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FROM THE MANAGER'S DESK



I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving! Our Thanksgiving dinner here at RCR (thank you volunteers!) was again a success!

If you are leaving for the holiday, please make sure to let us know how you want your mail handled. We are happy to hold mail for you until you return. If you are having guests over the holiday, please let us know if you will have extra vehicles that need to park here. Also be careful and watch for children riding bicycles on the roadways.

We are posting daily events on our website RoyalCoachmanRVResort.com under the "Today at RCR" page. Please let me know if you are having trouble accessing the website. It works really well on both your phone and your iPad.

The office will be open on Christmas Day from 9 am to 3 pm and New Year's Day. Maintenance will be on call for emergencies. All the amenities will close on Christmas Day and New Years' Eve at 9 p.m. (with the exception of the Recreation Hall which will be hosting an event).

We thank all the volunteers that make our events so very special. All the staff here at Royal Coachman wish you and your loved ones a wonderful holiday.

Sincerely,

Bev Malouin

Beverly Malouin, Resort Manager



IN PARK MAIL DELIVERY - Delivery has begun for the season. Please Note: Your mail to be delivered to other guests is placed in the box in the Lounge BY NOON on Tuesday for Wednesday Delivery. Anything delivered after the set time will be delivered the FOLLOWING Wednesday.

Sincerely, *One of your Friendly Mail delivery people.*



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- 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.

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- Lounge/Internet Café/Pool: Royal Coachman Pool WIFI. Password: Password4213 (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.

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ANDROID DISCUSSION GROUP

Did you know there are classes on learning to use your Android Cell Phone at Royal Coachman Resort? Starting Thursday, January 16th at 1pm in the Club House and every other Thursday there is an Android Discussion Group meeting for just that. There will be presentations on topics such as:

- Variety of interface changes made by the phone’s manufacturer
- Google account setup
- Android is Google’s operating system
- A google account is tightly linked with the operating system
 - Back up your phone’s settings
 - Keep track of installed apps
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- Get a new phone or restore your current phone to its factory default settings
 - Setting – accounts – google—sync
- Using your phone as a phone
 - Web browsing; email; other apps
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These and other topics will be presented. There will also be time set aside for your questions and help with individual concerns. There are three leaders for the classes: Kerry Gonnam, Al Santini and Ray Schilling. We look forward to seeing you at the first class in January.

Christmas at RCR

Hosted by Sarah Boehmer: horsefeathers@netzero.net

On Wednesday, December 25th, from 3 – 6 p.m. in the Rec Hall, you are invited to celebrate with your fellow guests at our Christmas Pot luck.



Hams will be provided by RCR but there is a need for volunteers to heat them, so get with Sarah as to how you can help! The planning committee meeting is Wed. December 4th, 12:30 – 1 p.m. at the Clubhouse.

The rest of the yummys will be provided by you. Look for a signup sheet with options of what to bring for the potluck. (To be sure we get all the fixins’.) BYOB – though it isn’t necessary to sign-up to attend events, it is helpful for our counts (That way we have plenty of food) **PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN PLACE SETTINGS**

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"I have worn hearing aids for a number of years, on and off. I say on and off because it has been off more than on with my most recent pair purchased from another provider in Venice. I had an annoying problem with feedback, which neither they nor another local provider were able to correct or alleviate. Both told me I should consider newer, more advanced models, which they would be happy to sell me. Since mine were similar, I felt they were more interested in making a sale than helping me. As a result, they wound up in my dresser drawer.

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Although I found Blair to have an abundance of knowledge, patience and humor, his greatest attribute is INTEGRITY. He honestly wants to help. I would recommend Blair Post and Contemporary Hearing to any person desiring to improve their hearing."

~ M.J. Bridle, Venice

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ADVISORY BOARD CORNER

Terry Ludban, Board Chair– druminsand@yahoo.com

RCR Advisory Board held their first meeting of the 2019/2020 season. An updated copy of contact information was provided for all members and we reviewed minutes from the March and April meetings of this year.



