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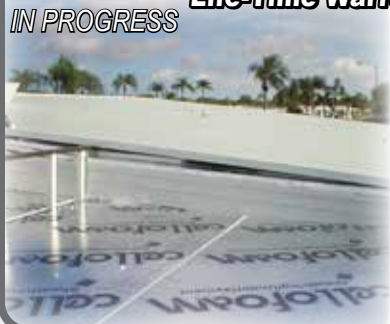
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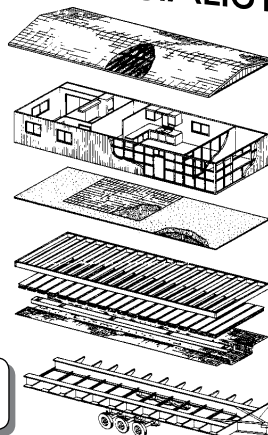
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# Presidents Corner

Submitted by Larry Taylor, # 257, 727-286-7740

I want to take this opportunity to say a big “Thank You” to our 2015 HOA Board Members. Tuesday, March 1st will be the confirmation of the 2016 HOA Board. I wish them the best year ever and all of us need to do what we can to help them and give them our support. I am honored to have been President for 4 years and a Director for 1 year. Thank you for this honor to help me in this endeavor.

# Dominos Results

Submitted by Helen Dennison, #210, 727-754-6977

January 4th - Nancy Barnes	January 11th	Table 1 Betty Mecke
		Table 2 Rose Leduc
January 18th - Pat Clark	January 25th	Rosemary Gourney

# Rummikub Winners

Submitted by Patricia Clark #125, 727-726-5145

January 2016	5th	Donna O’Donnell	12th	Suzanne Boisvert
		Suzanne Boisvert		Becky Mecke
	19	Suzanne Boisvert	26	Helen Platten
		Helen Platten		Pat Clark

# The Men’s Breakfast

Submitted by Richard Oliver, # 184, 727-726-0367



The “Men of the Hood” met on January 21st at the Lucky Dill for their monthly breakfast. It was the largest gathering (17) we have had in over a year. The attendees were: Larry, Murray, Ken, 2 Johns, Jim, Arden, Keith, 2 Wayne’s, Ross, Jack, Fred, Ron, Skip, Bill and Richard.

It was wonderful to see our Northerns back and to welcome our first time members. We missed two of our stalwart members, John Mackay and Gene Ecker who are dealing with serious medical issues. WE wished them a speedy recovery. The chatter was mostly about the old hometowns, the weather there, and some of the problems encountered in their drives back to Clearwater. Skip told us about his trip in his boat. He sailed from Connecticut to Clearwater via the Intracoastal Waterway. It was very interesting. The Lucky Dill was nice. The food was good and the portions were more than sufficient in size. Our next breakfast will take place on February 18th. The location will be determined later and will be posted in the Clubhouse. Please sign up at the Clubhouse. Hope to see you there!!!

## Spotlight on New Resident

Dennis (Denny) Blank -Lot #195

Submitted by Pat Henderson #266, 727-400-6002

An outgoing, youthful gentleman, named Denny, moved into Island in the Sun on Christmas Eve Day and he has already become active in park activities. He attended the New Year's Eve party where he welcomed in 2016 by dancing and having a great time. When the DJ played "YMCA", he quickly got into the action and said, "that's my song"! He was at the HOA meeting Tuesday night, getting acquainted with people, and finding out what's going on in our community.

Denny hails from Pittsburgh, PA where he was born and grew up, but has lived in various states throughout the US, while making a career working for the YMCA. His career began when he became a Camp Counselor. He later became Project Director, Assistant Camp Director, Camp Director and Executives at YMCA's all over the country. At age 62, he retired as CEO from Charlottesville, VA. I would say a lot of hard work and loyalty paid off for him.

Son of a pastor, Denny and his wife have three sons. One son in Pittsburgh is in the Presbyterian Seminary, another in the Coast Guard in West Virginia, and the other is on a Navy aircraft carrier USS Eisenhower in the Persian Gulf. They have 4 grandchildren, 3 grandsons and 1 granddaughter. Denny and his wife divorced about twenty years ago, but still remain friends, even after she remarried.

