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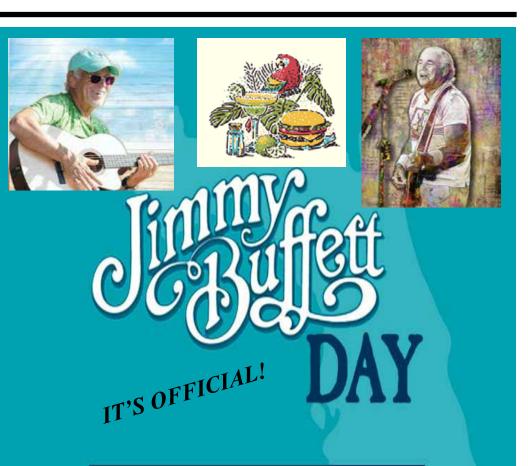
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STATE OF FLORIDA

# AUGUST 30, 2024

The Date celebrates the life and music of Jimmy Buffett whose free-spirited life and significant contributions to national and state culture are commended and celebrated.

See inside for State Resolution #HR-8065

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#### HR8065: JIMMY BUFFETT DAY

Submitted by Joanne Kegel



The Florida House of Representatives recognizes August 30, 2024, as "Jimmy Buffett Day." Last Action: 2/22/2024 House -Adopted by Publication, a resolution recognizing August 30, 2024, as "JIMMY BUFFETT DAY" in

Florida:

**WHEREAS,** Jimmy Buffett was born in Pascagoula, Mississippi, on Christmas Day in 1946 and traveled to Florida in 1971 at the invitation of fellow musician Jerry Jeff Walker, settling in Key West in 1972, and

WHEREAS, Jimmy Buffett honed his art as a singersongwriter in the bars of Key West, and the laid-back island lifestyle of the Florida Keys was the foundation on which he built his signature tropical rock sound, and WHEREAS, in 1973, Jimmy Buffett released the album "A White Sport Coat and a Pink Crustacean," which included the hit single "Grapefruit - Juicy Fruit," and used the proceeds to buy his first boat, and

WHEREAS, subsequent albums included "Living and Dying in 3/4 Time" (with the hit "Come Monday"),

"Havana Daydreamin'," "Changes in Latitudes, Changes in Attitudes" (with his mega-hit "Margaritaville"), "Son of a Son of a Sailor" (with the hit "Cheeseburger in Paradise"), "Volcano," and 20 more, featuring songs that became part of the pop music lexicon, and



WHEREAS, Jimmy Buffett's music has attracted legions of fans who call themselves "Parrotheads" and who gather at an annual weeklong "Meeting of the Minds" festival, and

WHEREAS, Jimmy Buffett was also the author of five books, three of which were placed on the New York Times Bestseller list, and the co-author of two children's books with his eldest daughter, Savannah Buffett, and

WHEREAS, Jimmy Buffett's entrepreneurial enterprises include a signature beer brand, LandShark Lager, in partnership with Anheuser-Busch; casinos in Bossier City, Louisiana, and Tulsa, Oklahoma; retirement communities called Latitude Margaritaville in Daytona Beach and WaterSound in Florida, and Hilton Head Island in South Carolina; and the Jimmy Buffett's Margaritaville hospitality company and Cheeseburger in Paradise restaurant chain, and WHEREAS, Jimmy Buffett was an ardent environmentalist, founding the Save the Manatee Club, a nonprofit organization devoted to raising awareness about the plight of Florida's state marine mammal, with former Governor Bob Graham in 1981, and supporting other causes devoted to endangered and threatened species and habitats in Florida, and

**WHEREAS**, as a philanthropist, Jimmy Buffett performed concerts for service members, headlined hurricane relief concerts, performed a free concert in Gulf Shores, Alabama, after the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, and provided support for efforts to deliver supplies and relief in the aftermath of the 2010 earthquake in Haiti, and

WHEREAS, the SFC Charitable Foundation, Inc., a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization also known as "Singing for Change," was created by Jimmy Buffett in 1995 and received one dollar from each ticket Jimmy Buffett sold at his shows, and

WHEREAS, Singing for Change funds nonprofit community organizations that inspire personal growth, community integration, and promote sustainable and viable self-sufficient communities; focuses its resources on supporting grassroots organizations that rely strongly on collaborative efforts that create lasting change in the communities they serve; and promotes positive change by helping people, organizations, and communities become smarter, safer, stronger, healthier, and whole, and WHEREAS, in 2015, the University of Miami bestowed an honorary doctorate in music upon Jimmy Buffett, who spoke at that year's graduation ceremony, and

