



Tropical Tales

June/July 2021

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President's Message

The 2021 hurricane season is here now. Please remember to be prepared and don't wait until the last minute.

We now have new park management. Keystone Property Management Group is our new management for Tropical Isles. Please welcome David Karpinski, Licensed Community Association Manager. Ralph Perez, Association Manager and Rosanne Gubitosi, Administrative Specialist.

The pool renovation resumed May 20th. An electrical permit that was not in order caused the stoppage. The board worked very hard to resolve the issue with the delay.

Great job again by the Social Committee for the Mother's Day and Memorial Day events. A lot of hard work goes into planning for these events. Thank you Linda Murphy, Eric Lindbloom and the rest of the social committee.

"The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members".

John Tatro - President

Vice President's Message

Hi everyone,

As the snowbirds head north, I wish you all safe travels and we will see you in the fall. All the kids and grandkids are out of school and wanting to come visit us here on the Treasure Coast. I know a fun time will be had by all.

Bingo is off and running, so come on out on Thursdays to play.

The Mother's Day brunch put on by Linda and Eric, along with all the awesome help they had was a great success, as was Memorial Day.

If you have not stopped by the office to meet the new park managers and admin yet, please do. Dave, Ralph and Rosanne will be happy to see you.

I see some great things in the works for Tropical Isles in the future. Stay tuned. Film at 11.

Butch Sutton—Vice President

Board of Directors

The next Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled for **Monday, September 27 at 7:00 PM** in the clubhouse. This meeting is for Shareholders only.

Tropical Isles Co-op Inc.

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Activities

- Bean Bag Baseball** Wed. 7:00 pm
Sandy Tremblay 802-522-9610
- Billiards** Daily 1:00 pm.
- Bingo** Thurs. 6:30 pm
Ellie Rakoski 882-4497
Sharon Eempio 242-1448
- Bowling** Mon. 10:00 AM
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- Bridge** Mon. 1:00 pm
Alverna Johnson 466-6424
- Bunco** Mon. 6:30 pm
Judy Sochacki 586-942-1864
- Canasta** Thur. 12:30 pm
Gisele Symonds 882-9625
- Friday Night Pot Luck** Fri.5:00 pm
BYOB and a dish to share
- Ladies Luncheon**
3rd. Thurs. of the month 1:00 pm
Sign up on bulletin board
Need someone to organize
- Mah Jongg** Tues. 11:00 am
Nina Petri 882-9142
- Nimble Fingers Crochet & Knitting** Tues. 2:00-4:00pm
Terry Schneider 801-3704
- Pickleball** Tues., Thurs. & Sat. 8:00 am
Will resume in the Fall
- Ping Pong** Mon & Wed 2 PM
Will resume in November
- Pool Exercise** Mon., Wed. & Fri. 10:00 - 11:00 am
Will resume when pool renovations are completed
- Poker** Tues. & Wed. 6:30 PM
Toni Puglisi 314-620-1664
- Shuffleboard** Tues, & Thurs. 10am
Will resume in the Fall
- Tennis** Mon., Wed., Fri. at 8:00 am
Will resume in the Fall
- Various Card Games** Wed. 12:30 pm & Fri. 6:30 pm
Gisele Symonds 882-9625

C.O.P

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Patrick Dube, Sandra Tremblay, and Sherrie Sutton to the C.O.P. They are a welcome addition to the program!

When heading South on U.S.1, I encourage all drivers to please turn North on U.S.1 and make a U turn to go South. As our population declines for the summer, speeds increase on U.S.1 and it becomes very difficult to judge the speed of oncoming traffic.

Scammers are still active so screen your calls and remember, if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

Credit card skimmers are still being found at local gas stations. If purchasing gas with a credit card, check your credit card statement frequently. If paying cash for fuel, lock your car and take your purse with you before entering the gas station.

Practice situational awareness and look for suspicious people hanging around outside of the station. If it doesn't look right, leave and come back later. When pumping gas, lock your car to prevent sneak thieves from opening the door and stealing items from your car.

Have a safe and crime free summer!

George Mc Daniel, C.O.P. Leader

Tenants Union

At the meeting on Saturday March 10, 2021 at the Tropical Isles clubhouse, a group of us formed what is to be called the "Tropical Isles Tenants Union". This union was formed to offer ideas and opinions to the board of directors and to offer our input as residents for the further benefit of the community. The "Tenants Union" membership is open to all non-shareholders and there is no cost to join or to maintain membership. The 2nd meeting was very positive and we elected John Boyer as our meeting facilitator and myself as liaison to the board.

If you would like to be added to our email list, please email us at tenantsunion.ti@gmail.com. If you would like to volunteer on any of the committees or have an area of expertise that you would consider sharing with others, we can help you facilitate that.

We look forward to working with you and our shareholder neighbors to make Tropical Isles the best place it can be.

Please feel free to contact me with your questions, suggestions, or ideas that you may have. I look forward to serving you.

