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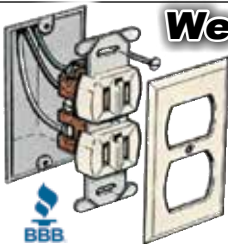
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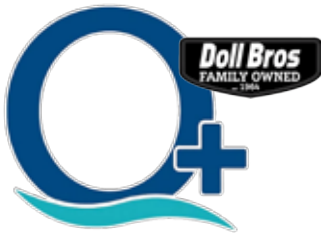
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6. **SAFETY HINT:** Use a **FLASHLIGHT** when walking during the dark hours after 6:00P. Golf Carts turn lights **ON**.
7. Residents should have Emergency Contact information in their office file, in case of medical problem or weather emergency.
8. Any requests for our maintenance staff is to be submitted, **IN WRITING**, so work order can be generated. No verbal requests, please.

Pointe West Community Organizations

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 - b. These residents pay real estate taxes to Pinellas County.
 - c. They pay a monthly maintenance fee to the ROC.
 - d. Organization elects residents to the Board to govern the running of Pointe West. These (9) directors elect yearly: a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer.
2. **Recreation Association - REC**
 - a. All residents are eligible to join, paying \$2.50 per person for life.
 - b. It's managed by a Board of Directors (9) for rotating three year terms. They then elect a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer each year.
 - c. They plan a Social calendar for winter and summer seasons.
3. **Home Owners' Association - HOA**
 - a. Pointe West Homeowners Association Inc. A not-for profit corporation. The H.O.A. is by law, the official and legally recognized representative.
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December is a month rich with religious celebrations from various traditions.

- Hanukkah: An eight-day Jewish festival commemorating the rededication of the Second Temple in Jerusalem, often celebrated with the lighting of the menorah, traditional foods, and games.
- Christmas: Celebrated on December 25th by Christians worldwide, Christmas honors the birth of Jesus Christ and is observed with church services, festive meals, and family gatherings.
- Kwanzaa: Celebrated from December 26th to January 1st, Kwanzaa is an African American holiday that honors heritage, unity, and culture. Families observe the week with activities such as lighting the kinara, sharing stories, and reflecting on seven guiding principles known as the Nguzo Saba, which emphasize values like community, creativity, and faith.
- Bodhi Day: Observed by Buddhists, Bodhi Day marks the enlightenment of Siddhartha Gautama, the Buddha, and is typically celebrated through meditation, study, and acts of kindness.



No matter how your family celebrates, the holiday season is a time to embrace joy, gratitude, and togetherness. Whether your traditions revolve around festive gatherings, quiet moments at home, or volunteering in your community, this special time of year reminds us to cherish those we love and find happiness in the simple joys around us. The true spirit of the holidays lies in connecting with others and creating memories that last long after the decorations are put away.

Holiday Market ~ December 6

Our Annual Holiday Market in our Clubhouse will return on Saturday, December 6th with even more Vendors, Food Concessions, Holiday Bazaar Items and the Big Bake Sale.

This is the perfect opportunity to grab a gift for that special someone, or for yourself! Choose from artisan items, including baked goods, paintings, hand sewn items, cookware, candles, decorations, and much, much more. The doors open from 9am until 2pm. Concessions will be available.



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Pointe West Holiday Events

Be sure and get the latest information about the Pointe West holiday events at the KK meetings:

- **Golf Cart Parade:** there's plenty of time to get your cart decorated for the December 19 parade. If you will not be riding in the parade. . . go to your front yard at dusk to cheer them on (and maybe get a little candy!). The Christmas Dance will follow the Parade at 7:00pm.
- **Christmas Dinner:** Celebrate the holiday with your neighbors ~ appetizers at 4pm, dinner at 6pm. Watch for details about hosting, signing up and the menu.
- **New Year's Eve Dance:** It's hard to believe it is already time to say good-bye to 2025! Join your Pointe West friends to ring in 2026. Appetizers at 8:00pm, with Dinner at 9:00pm.

