

# hello OCTOBER 2024



**River Vista RV**  
A COVE RIVERFRONT PARK

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@covecommunities  
@rivervistarv



# NOVEMBER



# Thank You Veterans





# From the Manager's Desk - Karen Walker

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Office Telephone (813) 645-6037

After Hours Telephone (813)-613-6296

Hillsborough County Sheriff Office (813) 247-0455

Hillsborough Non-Emergency (813)-247-8200

## OFFICE HOURS -

Monday – Friday 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM

Saturday- 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Sunday- Closed

## OUR CORE VALUES

HOSPITALITY – We love what we do, and it shows

EXCELLENCE – We raise the bar

PASSION – We make every moment count

TRUSTWORTHY - We consistently do the right thing

STEWARDSHIP– We value the world and care for it

KINDNESS – We follow the golden rule

Happy November!

November is here and now is the time to pack up your summer gear and come to your winter retreat. The park may look a little different when you arrive this winter. After getting hit with 2 Hurricanes, our park is still thriving. It was very saddening when returning to our sweet little park the day after Milton decided to visit. Trust me, he was not a very nice camper, and he is not welcome back! We have had some serious damage to many of the annual park models. I love how everyone came together to help one another. We **ARE** the park with a heart!! Staff has gone above and beyond their normal day-to-day duties to make sure you have a park to live in or come back to.

Bruce and Lori decided to stay during the storm. They were the first to put eyes on the devastation Milton caused us. Bruce made sure no one was hurt going site to site. He worked hard getting the generators working so water could be turned back on. He did a lot of other things here at the park but if I told you everything, I would be writing a book. Lori was there to comfort and inform CJ and myself with updates until we could safely get to the park. Once we opened the driveway to let staff in safely, Butch, Delilah, Brenda and Sabrina went to work helping where needed. I thank the River Vista Team for their hard work and dedication to River Vista.

We still have one more month of Hurricane season and pray nothing will happen. Lawn brush will be picked up on Thursdays. Please make sure to pile it at the street. Other debris can be taken and placed into one of our two red dumpsters. Do not place regular household garbage into the red dumpsters. Place regular household garbage into the compactor.

Our poor docks are no longer safe. Please do not attempt to walk on or near the docks. Signs have been installed to block them off. Our capex team is working hard to get all permits and requirements approved to install new.

Clubhouse, Fitness Center, Mail Center and Bathhouse is open, so if you need internet, the card room is open and has an area where you can use your laptop. Speaking of mail, PLEASE pick up your mail at least every other day. Our mailboxes are small, and it gets hard to squeeze mail into the box when you have a week's worth of mail in it.

We started the installation of the new freshwater tank. This project will take a while to complete so I do not have a completion date.

Sales – we currently have 4 units for sale. If you are interested in viewing the units, please give the office a call and we can get you in contact with a sales representative.

Safe travels and we will see you soon!

# A MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE

## Speed Limit

The speed limit within the park is 5MPH along the water and 10MPH throughout the park. All vehicles and operators must be properly licensed and insured. All golf cart operators must possess a valid drivers license. Children 16 years or younger on golf cart must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

## Parking

Two vehicles per site. No overnight parking in the sports court or clubhouse parking lots. Do not park on other resident/guest lots without written permission from the office. Do not park on unoccupied lots. If you need to park your vehicle or boat for longer than 12 hours in an unauthorized spot, please let the office know so we do not bother you to move it or call a towing service. Please contact the office if you need additional parking. Parking on the street is not allowed per 911.

Quiet Time is between 10PM and 7:30AM.

Discharge of firearms or fireworks is prohibited. Disorderly conduct, intoxication, profanity or excessive noise will not be tolerated. Any person causing a disturbance will be required to vacate.

River Vista assumes no responsibility for lost or stolen items or for damages due to routine maintenance, or acts of God. River Vista assumes no responsibility for swimmers, skiers, boaters, kayakers or other water related activities.

Garbage & Dumping: Garbage compactor is located in front of the maintenance yard. Only place household garbage in compactor. Dumping of construction materials, paint, electronics, furniture, mattresses, grills, or appliances is a violation and subject to a fine. **The Red Dumpsters are for Hurricane Debris Only**

Boat Ramp and Fishing Docks: Please be respectful and clean up after use. Turn off water and place trash in cans provided. No parking on the picnic/firepit side of the boat ramp.

