, Street Patroller and approved by Corky and Vickie Craver, NW Coordinators and Cliff Shaffer, HOA President. HOA is the sponsor of our park’s Neighborhood Watch.

Hamburgers and Hot Dogs were provided by the PPPD and HOA provided the sides.

There were approximately 40/50 residents in attendance and approximately 15 bikes were registered.

Thanks, as usual to all who worked to help make this event a special one.

MEET-N-GREET

By Ricardo Vega, Acting Reporter

This event coordinated by the HOA, was held in order to meet the new residents and get to know them better. It took place on Monday, June 1, 2015. The event started at 6:00 pm and lasted until 8:00 pm with approximately 40 people attending.

Sweets were served along with Tea and Coffee.

Ron Gaines was the winner of the 50/50 drawing. Congratulations Ron!

Thanks to everyone that in any way, made this a fun event and a great success.

SPECIAL NOTE: There was no HOA meeting in July so the next meeting of the Homeowners’ Association will be on August 3rd at 7:00pm. In the meantime, any questions, comments, suggestions, etc. you may have for the HOA Board can be written, signed with a lot number and placed in the mail slot in the HOA OFFICE door in the CLUBHOUSE. A Board member will respond to you personally, if necessary or otherwise, your issue will be discussed in the next meeting. THANKS!

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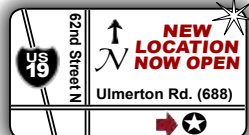


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WORD OF THE MONTH – FEAR-MONGERING

Article by Violet Escobar

According to Wikipedia, Fear-mongering (or scare-mongering or scare tactics) is the use of fear to influence the opinions and actions of others towards some specific end.

Every community, organization or large group of people seems to have one, a Fear-monger. It's not hard to alter the opinions of others by scaring them with made-up or altered information. Perhaps you know one in your community. The ways you recognize them are:

1. They are usually angry with their surroundings and want to make everyone around them angry also... they need justification so they seek support.
2. Many times they are alone and looking for someone who is uninformed, unhappy with the way things are going or new to the group and are therefore vulnerable.
3. They seek recognition by giving out false or twisted information that scares others into thinking they have been given 'inside information' so that the rumors continue to spread.
4. They will do favors for you to keep you on 'their side'.
5. They are happiest when there is chaos and dissension all around them and feel powerful knowing that they are the one who has started the problems.
6. They are angry with themselves and therefore want you to be angry too.
7. They will be your best friend as long as they think they can use you and once you catch on and step away, they will turn on you and you will become the subject of their next attack. Be Aware!

The way to deal with the fear-mongers is to be informed. Believe only what you know for sure is true and from a reliable source; the best way to do that is to go directly to the source of what it is you don't understand or want to know more about. Then listen carefully with an intelligent and open mind and if you still don't understand keep asking until you do.

Distance yourself from anyone who constantly talks about others and puts them down. They will give you bad information and bring you down to their level. Don't let yourself become a victim of the Fear-mongers.

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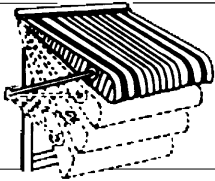
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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Submitted by Ricardo Vega

The Neighborhood Watch consists on the participation of EVERY resident in our park who wants to feel protected and take a part in making Crystal Lake a safer place to live.

There are many ways in which you can help. As for now, we provide you a partial list of things you can do:

a) Be a Watch Captain - Collect information from patrols in your designated area, remind people in your area about meetings and encourage them to attend.

b) Be a Street-Patroller - make a note of anything you see that seems suspicious on your daily walks such as unidentified vehicles (We're looking into getting decals for authorized cars), people walking or biking through looking into carports or walking between houses, etc.

c) Be a Window Watcher - Be more observant and take a minute or two to make a note of anything you see on your street that just doesn't look right. Save this information for your Watch Captain to deliver to the Coordinator for record-keeping or an necessary action.

d) So you see there's something for everyone to do to have a part in keeping our park safer and always remember: If you see something suspicious, pick up the phone and call the Pinellas Park Police Department at (727) 541-0758.

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Submitted by: Violet Escobar

By now we have ALL seen Richie walking, riding a scooter or a bike up and down our streets looking for trespassers or others who are searching for things like bicycles, lawn ornaments, fishing gear or whatever else they can find to steal. This is Private Property and we have every right to keep trespassers out!