It is great to see that the park is starting to fill up and that means park traffic is picking up as well. It was noted that bicycles, golf carts and anyone walking at night should be sure to have lights available and working at all times. Please remember that having a light can make a big difference in helping all to be seen clearly.

Members also discussed the issues of recycling at RCR. Please be sure to check the posters on the recycling container before you deposit anything in the bins. We will be contacting Sarasota County recycling officials to invite them to our annual meeting. A presentation will be provided to help us all understand what materials recycle and those that do not. You may be very surprised!!



The annual meeting will be held at 1 p.m. on January 11, 2020 in the rec hall. On Sunday January 12th, the Board will sponsor an ice cream social at the pool. Board members will have ice cream for all, and entertainment starts at 1 p.m.

Our next meeting will be on December 10th. If you have questions or comments you can talk to any of the Board members or put your message in the suggestion box in the lounge.

Many of us will be traveling for the Christmas and New Year's holidays. Have a great time with family and friends and travel safely!

2019/2020 Advisory Board members include:

Terry Ludban (President)
Dick Snyder (Vice President)
Bruce Hummel (Treasurer)
Chuck Genrich (Secretary)
Peter Crich

Irv Frazin
John McMahon
Hank Mikelian
John Veillon

RCR CAMPING AND YOU

Heading into the 2020 season we want to remind everyone of some basics of RCR camping etiquette:

- If you use a charcoal grill (whether yours or ours) you need to dispose of ashes and coals in either the galvanized can in the dumpster area, or the one by the grill at the bandstand. PLEASE DO NOT DUMP COALS OR ASHES ON THE GROUND. Not only is it a fire hazard, we had someone's dog get VERY sick for eating some of the coals that had drippings on them last year.
- If you are using a camp fire either in a fire ring or a fire pit, make sure that the fire is completely out before you walk away from it.
- Please remember the resorts speed limit is 10 mph within the park and 15 mph on our entry road all the way out to Laurel Rd. Remember to come to a FULL STOP at the bottom of our driveway. Be careful and look for children, pets, people walking pets, and golf carts when you are driving in the park. Also watch out for baby turtles, and the larger ones roaming around. When the park is less populated, they tend to get more active.
- Do not let children drive golf carts; only licensed drivers can drive golf carts on the property. Also, please do not drive on the streets in the neighboring park Terra Cove. They do not allow golf carts and are not happy when they must watch out for our people on their streets.
- Please NO laser lights on the RV sites. They disrupt the birds of prey that hunt here at night and can blind them.



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CELEBRATE



Many celebrants and neighbors had cake and beverages in the Rec Hall November 12th for the first Birthday/ Anniversary Party of the season. Photos provided by Dolores Samulski.

November Anniversaries

Mary Ann & Ray Maida 22
Terry & Cathy Ludban 24

May Anniversaries

Vicki & Rick Davis 4
Diane & Bill Brigham 5
Mary Ann & Howard Kusler 27



Celebrating: Left to Right: Noreen and Rich Brezowski; Ray and Mary Ann Maida

November Birthdays

Doreen Klopshinske 1	Kerry Gonnam 7	Alan Stape 15	Ray Tarnowski 27
Beverly Hinds 2	Kaye Schilling 7	Janet Remus 19	Mary Lou Allison 28
Joyce St. John 2	Noreen Brezowski 9	Dick Lang 23	Fred Gwin 29
Larry Falcone 4	Rich Brezowski 11	Louise Livinghouse 23	Bill Maier 30
Terry Ludban 4	Nancy Selover 14	Howard Kusler 26	
Joyce Wallace 5	Gloria Clukey 14	Joan Phillips 27	

May Birthdays

Don Wert 3	Dick Morency 9	Don Gogolin 14	Linda Dawson 29
Bill Jones 5	Paula Smith 10	Vi Corning 18	Nancy Sawyer 30
Barbara Jones 8	Marge Jones 13	Carolyn McDonald 18	Marieke Allen 31
Don Crandell 9	Mary Lou Flowers 13	Linda Brown 24	Shirley Nelson 3

Celebrating Birthdays:

L to R: Noreen Brezowski, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Gloria Clukey, Linda Brown, Shirley Nelson, Marge Jones, Don Crandell, Barb Jones, Dick Lang, Rich Brezowski



to attend and to celebrate your birthday or anniversary OR to celebrate with your friends and neighbors as they celebrate theirs. The Birthday and Anniversary Party happens on the

second Tuesday of the month, from November through April.

