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## Manager's Corner



All of the staff here at Royal Coachman is excited to host a new season for our returning snowbirds! We have worked hard all summer to get the resort ready for you, and will continue to make improvements as we go forward. We will be starting our monthly activities right away, with a Pub picnic, Oktoberfest, pumpkin decorating contest and Halloween Party!

Many of the group activities will be starting up again this month, so please check the Activity Calendar for details. We hope you all had a super wonderful summer, and got plenty of rest, so you can get down to some serious fun here at RCR.

So unpack your stuff, dust off your patio, clean up your grills, and get started!

Sincerely,

*Bev Malouin*

Beverly Malouin, Resort Manager

# HALLOWEEN

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*More Amenities listed on page 7.*

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- For guests that are not utilizing FPL and are with us for one month or longer, we will have your electric fee at the office.
- For those of you with FPL, please be sure to discontinue your service with them on your departure date and inform the office when you do so.

**Internet** Jabba Wi-Fi is available on the RV sites for daily weekly and monthly service. Comcast also offers internet service; please call them directly for rates at 800-266-2278.

**Wi-Fi** Complimentary wireless Wi-Fi service is available:

- Lounge/Internet Café/Pool: Royal Coachman Pool WIFI. Password: Password5015 (case sensitive)
  - Clubhouse/Recreation Hall: RoyalCoachmanCH/RoyalCoachmanRH. Same password as above.
- Please remember that this is an open network so watch your password and privacy settings.

### Propane

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## Advisory Board Corner

Chuck Ginrich, President – cgenrich9@gmail.com

October is the month when many of us return to RCR for the season. Reading about the work the park has done this summer should make everyone interested in the appearance of the park. By the way, if you have not been reading the *Macaw* during the summer you have missed out on the information Bev has included about a number of subjects. Of course, the main subject has been the ongoing park projects, many of which I mentioned last month, but there are others. I believe the park is ready; all it needs is a dusting of snowbirds.

Park management has been very proactive in providing information from the Sarasota County E.M.S. in the *Macaw*. In the June through October issues there is important information about storm shelters to include a current listing of the county storm shelters, what to bring to a shelter and what to do before you leave your residence (Last 2 pages of *Macaw*). It is not recommended to just show up saying "help." The RCR Storm Alert Committee, headed by Dick Brown, has been active for a number of years in providing storm preparedness information and Beverly has provided a flow of information during the hurricane season. In addition to the *Macaw* the park has included storm preparedness information via Facebook (FB). Finally, if you go to scgov.net you can get a vast amount of emergency preparedness information for Sarasota County.



That leads me to another subject; communication. While FB is a popular social media site for millions of people there are a significant number who are not interested in FB. You can include me in the latter category. I cannot imagine why I would announce who, what, where or when about my daily life to the world; just not my thing. However, Carol and I do have a FB account

that allows us to look at the RCR FB sites. Park management uses FB and blast emails to pass all kinds of information to those living in the park. If you want to stay up-to-date on what is going on in the park you might consider getting a FB account. The *Macaw* is a great publication but is, at best, 20 days old.

*The following is the last of the questions and answers from last season's Advisory Board annual meeting.*

**Comment:** Larry Falcone, #370: My understanding is that the new Legacy Trail Bridge over Laurel Road was driven by the anticipated traffic resulting from the housing developments forecasted off of Laurel East and I-75. Shouldn't the park start gathering data to determine if we should have a stop-light/ reduced speed signs at our exit onto Laurel? Making a left turn is currently a difficult task during peak hours; I shudder to think about the increased risk with "X" times more traffic

**Answer:** To start, understand that the road adjacent to Terra Cove is Terra Cove's property so it is not "our" road. That could make a difference to traffic authorities if the park starts making requests. Installing a traffic light costs approximately \$100,000 so it is not a casual undertaking. Before there is approval for a traffic light the county/state would have to perform a traffic study and to justify the study they would have to believe there is a problem(s) such as a large number of traffic accidents. Finally, we are not quite sure how, or what, data should/could be gathered or who would accomplish that. We acknowledge that, at times, it can be difficult to merge left onto Laurel Road. Therefore, for at least the near term it is incumbent on everyone to be extra vigilant when doing so.

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Since I love food, I used a food analogy. I asked if she has a spaghetti sauce she likes? She looked confused and I assured her that this would help answer her question. She answered, "Yes, I like Bertolli."

I explained, one spaghetti sauce isn't better than another it depends on the person eating the sauce as to their preference. I then explained there are five major manufacturers with good reputations for building a quality product. By sampling from the five major manufacturers, she would likely discover the sound she prefers.

Anita is a very active woman, owns a company with many employees, is active in her community, has a large family and is part of a band.

Based on her lifestyle and prior hearing experiences, I recommended two manufacturers: Oticon and ReSound. The first one has a crisp sound quality and the latter one has a more mellow quality.

Also, I answered the unasked question, why didn't I recommend what she was wearing? Because, if she was confident with the sound of her current aids she wouldn't have asked my opinion.

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## Amenities

**RCR Camp hosts are gone for the season and the Rec hall is closed until October first. The lounge, clubhouse and card room close at 5 p.m. except for special arrangements made in advance through the office.**

- ☺ **Air Pump** Air for vehicle tires is located at the back of the Resort, at the Dump Station. We do not supply a gauge.
- ☺ **Bulletin Board** Any notices to be posted must be brought to the Office. Please use a 3"x5" index card to list items for sale/rent. All other notices must be appropriate size. Bulletin boards are located throughout the Boardwalk and at the Recreation hall and Clubhouse.
- ☺ **Campfires** No Ground Fires are permitted. Above the ground covered fire containers are permitted. If it is an extremely dry season, the Office will post notices regarding campfires
- ☺ **Canoes/Kayaks** They are available at no cost. They are located across from site 67 on the Outer Circle. To sign them out bring your driver's license to the Office. We will hold your license for you to pick up after returning them. Paddles and life jackets are available in the locked shed by the canoes & kayaks. You must be 18-years-old or older or accompanied by a parent to use the canoes & kayaks. There is a 2-hour limit for usage and they are available from 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. daily.
- ☺ **Kayak Racks** To utilize the kayak racks you must sign a contract at the office and lock your kayak on the assigned spot. Any canoes/kayaks found unaccounted for may be disposed of.
- ☺ **Laundry Room** Located at the Clubhouse. No cash accepted. Credit/Debit card required for use.
 

