

Bits & Pieces

Sebring Village Association – December – 2018

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From the Association

~ *Walt D'Alessandris, President*

Hi Everybody,

Hope all are happy with the Association Election. Please give these folks the courtesy and thanks for stepping up and trying to do a great service for the Membership.

I am stepping down and retiring from my position as President, which I have held in either the HOA or Association for the past 19 years. I have enjoyed all these years only because I represented the finest people anyone could hope to associate with. I have been fortunate to have Board Members who stood by me and looked out for my wellbeing.

Let me say that you could not meet a finer, more dedicated, hard worker than my dear friend, Glenda Gray.

You couldn't ask for a better person than Max Bonkoski, salt-of-the-earth, sincere, just an all-around honest great guy.

Neil Knutson, the "lawyer" of the Board is always full of great ideas and a "task-master," when it comes to protocol. Neil keeps us all on our toes and straight and narrow.

We have just appointed Carol Colon to fill in the vacancy of Secretary. All of you who know Carol know that she is an outstanding lady, and the Board is positive that we could not have made a better choice.

I wish to end this note by saying "Thank You," for your support, respect, cooperation, and having faith in me for all these wonderful years.

Also, an equally big "Thank You," for the few folks who tried to make life miserable for me. You helped me make the decision to retire.

If I can be of any help to anyone, please call on me. As always, do something nice for your neighbor.

Christmas Dance

December 15th at 7:30 pm

With

Music by the Fabulous

"Rick Arnold"

From the HOA

~ *Sharon LaPenna, President, SV Corp.*

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all Sebring Village Residents. This is my favorite time of year in Sebring Village — all the beautiful lights and decorations. My best wishes to all of you and your families for a good holiday season and a productive 2019. The HOA will have a Membership Meeting on **Tuesday, December 11th, at 7:30 pm** in the Clubhouse. **PLEASE NOTE THE DATE CHANGE.**

The HOA will be seeking nominations for vacant positions on the Board of Directors. The election for these positions will be at the annual Membership Meeting in January. Membership in the HOA is required for any voting, but we encourage ALL residents to attend the meeting.

If you have any questions or comments, the HOA mailbox is still by Sharon's front door, or contact any member of the Board of Directors or Negotiating Committee.

Christmas Tree Bells

December 1st to December 20th

We have chosen to collect gifts for our Veterans housed in nursing homes this year.

There is a shiny silver Christmas tree in the Clubhouse. Posted on the tree are bells, one for each Veteran that we honor.

Please take one of the bells, sign for the bell you take and then supply the gifts with the Veteran listed for his bell.

Please place your gifts in a gift bag with the bell attached and return it to the tree by **December 20th**.

"Ring" in Merry Christmas into someone's heart, it could bring music to your heart, too! For questions, call Marc Zahn at 518-744-3621.

State Meetings

~ *Glenda Gray*

Tuesday, December 4th, at 1:00 pm, is the January State Committee (Florida, Maine, New Hampshire, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia).

Tuesday, December 4th, at 3:00 pm, is the December State Committee (Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, and Rhode Island).

“Luminaries” Committee, Elves, and Traffic Control Meeting ~ *Glenda Gray*

The meeting is **Thursday, December 6th, at 4:00 pm**. Please plan on attending so you can sign up for your jobs.

There will be another meeting, **Thursday, December 13th, at 3:00 pm**. This will finalize the plans for the “Luminaries” on **Saturday, December 22nd and Sunday, December 23rd**.

The committee is only doing Village Drive. If you want your street done, please attend the meetings to get information on getting your supplies.

December States Committee Events ~ *Marc Zahn*

States Committee Meeting **Tuesday, December 4th, at 3:00 pm**

We will be meeting at the Clubhouse to discuss how we will handle our monthly events, and to decorate the Clubhouse.

Residents from the states of Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maryland, NJ, NY, and Rhode Island should attend, even if you aren't going to be able to take part in many of our events this month.