WHEREAS, Jimmy Buffett died of complications from a rare form of skin cancer on September 1, 2023, at the age of 76 at his home in Sag Harbor, New York,

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida: That August 30, 2024, is recognized as "JIMMY BUFFETT DAY" in Florida to celebrate the life and music of Jimmy Buffett, whose free-spirited life and significant contributions to national and state culture are commended and celebrated. (*FLSenate.gov* website)



#### A ROBOT & SELF-CHECKOUT...MY "AI" SAGA

By Jeanie Scionti



Arriving back north for the summer, I usually find that my children have raided my pantry. Leaving us with no groceries, off to the market. I entered the grocery store and began to walk down the main aisle only to be stopped

by a scary black 'robot' with cobalt blue slits for eyes! A woman behind me decided to bypass me; she had a two-year old girl in her cart. The 'robot' turned toward the cart and her child let out a piercing scream. I too wanted to scream, but I'm too sophisticated for that! The mother quickly made for the exit, leaving me with Darth Vader. Having no to explore time why my supermarket had a creepy 'robot'



floating around doing who knows what,

I discovered that they also installed a new 'speedy selfcheckout aisle! I prefer a store clerk. However, since there was only one cashier on duty, I thought, "*It's time to explore self-checkout*!" I approached a station and tapped the computer screen. Nicely, it asked, "Do you have your grocery rewards card? If so, please swipe it over the screen." I did but it rejected it! No matter, I just want to get my stuff and go. The computer continues, "Please scan your first item." I comply and put the item on the small tray beside the machine.

All seems to be going well until I notice that the tray is overloaded. Therefore, I moved these items into my paper bags that are on the floor. The machine scolded



me, "Put your checked items back on the area provided!" Now I am trying to put all the bagged stuff back on the stand by making a pyramid of cans and thinking "how am I going to get the eggs, milk, and vegetables to fit?" The computer blurts out, "You need to check out if

you are done." I shout aloud, "I am not done!" She continues, "You must put your previous items on the tray." *I did that!* Then it says, "Your bagging area is full. Please bag your groceries."

Now I am yelling, "Are you crazy?" Again, before I have finished, the 'computer witch' calmly says, "Please scan your next item." I angrily reply, "Hey lady, I am still trying to bag the other stuff!"

My conversation with the computer became 'entertainment' for the other customers waiting in line that is until they became impatient with the old woman hollering at a computer. I saw a clerk standing in the corner of the self-checkout area and I pleaded, "Please help me!" She did and, in my defense, she too had difficulty with the 'computer idiot'.

On my way out, I saw my husband (who had waited in the car for three hours) trying to figure out if the 'robot' he just encountered could talk. That was the best part of this whole fiasco.

Laughter is the best medicine, when it comes to AI, otherwise known as "Artificial Intelligence". At least it is for me!





#### TENNIS ANYONE? Attention Plantation Oaks Residents:

I'm looking for a few more players for our mixed doubles group. We are all at intermediate level, not part of a league, and just play for fun and exercise. Join us weekly on Wednesdays & Saturdays at 6:00pm. Times are subject to seasonal changes. Please contact Walter Mason, 404-290-0771, <u>walterwmason@yahoo.com</u>, to be added to the group.



**Plantation Oaks Tennis Courts** 

#### H - HELLO E - EVERYONE L - LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR P - PORA

#### By Rosie Reese, PORA President



July 1<sup>st</sup> started the second half of the year and here we are in August. Before we know it, Santa will be stopping by and then we will be celebrating the New Year. As your president of PORA, I look forward to the New Year with a little fear

and trepidation. Why do I have these feelings? It's because PORA needs your help by becoming involved on the board, and/or serving on the various committees. If no one comes forward to submit their name to serve on the board for next year, we will not have enough members to run a board.

Many of you know that I married Ed Reese less than two years ago so I am relatively new to this community. I joined the board and that night became President. Needless to say, most of you know more people than I

do. I ask all of you to reach out to people that you know to encourage them to become involved in some way. PORA and all other memberdriven organizations, are not like a cruise ship where the deck hands do



all the work and the passengers just kick back and relax. It's more like a battleship where everyone helps keep the ship afloat. **HELP** is my plea to one and all.

