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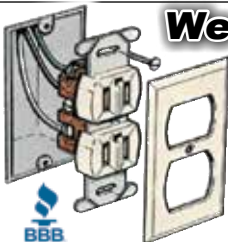
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From the Editor

Yes, my friends, I know there is NO LEAP YEAR this year, but I have been doing this for a while and seem to always miss it when it IS here! So I made Leap Year this issue's theme and hopefully I will catch it when next it swings by!

Manager's Moment

Andrea Lawton

360 Exterior Home Inspections

We are announcing that 360's exterior home inspections officially resumed January 2, 2026. These inspections are a proactive way to ensure the exterior of each home remains safe, well-maintained, visually appealing, and not in violation of the governing prospectus. Our goal is to identify any issues early and keep our community looking its best, which in turn maintains your home's value.

What Are 360s?

360's are comprehensive exterior inspections that involve a full walk-around of each home. Our maintenance and management teams will assess the condition of all visible exterior elements, document any concerns, and notify you if there are any violations, repairs or improvements needed.

What Will Be Inspected?

During the 360s, inspectors will evaluate:

- Gutters & Downspouts
- Checking for clogs, leaks, proper drainage, and secure attachment to the structure.
- Siding & Exterior Walls
- Inspecting for cracks, warping, mold, mildew, or fading paint.
- Windows & Screens
- Ensuring windows are intact, screens are free of tears, and frames are sealed properly.
- Doors & Entryways
- Verifying that doors are intact, and thresholds are in good condition.
- Driveways, & Patios
- Checking for a neat appearance, if you have anything stored, it is out of plain sight and driveways are clean or painted free of oil stains.
- Landscaping & Yard Maintenance
- Evaluating weeds in the flower beds, overgrown shrubs, tree limbs near structures and general curb appeal.
- Fencing & Gates



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- Ensuring that there are no fences as per the prospectus unless you have written approval and they are in good and clean condition.

☒ What Happens After the Inspection?

Each home that has violations or repairs needed will receive a 360 Inspection

Report outlining any findings. Our team will schedule a follow-up inspection, usually within 30 days, to verify compliance.

☒ What You Can Do

Get a head start using the list above as a checklist

Report known issues to the office ahead of time so they can be prioritized.

Thank you for your cooperation and commitment to keeping our community in excellent condition. If you have questions about the inspection process or your home

If you have questions about the inspection process or your home report, please contact the management office at (727) 531-9105.

Yard Sales:

Starting January 2026, residents will no longer be allowed to have their own personal yard sales. You are allowed to have an Estate Sale when loved ones have passed away and on the Annual Community Yard Sale Day, which this year is Feb. 7 th from 8 am – 2 pm.



Please remember when joining in on the Community Yard Sale Day to be mindful of picking up your belongings (tables, chairs etc.) at the end of day at 2 pm.

Bird Flu in Pinellas County:

Bird Flu (Avian Influenza or AI) has been confirmed in Florida, including Pinellas County, with wild birds affected in 2022 and recent outbreaks in other parts of the state in late 2025/early 2026, posing risks to backyard flocks; residents should report sick birds and avoid contact with dead ones, as the virus spreads easily among birds, though human cases are rare.

Yes, dogs and cats can get bird flu (avian influenza), especially the H5N1 strain, primarily by interacting with infected birds or contaminated environments, eating raw meat/milk, or from

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other infected pets like cats. While cats are more vulnerable, symptoms in both can include fever, lethargy, respiratory issues, eye discharge, and neurological signs, with severe illness or death possible, so keeping pets away from wild birds and raw animal products is crucial.

What to Do in Pinellas County:

Report Sick/Dead Birds: Contact the FWC if you find sick or dead wild birds; testing is crucial to confirm AI, notes this FWC page.

Protect Your Birds: Practice good biosecurity (cleanliness, limiting contact with wild birds) for backyard poultry, notes this FDACS page.

