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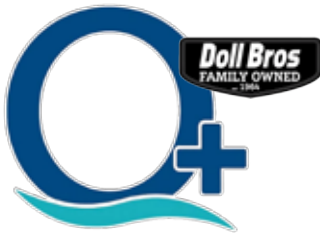
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How to report identity theft

- To report identity theft, contact:
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 - The three **major credit reporting agencies**. Ask them to place fraud alerts and a credit freeze on your accounts.
 - The **fraud department at your credit card issuers**, bank, and other places where you have accounts

How to protect yourself from identity theft

- **Do not answer phone calls**, texts, social media messages, or email from numbers or **people you do not know**.
- Do not share personal information like your bank account number, Social Security number, or date of birth.
- **Collect your mail every day** and place a hold on your mail when you will be on vacation or away from your home.
- Review credit card and bank account statements. Watch for and report unauthorized or suspicious transactions.
- **Understand how ATM skimming works** and how to protect yourself
 - Learn when it is safe to use a public Wi-Fi network
 - Store personal information, including your Social Security card, in a safe place. **Do not carry it in your wallet.**

Imposter Scam

The top types of imposter scams:

An imposter scammer may call, text, or email to convince you they are **someone in authority**. They may even use caller ID to make it look like they are calling from an official government or business' number. To commit identity theft, they try to get you to send money or a gift card or share personal information.

- **Government** imposter scams - Unless you contact them first, government agencies typically initiate communication with you by letter. Unexpected contact or demands through any other method may be a scam.
- **IRS** imposter scams - scammers pretend you owe the IRS money for taxes and may threaten legal action
- **Social Security** imposter scams - scammers claim there is a problem with your Social Security account or promise to increase your benefits
- **Charity** scams - scammers pretend to be from a real or fake charity and try to get you to contribute
- **Grandparent** scams - scammers pretend to be a grandchild or other relative who needs emergency financial help
- **Tech support** scams - scammers tell you your computer's security is at risk and try to remotely access your device and steal personal information or ask for payment
- Scammers may also pretend to be from your **bank or a company you do business with**. You might be told you owe money or there is a problem with your account.

ReportFraud.ftc.gov

Report Imposter Scams Online to the Federal Trade Commission





HOA OF RANCHERO VILLAGE

Norm Runkles, President | 407-625-3260 | RVHOABoard@hotmail.com | Lot #200

Hello Residents,
Hard to believe that Its December already. Important reminders that the HOA elections are coming up in January and nominations can be made now to Susann Camus lot 1105. There are 4 positions open to be filled.



Please consider joining us in representing the residents while we continue to work with Legacy thru the final round of renovations and capital improvements.

Looking for email addresses

Since Legacy launched the new ResidentPortal in August 2025, the new software will not allow them to send out email blasts to all residents with an email address on file.

- The HOA is trying to help with this issue until Legacy corrects this problem.
- The HOA has almost 300 email addresses on file. These email addresses are from HOA members and non-members that provided an email address when attending an HOA meeting.
- We (the HOA) have requested Legacy to provide us with a complete email list of residents, however, this may or may not be doable due to Legacy policies.
- By compiling a list of resident email addresses, the HOA will be able to send out blast messages to alert residents of issues (as communicated to the HOA by Legacy).
- We are asking residents to voluntarily provide the HOA with a valid email address so we may contact you in events such as a water shut-off, clubhouse closures, etc.
- If you want to be added to the HOA email list, please send us an email containing the following information:
 - o Your Name (First and Last), Lot Number, Telephone Number (you may specify two separate phone numbers; please specify if the number is cell or land line), and most importantly your email address. If there are multiple residents at the lot and you want emails sent to them as well, please provide the secondary information within your email to the HOA.

Send your email to: RVHOABoard@hotmail.com

Thank you.

Norm Runkles





HOA CARES NETWORK – We’re Here for you


Debbie Mills – Co-Chair | 309-696-1444

The HOA Cares Network is a dedicated group of RV volunteers committed to building a caring community. We connect with neighbors who may need regular phone check-ins—whether short-term or long-term—to ensure they are safe, healthy, and never feel alone.


Do you or someone you know need regular phone contact? Please call or text **Debbie Mills at 309-696-1444** to get connected.

