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SEENAGER

By John Mercurio



I JUST discovered my age group! I am a Seenager (senior teenager).

I have everything that I wanted as a teenager, only 55-60 years later. I don't have to go to school or work. I get an allowance every month. I have my own pad. I don't have a curfew. I have a driver's license and my own car.

I have ID that gets me into bars and the wine store. I like the wine store best. The people I hang around with are not scared of getting pregnant. They aren't scared of anything. They have been blessed to live this long, why be scared? And I don't have acne. Life is good!

You will feel much more intelligent after reading this if you are a Seenager. Brains of older people are slow because they know so much. People do not decline mentally with age; it just takes them longer to recall facts because they have more information in their brains. Scientists believe this also makes them hard of hearing as it puts pressure on their inner ear.

Older people often go to another room to get something and when they get there, they stand there wondering what they came for. It is NOT a memory problem. It is nature's way of making older people do more exercise.



OFF THE BEATEN PATH

By Jeanie Scionti



After reading a January "POP" article, "Something To Look Forward To," in which Joanne Kegel talked about planning a trip - or even just a day's outing, I started to think about some 'fairly local places' that we have visited. I thought I would share one of these 'gems' with you. As Ms. Kegel pointed out, "we live close to some of the most beautiful beaches and parks in Florida."

One of those parks is the Princess Place Estate. We had seen the sign for it on I-95 many times but never ventured to take a look/see. Then one day, we finally said, "let's check it out!" We turned off the interstate and drove along a well-maintained dirt road leading into the estate. It turned out to be a terrific 'off-the-beaten path' discovery.

This park was a nice surprise in that it not only was a great place for a picnic, but there was access to hiking

trails and a tour of a lodge. Everything one could enjoy in just one place!

On the tour, we learned that there was a princess who lived there, and not only is her story fascinating, but her former 1888 historic lodge was quite interesting and unusual. Another surprise was that this home had the first in-ground swimming pool in Florida.

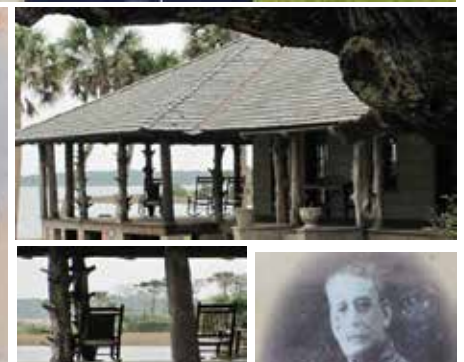
After our tour, we relaxed in rocking chairs located on the front porch of the lodge overlooking the Pellicer Creek River.

Quoting one visitor, "this is a great place to go back in time and imagine the happenings going on around you". The story adds to the enchantment of the majestic oaks, sprawling lawns, open marshlands and entry into Pellicer Creek and the Matanzas River - wonderful place! Princess Place Estate is described as the crown jewel of Flagler County's preserves. What a great place to spend a morning or afternoon in a park that is not only lovely, but also PET FRIENDLY and FREE!

Check out this hidden gem on the web site: flaglercounty.org/princess_place_preserve



Princess Angela



Prince Boris



LOSS OF USE, CAR RENTALS

By Jo Kegel



Did you know that when traveling and renting a car, it is recommended that you take the full insurance coverage that the rental company offers?

Most people waive the coverage offered, believing that their personal auto insurance or their credit card company will cover the rental. Most only cover limited liability, some medical, and only minimal damage to the vehicle. You must read the fine print.

There is a little-known fact about renting a car that most don't realize. It is called "**loss of use**".

If you have an accident in a rental, your personal insurance or credit card will not cover the rental being out of service for repairs. The time spent being repaired takes the vehicle out of service and the rental company loses business. Also, if the vehicle is totaled, you could be liable for the value of the rental car, which would be out of service. I have verified this with a couple of insurance companies, including my own.