****Please remember that feeding wildlife in Florida is illegal for many species (like bears, alligators, sandhill cranes, raccoons, foxes, manatees, and non-human primates)**

Wildlife Alert Hotline at 888-404-FWCC (888-404-3922) MyFWC.com/WildlifeAlert

Social Club

Tammy Heffron



Hello, EV! With the holidays well behind, I want to thank those who joined in with the New Year's Eve Party. Although not well attended, those who came seemed to make the best of the evening. This lack of interest by both communities has led us to ascertain that the music events just aren't much of an interest anymore. The February 21st scheduled music by Monica has been cancelled. It was talked about over a year ago between Ernie (EBO social Director) and myself that EV would host the music events because of the fair attendance, but with that not holding true after the last 2 in December...the realization financially is to withdraw them from our 2027 calendar. Our community dynamics have changed to no one's fault. Younger people, older residents forced into working into much later years than before, and going out to hear music/ entertainment has replaced the clubhouse interest. Our other events scheduled should, and hopefully will be attended for fun and amusement for everyone. The January schedule was light due to the repairs scheduled for our clubhouse, but the February schedule for both clubhouses are pretty full! Mark your calendars for any that might interest you, and join in! Ernie and I will continue to try new things, and do our best. Feedback is always welcome, and most importantly, volunteer! Offering to host an event is key! Join the social club...it's a 5.00 annual fee! Help bring our community out to meet and greet one another! It's a healthy way to entertain yourselves. EV Social Club Director, Tammy Heffron

To our residents looking for things planned weekly... here are some things to consider: Every Tuesday evening our dedicated "Bingo Crew" host a very organized night of Bingo for all to attend (residents and outsiders welcomed). Every Wed. Morning is "The Walking Group"- meeting at the clubhouse by 9:00 with a predetermined and posted destination on our Eldorado Village Page on Facebook (volunteer drivers offer transportation for those who want

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to carpool, and breakfast follows for those who want to join). Every Wednesday (usually) is game night at the clubhouse. Every Thursday evening @6:30 on the shuffle courts you can find a group of people playing shuffle or CornHole- join! (always watch for cancellations due to weather issues). There is also a “Workout Warriors” group that meet at the clubhouse at 8:30am, but the hosts travel back and forth from their northern homes, so watch for their postings on the website! Speaking of the website, our Eldorado Village Page on Facebook is the best place to see flyers for upcoming events and to stay informed of our community goings-on! Sign up to join- it’s easy! There are also postings just inside the main doors to the clubhouse on the bulletin boards for both EV and EBO so swing by and take a look!

Feb. Events scheduled: Feb.7 - EV/EBO Annual carport sale. 8th - “Soup it up” (1-3:00 soup before Super Bowl). 11th - Hump Day Evening CornHole Tournament. (EBO events: 15th - All you can eat omelette breakfast. 22nd - pot luck and meat Bingo)

Weekly events at Eldorado Clubhouse
Tammy Heffron



Your Community Listens

Thank you for making Eldorado Village your home!

We strive to deliver the high level of customer service you have come to expect and promptly address the needs of all our residents. In order to deliver on this goal, we are highlighting a process to help us address any questions or concerns that may arise during your residency.

STEP 1: Please visit the community office or call (727) 531-9105 to discuss any questions or concerns with your community manager. Please allow appropriate time for a response or action from your community manager, and feel free to follow up as necessary.

STEP 2: If, after allowing appropriate time for your community manager to respond or initiate action, you feel the need to further address your questions or concerns, you may contact the regional manager for your community at (813) 282-6754.

STEP 3: After allowing appropriate time for a response or action from the community's regional manager, if you find it necessary, you may take the additional step of contacting our corporate customer service representative at (312) 279-1400.

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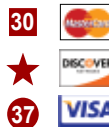
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Memorial Flag

Sandy Yost

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Please help us to honor each and every village member when they pass by contacting Tim (727-313-5153) or Sandy (607-435-3488) at Lot 62.

Eldorado Village is a loving and caring community and this is just one more way we show our warmhearted thoughtfulness.

INFORMATION ABOUT WATER:



Wasteful and Unnecessary Use of Water Is Prohibited!

These are the basic rules from the Pinellas County website:

Examples of wasteful water usage:

- Allowing water to flow from an unattended hose.
- Hand-watering a lawn on a restricted day or more than once a day.
- Hosing down a driveway or solid surface or structure when a dry method could be used.
- Allowing water to flow from a broken sprinkler head or outdoor faucet and having malfunctioning plumbing/ -irrigation system after receiving verbal or written notice.