Crafting With Julie

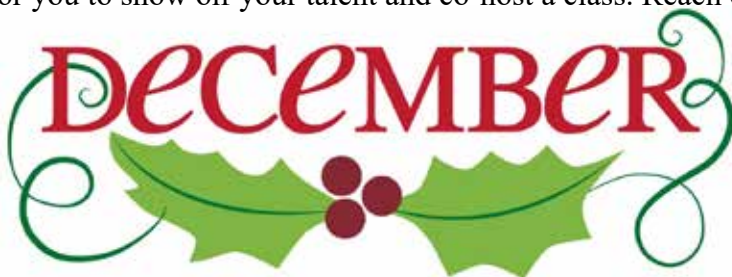
By Julie Cincotta

November's craft class was a huge success. We made a centerpiece for Thanksgiving . Every craft had its own personality!

December's craft class will be held on December 1st, 11am. We will be making a tribute to the upcoming holiday season using clear plastic bowls, tinsel garland, fairy lights and some festive decorations. The price is \$6 and please make payment prior to the class. As always, I shop for the amount of people that signed up.



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Julie (23 A)



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This event supports REC and Clubhouse activities and relies on our community volunteers. Talk to Kim, or ask at KK, about volunteer opportunities.

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If you would like to join us for the December Cookbook Book Club tasting:

- register your name and the name of your chosen recipe on the sign-up sheet in the Activities Room;
- prepare your recipe; and
- bring it with you to the CBBC tasting party at the Clubhouse.

Monday, December 8 at 6:00 pm

Your foodie friends in Pointe West look forward to seeing you!!!!

Questions ???

Contact Barbara Hyle, 978-257-0899, bshyle@gmail.com





Dance On!

One of the best things about living at Pointe West is the regular dances, just steps from our own front doors. Ron and Julie have been busy planning the best dance season ever. Come as you are, or dress for the theme. Whether you are a ‘groovin’ on the floor all night long dancer’, or a ‘toe tappin’ chair dancer’, come join your neighbors for a night filled with music, fun, and community. Tickets are always available from Ron Hancock, 23A, or at KK

Favorite Activities Are Back!

Tai Chi Chih

Yay! Lanni Lantery is back guiding us through Tai Chi Chih in the Clubhouse every Tuesday and Friday at 9:30am.

Tai Chi Chih is a gentle, mindful movement practice often described as “Joy through Movement”. Unlike traditional martial arts, Tai Chi Chih does not involve physical combat or strenuous exertion. Instead, it focuses on a series of soft, flowing movements that promote relaxation, reduce stress, and foster a sense of serenity. The discipline encourages inner balance and harmony, making it accessible to people of all ages and fitness levels. For seniors, Tai Chi Chih’s low-impact movements are easy on the joints and can help improve flexibility, balance, and mobility, which are especially important for maintaining independence and preventing falls. Additionally, Tai Chi Chih’s focus on relaxation and mindfulness can help reduce stress, promote emotional well-being, and foster a deeper sense of community among participants. Join Lanni to boost both physical and mental wellness.



Cornhole

Cornhole is a popular activity at tailgates, backyard parties, and competitive tournaments throughout the United States. And at Pointe West! Join the fun every Sunday at 1:00pm beside the Clubhouse. Cost is \$5. First, Second and Third Place winners will receive cash awards. Cornhole is easy for beginners to learn, with opportunity to develop tossing skills, strategic placement, and defensive techniques to block opponents.



Bunco

Bunco dice are rolling! Known for being lively and loud, filled with socializing, friendly competition, and lots of celebrating, Bunco is a great way to join neighbors for fun and friendship. Plus, prizes! Most Buncos, Most Winners, and Big Loser all go home with cash prizes. Bring your own beverage, a snack to share, and \$3 to play. Never played before? We’ll show you how! Watch for updates at KK and join the fun!



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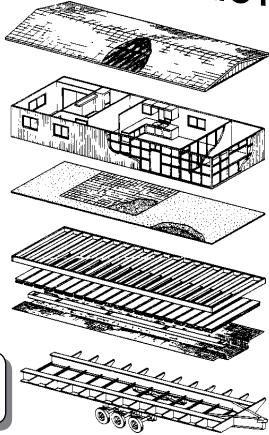
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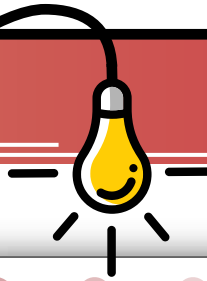
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Nathan looked up, smiled, and replied, 'I took him from the church.' 'And why did you take him?'

