

## December 2024

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Bring an unwrapped toy to donate and pick up your ticket to the show! Donation boxes and tickets are in the Lifestyle Office.

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Saturday- December 14th 7pm-10pm - Activity Center

## Manager's Corner

### Domna Passetti Community Manager

Holiday RV 28229 County Rd 33 Leesburg FL 34748

Departments:

Welcome Center/Registration (Front Office): 352-787-5151 Mon-Fri- 9am-5pm Saturday- 9am-12pm Sunday Closed

Courtesy Center (gate): 352-815-0189

Lifestyle: 352-787-5775 Hours: 9am-4:00pm - M-F email: holidayrvactivities@ covecommunities.com

> The Poolside Café 352-728-8600

New & Preowned Home Sales Available in the Main Office

Web: www.holidayrvvillage.com email: holidayrvvillage@ covecommunities.com How is it possible that December has arrived already? The month will be gone in the blink of an eye, and we will be welcoming in 2025. Thank you for taking part in the many activities welcoming new residents and guests and calling HRV home. What makes Holiday RV special? The top answer is the people.We are blessed with many giving residents/guests. They share their time and talents with others and support the many charities in our community and surrounding the Leesburg Area.

2024 has been a blur as we moved from project to project and Hurricane to Hurricane. I know we are all breathing a sigh of relief as we move out of the Hurricane Season. There are still some recovery projects in the works, but the park has come a long way since the morning of October 10th. We will continue to move forward as vendors and supplies are available.

Please be sure that you have your new 24/25 car sticker, and it is adhered to the left side of your windshield. Your gate code is for your use only when the Courtesy Center Staff step away from the gate to complete readings, lock buildings/pool and check the Comfort Stations. Reminder, the Courtesy Center phone is #352-815-0189. Call to notify them of expected emergency vehicles, quiet hours visitors and utility issues. Deliveries are not to be scheduled during quiet hours (11:00 p.m. – 8:00 a.m.) Access into the park will not be granted. For emergencies dial 911. Storage stickers are available but remember space is limited. Anyone with an RV, trailer, or boat that doesn't have a slip assignment will be charged a monthly fee. Storage is in the Maintenance area. The Annex area will not be available for storage as we must deal with the massive mountain of tree debris from the Hurricanes. Sites may have only (1) RV on each site. All other RVs, trailers, cargo trailers, and watercrafts are to be placed in storage, not on your site or the Outer Parkway.

The Lifestyle Office has a new Coordinator. Pat Wheaton has joined the team and will be working with you this season. Please stop by to Welcome Pat and share activity ideas. We all wish Jessica the best as she starts her new journey. Kelly Frank will be assisting in the Lifestyle Office this year.

Reminders for a positive experience during your stay.

- \*Be courteous and respectful to people and property.
- \*Speed limit is 10 mph for all forms of transportation. Observe STOP signs.
- \*Pets dogs/cats are to be leashed, picked up after and not be a nuisance to others.
- \*Be mindful of your neighbors' quiet enjoyment of their tenancy.
  - \*Enjoy the activities and strive to make new friendships.
  - \*Mail needs to be picked up on a regular basis as space is limited.

During the Holiday Season remember that there are residents and guests that don't have family to share the holidays with. Take a minute to brighten their day by saying hello, sharing a treat, or asking if they need any help.It may seem like a simple jester to you but can mean the world to them. Have a Blessed Holiday Season!

### Veteran Spotlight

Rick Hoffman US Navy 1965 - 1969

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Rick is from Brookville, Illinois and he entered the Navy in August 1965, attending Basic Training in San Diego, CA then in November going to Memphis, TN to the Naval Technical Training Center for Aviation Structural Mechanics. In April 1966 he was stationed at the Naval Air Station in Lemore, CA to the TAC Squadron 56 Maintenance Shop with the Aircraft A4. From November 1966 to July 1967 his squadron was attached to the USS Enterprise CVN-65 (the first nuclearpowered aircraft carrier in the United States, commissioned in 1961) and his first tour of duty was to Vietnam. While there, Rick was a 'Plane Captain' being in charge of the plane for the 12 hours a day that it is active. He managed all the maintenance issues and called in personnel to handle engine or tire issues. Rick stated that when on the deck the plane must be chained down at all times. When preparing for takeoff Rick would remove all chains and get them off the flight deck. Upon landing Rick would return the chains while the pilot kept the aircraft running, and once chains all in place Rick gave the okay and the aircraft was shut down. Home Base while there was Subic Bay, Philippines and he was able to visit Hawaii, Hong Kong and Japan.