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- ☺ **Car & Boat Wash** There is a car, RV and boat wash located by the Maintenance Shop, available on a first-come, first-serve basis
- ☺ **Dump Station** An RV Dump Station is located in the back of the Resort near the Maintenance Shed.
- ☺ **Emergency Shelter Information Please** check the Bulletin Boards on the Boardwalk and Clubhouse, or our Facebook page for Sarasota County Emergency Shelter Locations. There is an evacuation plan for viewing available at the Office.
- ☺ **Faxes and Copies** The Office will fax your document(s) with a cost of \$1.50 for the first page and \$.50 for each additional page. Please notify the Office if you will be receiving a fax. Incoming faxes are \$.15 per page. Copies are \$.15 per page for black and white. We will not make color copies.
- ☺ **Fitness Center** The Fitness Center is located on the Boardwalk. You must be 18-years-old or older to use the center. The entry code is with your arrival documents.
- ☺ **Garbage and Recycling Center** The garbage compactor and recycling containers are located at the back of the Clubhouse. We recycle cardboard, newspaper, plastic jugs and clear plastic bottles and glass. Plastic bags do not go into the recycling containers. Please break down all boxes and follow posted directions for the disposal of trash. *This area is only for trash; not furniture, appliances, tires, batteries, etc.* For large items, etc. you can take them directly to the Sarasota County Landfill. It is located at 4000 Knights Trail Rd., Nokomis 34275. Call for their daily hours 941-861-1573.
- ☺ **Ice** It is available at the Office during business hours for the cost of \$2 for a 10-pound bag.
- ☺ **Internet Café** Located on the Boardwalk. A computer is available to use or bring your laptop for complimentary Wi-Fi. Entry codes are in your welcome packet.
- ☺ **Mailroom** Please verify that your site # is on your incoming mail to prevent any delays. Also, please make sure that your name is listed on the mail; if a package/letter is addressed to Grandma/Grandpa/Pet's name/Etc., your mail may not be delivered. As a courtesy, we do our very best to deliver the mail promptly. Should you desire to obtain your mail at the local post office, the information needed is: **Nokomis Post Office; Laurel Rd., Nokomis, FL**  
*Rates at the Nokomis Post Office vary from \$17 for 3-months to \$400 for 12-months, variable by the size of your box. Caller service is also available.*
- ☺ **Pavilion** The pavilion is a large covered area that is available for picnics, parties, etc. for big groups of our guests. Electricity is available. Sign up on the ONE-TIME ACTIVITIES sheet in the Lounge and give it to the Activities Director.
- ☺ **Paws Park** Pets are welcome, but ALL cats and dogs must be leashed at all times when outside of the Paws Park. Owners MUST pick up after their pets. No pets should be left unattended or tied up outside. No fences or playpens allowed. Pets are not permitted in activity buildings (i.e. Clubhouse, Rec Hall, etc.) pool area or in the bathrooms/showers. Paws Park is open from 8 a.m. – 10 p.m. daily and is located behind the car wash. Pets should not be an annoyance – i.e. "Excessive barking" and unleashed.
- ☺ **Sports Equipment** Basketballs, volleyballs, golf clubs, etc. are available at the Office.
- ☺ **Wood Shop** Located at Maint. Building at back of resort. Skill required. Call Gil Field 941-928-6136 for more info.



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## Maintenance

Beverly Malouin, Manager

### Welcome Back!!!

*We have been busy while you were gone, so look for these changes:*

- A new basketball backboard and hoop have been installed
- A new light on the mini golf at night
- A light (on a timer) on the volleyball court and new nets
- A water spigot & hose to wash off your kayaks at the canoe launch
- Lights in the front of the boardwalk to complete the festive look
- We put a cabinet and a television in the card room
- We have put a BIG TV in the Clubhouse with an awesome sound bar (Super Bowl party anyone?)
- We have put punch code locks on the Clubhouse shower rooms
- Installed scoreboards in the tennis courts
- Installed a charcoal grill by the bandstand
- Painted the Recreation Hall & put new flooring in the interior bathrooms
- Installed a larger TV with a sound bar in the Rec Hall
- We have pulled air conditioning into the Rec Hall shower rooms (punch code locks to follow)
- We have purchased 3 patio heaters for the Pavilion and 1 for the pool veranda
- We trimmed 300 palm trees and many oaks, and opened up the dog park for sunlight (still a work in progress)
- Rebuilt the walkway bridges
- Purchased a 24 cu. Ft. chest freezer for activities supplies
- Replaced two large AC units that cool the fitness room and lounge



Please notice the beautiful weeping bottle brush tree in the butterfly garden donated by our Canadian contingent; and the Magnolia tree over by Tennis Court #1 donated by the Michiganders (plaque to follow). I have done some additional planting around the pool amenity area, and will continue to do so. I am determined to have a real butterfly garden and have planted it accordingly. We hope all the improvements we have made are enjoyed by all, and if I didn't get to your request, don't worry, we are not done yet.

Remember if you are cleaning up your site, large branches can go on the ground, small branches and trimming MUST be in a garbage can, pine needles keep separate so we can use them for mulch. **Pickup schedule will be the same as last year:**

Monday – 400 & 500's  
Tuesday – 200's

Wednesday – 300's  
Thursday – 600's & RV circle

Also, please make sure your house numbers are visible on your park models, so the fire department can see them easily. We will be installing new highly reflective street signs in the new budget year at the EMS/Fire department's request.