Violations

The Year-Round Conservation Measures and Seasonal Reclaimed Water Restrictions allow the first violation of these restrictions to be issued as a "warning" Notice of Violation. In accordance with Sixth Judicial Circuit Administrative Order No. 2018-068 PI-CTY, Local Ordinance Violations, and Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Violations Uniform Fine Schedule, Attachment A, Miscellaneous Ordinance, Marine Patrol, Fish, and Wildlife Conservation Commission, and Natural Resources Violation fines start at \$193, and may be doubled for a second offense; and for each subsequent offense thereafter. Contested citations may result in the cost of a fine plus additional court costs. For more information after receiving a citation, please contact Business & Customer Services at (727)464-4000.

Protect Your Hot Water Heater During a Water Outage

During an extended water outage, you may want to turn off the water heater by going to the electrical panel and throwing the water heater breaker to the "Off" position. Once the water

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has been restored, residents should turn the hot water on at a few faucets and make sure that all of the air is out of the lines. Once there is no sputtering and the water is running smoothly, the breaker can be switched back on. This process is to keep the water heater elements from overheating and burning out if the water level gets too low.

Ducks/Wildlife

Please do not feed or put out feeders accessible to ducks or other wildlife. It is illegal in the state of Florida and you could be charged a \$100 fine for each infraction, and it is a violation of the park. Not only that, but if you put out food for the ducks, anything will eat it--stray cats, rats, snakes, and opossums--to name a few. So please don't do it. Thank you!



Smoking and Drinking at the Pool

There is a designated smoking area at the pool and if you smoke, you will be required to smoke there and only there. Also, cigar smoking is offensive to most people and is strictly prohibited at the pool. Violators will lose their privileges to the pool, and if that doesn't work, we will make the pool completely non-smoking. Every week, the pool company finds butts in the filters, clogging them up and leading to downtime on the pumps which means the pool is closed until repairs are made.

Also, per the health department and code enforcement, drinking alcohol at a public pool is strictly prohibited. **NO GLASS OR CANS OF ALCOHOL ARE PERMITTED.** The health department will shut down the pool and if we find bottles in the trash we will be forced to shut down the pool as well.

The bottom line is that this is a community which means that the amenities are for everyone. Please be considerate of your neighbors and follow these simple rules so that everyone can enjoy a day by the pool. Thank you.

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From the Editor: And thank YOU, Miss Kristen, because these really do help—especially the water shut off ones and maintenance in the park. I applaud you and the staff for making sure we are literally IN THE KNOW—it makes our lives a heck of a lot easier!

Pet Policy

People need to pay attention to number THREE.



A few things about pets I want to point out so there are no questions about your responsibility as a pet owner. Keeping a pet on the property is a privilege and not a right and as such, the following rules must be adhered to or we will have no choice but to ask you to remove the animal from the property. These rules apply whether the animal is a household pet, an Emotional Support Animal, or a Service Animal.

1. ALL animals must be registered with the office, and we will need all required documentation for any ESA's or Service Animals.
2. Dogs are to be on leashes AT ALL TIMES and the handler must maintain control of their animal at all times, not letting it run up or jump on people or other animals.
3. PET CATS ARE TO BE INDOOR ANIMALS ONLY.
4. You MUST pick up after your pet goes to the bathroom—we do have doggy pots at both properties that have the bags and a container just for that.
5. Excessive barking must be controlled so the pet is not bothering the neighbors. I seem to hear this a lot and it is against park rules.

Speeding

There are WAY too many people driving WAY TOO fast in our park. I consider this a SERIOUS NO-NO because we have a LOT of residents riding their bikes or strolling through the neighborhood and many of them use walkers or scooters/wheelchairs and can't move quick enough to avoid an accident. We also have a LOT of beautiful wildlife roaming the park—ducks, turtles, all kinds of birds and the cute little cotton-tail rabbits we see everywhere—and we need to PROTECT them AND our ambulatory residents.. The speed limit

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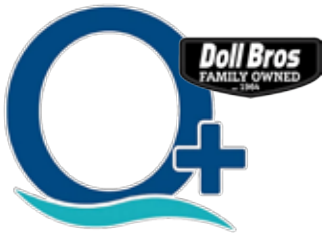
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is 10 MPH. I think most of our neighbors adhere to this and it is the visitors who are breaking the rules. If you see someone driving too fast, get their license plate number so we can report them to the office. If it is, indeed, a visitor, they can lose the privilege of coming into the park. I think this is VERY important and so should you. Let us all work together to get this problem fixed!