We will also be taking down the Christmas decorations and putting up New Year's décor on **December 28th**, at a time determined at this meeting.

Christmas Eve Party

Monday, December 24th, at 6:30 pm

Join the December States Committee for cookies, hot chocolate, coffee, and caroling. Of course, Santa appears for this annual celebration.

We'd love for everyone to join in the fellowship at the Clubhouse as we wind down from the past weeks, and prepare a relaxing Christmas Day and the New Year to come. A sign-up sheet to donate cookies is posted in the Clubhouse.

Christmas Dinner

Tuesday, December 25th, at 4:00 pm

Ham, Harry's raisin sauce with sliced pineapple, rolls, coffee tea, and lemonade will be provided and served by the December Committee as we at SVMHP dine together for the holiday.

A sign-up sheet is posted in the Clubhouse for you to tell us what other dishes or desserts that you would like to bring to make this dinner the wonderful shared event it always is. The dish should feed eight to ten.

Please let us know by **Saturday, December 21st**, if you're attending, — earlier would be better for ordering.

Benevolences ~ *Amy Slane*

“Get Well” wishes went out to Sue Spath, Ron Swartz, Helen Agnes, John Arata, Chris Johnson, John Rolls, and Judy Swartz.

Prayers of comfort and peace went to Kathy Nowacki and family, for the loss of her husband, Don.

Remembering Our “Pets”

Our thanks to Mary Negron, who came up with the great idea to include a remembrance of our furry companions that we have lost.

For us pet lovers, they are such a huge part of our lives and we mourn them when they're gone.

John Goarly recently lost “CJ”, his 15½ - year - old Jack Russell terrier which he had from her birth.

If you would like to tell us about your pet in the newsletter, please contact the Editor.

Cirrus St. Dinner ~ *Pete Mezza*

The Cirrus St. Dinner will be at “Tin Cup”, located at the Sebring Country Club, **Thursday, December 20th, at 5 p.m.** Hope to see you all there. For more info., call Pete, at 863-382-1280.

Coffee Tyme

~ *Helen Hutchison & Jean Harvey*

Coffee Tyme will be each Friday morning. Nurses will be available for blood pressures on **December 7th, at 8:00 am**. Coffee Tyme starts at 8:30 am.

Veteran's Day Program ~ *Glenda Gray*

There was a big turnout for Coffee Tyme Veteran's Day Program.

Ozzie Colon and Mark Zahn put on a great program. Also, Shirley Heckman brought two tapestries that she made to honor her husband, Ed.

All the veterans were introduced; they told what branch of service they were in, and where they served. We had two World War II vets joining us: Lee Fedler and Delbert Smith.

J.U.L.I.E.T.'s ~ *Bunny Flandermeyer, Jean Harvey, & Jean Knutson*

The JULIET's enjoyed their November lunch at the “Runway Cafe” in the Sebring Airport. There were 37 ladies in attendance, of which three were brand new to JULIET's. They were Gail MacEvitt, Barbara Moore and Jeanette Stypa.

We were also happy to see Connie Hoyer, Earleen Alvarez, Sharon Schaller, Jill Voight, Joyce Trudeau, Shirley Heckman, Anita Banyard and Karen Locke return for the Winter season.

Leslie Maschue led us in prayer and Cathie Kowalski was the winner of the Fall door prize.

On **Thursday, December 13th at noon**, we will hold our Christmas lunch at the "Caddyshack Restaurant." In place of a gift exchange, we will be collecting canned fruits for the Faith Lutheran Church Food Pantry. This group feeds 65-70 family units a week in the community of Sebring. Please remember the less fortunate during this Christmas season. Donations will be collected at the Caddyshack.

All ladies from Sebring Village are welcome to join us. Come with your friends and meet your neighbors. Please sign up on the Clubhouse bulletin board.