SOME REMINDERS TO ALL

- ✓ When decorating for events, do not use tape of any kind on the walls of the Rec Hall. PLEASE Use push pins only.
- ✓ RCR recycles – The waste management company RCR contracts with uses “zero sort” so you don’t have to separate bottles, cans, plastic, cardboard, or paper in separate bins, just put any of it in the same bin.
- ✓ The refrigerators are for use for RCR events. If you put items in one for your event, please make sure to identify the event on the items.



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BETTY'S CORNER
Red-bellied Woodpeckers
Article and photography by Betty Baird



The **Red-bellied Woodpecker** is a common woodpecker that is found in the eastern half of the United States - as far south as Texas and as far north as Canada. It lives in woodlands, forest edges, suburban backyards, parks and orchards. This bird is a medium size woodpecker. Males have a bright red coloring on the crown of their head which extends down the back of their neck or nape

(pictured above). Females have a gray crown with red only going down the nape of their neck (pictured left). Both have faded red coloring just above the beak and on their bellies. Their wings have bold black and white stripes.



Red-bellied Woodpeckers tend to be year-round residents although some of the northern birds migrate a little southward during winter due to lack of food. They nest in mature trees, old stumps, and decayed cavities. Both male and female drill holes to excavate their nest cavities which can be 8 to 12 inches deep. Red-bellied Woodpeckers are noisy birds and have many varied calls.

Breeding takes place in early spring when you will hear the male making his drumming sound on a tree trunk, branch, or even your wood siding or gutters. The louder his sound, the more attractive he is to the female. The female lays up to five eggs with incubation by both the male and female. Incubation may take up to twelve days. Nestlings are fed by both parents for up to four

weeks until they fledge the nest. The parents will continue to raise the young for up to six or more weeks afterwards. When their nest is approached by a predator they will defend aggressively.

The Red-bellied Woodpecker is known to be monogamous throughout a season and their life span is an amazing 12 years in the wild.

These birds are not only beautiful to the eye, but their quick movements and upside-down antics are fun to watch up close and personal.



SPECIAL NOTE: The contact for non-RCR event table & chair usage this season is advisory board member John Reno; this includes street parties and any other thing you decide to do. Please give 1-week warning if possible. His preferred method of contact is text via his cellular phone number 251-716-1976.



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FIFTH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS "HOME" DECORATING CONTEST



Come join in on the Christmas Home Decorating contest again this year. Santa's Elves will be busy during December determining the winners. The winners will be announced at the end of the Christmas Eve Parade on December 24th. A 1st place prize and 2nd place ribbon will be awarded to the best decorated RV's and a 1st place prize and 2nd/3rd place ribbon for the best decorated Park Models. The Elves will be making their final decision by Sunday Dec 22nd.



PLEASE NOTE REGARDING LASER HOLIDAY LIGHTS: You probably hadn't thought of this, but those decorative laser lights (both the holiday ones and the ones that shoot straight up into the sky) are dangerous to the wildlife in the park. Our owls, eagles and other birds of prey are extremely vulnerable to eye damage from laser lights, and it so disrupts their hunting they will leave the park, sometimes permanently. Because of this, we ask you to please not use them at RCR

POT LUCKS AT RCR

 Please note that our events and activities only work if you participate!

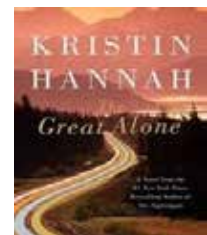
In the past guests brought dishes to share that would only feed 5. Please consider each site that attends they should provide a dish that serves at least 10 people, so no one goes hungry. Also, as a campground that is immersed in nature, we encourage people to start using recyclable (bring your own and take home to wash) plates, silverware and beer mugs. We will still have everything available but would really like to start reducing our impact on our environment. Also, this season we will be using paper & recyclable straws instead of extra cups with the sodas, to reduce our plastic use. Thank you for being here and being great!