#### HYDRATION & A/C

#### By Joanne Kegel

As I was reading my August 2024 AARP Bulletin, I learned that we may need fluids and not know it. A doctor from Pennsylvania stated that "It is a medical fact that thirst tends to diminish with age." Just because you're not thirsty doesn't mean that you are hydrated. Make it a



practice to drink fluids and water throughout the day. Make it part of a routine.

Also, I have been experiencing sinus dripping and a dry cough since March, especially at night, losing sleep. I attributed it to mold or pollen as I do spend time outside. Coincidentally, that's also the month that we increased our air-conditioning usage. Air-conditioning can cause coughing for a number of reasons:

- Cold and dry air: A/C removes humidity from the air and cools it. This can irritate airways and lead to coughing, sneezing and throat discomfort. This can be especially harmful if you have respiratory conditions. With our extreme heat in FL, people spend more time inside than out. Summer air is more humid than winter air, but spending more time in A/C can cause problems. Try to get outside as much as possible, as much as you can stand the heat. Lowering you're A/C usage will help with the dryness and also lower your electric bill!
- **Dirty air:** Air conditioners trap allergens like dust, pet dander and mold spores in the filters. Clogged filters can release the dirt and allergens back into the air, causing respiratory issues. Keep an eye on your air filter. Check it every 4-6 weeks and replace it when dirty. We replace ours every month.

I am now considering getting a humidifier and will look into a whole-house one that connects directly to the home A/C system. And always maintain your HVAC system with regular tune-ups by your technician.



#### By Rich Bencal



Happy summer to all in Plantation Oaks. While the weather is still a little hot, we are slowly progressing toward fall and cooler temperatures. The questions this issue are mostly about facts pertaining to August, but with a few others mixed in for good measure.

Good luck with your answers and stay cool. As always, the answers will appear on another page of the POP.

#### **QUESTIONS:**

- 1. When was the first beach ball invented?
- 2. Where was the first outdoor swimming pool in the US?
- 3. When and where was the first ice cream cone consumed?
- 4. For whom is the month of August named?
- 5. What are the two official flowers for August?
- 6. When was the first official US Census conducted?
- 7. What two famous people died on August 16, 29 years apart?
- 8. What iconic rock festival was held in August 1969?
- 9. What Caribbean Island gained its independence from Great Britain in August 1969?
- 10. What two zodiac signs are associated with August?

#### DON'T FEED ALLIGATORS (OR OTHER WILDLIFE) IN FLAGLER COUNTY PARKS



Submitted by John Mercurio



The temptation to engage with wildlife by feeding them is real – especially for children – but the consequences for the animals, and the public, can be dire. "Feeding wildlife can reduce their fear of humans which may result in aggression and the need for the animal to be removed or killed in order to

protect public safety," according to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission website. "In some cases, feeding wildlife is illegal in Florida. Species with rules related to feeding include bears, coyotes, foxes, raccoons, pelicans, alligators, crocodiles, sandhill cranes, and wild monkeys."

Additionally, the Flagler County Code of Ordinances, Sec. 13-2(7) prohibits feeding wildlife on public land. A Flagler Beach resident contacted the county on May 7, after seeing a social media post of children feeding an alligator at Wadsworth Park. "The real issue is that people feel safe on the boardwalk over the pond, but the majority of the pond is open and accessible to people walking in Wadsworth Park," said General Services Assistant Director Michael Lagasse. "People are naturally drawn to water features. We don't want

them to approach the pond and end up with an unwelcome, potentially dangerous interaction. "Flagler County Parks and Recreation staff are installing additional alligator warning signs.



Lagasse investigated and reported that the 5-foot gator swam towards him – likely responding from "food conditioning" and probably won't leave the area on its own. "Food conditioning is dangerous for animals because it can lead to serious consequences like getting sick, starving, or even having to be killed if they become too aggressive," according to the National Park Service website. "Animals can lose their fear of people when they get used to eating our food."

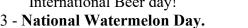
Seeing alligators at Wadsworth Park is not a one-off. The three visible reviews on Tripadvisor about the park talk about alligators. One posted in April 2024, titled "Ollie the alligator!" said in part, "Saw the alligator! So much fun. He hung out right in front of us going back and forth..." For public safety reasons, the alligator that has been residing in the pond at Wadsworth Park will be removed by a licensed trapper.