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We know Richie is part of our Neighborhood Watch team when we see him because he wears a reflective vest and sometimes a white T-shirt that says PINELLAS PARK CRIME WATCH. Yet, twice now, someone has called 911 to report him patrolling late at night and even once during the early evening. What part of “PROTECTING YOU” isn’t understood?

The first time, it was an inconvenience because his wife, Margie (another part of the NW team) had to come in the dark (with her walker) to bring ID so he could prove who he was to the Police.

The second time was just recently. How embarrassing to our park for someone to feel the need to report a man - on a scooter that they see during all times of the day and night, with a reflective vest - for doing a VOLUNTEER job to keep us safe and protected. And thank Goodness that he doesn’t take these attacks personally and can usually laugh them off or he would have quit a long time ago. Then what?

Also, thank Goodness the PPPD only sent one Squad Car this time not like the last time when the Fire Department and a K-9 officer showed up. These officers may have been needed somewhere else for something more important.

I have to admit it would be kind of amusing to see the local police stopping the Neighborhood Watch Patrol (Richie was actually laughing when he was telling me about it) but we need the Police support. Remember the story of “The Boy Who Cried Wolf”? When help was needed no one came. Maybe we should be thankful that you see him everywhere... day and night.

I’m not suggesting that you never call 911: I’m just asking you to be selective. Get to know those who out there to protect and support you. If you see something that doesn’t look right to you, call the Neighborhood Watch Team! If there is something threatening, call 911. We need for everyone to be safe.

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- EZride Program – this is a fee for service transportation program offered by Neighborly Care network. The program serves Pinellas county residents aged 55 and older, and disabled residents.

EZride service is offered for ANY trip purpose in Pinellas County with destinations that also include southern Pasco, as well as specific destinations in northern Hillsborough, such as H. Lee Moffitt Cancer center, the VA Hospital/Medical Clinic and the University of South Florida Medical clinics at a flat rate fee.

EZride requires an annual membership fee of just \$25, which can be given as a gift. The cost of each trip is based on a \$3.00 pickup fee plus a charge of \$1.50 per mile for each one-way trip. You can visit the website at www.Neighborly.org or call 727-571-4384. Not too bad for a quick trip to the Dr. or the Grocery store or pharmacy.

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FROM THE KITCHEN RECIPES

STRAWBERRY-BANANA MILKSHAKE

Serves 2

Ingredients:

- 6 frozen strawberries, chopped
- 1 medium banana
- 1/2 cup soy milk
- 1 cup fat-free vanilla frozen yogurt, no sugar added
- 2 fresh strawberries, sliced

In a blender, combine frozen strawberries, banana, soy milk and frozen yogurt. Blend until smooth. Pour into tall, frosty glasses and garnish each with fresh strawberry slices.

Nutrition analysis per serving: 200 calories, 1 g total fat (trace of saturated fat, 0 g trans fat, 1 g monounsaturated fat), 0 mg cholesterol, 1179 mg sodium, 284 mg potassium, 285 mg calcium, 42 g total carbohydrate (7 g fiber, 18g sugars*), 7 g protein

*Note – all sugar in this recipe is natural; there is no added sugar.

Over time, you just may start preferring healthier sweets over high-calorie, packaged goods. Don't assume you need a decadent dessert to satisfy a craving!

Source: <http://diet.mayoclinic.org>





COFFEE CAKE DONUTS

Serves: 6

Ingredients

For the Crumb Topping:

- ¼ cup unsalted butter, melted
- ¼ cup light brown sugar
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon

For the Glaze:

- ½ cup confectioner's sugar
- ½ tablespoon milk

For the Doughnuts:

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¼ cup granulated sugar
- 1 egg, at room temperature
- 1 tablespoon unsalted butter
- ½ cup milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Instructions

- Preheat oven to 325 degrees F. Spray a doughnut pan with nonstick cooking spray and set aside.
- Prepare the crumb topping by melting the butter in a heatproof bowl. Stir in brown sugar, flour and ground cinnamon until coarse crumbs form. Set aside.
- In a medium bowl, sift together flour, baking powder, and salt. Set aside.
- Cream together the sugar, egg, and melted butter. Add milk and vanilla extract.
- Once wet ingredients are combined, slowly add dry ingredients and mix until fully incorporated.
- Spoon the batter into a medium-sized Ziploc bag and seal. Cut off one corner of the bag and fill each doughnut cup $\frac{3}{4}$ full. Divide crumb topping equally between the 6 donuts. Place into the preheated oven and bake for 14-16 minutes or until donuts are slightly golden. Remove from oven and let rest in the doughnut pan for 5 minutes or until slightly cooled. Remove donuts and place on a wire rack.
- Next, make the glaze. Whisk together confectioner's sugar and milk until smooth. Drizzle desired amount over donuts and enjoy!