R.O.M.E.O.'s ~ *John Arata*

ROMEO's will be meeting at "Caddyshack Restaurant," on **Wednesday, December 19th, at noon**. Any questions, call John, at 863-385-0885.

Singles & Friends ~ *Leslie Maschue*

Our December get-together will be meeting **Saturday, December 15th, at 4:30 pm**. Please see the Clubhouse bulletin board for signup and location.

Bus Trips Coming 2019 ~ *Angie Warchak*

When bus trips are posted and you are interested in going, please sign up. You can always take your name off of the list, but once the list is filled you cannot be added.

In order to do these bus trips, we need a full bus to keep the cost at a reasonable rate. If the residents of Sebring Village do not fill the bus, then it will be advertised for outsiders. Any questions, call Angie (863) 471-2150.

"Babcock Wilderness Adventure"

Monday, January 28th

Cost \$60.00 – Leaves at 9:00 am

Poster & sign-up sheet on Clubhouse bulletin board. If interested, sign up by December 1st.

"Immokalee Seminole Casino"

Tuesday, February 12th

Cost \$20.00

Leaves Clubhouse at 9:30 am, and leaves Casino at 4:30 pm

Poster & sign-up sheet on Clubhouse bulletin board. If interested, sign up by January 1st.

"The Show Palace Dinner Theatre"

Sunday, March 17th

Cost \$75.00 – Leaves at 10:00 am

Poster & sign-up sheet on Clubhouse bulletin board. If interested, sign up by February 1st.

Cruise 2020 ~ *Marc Zahn*

There is a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse for those who would like to go on a cruise in 2020. There are posters for three possible cruises on the board.

We will be having a meeting and a secret ballot vote to select the cruise that the majority wishes to take on **December 11th at 1:00 pm** in the Clubhouse.

If you need more information or can't be at the meeting, please sign up anyway, and write "CALL" next to your name, or call Mark Zahn at 518-744-3621.

Sebring Village Book Club

~ *Anita Banyard and Anita Hitchcock*

Our book club meets at **7 pm, on the last Tuesday of the month**, from November to March. We review and discuss a book chosen from a list that the club members have submitted.

If you enjoy reading books, please join us at the Clubhouse in the snooker/poker room. Looking forward to seeing all our present members and any new and interested folks.

If you have any questions, please contact us by e-mail or phone. Anita Banyard, banyardanita@yahoo.ca, phone 863-386-1133. Anita Hitchcock, hitchcock.anita1@gmail.com, phone 863-451-5253.

New Mailboxes ~ *Laney Powers*

A new Sebring Village Community Mailbox has been set up just in time for the Holidays. Send and receive cards and letters without the Post Office or postage.

Simply bring your mail to the Clubhouse Library and leave your envelope(s) in the blue box on the magazine shelf. Just put the items in the alphabetical slot that corresponds to the person's name. Residents can check for mail anytime. It's convenient and will save everyone postage.

The program has been a great success at other parks, including Tanglewood. Hopefully it will be a success here too.

Coloring Group ~ *Patty Corradino*

The Coloring Group meets **Thursday, at 11 am**, in the Clubhouse. We color pre-printed images with

colored pencils, markers, or your choice of anything else. The group is open to everyone regardless of ability.

Come join us to see what it's all about! Call Patty Corradino for more information at 352-536-5130 or email pat@towntablet.com.

Bridge ~ *Charlotte Sugg*

Bridge players!! We play bridge from **9 am to noon every Tuesday**. Everyone is welcome. Sign-up sheet on bulletin board. Any questions, please call Charlotte Sugg 863-658-2657.

Euchre ~ *Glenda Gibson*

Euchre will get started on **Wednesday, November 7th, at 7 pm**. Please join us for a good time.

Pinochle ~ *Pete Mezza*

Pinochle is played every **Sunday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 6:30 pm**. All levels of players are welcome. Call Pete, for info at 863-414-2110.