I once had to rent a minivan for a work conference in Orlando, to help pick up others from the airport coming in from out of state. I came in late at night; the hotel had valet parking. Early the next morning, I came out to get the van to leave for the airport, and it was gone. Panic! Valet couldn't locate it. The police were called, and I had to submit a police report. The hotel was gracious enough to offer their shuttle and driver to go pick up the other employees at the airport. But the incident was stressful and cost me time away from the conference - and I missed happy hour (ugh!) due to speaking with the police that evening. The rental was in my name and on my credit card, but I was getting reimbursed by the company. Luckily, I signed on for the full insurance coverage when I rented. After the hassle, the company and I were able to walk away without further expense or stress. To my knowledge, they never found the vehicle.

Full insurance offered by the rental company is charged per day and makes the rental expensive. In my case, it was worth it, for me personally, and for the company. Call your insurer or credit card company to verify this coverage if you plan to rent a car. If you sign up for coverage at rental, be sure that "loss of use" is covered. It's worth it.



MESSAGE FROM PLANTATION OAKS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION (PORA)

By Rosi Reese, President-PORA



When you live at Plantation Oaks, you should never be bored. No doubt this is one of the nicest 55 and older communities in our state. Have you noticed the new projects that have taken place lately? As this article goes to press, the resurfacing of the pool should be almost completed, just in time for the warm weather. From the pool area you can see the new gathering place pavilion with built-in fire pit and grills, and new seating.

Besides the many social events that PORA presents through its social committee, there is something to do every day here at Plantation Oaks. Residents can enjoy any of the weekly card games being played at the club house; Poker, Euchre and Five Crown. For the more active residents, there's tennis, pickle ball, shuffle board, and much more. All of the activities and PORA sponsored events are open to all residents of Plantation Oaks. There is never a reason to be bored or lonely when you live here. Check the bulletin board at the clubhouse to see the various activities available, and keep in touch by joining the Residents of Plantation Oaks Facebook page. You can also see the monthly calendar on the PORA website at www.ourpora.org.

LOCAL EVENTS

Submitted by Jo Kegel

Enjoy a **FREE** event held in our immediate area. Support our local businesses. Who doesn't like free?

FIRST FRIDAY FLAGLER BEACH

Veteran's Park

101 N Ocean Shore Blvd., Flagler Beach

Next date: **April 5, 2024**, Free admission.

Recurring monthly on each first Friday, 5:30 PM to 9



PM. A celebration of Flagler with free live music, local vendors, kids' activities, and a beautiful place to bring your family and friends. Businesses and museum stay open late. For

local info, events, and things to do, see www.visitflagler.com.

Solar Eclipse April 8, 2024. Even though Florida is outside the "path of totality" it might still be worth seeing the partial eclipse. Start watching around 1:30 PM and be sure to wear "eclipse glasses".

WHOSE TREE IS IT?

By Dana Matlock



The 2024 hurricane season is right around the corner so we may want to start preparing early. My first thought turns to trees. We homeowners have always loved the fact that the developers of our community left the beautiful trees for us to enjoy. However, during the hurricane season they do cause much concern. The lion's share of hurricane damage in Plantation Oaks has been from trees falling on our homes. I am not an attorney and cannot give legal advice but I will share some of my research. Generally Florida law does not hold the neighbor liable if a healthy tree from the neighbor's property falls on your home. Florida law deems this an "act of God". Of course, if it could be shown that the neighbor's tree was diseased, rotting, or otherwise ready to fall down, the neighbor could then be held liable for your damages. So what can we do?

When you rent a "lot" in a community it is for the particular purpose of residing on that lot. Inherent in that arrangement is that the owner of the land is to deliver a safe and habitable lot for your home. So there is an underlying obligation to provide a safe lot. But, to get down to the nitty-gritty, we have to look at our prospectus, history, and the law. As for history, in my experience of living here for almost 22 years, the community owners/management are responsible for the facilities and the common areas in the community. There is history of the owners removing or trimming damaged trees in those common areas when properly notified.

As for the law, Florida Statue, Chapter 723.022 Mobile home park owner's general obligations.—A mobile home park owner shall at all times:

- 1) Comply with the requirements of applicable building, housing, and health codes.
- 2) Maintain buildings and improvements in common areas in a good state of repair and maintenance and maintain the common areas in a good state of appearance, safety, and cleanliness.
- 3) Provide access to the common areas, including buildings and improvements thereto, at all reasonable times for the benefit of the park residents and their guests.
- 4) Maintain utility connections and systems for which the park owner is responsible in proper operating condition.