RCR BOOK CLUB 2020 SELECTIONS

January 14th
The Sun Does Shine & The Little Old Lady Who Broke All the Rules

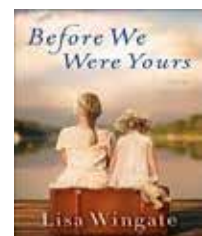


Meetings at 1pm in the Rec Hall. All are invited!!



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VOLUNTEER CORNER

Pat Lang



Many activities and events have been enjoyed in October and November. Thank you to all of the volunteers who have enabled them to take place. We have many new volunteers and several new Lead Volunteers. It is exciting and encouraging to have newcomers join the volunteer “ranks”

Lead volunteers are still needed for a few activities/events: New Year’s Eve (**there is entertainment in place**) and a major event here—**BINGO**. Rich and Kay have been our “BINGO” people for many years and need a volunteer or two to be “in training” this season,

ready to take over for next season. Please contact me or Amanda in the Activities Office or me as soon as possible if you are interested.

For your information: The Volunteer Meeting is not a management-sponsored meeting. It is at the direction of the Coordinator of Volunteers. The Activity Director is invited to all meetings to go over the calendars, any rules/regulations or changes. It is YOUR time to become informed about activities/events; to give input into activities and events; and to ask questions concerning activities/events. Meetings are from 1 – 2 p.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. I look forward to seeing you there!

A **LEAD VOLUNTEER HANDBOOK** was created by Marianne Deatsch and me with input from management. Each Lead Volunteer of an event that uses the Rec Hall Kitchen will receive a copy from me. A copy is also in the kitchen in a loose-leaf notebook. In that notebook is **an alphabetical listing by item and a listing by drawer or cabinet letter of all items available for use in the kitchen**. Please refer to the listings to find AND RETURN items. Many thanks to Noreen Brezowski and the Shop Club for obtaining and installing the remaining “frames” used to identify the contents of those cabinets and drawers. The completion of that project has been a long time coming for me – about 5 years.

Many “volunteer elves” will be out or will have already been out decorating the halls and other areas for the holiday season. The Big Brothers/Big Sisters Party has many volunteer elves to make it special; and many other “volunteer elves” will be instrumental in the various parties, Christmas Dinner, luminaries, etc. this month. Special thanks to all of them!



Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all



RCR TENNIS CLUB SCHEDULED PLAY

By Terry Ludban

RCR Tennis started their scheduled tennis on November 4th. All four courts were active with friends starting their winter routine and spending time with friends old and new. There are several activities that the club sponsors throughout the season and all current guests of the RCR are invited to join in!

On Tuesday afternoons there is round robin tennis for the ladies from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Stop by courts 1 and 2 and meet the players and join in.

There is also a round robin session for men and women on Saturday mornings. Start time varies so players arrive between 8:30 and 10 a.m. Early arrivals play mixed doubles and the men usually play doubles in the later times. Again, anyone currently staying at RCR is welcome to come and participate.

There are also opportunities for current guests to learn or better their game. On Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m., come join Bob Luby for a session on how to raise your tennis to the next level. Bob is great at explaining court strategy, positioning and making that perfect shot.

If you are a newer player or would like to learn the game, then Thursday from 3 to 5 p.m. at court 1 is the place to be. RCR Tennis members will assist with everything from scoring the games, gripping the racquet, to where to stand and how to strike the ball with authority!!

All four courts are open to anyone wanting to play from noon till dark on most days. There is a schedule sheet at the court 1 & 2 bulletin board. We ask that you sign in for no more than two hours at a time so that all who want have a chance to play. If you have any questions or want to see what the RCR Tennis club is all about, stop by any of the courts when you see players. You will find we are friendly and always willing to help.





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.