Texas Hold 'Em ~ *Al Curry*

Texas Hold 'Em is played on **Wednesdays, at 7 pm**. Ladies are always welcome, so, come and join us. For more information, please call Al at 715-308-7368.

Line Dancing ~ *Linda Davey*

Line Dancing will begin on **Thursday, January 3rd**, at the Clubhouse. If you have never line danced before or need a refresher on the steps, I will be teaching basic beginner steps from 10-10:30 am.

From 10:30 - 11:30 am, we will be learning fun dances that you will be able to use at our dances. This is a great opportunity to have some fun, get exercise and meet other people who enjoy dancing. Even if you have never line danced before, this is the class for you!

Gardening Club ~ *Mike Corradino*

The Garden Club meets every **Tuesday, at 11 am**, in the Clubhouse. The group is open to anyone interested in learning about plants, inside or out. The club shares plants and information each week.

For more information please call Mike Corradino at 352-536-4732 or email mike@towntablet.com.

Knitting & Crocheting ~ *Carol DeArmitt*

The Knitting & Crocheting group continues in the Fall.

Quilting ~ *Carol DeArmitt*

Quilting meets **Thursdays at 1:00 pm**. The "Quilt Show," will be held on **Saturday, March 9th, 2019**. "Snowbirds," please remember to pack those you want to show. Large, small, anything quilted, will be great for our show.

Bean Bag Baseball ~ *Larry Scheibe*

"Bean Bag Baseball" resumes the **first Sunday in November at 7 pm**. Stephen McCain and Jean Harvey will be hosting the game until I return a few weeks later. Any questions, please call me at 920-716-6702.

Bowling ~ *Glenda Gray*

Bowling meets on **Mondays at 9:15 am**, at the Fun Bowl in Wauchula. This is a fun league. Sign up by Sunday night. Call me at 863-471-0760, or at 517-214-8147, if you have any questions.

Fitness Walking Class ~ *Carol DeArmitt*

Fitness Walking class is at the Clubhouse at **8 am, Monday thru Friday**. Class lasts about 45 minutes. We'd like to invite everyone to join us.

This class replaces the "Zumba" class we used to have.

Please note there is no class the first Friday of the month when "Coffee Tyme" is held.

Sit & Fit Chair Exercise ~ *Carol Farmer*

We have started a chair exercise program. It will meet in the Clubhouse on **Wednesdays, at 11am**, and last about 45 minutes. For more information call Carol Farmer at 270-363-6001.

Shuffleboard ~ *Jack Harpin, Randy Johnson, & Jim Frye*

Every **Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30 am**, for regular shuffleboard, and **Sunday at 1:00 pm**, for Hoss Collar.

Water Aerobics ~ *Kathy Harpin*

Classes continue **Monday thru Friday, from 9:00 until 10:00 am**. Please join us and enjoy the music and exercises. Please contact Kathy Harpin, at 863-385-0843 with any questions or concerns.

Weekly Activities at a Glance

Bean Bag Baseball ~ first Sunday in November at 7 p.m.

Bingo ~ Thursday at 7 p.m.

Bowling ~ Monday at 9:15 a.m.

Bridge ~ Tuesday at 9 a.m.

Bunco ~ Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Coffee Tyme ~ Friday at 8:30 a.m.

Coloring Club ~ Thursday at 11 a.m.

Euchre ~ Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Fitness Walking ~ Monday – Friday at 8:00 a.m.

Gardening Club ~ Thursday at 11 a.m.

Golf Sebring Village ~ Shotgun starts every

Wednesday at 8:15 a.m., and at 1 p.m. Sebring Golf.

Hand and Foot ~ every evening at 7 p.m. (if no conflict.)

Hossollar Shuffleboard ~ Sunday at 1 p.m.

Knitting & Crocheting ~ resuming in the Fall.