If you are going to make any alterations or changes to your site or your park model, we have a new form that you will need to fill out. Please see us in the office.

Make sure you check with Amanda for any group meetings, activities etc. that you are planning so she can properly schedule things.


Finally,

- Make sure you pick up the new codes for the front gate and the shower rooms, and an Activity calendar so you don't miss anything. We are selling gate clickers at a discount (\$10 each) and you must be staying for at least 3 months to get a clicker.
- We will print Resident Directories upon request, so please give us a days' notice if you want one. Still only \$1.
- We will be charging a small amount for ALL copies this year, even for groups. \$.02 per page for Black & White \$0.10 per copy for color (also a day's notice please if you need a lot).
- We will still offer free Notary Services to our guests, just schedule an appointment and bring your Driver's License.
- Wednesday is still donut day ☺

*If you have any questions at all, please feel free to email me at [royalcoachman\\_mgr@equitylifestyle.com](mailto:royalcoachman_mgr@equitylifestyle.com) or stop in the office and see me. It is really great to see you all again, most of all HAVE FUN!!*



## SAVE THE DATE

- **RCR Blood Drives** with SunCoast Blood Bank! Please watch for the sign-ups (we need at least 10 people) that will be posted in the lounge and consider donating! **The dates are:** Saturdays, November 17<sup>th</sup>, January 19<sup>th</sup> and March 16<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to Noon. These dates coincide with the January and March pancake breakfasts so you can refuel after you are done or before you start! They will be providing some small prizes for your valuable donation and time
- **Ticket sales** for resort shows, events and dances are sold on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. – Noon in the Lounge.
- **Women's Bocce** begins on October 1<sup>st</sup> on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 1 – 2:30 pm at the Bocce field. Come on out and learn and play. Everyone Welcome!
- **Afternoon bridge** on Mondays is a social bridge played Chicago style. You don't need a partner to come and join them from 1 – 3 pm in the Clubhouse. Contact Bev Pixley, site 417 with questions. Start date is based on having at least 4 people to play.
- **Italian Fest** is January 10, 2019 at the Recreation Hall; tickets will be sold for this event. Details to be posted and music provided by Heart & Soul. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m.
- **Wood Shop Dinner Dance** will be 2/26/19 entertainment Kim Jenkins the theme is Margaritaville. Bring your attire back to Royal Coachman! Hope you had a great summer!!
- **BINGO** Starts November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Doors open at 7PM. Cards are sold until 7:25 and games start at 7:30. Bingo is every Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the Rec Hall. Cards can be purchased for \$1, \$2, or \$3. Please bring \$1 bills. The hotball jackpots will continue with the dollar amounts from last season. Join us for an evening of fun!!!! Rich & Kay Hildebrand 
- We have a **Golf League** on Mondays and Thursdays. We play at Lake Venice Golf Course. Since we have a large group, we get a discounted rate and preferred start times on those mornings. Our league is open to both men and women. Al Chabot and John Schafer are your leaders. Al can be reached at beachrgolf@yahoo.com and John at jdjjschafer@gmail.com. **Note:** through December our league is only semi-organized because many players are not here. We make up teams on the spot (first tee). Since our league is a FUN league and the score doesn't matter, this works. Also, we encourage new guests who want to join, but don't have a team, to get me their names and contact info, show up and join any team short a player. This policy works the entire season.
- **Just a reminder !** Big brothers and Big Sister Christmas party will be December 1st in the Rec Hall!!! As always thank you for your Generous gift giving!!! Thank you Noreen Brezowski
- **BEADING WITH PATTY TAYLOR** Every Tuesday morning at the Club house is craft day. Card making, sewing bears, painting, and beading take place. Starting in January, I teach the beading class. You can make a bracelet, long necklace, or learn to make earrings. Beading is done with wire or with needle and thread. The earrings are made with metal head pins. The cost is \$15 per item (materials supplied). My phone number is 616-402-4109 or email pattycakespe@hotmail.com. Come and join us!!
- **Attention New Englanders:** we are hoping to form a regional committee of one or two representatives from each of the NE states. Please contact Diane Brigham, bdbbrig@bmail.com or Sandy Barnard, 27sandypoint@gmail.com if you are willing to be on the committee. A date has been reserved on the calendar.
- **Oktoberfest** is happening on Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 p.m. around the pool. Your meal catered by Buffalo Bills will include Grilled Brats with sauerkraut & red cabbage, Hot German Potato Salad, green beans, rye bread and Garden Salad with ranch and Italian dressing. You get German music, photo booth, friends, great food and beer all for \$10 per person! Tickets will go on sale beginning October 2<sup>nd</sup> in the lounge.
- **Halloween Dance** is a free event to attend, but if you want to participate in the pumpkin carving contest you need to sign up in the lounge by Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup> to receive a free pumpkin. Pumpkins will be distributed on Monday afternoon, 10/29 and all day Tuesday, 10/30. Pumpkins then get dropped off at the Rec Hall on Wednesday, 10/31 during the afternoon.
- **Line Dancing 2018-19 Season** is currently on hold. Our past teacher, Val, isn't able to teach this season. Though we have the ability to hire someone, there will be minimum requirements so this must be taken on by someone willing to guarantee attendance for any evening. Contact Amanda if you are willing and able.



## BETTY'S CORNER

*Monarch Butterflies – Article by Betty Baird  
(Information gleaned from Wikipedia and Other Internet Material)*

**Monarch Butterflies** may well qualify as one of the most beautiful and majestic butterflies in the world. The process in which they transform from caterpillars to these graceful flying flowers is most interesting - some consider it a miracle of nature.