Though we love your pets, **you are responsible for cleaning up after your own pets.** We have four (5) doggie stations: **1)** Dog Park, **2)** Tennis Courts 1&2, **3)** Tennis Courts 3 & 4, **4)** Back side of Rec Hall, by the Shower Entrance and **5)** By the dumpsters. 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. *This has currently been a problem, and we have guests that plan to put up cameras to catch you naughty dog parents!*

We would like to remind all pet owners that when walking your pet, 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 (which includes the pavilion and volleyball courts). We now have 2 dog parks, available for our 4-legged guests to utilize, which are located as follows:

- ✓ For big dogs - over behind the car wash, at the back of the outer circle
- ✓ For little dogs – outside the front of the park, behind the tennis and pickleball courts on the bay side of the entry road

Both parks are open from 8 a.m. – 10 p.m. daily and we are continually working to improve the areas.

RENTER RULES



With many new owners, we ask you be aware of park rules regarding renting your unit. It is important that we know when you are renting, no matter the length of stay. This helps us keep track of who should be on the property 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 events we are doing (food to buy etc.). We want your renters to have a good experience at RCR. Upon check in when they get here, we will give them a calendar, temporary pool passes, directions to the beach, what sports equipment we have here for them to use, etc. My email is: royalcoachman_mgr@equitylifestyle.com

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

1. 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 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.

All park rules and regulations apply to renters while they are here. Owners are responsible for renters understanding the rules. Owners will be contacted if any disruptive behavior or other problems by renters

ENCORE PEDDALERS



Are you interested in joining the RCR Bike Club? (Encore Peddalers) We ride at around 10 mph weekly starting on Jan 8th and will ride until the beginning of April. Rides are on Wednesday and begin at 11 a.m. We start at around 4 miles one way and after a few tune-up rides will be at 10 miles one way. We usually stop at a destination point and have lunch. We are composed of low-key social riders. If there is interest in a slower or faster group, we will try to organize one at our organizational meeting. Watch for a poster regarding the date and time for an organizational meeting. At this meeting we discuss rides we want to do and set the schedule. We will also organize our email list since all communication is via email. Direct questions to: Al Santini, Site 202, alsantini46@gmail.com



SAVE THE DATE!



- **2019/2020 Blood Drive Dates** 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:** January 25th and March 21st 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 1st 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.
- **Italian Fest** is January 16, 2020 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 2/27/20. Great food and entertainment, cash drawings, raffle and auction of many fine examples of the woodworkers art. Door prizes, beer and ice provided. – Oh, and dessert sponsored by RCR.
- **BINGO** Starts November 1st. 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 (unless a special event supersedes). Cards can be purchased for \$1, \$2, or \$3. Please bring \$1 bills. 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 beachrvgolf@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.
- **Do you like rock and roll?** Please mark your calendar for Sunday January 26. The Southshore Cruisers Band will be playing your favorite dance tunes from the 60's and 70's from 6:30 to 9:30 in the rec hall. The lead singer owns a unit in our park. Tickets are \$10.00 per person and went on sale in the lounge on November 12. This is a BYOB -- bring your own snacks and beverages. Get your group together. Tickets will go quickly as seating is limited. Please see Judy Spiller or Paula Rudler for information.
- **VARIETY SHOW 2020** - As pointed out in November's Macaw, THE LOVE BOAT is the theme for our 2020 Show. Our organizational meeting will be January 6th in the Rec. Hall. As in the past we welcome suggestions for acts (songs or skits). Newcomers who would like to participate either on stage or in a supporting capacity should contact Peter Crich after Thanksgiving at site 499 or at 941-786-9977.
- **Glass Shop Open House** is Sunday, Jan. 5th, 1 – 3 p.m. Stop by, visit, and sign up for: Beginner's Stained Glass, Fusing Classes, Stepping Stones, Etc. Come visit to view projects, enjoy beverages and cookies and sign up for classes!
- **Pet Pictures with Santa** - December 14th 10-11 at the Bandstand. So bring your furry friends to have a free picture with Santa!
- **Wine & Cheese with SkyMed** – Learn about how their emergency medical travel services pick up where traditional insurance leaves off. Global leaders in emergency medical evacuation membership services. www.skymed.com – free to attend
- **Royal Coachman Bowling** – We league bowl every Friday, 1:30 to 4 p.m., January through March at the AMF Venice Bowling Lanes, 1100 US-41 Bypass. Anyone in the park can join us. We have bowlers of all abilities and have a great time. Our first event is January 3. If you do not have them, the bowling alley has shoes for rent and balls. Since we are a league you will get a league discount for shoe rental. For information contact Chuck Genrich, 406 or Joyce St. John, 309.





