



## Celebrating 46 Years

**JULY 2025**

**Website: <http://Alumsincsarasota.com>**

Facebook: **ALUMS, Inc. of Sarasota**

## MONTHLY LUNCHEON MEETING – JULY 25, 2025

## President's Corner-

## Happy July 4th,



**Our republic hasn't been perfect, but it is a young nation that is still growing and learning.**

**We are incredibly lucky to be living in this great country. We have so many freedoms and opportunities compared to other places in the world.**

**Enjoy your barbecues, family gatherings, and fly the American flag showing your patriotism.**

**GOD Bless America,**

## Emily



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**ALUMS, Inc. of Sarasota**



## OFFICERS

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New Member Reception	TBD
Pot of Gold	Janet Poddick 941-355-6965 jbpoddick1@verizon.net

## JULY PROGRAM

The **Victoria Strauss Foundation** was founded Susie Strauss in an effort to transform her grief into purpose after losing her husband to cancer and then shortly afterwards losing her daughter Victoria in a tragic accident.

Victoria and her brother were adopted from Romania by Susie and her husband Dr. Jerry Strauss. Victoria was vibrant, energetic, beautiful, and caring. She loved making her friends laugh and always made sure everyone was having a good time when hanging out.

She was passionate about dance. She worked hard at her craft and dedicated years to dancing, fitness and nutrition. She believed she would be dancing her whole life. She was daddy's little girl and when her daddy passed, she struggled hard to cope with her loss.

She met a therapist that helped her through her grief, and though she attained a bachelor's degree in psychology from Florida Atlantic University, and at the time of her accident she was working toward a master's degree in social work from Ohio State University, her therapy convinced her that she should dedicate her life's work to helping grieving children.

Unfortunately, in 2021, five years after her father died, Victoria passed away because of injuries suffered in a tragic accident. It was at that time that Susie Strauss established the Victoria Strauss Foundation to honor Victoria's memory.

The Victoria Strauss Foundation is a 501c3 non-profit organization which awards scholarships in dance, education, and support of students with special needs.

The Foundation's work is continually evolving with a future vision set toward a goal of establishing a Women's Wellness Center dedicated to fostering health, healing, and empowerment.



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## **SPECIAL INTERESTS**

Bridge	Janet Lady 941-228-5637 jlady101@aol.com
Men's Slo Pitch Softball	Bill Welch 941-313-6584 randbwelch@verizon.net
Hand & Foot Ladies	Nancy Clark 941-926-2717 clark4671@verizon.net
Men's Luncheon	Gary Olson 941-346-0378 govideoman@aol.com
Out to Lunch Bunch	Various for now
Stamping Class	Terry Dell'Amico 570-351-7453 teelee9@verizon.net
Happy Hour Honeys	TBD
Lunch Lovers	TBD
Ladies' Golf	Joan Magiet journals@aol.com
Advanced Mah Jong	Joan Magiet journals@aol.com

### **BRIDGE**

2nd Tuesdays  
12 noon

Will resume  
in Sept.

Janet Lady  
jlady101@aol.com  
941-228-5637

### **MEN'S LUNCHEON**

**MATTISON'S ON 41**  
**7275 S TAMIAMI TRL**  
**941-921-3400**

July 9

**Gary Olson**  
**govideoman@aol.com**  
**941-346-0378**

### **LADIES HAND & FOOT**

#### Hand & Foot Canasta

**Group meets at Heritage Oaks Country Club, Little Oaks Room on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Fridays. Gather at 9:45 - Game begins at 10:00 followed by lunch. Afternoon group gather at 11:30 for lunch in the Dining Room followed by game thereafter. \$1 donation for holiday luncheon.**  
**Nancy Clark**  
**941-926-2717.**

**STAMPING CLASS**  
**TERRY'S CARD CLASS**  
**Classes 3rd and 4th Mondays at 1 pm**  
**At the home of**  
**Terry Dell'Amico**

**Terry at teelee9@verizon.net**

**ALUMS**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
**MONDAY, JULY 14 10 AM**

**Helen LiMarzi's**  
**Residence**

Deadline for August Newsletter  
July 7th **PLEASE**  
Send articles to:

**Kathy Shambe**  
**kmshambe@gmail.com**

# Out To Lunch Bunch

## BELLA VITA

501 N Beneva Rd

Located in Publix Plaza,

West of Beneva and north of Fruitville

(look for Italian flags outside the restaurant)

Great pasta - huge servings, good pizza special,

Casual friendly, usually noisy.

11:30 am on TUESDAY JULY 1

Please contact

Ardith Stansell

941-552-8236

To reserve your spot

at this great

little place!



## **SPECIAL INTEREST CORNER**

WE ARE ASKING YOUR HELP IN FINDING SOMEONE TO COORDINATE A FEW SPECIAL INTEREST ACTIVITIES. PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU WOULD:

**START A BOOK CLUB... OR**

**ARRANGE A PLACE TO MEET FOR HAPPY HOUR HONEYS... OR**

**ORGANIZE A CANASTA OR RUMMYKUB GROUP.**

IF YOU HAVE AN ACTIVITY THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH ALUMS MEMBERS, JUST LET US KNOW AND WE CAN HELP YOU GET STARTED.

PLEASE CONTACT MARIANNE LAURIA, [MLAURIA3@COMCAST.NET](mailto:MLAURIA3@COMCAST.NET)

YOU NEVER KNOW, YOU  
MAY MAKE SOME NEW  
FOREVER FRIENDS!