Fitness Center: You must be 18 years and over to use the fitness equipment. No exceptions.

Firepits: Small firepits located in boat ramp area are for personal use weather permitting. Use caution when lighting and be sure the fire is completely out prior to leaving the area. No firepits or open fires allowed on sites.

Guests: Any daytime or overnight guests are required to be registered to the main office. Homeowner/Tenant must accompany guests when using building facilities, including gym, pool, sports courts etc.

Pool: Pool hours are 8am- dusk. No Lifeguard, Swim at your own risk. Children 16 years or younger must be accompanied by a parent or responsible adult to amenities and all recreational areas. Please be sure to RINSE before entering pool and spa. For safety, Pool will be closed during severe weather conditions, including heavy rainfall, strong wind gusts and lightning.

Pets: Maximum of 2 registered pets per site. All pet must be walked on a leash. Be respectful, do not walk your pet on others sites. You must clean up after your pet, and dispose of waste properly. Poop stations are located in several areas of the park. No tying or chaining or unattended pets outside. No pets are allowed in amenity areas including sports courts, clubhouse, welcome center, mail center, laundry and bathhouse.



## EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Office.....813-645-6037  
Ruskin Fire & Police Emergency.....911  
After hours emergency - 813-613-6296

## HOURS OF OPERATION

OFFICE:	Monday - Friday 9AM - 3:30 PM Saturday 9AM-2PM <b>Closed Sunday</b>
POOL:	Monday-Sunday 8AM-to dusk
CLUBHOUSE:	Monday-Sunday 7:30AM- 9:00PM
FITNESS CENTER:	Monday-Sunday 7:30AM- 9:00PM
LAUNDRY:	Monday-Sunday 7:00AM- 9:00PM
BATH HOUSES:	Monday-Sunday 7:00AM- 9:00PM
MAIL ROOM:	Monday- Sunday 7:00AM- 9:00PM

## *A time to be thankful...*

October, what a month is an understatement. Generally October is my favorite month of the year. Fall is in the air, pumpkin creamer is on the shelves, Halloween, and my birthday. Milton changed all that for me, at least for the time being. Going through the strongest hurricane in 100 years was not on my bucket list and something I will always remember. I did a lot of praying, sleepless nights, being afraid, sad and thankful at the same time. Thankful I didn't lose my home, thankful I spent and shared it with close friends, and thankful no residents were hurt.

### **WE ARE RIVER VISTA STRONG!!**

November brings us some normality and seeing friends coming in fills my heart. Kicking off with our Halloween Party and ending with celebrating Thanksgiving as a community. There is Welcome Back gathering, Veterans Day Celebration, Through the Decades Dance, Ladies Farm to Table luncheon and Thanksgiving Day Dinner.

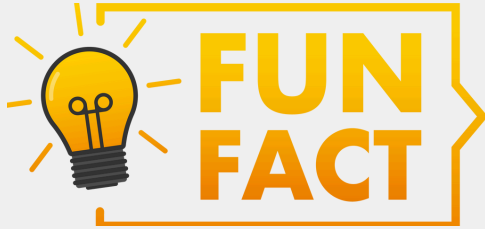
We will be ramping up DAV fundraising which raised \$6,026 last season. We will have our annual silent auction, cornhole tournaments, poker run, and many other fund raising activities and events. I will need as much help as possible so please attend the next Ambassador meeting scheduled in November to become a part of the leadership committee.

Look for the flyers and Save the Date pages below for upcoming activities and events.

Delilah







## GET CONNECTED

Campers App: Are you missing out on events & Activities? It is the best way to follow everything going on at River Vista RV. It will also send you a phone notification as a reminder so you will not miss out on the fun.

Stop by the Lifestyle Office for assistance with setting you up.





## **34th ANNUAL RUSKIN SEAFOOD & ARTS FESTIVAL**

### **WHEN**

**NOVEMBER 16th & 17th, 2024**

### **WHERE**

**E.G. Simmons Park**

**2401 19th Ave NW, Ruskin, FL 33572**

### **TIME**

**Saturday 10am-5pm**

**Sunday 11am-5pm**

The Greater SouthShore Chamber of Commerce Presents:

## **34th ANNUAL RUSKIN SEAFOOD & ARTS FESTIVAL**

The most fun weekend in all of SouthShore!

