January 2025



Cypress Lakes Village

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From the Manager's Desk - Community Manager Robert Parody, CCM

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HAPPY NEW YEAR! It is that time of the year when all residents are finally here for the winter months and enjoying their friends and activities. We have been busy with projects, some from Hurricane Milton and other Cap Ex projects. The Lifestyle department is busy planning events for residents. They had a very successful Ugly sweater event in the Grill along with some fun bus trips. Golf and Maintenance are through cleaning up from Hurricane Milton.

Hurricane Repairs:

- Road Repairs \$23K
- Remediation and build back lake erosion \$100K
- Fence repairs \$100K
- Roof & gutter work \$33K
- Tree removal & equipment rental \$60K

Housekeeping:

- Clubhouse roof power washed
- Pool fence repairs
- Parking lot line stripping/painting
- New commercial heater for pool
- 30 new golf carts fleet switched out
- Contributed to shed for clubs Christmas trees & Garden Walk curbing

Lifestyle Department:

- Bus trips:4
- Lunch & Learns :88
- Pool events/Grill events :4
- Cove Cares event:1
- Miscellaneous events:13
- National food holiday events:12
- Free vehicle estimates: 2 site visits

Happy New Year, Robert Parody, CCM., ACM Community Manager Cypress Lakes 10000 US Hwy 98 North, Lakeland, FL 33809 863-859-1431rparody@covecommunities.com



From The Lifestyles Office

LIFESTYLE OFFICE HOURS

863-859-2136 M-F 9:00am-2:30pm

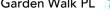
<u>Fax</u> \$1.00 per page <u>Copies</u> B&W \$.10 & Color \$.15 <u>Our Email:</u> cypresslakesactivities @covecommunities.com

ADMISSIONS/SALES OFFICE HOURS 863-859-1431 Monday – Friday 9:00am to 5:00pm Saturday - 9:00am-5:00pm Sunday 11:00am to 4:00pm Notary Services Available \$5/stamp (call to make an appointment)

ACCOUNTING OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 10:00am to 4:00pm

FAMILY MOBILE VET 9AM (PL) JANUARY 21ST Call for Appointment 863-535-9329 Garden Walk PL



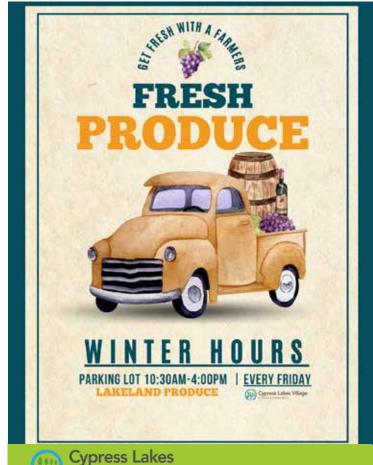
VAXONSITE 12-1:30PM JANUARY 2ND CLUBHOUSE Senior Flu Shot, Pneumonia & Covid19 Shots (Medicare

Covers these @100%)

B12 Shots (\$20 Cash or Credit Only) Appointment Needed

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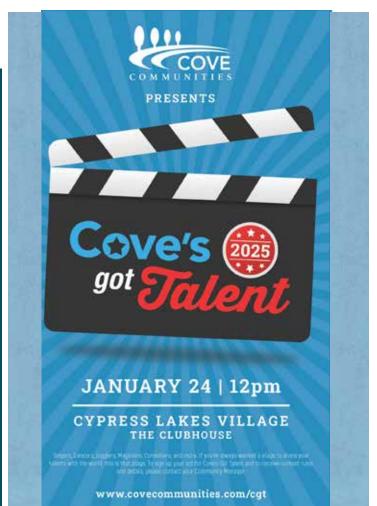


CYPRESS LAKES ACCOUNTING REMINDERS:

- Those with EFT will have Trim amount drawn with their January Fees
- The January 1, 2025 Tax Pass Thru increase is \$67.34
- For those using payment coupons, Jan-Sept. 2025 Coupons will be available at front desk December 15, 2024 (Purchase Land Coupons are ready for entire year and are available at Front Desk)
- Email <u>Pholden@covecommunities.com</u> for Resident Portal Link
- Please update the Accounting Office with any phone number and/or email changes
- Please note Lot # on all checks/money orders submitted for payment

NAILS BY SHAUNA

Manicures & Pedicures in (PR) Tuesdays. Call to schedule appointments 863-430-9333. No acrylic or gel. Manicures \$25 Pedicures \$30



From The Lifestyles Office

Your Medicare is my priority!! Lunch & Learn Clubhouse 11am on Wednesday, January 15th Meet your local Medicare Agent &

have your questions answered!!

health markets

Local Office 5527 US Hwy 98 N. Lakeland, FL 33809 Call for an appointment 863-940-3582

IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Join Us for an Educational Event!

Presented by: The Law Office of R. Seth Mann, P.A.

Speaker: R. Seth Mann, Esquire, CPA, CFP

Date: January 29th Time: 11:00 a.m. Location: Cypress Room No Cost to Attend - Free Consultations Available

Come enjoy lunch and gain knowledge on topics including..

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R. Seth Mann, CPA, CFP (R) *Education & Certifications: Juris Doctor (J.D.) - Stetson University College of Law Master of Business Administration (MBA) University of South Florida Certified Public Accountant (CPA) Florida and Virginia Certified Financial Planner (CFP (B)) For additional information, please call 352-567-5010

In Florida, you have the MEDICARE INFORMATIONAL MEETING right to take your car to DOUGLAS the repair shop of your choice. The insurance Thursday, January 30, 2025 companies have contracts with repair shops and can 11:00 A.M. Curbside only recommend that you Vehicle take your car to that Cypress Room Repair repair facility. Estimates Speaker: Rick Rundle As the owner of that vehicle, you have the right to choose Minor Vehicle damage, but don't where you take your vehicle President of Rundle Group for repairs. know where to start? Douglas Collision is introducing curbside All Services Under **Frequently Asked Questions:** estimating in the Cypress Lakes On Roof 1. Can I still update my 2025 Medicare Plan? Community Auto Body Repair 2. What is a Special Enrollment Period? **Clubhouse Lobby** 3. What is a Chronic Plan? January 16th **Mechanic Services** 4. When can I change to Medicare from a Group 10AM - 12PM Stop by and have one of our estimators **Employee Plan?** Paint look over your vehicle and write you a 5. When do I become eligible for Medicare? collision repair estimate **Questions Call** 6. How do I apply for HELP with Prescription Drugs? Can't Wait? Danny Woodhal 7. How do I apply for Medicaid? What is OEP? You can always come to our shop for 863-853-4246 X 210 8. What do I do about my Medicare Plan if I just moved? your **FREE** estimate ww.danny@douglascollision 7820 US Hwy 98N Lakeland, FI 33809 9. What do I do about my Medicare Plan if I just moved? .com www.douglascollision.com Cypress Lakes

January Fitness Center Calendar

Fitness Center Aerobics Room Schedule January 2025 Fitness Instructors: Maddy-Mon, Tues, Thurs & Mary-Wed & Fri Tai Chi Instructors: Dave Mon & Wed Main Hall

Water Aerobics Mon - Sat Pool 1 (Lap Pool) 8:30am Aqua Tabata Pool 2

Monday Maddy	Tuesday Maddy	Wednesday Mary	Thursday Maddy	Friday Mary	Saturday
Beginner Total Body Strength 8:00am	Strength 8:00am	Yoga 7:15am	Strenght 8:00am	Yoga 7:15am	
Beginner Cardio Circuit + Abs 9:00am	Cardio 9:00am	Pilates 8:00am	Cardio 9:00am	Pilates 8:00am	Videos available under the coounter by back window
Balance & Core 10:00am	Balance & Core 10:00am	Step Class 8:45am	Balance & Core 10:00am	Step Class 8:45am	facing golf course
Intermediate Total Body Strength 11:00am	Sit & Fit 11:00am	Pound 9:30am	Sit & Fit 11:00am	Pound 9:30am	sticks for residents are located in the Fitness Center
Intermediate Cardio Circuit + Abs 12:00pm	Reserved (LO) 11:30am-1:00pm	Senior Circuit 10:30am Chair Yoga 11:30am	Rockettes 11:30am	Senior Circuit 10:30am Chair Yoga 11:30am	
Tammy/Lynn Aqua Tabata 1:00pm	Martial Arts 2:00pm-4:00pm	Wendy/Lynn Aqua Tabata 1:00pm	Martial Arts 1:30pm-3:00pm	Aqua Zumba 12:00pm	Wendy/Lynn Aqua Tabata 1:00pm
Dave (MH) 10:30am Tai Chi	Y	Dave (MH) 10:30am Tai Chi	Absolute Beginners Line Dance 3:00pm	Reserved (LO) 11:45am-1:00pm	Martial Arts 2:00pm-4:00pm
Beginners Line Dance 1:00pm		Intermediate Line Dance 12:00pm	Ping Pong 5:00pm	Dance Private Practice 1:00pm-2:30pm	
Absolute Beginner's Line Plus Dance		Rockettes Dance 1:00pm	PING PO	NG	
2:00pm Ping Pong 5:00pm		2 0 2	Fitness Center, al involved. As a new SIDE. It can get tr a friendly welcom	ays and Thursdays I equipment provid w twist we sometin icky but it's also lo ing group even at t ty of chairs if you ji	ed, no money nes play 3 ON A ts of fun. We're the awkward
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Clubhouse January Calendar of Events