While on tour in Vietnam, on January 23, 1968, the USS Pueblo was attacked and seized by North Korea. The 83-person crew, one killed, were held hostage for 11 months then released. The Pueblo remains in North Korea today and is officially a commissioned vessel of the US Navy. Rick returned to Lemore, CA at the end of his tour.

In February 1969 he was transferred to USS Ticonderoga where he worked mostly in the maintenance shop-working on the hydraulics of the plane. Rick witnessed a Sea Burial for a pilot. His wife and children were flown onboard ship while it was outside of San Francisco. When it came time for discharge Rick was still onboard the ship, so his plane was catapulted off the aircraft carrier to head to Clark Naval Station, Treasure Island San Diego. Rick was discharged on August 4, 1969.

Rick returned to Brookfield, Illinois, worked at various jobs then took a job in Grange Park in the Public Works Department for 25 years, 15 of those years he ran the Water Plant. He then worked for the Village of Brookfield as Street Superintendent until his retirement.

Rick met his wife Jean at church, they have been married for 50 years, have 2 children and 2 grandchildren. Rick has been active in community service, 8 years of public service, 8 years on the recreation board, Little League coach, Babe Ruth Baseball coach and treasurer, Umpire for Little League and Softball for 8 years, Church Custodian for 25 years and on the Church Council for 16 years. Rick played softball for several years and was treasurer for a couple of years. He is still involved with Baseball teams keeping the books.

Rick started coming to HRV 16 years ago in a camper. Once Jean retired, they bought a place here in the park and come down for longer stays. Rick and Jean are active around the park.

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## Department Managers' Corner

### **MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT**

Dave DeNell

Hours of operation:

Monday thru Friday 7:00am-3:15pm

Reminders- Being a pet owner comes with responsibilities -Clean up after your dogs. Please do not let them dig holes that can cause others to trip and fall. Take time to fill the hole back in.

Pallets are not to be put in the rolling dumpsters. Pallets can be deposited in the big dumpster located in the fence by Maintenance. Household trash is to be place in the rolling dumpsters not placed in the upper annex.

Cargo trailers, second RV units, and boats must be off resident's site and parked in storage area.

## MAIL ROOM

Julia Guest



Monday-Friday 9am-1pm Saturday 9am-Noon All mail and packages should include correct site number Please pick up mail and packages on a daily basis. Space is limited in the Mail Room.



The Marina is Open Monday-Friday Hours: 7:00am - 3:15pm Closed for lunch 12:00-12:45

## THE POOLSIDE CAFE

Closed Sunday & Monday Tuesday-Friday- 9am-2pm Saturday- 8am-11am



1st Saturday of the month will be a Breakfast Buffet \*Payment: cash or credit card is accepted at time of purchase.

## NEW HOME & PREOWNED HOME SALES

There are new homes for Sale throughout Holiday RV. Starting at \$79,900. Save over \$40,000.00. Now listing preowned homes for sale.





Fritz is a 12 year old multicolor dachshund that was adopted as a puppy by Rick and Sue Hotop. Fritz is a happy dog, but I'm told he can be stubborn. Fritz loves people, other dogs, cart rides, he loves being in the sun and loves to run. He will eat anything you give him, and he likes treats. Mom says he doesn't really have a favorite toy, but he will play with those with a squeaker most. He works on the squeaker toy until he gets the squeaker out. Fritz can bark a lot if he can get away with it. He barks at golf carts as they go by, even while napping in the screen room he will wake just to bark at a cart. Fritz enjoys camping with Mom, Dad and his canine sister Ellie. I found Fritz to be very friendly, wanting belly rubs and Mom says he is a lap dog.

# **Holiday Clown Club**

Looking to put some spice in your life? We would love to have you join us at our meetings December 6th and 20th at 1pm at the marina if being a clown sounds like fun to you. We will be collecting food for the Food Bank and items for the Humane Society at the Christmas Cart Parade on Saturday, December 14th. We will also bring some clown fun to the Toys for Tots Show on December 14. Lastly, save the date for our Clown Dinner Theatre on December 21 at 6pm. We have a lot of fun and laughter in store for you!!! Lil Flower

# **Holiday Quilt Club**

The club has already begun planning a very active, fun and busy year. The first meeting of the year began Friday Nov 1st. Our group returned to the Marina with 14 in attendance at the 9am meeting and 10 at the 6pm sit and sew. We are welcoming the return of our snowbird members daily.