Sharon Eempio
Liaison - Tenants Union
355 Tropical Isles Circle
772-940-7511

Social Committee

If you are tired of being at home all day, every day, why not join the volunteers of the Tropical Isles Social Committee at one or more of our upcoming events? Whether you've been a resident for 15 years or 15 days, our get togethers are a fun way to acquaint (or reacquaint) yourself with your friends and neighbors.

While we certainly appreciate all the hard work our Social Committee volunteers do to prepare for our special events, we can always use more help. Got an hour or two occasionally? Volunteer to set up or breakdown an event. Want to meet more people here in Tropical Isles? Volunteer to serve food, decorate, or help plan events. Looking for something meaningful to fill your time? Volunteer for a regular activity such as Bingo night (see chairs Ellie Rakoski or Sharon Eempio), the COP program (George McDaniel) or planning meetings.

For more information on Social Committee events, talk to our Chair, Linda Murphy. You can reach her at (419) 867-0288.

Upcoming Events

Good Morning Breakfast with Friends

Saturday, June 12 at 8:00AM. Tickets \$5 per person. Sign up on the bulletin board and pay at the door.

Fathers' Day Dinner

Sunday, June 20 4:00 PM. Tickets \$12 per person. Contact Donna Boone for reservations and tickets.

Independence Day Bar-B-Q

Sunday, July 4 Bar-B-Q, dinner served 1 – 2 PM, Trivia following dinner. Tickets \$7 per person. Contact Donna Boone for reservations and tickets. ***Menu details for all these events can be found on the posters in this newsletter and on the bulletin boards.***

Next meeting is June 16 at 11 AM in the clubhouse. We hope to see you there.

Nimble Fingers

The Nimble Fingers group is going strong! Our current project is making crochet blankets and quilts to donate to local hospice and veterans organizations. We are averaging approximately 10 per month.

We are setting up a raffle table the first Thursday of each month at Bingo to provide funds for the materials we need to complete our projects. We would like to thank the Bingo leadership and patrons for giving us this opportunity. All donations, monetary, yarn or fabric are greatly appreciated.

We meet every Tuesday at 2 PM in the clubhouse. You can bring your own project or help us work on ours.

Terry Schneider

772-801-3704

THANK YOU!!

A BIG THANK YOU to Cheryl Ferreira and Sherry Frank for all their hard work reorganizing the clubhouse library. It is greatly appreciated.

Poker

The Tuesday and Wednesday night poker players are looking for more participants. They meet at 6:30 PM in the clubhouse cardroom. Contact Toni Puglisi at 314-620-1664 if you would like more information.

Bean Bag Baseball

Bean Bag Baseball is back in business. Meet at the clubhouse on Wednesday night at 7:00 PM to play. Call Sandy Tremblay at 802-522-9610 for more info.





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Bingo News

I am sure that we are all happy that the CDC and the governor have lifted the restrictions that were put on us for over a year. The Bingo patrons are overjoyed. We have only been open a few weeks, but we are averaging about 45 people a session. Considering that the snowbirds have left us, that is a good attendance.



We are still collecting cans for the food bank and monies for the Sheriff's Christmas gift giving. Giving back to our community is a big part of what we do, so please join us and bring a friend. Bingo is every Thursday at the clubhouse. Doors open at 5:30 and bingo starts at 6:30.

Stay Safe

Ellie Rakoski/Sharon Eempio, co-chairs

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*Mothers
Day
Brunch*

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If you have ever wanted a unique item for your home, or as a gift for someone special, this has got to be it. Fully 48 inches long by 40 inches wide, this nautical themed quilt was made by Terry Schneider, head of the Nimble Fingers Crochet and Knitting group. She has graciously donated it to be raffled off by the Social Committee to some lucky winner.

We will award the winner either at our July Bar-B-Q or sometime shortly thereafter (to be announced), but NOW is the time to purchase your raffle tickets for this lovingly created piece of art. Tickets are just \$3 each or at the bargain price of 4 for \$10.

Contact any of these three people for more information and to purchase your raffle tickets. *Linda Murphy (419) 867-0288 Eric Lindbloom (716) 430-7513 Linda Young (772) 801-5039*

Breakfast is Back At the Clubhouse

Saturday, June 12
8:00 AM—9:00 AM



Eggs, bacon, sausage gravy, grits and cheese, hash browns juice and fruit.

Sign up on the bulletin board and pay at the door.

Only \$5.00 per person.

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Father's Day Dinner

Sunday, June 20 4:00 PM

At the clubhouse

\$12 per person



MENU:

Salad, stuffed shells, chicken DaVinci, bread and butter and dessert. B.Y.O.B

Call Donna Boone at 719-351-6679 for reservations . Pick up and pay for tickets at the clubhouse Tues June 8 & 15 11 - noon and Thur. June 15 & 17 5 - 6 PM.



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**Deadline to submit items for
August/September
Tropical Tales:**

Wednesday, July 21

Please e-mail your items to bgouch@comcast.net

Thank you.