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Contrary to what you might think, portion control does not require taking drastic measures. Memorizing a complete inventory of food serving sizes or carrying measuring cups with you to meals just isn't necessary. Simply use these serving size guide illustrations to help you easily identify accurate portions.

How to count Servings:

Vegetables: 25 calories

- 1 cup broccoli – 1 baseball
- 2 cups raw leafy greens – 2 baseballs

Fruits: 60 calories

- ½ Cup Sliced Fruit – 1 Tennis Ball
- 1 sm. Apple or Medium orange –

Carbohydrates: 70 calories

- ½ cup pasta or dry cereal – Hockey Puck
- ½ small bagel – Hockey Puck
- 1 slice whole-grain bread – Hockey Puck
- ½ medium baked potato – Hockey Puck

Protein/Dairy: 110 calories

- 3 oz. Fish – Deck of cards
- 2-2 ½ oz meat – 2/3 deck of cards
- 1-1½ oz hard cheese – 1/3 deck of cards

Fats: 45 calories

- 1 ½ teaspoons peanut butter – 2 dice
- 1 teaspoon of butter or margarine – 1 die



Remember that a portion is not the same as a serving. A portion is an amount of food on your plate. A serving is a specific amount of food that equals a certain number of calories. Often the “portion” you eat contains more than one “serving.” Keep that in mind while cooking and making food selections.

SOURCE: Taken from www.mayoclinic.org

THIS-N-THAT

Trivia

Question: U.S. paper money is made from a blend of cotton and which other material?



Answer: According to the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, paper money is made from 75% cotton and 25% linen fibers. The Bureau of Engraving and Printing says it would take 4,000 double folds (first forward, and then backwards) before a note will tear. The U.S. Department of the Treasury first issued paper U.S. currency in 1862 to make up for the shortage of coins and to finance the Civil War.

Question: Which famous composer had 20 children, including five boys named after him?

Answer: Johann Sebastian Bach was a German composer and musician of the Baroque period. He was one of the greatest composers of all time, but during his lifetime, he was little-known and was mostly recognized for performing on the organ. Bach married his second cousin, named Maria Barbara, who was the inspirational force for his early compositions. They had seven children, 4 of whom survived to adulthood. W. F. Bach, J. C. Bach, and C. P. E. Bach became composers. Maria Barbara died in 1720. On December 3, 1721, Bach married Anna Magdalena, a talented soprano, who was 17 years his junior. They had thirteen children. Bach fathered a total of 20 children with his two wives. His sons Friedemann Bach, Johann Christoph Bach, and Carl Philip Emanuel Bach became important composers in the Rococo style. The descendants of Bach are living in many countries across the world.

Question: Who famously said, "Genius is 1% inspiration and 99% perspiration"?

Answer: Thomas Alva Edison was an American inventor and businessman who developed many devices which greatly influenced life worldwide into the twenty-first century. Thomas Edison is attributed with the saying, "Genius is 1% inspiration and 99% perspiration." It means that it is hard work that makes a person a genius. Edison was of the view that geniuses are made, not born. Edison tested 3000 theories for the electric light before he came up with one that worked. It was this epic perseverance that led him to famously observe, "genius is 1% inspiration and 99% perspiration".

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Have you ever looked at someone and knew the wheel was turning but the hamster was dead?

Joke

A burglar broke into a house one night. He shined his flashlight around, looking for valuables when a voice in the dark said, 'Jesus knows you're here.'

He nearly jumped out of his skin, clicked his flashlight off, and froze. When he heard nothing more, after a bit, he shook his head and continued. Just as he pulled the stereo out so he could disconnect the wires, clear as a bell he heard a voice....say, 'Jesus is watching you.'

Freaked out, he shined his light around frantically, looking for the source of the voice. Finally, in the corner of the room, his flashlight beam came to rest on a parrot. 'Did you say that?' he hissed at the parrot. 'Yep', the parrot confessed, then squawked, 'I'm just trying to warn you



that he is watching you.’

The burglar relaxed. ‘Warn me, huh? Who in the world are you?’