We have many events to look forward to this year, such as: a Block of the month, bag and purse classes, sit and sew, table topper, tool caddy, a sleepover, a luncheon Jan. 24th, making a raffle quilt for the annual quilt show March 16th, we are planning special guests for teaching machine quilting, and an edge to edge quilting demo and there's always the FL shop hop coming March 1st to April 30th.

New members are always welcome, you need no experience, we accept new to experienced quilters. Yearly dues are only \$5/year

If you are new to the park or have been here years, we invite you to come and join us, we meet on Fridays 9am and 6p. We are all looking forward to a fun and successful season.

## **Theater Club**

The Theater Club is gearing up once again for our Toys for Tots Show. With the recent hurricanes affecting so many the need will be greater than ever. Let's help support the Marine's efforts to make this a special Christmas for the kids. Bring your toys to the Lifestyle Office to receive tickets in exchange for your toy donations. All toy donations must be brought to the office by December 13th. Thank you, Carol Slawnikowski

## **Fitness with Carol**

It will be a short month for Fitness with Carol classes in December. There will be no classes the weeks of December 23 and December 30 - a 2 week break for the holidays.

For the weeks of December 2, 9 and 16, the class schedule will be the same - Monday 9:30 AM to 11 AM Strength & Stretching; Wednesday 9:30 AM Zumba and Wednesday 10:30 AM Cardio Drumming.

All classes take place in the Activity Center.

## **Pray the Rosary**

Hope you had a happy Thanksgiving! Wishing you a blessed Christmas! Our first rosary will be on January 7, 2025, Tuesday at 4pm at the marina. Looking forward to praying with you.

# Save the Date-DEC 6th! Ticket to Ride

Want to experience the premier of a new band? Our very own Matt Goss, along with bandmate Lori Staten. On Friday, Dec. 6th, 2024, 7pm will perform <u>"Ticket to Ride" - A Salute to The Beatles</u>, for the very first time as "The Matt Goss Band". The live performance will be held here in the park at the Activity Center. Tickets are \$10 at the Lifestyle office.

Cheryl Rathburn-VanDenburg

# **Holiday Yacht Club**

Members – current and new – there is a lot happening with the Holiday Yacht Club in December!

Tuesday, December 3: Monthly membership meeting at 4 PM in the Activity Center. Wear your Ugly Christmas Sweater or T-shirt and join in the fun for this meeting. A Potluck will follow the meeting. Please bring a dish to share, your own place settings and drinks. We have some fun stuff planned so please sign up if attending. Sign-up sheet is located on the HYC Bulletin Board. Sunday, December 8: The annual trip to Venetian Gardens to view the Lighted Boat Parade. Phil Browe, our fleet captain, has posted information about this trip on the Bulletin Board and on Facebook. Please follow his directions to participate in this trip.

Saturday, December 14: Holiday Yacht Club is hosting the annual Christmas Golf Cart Parade. Volunteers are needed between Noon and 4 PM to help with the day's events. Contact Carol Wooldridge at 937-271-2161 if you would like to volunteer.

Interested in becoming a member of the Holiday Yacht Club? If you pay rent at HRV and have a boat (pontoon, power, canoe, kayak) located here, you are welcome to join this fun group. Annual membership dues are \$10 per person. Check out our bulletin board for more information.

# **Kindness for Kids**

During January and February, the Clown Club will again be collecting boys and girls clothing for Leesburg Elementary School. There will be a box in the Lifestyle Office for size 4 to 12 boys and girls underwear, t-shirts, shorts, sweatpants and leggings. Cash or checks payable to Leesburg Elementary School Nurse will also be accepted. Thank you in advance for your continued support to the youth in our community!

## **HRV Smokeless Campfire**

Looking forward to seeing everyone getting together after Christmas.

Our next Community Smokeless Campfire of the Season will be Saturday, December 28th 7-9 pm. We are delighted to be joined by the Karaoke Club. Please reach out to Glenn Merrifield. Due to the busy schedule the Lifestyle Coordinator has planned for the Activity Center Area, we will only be hosting one Community Smokeless Campfire a month at the Outdoor Stage. Please feel free to schedule Campfires in your neighborhood & we will be happy to try to assist you, if necessary.