About 11 years ago, Denny lived and worked here. He has first cousins in Pinellas Park and Largo and he always liked the Clearwater area. When he retired in October 2014 he moved to Harbor Town Condo and rented while looking for a place to buy. Once he drove into Island in the Sun, he was sure this would be his home. He looked at 9 places in our community, narrowing it down to lot #195. He wants to get a dog, so this place with the fenced back yard was most appealing to him.

He likes to be active and he is a "baseball nut", so he went to work for the Tampa Bay Rays. He works every home game dealing with the season ticket holders and members. He is an avid sports fan and follows various teams and enjoys seeing the Lightning and Rays play.

At age 39, Denny had a massive heart attack that almost killed him. He has had a triple by-pass, 7 stents, and now has a defibrillator. He likes to stay active enjoying the beach and water life, and riding his bicycle around the park. A golf cart came with the home purchase, so he loves riding in the community and meeting people.

He has quite a collection of sailboats and nautical stuff that he has collected over the past 30 years. He has been on 7 cruises and left January 7th on a cruise to the Western Caribbean along with 6 cousins. Three of them flew in from Pittsburgh and are at his home, and they will meet up with 3 more cousins from nearby. What a fun trip they are all looking forward to making.

Denny is very easy going and talkative, so when you see him out be sure and stop and chat with him. He is excited about his retirement years living at Island in the Sun. I think he will be an asset to our community.



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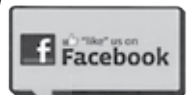


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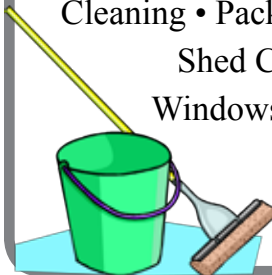
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## Ladies Lunch Bunch

*Submitted by Rose Montgomery Oliver #184, 301-332-9358 or 727-726-0637*

The Ladies Luncheon was held January 21, 2016, in BJ's Restaurant located in the Countryside Mall. We had close to thirty beautiful ladies to celebrate friendship together. What a fun time we had. We all agreed that it was a blessing to have Sally with us.

### **Prayer does change situations.**

Mary Jane Segarra, # 86, said this was a great get together. She said everyone was happy and healthy to be here.

Judy Koonter, #81 thought we had great food, great friends, and yummy "root beer." Everyone agreed!

A lady from New Brunswick said hi to everyone. If you think it's cold here!! It is 0 below where I live.

Jean McDonald, #304, loved the fact that we have such a great group of gals to enjoy having lunch. Thanks to the people who arranged it all. Thanks, Sally!

It was wonderful to have Kay Robinson, #204, back with us. It has been such a long time! Kay is glad to be back in Florida after experiencing a cold New Brunswick winter. It is great to see you all again!

Gaele, #239, said that it was great to have Sally and Kay with us today!

Eileen World, # 14, thought the food and company were great and it was so wonderful to see Sally!

Suzanne, #108, said that it was nice to be with Island in the Sun women and especially Sally!

Gertie, #71, Has a wonderful feeling by being a part of this fabulous group. Also it was wonderful to see Sally join us.

Laurel, #213, thought the group of women were fabulous. She also felt so welcomed!! Thank you Sally for arranging all these places. We are all so glad to have you here.

Suzanne, #91, Thanks for another great lunch with a fun group of ladies. Thank you Sally!

Marcy Shields, #133, felt that it was such a joy to have lunch in a wonderful place with all these beautiful ladies. Give health to all.

Mary Jane Baxter says she loves us all as she moves to Sarasota in two weeks. Miss you!



## IITS Food Bank

*Submitted by Larry and Kris Taylor #257,727-286-7740*

For the past 4 years Kris and I have had the honor to gather food, paper goods and soaps for a few of the residents that need a little help. We are giving this task up so someone else needs to step forward and continue. We will continue to take care of this until someone else steps up.