To determine the homeowner's responsibility, we need to look at our prospectus. The only reference I can find regarding trees is in *Exhibit "B" Rules and*

Regulations, Care of Home and Lot, Line 19. Essentially it states that other than the basic lawn service provided by the community owner, the homeowner is responsible for all other maintenance and upkeep of the lot our home is placed on. It is a good idea to act now - prior to hurricane season (June 1-November 30). Inspect the trees on your lot, your neighbors' lots and common areas around your lot to ensure they are healthy and no large limbs are hanging over your home. Of course any tree on your lot is your responsibility to take care of. If you do not know the boundaries of your lot, stop in the community office and request a drawing of your lot with the boundaries defined – many of us have done just that.

If you feel a dangerous condition exists from trees outside your lot, former FMO Attorney, Lee Jay Colling, recommends sending a certified letter to the community owner and management explaining the dangerous condition. Let them know that if you or anyone else suffers damages as a result of that dangerous condition, that you will

utilize the certified letter as proof of their awareness of, and failure to do something about, it. He further suggest that this could then be used in the future in an action against the community owner.

There are individuals in our community that did write those letters and sent them via certified, mail, return receipt requested, and the community management either had the trees in question trimmed or removed promptly – the "certified mail proof" makes the difference.



DO YOU VOTE BY MAIL?

By Dana Matlock

My husband and I signed up to vote-by-mail many years ago and each year we received our mail-in ballots like clockwork to vote in all elections. But not this year. Florida's new voting laws now requires voters who wish to vote-by-mail to request vote-by-mail ballots

after every election cycle. So, if you voted by mail in the past, you must request a vote-by-mail ballot again if you wish to receive their mail ballots for the 2024 elections. Then, you must re-apply after election cycle.

To apply, or re-apply, for vote-by-mail and receive your mail ballots for the 2024 elections, contact the Elections Office at (386) 313-4170 or go to Flagler County's website: flaglerelections.com/Vote-By-Mail-Absentee.



2024 HURRICANE SEASON

FEMA's Center for Domestic Preparedness (CDP)

Submitted by Jo Kegel



The CDP will host its 2024 Hurricane Theme Week from April 14-20. The 2024 hurricane season begins June 1 and runs through Nov. 30. While the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has not released its forecast for 2024, in an average hurricane season, the U.S. experiences 14 named storms, seven of which are hurricanes and three of which are major hurricanes. Major hurricanes have winds of at least 111 mph and can reach speeds of over 180 mph.

The **National Hurricane Center** plans on adding a bit more certainty to its "cone of uncertainty."

The introduction of a new forecast track graphic in mid-August will do more than show the expected area where hurricanes and tropical storms may travel. It will also depict where wind watches and warnings are posted to better warn of dangers that residents outside of the cone are facing. The new, more colorful map is part of a multiyear effort by the center and the National Weather Service to turn the recommendations of social scientists who are studying the way forecasters present information to the public, into more visually friendly forecast products.

BE PREPARED. For more information, go online to <https://www.ready.gov/hurricane-toolkit>.

BEAUTY TIPS

By Terry Johnson

Natural Facial Cream



Get younger looking skin for less. To smooth facial wrinkles without shelling out for pricey store-bought face masks, try this DIY: Mash 6 red grapes, add 2 tsp. of olive oil, then stir in 2 tbs. of flour until it forms a paste. Smooth it on, let sit for 10 minutes, rinse. The antioxidant resveratrol in red grapes increases skin elasticity to help minimize wrinkles, while olive oil's oleic acid restores natural lipid balance to "plump up" skin.

BASEBALL TRIVIA

By Rich Bencal



Well, it's that time of year again. The weather is warming up, daylight is getting longer, and baseball season is here. Below you will find 10 insignificant, but important facts about the history of Major League Baseball. Give it your best. Good

luck! As always, the answers will appear on another page in the POP. As the umpire says at the beginning of the game, **PLAY BALL!**

QUESTIONS:

1. What is the oldest MLB stadium?
2. What is the newest MLB stadium?
3. What is considered the first baseball stadium?
4. What MLB player has stolen the most bases?
5. What MLB stadium has the biggest seating capacity?
6. When did the Tampa Bay Rays begin their first MLB season?
7. How many games did Babe Ruth win as a pitcher?
8. How many MLB players served in the military during WWII?
9. What MLB Hall of Fame member was a Marine Corps pilot in both WWII and Korea?
10. What MLB player played in the most games?