People are asked to bring a chair & beverage. There are picnic tables provided and plenty of room for golf cart parking. We do not provide food or beverage, but you are welcome to bring snacks. We do ask everyone to pick up after yourselves before leaving the area. All dates are subject to weather permitting. Hope to see you across the Campfire!

Ruth & Ozzie Osborn OzzieRuth@gmail.com

# **Holiday Stitchers**

Hello everyone! It's that time of year again when our Northern friends will be arriving back in the park. The Holiday Stitchers will meet every Monday from 1-3pm in the Holiday Cafe. We begin meeting the first Monday in November. This group is for all who crochet, knit, cross stich, embroidery, etc! If you don't know how to do one of these crafts, but would like to learn, there are people in the group who would love to show you how. For those who are already in the park, feel free to get together. I will be coming down in the later part of November myself. I am so excited to see all of you again, and to enjoy our time together! Bev Koons, Ambassador

## Ambassador News

# Residents' Fund Committee

The Residents' Fund Committee has been busy updating their By-Laws and Policy and Procedure. Several of the newly elected Trustees brought new ideas to add to the knowledge of the experienced Trustees to form a cohesive group.

The Residents' Fund partnered with COVE to host a very nice Veteran's Day Potluck Dinner on November 11th. The Residents' Fund will be working with COVE to provide the upcoming Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners. Be sure to sign-up before each deadline.

I would like to thank all the Ambassadors for their leadership while directing the individual park activities. Please remember that requests for funding from the Residents' Fund must be submitted from the Ambassador of that activity or their designee.

The Craft Show that was our major fundraiser in the past, has been discontinued. The interest has shifted over the years and attendance and profits have greatly reduced over the past couple of years. Future fundraisers will likely be dances during peak season.

The next Residents' Fund meeting will be on Wednesday, December 4, 2024, at 2pm inside the Activity Center. John Bistor, President Residents' Fund Committee

## **Double Deck Bid Euchre**

Double Deck Bid Euchre is being played every Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday at 7 p.m. in the Leisure Center. It is free and fun to many. It is easier to learn for those who know how to play regular Euchre like played each Tuesday and Friday in the Leisure Center at 7 p.m. Arrangements can be made for new players to learn by calling Harold Brown at 765-749-4813.

## **Christmas Golf Cart Parade**

The annual Christmas Golf Cart Parade is Saturday, December 14th at 1:30 pm. This year's theme is "Jingle Bell Jamboree". Lots of ways to decorate your golf cart, bicycle, or boat using this fun theme. CASH PRIZES awarded to all entries! Remember, each entry must be a wheeled vehicle to qualify for cash prizes. Line up for the parade between 12:30 – 1 PM in the Activity Center parking lot. Viewing and voting from 1 -1:30 PM. The parade begins at 1:30 PM. The parade route is the Outer Parkway.

For those of you who would rather view than decorate – HOORAY! Every parade needs an audience. Plus, come to the viewing area between 1 and 1:30 PM to place your vote for your favorite entry. Then find a spot along the parade route to cheer on your neighbors.

The Holiday Yacht Club is the host of this year's parade and will lead the procession with a float that will be accepting toys for the annual Toys for Tots drive. Let's fill the big toy box on the boat that day! The Holiday Clown Club will bring up the rear of the parade with their antics, along with collecting nonperishable food and pet supplies for our local area. Everyone is welcome to attend the After Party in the Activity Center. Cash prizes will be awarded at that time. There will be entertainment, refreshments and door prizes.

This annual event is sponsored by the Resident's Fund and hosted this year by the Holiday Yacht Club. For questions, contact Commodore Carol Wooldridge 937-271-2161.

## **Aquacise**

Get ready to Aquacise with us. The 8am class with Anne is Monday thru Friday. 1pm class with Claudette is Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Classes are 1 hour long and there is no charge. The 9:15 will begin in January.