### The Butterfly Life Cycle

- Find mate and search for place to lay their eggs.
- Lay eggs on the leaves of milkweed plants which in 3 - 8 days hatch into larva or caterpillars - eat, grow and metamorphose into a chrysalis (pupal stage). The caterpillar goes through five major, distinct stages of growth molting after each stage. Each caterpillar or "instar" that molts is larger than the previous because as it eats it stores energy in the form of fat and nutrients to carry it through the non feeding pupal stage.
- A first, second and third generation Monarch butterfly lives only 15 - 50 days after metamorphosing.
- However, the fourth generation repeats the processes the other three underwent but with one critical difference. This generation migrates to warmer climates like Mexico (about 2500 miles) to enjoy the warmer temperatures there. After six to eight months, they again undertake the return migration. Monarchs will lay eggs along the southern migration route.

**NOTE:** The fourth generation of the Monarch butterflies is the only ones that migrate. The first three generations rarely survive beyond 6 weeks after emerging from their pupal stage.



- Monarchs are foul tasting and poisonous.
- They fly at speeds ranging between 12 to 25 miles an hour.
- Similar to the migrating birds, the monarch butterflies use updrafts of warm air, called "thermals" and glide as they migrate, to preserve the energy required for flapping their wings.

Complexity personified and beauty beyond description, fortunate are those who find Monarch butterflies residing nearby and have the opportunity to observe this amazing metamorphoses and bid them well as that fourth generation makes its amazing migration in order to start the process all over again.

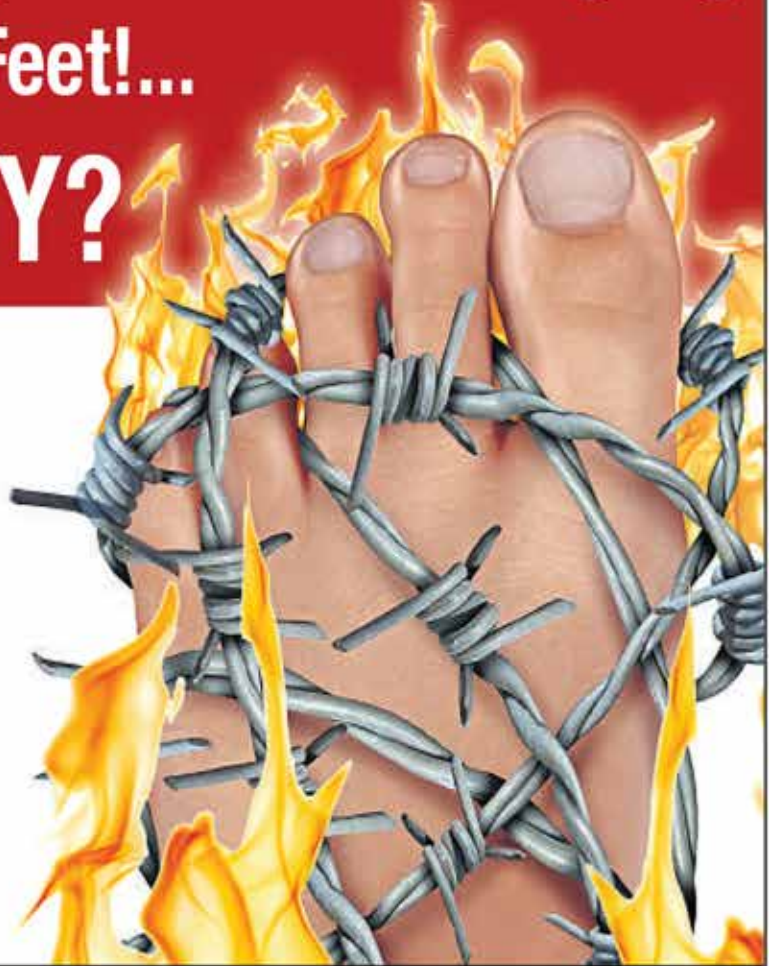
**UPCOMING CHANGE!** During season we will be closing the **Rec Hall from 7 – 8:30 a.m.** and the **Clubhouse from Noon – 1 p.m.** for Cleaning. This will be 7 days a week. This change is occurring to be sure our staff has access to the space without disturbing your activities. – We are aware that there will be some times this won't work, but we appreciate your understanding.



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## 2019 CONCERT SERIES

Ticket prices for the 2019 Season will reflect the updated production cost of each show. \$18 per show, per person. Tickets will be sold in concert series sets only to guarantee seating. Each site may purchase no more than 2 tickets. **Each Set of 3 concerts is \$54 per person, \$108 per couple.** Series also includes pre-concert reception. If the series doesn't sell out, then individual shows will be sold at the door of the first show and remaining tickets will be available during normal ticket sales January through March.

### Adventures in ParrotDise - A Tribute to Jimmy Buffett **Saturday, January 12, 2019**



Jimmy Buffett is the world's most famous beach bum. It may be the lure of the tropics or some other "parrotDise", wherever Jimmy's music can take you there, and so can this show. Barrie has been performing Buffett's music for almost as long as Buffett himself. Jimmy Buffett Coral Reefer Band member and alumni ROGER BARTLETT (Original Duo Partner and Lead Guitar Player with Jimmy Buffett) is featured in the show making this the most credible and authentic Buffett tribute show anywhere. According to the Coral Reefers, "ADVENTURES IN PARROTDISE is the next best thing to being at one of Jimmy Buffett's concerts." Not a parrothead? You will be when this show is over. Fins up!