‘I’m Moses.’ replied the bird. ‘Moses?’ the burglar laughed. ‘What kind of people would name a bird Moses?’



‘The same kind of people that would name their Rottweiler Jesus.’

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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

I am unaware of any Anniversaries this month.



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

****We would like to acknowledge all birthdays and anniversaries in our newsletter each month. Because this information was gathered at the Meet and Greet, not everyone was available to fill out the very short form. Please call, e-mail me or see me so that I can get this information from you. Thank you so much for your participation.

AUGUST

Submitted by Richie Vega

FACTS

- AUGUST is the eighth month of the year (between July and September) in the Julian and Gregorian calendars and one of seven months with a length of 31 days. In the Southern Hemisphere, August is the seasonal equivalent of February in the Northern Hemisphere.
- This month was originally named Sextilis in Latin, because it was the sixth month in the original ten-month Roman calendar under Romulus in 753 BC, when March was the first

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month of the year. About 700 BC it became the eighth month when January and February were added to the year before March by King Numa Pompilius, who also gave it 29 days. Julius Caesar added two days when he created the Julian calendar in 45 BC giving it its modern length of 31 days. In 8 BC it was renamed in honor of Augustus (despite common belief, he did not take a day from February; see the debunked theory on month lengths). According to a Senatus consultum quoted by Macrobius, he chose this month because it was the time of several of his great triumphs, including the conquest of Egypt.

AUGUST IS OBSERVED AS...

- National Immunization Awareness Month
- National Psoriasis Awareness Month
- In the United States, August is National Back to School month.
- In the United States, August is National Goat Cheese month.
- American Adventures Month
- Audio Appreciation Month
- Black Business Month
- Cataract Awareness Month
- Children's Vision and Learning month
- Get Ready for Kindergarten Month
- Happiness Happens Month
- Neurosurgery Outreach Month
- Panini Month
- Spinal Muscular Atrophy Awareness Month

SYMBOLS

- August's birthstones are the peridot and sardonyx.
- Its birth flower is the gladiolus or poppy, meaning beauty, strength of character, love, marriage and family.
- The zodiac signs for the month of August are Leo (until August 22) and Virgo (from August 23 onwards).



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Get Your Picture on the Cover - We select a new and interesting picture every month to be printed on the cover of your newsletter. If you or your neighbors have fun events or activities please send in a picture and we'll enter it to be selected. Please include a description of the image and a brief release allowing us to reprint the picture. Our mailing and email address are located the bottom of this page.



Emporium/Classified Listing - Do you have an event in your community such as a Bake Sale or Flea Market? An item for sale like an old set of golf clubs that needs to go? Help needed or vendors wanted for an event? Maximize the people that see your listing and use the Emporium! Your listing will be printed & delivered to over 20,000 homes in Pinellas County. See the Emporium page toward the end of the newsletter for more info.



Larger Print Newsletters - At the request of some residents we are now offering Larger Print Newsletters to those who request them. The newsletter type will be approximately 20% larger (16 pt article body type vs. 12 pt normally). There is a small service charge of \$2 per newsletter for those who request. The larger type newsletters can either be delivered to you every month like they are now or we can mail them directly to your home for an additional \$2 per issue shipping charge. Please call Monthly Media (phone number listed below) for more information.



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August Sudoku

How to play: The numbers 1 through 9 will appear once only in each row, column, and 3x3 zone. There are 9 such zones in each sudoku grid. There is only one correct solution to each sudoku. Good luck!

Difficulty level: medium.

			1		8			
		4		2				
		6		3				4
	3	1		4				
	2				4			1
		9					2	
			8	5				3
	6			7				
7			1		6		9	8

It's Beach Time!



8	6	2	9	8				
5	4	7	1	4	5	1	3	6
3	6	8	9	2	7	1	4	5
4	8	9	5	7	1	3	2	6
5	2	7	3	6	9	4	8	1
6	3	1	2	4	8	7	5	9
2	5	6	7	8	3	9	1	4
8	1	4	6	9	2	5	3	7
9	7	3	4	1	5	8	6	2

Difficulty level: medium

Monthly Mania: It Pays (Up to \$100) To Patronize the Advertisers in Your Newsletter

14,492 manufactured home residents have won over \$124,374 since our contest began. It's simple to play ... when you patronize a current advertiser, ask for a Monthly Mania ticket (or a reasonable facsimile) and fill it out completely. Put the ticket in our Monthly Mania drop box in your community or [mail your paid receipt](#) to us at **Monthly Media • PO Box 1023 • Venice, FL 34284**. That's all you do. At the end of the month the Publishers will pick up the tickets and hold a drawing. If your ticket is drawn, we mail you a check.