## Daily ACTIVITIES:

#### Monday

8:00am- Aquacise (IP) 8:00am- Pickleball 9:30am- Horseshoes 9:30am- Strength, Stretching & Toning with Carol (A) 1:00pm- Aquacise (IP) 1:00pm-Super Samba- Cards (M) 1:00pm-Bunco (L) 1:00pm-Holiday Stitchers (KJ) 1:00pm- Open Tennis 3:00pm-Outdoor Cornhole 5:00pm- Potluck (M) 5:30pm- Poker (S) 6:00pm- Open Billiards 6:30pm-Shanghai Rummy (M) 7:00pm-Bridge (L) 7:00pm- Dominoes (KJ)

### Tuesday

8:00am- Aquacise (IP) 8:00am-Pickleball 9:00am- Line Dancing 101 (A) 9:00am- Open Tennis 10:00am- Beginner Pickleball Lessons 10:00am- Craft Club (M) 1:00pm-Helping Hands (KJ) 1:00pm- Shuffleboard Partners 1:00pm- Wood Carvers (M) 2:00pm-Indoor Cornhole (A) 3:00pm-Outdoor Cornhole 6pm-Community Game Night (KJ) 6:00pm- Karaoke Fun (M) 6:00pm-Open Billiards 7:00pm- Euchre (L)

#### Wednesday

8:00am- Aquacise (IP) 8:00am-Pickleball 9:00am- Open Tennis 9:30- Zumba W/Carol (A) 10:30am-Cardio Drumming (A) 1:00pm- Mini-Golf 1:00pm- Aquacise (IP) 1:00pm- Aquacise (IP) 1:00pm-Prog. Hand & Foot (M) 3:00pm-Outdoor Cornhole 6:00pm- Open Billiards 7:00pm-Outdoor Cornhole 6:00pm- Open Billiards 7:00pm-Bingo (A) 7:00pm-Poker (S) 7:00pm- Cribbage (L) 7:00pm- Double Deck Euchre (L) 7-10pm Theater Club (M)

# December Special

SUN	MON	TUE	WED
1	2 5pm Potluck (M)	<b>3</b> 4-7pm- Grandpa's Cooking (L) 4:00pm- Yacht Club Meeting (A)	<b>4</b> 2pm-RFC Meeting (A)
8	<ul> <li>2 pm Gingerbread</li> <li>House Competition</li> <li>4-7pm Monsta Lobsta</li> <li>5pm Potluck (M)</li> </ul>	10	<ul> <li>12:30pm Game Ambassador meeting (A)</li> <li>1pm All Ambassadors meeting (A)</li> <li>4-7 Steak Shack Bistro</li> </ul>
<b>15</b> 2pm LRC (M) 7pm Holiday Mission Christmas Concert (A)	<b>16</b> 10-3pm One Blood (A) 5pm Choir Potluck (A)	Spm Crimson Dolis Paiama Party (Δ)	18
22	<b>23</b> 5pm Potluck (M) 7-8pm Line Dancing (A	<b>24</b>	25 Merry Christmas! 1pm Christmas Dinner (A)
<b>29</b> 2pm LRC (M)	30 4-7pm Royal Hibachi 5pm Potluck (M) 7-8pm Line Dancing (A	31 8pm New Year Eve Dance with the Round About Band! (a	112
	<b>,</b>	D-Main Office Indoor Pool	



# Activities Calendar

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<b>5</b> Minute to win it! (M) 7pm LRC (A)	<b>ó</b> 1pm- Clown Club (M 4-7pm Lucky's Kitchen 7pm ticket to Ride Beatles Show (A)	7
<b>12</b> 3pm Pizza w/ Skymed	13	14 12-4pm Christmas Golf Cart Parade 7pm Toys for Tots Show (A)
<b>19</b> 11:30am & 6pm Manager Q&A (A) 7pm LCR (A)	20 1pm Clown Club (M) 7pm Let's Go Wild Dance! (A)	<b>21</b> 12-7pm Grandpa's Cooking
26	27	<b>28</b> 7pm Smokelss Campfire

KJ- Ken Jones Center FBS- Field by Softball AP-Activity Center Parking Lot GPL- Gate Parking Lot

# ACTIVITIES: Thursday

8:00am- Aquacise (IP) 8:00am-Pickleball 9:00am- Open Tennis 1:00pm-Bridge (L) 1:00pm- Poker (S) 2:30pm-Outdoor Cornhole Tournament 5:30pm- Poker (S) 6:00pm- Open Billiards 6:00pm-Super Samba- cards (M) 7:00pm-Pinochle (L)

### Friday

8:00am- Aquacise (IP) 8:00am-Pickleball 9:00am- Open Tennis 9:00am- Quilt Club (M) 1:00pm- Aquacise (IP) 1:00pm- Choir (A) 1:00pm- Choir (A) 1:00pm- Shuffleboard Partners 2pm- The Golden Mouseketeers (S) 3:00pm-Outdoor Cornhole 6:00pm- Open Billiards 6-10pm Quilt Club (M) 6:00pm-Prog. Hand & Foot (KJ) 6:00pm- Cards (S) 7-9pm Euchre(L)