“All we’re ever asked to do in this life is to treat our neighbor—especially our neighbor who is in need—exactly as we would hope to be treated ourselves. That’s our ultimate responsibility.” — Fred Rogers





The HOA of Rancho Village Cares Network

 <h3>PURPOSE</h3> <p>We provide phone contact with RV residents who live alone, have limited mobility, or are socially isolated.</p>	 <h3>VOLUNTEERS</h3> <p>Each neighbor in need signed up for Cares Contact is connected with a Volunteer who makes contact as agreed.</p>
 <h3>TEAMWORK</h3> <p>Volunteer and neighbor agree on the amount (daily, weekly, etc.) and type of contact (phone call, text, etc.)</p>	 <h3>LONG- or SHORT-TERM</h3> <p>Neighbors recovering from surgery, illness, etc. may sign up for Cares Contact on a short-term basis.</p>
 <h3>EXCLUSIONS</h3> <p>Volunteers provide <u>phone contact</u>. We do <u>not</u> provide transportation, medical advice, or personal services.</p>	 <h3>CONTACT US</h3> <p>To sign up for Cares Contact, suggest a neighbor for Contact, or to volunteer, call Debbie Mills 309-696-1444.</p>



The HOA of Rancho Village

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SOCIAL ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Kay Voorheis, SAC Coordinator

Here it is, December already! In some ways this has sped past; in others, it seemed to just creep along. This was a year with several challenges, but we managed those challenges, beat them and have moved on in positive ways. I am very happy that we will be having a Christmas concert this month! I know Ellen, Nancy and all the singers have been working hard to bring this to all of us! Entertainment will be presenting a program which has been scheduled three times (I think) and will finally be able to have the "Rat Pack" entertain us. The Women's Club will be holding an event for Toys for Tots this month. Be sure to check out all the toys and bikes in the Hacienda. Check the articles in the bulletin and the calendar for the dates and times of these and other activities.

There are many other happenings this month too. Be sure to decorate your house and yard for Christmas. We will have secret judges going around to determine the best decorated yard. The judges will be out and checking the lights and decorations sometime during the week of December 7.

On behalf of SAC, I want to wish all of you are very happy holiday season and hope that 2026 will be a very good year for all of us!

THINGS TO DO IN DECEMBER!

Be sure to check our numerous communication platforms (website, NextDoor.com, Bulletin Boards in the Hacienda, Corral or Lakes Clubhouse) for status and location of any events that don't appear here.

- Dec 1st – Entertainment - Rat Pack Universe
- Dec 5th – Pancake breakfast
- Dec 7th – Bus Trip to Sunkicks Holiday show
- Dec 9th – Christmas Sing-A-Long
- Dec 10th – Bus Trip to Bok Tower Gardens Holiday
- Dec 13th – Blood drive
- Dec 13th – Holiday Dance – Kris Pierce
- Dec 14th – Cart Parade
- Dec 16th – Toys-or-Tots Open House Donation Day
- Dec 20th – Saturday Coffee - Ugly Sweater Contest



DECEMBER



FROM THE BULLETIN EDITOR

Sue Peck | 727-420-0543 | sdforest@aol.com

Please Note: The deadline for submitting articles for the January bulletin is **December 4th!** I know that's very early, but the printer needs to accommodate staff holiday vacations. Thank you for your timely help and cooperation!

You view the latest Park happenings via the bulletin online. Just hop over to "Off Site Events" at www.RV-HOA.com, or check us out at www.monthly-media.com.

AEROBICS & WEIGHTS EXERCISE CLASSES

Suzanne Bourdeau, suzannebourdeau@me.com, Lot #1010

Please note a change in hour. The Tuesday and Thursday 9:00am aerobics and weights class will continue in December depending on interest of class participants. I will be away from Dec 9th until the Jan 13th class, but usually Debbie continues the class. Classes will be held at the Corral Gazebo in good weather. We expect the Corral Clubhouse to be closed in December so if it is cold or raining, come to the Hacienda Clubhouse instead. We will all have to be patient and understanding during the Corral renovations.

Have a Merry X-Mas!

BINGO

Kay Voorheis

It has been nice to see our northern residents returning to Bingo and to also see new faces. Bingo is still being played in the Hacienda on Wednesday evenings. Doors open at 4 PM, games are sold from 5 to 6:10 PM with games starting at 6:30 PM. Everyone is welcome to join us for a fun evening of Bingo. Due to the holidays, we will NOT be playing on December 24 and 31. Enjoy time with your family and friends and we will see you on Wednesday, January 7, 2026!