LOCAL EVENT: TURTLE FEST 2024

Date: Saturday April 6, at Veteran's Park
101 N. Ocean Shore Blvd. Flagler Beach
10am to 5pm, Admission: **FREE**



The Volusia/Flagler Turtle Patrol holds its annual **Turtle Fest** each spring. Turtle Fest is our primary fundraiser. Each year activities include face painting, turtle races, live music, entertainment, white

elephant sales, a variety of vendors and wares, local artists and crafts along with food and beverages for sale. If possible, a turtle from rehabilitation is released on the beach mid-afternoon. Educational exhibits and materials are often available from organizations such as Gamble Rogers State Park, the Marine Science Center and other environmental organizations. Information on volunteer opportunities and Turtle Nest Adoptions. Turtle Fest t-shirts and turtle merchandise are available. All proceeds go to the Volusia/Flagler Turtle Patrol. We hope to see you there! Info at <http://www.turtlepatrol.com/turtle-fest>

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A HELPING HAND

By Anna Conte



My husband, Tony, and I have lived in Plantation Oaks for seven years. We do not have a cell phone or a computer so we cannot send or receive emails or text messages. And we are not always able to get to the clubhouse so we seldom know what's going on in the park. The lack of information, combined with our medical problems, have kept us from attending many Plantation Oaks functions. When we were able to attend, often we sat alone because we do not know many people here and were not invited to sit with others.

When we were in better health we tried to help our neighbors. Throughout our years here we have faced quite a few setbacks. I recently fell and broke my hip in half and my femur bone – terrible, terrible pain. I am still in a rehab facility as I write this article. Tony is alone during my hospital and rehab stays. He often gets confused and sometimes falls, which makes me anxious when he walks our little dog or drives himself to doctor appointments and CT scans.

Several years ago I thought it would be great to have a Plantation Oaks booklet listing contact information and skills for people that are interested in helping others. Example, if you are a plumber you may be able to help a resident and make a few dollars at the same time, or drive someone to a doctor's appointment. It would be wonderful if someone could take on this project.

Recently I put a note on the bulletin board asking for help in advertising three large, new items for sale - I would pay for the assistance. No one responded. We want to down size and get rid of lots of things. The community yard sale in April would be perfect for that, but we need help.

I am not complaining. However, although we are surrounded by so many people, we feel so alone with no one to call. I am sure there are other elderly people in Plantation Oaks that face the same thing. If you can help, please contact us at **386-206-9006**.

Editor's Note:

Please call Anna Conte if you are able to help out in any way, or have suggestions for elderly care, assistance or support. Some of our frail residents are here year-round, and may not have relatives nearby. We all need somebody who cares and can come to our aid if we need help. We have some great volunteers right here in our own community! -Jo Kegel

TENNIS TOURNAMENT

By Tom Greene

The John Mollica Memorial Co-Ed Tennis Tournament was played on the morning of March 9th. Resident participants included Lynn Ceman, Lisa Etherington, Don Hamel and Tom Greene.

Congratulations to Don for winning the tournament for the third time in four years. Fun, exercise and camaraderie was enjoyed by all! And everyone involved is looking forward to future tournaments! A special thank you to our scorekeeper and new resident Catherine Greene.



Don Hamel



Resurfacing State Road 100 begins April 1

Flagler County officials advise residents that the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) road resurfacing project for State Road 100 – East Moody Boulevard – will begin April 1. The project area runs from North Palmetto Street in Bunnell to Old Kings Road in Palm Coast.

State Road 100 will remain open to traffic during construction, according to FDOT, though motorists can expect nighttime single-lane closures between 9 p.m. and 7:30 a.m. and occasional nighttime ramp closures accompanied by a detour between the hours of 10 pm and 5 am.