### Saturday

8:00am- Pickleball 9:00am- Open Tennis 9:30am- Shuffleboard Lessons 1:00pm- Shuffleboard Build- A-House 3:00pm-Outdoor Cornhole 6:00pm-Super Samba (M) 6:00pm-Open Billiards 7:00pm- Double Deck Euchre (L) 7:00pm- Poker (S)

### Sunday

8:00am- Pickleball 9:00am- Open Tennis 9:30am- Shuffleboard Lessons 1:00pm- Shuffleboard Build- A-House 3:00pm-Outdoor Cornhole 6:00pm-Super Samba (M) 6:00pm-Open Billiards 7:00pm- Double Deck Euchre (L) 7:00pm- Poker (S)

## Shuffleboard

We are back! Shuffleboard has resumed with a core of early birds, and many more to follow in the coming weeks. Our club play schedule is as follows Tuesday \* Partners Friday - Draw Partners Saturday \* Build-A-House Sunday - Pin Shuffle Play starts at 1 PM with an arrival time of 12:30 for preparation. Lessons are Saturday at 9:30 - 11:00 AM.

## What is Shuffleboard?

Shuffleboard is one of the most misunderstood game/sport that exists. It is a challenging game that requires a good degree of accuracy (eye/hand coordination), combined with strategy to outfox the opposition. It is also one of the few games where a player cannot only win by accumulating his or her points but also by reducing the score of the opposition. Shuffleboard is thought of as an old people's game. There is no reason for this other than it is ideally suited for everyone to play. It does not require a great degree of physical strength or ability rather it requires a gentle touch to push the discs in a controlled manner. We have even played with people who have handicaps such as those requiring a cane, walker, or a wheelchair. We are a fun group, always looking to have new members join our club. We have wonderful facilities, great supportive players and teachers, and an agenda which will satisfy all degree of player skills, and abilities. So, why not come out and give it a try! Lessons are every Saturday at 9:30 am, following which we play a fun game.

## Dream Vacations - Julie Liberty Cell: 518-593-2703 Email: jliberty@dreamvacations.com

February 21, 2025 Cruise (Group space) Royal Caribbean Adventure of the Seas - 8 night Eastern Caribbean Round trip Port Canaveral, Orlando, FL

The group pricing has been closed. However, if you would still like to go on this cruise with the group, pricing would be at the current rate, but you would still be included in the group.

We will be moving back to NY permanently as soon as we sell our place in the park. We will be back in the park at some point and intend to still go on the group cruise in February. Even though we are not in the park, I will continue to handle all bookings that I have from park residents and any future bookings anyone would like to make. If you have any questions, please call the above cell phone number or email me.





## **Happy Holiday Kayakers**

Our weekly outings with our group leaving from the Park Entrance parking lot at 8:00 am for December.

This month's scheduled outings are as follows: Thursday - 12/05 King's Landing® (CARD Only) with Lunch at Wekiva Island Wednesday - 12/11 Lake Jem Park with Lunch at Mary's Kountry Kitchen Wednesday - 12/18 Palatlakaha River Park with Lunch at Oakwood, Clermont Thursday - 12/26 Herlong Park with Lunch at HP Grill Thursday – 1/2/25 Marina to Hawthorne with Lunch at Holiday Café (Launching Marina 9 am)

Cancellation due to inclement weather will be posted at least ½ hour prior to departure time. When our adventures go outside the park, we encourage ride & transportation shares to decrease the vehicles as well as to assist those with transportation needs for persons &/or crafts. If you plan to join us &/or require transportation assistance of person &/or craft, you must notify us by 5 pm the day before the scheduled paddle. Rental availability indicated by (®) for those interested, but your reservations will need to be made individually. The trips normally involve a 2 to 4-hour paddle, & we plan a lunch stop afterwards at a local restaurant. We need headcount for restaurant reservations.

All crafts must have a life jacket, paddle & whistle. We strongly encourage dressing in layers, sunscreen, water & snacks in reusable containers. A dry change of clothes is also a good idea to keep in transport vehicle. We do request emergency contact information for anyone paddling with us, just in case.

If you are not using a kayak & might be interested in loaning &/or selling, please give us your details. We would like to remind everyone they can join the Holiday Yacht Club, if you own a kayak, which is another great group of people in our HRVV community. Happy Holidays.