### The Magic of Manilow & Midler **Saturday, February 9, 2019**



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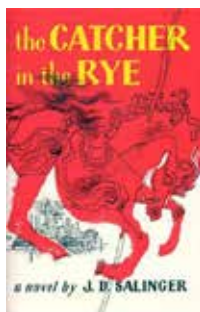
### ABBAFAB - The Mamma Mia Tour! **Saturday, March 9, 2019**



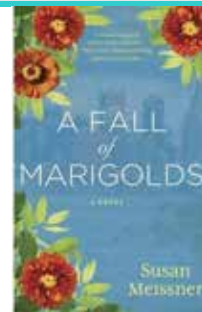
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## Book Club 2019

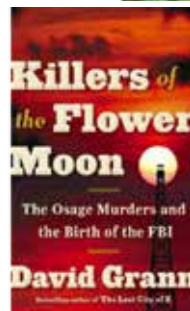
**January 8<sup>th</sup>:** *The Art Forger*  
by B A Shapiro;  
*The Catcher in the Rye*  
by J D Salinger



**February 12<sup>th</sup>:**  
*A Fall of Marigolds*  
by Susan Meissner;  
*The Orphan's Tale*  
by Pam Jenoff



**March 5<sup>th</sup>:**  
*Lilac Girls*  
by Martha Hall Kelly;  
*Killers of the Flower Moon*  
by David Grann





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## VOLUNTEER CORNER

Pat Lang, Lead Volunteer

Welcome Back . . .



to many RCR guests and “seasoned” or new volunteers. RCR always has a fun-filled, exciting season and it’s primarily your “fault”. It promises to be another fun-filled Fall and Winter. Many activities and events are already planned and several new ideas are open for discussion.

Please plan to join your Activity Director, Amanda, and I, your Volunteer Coordinator, for our first monthly meeting. The tentative agenda is listed below:

### AGENDA ~ October 10, 2018 ~ 1 p.m. ~ Club House

1. Welcome – Pat Lang
2. Administrative Announcements and Calendar Review – Amanda
  - ❖ *(remember, it is at this meeting that changes to the calendar for the upcoming month can be made)*
3. Discussion/Announcements - Pat
4. Discussion: New Activity Ideas
  - Game Night            ➤ Karaoke                            ➤ Wine Tasting            ➤ Other?
5. Announcements:
  - ❖ If you have previously volunteered on a “standing committee” (such as Desserts Bar, Ticket Sales, etc.) please let the Lead Volunteer know if you plan to continue or not.
6. Volunteers Needed:
  - Halloween – Set Up and Decorating (1 each)
  - Oktober Fest – Set Up and Clean Up
  - Pub Night Picnic – Set Up/Clean Up
  - Fashion Show – need Lead Volunteer and Committee members
  - New England Day – representatives from NE States to join the Planning Committee
  - St. Patrick’s Day Dance – Leader(s) for one-year.
  - Christmas Decorating – Outside area, Lounge, Mail Room/Café/Card Room, Club House
  - Craft instructors – one-time or more times – preferably Tuesdays at 10 or talk with Amanda about scheduling another time.
  - Super Bowl Party
7. Volunteer Communication Methods:
  - ✓ New Volunteer – form in Lounge, at meetings, request via phone call (603.731.8273) or email rpm2g4@aol.com
  - ✓ Request for Volunteers - form in Lounge, at meetings, same phone and email
  - ✓ Report Form for Activity – provided to you a week before the event for our records, as you must volunteer 3x per season to attend the volunteer party at the end of the season.
8. Announcements/Question from those in attendance



Adjournment



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### SELLING YOUR UNIT “For Sale by Owner”

1. You need to request a Background Screening Application from the office.
  - a. All buyers have to pass a background screening which include a credit and criminal check (fee applies)
  - b. Even if the buyer already owns a unit in RCR they have to contact the office to discuss a new screening.
  - c. All other “occupants” who will be in the unit for longer than 30 days, must pass a criminal screening (\$25 pp/\$75 pp Canadian). Occupant may also be a renter.
2. The buyer/occupant is not permitted to occupy the unit until they satisfy the approval process.
3. The account is not transferred from the seller to the buyer until we receive a copy of the new title in the buyer’s name.
4. Any monies left in the sellers account will be refunded or credited to the buyers account as directed by the seller in writing.

### RENTING YOUR UNIT

- ✓ Renting out your personal unit requires a contract between you and your renter. However, if you are renting your unit for longer than 30 days then we require each renter (adult) submit to a criminal background screening with the Office (\$25 pp/\$75 pp Canadian) and the completion of an information card before occupancy. We must be aware of each guest staying with us.
- ✓ Our correspondence will still be with you, the owner, regarding all financial concerns, etc.
- ✓ We cannot distribute unit keys to provide access to anyone.
- ✓ The renter will have the option of obtaining your mail box with your written permission. If you don’t provide a key we will provide one for a deposit of \$15.

Please know that you are responsible for ALL actions of your renter(s).

## THE GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE

By Linda Lee

The Garden of Remembrance is standing strong and when and if anyone who has lost a loved one wants to purchase a brick in memory of them, please do not hesitate to come by 454 Macaw or phone me, 941-445-5950 and we can sit down and talk about your loved one and discuss what you would like on a brick. Each brick is \$20 and can hold 3 lines of print, 13 characters in each line. An example would be John Smith which would be 10 characters long as the space is considered a character. This is a lovely way to forever remember a loved one in our RCR Garden. If you need anything in this regard, come see me ...