Line Dancing ~ starts Thursday, January 3rd at 10:30 a.m.
Pepper/Bid Euchre ~ resuming in the Fall.
Pinochle ~ Sunday, Wednesday, Friday at 6:30 p.m.
Poker ~ Sunday at 6-8 p.m.; Thursday at 6-8 p.m.
Pool-Shooters ~ Thursday at 1 p.m.
Quilting ~ Thursday at 1 p.m.
Regular Shuffleboard ~Tuesday, Thursday - 9:30 a.m.
Sit & Fit ~ Wednesday at 11 a.m.
Texas Hold 'Em ~ Wednesday at 7 p.m. sharp.
Water Aerobics ~ Monday – Friday - 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.

“Hello and Welcome,” New Residents

~ *Neil Knutson*

Campbell, Jim & Sherry	1114 Caine	AR
Jones, Craig & Mary Beth	804 Village Dr	CO
Golden, John	1146 Dewitt	
Livermore, Kirk & Bev	627 Colby	WI
Roebuck, Jim & Kim	918 Cirrus	MI
Rolls, John & Nancy	810 Village Dr	NY
Scott, John & Judith	615 Colby	FL

December “Anniversaries” ~ *Amy Slane*

10	Paul & Uschi Chasse´
16	Kurt & Chris Hambrecht
17	Joe & Jan Tomasello
18	Chester & Christine Johnson
26	Clement & Margaret Smith
27	Bruce & Fran Falk
	Dave & Sharon Wert
	Gary & Ginnie Williams
28	Dan & Joanne Tripokvic
	Ray & Mary Trypac

December “Birthdays” ~ *Amy Slane*

1	Robert Davis
	James McGrane
2	Debra Baker
	Bob Banyard
	Arnold Eggleston
3	Joan Coy
4	Tony Porta
	Ken Shumaker
5	Kay Soares
7	Bev Barber
8	Lorriane Cornell
9	Glenda Gibson
10	Dennis Morley
11	Mike Corradino
13	Ginnie Williams
14	Mary Negron
	Steve Nelson
15	John Peel
16	Ted Fletcher
	Mike Lowery
17	Rich Denes
	Allen Hill

	Elaine McAdam
19	George Miller
20	Stan Apenowich
	Whitney Bailly
21	Jerry Martens
	Marc Zahn
22	Lyle Hildebrand
	Chris Johnson
	Ken Rauch
	Jim Rushing
23	Norbet Mulcahy
24	Jennie Anderson
	Ray Hammond
25	Patricia Hill
27	Paul Gilliam
	Charlotte Sugg
28	Donna Arata
	Robert Forney
	Kyle Jeske
30	Whitney Fisher
31	Tom Fitchett
	Damian Kendziorski
	Cora Lee Mayfield

Bits & Pieces Articles ~ *Liz Edwards*

Please send information for the “Bits & Pieces,” via email at sebringvillageeditor@gmail.com, or call or text to 772-801-1190, or drop off at 927 Cirrus St. Submit your articles by the **15th of the month** please.

Also, due to a change in my work schedule I need someone to take over as editor of this newsletter. I will be happy to assist any way I can.

Singers Wanted ~ *Bill Bowling*

Practice has started for “Heartland Harmonizers,” a men’s chorus. We have a concert scheduled for **March 15th & 16th, 2019**. If you like to sing, come join us each **Tuesday night at 7:00 pm**. We are meeting at the “Church of the Brethren,” at 700 S. Pine St. in Sebring.

If you want a ride or have any questions, please contact Bill Bowling, at 765-760-7686.

Senior Heartland Games 2019

~ *Jack Harpin*

The registration forms for the Heartland Games are now available. These annual games include shuffleboard, pickleball, golf, bowling and much more. Most events take place in or near Sebring. **\$20.00** gets you a day of fun, a T-shirt, am coffee and a sandwich, and cold drink for lunch. Most events have singles and doubles, so pair up with a friend for a fun-filled day.