BLOOD DRIVE - Give the Gift of Life—Join us in December

By Brooke Stephens, Account Representative, OneBlood

Mark your calendar and roll up your sleeve — your next chance to be a hero is Saturday, December 13th. Join us from 7:30 to 10:30 am in the Hacienda parking lot for a morning that could save lives.

Fuel up with a good meal about three hours beforehand and keep sipping water throughout the day. Every drop counts — let's make a difference together!

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Debra Williams



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BOCCE BALL NEWS

Sandra Paparelli



Lakes Bocce Courts League starts up in January. Our mixed teams play on Wednesday morning and run for 10 weeks, concluding with a banquet. It's a fun league and you'll meet some new friends and neighbors!

Note: You can practice Bocce at any time at the Lake House. The balls are in the tin box.

BOK TOWER HOLIDAY BUS TRIP

Ticket sales are closed for this event, but if you have a ticket for the bus trip to Bok Towers, **please note** that there is a **new departure time of 8:30**, NOT 9:00. We appreciate your help in getting everyone on the bus at this earlier time!



BOK TOWER RANCHERO VILLAGE TRIP

Wednesday, December 10th 2025

Leave Hacienda parking lot **8:30AM**, prompt

Collecting \$15.00/person (entrance fee). Mansion Tour \$7.00 can purchase ticket at Bok Tower. 30-45 min for tour.

Due by November 15th, 2025 to Juliana Spring

Lot #1003 or at Saturday coffee

Beverage, food, small cooler permitted. Picnic tables on site. The Blue Palmetto Café 9-5 approx. \$15 sandwich/salad.

Tentative schedule: arrive 10:30am ish, tour mansion, eat, 1pm Carillon bell concert, enjoy grounds, bus to leave from parking lot at **2:30pm**

Remember \$5/person for bus driver tip





BULLETIN BOARDS

Bulletin boards are available in every clubhouse for resident use.

Guidelines:

- For Park Residents only.
- Cards must be 3x5" or smaller (larger cards will be removed).
- Include your name, date, and phone number.
- Renew every three months with a new card.
- No outside services or vendors allowed.

Note: Cards that do not meet these guidelines will be removed.

CALENDAR & CLUBHOUSE ORGANIZER

Deb Viveiros – Coordinator | 727-612-3484 | Lot #384 | Debra.viveiros@yahoo.com

Welcome to Holiday Season 2025! Any Ranchero **resident** may reserve any available clubhouse for an event. Please contact me via email (debra.viveiros@yahoo.com) or Phone # (727) 612-3484 with the date, time and which clubhouse you need. It's on a first come first serve basis. If the bulletin has already been submitted to the publisher, it won't be included in the center calendar.

Unfortunately, Legacy and SAC have mandated that a check deposit of \$150 and a completed and signed reservation form must be received upon booking any of the clubhouses or Pavillion. The deposit will be returned if the venue is cleaned and furniture put back to the original state **IMMEDIATELY** after your event so that it is clean and ready for the next event. If not, Legacy will use that deposit to pay for a cleaning service.

This includes the Pavillion area. Grills must be cleaned after use. Please notify the office if propane is needed.

If you are serving alcohol, you must obtain a certificate of insurance at the time of booking the event.

Required For Private Events

1. Completed and signed form
2. \$150 check deposit
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Thank you. Let's enjoy the holidays. My info: Debra Viveiros, lot 384



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CHAIR VOLLEYBALL – JOIN THE FUN!

Cathy Hula: cathyhula@myyahoo.com | 316-250-2511

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CHANNEL 732 is Back!

Andy Sauerzopf, andysauerzopf@gmail.com

Spectrum Channel 732 has been our Resident Information Channel for years, until Hurricane Milton damaged the Hacienda where the channel's equipment is located.

Now that the Hacienda has re-opened, Channel 732 is back. It cannot be accessed through the Channel Guide, however. To watch Channel 732 on Spectrum cable, use your remote number pad to **carefully (not quickly) enter 732**, then wait. The channel should appear with a slide show of events and park information.