With a sheepish grin, Nathan said, 'Well, Father John, about a week before Christmas I prayed to Lord Jesus. I told him if he would bring me a red wagon for Christmas, I would give him a ride around the block in it.'

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Although this tale from our short Christmas stories is only a few words, it's worth including: Myra was going to the Christmas office party but needed a new party dress. In the clothing store, she asked, 'May I try on that dress in the window, please?' 'Certainly not, madam,' responded the salesgirl, 'You'll have to use the fitting room like everyone else.'

Trust Him?

On the Sunday before Christmas, Reverend Billy Graham was walking down Highland Street in Mt Holly, North Carolina on his way to see a parishioner. However, he wanted to post a parcel urgently so he asked a young boy where he could find the post office. When the boy had directed him, Reverend Graham thanked him and said, 'If you'll come to the Church this evening, you can hear me telling everyone how to get to heaven.' The boy replied, 'I think I'll give your sermon a miss. If you don't even know your way to the post office, how will you lead me to heaven?'

Service?

It was a cold and misty Christmas morning in the very depth of winter after a heavy fall of snow and only Farmer Evans and the Reverend Joseph Lancaster managed to arrive at the church for the morning service. 'Well,' said the Vicar laconically, 'I guess there's no point in having a service today.' 'Well that's not how I see it,' said Farmer Evans smartly. 'If only one cow turns up at feeding time, I still feed it.'





Poetry Corner

At Christmas Time

Snow falls
as she looks through
the window
waiting for her boyfriend
to return from his journey

She turns the
lights on
so the Christmas tree
will brighten the bare
corner of the room

Will she believe
when the truth
and happiness
which they both had
return to her
and love will prevail

Just as the window clears
he walks through the snow covered sidewalk
towards the warm house
to the door which she will open
and lets him in
to embrace and kiss the boyfriend
Which she knows so well



They settle down for the evening
to think
what would have happened
if love and good thoughts
got lost forever.

But her love for him
was so strong
it pulled them together
and he had the same feeling for
her to

As the night turned
into the new day
And the snow stopped outside
he will leave with
love in his heart
and a girl to return.....

Let the light in and love and
peace on earth will prevail

Contributed by: Donald Hoffman

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to all the December babies!

Dec 05	Trish Hilbrand
Dec 06	Donald Hoffman
Dec 12	Elizabeth Call
Dec 13	Steve Drury
Dec 16	John Slater
Dec 17	Danny Gosse
Dec 19	Judy Slagle
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Holiday Events in Pinellas County

Holiday Lights in the Gardens: Held at Florida Botanical Gardens in Largo, this beloved annual event features over a million twinkling lights, themed displays, and nightly entertainment. November 28 – January 3. Donations of \$10 per person over 12 years old are greatly appreciated.

Main Street of Safety Harbor, Saturday, December 6, 2025, 10 am. Beautifully decorated boats and an appearance by Santa at the end of the parade are just a few of the highlights.

Annual Tarpon Springs Holiday Boat Parade; Friday, December 12, 7pm Craig Park. Vessels will begin at the Tarpon Landing Marina and will end in Spring Bayou at 8 p.m.

57th Annual Festival of Lights Boat Parade, Saturday, December 13. Best public viewing at ROC Park – Madeira Beach. The parade begins at the American Legion Post 273 at 6:30 p.m., travels all the finger canals through the city, and ends at John's Pass.