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Independence Day

Bar-B-Q

Sunday, July 4

At the Clubhouse

12:30 PM

Tickets \$7 per person

Contact Donna Boone at 719-351-6679 for reservations. Tickets can be picked up and paid for at the clubhouse on Tues. June 22 & 29 from 11 AM to noon, and Thur. June 29 and July 1 from 5 to 6 PM.

Dinner served 1 to 2 PM
Trivia following dinner



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pasta salad
potato salad
beans
dessert
B.Y.O.B



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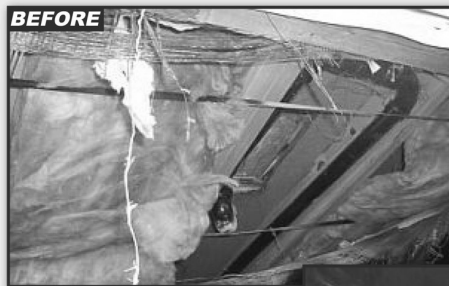
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3-Jun Daniel Kelley
3-Jun Stephanie Pearson Lynch
7-Jun John Brooks
7-Jun William Dunlap
8-Jun Audrey Shanks
8-Jun Daniel Shimkus
8-Jun William Derosa
10-Jun Denise Lubas
10-Jun Faye Crawford
10-Jun Peter Sarandrea
11-Jun Helene Bertrand
11-Jun Jose Perez
11-Jun Sandra Liebl
12-Jun Bette Naster
15-Jun Elaine Michelle Martin
15-Jun James Raimondi
16-Jun Linda Young
16-Jun Phyllis Vera
16-Jun Vincent Lunney
19-Jun Ronald Stanislaus
20-Jun Mary Carvill
21-Jun Robert Johnson
23-Jun Nancy Cahill
23-Jun Roger Beaulieu
24-Jun David Rogers
24-Jun Sharen Wideman
25-Jun George Lavallee, Sr
25-Jun Timothy Chapin
25-Jun William Benulis
26-Jun Danny Schilinski
26-Jun Frank Hartsell, Jr
26-Jun John Melo
27-Jun Betty LeClair
28-Jun Michael Landry
30-Jun Cathy Haynes
30-Jun Debra Cotter

1-Jul LaTanya Sadler
2-Jul Joseph Gray
2-Jul Kathleen Clarke
2-Jul Rosa Aeillo
2-Jul Wesley Crawford
3-Jul Larry Steinbauer
3-Jul Mary "Becki" Adams
5-Jul Nancy Leib
6-Jul Adrienne Hebert
6-Jul Jerome Beck
6-Jul Susan Langlois
7-Jul Robert McAfee
8-Jul Joseph Schuster
9-Jul Kate DeVries
10-Jul Jo Ann Cimino
10-Jul Linda Murphy
10-Jul Melva Culver
12-Jul Bruce Hollingsworth
12-Jul Cynthia Reynolds
12-Jul Dawn Chipley
12-Jul Elaine Quirin
12-Jul Leland Adams
13-Jul David Collins
13-Jul Jerry Roberts
13-Jul Karen Critzer
14-Jul Janice Stocks Prieto
16-Jul Frederick Taylor
16-Jul Lisa Hushak
17-Jul Earl Johnson
19-Jul Janice Boggiatto
21-Jul Beverly Brooke
23-Jul Donald Hebert
23-Jul Joanne Tucker
23-Jul Joseph Liebl
24-Jul Florence Saake
25-Jul Phyllis Keefe
25-Jul Scott Stevenson
25-Jul Thomas Haynes
26-Jul Florence Ventura

26-Jul James Kauffman
26-Jul Joseph Woolley
28-Jul Patricia Miller
28-Jul Susan Bearley
29-Jul Catherine Adams
30-Jul Antonette Puglisi
30-Jul Carol Tippet
31-Jul James Fattrusso
31-Jul Warren Dickman

June Anniversaries

6/4 Charles & Sherry Sutton
6/5 Louis & Rose Fiore
6/11 Mark & Sharon Maddock
6/11 John & JoAnn Tatro
6/13 Roger & Susan Beaulieu
6/14 Richard & Kathy Schulz
6/15 Dennis & Kathy Polson
6/18 Robert & Bonny Munro
6/19 Donald & Nancy Howerter
6/22 Joseph & Jeanne DeLiberis
6/24 William & Joan Patacchia
6/25 David & Nancy Rogers
6/25 Luc & Ginette Rooseboom
6/27 Donald & Patricia Stetser
6/28 Jay & JoAnne Tucker III
6/29 Charles & Heidi Quappe
6/29 Gilbert & Flo Ventura

July Anniversaries

7/13 Edward & Joan MacGuire
7/18 Kenneth & Laureen Lenhart
7/18 Steven & Bonnie Gouchoe
7/20 Ralph "Buzzy" & Sharon Eempio
7/20 Charles & Barbara Dougherty
7/23 Donald & Adrienne Hebert
7/29 Lawrence & Catherine Kush
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