"Flagler County residents know that wildlife and wildlands are an important part of our way of life here," Lagasse said. "Most of us are aware to give wildlife space. When we don't, animals can become dangerous to humans and a safety concern for the rest of the public."

Source: Flagler County Government, May 8, 2024.

### NOTABLE AUGUST DAYS

- 2 International Beer Day
- 3 **International Hangover Day** Appropriately, the day after International Beer day!



- 4 U.S. Coast Guard Birthday
- 12 Perseid Meteor Showers Peak night. You can see it in FL if you are in a dark area & look to the North.
- 14 International Creamsicle Day Yum!
- 15 Relaxation Day Now, this one's for me!
- 17 Neighbor Night Enjoy an evening with your neighbors.
- 19 National Aviation Day In honor of the birthday of Orville Wright
- 20 World Mosquito Day- Seems like every day.
- 21 Senior Citizens Day We can relate to that!
- 26 National Toilet Paper Day
- 27 Just Because Day
- 30 National Beach Day

Enjoy the Dog Days of summer!





LOCAL – In Flagler Beach, Farmers Market Fun! If you're in search of fresh fruit, vegetables, locally created arts & crafts, or just quality people-watching, check out the Flagler Beach Farmers Market. Weekly, Saturdays 8am-noon, Wickline Park, 315 South 7<sup>th</sup> St. Free admission. Go to <u>visitflagler.com</u> for details.



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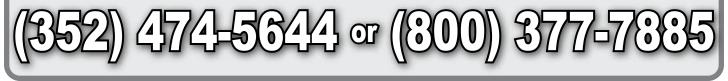
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#### NATIONAL WATERMELON DAY

By Chef Kevin Gallagher MS, CEC Kjgallagher13@gmail.com



National Watermelon Day is August 3, 2024, so grab a sweet slice and get an immune-boosting dose of vitamins A, B-6 and C, plus hydration (this melon's mostly water!) during the dog days of summer. There's just nothing that says summer quite like cutting into a

perfectly ripe watermelon-except maybe grilling it, drinking it or enjoying it in a salad.

Impress your friends with these 10 fun facts from the Watermelon Board while you sip a refreshing watermelon tequila cocktail:

- 1. Watermelon is 92% water.
- 2. Early explorers used watermelons as canteens.
- 3. The word "watermelon" first appeared in the English dictionary in 1615.
- 4. A watermelon takes about 90 days to grow, from planting to harvesting.
- 5. You can eat watermelon rind.
- 6. The first cookbook published in the U.S. in 1796 was titled American Cookery and contained a recipe for watermelon rind pickles.
- 7. The first recorded watermelon harvest occurred nearly 5,000 years ago in Egypt and is depicted in Egyptian hieroglyphics on the walls of their ancient buildings. Watermelons were often placed in the burial tombs of kings to nourish them in the afterlife.
- 8. According to Guinness World Records, the world's heaviest watermelon was grown by Chris Kent of Sevierville, Tennessee in 2013, weighing 350.5 lbs.
- 9. More than 300 varieties of watermelon are cultivated in the United States and South America. The most common watermelon options are seeded, seedless, mini and yellow & orange.
- 10. The United States currently ranks sixth in worldwide production of watermelon, with Florida, Texas, California, Georgia and Indiana consistently in the lead.

Bonus fact: Watermelon is one of the most low-carb fruits you can eat, so those on a keto-friendly diet can enjoy it in moderation.

#### Watermelon Tequila Cocktail

2 ounces tequila 1-ounce fresh lime juice <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> to <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> ounce agave nectar, to taste (you can find at Publix) or simple syrup 1 ounce watermelon juice



#### Instructions:

To make the watermelon juice, cut up some watermelon chucks and blend them, then strain out the solids. Add all ingredients to a cocktail shaker, shake on ice for 6 to 10 seconds, strain onto fresh ice in a rocks glass and garnish with a lime wheel or a watermelon slice, or both.

#### Watermelon Elote

These are fun, easy and tasty appetizers that marries ice cold watermelon and the Mexican seasoning for Elote Corn. YOU WILL LOVE THIS! (I brought this to the July 4<sup>th</sup> picnic!)