Sunday Events: Bible Study 9:30am CR Fellowship Services 11am MH Kettle Corn 11:30am-1pm GW Jan 19 Scrapbooking/Cards 1-5pm A&C 2nd Sun Ukulele Club 2pm NCH 2nd & 4th Sun RV Club 2:00pm A&C 1st Sunday Tuck 6pm CR



Wednesday Events: Residents Coffee Talk 8:00 MH 2nd Wed **Educational Events (see below) Chess Club 9:00 RR Ladies Bible Study 10am A&C Mahjongg Beginners Welcome 12:45pm OR Cribbage 1pm CR Garden Club 3:pm Outing Jan 15 Book Club 3:15pm OR Jan 29 Hobby Model Club 4:00pm A&C Jan 8 Adult Bible Study 6pm A&C Poker 6pm RR Conservative Club 6:30pm MH Jan 8



<u>**Educational Events</u> Health Markets with David Norris - Medicare 11am January 15th Cypress Room Lunch Provided

Douglas Collision - Curbside Vehicle Repair Estimates - 10am January 16 Clubhouse Lobby

The Law Office of R. Seth Mann, P.A. Wills, Trusts & Probate 11am January 29 - Cypress Room

Rundle Group - Medicare Information 11am January 30 Cypress Room <u>Monday Events:</u> Sewing & Craft Group 9:30am A&C Ladies Prayer Fellowship 10am CR Poker 12:00pm RR Hand Knee & Foot 12:pm OR National Assorted Donut Day 10am Clubhouse Lobby (while supplies last) Food Truck 5:00-7pm GW Jan 20 & 27 Dart Club 5pm BR Bridge 6:30pm CR Texas Hold'Em 6pm RR



Thursday Events: Bocce Ball 9am Photo Club 10:00am A&C last Thurs Peg Leg Ice Cream Truck 11am-2pm Bonsai Club 12pm MH Jan 9 Vaxonsite 12pm MH Jan 2 Hand Knee & Foot 12pm & 5:45pm OR Stamping/Card Class 1pm A&C Poker 1pm RR Cornhole 4:45pm Shuffleboard Court Jan 9, 16 & 23 Singles Club 4pm A&C 2nd & 4th Thr Travel Club 4pm CR Jan 16 Euchre 6pm CR Rosary Group 7pm HCH No Movie Night In January



19th Holers January Events 1/6 9am-Noon, 1/7 & 1/8 9am-11am

> CLVA Casino Night 1/27, 1/28 & 1/29 9am-Noon

CLVAA Soup/Chili Bowl 1/27, 1/28 & 1/29 9am-Noon

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Tuesday Events: Bocce Ball 9:30am Family Mobile Vet 9-3pm Jan 21 CAP No Meetings in Jan 14 Art Club 1pm A&C Music Club 1pm MH or OR Cue Club 4:30 BR Bingo 7:00pm Jan 7, 14, 21 & 28 Canned Food Drive Jan 14 Hot dogs 5:30-6:30pm MH 1st & 3rd Tue Dog Park Bake Sale 5:30pm-6:30pm 2nd & 4th Tues MH Trivial Pursuit 7pm Cigars & Friends 7pm 2nd Tue



<u>Friday Events:</u> Lakeland Produce 10:30am-4:00pm Bunco 10am OR Learn To Quilt 12:30pm A&C Shanghai Rummy 12:30pm OR Gun Club 1:00pm PR 3rd Fri Whippersnappers 4:00pm NCH Shanghai Rummy 6:30pm OR Cribbage 7:00pm CR

<u>Saturday Events:</u> Health Fair 9am-1pm Clubhouse Jan 11 Pancake Breakfast 7-9:30am MH Jan 18 Activities Fair 11:30am MH Jan 18 Runnin' RC Trucks/Cars 8:30am GWPL Jan 1(New Year's Bash) & Jan 18 (Winter Jam) Bocce Ball 9:30am Sew Much Fun 9:30am A&C 3rd Sat Scrapbooking 10am A&C Last Sat Rummikub 1pm OR Mahjonng 3pm OR Mexican Train 7pm OR & CR



<u>CYPRESS LAKES VILLAGE VETERANS</u> <u>ASSOCIATION (CLVA)</u>

*Our next General Membership meeting is January 22nd, 2025 at 7:00pm.

*Tim Michaud would like to remind everybody to put February 15th on your calendars. That is Casino Night. I'm sure Tim will have sign-up sheets looking for volunteers. That is always a busy night.

*Flight to Honor Mission #10 is set for April 29th, 2025. All Veterans who have not been on a prior mission are encouraged to apply at <u>http://polkveteranscouncil.com</u> If selected, the Veteran flies for free. *Anyone wishing to accompany a Veteran as a Guardian are also encouraged to apply. Guardians pay \$500.00 to participate in a life changing day.

*Come to Bar Games and support the CLVA & CLVAA by purchasing a 50/50 ticket and win big \$\$.

*Is your Flag torn or tattered? The CLVA has new Flags available. 3'x5' for \$25.00. Contact Bob Collins at 727-687-1178 to obtain one.

*If you are a veteran of any allied country, you are eligible to join our organization. Pick up an application in the Oak Room across from the Activities Office or contact Donna McCormack at 315-842-5543.

*Dave says thank you to everyone that helped at Talbot House while he was on vacation. Dave has been busy delivering a bicycle and loads of men and woman's clothing. Thank you to the CLVA for their donation of \$400.00 for Christmas Dinner supplies for the Talbot House. They are very thankful for the special gift of food. Please call David at 941-626-0757 or email <u>rosendave1@icloud.com</u> to donate items. *All CLVA members please join Cypress Lakes Veterans Association Facebook page for all our important dates and upcoming events.

Bob Collins, CLVA Secretary

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CYPRESS LAKES VILLAGE VETERANS ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY (CLVAA)

Happy New Year!! Here is wishing everyone a healthy and happy 2025.

We wrapped up 2024 with a few events. Thank you to everyone who came and shared breakfast with us on Veterans Day at the Grill. The food was very good – thanks to all the grill employees who helped make this a great event. All proceeds benefit our Veteran Charities. After a brief December business meeting we enjoyed a holiday gathering of games and food. The auxiliary provided the appetizers and drinks. Our members brought the awesome desserts.

SAVE THE DATE – The Soup/Chili Bowl will be held February 13th, 2025, at 4:00PM.

Ticket sales are January 27,28,29, February 3/4/5 at 9AM – 12NOON in the Main Lobby.

No tickets will be sold at the door. A limited number of tickets will be available. Price is \$7.00 for (3) 4 oz. cups or (1) 12 oz. cup. We will also have grilled cheese sandwiches available and the famous "Sweet Shoppe". All proceeds will benefit "Polk County Flight to Honor." Hope to see you there.

We continue to offer Hot Dogs on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month for Bingo. We also continue to fill the dessert table with plenty to satisfy your sweet tooth. Our January General Meeting will be held on Monday, January 6th at 630pm in the Main Hall. If you have family members who are serving or have served in the military, please feel free to attend our meeting and see how our organization works and what a fun group we really are while helping our veterans.

Debbie Rondeau – CLVAA Secretary



CURTAIN TIME PLAYERS

Curtain Time Players is looking forward to a fun and entertaining 2025.By the time you read this we will be in full swing with rehearsals for our February show. Our upcoming February production will be a presentation of 50 Shades of Cypress Lakes, written and directed by Cliff Greene. He will be getting an assist from Phyllis D'Ambrosio as the assistant director and Iris Hansen as the producer. This promises to be a laugh a minute and you won't want to miss it. This is our annual extravaganza, and I know Cliff will not disappoint. Show dates are February 20, 21 and 22 with the show starting at 7:00. Ticket sales will be on February 3, 4 and 5 in the Main Hall Lobby.

If you missed your chance to be in this show, watch this space for information about our June and October shows as they get closer.

Curtain Time Players recently passed new by-laws, and we are now a membership organization. Come check us out and join this fun group! We're always looking for new people to get involved in our community theater group. In addition to being on-stage there are many opportunities to contribute to successful productions including sound/light, ticket sales, ushering, creating sets, props and costumes, stage management, etc.

We normally hold our monthly meetings in the Cypress Room on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 4:00. Check the community email for any changes to this schedule.