PS—If you think it may be any of your family members or friends (sorry, but it happens), PLEASE tell them to respect YOU by respecting the rules of the place you call home. Also, please let your company know to turn down their RADIOS when within the parameters of the park. Again, they should respect YOU enough to do this. Thank you!

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM DORISANNE GIBSON:



"Doc," who resides on Lot 173, has volunteered to take old, torn and dirty American flags to the American Legion for proper disposal.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Flags, like books, are treasured items and should by NO MEANS ever be disposed of in a FLAGRANT manner (no pun intended—really). They should be safely ensconced in a box until such time that you can honorably “pass them on.” Flags, as Miss Dorisanne pointed out, should go to DOC at Lot 173 or straight to the American Legion, and books, those sacred tomes and loves of my life, should go to Goodwill or the library. The Largo Library will take books of any kind—paperback or hardback—and sell them in their cute little bookstore or put them on the shelves. They will also take old magazines!!! I donate BOTH and just drop them in the drop box on the side of the building—easy as CAKE and PIE!!!

Poetry Corner

THE FIRST 4 LEAP YEARS

By Raenell Dawn, 2002

I'm a little Leapling, smart and fun. When I turn four, I'll really be one.
I'm a little Leapy, with lots to do.
When I turn eight, I'll really be two.
I'm a little Leaper, with lots to see.
When I turn twelve, I'll really be three.
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When I turn sixteen, I'll really be four.



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I'M GOING TO BE ELEVEN!

by Raenell Dawn - Inspired by APW 2003

My birthday is in February,
But it's not always there.
Adults don't understand it,
and don't seem to care.
They say I'm only 1,
when I'm really 4!
They say I'm 2 when I'm 8,
Can't they count anymore?
Sometimes I wish my birthday
would appear on command.
Being born on Leap Day
is hard to understand.
But others like me
called Leap Day Babies
tell me how cool it is,
especially in your eighties!
So I'll try to like it
and make it a birthday heaven
But I won't be 2 and 3/4!
I'm going to be ELEVEN!



The Think Tank

Here are some interesting/crazy facts about Leap Year that I found on the Ripley's Believe it or Not website! There are ten in all but in this article I only list the first five. If you would like to see the other five, just go to their website and look up the story! This piece was written by Diana Bocco.

From Ripley's Believe it or NOT:

Welcome to the quirky, whimsical world of February 29th—a date that plays hide and seek with us, appearing only once every four years. This leap into the extra day is filled with a blend of historical twists, cultural oddities, and even a dash of astrological intrigue. So read on and enjoy!

1. We Didn't Have a Leap Year Until Julius Caesar Decided We Needed One
Long before we got used to flipping our calendars to February 29th every four years, Julius Caesar and the astronomer Sosigenes of Alexandria shook things up in 46 BCE with the

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creation of the Julian calendar. Sosigenes noticed the Roman calendar was out of step with the seasons and suggested introducing leap years to keep things aligned. But, they went a bit overboard, adding more leap years than necessary.

2. The Julian Calendar's Fix Wasn't Quite Perfect

The Julian Calendar's leap year solution was a good try but missed the mark by just a bit, thanks to the actual length of a solar year being about 365.24219 days. By 1577, this small error caused a 10-day discrepancy, prompting Pope Gregory XIII to introduce the Gregorian Calendar in 1582. This new system is what keeps our holidays on track today.

3. The 29th Marks a Dark Day in Salem

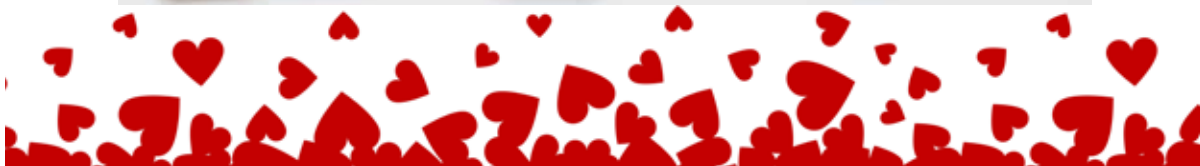
On a Leap Day that marked a dark chapter in history, the Salem Witch Trials kicked off with the first warrants issued on February 29, 1692. Accusations of witchcraft led to tragic ends for Sarah Good and Sarah Osborne, while Tituba managed to escape death by admitting to the allegations. This day remains a chilling reminder of the consequences of fear and superstition.