TOMATOES: APPLES OF LOVE

By Kevin Gallagher MS, CEC



Wild tomatoes originated in the Andes Mountains of South America, mainly in Peru and Ecuador, and domesticated in pre-Columbian Mexico; its name is derived from the Aztec word “tomato”. The tomato was introduced to Europe by the Spanish in the early 16th century, and

the Spanish and Italians seem to have been the first Europeans to adopt it as a food. In France and northern Europe, the tomato was initially grown as an ornamental plant and was regarded with suspicion as a food because botanists recognized it as a relative of the poisonous belladonna and deadly nightshade. The roots and leaves of the tomato plant are poisonous and contain the neurotoxin solanine.

The Italians called the tomato pomodoro (“golden apple”), with historians speculating that these first tomatoes were yellow or orange. Also at this time, Spanish Moors took the tomato to Morocco, where they called them “pomi dei mori”, or “apple of the Moors.” When the French got hold of the tomato, they called it “pommes d’amour”, or apples of love. Despite the origin of tomatoes in South America, they came to North America via Europe.

So how do we store our fresh tomatoes? Keeping tomatoes at room temperature is perfect for freshly picked tomatoes that you’ll be eating within 2-3 days. For room temperature storage, place unwashed tomatoes stem-side down on a clean counter or pantry shelf away from direct sunlight. The stem end contains a tiny hole where gases escape during the ripening process. Facing it down prevents moisture loss. If you have a lot of tomatoes, spacing them out allows air circulation to prevent rotting. Don’t stack them or let them touch each other.



Once tomatoes fully ripen, move them to the refrigerator. The cold temperature slows down ripening enzymes and fungi growth to extend shelf life. Place them stem-side up in the crisper drawer or lay them individually on a refrigerator shelf. Avoid stacking them. Keep tomatoes between 45-55°F. At colder temperatures they risk chilling injury, developing mealy or flavorless flesh. Refrigeration preserves texture and locks in existing ripe flavors, but it stops further ripening. Refrigerated tomatoes last around 5-7 days.

Here is one of my favorite tomato recipes. Let me know what you think when you make it!

Tomato Pie

This is a wonderful, savory dish full of tomatoes, cheese, and custard, topped off with crisp bacon. I adapted this from a recipe I heard on NPR in 1975. This is terrific for a side dish, brunch, or even a light meal all by itself! Servings: 8

Ingredients

- 1 cup seasoned bread crumbs
- 4 large tomatoes
- 2 large onions
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 2 cups sharp cheddar cheese, shredded
- 2 large eggs, lightly beaten
- 1/2 cup heavy whipping cream
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon fresh ground black pepper
- 6 slices bacon



Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease 9-inch pie plate with pan spray or butter.
2. Sprinkle 3/4 cup bread crumbs evenly on bottom of pie plate. Set aside.
3. Cut tomatoes into 1/4 inch slices. Set tomato slices on top of paper towels to drain off excess water, blotting the tops of the tomatoes as well.
4. Cut onion into very thin slices, then sauté in a medium frying pan with the olive oil until softened and starting to caramelize. Set aside to cool.
5. Arrange a layer of tomato slices on the bread crumbs and top with some caramelized onion. Sprinkle lightly with salt and pepper, then finish with a layer of cheddar cheese. Repeat layers with remaining tomato, onion, and cheese.
6. Lightly beat eggs with cream, salt and pepper. Pour egg mixture over pie. Top with remaining bread crumbs. Arrange bacon strips on top.
7. Bake in middle of oven for 50-60 minutes or until bacon is brown and crispy. Remove from oven and let sit for 10 minutes before cutting.

NOTE: You can make this low fat by substituting with skim milk, low fat cheese and turkey bacon.





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FEDERATION OF MANUFACTURED HOME OWNERS (FMO)

By James Pursley, Plantation Oaks FMO Rep



Hello, I hope everyone is doing great. By the time you receive this publication, a bunch of things have happened. Bike Week was here, Daylight Savings Time is upon us, and I, James, your friendly FMO Rep had a birthday. I'm not soliciting for gifts, and I'm not telling my age, but wow, I've been around for a while! You think it seems like yesterday you were in high school. I've noticed that as I get older, different things seem to bother me more. Maybe they always did but I guess now I have more time to think about it. For instance, I told my lovely wife, Carol, that if I heard the name Taylor Swift during the Taylor Swift Bowl, (oh, I meant the Super Bowl) I thought I would explode. Before you start on me, I know she is a very talented individual and rich at the same time. But I would be doing ok if I had a dime for every time I heard her name. See that would not have bothered me if I was younger. For instance, I asked my daughter if she notice Taylor's name being mentioned. She said she didn't notice it. My gosh, my daughter is 50 years old. She can't be that old. I'll check on that and give you an update next month.