For more information or questions: Ozzie & Ruth Text (518) 669-3337 ozzieruth@gmail.com

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## Ambassador News

All About Softball

## Holiday December Softball Schedule

### D2 Coach John Bistor

12/3 9:30 Tue @ Water Oak
12/6 9:30 Fri @ Continental Country Club
12/10 10 Tue @ Home
12/13 9:30 Fri @ Summerglen
12/17 9:30 Tue @ Home

### D3 Coach Roger Dotson

12/3 9:30 Tue @ Stonecrest 12/6 9:30 Fri @ Royal Highlands 12/10 9:30 Tue @ Del Webb 12/13 9:30 Fri @ Home 12/17 10 Tue @ Pennbrooke

### D6 Coach Jim Montcalm

12/3 11 Tue @ Legacy 12/6 12:30 Fri @ Stonecrest 12/10 9:30 Tue @ Hawthorne 12/13 11 Fri @ Home 12/17 11 Tue @ Home



### Lakes League

12/2 10am H George M, B Merritt12/9 10am H Debbie, B Ray S12/16 10am H Bill L, B Merritt12/18 10am H George M, B Bill L

### 70's

12/5 1pm H Ray S, B Merritt 12/19 1pm H Debbie, B Ray S

#### Ladies League

12/14 10:30am H Debbie, B Ray W

# What is, "Just for Fun Softball"?

Begins Sunday January 5, 1 p.m. Meet every Sunday Thru Early March For any HRVV Resident that is not a League Player, No experience required, No equipment required, we have bats and gloves, No uniforms, fees or expectations to attend every week, Everyone gets to bat. There will be experienced players available to give you batting tips, Depending on the number of players, we will attempt to have two or three ending games. As the program name indicates, we are Just For Fun!

## Manager Q&A

Donna will be in the Activity Center Thursday December 19th at 10 am and 6 pm to provide any updates she may have followed up by answering questions you may have. Come prepared with questions.

## **Resident Fund Meeting RFC**

2 pm December 4th in Activity room. This is an open meeting to discuss current and upcoming agendas to better the community.

## **Ambassador Meeting**

All Game Ambassadors are to meet December 11th at 12:30pm and all remaining Ambassadors to join at 1pm in the Activity Center for our monthly Ambassador meeting. We will discuss any Lifestyle Department updates and answer any questions/concerns you may have. Suggestions are also always welcome at these meetings. This meeting is open to everyone. We encourage all ambassadors to attend, if you miss it, please check in with Pat in the Lifestyle Office for a printed agenda so that no important information is possibly missed.

## Last Minute Notes!

## Line Dancing Update!

Hello, my name is Tina, I'm from Buffalo NY. I have been line dancing for about 30 years. I am thrilled to be bringing my style to HRV. It doesn't matter if you think you have 2 or 3 left feet. I will get you dancing with confidence.

I am teaching Basic beginner Line dancing every Tuesday morning 9-10:30 am.

Starting in January I will add on another class for the snowbirds that will be coming home for the season Tuesday at 10:30-11:30 am. This class will only be for a month to get everyone caught up.

I will also be adding a night class when I can use the activity center. First class will be:

- December 23rd 7-8pm
- December 30 7-8pm
- January 6, 13, and 27th 7-8pm

We will see how things go and figure out more dates in the future. Hope to see you all there!

## First Annual Gingerbread House Competition!

December 9th, 2pm in the Activity Center! Come on down, gingerbread house building supplies will be provided! This is a free event, however, sign up now so we know how much to order!



Senior Adventures, Inc. has been working with Holiday RV for quite a while, offering day and overnight trips to explore. This is a great opportunity to shows, festivals, guide tours and more throughout Florida.

More information is available in our Lifestyle office and posted in the Ken Jones building. Check it out!