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## Remembrances and Concerns

*Submitted by Rose Montgomery Oliver # 184, 727-726-0637*

**M**any of us were very saddened to hear that Mary Conni, # 100, met her death on January 30th• Mary had a stroke and was recovering in rehab when she developed pneumonia which caused her death. Mary was 87 at her death. She was one of the very first residents in IITS. She will be greatly missed by many of us.

We were saddened to hear about the death of the sister in law of Linda Opaczewski, #312. It hurts so much to lose a loved one.

Gene Ecker, #145, had hip surgery on January 18th• It started with a great deal of pain.

His doctor found that a fall two weeks before had injured his hip. Gene is now recovering from his surgery in rehab. Get well soon, Gene.

Sally Shoop, #214, has spent some time recently in the hospital. It is wonderful to see that she is back home now. It is also a blessing to see that Kristie Taylor, #257, is doing well with the healing of her foot. Take it easy, Kristie John Mackay, #271, has had a severe heart problem. He is now home after a stay in the hospital. It is great to see John attending the social activities. You were so missed.

Please remember to let me know if you have Remembrances or Concerns in your neighborhood. Our park is wonderful but it is big. It is good to remember our friends and neighbors. Thanks for your help. Rose

## Special Events

### Casino Night 7:00PM

*Submitted by Larry Taylor#257, 727-286-7740*

March 12th Casino Night with horse racing, poker, roulette and 50/50

Bring an appetizer to share and this is a FREE event. It is from 7-10PM

March 13th Meet and Greet 2:00PM

Submitted by John and Linda Opaczewski#312

We will be having a Meet and Greet for all residents.

Come out and meet all our residents in the park, those who have been here thru the years and those who have just arrived. You will meet the new HOA Board, and have a chance to hear about all the daily and weekly events we have in this park by their Chair people. Learn the best way to use this Media and what it has to offer. Starts at 2:00PM

### St. Patrick's Day Party 5:30PM

*Submitted by Karen Custy#229, 727-729-3441*

On Saturday **March 19th**, we will be having our annual St. Patrick's Day party. The menu this year will include Green Salad, Irish Stew, Colcannon (mashed potatoes and cabbage), Irish Soda Bread, Green Velvet Cake with Baileys Cream Cheese Icing, Leprechaun Cookies, Green Punch and Coffee all for \$7.00. Our entertainment for the party is our favorite DJ Wiggles, Mike Condra. The deadline for tickets is March 17th so purchase your tickets early from Larry & Kris Taylor #257, Bill & Marcy Shiels #133, or Rose and Richard Oliver #184. We will have a photo prop and there will be at least one door prize. 50/50 tickets will be sold for a chance to win cash. So come on out and enjoy an authentic Irish dinner and support our HOA activities.





## **2nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt 2:00PM March 26th**

*Submitted by Linda Webster #27, 732-915-2458*

Come one! Come All! Children of all ages

2nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt

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Prizes are geared to our young visitors during this Spring Break but you do not have to be a kid or have a child to have fun. Anyone can hunt and join in.

Please join us! We had a great time last year and this should be even better

## **Upcoming Events**

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### **IITS Annual Baseball Outing**

*Submitted by Ron Koonter #81, 517-881-5750*

Friday, April 8, 2016

Clearwater Threshers vs Dunedin Blue Jays

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Submitted by Pat Henderson #266, 727-400-6002

I am organizing a day trip to Tampa Bay Downs on **WEDNESDAY APRIL 13\* 2016**, and hope you will plan to come have fun with us. Gates open at 11 am so we could meet at the clubhouse about 10:30 and leave by 10:45. Anyone with a van that could drive several would be appreciated. It lasts until around 5 p.m. and may cool down a bit or be windy. Bring a lightweight jacket and if it gets too cool, we can move inside later. Top off the day with a nice hot chocolate!