Gulfport Christmas Boat Parade, Saturday, December 13, 6 pm. See the parade from the Gulfport Municipal Marina, Clam Bayou Nature Park, Osgood Point, Gulfport's Williams Pier, and Gulfport Casino before passing by the Gulfport beach. The parade will then make it's way through the communities of Town Shores, Pelican Bay, Skimmers Point, Bayview Circle, past Kipps Colony, near the Pasadena Yacht & Country Club

Holiday Lights & Carnival Rides Nov 28-Dec 29 | 5-10pm | Largo Central Park Largo Central Park transforms into a radiant wonderland during this cherished annual tradition. Wander through over two million stunning LED lights, creating a magical holiday display for all ages to enjoy. This free, family-friendly event also features amusement rides (\$6 per ride or \$50 for 10 rides) and a variety of food and market vendors offering delicious treats and holiday gifts. Free parking is available at the park except on Saturday, Dec 7, during the Holiday Strolling Market and Tree Lighting. Note that this is a walking-only experience; motorized vehicles like golf carts and electric bikes are not permitted.

Holidays With a Heart Dec 1 | 6pm | Central Park Performing Arts Center. Support hurricane relief with a community variety show presented by the Central Park Performing Arts Foundation, featuring Broadway star Rachel Potter and local talents. Proceeds will benefit the Pinellas Community Foundation. Get your tickets now at LargoArts.com/Tickets.

20th Annual Very Merry Christmas Party Dec 3 | 5pm | Largo Community Center. Get into the holiday spirit at this heart-warming event. Dinner, entertainment, door prizes and a visit from Santa are included. Register by November 28 at the Largo Community Center.

Holiday Stroll & Tree Lighting: Dec 7 | 5pm | Largo Central Park. Enjoy a festive journey through dazzling lights, live performances, and the magical tree lighting at 6pm. Meet Santa for free photos from 6:30-8pm and shop local artisans and vendors for your holiday gifts. The event is free, with limited on-site parking is available for \$10 (credit card only), or park and walk from Largo Middle and Largo High Schools for \$5.

Holiday Concert in the Park: Dec 14 | 2pm | Largo Community Center. Indulge in the festive spirit for the whole family with an afternoon filled with live holiday music, creative make-and-take crafts, and the delightful warmth of hot cocoa and holiday cookies.

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Holiday Traditions Around the World: Dec 21 | 11am | Central Park Performing Arts Center. Join the festive journey of a lively, global musical that explores the joyous traditions of Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, and more, engaging students in a heartwarming celebration of cultural diversity. Buy tickets now at LargoArts.com/Tickets.

Largo Old Fashioned Christmas Parade: Dec 21 | 12pm | Downtown Largo. The Rotary Club of Largo will host its annual Old-Fashioned Christmas Parade in Downtown Largo, featuring decorated floats, local dance troupes, fire trucks, marching bands, and Santa Claus. The parade starts at noon from the corner of First Avenue and Fourth Street Southwest and circles the streets of Downtown Largo.

Regular Pointe West Happenings ~

- **“KK” (Koffee Klatch):** weekly gathering to meet your neighbors, hear any news or event updates, and enjoy free coffee and donuts, yogurt, or fruit. Doors open at 8:30 for socializing. The meeting starts at 9:00. Leftover donuts are sold for fifty cents each. Come meet your neighbors and find out what is happening at Pointe West. **KK Recap:** *If you know of anyone who is not receiving the KK recap you can email their email address to pointewestresidents@gmail.com or speak to Susan Barnard at the KK meetings.*
- **Weekly Bingo:** Evening Bingo every Tuesday: Doors open at 4:30. Bingo cards are sold 5:00-6:15. Bingo starts at 6:30PM. Thursday afternoon Bingo continues in the Clubhouse at 1pm.
- **Aquacise:** Weekdays at 9:30am. (no aquacise if air temperature is less than 70 degrees)
- **Ladies Luncheons** (3rd Friday of the month at noon) and Men's Luncheon (2nd Tuesday of the month at noon). The monthly plans are shared at KK, and the sign-up sheet will be in the Activity Room.
- **Bowling:** Bowling for Fun every Wednesday, 2:00pm at Liberty Lanes on Starkey. Cost is \$3.50 a game plus \$2.00 shoe rental.
- **In Park Friendly Shuffle:** whether it's your first time or you've been playing for years! Friendly Shuffle happens every Monday and Friday at 1:00 pm.
- **Indoor Table Shuffle** every Thursday, 7:00pm, through April.
- **Crafting with Julie:** first Monday of the month at 11:00am. Sign up in the Activity Room and prepay for your supplies. The monthly project is shared at KK.
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- **Donations for Vets:** Ed Longtin, Lot 5M, is collecting manufacturer’s coupons for troops overseas. Elks cut, separate, and forward them. Donations for CW Bill Young VA Medical Center are always welcomed, such as men’s and women’s new underwear, socks, new toiletries, single size personal hygiene items, puzzles, and board games. There are female veterans at Bay Pines, as well as male veterans. Donations can be dropped at Lot 15-I, Pleasant View Drive, or call Gil Himes, (727) 585-0001, for pick up.