My lovely wife said that I don't need any help being nutty, but so much for that. The other one that bothers me is the commercial where the little boy is telling his grandmother that he played baseball today. I'm not blaming the little boy, it's the advertising community that thinks we didn't hear it the first time. Trust me - we heard it. Then there is the volume that goes crazy during a commercial.

The one thing that does not get too loud, or can't repeat itself enough, is the **FMO**, Federation of Manufactured Homeowners. This is one thing that never gets old.

If you did not know, the FMO is the organization that advocates for homeowners whose homes are on leased land. We have other things to do, like play baseball, than to try to keep up with all the legislation and trends the companies that own the land are coming up with. Our land owners offer us a lot but we pay for it. So let's make life a little simpler and support FMO to keep it viable and working for us. For instance they have an attorney to advise them and work with them to support us. That's just the "Tip of the Iceberg" of what they provide. You ask how much for this - it's a lot cheaper than a "Swiftly" Concert.

Membership cost for this great representation is only \$30.00/year or \$75.00 for 3 years. To get this started, contact me, James Pursley. (That's interesting, I knew a kid in school that had the same name, who might have been me.) Call or text 386-986-9632, email jpinvest129@gmail.com. Better yet, go to fmo.org where you can pay with a credit card. Really, this is one thing that is well worth the money.

Everyone take care, until next time. I need to go look for some commercials. James

FELLOWSHIP

By Carol Cerney



Hello dear Plantation Oaks friends! Spring is in the air and isn't it wonderful to see flowers blooming everywhere and birds chirping their joyous songs?

We'd love for you to join us at this month's Christian Fellowship gathering on Sunday April 14. We believe our time together will be a wonderful way to worship our Lord God, the Creator of all.

This month, we're going to be talking about prayer. One way we honor the Lord is by "talking" with Him. In 1 Thessalonians 5:17, we read "Never stop praying." How do we do that? And why is that important?

We're looking forward to having Sharon Gamble share Bible verses and insights on prayer to inform and encourage us all. Her comments will focus on the privilege and importance of prayer in our daily lives as Christ followers.

Questions to ponder: How has prayer helped you draw closer to God? When do you find yourself praying the most?

We'll meet from 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm at the Clubhouse, and as always, we'll have prayer, music, Bible-reading/discussion and fellowship. Come and bring your neighbors and friends to enjoy this special time together.

The Plantation Oaks Christian Fellowship is a non-denominational group where everyone is welcome to learn and grow in their faith of Jesus Christ.

Contact Carol Cerney 507-213-0121 for questions.





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Linda Emkjer
17 Chatsworth Lane



We would like to welcome Linda Emkjer to Plantation Oaks. Linda recently moved to 17 Chatsworth from Castle Hayne, North Carolina. Linda worked in the business world for many years, and now that she is retired she is looking forward to spending more time with her craft work in ceramics. She is also interested in exploring our activities here at Plantation Oaks and visiting her son who resides in Flagler Beach. Welcome Linda.

Ellen Hack
20 Beaumont Lane



Say hello to Dudley at 20 Beaumont whose owner recently moved to Plantation Oaks from the villages. Ellen Hack and Dudley are looking forward to relaxing in our quiet community and meeting new friends.

Bob & Ruth Greenlaw
45 Winthrop Lane



Bob and Ruth came here via New Jersey and Hawaii. They both enjoy the friendliness of Plantation Oaks and hope to get involved with our many amenities. Ruth's background is in computers and Bob was involved in community emergency preparedness.



APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 Nancy & Steven Cronin
- 9 Ed and Claudia Zoller
- 15 Pete & Lucy Case
- 15 Don & Claire Hamel
- 17 Kevin & Mary Brown
- 18 Ann & Jerry Meek
- 20 Chuck & Lynn Allspach
- 22 Paul & May Goeller
- 23 Ray & Sue Proper
- 26 Steve & Betty Vandermyn
- 27 John & Peg Mercurio
- 27 Joe & Glenda Cortese



SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

By John Clabaugh & Christine Davis



Join us for our Social Committee meetings the first Monday of each month at 2 PM, except when it lands on a holiday.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 6 - BRUNCH! 10:00 am with breakfast casseroles. (replaces the April monthly breakfast)


April 12 & 13

Plantation Oaks Community Yard Sale. Both days will be held from 9am-1pm with an 8am-9am early bird opportunity for residents to shop before opening to the public. If you plan to hold a yard sale, please sign up on the bulletin board at the clubhouse.



April 19 – Monthly Dinner under discussion with the Plantation Oaks Cooks. Will announce decision.

ELVIS will be back in the house!
Saturday, April 20, 2024
TICKET SALES



Tickets \$10.00
Be sure to get your tickets as soon as possible as they go on sale as it will most likely be a sellout.

Ticket sales:
Monday, April 8: 6pm – 7pm
(NOTE: These evening hours on this day are in place of the regular Monday hours of 12pm – 1pm for this event).
First day of sales is for residents only.

Wednesday, April 10: 10am-11am,
Thursday, April 11: 6pm-7pm.

Upcoming Future Events-more details to follow.

May Events:

May 4 - Cinco de Mayo (see information this page)
May 12 - Mother's Day, Plans underway. Stay tuned.
May 27 - Memorial Day, Ceremony held in morning. More details to follow.
May 27 - Pool Party, Grand opening of the Gathering Oaks Picnic Area. Sponsored by Murex. Free event. No tickets needed but there will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board so that we can get a count of those who plan to attend. Times and more details to follow.



Saturday
May 4, 2024
5:00pm - 9:00pm

PORA Members: \$13.00
Non-members: \$15.00

Tickets Sales:

Monday, April 15	12:00 - 1:00 pm
Wednesday, April 17	10:00 - 11:00 am
Thursday, April 18	6:00 - 7:00 pm

- Mexican Gourmet Appetizers
- Mexican Regional Dresses Show
- Contests, Games & Surprises
- Dance with Tony & Debbie

Wear a decorated Mexican Hat
For a contest, Bring your favorite drink

Coordinator: Irma Reed (352) 216-6294
PORA Social Committee

Next Social Committee Meeting will be held on **Monday, April 8, 2:00 PM. All are welcome.**

Please continue to check the website, email, and bulletin boards at the clubhouse for sign ups and posting of new events.

For any questions or suggestions you may have regarding the Social Committee, please contact:

John Clabaugh 570-772-2499 jclabaugh7@yahoo.com
Christine Davis 508-901-3628 c.davis16@comcast.net

*Check out the calendar of events on ourpora.org.
There are many card games and other activities
That you might enjoy.*

Line Dance Classes: Wednesdays at 1:00 PM



1:00 – 1:30 PM: Beginners Lessons
1:30 – 2:30 PM: More than the Basics Lessons. All Are Welcome to Stay!!



Bingo: Wednesdays 5:45-9:00 PM
Doors open at 5:45 Bingo begins promptly at 6:30 PM



Horseshoes: Fridays 4:00 PM
Horseshoe Pits by the Pool



Chair Volleyball: Thursdays 1 PM
In clubhouse.



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To view or print our current or previous *POP* newsletters, go to the PORA website: ourpora.org. Click on: Contacts/Links/*The POP*. If you are unable to reach this site, you can also access the publications on www.4communitymedia.com; click on the *Newsletters* tab on the right hand side of the page and scroll through the list until you find Plantation Oaks – Flagler Beach, FL. Click on it and then you will have access to all of our newsletters published.

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BASEBALL TRIVIA ANSWERS



1. Fenway Park, Boston, MA opened in 1912
2. Globe Life Field, Arlington, TX opened in 2020
3. Union Grounds, Brooklyn, NY 1862
4. Rickey Henderson 1406
5. Oakland Coliseum, Oakland, CA 56782 seats
6. 1998 as the Tampa Bay Devil Rays
7. His record over six seasons for the Boston Red Sox was 89 wins and 46 losses
8. The number is estimated at over 500
9. Ted Williams
10. Pete Rose 3562 games



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Plantation Oaks Residents Association

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