1/3 Florida watermelon, cut into rectangles about the size of corn on the cob

2 limes, zested and juiced

1/4 cup Cotija cheese, grated

1/2 teaspoon smoked paprika

1/2 teaspoon chili powder

1/4 cup fresh cilantro

Sea salt and fresh ground pepper to taste

## Wooden skewers **Instructions:**

Spear each watermelon rectangle with a wooden skewer. Place all the watermelon rectangles on a

platter. Evenly distribute the lime zest, salt, pepper, chili powder, smoked paprika, Cotija cheese, cilantro and lime juice. Serve cold.



To quote Mark Twain, "When one has tasted watermelon, he knows what the angels eat." Twain understood the serious deliciousness of this magical fruit (vegetable?)

#### BEAUTY TIPS By Terry Johnson



Lush Eyelashes and Eyebrows for Less Do you notice sparse spots on your eyelashes or brows? Fill them in without splurging on pricey serum by swiping on coconut oil! The oil's fatty acids moisturize hairs, which prevents breakage and helps hairs complete their growth cycle. To do: Use a Q-tip to apply a drop of coconut oil onto lashes and brows daily. You'll see results in four weeks.

#### 2024 FLAGLER COUNTY BEACH RENOURISHMENT-PROJECT OVERVIEW

Submitted by Jo Kegel Source: flaglercounty.gov

TheFlaglerCounty,Florida Coastal Storm RiskManagement(CSRM)projectisafederally



authorized, 50-year project designed to provide sustainable coastal storm risk management for property, infrastructure such as evacuation route SR A1A, environmental habitat, and provides for recreation opportunities. Reduced potential impacts to SR A1A. Once constructed, the project will provide a holistic, environmentally friendly defense against future storms, beach erosion, and sea level rise. Anticipated to significantly reduce potential storm impacts than without a project, the project fosters a more resilient coastal environment and community, and - in the event of a storm - a faster and less costly post-storm recovery. In addition, after initial construction, the project becomes eligible for emergency beach re-nourishment following significant storm events. Waves and currents will reshape the constructed beach fill over time to a more natural "equilibrated" shape by transporting sand from the dry beach and depositing it offshore within the active beach profile to help dissipate wave energy and provide the intended coastal storm risk management benefits. This process begins immediately after construction, with full adjustment of the beach shape typically requiring many months or multiple significant wave events. The initial equilibration process may appear to dramatically decrease the width of the dry beach, but the beach is operating as designed. Once the beach has reached an equilibrium condition, the beach is expected to recede at a slower rate.

TYPICAL CONSTRUCTION PROFILE:

- The project includes construction and extension of the dune (pre-Hurricane Matthew): Existing elevation of dune: 19 feet Construction of the dune will result in additional "towel space" – a wider beach berm after initial construction. Native beach slopes/grades will be maintained. The above profile reflects the average need for sand across the project area.
- Hopper dredge excavates sand from seafloor.
- Bulldozers distribute the sand to achieve the project design. Bulldozers operate on a 24-hour basis. For safety purposes, back-up alarms are activated to run continuously during construction.

- Safety personnel will be onsite to direct the general public away from potential hazards.
- Reduced damages to Scenic and Historic Coastal Byway
- Dune extension to be vegetated with native plants to stabilize the dune and promote wildlife usage. If any dune vegetation is disturbed during
  - If any dune vegetation is disturbed during construction, it will be replaced with native vegetation.
- 3 acres of continuous nesting habitat (sea turtles and shore birds) over 50 years compared to zero habitat in the future without project.
- Turbidity is monitored at the placement location. Equipment operating in the project area is routinely monitored. Standard manatee and marine animal monitoring and protective measures are employed during project construction.
- Public and private dune walkovers: The contractor will place sand on, around and underneath each walkover to maintain a continuous protective dune. Sand will naturally equilibrate and expose walkover steps over time.



• Beach tilling will occur after construction and any escarpments will be removed. The project will be monitored and surveyed after construction to check sand volume and the condition of the beach. For more information, visit:

www.saj.usace.army.mil/missions/civilworks/shore-protection/flagler-county/

#### **INCREASED RISK FOR FLORIDA**

Source: WESH2 News Jul 10, 2024

On the heels of record-breaking Hurricane Beryl, Colorado State University has released an updated version of its 2024 hurricane season forecast.