Please visit our website at curtaintimeplayers.com where you can view past performances including our most recent performances or find us on Facebook. For questions or more information please contact Peg Miller, President, at (407) 694-0913 or pegmiller56@gmail.com

STARLIGHT CHORUS

Wishing everyone at Cypress Lakes Village a Happy New Year and looking forward to joyful singing in 2025!! For those that love to sing, please consider joining the Starlight Chorus as we begin preparing for our spring concert. Our first rehearsal is Monday, January 6, 2025 from 3:00 to 5:00 pm in the Arts & Crafts Room.We will share planning details and begin practicing the upcoming concert music. For those that may not sing but want to enjoy our Spring Concert, then mark your calendars for Friday, March 28, 2025 when we present our annual concert. Beth Hollabaugh 419-630-6475

LINE DANCE NEWS

Happy New Year everyone! It's time to get those resolutions ready for 2025 and if exercise is on your to do list why not join us in a line dance class. We put the fun in fitness!

- Monday 1:00-2:00 Beginner Line Dance with Janet Phagan \$2.00 per class. 2:00-3:00 Absolute Beginner Plus Line Dance with Sandie Wiegert. 6 week session for \$20.
- Wednesday 12:00-1:00 Intermediate Line Dance with Janet Phagan. \$2.00 per class. 1:00-2:00 Rockettes with Janet Phagan \$2.00 per class.
- Thursday 11:30-1:00 Rockettes with Janet Phagan \$2.00 per class 3:00-4:00 Absolute Beginner Line Dance with Sandie Wiegert. 6 week session for \$20.
- Classes are subject to instructors availability. Please check with them if you have questions Janet Phagan 678-427-6718 Sandie Wiegert 860-944-0796

CYPRESS LAKES TALENT SHOW NEW DATE MARCH 9th, 2025

We are looking for talented people to take part in our annual show.

Do you Sing, Play an instrument, Dance, Tell Jokes or have some other amazing talent? It's not too soon to start planning.

Everyone is welcome to participate. If interested or have questions contact:

Bob Colucci 863-640-2300. <u>rjcoluccisr@aol.com</u> Sandie Wiegert 860-940-0796. <u>wiegerthouse@sbcglobal.net</u>



MUSIC CLUB

Come join us every Tuesday at 1:00pm in the Main Hall. Bring your instruments and expect a fun, creative afternoon each week. Meetings are open to all experience levels, even if you are a beginner.

Bill Rowland 321-698-9969 row7@earthlink.net

CONSERVATIVE CLUB

The Conservative Club will hold our 1st meeting of the new year on Wednesday, January 8th 2025. The meeting will be at 6:30 PM in the Main Hall.

Our guest speaker will be newly re-elected State Attorney Brian Haas for the 10th Judicial Circuit. Any guestions: Contact Vida McCullough at 904 434 0813 or clrepclub@protonmail.com

CL PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

If you love taking photos with a camera or a cell phone, we would love to have you join our group. Visit CL Photo Club Facebook Page or call: Sharon Hallax Gregg Nelson 813-928-3207 407-375-0065



CYPRESS LAKES VILLAGE DEMOCRATS

On behalf of the committee, Janet, Barbara, Denise, and Sharon, we wish everyone a very happy holiday season.

We look forward to meeting on February 27 at 7:00 in the Main Hall. Details of our meeting will be announced in the February newsletter.

See you in the New Year!

Anne annevanhulse@yahoo.com Jmcc0623@gmail.com

GUN CLUB

The Cypress Lakes Gun Club meeting is held the 3rd Friday of every month, at 1:00 pm, in the Palm Room. If you are interested in organized firearm shooting, safe handling and the proper care of firearms and improved marksmanship, please join us. If you have any questions please feel free to call Mike Coduto, VP Cypress Lake Gun Club at 1-863-616-3966.



Here are some New Year's traditions that

are believed to bring good luck



Black-eyed peas and greens

A traditional Southern dish that symbolizes good luck, wealth, and prosperity. The dish is often served with rice and cornbread.



Pork and sauerkraut A Pennsylvania and Ohio tradition where the pork symbolizes good luck and the sauerkraut symbolizes prosperity, riches, and a long life.

Midnight kiss

A long-standing tradition that's believed to ward off evil spirits. Some say that kissing someone who gives you goosebumps at midnight will ensure your love lasts all year.

Eating 12 grapes



Some say that eating one grape at each of the 12 clock chimes at midnight will guarantee a lucky year, as long as you also think about their significance



Opening windows and doors Some believe that opening windows and doors lets the "old" out and the "new" in, which can attract good luck.



Watching the ball drop The Times Square ball drop has been a tradition since 1907 and is now a widespread tradition across the country.

Make Some Noise!

Noisemakers aren't just fun. 😌 A superstition has 🕄 that making lots of noise will ward away evil spirits. So break out the noisemakers and turn up the New Year's Eve playlist!

Carry an Empty Suitcase

Want to manifest more travel adventures in the year ahead? Carrying around an empty suitcase on New Year's Eve might do the trick



SEWING AND CRAFT GROUP

The Sewing and Craft Group held their monthly business meeting on December 9th. Thank you to everyone who helped with the Craft Fair and Mini Craft AND the last Saturday of the month from 10 AM to Fair. They were both a huge success. The minutes were read and committee reports were given. The meeting was followed by a Pot Luck Christmas Luncheon. The next business meeting is January 6th at 10am in the Arts and Crafts Room.

Thank you to everyone who has donated time or items. Any donations of yarn, fabric or notions can be brought to the Arts and Crafts Room on Monday mornings. If you would like to join, we meet on Mondays at 9:30am in the Arts and Crafts Room to work on a variety of projects. ALL ARE WELCOME! Althea Dobbins 440-714-4082

SEW MUCH FUN

We will be meeting the 3rd Saturday of every month in the Arts & Crafts Room from 9:30 to 3:00. Bring your project and supplies, stay for lunch and have fun. Debbie Cabral 816-1653

LEARN TO QUILT

Classes are every Friday in the Arts & Crafts Room at 12:30pm. If interested call Barbara Thouvenin 330-412-4940.

ART CLUB

Please feel free to try us out. We don't teach art, but we do give lots of encouragement! Art isn't just painting! Jewelry making, coloring, and drawing are also kinds of art! Bring a project that you'd like to work on. We have a few art supplies that you can borrow if need be. We meet every Tuesday 1pm-3pm in the arts and crafts room. Becky Walsh 863-712-1054

RV CLUB

There will be a meeting of the CL RV Club on January 1, at 2PM in the Arts & Crafts Room. See you there Contact is Dottie Bahrenburg

SCRAPBOOKING CLUB

Everyone is welcome to join us in the Art's & Craft's room on the second Sunday of the month from 1 PM to 5PM 3 PM. If you're not a scrapbooker but enjoy making cards or doing any other papercraft please come & join us!! We enjoy using products from many different companies and would be happy to help you get your next project going!! Stop by and see what we're working on.

Contact Gina Richardson 815-914-1428

TRAVEL CLUB

Happy New Year! Welcome back snowbirds! The Caribbean is always a popular destination during the winter months. Somehow just thinking about the beaches and warm water makes us feel better during winter (even in Florida!). We're going to take closer look at some lesser known islands, the ABC islands. Aruba, Bonaire, and Curacao. Join us on January 16, 4:00-5:00pm in the Cypress Room to learn more about these charming islands. Becky Walsh 863-712-1054

BOOK CLUB

Our January meeting will be on January 29, 2025 at 3:15 in the Oak Room. The book for discussion will be "We Begin at the End" by Chris Whitaker. You can obtain the book via the local library, your favorite book store or on your Kindle or other device. All residents of Cypress Lakes are welcome to attend.

JoAnne Bonifield 863-899-2004 Kathleen Moreland 6098-385-3003

CHESS CLUB

The Chess club meets in the Rose Room (to the right of the stage in the main hall) every Wednesday at 9:00am. We range from absolute beginner to club level. If you play, or even know nothing about chess but would perhaps like to see what it's all about, we'll be delighted to introduce you to the game. Email or text Malcolm Smith at: runner123ms@gmail.com 352.467.8660



19TH HOLERS WOMEN'S SOCIAL GROUP

(a social group open to women of Cypress Lakes Village to join and is not golf related) Watch for events and announcements in the CLV Newsletter, FB Page, Mailbox Bulletin Boards and 19th Holers' Bulletin Board in the Oak Room

NEW MEMBERSHIPS and RENEWALS - Memberships (new and renewals) are available at Event Ticket Sales. Membership Cost: \$20. SOMETHING NEW THIS YEAR: We are asking every member to provide an emergency contact to have on file. Membership Chair: Ruth Roberts – 719-686-4155 UPCOMING EVENTS:

Ticket Sales for January Events are 1/6 9am-noon, 1/7 & 1/8 – 9am-11am; January 14 – Motown Review – Cost \$23 - Join us for this luncheon where we will travel down Motown Lane and be entertained by The Copper Piano (dueling pianos that performed this past January). Enjoy a catered lunch of meatloaf/gravy, vegetarian salisbury steak/gravy, roasted seasoned potatoes, vegetable medley, salad, dinner rolls/butter, dessert and beverages. Jan Boyd - 248-224-3865 and Kat Borders - 586-382-0998 January 28 - Bok Tower Gardens - Cost \$43. The Gardens offer opportunities for artistic, cultural and personal enrichment. At Bok Tower Gardens, there is something for everyone to discover. Café on site will offer lunch on your own. Departure from Admin Parking Lot at 9am and departure from Bok Tower Gardens at 2:45pm. Joan Milley - 226-345-4851 and Ruth Roberts - 719-686-4155 Extra Event – Menopause on 1/12/25 is SOLD OUT. Theatre tickets can be picked up at January ticket sales. Tickets are seat assigned so if you are planning to sit with a group, you must have everyone's ticket voucher at the time of pick up. We cannot hold seats. Debbie Stott - 610-742-0464

<u>Ticket Sales for February Events are 2/3 9am-noon,</u> <u>2/4 & 2/5 9am-llam</u>

February 11 – From The Heart Charity Luncheon Cost \$16 – Join us for our Charity Lunch as we support VISTE (Volunteers in Service for the Elderly) while enjoying a Spaghetti Dinner that will include spaghetti, meatballs, sausage, salad, dinner rolls/butter, strawberry shortcake and beverages. Vegetarian Option is Eggplant Parmesan. We will have various We will have various auctions and collect donations of necessities for VISTE. Cash donations are welcomed. VISTE is a community-based, non-profit serving Lakeland, Bartow, Mulberry and Ft. Meade. Their mission is to enable elderly persons to remain safely and independently in their own homes. Ruth Roberts – 719-686-4155

February 27 (Thursday) – Strawberry Festival Bus Trip (Plant City) SENIOR CITIZENS DISCOUNT DAY – Cost \$28 for bus and \$10 admission on arrival at Festival. Enjoy the day exploring exhibits, fine arts, horticulture and crafts. Visit the neighborhood village for homemade and handcrafted items. Feast on everything strawberry and grab a bite to eat at one of the many food trucks. Tentative bus times are 9:30am from Admin Parking Lot and return departure from Festival is 3:00pm. Times will be confirmed on Poster and in the February Newsletter. Debbie Stott – 610-742-0464

SAVE THE DATES:

March 11 – Members' Only Lunch – new location – Cleveland Heights Golf Course – More details in the February Newsletter. March 25 – Mt. Dora Bus Trip – More details in the February Newsletter.

PLEASE NOTE THAT WHEN PURCHASING TICKETS FOR AN EVENT OR MEMBERSHIP, SEPARATE PAYMENT (CHECKS OR CASH) MUST BE MADE. TRANSACTIONS MUST BE KEPT SEPARATE FOR EACH EVENT AND MEMBERSHIP DUE TO ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES. IF YOU ARE PURCHASING A TICKET(S) FOR OTHER MEMBERS, YOU NEED TO HAVE THEIR MEMBERSHIP CARD OR A PICTURE OF IT AT TICKET SALES.

Sign Up Sheets for upcoming lunches/events are posted on the 19th Holers' Bulletin Board in the Oak Room. Volunteers are needed to support our events and provide fresh ideas. Please consider volunteering to be on a lunch/event committee.



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GARDEN CLUB - COME JOIN US!

On Wednesday January 15th, garden club will be going on a guided tour of Hollis Gardens in downtown Lakeland. We will be carpooling and will meet at the garden walk at 10:15 am. There is a limit of 25 members so be sure to let Debbie Cabral (816-1653) know if you would like to join us. There is no meeting in January. Debbie Cabral 863- 816-1653



SINGLES CLUB

Christmas dinner was held at Harry's downtown. 31 fabulous Singles enjoyed being together to celebrate the holiday season.

Then we will ring in the New Year & celebrate with more wonderful events to look forward to.

If you are single (Male or Female) & interested in meeting, making new friends, finding new & exciting things to do, come and join us.

We meet the 2nd Thursday of each month at 4:00, (to see information on what is being planned), in the Arts & Crafts Room. The 4th Thursday is for Outings, Birthdays & Potlucks.

For information contact: Lenore Foss 863-859-1138

Garden Club, Yard of the Month



Kevin & Michelle Taskila of 9533 Cypress Lakes Dr are winners of the Yard of the Month for January 2025. This is a well-established garden with changes made by the new owners and the overall appearance is lovely. There you will find Hibiscus, Croton and coleus, asparagus ferns. a ponytail palm at the corner and pots of lantana to brighten either side of the garage. Impatiens are scattered and Century plants (Agave) are placed in various spots in the garden. Schefflera and a Chinese Hibiscus together make a lovely display.

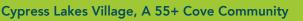
Make sure you stop by to see their plantings and congratulate them.

We, at the Garden Club, thank everyone for working on their yards/gardens and we look forward to all the beautiful ideas you will create! Remember it's your efforts to create beautiful gardens that enrich our community and make ours still one of the best of its kind anywhere Happy Gardening! Kathy Dunlevy

BONSAI CLUB

Cypress Lakes Village Bonsai Club will meet on the 2nd Thursday, January 9th in the Main Hall from 12 pm to 3 pm for our regular monthly meeting. Starter trees and classes available for beginners. Bring your trees, tools, and curiosity. We also meet the other Thursday mornings for Driveway Bonsai from 9 am to 12 pm. Open to all who have an interest in the craft of growing trees in pots.

> Contact Ron Sallada 863-604-5924 rsallada@tampabay.rr.com



DOG PARK

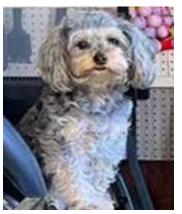
What an exciting year for the Cypress Lakes Dog Park!! Due to the hard work of the volunteers and Committee members, we see a nicer and safer park for all to use. We want to express a BIG thank you to our COVE ownership for their support, both financially and physically. Both the Small and Large areas are being mowed regularly, the concrete area has replaced most of the muddy areas and the fencing has been replaced from the storm damage. WOW!!We are so proud of the Baking Committee members and their hard work preparing the goodies for Bingo night and to all of you who have supported our cause through your donations. **SHUFFLEBOARD** Stay in touch with upcoming news and be a part of our continued growth. HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL. Janice Simmons, Chairman (423-943-1286).

Dog Park Bake Sale Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday - 5:30-6:30pm (Main Hall) Many thanks for your continued support.

SPRING- Bless the Animals, (Large Dog Park) Information Forthcoming

We wish to thank Gregg Nelson for volunteering again to take the photos at our events.

PET OF THE MONTH: Say hi to Lucy, a 3-year-old Yorkie-Poo whose mom and dad are John and Toni Coller on Troon Lane. Lucy loves to go on cart rides and run and play with her friends at The Dog Park. Her favorite thing is doggie treats!



PLEASE come and VOLUNTEER for different activities to assist us with The Dog Parks!

If anyone would like to volunteer to bake cookies, please contact either Susan Bodrie (734-812-7735) or Debbie Haynes (804-994-1938). Please do not hesitate to contact anyone of us, Janice Simmons, Judy Shettle, Dennis Bodrie, Susan Bodrie, or Debbie Haynes. We thank you so much for your continued support and donations.

CORNHOLE

We are playing outside again for the winter months at the shuffleboard/cornhole courts. No experience necessary. We split the group up in A and B players then blind draw for teams. And it's double elimination, play till your team loses 2 times, speaking of 2, it's only \$2.00 to play, that goes into the daily prize fund. So come out and enjoy a great game, hang with friends, make new friends.

January 9th, 16th & 23rd Tim Hughes 443-876-5376

Come on down to shuffleboard! What a great way to start the New Year! We play Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 7:00. If you have never played before, we'll teach you the game. Arrive by 6:45, and we'll give you a quick lesson and time to practice before it begins. All equipment is provided. All you need to bring is 3 nickels. Hope to see you there, right next to the pools! Priscilla Cary 863-337-4636

TENNIS



The Tennis Club extends light to all this New Year 2025 and we hope this New Year guides your path to join us on the tennis courts!

So we say "Cheers" to a New Year !! - which we hope involves you joining the Cypress Lakes Village Tennis Club!

Interested, have guestions, contact Lynda Pinsoneault -248-672-0833 - a cheerleader for tennis!



HORSESHOE PITCHING

After the devastation of the horseshoe pits by hurricane Milton, competitive horseshoe pitching has finally returned to Cypress Lakes. Hurricane Milton's winds, rain and flooding had a torrent of water rushing across our courts that washed away all the sand. Dean and his crew were able to get new sand in all the courts again and our first day of pitching was Nov. 27th with 12 of our players pitching their first shoes of the winter season. For those of you who have not pitched yet, we play every Wednesday morning and start promptly at 9:30. Our court positions and opponents are determined by a blind draw. We play three 20-shoe games each week, using count-all points scoring. All games are handicapped to level the playing field among pitchers of varying ability, and we change opponents after each game.