# Senior Adventures, Inc.

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12/12	Victory Casino-lunch-qualified free play		\$45	1/29	Jersey Boys-Suncoast Broadway-lunch		\$112
12/17	Senior Adventures Mystery Trip-???		\$130	2/4	The Doo Wop Project-Ruth Eckerd Hall		\$103
12/18	Sunset Cruise/Nights of Lights Tour		\$115	2/5	Drawn to Life's Story-Disney Springs		\$132
12/31	New Year's Eve aboard The Barbara Lee		\$131	2/6	A Beautiful Noise: Neil Diamond Musical		\$187
1/4	Jim Gaffigan: Barely Alive Tour-Amalie		\$132	2/8	Johnny Mathis-Ruth Eckerd Hall-8:00pm		\$135
1/9	Asian Lantern Festival-Central FL Zoo		\$84	2/8	Cassadaga Spiritualist Camp-Gala Day		\$63
1/12	Menopause Musical 2-RP Funding		\$107	2/12	Ocala Farm Tour-guided		\$80
1/12	Elvis Birthday Bash-Ruth Eckerd-brunch		\$103	2/13	Love or Best Offer-Early Bird-lunch		\$111
1/18	43rd Annual John's Pass Seafood Festival		\$63	2/14	Polynesian Fire Luau Dinner Show		\$117
1/18	Florida Manatee Festival-Crystal River		\$63	2/14	Valentine's Day aboard The Barbara Lee 🛛 😫		\$151
1/19	Funny Girl-Van Wezel-orchestra-1:00pm		\$150	2/16	The Modern Gentlemen-Ruth Eckerd Hall		\$103
1/21	Sleuths Murder Mystery Lunch Show		\$119	2/17	Museum of Science & Industry-Tampa		\$85
1/25	2025 Annual Kumquat Festival-Dade City		\$63	2/19	Kennedy Space Center-Titusville		\$124
1/26	Mamma Mia-Dr. Phillips-orchestra		\$187	2/20	The John & Mable Ringling Museum of Art		\$113
December 23-26, 2024 Savannah & Golden Isles \$960 double, \$1,208 single		В	January 26-29, 2025 Biloxi & New Orleans \$609 double, \$799 single		February 10-13, 2025 Discover the Florida Keys \$1,269 double, \$1,779 single		
March 2-5, 2025 Mardi Gras Biloxi & New Orleans \$699 double, \$949 single		March 31 - April 3, 2025 Historic Savannah & Charleston \$1,059 double, \$1,429 single		April 7-12, 2025 Nashville and Memphis \$1,549 double, \$2,009 single			
April 21-24, 2025 Biltmore Blooms \$769 double, \$959 single		May 8-13, 2025 Washington, DC \$1,169 double, \$1,509 single			DC	May 18-26, 2025 Mackinac Island \$1,849 double, \$2,349 single	

Rates are per person. For more detailed information about our trips, visit our website and then call to make a reservation www.senioradventures.net. We depart from Recreation Plantation, Lady Lake or Holiday RV Village, Leesburg. Prices listed reflect a discount for check payments. Space and rates are subject to availability. Senior Adventures is not responsible for the operation of the motor coach or for any errors or omissions in our ads. A minimum is required . Mon-Fri 8am-4pm Seller of Travel 34252 Send payments to Senior Adventures P.O. Box 292, Lady Lake, FL 32158

## Lifestyle Office





Articles for the January 2025 newsletter are due in the Lifestyles email inbox no later than 5pm, December 20, 2024. Articles must be submitted via email to holidayrvactivities@covecommunities.com

fello!

One year ago this month, I came to stay here at Holiday RV for the winter and discovered a community full of amazing people! Today I get the privilege to serve, work and play here full time! Life is good! My background is a vast amount of customer service, sales and management, business owner, writer, blogger, website development and social media consultant. All the experience together creates the perfect fit for this position!

December brings us all together to enjoy the Holidays, the gatherings, and the competitive fun games we pack into our days. Moving forward, as I listen to your needs and wants, we will be adding more exciting activities and events.

Cove has asked me to raise the bar for the entertainment here at Holiday Rv, and I'm going to hold them to that challenge! I'm looking forward to bringing you the best and making our community the place to be!

Getting information out to you is important. Through your input we've received during meetings, we're working on improving that process. Simple things like having the calendar in the middle of this newsletter so you can pull it out and hang on your refrigerator to keep track of daily and special events, will hopefully help you to have information handy to attend your favorite activities!

I'm looking forward to this new chapter and working/serving this great community. I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! May it bring you good health and wonderful relationships to enjoy life throughout the year and beyond.

## **Upcoming Event Highlights**



January 10th Old Guys Comedy Show! January 24th Bill D. Williams January 31st Lake Concert Band February 7th Cove's Got Talent Preliminary Show

We will be raising the bar and adding new and exciting events & shows in 2025!
We look forward to bringing you our best and serving our community. *Pat Wheaton & Kelly Frank Your Holiday RV Lifestyle Team!*