In the updated forecast, meteorologists increased numbers related to all-season activity, including named storms and major hurricanes. In their original forecast, released in April, CSU called for 23 named storms during the 2024 season. Now, the university says they expect a couple more, at 25.

So far this season, we've already seen 3 named storms: Tropical Storm Alberto, Hurricane Beryl and Tropical Storm Chris. Hurricane Beryl made history for not only being the first hurricane of the 2024 season but also for breaking records in terms of intensity. Beryl quickly strengthened into a monster Category 5 hurricane, and it happened earlier than any hurricane in history. *Reminder: Hurricane Season runs through November!* 

# **SUB-FLOOR & FLOORING EXPERTS!**





#### AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

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- 4 Mike McDonald
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- 15 Richard & MaryAnn Rabuazzo
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- 20 Steve & Norma Loughan
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- 30 Dan & Judy Behanick
- 30 Ken & Deb Pate



If we missed your birthday or anniversary, or have the dates wrong or name misspelled, please contact the editors, Dana or Jo at <u>dbmatlock@live.com</u> or <u>jokegel@comcast.com</u>.







#### FEDERATION OF MANUFACTURED HOME OWNERS (FMO)

By James Pursley, Plantation Oaks FMO Rep



Hello everyone, it's me again, your friendly Federation of Manufactured Home Owners (FMO) Representative. Have you ever let your mind go back in time and think of a memory of someone you knew in the past? Well, just the other day my mind was drifting to a

couple that I was good friends with when I lived in the north Georgia mountains. She was a nurse and he had owned several construction related companies. One incident that comes to mind that had happened to them was, he had inherited a trucking company from his brother - big trucks and 18 wheelers. He had other drivers for the trucks, but on occasions he would drive a truck when one of the other drivers was out. Their names were Joyce and Al. They had a parrot that spoke

very good English. When Al was at home, he would like to have a beer or two around 5:00 o'clock. His beer was always in a bottle and he would take the cap off the beer and pour a little beer in the cap. The parrot's name was Buckaroo. When Buckaroo got to



drinking he would tell Joyce how pretty she was and what a good cook she was.

One day Al had to drive one of the trucks and would be gone for a few days. Joyce had some time-off built up so she rode with Al. Al had put a cage in the sleeper part of the truck for Buckaroo. This particular trip, Buckaroo went with them. They had traveled out west on this run, and they decided they needed to stretch their legs, so Al pulled the truck over. They were on a 2-lane road. Somehow, Buckaroo got out when they opened the doors. They called Buckaroo but he did not come back. You know how it is when your pet is



missing. They were in tears. Al climbed up in the cab. He revved that big Kenworth up to where you could hear it for miles. He set down on the big chrome dual air horns, and then Al stood on the hood of that

shiny red rig and hollered Buckaroos name as loud as he could.

He also set a beer on the hood of the truck. He got down, then he and Joyce hugged and cried. They waited a few minutes before getting ready to go when all of a sudden they heard a voice saying "**it's beer**  thirty". That was Al's and Buckaroo's saying!! Buckaroo was back!

One thing that never goes away is the FMO. If your home sits on leased land, FMO is the way to go. FMO is the only statewide consumer advocacy association dedicated to protecting the rights and lifestyle of manufactured homeowners in the state of Florida since 1962. FMO has an attorney, and a legislative counsel in Tallahassee, to advise them. For the price of \$30.00/year or \$75.00/ for 3 years, it is some of the best money ever spent. To get this more than great protection, call or text me, James Pursley, 386-986-9632, e-mail to jpinvest129@gmail.com, or go to fmo.org where you can pay with a credit card. You cannot go wrong. Hope everyone had a safe 4th of July. Take care, until next time, James



#### JUST FOR FUN Submitted By Dana Matlock Impossibilities in the world.

- 1. You can't count your hair
- 2. You can't wash your eyes with soap.
- 3. You can't breathe when your tongue is out.

Put your tongue back in your mouth, sure you can still breathe, you fool.

#### Ten (10) Things I know about you.

- 1. You are reading this.
- 2. You are human.
- 3. You can't say the letter "P" without separating your lips.
- 4. You just attempted to do it. You are an idiot!
- 6. You are laughing at yourself,
- 7. You have a smile on your face and you skipped No. 5.
- 8. You just checked to see if there is a No. 5.
- 9. You laugh at this because you are a fun-loving person & everyone does it too.
- 10. You are probably going to share this to see who else falls for it.