### MARK THE DATE!

**A Service of Remembrance/Celebration of Life** to be held at the Garden of Remembrance: *Thursday January 31, 2019 from 3 – 4 pm*. More information will be provided in the December Macaw. If you have any questions, please contact Joan O’Callahan (941) 451-8118 or ocallahancrs@aol.com



## MESSAGE FROM YOUR RESORT MANAGER, BEV MALOUIN



Since so many of you are new owners, we want to be sure you are aware of the park rules regarding renting your unit. It is important that we know when you are renting, no matter what the length of stay is. This helps us keep track of who should be on the property and using the amenities and who shouldn't be here. We request that you send us a quick email letting us know who will be renting for the coming month including name, the number of persons staying in the park model and what dates they will be here. It also helps us plan for any events we are doing (how much food to buy etc.). We want your renters to have a good experience at RCR. They can check in with us when they get here and we will give them a calendar, temporary passes for the pool,

directions to the beach, what sports equipment we have here for them to use, etc. My email is: [royalcoachman\\_mgr@equitylifestyle.com](mailto:royalcoachman_mgr@equitylifestyle.com)

Here are the Royal Coachman Resort (RCR) Rental Guidelines:

1. Please inform the office when you are renting your park model, and have your renters check in when they get here within the first 24 hours. We will give them a temporary pass to use the amenities. As we will be policing those using the pool and other amenities this season to keep outsiders from using them, we will need to give your renters a pass so we know they are allowed to be there. Please remember that you as owner transfer your right to use the amenities to your renter during the term of their rental.
2. It is your responsibility to provide your renter with a mailbox key if they will be receiving mail. The renter must let the office know if they will be receiving mail or packages.
3. All rules and regulations of the park apply to your renters while they are here, and it is your responsibility to make sure they understand the rules. Any disruptive behavior or other problems by renters resulting in rule violations will be dealt with by contacting the Owner. In the event that RCR-ELS management asks a tenant who is not following the rules to leave the park it is not responsible for refunds or lost revenue.
4. The Owner must be available or arrange for any and all aspects dealing with the renting of their park model. Other than Registration RCR cannot hand out keys, perform maintenance, or deal with tenant issues.
5. If you are renting for more than one month, the renter **MUST** submit to a criminal background check.
6. Owner may not rent unit unless total site rent is and remains current.

We thank you for your anticipated cooperation, and we look forward to seeing you this season.



## RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERSHIP

One of the great things about Royal Coachman Resort is our love of our pets; cats, dogs, et al. That being said, there ARE rules and restrictions regarding our pets; especially those lovely dogs that we stop and hug every chance we get.



That being said, you're responsible for cleaning up after your own pets. We have four (4) doggie stations: **1)** Dog Park, **2)** Tennis Courts 1&2, **3)** Tennis Courts 3 & 4 and **4)** Back side of Rec Hall, by the Shower Entrance. Let's remember the reasons we clean up after our pets - we walk in it, our pets run through it and it spreads disease from the fly's that land on it, then land on other people, pets and food.

We would like to remind all pet owners that when walking your dog it must be leashed at all times and that you are only permitted to walk them on your own site or the roads while in *Royal Coachman RV Resort*. Please don't leave your pet unattended or tied up outside. Your dogs are welcome to visit the office with you and get a treat, but they are not allowed within any other recreation space. That includes the Bocce field, tennis courts and within the pool fencing. *The dog park, available for our 4-legged guests to utilize, is located over behind the car wash and is open from 8 a.m. – 10 p.m. daily.*



## ANNUAL MILITARY DAY



Plans are underway to honor all residents and any family members of residents who have served in the military for Canada and the United States. We have had good responses in the past and would like to include more residents each year. The Planning Committee is asking for the following information:

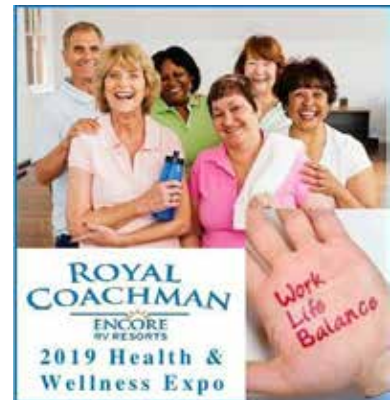
- ▶ Name & branch served
- ▶ Photos – clearly identified (can be scanned & emailed or copied)
- ▶ Personal Articles/Stories
- ▶ Other Memorabilia

Who are our oldest veterans? We know of two 90-year-olds; are there others? You do not have to be present to be included. Simply email or mail the information to: **USA** Gerry Regan, Site 221, reganrv@email.com or 215-859-3665; **CANADA** Linda Lee, Site 454, lee.leelinda.linda4@gmail.com.

## Make Plans, save the date for our 2019 Health & Fitness Expo!

Tuesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. – Noon

We have great vendors attending! Watch for signs and details in the upcoming Macaws!



Please Notice This



### BULLETIN BOARDS

As this is the very busy time in our park and the bulletin boards are overflowing, we ask that you make sure that your notices/posters be a 1/2 page in size (4.25" x 5.5); this is so all can be displayed. We only have so much room and we must work together to promote and share all our wonderful functions here at RCR. The 1/2 page size will be a constant year round. Sometimes there are rare exceptions with printing from limited sources, but all jobs created by our residents must be 1/2 page. *Thanks for everyone's co-operation. Linda Lee*

### Massage Therapy



Massage Therapy with MJ will start on Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup>.

The signup sheet is located in the lounge and is posted every Sunday after 8:30 a.m. for the following week. The signup sheet

will offer times between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. for the rate of \$50 an hour. There is one half hour slot at the end for \$ 30 - *Cash or check, no credit cards.* **NOTE: No massage therapy November 18<sup>th</sup>.**

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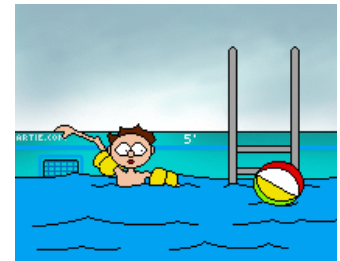
## BEING A RESPONSIBLE GUEST



It is time to talk about being a good guest. As a rule, we have wonderful, respectful adults and kids staying at RCR. Occasionally we have visitors that have a challenge with rules. If you are concerned with the actions of a fellow guest, we ask that you inform us of the situation immediately. If you witness something that is illegal or people entering property after office hours, then please call the non-emergency number for the Sheriff's Office (941-493-2929).