However, **newer Spectrum cable equipment does not support Channel 732. The same slide show can be seen on the new RV Resident Information Channel on YouTube.**

Here's how to watch on YouTube:

Option A: Scan the QR code. Then click on this month's video.



Option B. Go to YouTube.com

1. In the Search bar, type RV RESIDENT INFO. Hit enter.
2. Look for our Golf Cart icon and **CLICK** it. [insert Golf Cart picture]
3. Choose the most recent video and click **PLAY**. Audio can be muted.

Detailed instructions are also on Bulletin Boards at each clubhouse.



CHAPEL NEWS

Deb Viveiros, Secretary | 727-612-3484 | Lot #384 | debra.viveiros@yahoo.com

Chapel services are every Sunday from 10 to 11 am at the **Hacienda** Clubhouse led by Pastor Tom Hamilton. Come early for coffee at 9:30 am.

Please join us from 6:30 to 8 pm for Prayer and Bible Study. This is a great time to bring your personal prayers to the Lord, learn more about the Bible and enjoy a time of fellowship. Please check your weekly bulletin for location due to clubhouse renovations.



Ladies Prayer Circle will meet on Tuesday, December 16th at the Hacienda Clubhouse at 2pm. This ministry works on providing gifts for children in need for Christmas. This is open to all residents. If you would like to be involved in this ministry or have any questions regarding the Prayer Circle, please contact Karen Ray at 727-523-7265.

Christmas Eve service will be at the Hacienda clubhouse on December 24th at 6:00pm.

Please contact pastor Tom Hamilton if you would like to become a member, become a trustee or deacon, or receive baptism (727) 244-8014.

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IMPORTANT NOTE – NEW PHONE # FOR MARILYN WILLETTE PLEASE CALL 705 – 795 - 4439 for any information about Ladies' Golf or if you would like to join us, or e-mail: chicsgolf2022@gmail.com. It was nice to see those who are here at our annual meet & greet meeting on Nov. 7th. We all agreed that our group remains very social & we look forward to another season of fun.

We play at Largo Municipal Golf Course, Par 3 on Monday mornings. First tee time for 18-hole players is at 8:00 a.m. 9-hole players will be teeing off at approximately 8:30 depending on how many ladies are playing 18 as they tee off first. Dues are \$20 which go toward our end of season banquet & prizes.

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It is getting time to plan for our beautiful CHRISTMAS CART PARADE. To me, this parade looks like a moving Christmas card. This year it will be on SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2025. Lineup will be at 6:15 p.m. at the HACIENDA CLUBHOUSE PARKING LOT, AND THE PARADE WILL BEGIN AT 6:30 P.M. THE PARADE WILL END AT THE HACIENDA AT 7:30 P.M. FOR PRIZES AND SNACKS, AND FELLOWSHIP.

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It is always interesting to see what folks are going to come up with! If you don't want to decorate a cart, or "WHATEVER", join us anyway. Since it will be dark, please use a lot of lights in your decorations!

The parade route will be HCH to 11th, Left on 11th to 8th. Left on 8th to 9th. Left on 9th to the lake. Left at the lake to 6th. Down 6th to HCH. Right to 4th. Right on 4th to the end. Left to 3rd. Right on 3rd to 10th. Left on 10th to Bridge. Right and go across bridge. Turn right after crossing bridge and go on the outer street around the lakes and come back to bridge. After crossing bridge, turn right on 10th to 1st. Left on 1st down to the end and turn left to 2nd. Go left on 2nd all the way to 10th. Right on 10th to 3rd. Right on 3rd all the way to HCH street. Turn left and END AT HACIENDA CLUBHOUSE.

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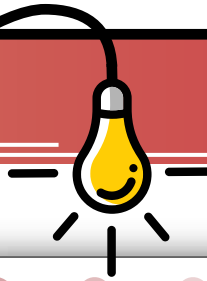
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7 10:00 Chapel H 10:00 Bus Trip to Hudson 6:00 Dress Rehearsal H 6:15 ShuffleBd CTS Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day	8 8:30 Exercise 10:00 Pool aerobics Corral pool 1:00 Chair Volleyball - H 6:00 Xmas Sing A Long H	9:00 Exe 6:15 Shu 6:30 VF
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CHRISTMAS SING-A-LONG

Renee Smith | 727-539-8538

Do you love Christmas songs? Do you love to SING Christmas songs? Then be sure to join us in our Christmas sing-a-long program at the Hacienda, Monday, December 8th, 7 PM...FREE! (Excellent sight readers are welcome to our final rehearsals, Dec 2nd and 5th, @ 10 AM at the Hacienda.)