4. There's a Name for Leap Day Babies: Leaplings

Born on February 29th? You're not alone! The Honor Society of Leap Year Day Babies is a global community for leaplings, advocating for the recognition of their unique birth date. This special group brings together those who celebrate their birthdays only once every four years, offering a space to share experiences and challenges unique to Leap Day.

5. February 29th Is Believed to Be Unlucky for Love

In some cultures, February 29th is considered unlucky for weddings, with a belief that marriages on this day are doomed. Especially in Greece, tying the knot during a leap year is thought to invite bad luck, setting a rather gloomy tone for leap-year love affairs.





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Quotes of the Month

- "In February, there is everything to hope and nothing to regret."-- Fannie Hurst.
- "Love has nothing to do with what you are expecting to get — only with what you are expecting to give — which is everything." - Katharine Hepburn
- "Being deeply loved by someone gives you strength, while loving someone deeply gives you courage."--Maya Angelou
- "February makes a bridge and March breaks it." - Proverb
- "There is always in February some one day, at least, when one smells the yet distant, but surely coming, summer." - Elizabeth Bowen.

GOLDEN WEDDING BOARD

In the clubhouse on the west wall is a frame with the names of residents who celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary while living here in Eldorado. We have not been able to celebrate this great milestone in a couple of years, but we still want to recognize those who have celebrated this auspicious occasion. If you, or if you know of a neighbor, who has reached or is reaching this year the fifty year mark, we would like to know and be able to add their names to the wall. You can contact me, richwham@aol.com, and I will see that they are added.

ATTENTION TO ALL POTENTIAL SHUFFLERS

IMPORTANT MESSAGE BELOW!

As everyone probably knows, there is no Eldorado shuffle team now due to lack of players. Debbie Ennis told me that if you still would like to play, you may join the team at East Bay Oaks. Just reach out to me if you would like to do this and I will have the captain of the team contact you. Debbie also said that once more people get interested, there will be a new team in Eldorado. If you really would like to play, don't be shy and call or email me. Let yourself have some fun! My contact info is here:

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Eldorado Facebook Page

Dick Hambley

For those who were unaware, Suzie Rossetti and I are the administrators for the Eldorado Village Facebook page. We would like to remind everyone that to join the page you (the individual requesting) must send us a “friend” request and answer the three questions that are required. The main reason for the questions is that membership is limited to residents or former residents of Eldorado or EBO. If we get a request from someone who has not answered the questions, we automatically decline the request. We do not mean to exclude folks who have a perfect right to join, but you would be surprised at the number of requests that we get that, when we research a bit, they have no affiliation with either park. We want to include any residents who wish to join and welcome their requests; however, we need to follow the above procedure to assure that the original intention of the page is followed. Please request an invite at Eldorado Village Page. Thanks!



DARTS – DARTS – DARTS

Calling all dart enthusiasts! The Eldorado Village Social Club has “refreshed” the dart game area, located near the billiard table in the clubhouse. There are NEW darts, dart score board, eraser, and markers. The dart board has been hung at the correct height and there is a new floor decal which marks the correct distance from the dart board for game play (for steel tipped darts).

Find a buddy and come and enjoy!!!



Library History Scrap Book

Pam Spilbeller has spent many hours going through old medias and pictures and picking out items of interest that she has put into three scrap books. They are a wonderful glimpse into Eldorado in the past and show that the previous residents (and some who are still here) laid a groundwork of fellowship and camaraderie that we continue to try to adhere to today. She also plans to have all the past medias stored in the library as well to give us another mode of looking back at the past. These items are not to be removed from the library, but we have comfortable seating here, and if you have an afternoon with nothing else to do, I can assure you that you will enjoy perusing Pam’s efforts. Shout out to PAM!!!