During 'Season' we have a volunteer group that monitors the grounds after hours and we also have a camp host available for your assistance. Out of 'season' we rely on our guests to be respectful and alert. Kids are a big part of our guests and they generally require your attention. If you have grandkids or your own children with you, then you are personally responsible for their behavior in/at all guest facilities. Please take the time to note the age minimums to visit the facilities without adult supervision. Kids will be kids is a phrase we all know, that is why we also all know that supervision is your job (even on vacation).

We are working very diligently to find new ways to keep the kids entertained and busy. If you have suggestions or ideas that would be fun to try we are very interested in hearing your thoughts! And please remember that everything we do is to make your experience here at RCR everything you would expect it to be and more.



**NOTE:** All guests that have visitors coming in for the day to use the facilities/ amenities must register them with the office and pay a \$5 per guest fee. During their time at RCR all visitors must be accompanied by their registered guest. Anyone having visitors staying over 15 consecutive days *may* be required to pay \$5/per day, per visitor.

If you have a guest that stays longer than 30 days then that guest must submit a background screening application for residency. Please contact the resort office in writing if you have a special circumstance.

### OCTOBER NEWSLETTER



Have an idea? Want to write a story? We want to hear from you!

**Remember:** send pictures, articles, club news... to [royalcoachman\\_rec@equitylifestyle.com](mailto:royalcoachman_rec@equitylifestyle.com) by **October 10<sup>th</sup>** for inclusion in the November newsletter. Or stop by the Activities office with your submission.



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## INSECT REPELLENTS THAT WORK

By Jasona Compton



Driving past homes in southwest Florida one notices huge, black screen cages in many backyards. These cages exist for one reason: bugs. Mosquitoes and biting no-see-um drive many a resident inside to escape them. What works best, and for the longest time period, to repel these annoyances? **Consumer Reports** tests repellents by having volunteers actually stick their arms into clear, mosquito filled, containers and test the effectiveness of popular products. These are the most effective repellents,

according to their tests, that receive top ratings of 90% and higher effectiveness in repelling mosquitoes and ticks:

Brand and Product	Overall Score	Active Ingredient	Cost per Oz.
<b>CVS</b> Total Home Woodland scent	95	Deet, 30%	\$1.17
<b>Off</b> Deep Woods Repellent VIII Dry	94	Deet, 25%	\$2.00
<b>Repel</b> Plant based Lemon Eucalyptus Insect Rep. 2	91	Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus	\$1.25

For a deet based product to be effective, it must contain 25 to 30% deet. How do the majority of “natural”, non-deet repellents rate (excluding Repels product)? Not well. The least effective, with rating scores of under 10 are “all natural”, include those whose primary “repellent” agent of various percentages of natural oils: citronella, peppermint, cedar, geranium, rosemary, cinnamon, and lemon grass. To read the entire article, see the September, 2017 issue of Consumer Reports.

### IMPORTANT MAIL DELIVERY REQUESTS!!!!

*From Charmaine, your friendly mail lady*



1. Be sure *anyone* who might get even one piece of mail or one package delivered here is listed on our front office mail list. This is to insure delivery. You must include nicknames, Business names and even pet names (yes, we've gotten mail for cats >^..^<)
2. Mail must be labeled with your complete first & last names and your # (site number).
3. All RENTERS/GUESTS are REQUIRED to notify the Main Office if you are expecting to get ANY mail delivered to Royal Coachman Resort. Otherwise your mail may be returned as legally required.

Your mailing address should be: YOUR **COMPLETE FIRST & LAST NAME**

1070 Laurel Road East, **SITE #**

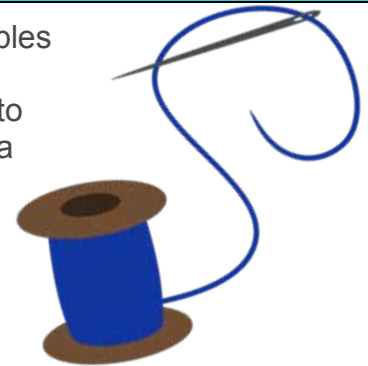
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*Thank you for your understanding and help!*



## FROM THE SEWING CLUB

The RCR Sewing Group leaders are inviting you to bring ideas and samples for sewing projects that you might want to Demo for the group at one of our Monday meetings. At our very first meeting in January(1/10) we like to display sample ideas for projects from our members and give the ladies a chance to sign up/vote for the ones they would like to see included in this season's line up. So we would like for the ladies of the sewing group (and others who are interested) to pack a favorite sewing project idea with you as you prepare for the trip down to Florida, and share the story of it with us in the program. We are looking forward to seeing all of these ideas and hearing from everyone!" Everyone is welcome.



### Smoking/Campfires:



Smoking is NOT permitted in any public building including resort restrooms. Smoking is also not permitted in the fenced pool/shuffleboard area. Campfires are permitted in an above ground covered fire pit. Campfires must be supervised and attended to until extinguished.



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## Sarasota County Emergency Management Storm Information

The City of Venice held a Hurricane Expo at the beginning of May. One speaker noted that we should understand that the damage caused in our area was not technically caused by a hurricane, but a tropical storm. The top sustained winds recorded here were 74 mph. Though Irma made the top 5 in regards to severity in the 99 storm history of Florida (5<sup>th</sup>), it was only among the 3 percent of storms that we are estimated to have received over recorded history versus the thirty percent chance the east coast of Florida has of being hit.

After last season’s storms our local counties have made changes to all shelters. PLEASE NOTE it is intentional that there are NO shelters in Venice. Shelters can only be placed in areas that will not suffer catastrophic flooding in the case of a direct hit. It is also NOT recommended to evacuate vertically, as in if you are in a high rise moving to higher floors traps you. In the case of medical emergencies you have no chance of getting help. The most important thing to know as a Guest of RCR is that ALL park models, mobile homes, and RVs are in mandatory evacuation zone A (1). Below you will see a list of all the approved shelters for the 2018 Season. All shelters will be pet friendly, BUT you must understand and comply will all requirements (also listed below).