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Contact for any questions: **Pat Henderson Lot #266 home 727-400-6002 cell 270-320-4000**

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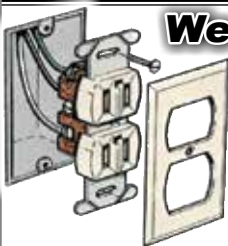
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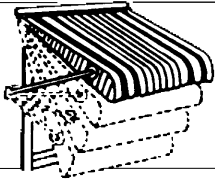
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## March Anniversaries and Birthdays

Submitted by Robert Newman # 46, 727-724-6283 pcfriar64@yahoo.com

### March Anniversaries

- 3 Bill & Marcy Shiels
- 31 Keith & Karen Custy

### March Birthdays

- 1 Maria Platt
- 6 Marlene Logan
- 7 Shirley Savage
- 8 Nancy Dimatties-Harazin
- 18 Gene Ecker
- 21 Kay Robinson
- 26 Larry Gomez
- 28 Richard Diamond  
Lorraine Keller
- 29 Rick Gay



Please email or forward to Lot#46 your Anniversaries and Birthdays for the media.

### PARK TELEPHONE BOOK CHANGES

**Bob and Dottie Newman, #46, 727-724-6283, pcfriar64@yahoo.com**

When you receive the latest edition (2016) of the park telephone book, please make the following corrections:

Delete:

Conni, Mary	100 Barbados
White, Karen	259 Bermuda

## Let's Get Moving!

### Outside Activities within our Park ShuffleBoard

Submitted by John Mackay Lot #271, 727-230-1663

**Mondays and Fridays 1:00PM**

*The IITS shuffleboard group is now in full swing with the arrival of our coveted snowbird shuffleboard enthusiasts this season. We have a few new players this year which helps us fill up the courts but we really need more interested players to turn out. Even if you have never played this game before it is very easy and we have some seasoned veterans who will gladly show you the ropes. It seems that the majority of our players are Canadian snowbirds of which without them, we really would not have a shuffleboard group at all. So..... calling all able bodied folks who have never played or given it a thought to perhaps*



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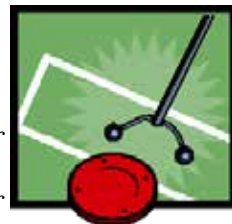
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try a game of shuffleboard to come on over to the courts on **Mondays and Fridays** of each week starting at **1:00 pm**. We even have some players who have set up an **optional Wednesday afternoon** game at **1:00 pm** if you're interested. A little known fact that you may or may not know is the game of shuffleboard was actually invented and started in St. Petersburg, FL where they have held many national and international tournaments. The game of shuffleboard has sometimes been described as similar to the game of ice curling only with no sweeping and naturally no ice.



## **Bocce Ball**

Submitted by John Opaczewski #312, 574-276-3306



**Tuesdays and Thursday mornings 10:00AM**

Standard bocce sets contain 8 colored balls — 4 balls each to a color, typically green and red — and one smaller ball, called the jack or pallino.

Bocce ball can be played by two single players pitted against one another, or by two teams with two, three, or four players each.

It is a very noninvasive sport. You each throw 4 balls and then wait for the other side to throw them back so you do have time to sit and relax between playing.

Our Bocce ball courts have benches for you to rest or watch. We also have the rules posted and a score keeper on each court. There are several tape measurers and a handmade measuring can to get accurate points.

It is not a hard game but you will feel the muscles that you have not used in a while the next day. Great Exercise!



## **Pickleball**

Submitted by John Opaczewski # 312, 574-276-3306

**Monday, Wednesday, Saturday Nights 6:30PM**

Pickleball is a little more aggressive than Bocce Ball. We have two pickleball courts at the far back of the park. They are fenced in and are lighted for night play. You play pickleball with a paddle and balls which look like the old whiffle balls we played with as kids. The rules are posted in the courts for you to read.

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**Next month we will review the daily Indoor activities**

## Spotlight on Resident Pat Henderson #266

Submitted by Judy Koonter #81, 517-881-5750

If I were to offer a prize for anyone that could guess who has a charming Southern accent, I bet many of you would immediately think of Pat Henderson. Pat was born in Nashville, Tennessee and grew up around country music. From Tennessee, her family moved to Bowling Green, Kentucky where she lived from 1957-1962, until she got married and moved to Florida. She lived in Florida until 1981. After her divorce, she moved back to Bowling Green, Kentucky where she lived until 2011. Although Pat never remarried, she has had several long-term relationships, losing her mates to cancer.