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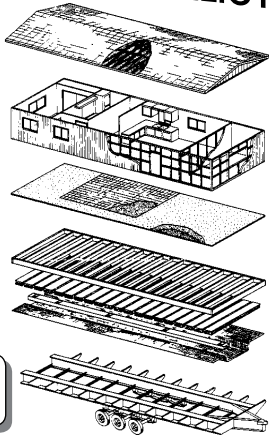
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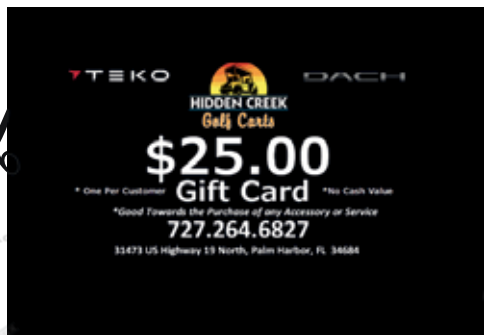
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HISTORY of Eldorado Village – interested? There are notebooks and scrapbooks (with photos) on our rich history dating back to 1969 when the park was established. Take a few minutes, sit on the love seat or a comfortable chair, and enjoy a "blast from the past!"



Bulletin Board

We have a Bulletin Board by the mailboxes. We realize that many folks do not go to the club house on a regular basis so this is a way for all to see coming events. Hopefully you will find something you might enjoy attending. You will also see what is transpiring in the neighborhood at the Eldorado Village Facebook page. Don't miss out!

NO IFS, ANDS OR BUTTS!!!

If you are a smoker, please do not dispose of your cigarette butts on the street. If you are seen doing this, you will be reported to the office. We do our best to keep our park clean and neat and if people can pick up their pet's poop, then you can most certainly hold on to your cigarette butt until it can be properly disposed of. Thanks to those smokers who DO take pride in their community and adhere to this rule.



BINGO IS STILL GOING STRONG!!!

Bingo Hours:

Tuesday evenings:

Start selling at 5:15 PM. Stop selling at 6:00 PM. Start playing by 6:30 PM. We will be following the guidelines set down by ELS for the good of everyone, so please be amicable in observing those rules. Just come out and plan on having a good time and who knows, you might win a couple of bucks! We also would appreciate it if you do not bring \$20 bills as they are hard to make change for—thank you!



RECYCLE RECYCLE RECYCLE

Recycling is a way that we can all help to save on our trash bills. The city of Largo charges by weight for garbage and trash, so the more recyclables that we can put into the recycle bin in the “salad bowl” in East Bay Oaks, the more we can save on our trash bills. The new recycle plan in Largo is great in that we do not have to separate our recyclables. Everything that is recyclable goes into the one bin. This certainly makes it much easier to “do the right thing” and we not only save money for ourselves, but we are helping with the environment as well. The things we can put in the bin are as follows: Glass (colored bottles and jars), cartons (milk and juice containers), mixed paper products (newspapers, flattened cardboard boxes and office paper), plastic containers (food and beverage), and aluminum and metal (cans and containers).



The things we should NOT put in are the following: plastic bags and wrap, Styrofoam containers/ packaging, food waste/household garbage or chemicals/electronics (which includes paint, light bulbs, batteries, computers etc).

So, fellow residents, please consider this reminder and let us work towards saving ourselves a few bucks and, at the same time, work towards building a greener environment!

Duke Energy

Duke has an energy saving program. If you are interested call the numbers listed below:
1-888-302-8348; 1-727-443-2641; 1-407-203-9550

TRASH/DUMP AREA SCHEDULE

People are still putting their trash out before Tuesday or Friday mornings. Please try to obey these rules--they are for **everyone**. If you are unable to be up in the morning and take out your trash, please get a heavy duty garbage can with a tight lid to put it in. This will not allow animals to get into it and it can be left out a little earlier than the specified time. This is **ONLY** for tight lidded garbage cans!!! You can buy one at Walmart or Amazon.



Coffee and Donuts

It has been brought to my attention that many people do not know that you can donate the coffee and donuts in memory of a loved one, birthday, anniversary or any occasion you like. The donation fee is \$25.00. Please see the Social Club treasurer if you would like to donate one day.

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EVENTS & PROGRAMS

ANNUAL RANCHERO VILLAGE
CARPORT SALE. Ranchero Village,
7100 Ulmerton Road, Largo, will be
hosting their annual carport sale on
Saturday, February 7, 2026 from 8 AM
to 8 PM. A wide variety of items will be
for sale throughout the park!