Stuff to Remember

- **Office Hours:** Regular office hours are Monday through Thursday from 9am to 1pm. If you wish to come to the office outside these hours please call to make an appointment (727) 584-8924.
- **Gate Fobs:** Fobs (like a garage door opener) for the gate between Pointe West and Four Seasons are available for purchase at the Pointe West Office during regular business hours. The cost is \$31.00 each, cash only, no checks. If you do not buy a fob for the gate, the manual code will still work.
- **Water Restrictions:** Pointe West’s designated days for watering are Wednesday or Sunday, before 10am and after 4pm. Please adjust your watering schedule accordingly or you may receive a violation notice and be subject to fines. **Residents are reminded that leaving the water on when hose is not in use, even if the spray nozzle is closed, is in violation of county regulations. Please ensure that all water is turned off when hoses are not in use.** For more information, see <https://pinellas.gov/watering-schedule-and-rules/>.
- **Borrowing from the Clubhouse:** Residents are reminded that if you wish to borrow chairs or tables from the Clubhouse you are required to sign for them. When you want to borrow items, please ask a REC member. The sign-up sheet is in the storage room which is normally locked and can be accessed by the REC board members. If there is a Clubhouse event planned (dance, park dinner, other events) you will not be authorized to borrow tables or chairs.
- **Yellow Directory (Dial Directory):** Please contact Donna in the office and let her know of any changes or additions. The office number is 727-584-8924, and is located at Lot 5-L.
- **Pool:** If you open an umbrella at the pool, please close it before you leave. We don’t want any umbrellas damaged by unexpected storms. If you use it and don’t close it, you may be responsible if it gets broken. Reminder ~ Wear bracelet in the pool area.



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- **Parking:** Please park your bicycles and golf carts in the designated areas only and not on the walkways or in front of the doorways. There is a bicycle rack to the left of the main clubhouse door, and golf carts should park in parking spots. Please keep the sidewalk areas clear and hazard free. No vehicle parking on sidewalks ~ it may crack the concrete.
- **If you are leaving the Park for an extended period** please remember to notify the office. Make sure your ‘out of the Park’ address and phone number are current. Also inform the office who has a key to your unit, if you have authorized anyone to park in your driveway etc. Our community looks out for one another so it is important that information about your unit is current.
- **Please DO NOT CHANGE the programming for microphones, TV, and other electronic equipment.** Evan McKay has programmed remote controls for ease of use at regular Clubhouse events.
- **Reminder about Bulletin Boards in the Activity Room:** All notices must be dated and can be left up for 30 days. Notices without a date will be removed.
- **“That Internet Guy” Contact Info:** If you receive your internet from “Tom, the Internet Guy,” please make note of his information in case you ever need to contact him for connection issues. You will need to contact him via text. Tom Northrup, Park Wi-Fi Solutions, 585.727.4286.
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- **E-Blast System Reminder:** The Pointe West office uses an E-blast system to advise residents of important issues and emergency notices. To ensure that you receive these critical messages, please make sure the office has your email address.
- **Use your ashtray!** Whether you’re driving, riding around in your golf cart, using the common spaces, or enjoying the pool, please use proper receptacles for your cigarette butts. They are scattered over the sides of the roads and sidewalks, and wind up in our yards. They not only present a fire hazard, they also detract from the beauty of our Park.
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Monthly Media Deadlines: Submit articles and photos
to michele888@comcast.net, Lot #4L, (425.346.6059) by the deadlines:
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- The scammers will **play with your emotions**. They're counting on you to act quickly to help your family or friend. And they're counting on you to pay without stopping to check out whether there's really an emergency. If you get a call like this, you can be sure this is a scam.

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