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As always, for \$1.00, you get a great evening's entertainment where you don't need a partner as we play progressive scoring (everyone keeps their own scorecard as you rotate around with the other players).

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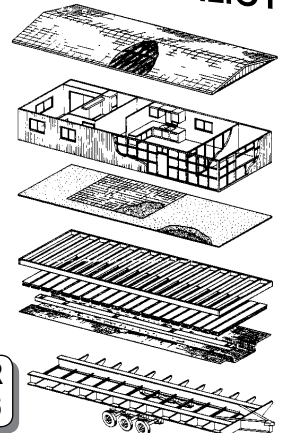
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Dressy Holiday attire is encouraged. 🌲🌲 Sure hope to see you there! 🌲🌲 **FYI...**there will be NO New Years Dance, so enjoy your New Years with family and friends.

Check out these Halloween Dance pictures and costume winners!



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Joe Salkaus: Coordinator | Hazel Koreen: Treasurer | Dino Sundin: Stats

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ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE – save the date: December 1, 2025

Suzanne Bourdeau | suzannebourdeau@me.com | Lot #1010

By the time you read this Bulletin you have already bought your tickets for the December 1st show, our great Las Vegas « Rat Pack Universe » show. We expect this show to be a sell-out and hope you are all ready to walk back in time with this Fantastic Trio!

Our next show is expected to be popular too!

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GAME NIGHT – every Friday

Bob Goguen, Charlie Gilmette, Julia West



Join your neighbors every Friday night at the Corral Clubhouse for laughs, friendly competition, and all kinds of games—cards, dice, dominoes, board games, and more!

Bring a favorite game to share, jump into one you know, or learn something new. We gather after 5:30 PM and start playing around 6 PM, but feel free to drop in anytime!

BYOB, bring your game face, and get ready for a night of fun, connection, and a little brain-boosting action!

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Sue Peck, editor

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LGBTQ & FRIENDS – Let's Meet, Mingle, and Eat!

Johnny Mathes | 317-340-9139 | Johnny1659@gmail.com

The summer is coming to an end, and we are still having our meetings at the Lakes Club house. Each month on the 2nd Sunday at 1pm. We would love to see you there. Our meetings are welcome to all.

Photo by Johnny Mathes



MEN'S CLUB

President – Dennis Juda | 215-920-0859

A Big Thank You to our Ranchero Family for attending our long-awaited Men's Club Italian Dinner in November.

Good time was had by all. Next event coming up on Friday, December 5th, is our first Pancake Breakfast at the Hacienda. Tickets are still \$5.00 per person and no ticket sales at the door. Doors open at 7:30 AM and breakfast is served at 8:00 to 9:00 AM. Tickets will go on sale beginning November 22nd at coffee till December 3rd. Looking forward to having our Ranchero Pancake Breakfast again.



MONDAY MEN'S GOLF LEAGUE & PRE-LEAGUE PLAY

Jeff Kubiszewski | 414-349-9841 | gmagpakubi@gmail.com

The league will begin on January 5, 2026 and will run through March 30, 2026. The league plays at Countryway Golf Club, which is a par 61 executive course. The first tee time is at 9:00 a.m., although we ask that all golfers be there by 8:30 a.m. There are currently openings for spares and full-time members. The league is comprised of two-man teams which play head-to-head matches utilizing handicaps. Spares are used when regular teams have a player or two missing. If there are no missing team members, spares that show up will be put together and play. No designated spare is turned away.

The course is located at 11111 West Waters Avenue, which is about 1.7 miles off West Hillsborough Avenue and about four miles east of the Oldsmar Flea Market.

In the months prior to the beginning of the league and after the league ends, we continue to play every Monday. We select teams randomly from those present that day. We start at 9:00 and again we ask that everyone be there by 8:30 so that we can select teams.

If you are interested in joining the league or wish to participate in our non-league golf, please call Jeff Kubiszewski at: 414-349-9841 for information.