Truly something for EVERYONE!

Arts/Crafts Market

Sportsman Expo

Interactive Kids Area

Car Show



Mouth-watering SEAFOOD and other food favorites  
Cold Beverages for all



**Free Admission!**

**In light of the recent hurricanes, we've made the decision to eliminate the \$10 entry fee, allowing free access for everyone.**

**Our goal is to encourage everyone to take a break and come out to enjoy their community!**



# Candy Corn!

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C K T T S C A R E C R O W Y V E L  
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E T M T H A N K S G I V I N G C Q

trick or treat

halloween

costume

yellow

white

thanksgiving

cornmaze

october

orange

fall

candy corn

triangle

pilgrim

leaves

scarecrow

thankful

family

sweet

# RIVER VISTA RV

## LIFESTYLE CALENDAR 2024

Delilah Lofton, Lifestyle Coordinator  
Karen Walker, Community Manager

### November



11/1 Karaoke  
11/2 Family Feud Game  
11/3 Tripoly- 5 Crowns Cards  
11/4 Line Dancing  
11/4 Game Night  
11/5 Men's Lunch - Stromboli  
11/6 Ambassador Meeting  
11/6 Cards- Golf  
11/7 Kayak Outing  
11/7 BINGO  
11/8 Music Bingo  
11/9 Welcome Back Fall Fest  
11/10 Tripoly- 5 Crowns Cards  
11/11 Veteran's Day Celebration  
11/12 Paint & Sip with Shelly  
11/13 Cards- Golf  
11/14 Ladies That Lunch- Farm to Table  
11/14 Kayak Outing  
11/14 BINGO  
11/15 Karaoke  
11/16 34th Annual Ruskin Seafood & Arts Festival  
11/16 Soulful Soup Kitchen  
11/17 Tripoly- 5 Crowns Cards  
11/18 Line Dancing  
11/18 Game Night  
11/20 Bracelet Making Class with Debbie  
11/20 Cards- Golf  
11/21 Kayak Outing  
11/21 BINGO  
11/22 Music Bingo  
11/24 Tripoly- 5 Crowns Cards  
11/25 Line Dancing  
11/27 Thanksgiving Dinner Prep  
11/27 Cards- Golf  
**11/28 Thanksgiving Day Dinner**  
11/29 Karaoke  
11/30 Football Tailgate- Michigan vs Ohio State



### December



12/1 Poppy The Elf Arrives  
12/2 Line Dancing  
12/2 Game Night  
12/3 Bracelet Making with Debbie  
12/4 Cards- Golf  
12/5 Kayak Trip  
12/5 BINGO  
12/6 Music Bingo  
12/7 Holiday Craft Fair  
12/8 Tripoly-5 Crowns Cards  
12/9 Line Dancing  
12/9 Paint & Sip with Shelly  
12/11 Cards - Golf  
12/12 Kayak Trip  
12/12 Jammers  
12/12 BINGO  
12/13 Karoke  
12/14 Mixed Cornhole Tournament  
12/14 Hamburger Day - DAV  
12/15 Tripoly- 5 Crowns Cards  
12/16 Line Dancing  
12/17 Pass The Prize Christmas Party  
12/18 Annual Cookie Exchange  
12/18 Annual Christmas Golf Cart Parade  
12/18 Cookies & Hot Chocolate  
12/18 Cards- Golf  
12/19 Kayak Trip  
12/19 BINGO  
12/20 Christmas Dinner Prep  
12/20 Music Bingo  
12/21 Christmas Day Dinner  
12/21 Christmas Music & Sing-A-Long  
12/24 Christmas Eve Adult Cocktail Party  
**12/25 Christmas Day**  
12/26 Kayak Trip  
12/26 Jammers  
12/26 BINGO  
12/27 Music Bingo  
12/30 NYE Decoration  
12/31 NYE 2025 Party





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**EVENT, DATE & TIME ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE, BE SURE TO CHECK CLUBHOUSE, FACEBOOK OR EMAIL.**