SAVE THE DATE Continued...

- **Wood Shop Open House** is Sunday, Jan. 5th, 1 – 3 p.m. Stop in & Check us out! We have Coffee, Tea & Cookies!
- **Pancake Breakfast** – Happens one Saturday a month, beginning in December. Dates are: 12/14, 1/18, 2/15, 3/21 & 4/4. **Hours:** 7:30 to 9 am. ~ **Cost:** \$3.50 in Advance and \$4 at the door - Tickets will be available the week before in the lounge for guests not wanting to carry cash. ~ 50/50 Cash prize will be sold at the door. We serve 2 large buttermilk pancakes (a third is available to anyone who asks). Served with breakfast link sausages, OJ & coffee or tea.
 
- **Big Brothers and Big Sisters Christmas** party will be December 7th in the Rec Hall! The tree with names of kids & teens in need will be installed in the RCR Office on November 1st. As always thank you for your *generous* gift giving!!! Thank you, Noreen Brezowski
- **RCR LADIES CHRISTMAS PARTY.** You are invited to a Christmas Party on Thursday, December 12 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Pool Veranda. Each person needs to bring a “Snack” to share. If you remember last year, we had sooooo much food. Please don’t bring too much. We will eat, (what a surprise), have door prize drawings, a 50/50 drawing (bring \$’s), sing some Christmas Carols, and have a good time with friends and neighbors. If you will be in the park, please plan to attend. Jane Getz
 
- **Church in the Pines** – For December we will not be holding regular Sunday services. We are currently short on volunteers. ***There IS a Christmas Eve service this year.*** Join us in the Clubhouse on Christmas eve from 8 – 9 p.m. Ken Rabbers.
- **Looking for great home decor and holiday gifts?** Don’t miss our **2 big CRAFT MARKETS**, Saturdays December 14th and 21st from 9 a.m. till noon in the Clubhouse. **THEE** ideal place to find unique things for friends and family. Crafters must be current guests to participate at no fee. Crafters needed for set-up in the clubhouse, Friday afternoon before show. A signup sheet for exhibitors is be posted in the lounge. Questions? Call Frazin at 312-914-8317
- **New York and Friends Party** - Come join us down on Bourbon Street for a fun time and lots of party! New York and Friends are Going to Mardi Gras this year! So, bring your costumes, masks and get ready to party. Mark the calendar for January 30th. Tickets will be \$19 per person and Sales start in December during regular ticket sales. Get ready for fantastic food from Michael and the GREAT music from Twice as Nice again. We also have great prizes: Best Costume, 5-coins, baskets, 50/50 and more!
- **Massage Therapy** with MJ Mooney, licensed MT, will start on Sunday, November 10th. The signup sheet will be placed in the lounge on Monday, Nov. 4. 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: Check calendar for any holiday cancellations.**

- **Line Dancing returns to RCR** – Sundays Beginning January 5th. We begin dancing at 6 p.m. in the Rec Hall with our new leader Jill Schaefer.
- **A Service of Remembrance/Celebration of Life** to be held at the Garden of Remembrance: *Thursday January 30, 2020 from 3 – 4 pm.* More information will be provided in the January Macaw. If you have any questions, please contact Joan O’Callaghan (941) 451-8118 or ocallaghancrs@aol.com
- **Mahjongg** will start in the card room on Monday, December 2nd, at 7 p.m. Please join us for the games. Open to all levels of players. I am collecting for the new Mahjongg card. We earned \$235 for the American Cancer Society, the charity of our choice. The cost of the cards remains the same, \$8 Std. print & \$9 for lg. print. You can either pay me in person or drop off your payment at my unit #331. Make sure you include the address where you want the card sent. It will reach you by April 1st. If you won’t be at RCR on April 1st, 2020, have it sent to your northern address. If you make out a check, please make it out to Sonya Saposnik. The Mahjongg League will only accept the one check for the total amount when I send in the order, which must be in to the League by February 1, 2020.
 