Pat attended Western Kentucky University and was studying to be an elementary school teacher. She then decided not to teach and instead, got married and had a family. Her family now consists of three daughters, two in the area; five granddaughters, one grandson, and four great grandchildren.

Pat had a very active life while in Bowling Green. She worked for 40 years in positions involving accounting and office management. Her business skills were mostly self-taught. She attended a 10-week seminar at the Bowling Green Police Academy where she learned what police duties involved; she rode in a police car, drove a police car, shot a gun, and saw drug-sniffing dogs in action. She said it was a fascinating experience.

Pat was a Neighborhood Watch Leader in Bowling Green for 17 years. She was instrumental in forming a coalition of over 100 active city neighborhoods and served on the Board several years and later became the President of the coalition for one year. Her neighborhood received grant money from the city to get flowering trees to plant along the streets in front of the condos to beautify the neighborhood.

Pat also organized and ran a singles group in Kentucky for 12 years. They met twice a week for meals, games, trips, plays, concerts, etc., and Pat did it all - all the planning, buying, organizing, etc. She had numerous speakers come to talk to the group about such things as Social Security, various health related issues, and other subjects of interest to seniors. She tried a similar group here at IITS but said there wasn't much interest. At IITS, she organized some functions for the ladies, where a lawyer came and talked about estate planning and a therapist came and talked about self-esteem and how to cope with depression. She also had classes on proper makeup application, scarf tying and belly dancing.

Travel has been high on Pat's "bucket list". She has been to 40 states including Hawaii and Alaska. Some of the northwest states are still of interest. She has been on 13 week long cruises covering many western and eastern and southern Caribbean islands, Catalina Island off California, Nova Scotia, and Bermuda. She took several weeks touring 8 countries in the heart of Europe and spent several weeks in Egypt. She has photo albums filled with pictures of each of her trips.

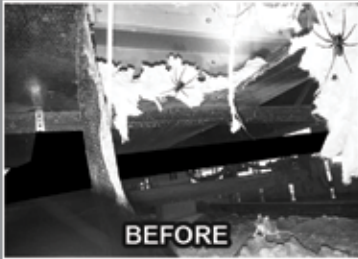
Pat very graciously accepted my request last spring to write spotlight articles during the months I was up north. They were great articles and many residents have told me how much they enjoyed them. She also regularly submits other articles and comments. Our Media is better because of Pat.

Having lived at IITS since December 2011, Pat has seen lots of changes. She said her philosophy is "do unto others as you would have them do unto you". I think that is a great way for all of us to think of things here in our community.





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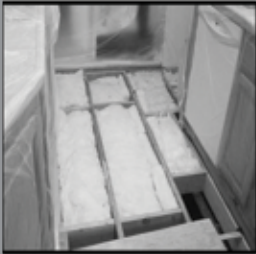
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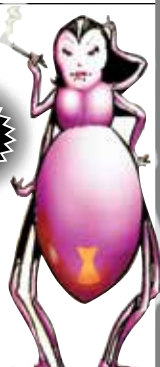
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## Did you Know

Submitted by Linda Opaczewski #312, 574-276-3306

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All free e-waste collections occur on the last Wednesday of every month from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Clearwater Solid Waste/Recycling drop-off center, 1701 N. Hercules Ave. Dates for 2016 are as follows:

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Electronics accepted include televisions, monitors, laptops, power supplies, CPUs, cell phones and other devices with rechargeable batteries. The city will not accept any electronics that have been scavenged.

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## Chrissie's Corner

Submitted by Chrissie Riley Lot 290, 727-648-4102

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**H**ello IITS residents! Let me introduce myself ... my name is Chrissie Riley my husband (Wally) and I moved into IITS 3 Yrs years ago. We chose IITS for the location and the great floor plan of our home. One of our favorite pastimes is exploring our home area, learning things that will make our lives easier or just enjoy where we live! My past professions have trained me to "competitive shop" in many different fields of business. I love the Pinellas County area; it has so much to offer. Parks, beach, trails, homemade Polish meats, grilled sticky buns and most of all "Mom & Pop businesses". I would like to share these experiences with you!