Facebook? Follow our local agency at: [facebook.com/Sarasota-County-Emergency-Services](https://www.facebook.com/Sarasota-County-Emergency-Services).

The following information is from the Sarasota County Government Pages. We encourage you to do your own homework. Here is a web link you will find useful!

**Page for Emergency Services – Documents, Forms & Plans**  
<https://www.scgov.net/AllHazards/Pages/Documents.aspx>

### Hurricane Evacuation Centers

### Address

Booker Middle School	2250 Myrtle St., Sarasota
Brookside Middle School	3636 S. Shade Ave., Sarasota
Southside Elementary School	1901 Webber St., Sarasota
Riverview High School	1 Ram Way, Sarasota
Booker High School	3201 N. Orange Ave., Sarasota
Phillippi Shores Elementary	4747 S. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota
Gulf Gate Elementary School	6500 S. Lockwood Ridge Road, Sarasota
North Port High School	6400 W. Price Blvd., North Port
Heron Creek Middle School	6501 W. Price Blvd., North Port
Woodland Middle School	2700 Panacea Blvd., North Port
Atwater Elementary School	4701 Huntsville Ave., North Port



Another important thing to do as a hurricane season guest (Any time between June 1 – Nov. 30) is to register for CODE RED.

Sarasota County utilizes the CodeRED Notification System - an ultra high-speed telephone communication service - for emergency notifications. This system allows us to send critical communications to all or targeted areas within the county in case of a situation that requires immediate action. Visit **SCGOV.NET** and it is located under utilities or you can use the search on the site.



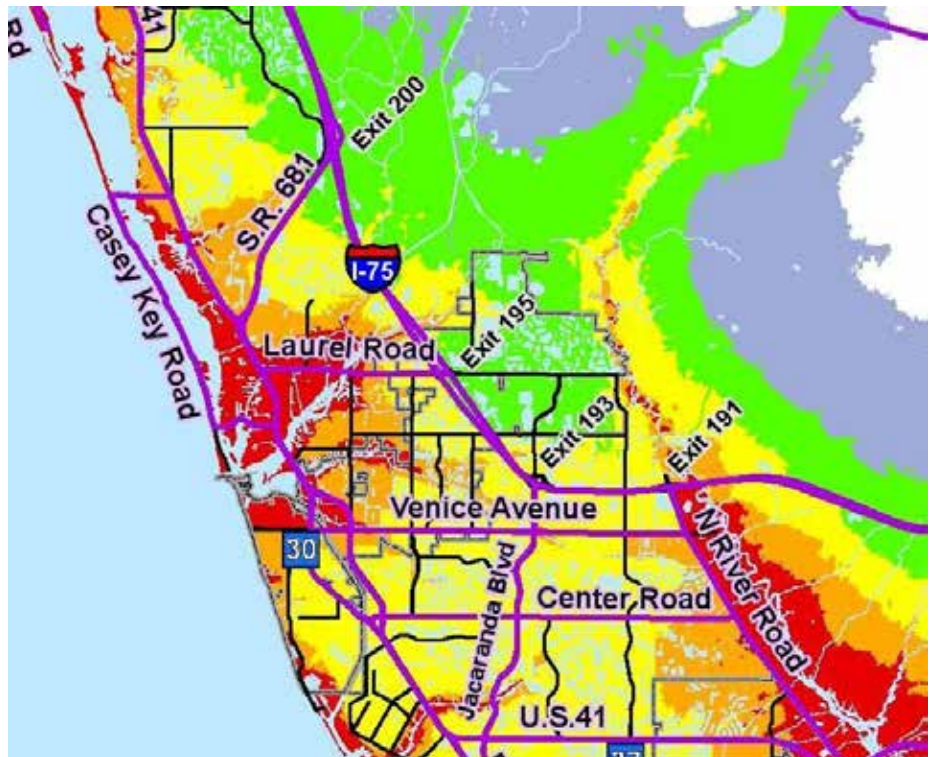
## Sarasota County Emergency Management Storm Information Cont.

### BEFORE YOU GO TO A CENTER:

- Locate the water shut-off valve for your residence. The valve is generally on the side of the house nearest the water meter/backflow prevention device, or may be inside the garage.
- Turn the valve to the off position. This will help minimize damage to the interior of your home should a pipe burst.
- Follow the manufacturer's recommendations for turning off your pool and/or water heater and unplug them, and switch off the circuit breaker.
- Place an ice cube or two in a sealed plastic bag or small container in the freezer. If the ice cube has melted down from its original shape by the time you return, you'll know the power was off for an extended period of time and that you should throw out any food.
- Turn off the power and shut off the water valve to your irrigation system.
- **Remove loose items, decorative and otherwise, outside the house and in the yard, and place them inside. Even the smallest item becomes a dangerous weapon.**
- Alert friends or family members of your plans and how they can contact you (or have an emergency buddy, such as a neighbor that you trade plans/information.)

### WHAT TO BRING:

- Flashlight (in case your center loses power).
- Your insurance, Medicare or Medicaid cards, driver license or photo I.D.
- Your children's immunization and other important health and insurance records.
- Each family member's medications, along with dosage information and physician's contact information.
- Drinking water.
- Snacks or special foods.
- Bedding and pillows.
- Book or electronic entertainment items with headphones and chargers.
- Change of clothing.
- Personal hygiene items (including toilet paper).
- Games/comfort items for children.



### MEDICAL NEEDS PROGRAM

**About the program-** Sarasota County residents with qualifying medical needs are encouraged to apply for registration as a medically-dependent person (MDP). **It is important to apply in advance for this program so, if qualified; you will be on the county's registry for transportation and sheltering at a medically-dependent Evacuation Center during a disaster. Pre-registration helps us to help you when time is limited.** -We have the application and a complete list of requirements, etc. available in the office.