- **Mahjongg lessons** will begin on January 8, 2020, in the Lounge at 7 p.m. Classes are open to all current adult guests of RCR. Join me to learn this fascinating game. Many have learned and enjoy it immensely. In fact, many of my students have gone home to teach their friends so the games continue. Have a safe return to Florida. Happy Holidays!! Sonya Saposnik, #331 **Questions?** (941)483-1978, after Nov. 30th.



SAVE THE DATE Continued...



- **Calling all RCR Michigan Residents:** If you haven't already left for RCR and want to take down something to decorate a table for the Michigan Dinner on March 4, 2020, the theme for the dinner is "WATERS OF MICHIGAN." You are welcome to take down donations for the prizes, too, is you'd like.



- **John Reno will present a tribute to Jim Croce** on January 5th in the Rec Hall. This show features the greatest hits of Jim's tragically short career, from the rollicking "Bad Bad Leroy Brown" and "You Don't Mess Around With Jim" to his more heartfelt ballads, "I'll Have To Say I Love You In A Song" and "Operator" and the masterful guitar work of "Time In A Bottle" and "These Dreams". It's all there...the stories, the music, the songs! This fabulous show is even endorsed by Jim's wife Ingrid Croce. Along with all this John Reno will also be performing some of his original songs along with some light-hearted funny tunes. This will be a super fun evening you will not want to miss. The doors will open at 6:15 for social time (BYOB) and the show will begin at 7. Reserve your table today from Jeff or Lori Lilly unit 606. Phone 814-720-1542 ~ Tickets are \$15 per person, on sale now!

- **2020 Concert Series at RCR - Ticket Sales:** Tues/Thurs, 10 a.m. to Noon. Ticket prices are \$18 per show, per person. Tickets will be sold in concert series sets *only* to guarantee seating. **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 first show and remaining tickets will be available during normal ticket sales after first concert January through March. Single concert tickets DO NOT give you a reserved seat. You will be seated at arrival to Rec Hall. Concert details are posted on the bulletin boards around the property. **Saturday, January 18th, NASHVILLE GOLD - 50 years of Country Music; Saturday, February 15th, Rock Me Gently Into The 1970's; and Saturday, March 7th, Not Fade Away - The Buddy Holly & Friends Party Concert!**

- **All Aboard – Casino Bus Trips to Immokalee** - There are 3 trips scheduled. Mark your calendars for the last Thursday of January, February, and March (1/30, 2/27, 3/26). The large All-Around Tours bus (44 passenger) will leave the front parking lot at 8:30 a.m. and return to the park around 4:30 p.m. That gives everyone approximately 5 hours to have lunch and gamble. Cost is \$20 per person and your reservation is not confirmed until paid. Contact Judy Spiller to reserve your seat: 344 Magnolia or spill78@gmail.com.



- Anyone ready for another **Detroit Tigers Spring Training game?** The Tigers will be in Bradenton on Monday, March 16, 2020—1:05 pm, and Maddy Trimby arranged for the same seats, in the same section, in the shade, just off third base (Tigers side) as last year. Tickets are \$29 each. Email Maddy at maddyjt@aol.com as soon as possible if you're interested. Money will be collected in January.



