

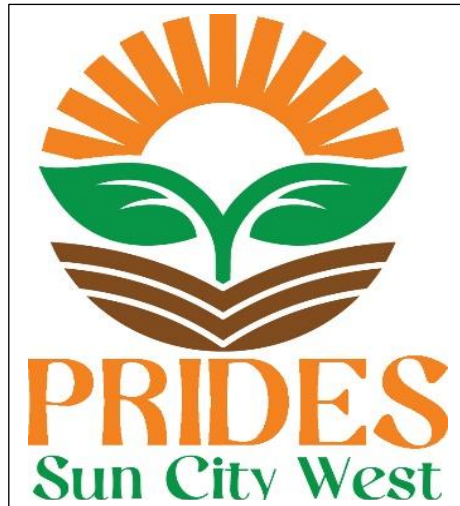
Sun City West PRIDES

A 501(c)(3) Charitable Organization

Proud Residents Involved Doing Environmental Services

February 2020 Newsletter

PRIDES new logo was presented at the Feb. 15 General Meeting. An updated look that represents the work we do in our community. Over time, the new logo will appear on print, apparel, etc. Thank you to Lisa Safago for her efforts on this project.



2020 Dates to Remember

Mar 21	Payday General Meeting
Mar 25	Spring Picnic at Kuentz
Mar 28	Womens/Boomer's Breakfast
Apr 1	Summer Hours Begin 6:30 -8:00AM
Apr 11	No Work (Easter Weekend)
Apr 18	Payday General Meeting
May 16	Payday General Meeting
May 23	No Work (Memorial Day Wknd)
June-August	Summer Recess
July 4	No Work (July 4)
July 18	Pastries in the shop 8:00 AM
Sept 5	No Work (Labor Day Wknd)
Sept 19	Payday General Meeting
Oct 1	Winter Hours begin 7:30-9:00AM
Oct 17	Payday General Meeting
Nov 7	No Work (Veteran's Day)
Nov 21	Payday General Meeting
Nov 28	No Work (Thanksgiving)
Dec 26	No Work (Christmas)
Jan 2, 2021	No Work (New Years)
Jan. 13, 2021	Member Appreciation Dinner

President's Message

The 2019 Luminaria Fundraiser program generated enough funds to cover approximately 20% of expenditures for our operational expenses in 2020. \$6125 was generated from sales of kits, \$2134 from miscellaneous donations, \$2700 from the Luminaria for Luke program. In addition, \$2159 was donated for the Luke Library.

I again want to thank everyone who participated in any form or fashion with a special thanks to Judy Zimmer and Wendy Venske for co-ordinating the program and for volunteering to do so again for 2020.

The PRIDES citrus gleaning game is in full force every Wednesday morning. I certainly appreciate all of you who volunteer to serve our community. Not only do we help residents who are unable to pick the fruit themselves but hundreds of pounds of citrus is donated to St. Mary's Food Bank.

The Women's Club & Boomers will be hosting the PRIDES for an appreciation breakfast on Saturday, March 28 at 8:00 AM at their clubhouse in the Kuentz Rec Center.

By the time you receive this the 2020 Relay for Life at Beardsley Park will be completed. Marilyn Shaw leads the entire American Cancer Society's Relay for

Life of the Sun Cities Event with the help of Peggy Joynson, Linda Victor and Lisa Safago, who is also the PRIDES team Lead.

Our annual Spring Picnic is coming soon, Wednesday, March 25 at the Kuentz Courtyard. It will be catered by our local Memo's Bistro, music by Pandora Variety Music, 100/100 tickets for sale at the registration table. Registration form is attached, please return it to the office by March 17.

April 4th is the start of summer hours - 6:30 - 8:00 AM.

Proud to be a PRIDE
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Changes to LUMINARIA for 2020

Annual sales of Luminaria have been the sole fundraiser for the PRIDES for many years and it has created a sense of pride and community among the many churches, organizations and residents who have displayed the Luminaria on Christmas Eve.

In an effort to increase the amount of monies raised to fund the operational expenses of the PRIDES, the Board has elected to discontinue the Luminaria for Luke program and concentrate our efforts on the primary goal of financial sustainability for the SCW PRIDES.

Our sincere thanks to Steve and Linda Victor for their efforts over the past few years in coordinating the Luke Program.

Horticulture

During the February general meeting, it was announced that a task force had been organized to review and develop a plan for the rehabilitation of the plants on R H Johnson and Meeker Boulevards.

This spring, the planting will be concentrated at the three entrances to SCW; the remainder of the sections are planned for the fall season.

Apparel with new logo will be available for sale at the March 21 Payday General Meeting.



Congratulations PRIDES members for your efforts in making the 2020 event a success by contributing your volunteer hours, many cans of food and about \$5000 in donations.

LUMINARIA THANK YOU

Wendy Venske and Judy Zimmer would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Luminaria team members who gave so readily to the 2019 Luminaria Program. So, thank you to:

Ralph Johnson-Luminaria Coor. and Bob's Variety Liason, Kathy Estes-Supply/Printing Coor., Steve & Linda Victor-Luke Coor., Paul Kunze-Sand/White Bag Coor., Steve Johnson-Signage/Banners, Diane Rice-Large Orders Coor., Sue Publitz-Publicity Coor., Barb Sumner/Sue Publitz-Finance Coor.. We also want to say a very big thank you to every single volunteer who helped make the Luminaria Program so successful. It was great working with everyone.

Spring Picnic

Make your picnic reservation today. **Seating is limited to first 150.** Seating open at 11:30 AM, lunch served at noon. Complete form and return it to the office by **March 17, 2020.** Please include payment for guest with check made payable to SCW Prides.

The Picnic Menu : Provided by Memo's Bistro
Hamburger or Chicken Sandwich with Baked Beans and Potato Salad.
Drinks (Water, soda, iced tea or lemonade) or BYOB. Desert

Please indicate menu selection

Hamburger Chicken Sandwich

_____ _____ PRIDES member name _____

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_____ _____ Guest Name _____

Please include payment of \$7.00 for guest