# Welcome Back AMI!

## Anna Maria

The Center Of Anna Maria  
Slim's Place  
Anna Maria General Store  
gRub  
Poppo's Taqueria  
Mademoiselle Paris  
Lazy Turtle Beach Rentals  
Bortells Lounge  
Gypsy Soul  
Kelly's Island Transportation  
Sundial Transportation



## Holmes Beach

Skinny's Place  
Solo's Pizza (4pm)  
Hurricane Liquor  
The Doctor's Office  
Paradise Bagels  
Cheese Cake Cutie  
Holy Cow  
Los Chilodas  
Graze  
Kiwi's Fish & Chips  
Anna Maria Island Beach Cafe  
The Chateau Anna Maria  
Edibles & More Country Store  
Salon Salon of AMI  
Fun and More Rentals  
[www.ArtistHavenAMI.com](http://www.ArtistHavenAMI.com)

## Bradenton Beach

Bridge Tender Inn  
Salt Bar & Table  
Anna Maria Oyster Bar  
Daiquiri Deck

## Cortez

Tide Tables  
Swordfish Grill and Tiki  
Breeze Bakery  
Anna Maria Oyster Bar  
PigOut Food Truck  
Cortez Clam Factory  
Cortez Cafe  
Tyler's Icecream  
Swordfish Bar & Grill

Publix  
Walgreens  
Ace Hardware  
Dollar Tree



**#AMISTRONG**





## Pancake Breakfast



SO  
MUCH  
FUN







## The Fish House Donation Center

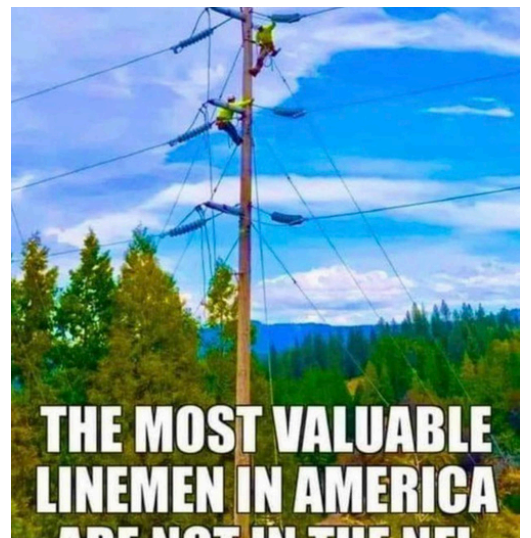
## River Vista Donations Ruskin FL Community





I'D LIKE TO  
CANCEL MY  
SUBSCRIPTION FOR  
FOR THE  
HURRICANE OF THE  
MONTH CLUB.

RIVER VISTA  
STRONG!



THE MOST VALUABLE  
LINEMEN IN AMERICA  
ARE NOT IN THE NEI







# COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Saturday, November 2nd

8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Located all throughout the community

Community Yard Sale on Saturday, November 4th. Every resident is welcome to participate by selling items in their driveway. Do not block driveways or streets. Long tables that belong to RVP are not available for loan. No dumping is allowed in dumpster or dumpster area of items you did not sell.



# Trivia Night

## GENERAL TRIVIA

Join us for a Trivia Night filled with challenging questions, laughs, and your great friends.

TUESDAY, 11/5 7PM

\$2 PER PERSON

INDIVIDUAL PLAYERS. MAX 6 PERSONS TO A TEAM.



# BINGO NIGHT

Get ready to shout "BINGO!" and win at this fun-filled activity. Bingo caller will guide you through multiple rounds of the classic game, and there will be plenty of opportunities to win big.

EVERY  
THURSDAY  
NIGHT

7PM

starting  
october 12th

RIVER VISTA CLUBHOUSE

Life is good



# VETERANS DAY

11.11.2024

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

2pm-3pm

VETERAN'S DAY CELEBRATION.  
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED.



Welcome Back

# FALL FEST

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH

4:00 pm - 7:00 PM

Welcome back old friends returning and meet new friends here for the first time.

BAKE SALE | CAKE WALK | CHILI COOKOFF  
| DELICIOUS CHILI \$3 BOWL | BASKET  
RAFFLE | 50/50

Free admission  
Sign up and Advance ticket required.