#### "Do not regret growing older. It is a privilege denied to many."



#### SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEXWS

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. **The next Social** 

Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, August 5 at 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.

We are always looking for volunteers to help with each event, especially for cleanup teams. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the clubhouse. We have two new residents who have volunteered for clean-up and we would like to see more residents volunteer to help. For any questions or suggestions you may have regarding social committee or cooks team, please contact:

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

#### AUGUST EVENTS:

August 3 – Brunch 10 – 11 AM August 16 – Monthly Dinner – 5 PM

#### FUTURE EVENTS:

September 7 – Brunch, 10 - 11 AM September 20 – Dinner, 5 PM

September. 28 – Casino Night at the Oaks, 6:30-9 PM, \$20. Games: Poker, Blackjack, Texas Hold'em, Craps, Roulette, Horserace, Food, Drink, (BYOB) Photo Booth (Dress your Best), Dice game and more. First, second and third place prizes. Also having an Auction to win prizes. Need Dealers and Helpers. Finger foods and dessert to be served. Patti Watkins - 386-986-6245.

**October 5** – Monthly Brunch 10 – 11 AM

**October 18** - Monthly Dinner – An Authentic Polish Dinner by Resident Stan Niedzwieki 5 PM.

We have requested The Palm Coast Jazz Band to play for us this evening as well. Watch for further communication on co nfirmation of the band performance on this date.

**October** Chili Cook-off has been postponed until a future date has been confirmed.

**October 31<sup>st</sup>** - Halloween Golf Cart Parade then gathering at the Firepit area (weather permitting).

**November 8**-Murder Mystery Dinner Show. Spaghetti Dinner at 5 PM. \$15 PORA Members, \$17 Non-Members. Will open show for next day if necessary. Need Actors, sign -up sheet at clubhouse due by the end of August. Debbie Pate. **November 22** - Thanksgiving Dinner and possibly The Palm Coast Jazz Band again. More details to follow.

**December 6 -** Christmas House Tour – Pam Wiggins

**December 6 -** Gingerbread Making Session – Terry Johnson

**December 14** - Christmas Party – Betty Vandermyn and Patty Watkins

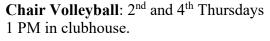
December 31 - New Year's Eve Celebration

#### Check out the calendar of events on ourpora.org.



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





**Ice Cream Social:** Last Sunday of each month 6-7 PM. Free to all residents.

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Water Aerobics: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 10:00-11:15 AM

#### Murder by The "C"



#### Interested in being part of our next Murder Mystery? Signup sheet is posted in the Clubhouse. <u>DEADLINE TO SIGN UP IS</u> <u>\*AUGUST 15\*</u>

This year's Murder Mystery/Dinner will be held on November 8<sup>th</sup>, and on the 9<sup>th</sup> if needed.

- Nine actors will be selected for the performances 4 females and 5 males.
- A narrator is also needed (male or female).
- Actors must be available for most rehearsals, beginning September 1.
- We also need props, peeps, and stage hands.

Questions, call: Deb Pate 386-986-7987 Nancy Lester 386-503-0417 Rosie Reese 386-452-7588



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#### **Christian Fellowship** By Carol Cerney

The Plantation Oaks Christian Fellowship will be taking a break in August, so there will be **no Christian Fellowship gathering in August.** 

We invite you to continue sharing your prayer requests with our Prayer Team; just e-mail to Sharon Gamble, <u>s.gamble316@gmail.com</u>, and let her know if you want the request to go to just the Prayer Team or to the 40+ Christian Fellowship list. We'll resume our regular every second Sunday schedule on Sontember 8, and will look forward to

schedule on September 8, and will look forward to seeing everyone then.

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

Contact Carol Cerney at 507-213-0121 if you have questions.

#### SUMMER TRIVIA ANSWERS

- 1. 1938 by Jonathan DeLonge
- 2. The Underwood Pool in Belmont, MA first opened in 1912
- 3. 1904 World's Fair, St. Louis, MO
- 4. Roman Emperor, Augustus Caesar
- 5. Gladiola and Poppies
- 6. August 1790, with 3,929,214 people counted
- 7. Babe Ruth, 1948 and Elvis Presley, 1977
- 8. Woodstock
- 9. Jamaica
- 10. Leo and Virgo



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