I can email you the forms and information, or stop by and see me at “shuffling”, on Tuesday or Thursday mornings. **The events take place in February, with registration deadlines in January.** Further information can be found at: www.southflorida.edu/heartlandgames.

**Nominating Committee Association
Board 2019** ~ Neil Knutson

By November 1st of each year, the Executive Committee shall appoint a Nominating Committee for the following year's Association Board. At the membership meeting in November we will announce the committee members and the membership may nominate a candidate for a Board position.

The Nominating Committee shall report its selections to the membership at the regular December meeting. After the report is presented, additional nominations may be made from the floor. If more than one candidate is nominated for any office, voting shall be conducted by secret ballot.

To insure your name is printed on the ballot, please inform a Nominating Committee member **ASAP** for the position you are running for.

Neil Knutson, 1033 Contour, 863-658-2559
 Barb Gephart, 1028 Contour, 863-385-0137
 Karen Locke, 909 Cirrus, 740-824-3792
 Carol DeArmitt, 205 Cetra, 863-385-1517

Ballots will be printed a few days before the election. Elected or Appointed Officers shall assume office on **January 1st**. All Officers will be elected to serve a two-year term. Secretary Position will be filled by Board appointment.

Thanks for your time and input to help make Sebring Village a great place to live.

“Know Your Rights under HOA Rules”
~ Neil Knutson

Be an informed HOA member by reading the **State of Florida Statues**. Sebring Village R & R's-page 16 #-31 — No street parking in Sebring Village over one (1) hour.

Page 16 #-35 — No smoking is permitted in Rec Hall, pool area or other common areas of the Community.
 Florida Statutes 723.061 – Eviction; grounds, proceedings

(1) A **mobile** owner may evict a mobile home owner, a mobile home tenant, a mobile home occupant, or a mobile home only on one or more of the following grounds:

- (a) Nonpayment of the **lot rental amount**.
 If a mobile home owner or tenant, whichever is responsible, fails to pay the lot rental amount when due and if the default continues for 5 days after delivery of a written demand by the mobile

home **park owner** for payment of the lot rental amount, the park owner may terminate the tenancy. However, if the mobile home owner or tenant, whichever is responsible, pays the lot rental amount due, including any late charges, court costs, and attorney's fees, the court may, for good cause, deny the order of eviction, if such nonpayment has not occurred more than twice.

You need to know the by-laws and the rules to make your voice heard. This information is so that everyone in the Park is well informed.

Thank You, Neil Knutson, 2nd Vice-President of the Association and Member of the Negotiating Committee.

Association Ballot Sample

President

One Vote per Office

- Nominee
- Nominee
- Write in _____

2nd Vice-President

One Vote per Office

- Nominee _____
- Nominee
- Write in

Treasurer

One Vote per Office

- Nominee
- Nominee
- Write in

The cut-off for your name to be printed on the ballot is **Sunday, December 2nd**. Please inform one of the Nominating Committee persons with your intent for a position on the Association Board, President, 2nd V-P, Treasurer.

Neil Knutson 1033 Contour 863-658-2559
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TELEPHONE DIRECTORY
UPDATE 2019

In January 2019, we will begin to prepare to publish the Sebring Village Telephone Directory.

At this time, we update Association and HOA Officers, Committee Chairs and Resident's names, addresses, and phone numbers.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW, to verify your information or make corrections for the directory.

LAST NAME (S)

FIRST NAME (HIS)

FIRST NAME (HERS)

STREET # AND NAME

PHONE # 1ST CHOICE

NORTHERN ADDRESS & PHONE

BIRTHDAY (HIS) _____

BIRTHDAY (HERS) _____

ANNIVERSARY _____

EMAIL ADDRESS

(WILL NOT BE PUBLISHED)

Please cut out this form and place the completed form in the special box located on the credenza in the Clubhouse by January 5th, 2019.

Contact: Neil or Jean Knutson at 863-658-2559 or njknute@hotmail.com.