PICKLEBALL

Dennis Butterfield | 317-453-6600 | DennisB317@gmail.com

Welcome back Pickleball Peeps! Looking forward to seeing everyone on the courts! The pickleball courts located at the Hacienda are available for open play anytime at 8:00AM, 7 days a week. There is organized play every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday starting at 8:00AM. You may come and go at any time, playing as many or as few games as you like. A court is available for entry level players as needed. Instructors are available. An App called GROUPME is used for communicating with other players. Questions? Please call Dennis Butterfield - 317-453-6600, or email DennisB317@gmail.com



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OUTREACH

Cathy Hula | 316-250-2511

The Outreach group consists of volunteers who make adult quilts, twin bed quilts, and bibs which are donated to our residents as well as local organizations supporting people in need.

We are moving from the Corral to the Hacienda on Thursday's from 9:30 to 1:00. The group is growing slowly but surely. I look forward to seeing more people, men and women, to help create items for our Ranchero Village residents, as well as for others in need in our community. We had a table at the Fall Bazaar and sold many things that were created. I have some kits put together if you are interested in sewing at your home.

Join us in making a difference, one stitch at a time! No experience necessary. Feel free to contact me, 316-250-2511, Lot# 2167.



POKER CLUB - Let the Cards Fall Where They May!

Gene Harris: 727-533-5773 | Rick Wheeler: 727-219-7083

Join Us for Poker at the Lakes Clubhouse! Ready to test your luck, skill, and poker face? Come join the fun **six days a week** at the **Lakes Clubhouse**, where the stakes are friendly, and the laughter flows freely! **Poker is played every Monday through Saturday | 12 pm – 3:30 pm**



Whether you're a seasoned card shark or just learning the ropes, **everyone is welcome** to pull up a chair and play. Come for the cards, stay for the camaraderie!

SENIORS-IN-SERVICE SHARED ADVICE AND INFO

Through Kay Voorheis' efforts, we have been fortunate to have the **Seniors-In-Service** here at Ranchero Village to share information for a more educated and prepared life. In November, the Largo Police department introduced many community vendors and charities and their services. Examples: In-home assistance programs, Alzheimer's and dementia resources and warning signs, personal safety, scamming advice, fixing your credit and budgeting, mosquito control, and many others. They answered resident questions, provided handouts, and brought coffee and lunch.

Watch here and at Saturday Coffee as well as posted flyers in the club houses for information about future **Lunch And Learn** sessions. To learn more about what **Seniors-In-Service** do, go to: www.seniorsinservice.org



SHUFFLEBOARD FUN AT THE COURTS!

Pat Bryant | 722-535-2439



We're keeping the good times rolling with **shuffleboard** every **Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday evening at 6:15 pm**—weather permitting, of course!

New to the game? No problem! Come join us at the courts—whether you're brand new or a seasoned player, everyone's welcome! We'll happily teach you (for free!) and get you sliding those disks like a pro.

Tuesdays & Thursdays feature a wacky, fun version called **Horsecollar**—a great way to learn and sharpen your skills. Bring just 25¢ to play, and guess what? **Nobody goes home empty-handed!**

Sundays are for our **more competitive games**—a fun way to challenge yourself and level up your shuffleboard game!

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Sticks and disks are in the **east end of the big shed**, but due to past vandalism, the shed is now locked. Call **Pat or Paul Bryant at (727) 535-2439** for the combination or if you have any questions.

So, grab your quarters and come join the fun—we'd love to see you on the courts!

TENNIS CLUB

Brian Roes: 519-259-2230 (President), Dan Willette: 727-535-3531 (Treasurer),
Doug West: 727-724-4732 (Secretary and Scheduler)

The Tennis Club plays every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings at the Lakes Clubhouse. All abilities are welcome, as we were all beginners at one time!



THURSDAY SOCIAL IS ON HIATUS FOR NOW!

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TRIVIA TEAM NIGHT!

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Trivia night is here again this month. Gather your family and friends to form a team of 2 to 6 players, come up with a creative team name, and get ready to put your knowledge to the test in a friendly competition against your neighbors that will last about 60 to 90 minutes.

When? Thursday, Dec, 11th at 6 pm

Who? Teams of 2–6 players (fun team names encouraged!)

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Where? Hacienda

Topics: General knowledge, geography, sports, history, and pop culture

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VFW POST 7938

Larry Idoux – Adjutant

Rich Hula | 316-737-8484 | Gene Harris: 727-533-5773

The members of VFW Post 7938 want to wish all the residents of Ranchero Village a very happy and healthy holiday season.