Embassy Mobile Park, Inc. Rummage
Sale, Saturday, February 7th, 9:00
a.m. to 2:00 p.m., in the clubhouse on
4th Street. 16416 US Highway 19 N.,
Clearwater - Largo area. Off East Bay
just West of Tri-City Plaza; come in by
Wendy's onto Pine Forest Drive.

Clearwater Cascade park-wide yard
sale. Saturday, February 21, 8:00am -
2:00pm. 9790 66th Street N, Pinellas
Park

Blue Jay Estates - Annual Community
Rummage Sale. Friday and Saturday,
February 27 and 28, 2026. 8am - 1pm.
Bake Sale and Lunch available both
days. In clubhouse and deck. 2755
Curlw Road, Palm Harbor, FL 34684

EVENTS & PROGRAMS

Rummage Sale 2/28, Westwind MHP
1&2. 3301 Alt 19 Dunedin, 8-1

Community Flea Market,
2000 East Bay Drive, Largo. Sat. Feb
28. 8 to 12. Bikes, Furniture, Small
Appliances, Golf & Household Items,
Apparel, Baked Goods

DORAL VILLAGE YARD SALE
BAZAAR, Saturday, February 28th,
8am-1pm, 29250 US Hwy 19 N,
Clearwater. Furniture, Clothing,
Linens, Books, Electronics, Glassware,
Jewelry, Kitchen Items, Baked Goods,
Lunch, and Great Raffles and Prizes!



ATTENTION RESIDENTS!

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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.

-Monthly Media Staff



EVENTS & PROGRAMS

March Events

White Elephant/Bake Sale. Saturday
March 7, 2026 8:00AM - 1:00PM.
Lake Highlander Park: 1500 County
Road #1, Dunedin, FL. Small
appliances, furniture, lamps, linens,
jewelry, household appliances, tools,
outdoor furniture, miscellaneous
items, baked goods, snack bar

Palm Hill Country Club Annual Bazaar,
Saturday March 7th. 8am - 1pm. 1800
Seminole Blvd. Largo

Rummage Sale, Unitarian Universalists
of Clearwater, 2470 Nursery Rd,
Clearwater, Saturday March 7, 8am-
2pm. Kitchen ware, home decor, books,
clothing/accessories, linens and more

Crafters Wanted March 21st at Palm
Hill Country Club. 401 8th Ave, Largo,
8am - 1pm. Contact Tom Sagitas at
727-315-4369. \$20 per table.

Paradise Island Annual Flea Market,
March 28th 9am-2pm. 1001 Starkey
Rd. Largo. 8am early entrance \$1.00.
Large selection of home goods, tools,
furniture, linens, clothes, bake sale and
more. Follow signs for Clubhouse.

MARCH AD DEADLINE - FEBRUARY 10, 2026

Advertise EVENTS, BUY, SELL, TRADE ITEMS, by sending copy & check to Monthly Media at 220 Bahama St, Venice, FL 34285. Ads over 10 words must be accompanied by \$.80 per extra word or publisher will edit. Each new word indicated by a space, numbers included. No mobile home sales, no professional products or services. Envelope must be postmarked by 10th of the month to meet deadline. **SORRY: No ads accepted by phone or email.**

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OFFICE ADDRESS

For those who were not aware that although our street address is 2505 East Bay Drive, the address of the office is different—therefore we are printing the office address here so that you do not get any late fees when your check does not arrive on time.

Eldorado Village Office
601 Starkey Road Lot # 78
Largo, Florida 33771



JOKES OF THE MONTH

What does a lawyer do on Leap Day? Jump to conclusions.
Why don't lions like Leap Day? Because they are always jumping through hoon.
Where do most people eat on Leap Day? IHOP.
What kind of music do you listen to on Leap Day? Hip Hop.
What do kids play on Leap Day? Hop-sotch.
AND THE FUNNIEST OF ALL: I'm going to get married on February 29th so I only have to remember our anniversary once every 4 years!