(Allow 4-6 weeks for mailing of check). This month's cash winners are:

Sharon Anderson.....\$100.00.....	AJ's Bed & Furniture	Gary Cornely.....\$5.00.....	Chambers Specialties, Inc.
Nello Cassai.....\$10.00.....	Barron's AC & Appliance Service	Timothy Buswell.....\$5.00.....	Boss Electric Corp.
Richard Daw.....\$10.00.....	Chambers Specialties, Inc.	Ronald Carnegie.....\$5.00.....	Jones & Sons Plumbing
Bill Schwab.....\$10.00.....	Haseney Electric	William Riley.....\$5.00.....	Modern Air Conditioning
Joe Fayocavitz.....\$10.00.....	Bill the Carpet Guy	Jim Whelpley.....\$5.00.....	Action Appliance
Jack Sonneborn.....\$10.00.....	Century Awnings	Robert Post.....\$5.00.....	Kathy's Cleaning Service
Walter Martin.....\$10.00.....	E & E Gliddon	Georgia Goetting.....\$5.00.....	E & E Gliddon
Dolores Calonita.....\$10.00.....	Knoblach Hearing Care	Mark Percoco.....\$5.00.....	Air Masters of Pinellas
Janet Hart.....\$10.00.....	All Around Tours	James O'Sullivan.....\$5.00.....	Barron's AC & Appliance Service
Sandra Peterson.....\$10.00.....	Notebooks Plus	Lola Jenkins.....\$5.00.....	Battleline Termite & Pest Control
Patricia Morreale.....\$10.00.....	Palm Harbor & Dunedin Electric	Phoebe Taylor.....\$5.00.....	Bob's Mobile Home Wash
Shirley McClure.....\$10.00.....	Comfort Cover Systems	Mary Fochtman.....\$5.00.....	Knoblach Hearing Care
Leslie Cyrene.....\$10.00.....	ASC, Inc.	Diane Strube.....\$5.00.....	Debbie's Salon
Norma Eldridge.....\$10.00.....	The Plumbing Patrol	Aida Amico.....\$5.00.....	Bill the Carpet Guy
William Shiels.....\$5.00.....	Capital Golf Carts, Inc.	Hazel Whitton.....\$5.00.....	Shonna Bender LMT
Betty Martin.....\$5.00.....	Ron Wyngarden MH Washing	Michael Wisehart.....\$5.00.....	Buggin Out Pest Control
Elizabeth Murphy.....\$5.00.....	Bob's Mobile Home Wash	Mildred Vilchis.....\$5.00.....	Boss Electric Corp.
Karen Haggerty.....\$5.00.....	Century Awnings	Norm Sarette.....\$5.00.....	Heller's Mobile Home Washing
Mary Marks.....\$5.00.....	Kathy's Cleaning Service	Archie Bunting.....\$5.00.....	Community Roofing
Deborah Butler.....\$5.00.....	Rod Runners	Rose Omara.....\$5.00.....	Debbie's Salon
Monica Gorman.....\$5.00.....	Shonna Bender LMT	Maurice Fisher.....\$5.00.....	Recreational Golf Cars of Florida
Roger Flood.....\$5.00.....	Doll Brothers	Gladys Malone.....\$5.00.....	Heller's Mobile Home Washing
Ron Wallace.....\$5.00.....	Air Masters of Pinellas	Marilyn Besancenez.....\$5.00.....	Doll Brothers
Ann Santos.....\$5.00.....	Ron Wyngarden MH Washing		

• Limit of one ticket per visit • Advertiser may have up to 4 winners per month • Advertiser must have bill paid current to qualify • No purchase necessary • Contest void where prohibited by law • Green tickets available at participating Monthly Media advertisers.

Multiply Your Monthly Mania!

As you probably already know; patronizing the advertisers in this newsletter also pays YOU with our Monthly Mania Cash Give-a-Way. **We pay out \$400 every month to residents** who submit tickets they have received from using the businesses in the newsletter. Winning is easy, just patronize any advertiser in the newsletter, then submit either the ticket or a paid receipt to us for your chance to win!

Now You Have More Chances to Win!

We are now offering unlimited entries into our Monthly Mania drawing by just *SUGGESTING* a business to advertise.