The next meeting of VFW Post 7938 will be Tuesday evening December 9th at 6:30 p.m. in the Hacienda clubhouse. All members are encouraged to attend.

We are always looking for new members and you don't have to be a resident of Ranchero Village to join our Post. If you have any questions regarding membership, contact any member of the Post.

Please note that the Post will have its annual dinner dance on Saturday February 28th in the Hacienda clubhouse. All residents of Ranchero Village are welcome to attend. Details early next year.

If you wish to purchase a 3' by 5' nylon American flag, contact Senior Vice Commander Gene Harris at lot #852. Unfortunately, the cost of the flags has risen and the new price is \$25.



Wi-Fi IN THE CLUBHOUSES

If you'd like to use your computer in any of the clubhouses, be sure to ask the Office for the Wi-Fi passwords. Each clubhouse has a **different** password, so check in before you log in!



WOMEN'S CLUB

President: Brenda Deprey - Lot #745 | 207-441-8651 | BJBDeprey@gmail.com

Welcome to December - the first month of winter! In case you are wondering, it has already snowed in Maine. ❄️ Each week it has been so nice to see our Northern friends and neighbors return to Ranchero! December is shaping up to be a busy month here. There will be Holiday parties and Family gatherings spreading Good Cheer!

We were finally able to hold our much-awaited Fall Bazaar and it was a huge success! It was wonderful to have such a vast array of vendors and to see how many talented Artists we have here in Ranchero Village and in some of the surrounding neighborhoods. We had a great turn-out of browsers and shoppers, who also took advantage of the Lunch we provided for sale and the Baked Goods Table. We raffled off several beautiful Raffle Baskets, donated by our residents. It was an exciting atmosphere - a great way to start off the Holiday Shopping Season! 🌲

We are looking forward to our Annual Toys for Tots Event this month. 🚚 We are working with the Marines and their availability to come and pick up the Toys and the Bikes. We know that we have to be flexible as they have to line up the truck. We have scheduled our Open House for Tuesday, December 16, 2025 from 11:00am to 2:00pm. It will be an Open House like last year. It was very casual and people were able to drop off their toys and view all of the toys and bikes that have been donated. It's also fun to visit with friends all the while enjoying a cup of coffee and freshly homemade desserts and listening to live Christmas Music.

To start off 2026, we are planning an Ice Cream Social along with an Ice Cream Trivia Game for January 13, 2026. The time of day still needs TBD as the Building Renovations will allow.

As Ralph Waldo Emerson once said: "December is the time for Remembering the past and reaching toward the future."

We would like to wish you all a Very Happy Holiday Season and a peaceful New Year! 🎉

Here's a look at the fun we had at our Taco Bar / Trivia night!



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Dec 1st – Entertainment - Rat Pack Universe
Dec 5th – Pancake breakfast
Dec 7th – Bus Trip to Sunkicks Holiday show
Dec 9th – Christmas Sing-A-Long
Dec 10th – Bus Trip to Bok Tower Gardens Holiday
Dec 13th – Blood drive
Dec 13th – Holiday Dance – Kris Pierce
Dec 14th – Cart Parade
Dec 16th – Toys-or-Tots Open House Donation Day
Dec 20th – Saturday Coffee - Ugly Sweater Contest



2026 YEAR-AT-A-GLANCE

Jan 9th – Pancake breakfast
Jan 13th – Ice Cream Social / Trivia Game
Jan 22nd – Chicken dinner
Jan 24th – Volunteer Appreciation Event
Jan 26th – Entertainment – Elton
Jan 29th – Trivia
Feb 8th – Super Football Sunday/Chili Cook-Off
Feb 10th – Valentine’s Dinner
Feb 12th – Trivia
Feb 14th – Valentine Dance
Feb 23rd – Entertainment - Beach Buoys
Feb 27th – Pancake breakfast
Feb 28th – VFW Dinner Dance
March 10th – Fashion Show (an Evening in Paris)
March 12th – Corned beef dinner
March 14th – St. Patty’s Dance
March 23rd – Entertainment - William Florian/Beatles
March 26th – Trivia
April 3rd – Pancake breakfast
April 11th – Snowbird Farewell Dance
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