Unlike some other activities here at CLV there are no nickels or dollars required to play, just show up and join in the fun. We have horseshoes at the courts for you to use, or you can bring and pitch your own. (Many of our players have their own shoes). It's a fun and healthy activity, (walking, bending, stretching, and reaching), for anyone who enjoys the friendly competition of pitching horseshoes. You are not required to be there every week (we'd like it if you could), but as always, it's a come pitch whenever you can make it. So, plan to stop out on Wednesday mornings, either to join in the fun, or to just to see what it's all about. We'd be glad to have you join us!

On another note, recently one of our horseshoes was found left lying in the pit. Someone had pitched them and just left them in the sand. If you are pitching horseshoes here at CLV, please return the park's horseshoes back to the storage box, and don't forget to sweep the sand off the walkways and back into the pit, and level the sand in the pit.

The statistics from our most recent pitching are attached below so check out how you or your friends are doing. For more information or questions, you can contact Pat Simon Sr, (319-575-4411), or Chuck Moehring, (716-801-2700).

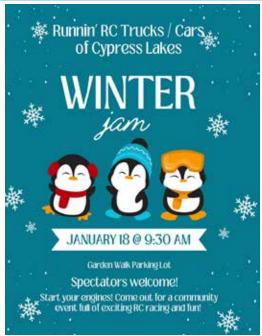


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Cecile	LeBlanc				12	3	48		0.00		0.00%	0.00%
Chuck	Parker	[]			13	3	47		0.00		0.00%	0.00%
Chuck	Moehring	4.0	2.0	141	23	6	37	375	62.50	25	20.83%	66.67%
Dave	Ferrier	i i			10	3	50		0.00		0.00%	0.00%
Dennis	McCarter				13	3	47		0.00		0.00%	0.00%
Deron	Underdahl	4.0	2.0	101	16	6	44	368	61.33	8	6.67%	66.67%
Doug	Taber	3.0	3.0	41	7	6	53	359	59.83	2	1.67%	50.00%
Don	Morevac	0.0	3.0	20	12	3	48	170	56.67	0	0.00%	0.00%
Ed	Seitz	2.0	4.0	98	16	6	44	362	60.33	11	9.17%	33.33%
Gary	Mann	3.0	3.0	72	11	6	49	366	61.00	5	4.17%	50.00%
Hugh	McDonald	5.0	1.0	97	15	6	45	376	62.67	12	10.00%	83.33%
Jeff	Logan				13	3	47		0.00		0.00%	0.00%
Jim	Pinsoneault				11	3	49		0.00		0.00%	0.00%
Joel	McCullough				21	3	39		0.00		0.00%	0.00%
Ken	Wonstolen	0.0	3.0	91	14	3	46	355	118.33	9	15.00%	0.00%
Linda	Harris	i i			11	3	49		0.00		0.00%	0.00%
Marty	Herring				9	3	51		0.00		0.00%	0.00%
Mike	Johnson	1.0	2.0	48	16	3	44	183	61.00	7	11.67%	33.33%
Pat	Simon	1.0	2.0	47	15	3	45	182	60.67	3	5.00%	33.33%
Phil	Doughty	4.0	2.0	102	17	6	43	366	61.00	14	11.67%	66.67%
Richard	Harris	2.0	1.0	38	12	3	48	176	58.67	2	3.33%	66.67%
Steve	Tydings	4.0	2.0	92	17	6	43	371	61.83	8	6.67%	66.67%
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HOBBY MODEL CLUB

Two RC Truck/Car racing events were held in November at Cypress Lakes Speedway (Garden Walk Parking Lot)...a "HUGE" shout out to everyone for supporting us, whether you are a driver (or soon to be), volunteer or spectator, we appreciate you!! Thank You to our race sponsors; Southeast Pressure LLC, Florida Vapor Barrier, Mr. Ralph's Painting and Brian Pest Control. As our club continues to GROW, we're here to help, please don't hesitate to reach out if you have guestions, we encourage you to get involved. Regular meetings are scheduled the second Wednesday each month @ 4:00 PM in the clubhouse (room locations change due to scheduling but we'll be there), join us. Topics of discussion include everything from RC Truck/Car racing to any hobby model activity...slot cars, RC Airplanes, model rockets and so on \bigcirc . Results from both the November 16th race and our inaugural "Turkey 500" sound a bit like a broken record, Steve LaScola took the checkered flag in both events...Congratulations Steve! The racing was "fast and furious". Steve took home gift cards for each WIN provided by



Southeast Pressure LLC. Driver skills are improving with each race and I anticipate that we may see some other names in the winner's circle soon. Check out Facebook posts by Chris Kyle and Gary Gentry for videos and pictures.

We have two races scheduled for January; the "New Year's Bash" on January 1st (what better way to bring in the New Year) and "Winter Jam" on January 18th...more details to come. We look forward to having you join us! Please contact Gary Gentry (813-577-2498) or text Steve Weaver (859-777-4915) for more information. Have a GREAT day!!

<u>Aqua Tabata</u> <u>Monday, Wednesday and Saturday at 1 PM for</u> the Fall & Winter Months

What is Aqua Tabata you ask? Tammy/Lynn will lead on Monday's at 1:00 pm; and Wendy/Lynn will lead on Wednesday's and Saturday's at 1:00 pm. Each class lasts about 45 minutes. The first set of 8 exercises are warm-up. Exercise is in the form of Tabata – ten sets of eight 20 second rounds of an exercise with a 10 second rest between. We do use water weights, but it is not necessary to have them; as you can use your hands or a noodle for resistance. We encourage everyone to bring water with them as we do take two water breaks – we don't want anyone to dehydrate.

This is held in the walk-in pool closest to the Fitness Center. This class (like any outdoor class) is weather permitting and if we are going to cancel class we do send out an e-mail on the CL Groups.io and two of the Facebook pages. This class is for anyone who wants to participate.

Wendy Klinge Tammy Wright Lynn Johnston (734) 323-1307 (813) 245-1578 (262) 573-5972



Cypress Lakes Village

PICKLEBALL: FUN, FAIR AND COMPETITIVE!

It good to see all our snowbirds returning! Our Turkey Shoot was held on November 12th with 16 women and 13 men shooting at turkeys for a \$15.00 gift card too Publix. The winners were Ann Stone with 65 points and Mike Johnson with 75 points. The Welcome Back Tournament was held on December 5th with winners being Pat LaFleur and Tim Burtch. Mike Johnson has offered to be the New Member Orientation coordinator. Mike will show new members the courts and even play a game or two with them. New members can contact Mike at 413-883-0165. It's time to renew your membership. Forms can be found in the unlocked brown case inside the Pickleball courts.

Upcoming save the dates are: January 12th pairing party in the Arts and Craft room at 5:00 pm for the Doubles Tournament. January 17th & 18th will be the Doubles Tournament starting at 8:00 am. Sunday, February 2nd will be the pairing party in the Arts and Crafts Room at 5:00 pm. for the Mixed Doubles Tournament. February 7th & 8th will be the Mixed Doubles Tournament starting at 8:00 am. For those wishing to compete in the Polk Senior games the dates are Saturday, February 22 - Saturday, March 8th with registration beginning on January 2nd. Monday, March 3rd at 8:30am is PB Women's Mixed Doubles, Tuesday, March 4th at

8:30am is PB Men's Mixed Doubles and Wednesday, March 5th at 8:30am is PB Mixed Doubles. For registration forms go to polkseniorgames.org. Not a Member? New member forms are available in the residence cabinet outside the entrance to the Pickleball courts. How to make a reservation: Reservations can be made by club members and residences on line at clpc.pickleplanner.com, our admin will then add you to the roster. Here you can make a reservation, see the times for all playing times and tennis times. To join our Facebook page go to Cypress Lakes Pickleball League and request to join.

For more information on our club, email clpickleball@gmail.com and we'd be happy to answer all your questions. Submitted by Helen Goddard, Membership/Publicity Coordinator and Julie O'Hara, Assistant



Winners of Turkey Shoot Tim Burtch and Ann Stone



Welcome Back Tournament Winners Pat LaFleur and Tim Brutch



Cards & Games

Loners

Thursday Night Euchre

<u>7-Nov</u>	-	-	<u>14-Nov</u>
Gary Riley	56		Bruce Richardson
Linda Davis	54		Don Bennehoff
Tim Schiema	₁ 52		Gary Riley
Jon Olsen	51		Karen Shepherd
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Diane Schlichting 63 Lois Stewart 58 55 Karen Shephard **Mike Wohlers** 54 Fran Anonzo 53 Fran Alonzo 4 Loners Diane Schlichting 4



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BINGO Join us for Bingo!

Tuesday, January 7, 14, 21, and 28

All residents are welcome to play and their house guests - 18 years and older. We play 10 games of regular bingo, 6 bonus games, and 3 jackpot games. More attendees means bigger payouts!