Here is how it works:

1. Call our office and suggest a business to advertise in the newsletter
2. We will take down your information (name, address, phone number) and enter you into the next month's drawing for over \$400 in cash prizes
3. The more businesses you suggest, the more chances you have to win.
(To qualify each resident can only suggest a business once)

What businesses would you like to see advertising?

We have spots available in the following categories:


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| • Accountant/Tax Prep | • Foot Specialist - Podiatrist | • Moving Services |
| • Assisted Living Facility | • Golf Cart Sales & Service | • Optometrist |
| • Attorney/Lawyer | • Hair Salon/Day Spa | • Painting - Inside & Outside |
| • Automotive Painting/
Detailing | • Hearing Aid/Retail | • Pet Services |
| • Automotive Repair/Sales | • Home Care | • Pharmacy |
| • Awnings | • Home Furniture & Mattress | • Remodeling/Interior |
| • Banks | • House Cleaning | • Resale Store |
| • Bathroom Remodel | • Insurance Home/Auto/Health | • Restaurants |
| • Bicycle Repair & Sales | • Investment/Brokerage | • Screen Repair |
| • Bingo | • Jewelry Sales/Design/Repair | • Storage |
| • Chiropractor | • Manufactured Home Sales | • Taxi/Shuttle |
| • Computer Services | • Massage Therapy | • Travel Agent |
| • Dentist | • Medical Doctor | • Veterinarian |
| • Driveway Coating | • Mobile Home Supplies -
Retail | • Window Film/Tinting |
| • Fitness Center/Gym | • Motorcycle/Moped Sales &
Repair | • Window Washing |
| • Floor Coverings/Retail | | • Window Treatment/Interior |

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<p>PT Cruiser 2002 loaded clean white low mileage well maintained call 727-586-6699</p>	<p>When selling on consignment always get a WRITTEN QUOTE on the sellers' commission.</p>	<p>ATTENTION RESIDENTS!</p> <p>Did you know this Emporium/ Classified listing reaches over 21,000 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 great things. Remember to think about this the next time you're planning something.</p> <p>Thanks!</p> <p>-Monthly Media Staff</p>
<p>AEROBED Premier raised queen inflatable bed. Power inflation, mattress cover, skirt, repair patches, storage bag. \$300 new, asking \$110. Also two folding rattan PRIVACY SCREENS, like new. Both for \$95. 727-238-0752</p>	<p>GOT A CAR YOU WANNA SELL? THE GOOD, THE BAD, OR THE UGLY. CALL NOW: 727-400-1910.</p>	
<p>Heath's Vehicle Detailing - We come to you! Call 517-262-6844</p>	<p>BUYING COIN COLLECTIONS. Proof and mint sets, old coins, currency, \$.03 for "Wheaties", American Flyer Trains. 688-9871</p>	
<p>CRAFTERS WANTED! EBO in Largo needs Crafters for their Show Dec. 5th, from 8-2. Tables are \$20.00 Call Debbie 727-531-3633</p>	<p>CARS OR TRUCKS, Top dollar paid by Andrew 726-0094 or 785-1288</p>	
	<p>FURNITURE, good clean, pre-owned. Top dollar paid. Joe, 224-9780</p>	
	<p>!! TOP CASH PAID!! JEWELRY: GOLD, STERLING, COSTUME (EVEN BROKEN JEWELRY), COINS, ANTIQUES, PAINTINGS, GLASSWARE, POTTERY, CHINA, ENTIRE ESTATES. FREE HOUSE CALLS, LAURA. ALL SALES SUBJECT TO APPROVAL. (727) 422-0095</p>	

SEPTEMBER AD DEADLINE - AUGUST 10, 2015

- Advertise BUY, SELL, TRADE ITEMS by sending copy & check to Monthly Media at P.O. Box 1023, Venice, FL 34284.
- Ads over 10 words must be accompanied by \$.80 per extra word or publisher will edit. • No mobile home sales, no professional products or services. SORRY: No ads accepted by phone or email. DEADLINE: 10th OF EACH MONTH.

It Pays To Patronize the Advertisers in This Newsletter!

With our monthly cash give-a-way, **Monthly Mania**, residents can win up to \$100 for simply using the businesses in the newsletter. See the winners listing page toward the end of this newsletter for more info. We give out \$400 monthly to residents just like you!

Do you want more chances to win? Let us know any businesses you would like to see advertising in the newsletter. The more advertisers you use, the more chances you have to win!



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