JOIN US AT OUR

## LIFESTYLE AMBASSADOR MEETING

ENJOY DONUTS AND COFFEE

Wednesday, November 6th - 10AM

Agenda includes exciting events and activities for 2024-2025 season and general guidelines for hosting.

Opportunities to make a difference and supportive community

Become a part of our dynamic team and help us inspire others to live their best life!

SIGN UP IN CLUBHOUSE

# Thanksgiving Dinner

Thursday, 11/28 4pm

Turkey - Stuffing - Mashed Potatoes - Gravy - Green Beans - Cranberry sauce - Rolls. Sign up to bring a dessert. Free event for River Vista residents and registered guests only. All others pay \$10. Sign up no later than 11/23 with Lot + required.



# farm to Table Ladies Lunch



FRESH  
LOCAL MEAT

OFF THE FARM  
SEASONAL PRODUCE

FRESH BAKED  
BREAD

A family style lunch featuring a menu of fresh locally sourced foods. Local meats, seasonal vegetables and salad served family style. \$10.00 per person sign up and advance ticket required.

12 PM | 13 NOVEMBER | CLUBHOUSE



# Save The Date



**GASPARILLA PARTY & DANCE**

GET YOUR ARRRR ON  
CELEBRATE THE INVASION OF PIRATES RIVER VISTA  
STYLE AND GET READY TO WALK THE PLANK!  
BEST COSTUME BASKET RAFFLE & LOTTERY TREE

He is said to have terrorized the Gulf of Mexico between the late 18th and early 19th centuries. Rumor has it that when Gaspar died, he left an untold fortune in buried treasure somewhere along Florida's coast. To this day, it has yet to be found. "Gasparilla" literally means "little Gaspar" in Spanish.

18TH JANUARY 7PM TO 10PM

**Music by Beamer**

\$10.00  
PURCHASE TICKET 10AM-2PM M-F IN CLUBHOUSE

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**Christmas**  
Golf Cart Parade, Lot Decorating  
Contest & Ice Cream Sundaes

Wednesday, 12/18  
6:30 PM

DECK THE GOLF CART! GOLF CART PARADE. LOT DECORATING CONTEST FOLLOWED BY CHRISTMAS CAROLING AND ICE CREAM SUNDAES IN THE CLUBHOUSE.

**Golf Cart Decorating Contest prize**

- Best Lighted Cart
- Best Costumes
- Most Creative

**Lot Decorating Contest prize**

- Best Lighted
- Most Creative
- Best Overall

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## GET READY



**Magic Show**

**JOHN RUSSELL**

\$10.00 PER TICKET

08 FEB 7 PM

JOHN IS AN EXPERIENCED, PROFESSIONAL MAGICIAN, AND HIS SHOWS ARE FUNNY, HIGH-ENERGY, INTERACTIVE, AND AMAZING! HE PERFORMS HIS MAGIC ACROSS THE COUNTRY, BE READY AS HE INVOLVES THE AUDIENCE AND YOU ARE IN FOR A MAGICAL NIGHT. ADVANCE TICKET REQUIRED. SIGN UP IN THE CLUBHOUSE. \$10.00



River Vista RV Village  
A COVE RESORT

**HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR**

HANDCRAFTERS  
WOOD CRAFTERS  
JEWELRY  
BAKED GOODS  
CHOCOLATE  
POTTERY  
HANDMADE CUPS  
HANDBAGS  
PLANTS, HANGING BASKETS

OPEN TO PUBLIC

**DECEMBER 7th**  
10:00AM - 1:00 PM  
CLUBHOUSE

2206 CHANEY DRIVE  
RUSKIN, FL 33570  
CONTACT DEBBIE BERNADINE  
LOT 579



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**2024 NYE Party**

31 DEC, 2024  
TUESDAY  
8:00PM - MIDNIGHT

LIVE MUSIC BY  
**TEREZ FIREWOMAN**

BRING IN 2025 WITH A BANG, AMAZING MUSIC BY FIREWOMAN, TABLE SNACKS AND A CHAMPAGNE TOAST AT MIDNIGHT. TICKETS GO ON SALE 11/18/2024-12/15/2024. \$18.00 PER PERSON, NON-REFUNDABLE. LIMITED SEATING SO GET YOUR TICKETS EARLY.

Advance Wristbands required