Tuesday, January 14 we will be collecting canned or non-perishable food. Bring a canned or non-perishable food item and receive a bingo card for a special game. (You will only receive 1 card for the food you bring.) The game will be played the first game of the evening and it will be a coverall paying \$50. The food is donated to a local food bank.

The doors open at 5 pm with card sales beginning at 5:30 pm until 6:45 pm. (We cannot accept any bill larger Come and join us to shoot some darts on Monday than a \$20 bill.) Bingo begins at 7 pm.

The Veterans Auxiliary will be selling hot dogs, chips & drinks October 1 and 15 from the kitchen beginning at 5:30. Come and join us for dinner with friends before bingo!

Our card packet prices are:

6 on a page: \$10 9 on a page: \$15 3 on a page: \$5 Daubers: \$2

The Veterans Auxiliary Association will be selling hot



Cribbage 13-Nov 1 Denise Mangano 27-Nov 1 Bill Glose 2 Harry Rosel 2 Denise Mangano 3 Juanita Kelly 3 Beverly Reitz 4 Keith Nelson 4 Harry Rosel 20-Nov 1 Paula Lester 4-Dec 1 Beverly Reitz 2 Keith Nelson 2 Keith Nelson 3 Mary Scissions 3 Juanita Kelly 4 Cindy Clark 4 Dottie Morgrage Monday Night Bridge 4-Nov 1 Lois Stewart 18-Nov 1 Bill Pike 2 Larry Spilbeler 2 Faith Mackinnon 3 Mel Schlichting 3 Diane Schlichting

11-Nov 1 Bob Suchenski 25-Nov 1 Bill Pike 2 Barbara McClorey 2 Dwayne Holland 2 Faith MacKinnon 3 Melodie Vohar 4 Betty Parker

dogs, chips and drinks January 7 and 21 from the kitchen beginning at 5:00. Come and join us for dinner with friends before bingo!

The Dog Park Committee will be having a bake sale January 14 and 28. Come support our community dog

park! We hope to see you at Bingo! Patti Wagner (814) 558-6311

CUE CLUB

Want to have some fun, come play "Kelly Pool" on Tuesday with us. Easy game that brings all skill levels to equality. We play from 4:30 to 8:00 PM. Come a little early to ensure a place.

DART CLUB

evenings, in the Billiards Room. We start between 5 & 6pm. Everyone is welcome to play, we have extra sets to loan if you don't have your own. We blind draw teams. Join us for an evening of fun & laughs! Please contact Jim Fairley 863-602-7090 for questions.

BOCCE BALL

New time for BOCCE BALL 9:30am Tues Thurs & Sat. Everyone welcome! Gary Rilley 863-603-8367

From The Big Cypress Golf Club - General Manager Allen Tener

REMINDER

Golf cart paths on both North and South Courses are for golfers playing a round of golf. To ensure everyone's safety, the following non-golfing activities are not allowed during daylight hours on the course: walking, jogging, bicycling, dog walking, fishing, or non-playing golf cart rides. Daylight hours are defined as ½ hour before sunrise and ½ hour BEFORE sunset. The course will be closed to all activities 1 hour after sunset. [Dog walking is not permitted on the golf course at any time].

2025 MATCH PLAY TOURNEY

Match Play sign up starts this month. Matches will start on January 6th players have two weeks to complete their first match and then have one week for the rest of their matches. Also, this is a handicapped event and stroked off the low ball. The higher handicapped player receives strokes equal to the difference in handicaps. Golf Staff will help with explaining and dotting cards.

2025 SEASON IS HERE!

Jan 6	Match Play Starts
Jan 26	South Couples Championship
Feb 1	Ladies Shoot Out
Feb 15	Men's Shoot Out
Feb 22	American-Canadian Day
Mar 22&23	Club Championship Weekend
Apr 3-6	Cypress Classic

SOUTH COUPLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Our Championship season starts this month with the Couples Championship on Sunday January 26th. The game for this will be a 6-6-6 format (1-6 Best Ball, 7-12 Alternate Shot 1 player tees off odd holes & 1 player tees off even holes 13-18 Shamble combined score). Sign up in the Billiards Room.

ADVANTAGES OF MEMBERSHIP AT BIG CYPRESS GOLF CLUB

Joining Big Cypress Golf Club offers a range of benefits designed to enhance your golfing experience, help you improve your game, and give you more opportunities to enjoy time with friends and fellow golfers. As a member, you have the freedom to play whenever you like, as often as you like, and in whatever style suits you—whether you enjoy the thrill of competition or prefer a relaxing, social round with friends.

<u>Stop by the Golf Shop for details on rates and to learn</u> more about what a membership can offer!

BCMGA

This is the seventh commandment of golf When Another Player is addressing the ball There are only two things that every other player should be doing when a player is addressing the ball: standing absolutely still, and watching the player hit. Movement is unacceptable. Talking is unacceptable. Fussing with equipment is unacceptable. Looking around is unacceptable. Stand still and watch the shot. If you can't render this simple courtesy, then you do not belong on a golf course.

If you don't receive the results of our Thursday games by the next day, please email me at txcochran@gmail.com with your email address.

How often do you land in the sand? When I do, I become angry because of the footprints that my ball ultimately ends up in. I know the deer and birds can't rake after themselves, but we carry rakes on our cart for a reason. To clean up after ourselves. Help the next player and rake up your tracks. Maybe the next time you are in the sand, you will have a decent lie.

Games for January 2025:

(9:00AM Shotgun Start; 8:30AM Check-In)

- January 2 President's cup (Stapleford) Individual
- Net (Entered in GHIN)
- January 9 Member-Member (Two-man best ball net)
- January 10 Member-Member (Two-man net total)
 - (Entered in GHIN)
- January 16 Two-man team Pinehurst
- January 23 Two-by-Four (2x4) Net Team (ABCD) (Entered in GHIN)
- January 30 One-man Mulligan net.

CLV CHRISTIAN GOLF FELLOWSHIP

Cypress Lakes Christian Golf Fellowship will play a scramble on the third Saturday of January, the 18th on the South Course with tee times starting at 11:30 am. We're on a Mission for Anchor House Ministries, so bring your team (singles, couples, and groups welcome), your best game, and a donation for Anchor House. All monies raised go to Anchor House Ministries in Auburndale. Open to anyone who plays golf, member, or nonmember.

Ron Sallada (863) 604-5924 or rsallada@tampabay.rr.com



From The Big Cypress Golf Club - General Manager Allen Tener

NMGA

Hello from the North Men's Golf Association. If you looking to join a golf group to have some fun playing golf with a great BUNCH of guys, please consider joining the North Men's Golf Association. We play both the front and back tees depending on age and handicap. We golf every Thursday year-round adjusting times to accommodate weather conditions.

The North Men's Golf Association plays a different game each week with a monthly field day scramble. We rotate our golf games of Low Net and Quota Points as well as playing a once-a-month Scramble with food and twice a year we play the Three clubs and a putter tournament with pizza!!

It's January at Cypress Lakes Village, another fabulous month to be part of our golf league. We are seeing a few cold mornings so watch the weather forecast just in case you need to throw on an extra layer for warmth. In no time at all. we will be golfing in warm weather again. We will be moving our start time back to 9:00AM with a check-in of 8:30AM for the Winter months.

Call Rick Yegge – President at 863-398-2488 if interested. Games for January 2025:

(9:00AM Shotgun Start; 8:30AM Check-In)

- Jan 2nd LOW NET
- Jan 9th Field Day Scramble with hot dog Luncheon
- Jan 16th QUOTA POINTS
- Jan23rd LOW NET
- Jan 30th QUOTA POINTS

NORTH STARS

Happy and healthy New Year to all of you. We welcome Linda Fye as a new member. She has already enjoyed the member/guest and Christmas Capers.

We hope to have an exciting year especially as we prepare for the Winter 'Cook out on January 8th after golf in the North Clubhouse. Bundle up and come have some fun.

Games for January 2025: (9:00AM Shotgun Start; 8:30AM Check-In)

- Jan 1st New year's Scramble
- Jan 8th Oh Yeah Scramble (birdies) Cookout to follow
- Jan 15th Partner, Partner, partner (chip-ins)
- Jan 22nd Eclectic (chip in and birdies)
- Jan 29th Eclectic (chip in and birdies)

BCLGA

Happy golf year 2025!! If you would like to start off 2025 by making new friends while golfing, then you owe it to yourself to join the Big Cypress Ladies Golf Association. When you become a member, you can be part of our fun get together at the grille (aka the 19 hole). There are also four fabulous, themed luncheons which we have at the main hall. What a great way to meet new golfers and be part of a pleasurable group! We welcome all skill levels, and our games are handicapped so everyone has a fair chance to win. Both Golf course members and non-members can join this fun Tuesday morning league.