- Do you make **greeting cards or do scrap booking** when you are up north, but don't bring your supplies south with you? Starting again this season on Tuesday December 2nd you can join me and other creative people in the club house from 10 a.m. to Noon to make cards or work on your scrap booking. For a \$3 fee you can use all the supplies. I have card stock, patterned paper, ink pads, stamps, markers, cards and envelopes, die cutting machine and dies, all kinds of adhesives, embellishments, and much more. Signing up is not required just come when you want and join us. I am there to help you if needed, with ideas or techniques. We get creative and have lots of fun. Hope to see you. For more information contact Cathy Ludban at 522 Pelican Loop, csxollady@yahoo.com.

- **2020 Health & Wellness Expo** - Tuesday, January 21ST from 9 a.m. – Noon at the Rec Hall! This event is free to attend and open to the public. Parking and Shuttle Service will be available from the front of the park.



- **EXCLUSIVE FREE HEALTH EVENT Tues. 2/24/19** - If You or or family suffer: Neck, Back or Knee Pain, Arthritis, Hip or Shoulder Pain, Burning, Numbness/Tingling in your legs/feet (Neuropathy) then You won't want to miss this! Dr. Greg Logan will be volunteering his time to share with us **"the Little-Known Hidden Secrets & Solutions to Joint Pain & Nerve Pain damage** while decreasing your dependency on Addictive Drugs or Risky Surgeries.



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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 \$25. 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 ...



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*



Royal "Tea" Fashion Show
 Wednesday, January 22nd
 2:00-3:30 p.m. at the Rec Hall
Ticket on Sale Now!
RCR ladies encouraged to wear a fashion hat!
 ~ Only \$6 pp ~
Tea Cups needed. Contact Terry Behan if you have cups to share.

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.



IMPORTANT MAIL DELIVERY REMINDERS!!!!

1. There is a \$15 mailbox key deposit on your credit card, refundable upon key return.
2. 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 >^..^<)
3. Mail must be labeled with your complete first & last names and your # (site number).
4. 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.

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Tim Macomber at 970-631-6497

This class is a one-time 2-hour class covering safe handling, tools & cutting techniques.

Once you have completed this class (doesn't have to have been this season) you are free to sign up for any of the advanced classes such as Stained Glass, Glass Fusing and Stepping Stones.

- Christmas Ornament Class (Dec.) Signup sheet in Lounge
- Fusing Classes start in January
- Specialty Classes Starting in January: Wind Chimes, Waves & Etching Bottles

OPEN HOUSE: Sun, 1/5/2020 from 1 – 3 p.m. Stop by, visit, and sign up for: Beginner's Stained Glass, Fusing Classes, Stepping Stones, Etc. Come visit to view projects, enjoy beverages and cookies and sign up for classes!

2019-2020 Season's Schedule



WELCOME BACK All happen from
9 – 10:30 a.m.

#2 Monday, January 13th at the Pool Veranda
Sponsor/Guest: Suncoast Blood Bank - Platelets

#3 Tuesday, February 4th at the Pool Veranda
Sponsor/Guest: Brenda Green, CBD Oil, etc.

Coffee, Donuts & Your Welcome Bag! One bag per site, per year. Bags **SHOULD** be available by this time.

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Thursday, December 5th ~ 10 a.m.-Noon.

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HALLOWEEN WINNERS

We don't have photos of all of the winners from that night, but here is a list and a highlight of the event!

Party Photos by Sharon Gusweiler

Costume Contest:

- 1st Place Lynn Jensen & Clan, Adams Family
- 2nd Place Doris Fisher & Paula Rudler, Witches
- 3rd Place Kathy Robinson, Clown



Pumpkin Decorating Contest

- 1st Place Rasa Chrastina, Angler Fish
- 2nd Place Diana Lustick, No idea what she wrote
- 3rd Place Kathy Robinson, Underwater Scene



ANNUAL MILITARY DAY

We celebrated on November 11th at 11:11 a.m. at the RCR flag pole. Followed by a parade to the Rec Hall where Veterans names, memorabilia and photos were on display. Your time, assistance, and participation in this event make all the difference in the world. Thank you! - **U.S.A.** Gerry & JoAnn Regan; **Canada** Linda Lee
RCR Veterans Photo (at bottom) by Sharon Gusweiler