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# HOA Mission Statement

Submitted by Karen Custy#229, 727-729-3441

***The purpose of the Island in the Sun HOA is to keep established guidelines and rules in tact so that we agree on the common good for our neighborhood. We encourage and support all social activities and events to make a friendly and unified environment. We strive to communicate openly with residents and be proactive in all community affairs. To keep IITS a great place to live!"***

Our mission statement represents our vision for our community. Being a member of the HOA enables residents to vote in elections and on any changes or issues that would need voting in order to improve our park.

The secondary positive reason to join the HOA is to support not only the unity of our community, but to be part of and participate in supporting our activities and events. Our parties, pot luck dinners, dances and all events don't just happen. We need supplies and we have bills to pay as well. There are expenses that we incur on a monthly basis and the member funds go towards helping with those expenses which in turn we all benefit from.

We feel the membership fees are very reasonable for all we have to offer. We always have monthly events and the residents can all attend whether they are members or not. It is just a way to show you care and support our park and community. If you haven't already, please consider buying a membership and being a part of a community of people who care. It really does unite us when we all become one through our HOA. Everyone in our park is welcome to attend the HOA meetings. But by purchasing a membership you can be assured of your right to vote in elections and it benefits us all when we unite together for the betterment of our park.

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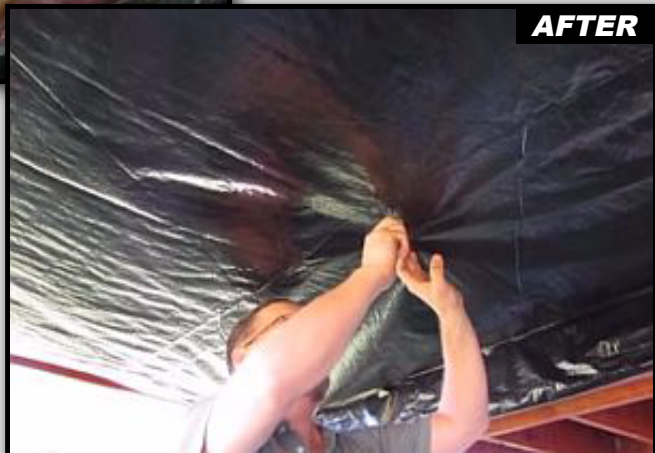
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Fun Night with Silent Auction, March 10th 7pm, Sugar Creek MHP, Largo, North at 101st.

PARADISE ISLAND ANNUAL FLEA MARKET, March 12, 2016. Paradise Island MHP 1001 Starkey Rd. Largo. EARLY ENTRY \$1 @ 8am. Very Large Market with over 65 vendors and Treasures Galore. Food from the canteen. For Tables call Marcia 727-953-3616

ART/CRAFT FAIR. Friday, March 11, 9am - 1pm. Lake Highlander MHP. 1500 County Road 1, Dunedin.

Annual Blue Jay Rummage Sale: Sat. March 19th 8:00am-1pm. 2755 Curlew Road Palm Harbor.

FRIDAY, MARCH 4TH, 9am-1pm, Flea Market/Bake Sale Lake Seminole Resort MHP Clubhouse, 10245 110th Ave. North, East off Seminole Blvd. Refreshments, Lunch.

Nova Scotia Picnic March 24th. 10065 Park Blvd Seminole State Park. Site 13. 727-475-9470

HUGE Rummage Sale at St. Paul United Methodist Church March 4 & 5. Address: Christian Life Enrichment Center, 1498 Highland Ave, Largo, FL 33770. Early Bird Friday, 4-8 pm; \$1 admission. No admission fee Saturday, 8am-2pm. Food available.

Community Yard Sale. Lake Tarpon Village, 36299 U.S. 19 North. Saturday, March 5. 8am - 3pm.

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White Elephant Sale. Lake Haven MHP 1415 Main St. Dunedin. Huge Bake Sale, Lunch Available. Saturday March 12th 8am-1pm Park 3 (Behind Subway)

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