Contact to join: Donna Short (816) 560 4297 Games for January 2025: (9:00AM Shotgun Start; 8:30AM Check-In)

Games for 9 Holers

- Jan 7 Stableford
- Jan 14 Quota
- Jan 21 Stableford
- Jan 28 Quota
- Jan 21 Odd HolesJan 28 Quota

• Jan 14 Even Holes

Jan 7

Games for 18 Holers

Low Gross / Low Net





From The Big Cypress Golf Club - General Manager Allen Tener

SWINGERS

Finally in December we got some good golfing weather in. Chilly to start but it warmed up nicely and we got back into the swing of things. I hope you all stopped by the Main Hall and checked out our Christmas Tree. Thanks to Kathi Hall we had a lot of laughs and got it up and decorated in no time!

Linda Hansen won the first chip-in pot since we got back. Though it wasn't as big as the Bar Bingo pots, the quarters will come in handy for bowling.

Dues and Donuts will be January 18, 2025, at 7:30 at the North Clubhouse. We will also have our winter luncheon on the 18th. At our lunch at the Grill, a few restaurants were discussed so I'm hoping to have something secured in the next week. Games:

Please be at the North Clubhouse at 8:30 so we

can be ready to tee off by 9:00.

Jan 4	Scramble	Team Play Best Ball	Back 9
Jan 11	Shamble	Reg Play Shamble	Front 9
Jan18	7:30 Meeting	Reg Play Par Bogey Double	Back 9
Jan 25	150+	Reg Play 3 Blind Mice	Front 9

Ladies, if you are looking to play golf with a fun group, consider coming out on Saturdays with the Swingers. Swingers are a women's only golf league that plays 9 holes on the North Course on Saturday mornings. No handicap is required to play, and we mostly play scrambles, so come out and join us. Our sign-up sheet is located in the billiard room next to the Pro shop.

Ladies, if you are looking to play golf with a fun group, consider coming out on Saturdays with the Swingers. Swingers are a women's only golf league that plays 9 holes on the North Course on Saturday mornings. No handicap is required to play, and we mostly play scrambles, so come out and join us. Our sign-up sheet is located in the billiard room next to the Pro shop.

PLEASE NOTE: If you have not signed up by Thursday you will have to go to the Pro Shop so there is enough time to put the cards together.

We are always welcoming new members. \$15 Membership and optional 25 cents for Chip-in's. We play Scrambles every week with 2 or 4 people teams, unless noted on the schedule. We meet at the North Clubhouse at 8:30 to go over play and 4somes. Tee off is at 9:00 with lunch at The Grill afterwards.

If you would like more information please call our President, Michele Wilson. Please leave a message as she doesn't not answer calls that are not in her contact list. If you are on Facebook, please friend Michele Wilson as she will invite you to join our page, Cypress Lakes Swingers Golf League. It will keep you informed of what is going on with play, and other information that will be pertinent to our league.

All games are subject to weather and number of players. If you are not playing, please call the Pro Shop @ 863-859-6871. Michele Wilson League President (863) 581-2033



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Food & Beverage Manager Steve Welsh

BIG CYPRESS GRILL

Hours of Operation Sunday & Monday 11:00AM-7:00PM Tuesday - Saturday 11:00AM-9:00PM Sunday & Monday Kitchen Open 11am-4pm Tuesday - Saturday Kitchen Open 11:AM-8:00PM 863-859-6741

<u>New Seasonal hours of operation</u>-on January 2nd we begin our new in-season food and beverage hours for the grill. Tuesday through Saturday we will be keeping the kitchen open until 8pm and the bar until 9pm. On Sundays and Mondays, the kitchen will be open from 11am-4pm and the bar will be open until 7pm. The added dining hour Tuesday through Saturday will allow additional time for residents to dine while enjoying musical entertainment, bar games, karaoke etc., and will also give you more time to order something for takeout off the menu! Sundays and Mondays will be open for lunch with a smaller menu but will still feature most of your favorite items.

Addition of Thursday Bar Games!- starting January 2nd and running through April 24th. This addition will surely be as popular as Tuesday evenings. Reservations will be taken for both days on Thursday morning as normal. Due to the popularity of Bar Games, we ask that on Thursday morning you make reservations for either Tuesday or Thursday only. This will allow for everyone to get a chance to participate at least one of these days. If either day in not filled by Saturday morning, you will then be able to make a reservation for the second night at that time. Thank you to our wonderful volunteers that make this night a huge success!



Kitchen Manager Cheyenne Franco

GAME NIGHT AT THE GRILL

EVERY TUESDAY & THURSDAY FROM 5-7PM Order Dinner & Drinks, hang out with friends and have a chance to win some \$\$

JANUARY ENTERTAINMENT

Reservations needed for all entertainment nights.

Karaoke 6-9 PM Every Wednesday

Friday, January 3rd - DJ Dennis Pell 6-9pm Friday, January 10th - DJ Dennis Pell 6-9pm Saturday, January 11th - Fever 6-9pm Friday, January 17th - Bone Cartel 6-9pm Saturday, January 18th - JT & Jen 6-9pm Friday, January 24th - AV Project 6-9pm Saturday, January 25th - DJ Dennis Pell 6-9pm Friday, January 31st - DJ Dennis Pell 6-9pm Saturday, February 1st - The Dukes 6-9pm

January 2025

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5	6	7 _{Bar} Games 5-7pm	8 Karaoke 6-9pm	9 Bar Games 5-7pm	10 DJ Dennis Pell 6-9pm	11 Fever 6-9pm
12	13	14 Bar Games 5-7pm	15 Karaoke 6-9pm	16 Bar Games 5-7pm	17 Bone Cartel 6-9pm	18 JT & Jen 6-9pm
19	20	21 _{Bar} Games 5-7pm	22 Karaoke 6-9pm	23 Bar Games 5-7pm	24 _{AV} Project 6-9pm	25 DJ Dennis Pell 6-9pm
26	27	28 _{Bar} Games 5-7pm	29 Karaoke 6-9pm	30 Bar Games 5-7pm	31 ^{DJ} Dennis Pell 6-9pm	1 The Dukes 6-9pm

Cypress Lakes Village

Resident News

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

What is Neighbor to Neighbor? We are volunteers in Cypress Lakes Village who help to provide companionship and safety to our neighbors. We check in on those who live alone or have caregivers that need additional support .We are also a resource for information about different agencies providing rides, cleaning, handymen, caregivers, and more. Our biggest challenge is identifying those who could use our services and ask that you keep us in mind should you or someone you know need help. We are also always looking for volunteers! For more information about Neighbor to Neighbor and our services, or to volunteer, please contact Cheryl Goetz at (863) 606-5265 or cln2n2021@gmail.com.

A big THANK YOU to our December speaker Patricia Henderson! Patricia represents Senior Connection Center, Inc and discussed the many programs that are available to seniors who may need assistance. Services start with a simple phone call to their organization, answering some questions from their staff to determine what services might be available and allowing them to assist in getting those services set up. Patricia was a wealth of information, and we truly appreciate her spending time with us. For more information on how Senior Connection Center can help you, please contact them at 1-800-963-5337.

Senior Connection Services will be at our next Neighbor to Neighbor meeting on February 10, 2025 at 3:00 pm in the North Clubhouse. Nutrition and Exercise will be the topic of discussion and we hope to see you there!
********Calling all Nurses/Caregivers!********

Do you have a desire to serve your community? Neighbor to Neighbor could be the answer. Our current leader and coordinator, Cheryl Goetz will be stepping down in March and we are looking for a caring individual to take over the reins and provide leadership to the group. If this sounds like something you may be interested in please contact Cheryl at (863) 606-5265 or cln2n2021@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE



Michigan "Daze" is coming to you in March. The Committee is hoping to have 3 days of activities to choose from. More information to follow. The Golf Outing and Dinner will be Saturday, March 15, 2025. Mark your calendars now so that you don't miss out. Raffle items are always welcome.

Also, if you are new and haven't received an e-mail from me regarding this event, please send your contact information to wklinge@duo-county.com. If you have any questions, please contact Wendy Klinge (734) 323-1307

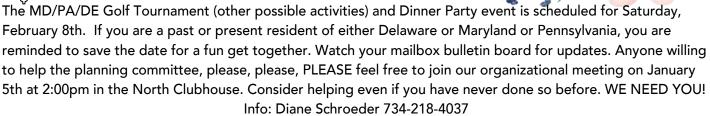
SAVE THE DATE

The Phase 10 Winter Social will be February 2nd from 6:00pm to 9:00pm. Come meet your neighbors! Because, after all, we are the perfect Ten. A delicious dinner will be catered from Palace Italian. Bring your own drink, and a finger dessert to share.

Tickets will be \$15.00 (cash please) for sale in the Clubhouse Lobby - Wednesday, January 22nd and Thursday, January 23rd from 9am-Noon. If you have any questions, please contact Lynne Johnson (859) 553-4844.



PENNSYLVANIA/MARYLAND/DELAWARE DAY: MARK YOUR CALENDAR





Resident News



newsletter online!