**THANK YOU ALL!**

## **Fun Day Coming in October**

**Mark your calendar for Monday, October 20, 2025.**

**Please join us for this Fun-Filled Fun Day  
to be held at Stoneybrook Golf & Country Club  
from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

**Check future newsletters for additional details.**

## **Bring your friends!**



**Out to Lunch Bunch - July 1**

**Bridge - will resume Sept. 9**

**Alums Board Meeting - July 14**

**Stamping Class - July 21 & 28**

**ALUMS Luncheon - July 25**

## **FUTURE LUNCHEON**

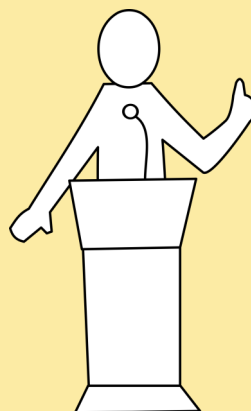
### **DATES:**

July 25, 2025: Stoneybrook CC

Aug. 22, 2025: Tara CC

Sept. 26, 2025: TBD

Oct. 24, 2025: TBD



## **ALUMS, Inc MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

**It is time to renew your ALUMS membership effective  
from May 1, 2025 through April 30, 2026.**

**Please mail your check for \$30 to:**

**Cheryl Nespor  
5226 Bouchard Circle  
Sarasota, FL 34238**

**If your dues are not paid, your name  
will be removed from the Club's roster of members  
and this will be your last Newsletter.**



*Alum's Membership Renewal*

**CLUB DUES:** Year begins May 1, 2025 thru April 30, 2026.

**CHECKS:** Make all checks for \$30 payable to ALUM'S, INC. And mail to:  
Cheryl Nespor  
5226 Bouchard Circle  
Sarasota, FL 34238-4475

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print your name clearly: \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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If you have any changes, make them below to keep our Directory up to date:

Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Community: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  

CellHome

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Visit our webpage for more information at: [www.alumsincsarasota.com](http://www.alumsincsarasota.com)

## DIRECTORY ADS

We are now accepting ads for the new 2025-2026  
ALUMS Directory. The directory page is approximately  
5 1/2 x 8 1/2. Price is the same as before.

1/4 page is \$25.00

1/2 page is \$50.00

Whole page is \$100.00

If you wish to place an ad, send a check made out to:

ALUMS, Inc. and include your  
**camera-ready copy of the ad to:**

Marianne Lauria  
750 N. Tamiami Trail Unit #415  
Sarasota, FL 34236  
[mlauria3@comcast.net](mailto:mlauria3@comcast.net)

**The ad must be received before August 1, 2025**

# DIRECTORY UPDATES



**DIRECTORY ADDITIONS:  
PLEASE POST IN DIRECTORY UPDATE**

**NO UPDATES THIS MONTH**

Liz	Friedmann	7/1
Shirley	Hasis	7/4
Andrea	Abbott	7/7
Terry	Dell'Amico	7/9
Joan	Breiner	7/11
Carolyn	Cooper	7/11
Bonnie	Baier	7/13
Lauri	Beranek	7/15
Kathie	Connelly	7/19
Janet	Poddick	7/19
Maureen	Jones	7/21
Helena	LeBlanc	7/28
Patricia	Forshee	7/29
Mirinda	Roy	7/31

## Thinking of You

If you know anyone who is ill, or has a spouse who is ill, or has a death in the family, or just needs encouragement for whatever reason and could use a card, please call or email:

**Terry Passarelli**  
941-727-5428  
annielab12@gmail.com

A sympathy card was sent to Linda Gesko for the loss of her sister.

## DONATIONS TO RESURRECTION HOUSE

Please remember to donate small hotel-size bottles of shampoo and toothpaste, those amenities we get while traveling. **Each month a basket for collecting these donations will be available near the 50-50 desk.**

**RESERVATION FORM - LUNCHEON JULY 25**  
**DEADLINE - NO REFUNDS AFTER JULY 18**

**Stoneybrook Golf & Country Club**  
**8801 Stoneybrook Blvd.**  
**Sarasota, FL 34238**

**11:00 am Social Hour**  
**11:45 am Meeting**  
**12:15 pm Luncheon**  
**1:00 pm Program**  
**Spouses/Guests Are Invited**

**BUFFET SERVICE INCLUDES:**

**Spinach and Garden Salad**  
**Steak Flatbread**  
**Cheese Tortellini with Pesto**  
**Achiote Chicken with Cilantro Cream**  
**Almond Apricot Salmon, Asparagus & Carrots**  
**Homemade Desserts**  
**Iced Tea, Coffee, and Hot Tea**

**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE NOT INCLUDED.**

**Return reservation form with check for \$35**  
**(no cash accepted) payable to: ALUMS**

**Mail to: Mary Evans, 5791 Girona Place, Sarasota, FL 34238.**

**Call Mary Evans at 1-301-704-3772 or email her at mary\_evans28@aol.com**

**If you need to cancel or have questions.**

**Seating Requests - Please make sure the persons you request  
to sit with are attending the luncheon before submitting your request.**



**RESERVATION FORM - LUNCHEON July 25**

**NO REFUNDS AFTER July 18**

**Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ place(s) at \$35 per person.**

**Check(s) for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.**

**BUFFET SERVICE, SEE ABOVE**

**MEMBER NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_**

**GUEST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ HOUSE ☐ PROSPECTIVE MEMBER**

## MAY 2025 LUNCHEON