FEBRUARY

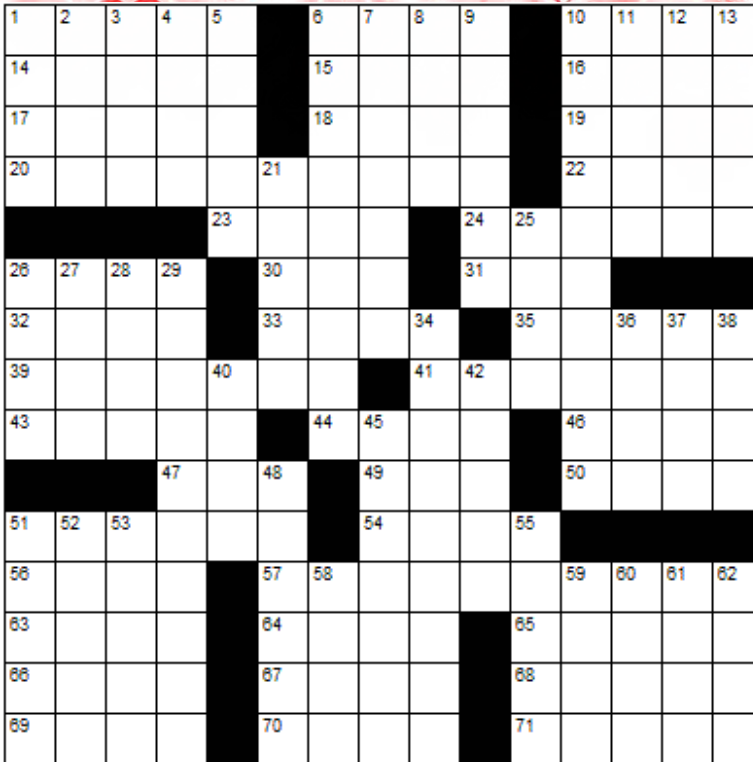
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FEBRUARY CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1. Utilizers
6. Soft drink
10. Handguns
14. Send, as payment
15. Baking appliance
16. Mine entrance
17. Genus of heath
18. Let out
19. Capital of Peru
20. Placenta
22. Anagram of "Keel"
23. Ages
24. Guarantee
26. Employ
30. Half of a pair
31. Thick flat pad
32. Cards with one symbol
33. Notion
35. Honorable
39. Belligerent
41. Adolescent
43. Caper
44. Assess
46. Freudian topics
47. Encountered
49. Neither
50. Droops
51. Flail
54. A math subject
56. Miami basketball team
57. Passing from place to place
63. Hindu princess
64. Anger
65. Hawaiian greeting
66. Therefore
67. 3
68. Low point
69. Anagram of "Need"
70. Cravings
71. Vogue

DOWN

1. Component used as fertilizer
2. Lowly worker
3. Broadcast
4. Oriental grain
5. Fixed gaze
6. Curry-powder ingredient
7. Supervise
8. Advanced
9. National tune
10. Bilestones
11. Farewell
12. Countdown clock
13. A post in the ground
21. Grill
25. What we're called
26. Laugh
27. Computer symbol
28. Repose
29. Approximation
34. Lawyers
36. Indian music
37. Excited
38. Not more
40. Frosts, as a cake
42. Spooky
45. Immune response trigger
48. 3 tens
51. Trio
52. Discovered
53. Scope
55. Allow
58. Empty weight
59. Winglike
60. Connecting point
61. Lower jaw part
62. Almost a meter



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Largo City Hall	587-6700
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Senior Citizen Service's	727-576-1533
Largo/Mid-Pinellas Chamber of Commerce.....	584-2321
Social Security Administration	1-800-772-1213
VA Regional Office Benefits Information & Assistance...	727-464-8400

HOSPITALS

Bay Pines Veterans Administration Hospital	398-6661
10,000 Bay Pines Blvd., St. Petersburg 33708	
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201 – 14th Street S.W., Largo 33770	
Largo Medical Center – Indian Rocks	581-9474
2025 Indian Rocks Road, Largo 33774	
Morton Plant Hospital.....	462-7000
300 Pinellas Street, Clearwater 33756	
Mease Dunedin Hospital.....	733-1111
601 Main Street, Dunedin 34698	

Eldorado Social Club Committee Heads

Bingo.....	Georgia Maverick-Valverde	Block Captain (1).....	TBD
Decorating Committee	Tammy Heffron	Block Captain (2).....	TBD
Food Collection.....	Sandy Yost	Block Captain (3).....	Patty Gregg
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