Desktop Newsletter Instructions:

- Go to covecommunities.com
- At the top of the page, you should see an 'All Destinations' tab. Click on that. Under the 'Central Florida' you should see "Cypress Lakes Village" Click on that.
- At the top of the page, you should see 3 options: Community Lifestyle, Golf, and Homes for Sale. Click on "Community Lifestyle"
- On the left hand side there is a bar called, 'Amenities' Click on the tab that says "Newsletter"
- Tada you've found the newsletter online!

Mobile Newsletter Instructions:

- Go to covecommunities.com and click the 3 green bars at the top righthand corner of your screen.
- Then go to the 'All destinations Tab' and select, "Florida"
- Under the 'Florida' tab select 'Central Florida' then click on "Cypress Lakes Village"
- Once to the CLV page click on the green "Menu" button in the top right corner
- Next you're going to click on "Amenities" in the upper left hand corner
- Click on "Newsletter"
- Tada you found the newsletter **New Residents** Phone Lot Address Criss, Darren & Cynthia 304-838-2833/304-838-1826 1185 1968 Big Cypress Blvd Kimmy, George 201-826-6008 2412 Big Cypress Blvd 408 702-400-7962/702-400-7644 Newell, Graig & Nancy 1010 2339 Peavine Circle Orosz, Dan & Helena 559-795-9863/559-776-2445 2334 Warbler Circle 1439 Webb, Kevin & Jacqueline 44 776-565-5678/44 741-506-6155 496 2319 Putt Lane

Resident Changes

Baker, Ginny	863-308-0867
Dudley, Gene & Laurie	9528 Troon Lane
Fenton, Judy	863-600-2832
Ingraham, Mark	2313 Peavine Circle
Lamkin, Bonnie	863-398-5106

Resident Changes Lamkin, Jim 863-450-5193 Lee, Elizabeth 613-935-5318 Lee, Rodger 613-861-9040

Meadows, Janet 309-338-3027 Johansen, Ove 9567 Cypress Lakes Dr

Resident Changes



647-509-5016

Tidings, Steven & Sue 2301 Peavine Circle

WELCOME COMMITTEE

Welcome to Cypress Lakes Village!

The HOA Activities Fair is on Saturday, January 18 in the Main Hall. It is a great opportunity to discover the many activities within Cypress Lakes Village and talk with other interested residents.

Our next Meet & Greet for new homeowners is on Thursday, February 6 at 10 am in the Arts & Crafts Room in the Main Clubhouse. We look forward to meeting you in person and delivering a Welcome Packet after you move in; please reach out to us if you are a new homeowner and have not received a Welcome Folder. RSVP now for the Meet & Greet and bring your Welcome Packet.

Pam Giesman (336) 416-9739 and Karen Skidmore karenskid@gmail.com Co-Chairs

Phyllis D'Ambrosio, Debra Kolb, Marsha Hoffman, Wendy Richards

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GOOD GRIEF

Parent, Ron

Good Grief is a program created to help encourage those who are experiencing the death of a spouse child, family member, or friend. It is based on the nondenominational program "Grief Share" which features biblical concepts for healing from grief. We meet weekly in the Cypress Room, at the Clubhouse, on Mondays at 1:00pm. You'll find it to be a warm caring environment, and you will come to see groups as an oasis on your grief journey.

The 13 sessions involve information packed videos featuring leading grief recovery experts and small group discussions about the weekly video content. Our first meeting will be Monday, January 6th. If you have any questions, feel free to call Karen Hathaway at 863-858-0859.

We hope you will consider this opportunity to meet and gain support from others who have lost loved ones also.

Fellowship

SONSHINERS

The SonShiners of Cypress Lakes is an inter-

denominational Organization committed to spreading the love of God through prayer and friendship. Karen Hathaway (863) 500-0694.

MONDAY LADIES PRAYER FELLOWSHIP

Welcome all who wish to begin the week with God! We meet in the Cypress Room at 10am and all are welcome to come and praise, pray and fellowship with us! Crystal Blow 802-673-0203.

WEDNESDAY LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Join us at 10am in the Arts & Crafts Room as we study the Bible. Jane Suchenski 863-666-7328.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Lakes Church, Cypress Lakes Village Campus conducts a Bible Study every Sunday morning in the Cypress Room from 9:30 am to 10:30 am prior to Church in the Main Hall which starts at 11:00 am. We are studying how to live a Christian life in a difficult world. Bring your Bible and join us. We pray, we worship, and we study the Word of God. Contact Ron Sallada 863-604-5924 rsallada@tampabay.rr.com

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Cypress Lakes Christian Men's Breakfast meets on the first Saturday of every month at the Golden Corral at 8:00 am when the doors open. We meet for breakfast, fellowship, and a spiritual dessert. This month we will meet on January 4th. Come, bring a friend, and join us! Contact Ron Sallada 863-604-5924 <u>rsallada@tampabay.rr.com</u>

LAKES CHURCH

Lakes Church – The Cypress Lakes Village Campus has Sunday Services in the Main Hall starting at 11:00 coordinated by the Lakes Church. Come for fellowship, a donut and coffee in the Main Hall prior to the 11:00 Service. The Services are conducted by our New Campus Pastor Mark Creech. Mark can be reached at 863-670-3074 (leave a message) or at mark.creech@golakeschurch.com for personal assistance. Services are also held a<mark>t th</mark>e Main Campus on Memorial Blvd. Please note: If you have an emergency or crisis during non-work church hours, an on-call Pastor is available to help. Call the Lakes Church at 863-682-0163. If you have a loved one in the hospital let us know at pastoralcare@golakeschurch.com or call the office at (863) 682-0163. Contact Bonnie Cochran at 214-923-5149 to volunteer to assist in various duties. Ron Sallada (863)-604-5924 or

<u>rsallada@tampabay.rr.com</u>

ROSARY GROUP

All residents are invited to attend a rosary group which meets in the North Course Clubhouse every Thursday at 7pm to recite the rosary. This group was originally formed as a response to the 911 attacks. Any questions? Call JoAnne Bonifield at 863-899-2004 or email to jojobon@tampabay.rr.com

Christian Conservative Chat for Ladies

Christian Conservative Chat for Ladies met every Monday from 2:30 to 4:30 PM in the North Clubhouse. We are currently studying The Acts of the Apostles and wound love to have new ladies join us! Questions, please call Kathy Dunlevy 404-3871902

MEMORIAL BRICKS

Placed in the Garden Walk, purchase a 4x8 brick for \$50 or an 8x8 brick for \$100 to commemorate an important event in your life, remember someone dear to you or to support the Garden Club. Funds help maintain the Garden Walk. Forms are located on the Garden Club bulletin board in the Oak Room. For information, contact Karen Parsons 315-720-4086////



Reformation Lutheran Church All Are Welcome!



Relevant Preaching & Outreach Projects Congregational Singing & Fellowship Opportunities Holy Communion & Familiar Liturgy

10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship

In-Person: 460 Old Polk City Road, Lakeland Online: www.facebook.com/lovinglutherans lovinglutherans@gmail.com or call 863-859-2264





From the HOA- President Gwen Snook

HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION NEWS

Happy New Year wishes for our residents and community in 2025! The Tree Lighting Event was a nice kickoff for the season of caring and sharing which we do so well here at Cypress Lakes! It followed the community Thanksgiving dinner for 184 people in the Main Hall and added to the festivities we enjoy so much (food is usually involved too!) The Mixed Chorus with Bruce Richardson directing and our Curtain Time Players skit written and performed by talented folks entertained us at the Tree Lighting.Thanks to each of you who participated to make it a special night! Leftover cookies (there weren't a lot!) were wrapped and held to join in the Golf Cart Caroling ice cream social, though the temps held the crowds down this year. But we still delivered cookies and songs to 69 homes. Again, volunteers had a great time putting it all together

Yes, many in the community are still reeling from damages and insurance issues from the hurricane season. We can still reach out to each other to help. Know your neighbors. Greet everyone with smiles or waves of welcome. Try to put yourself in others shoes. Be alert to their on-going special needs for parking for workers and service vehicles. The parties are over and we're taking down the trees (January 3) and making plans and resolutions for 2025! Can we all be more patient with each other and kinder in our approach?

Mark your calendar for the Homeowner's Association Annual Member meeting. Your dues must be paid by January 3 in order to attend and vote in this meeting. Proxies will be delivered after Christmas and if you will not be able to attend the meeting, please fill out the proxy and return it to the HOA office. We must have a quorum to conduct business! No absentee ballots are necessary as we have only two candidates running for three open positions. A motion from the floor to 'accept the slate' will be all that's necessary. The new board will then decide on an appointment to fill the vacancy. Interested? Let us know! By statute, no nominations can be accepted after the December Board meeting.

We have a budget for Membership to review and ratify, information about our proposed survey and Committee reports and other business on the agenda! We are planning a busy year and will need all of you to support our efforts, provide input, energy and suggestions and be good neighbors to each other! We are able to meet challenges and opportunities through everyone's efforts. We welcome your comments and suggestions at this meeting. Sign up to speak when you enter!

Happy New Year to all and as we reflect on the past to make plans for the future, remember you can't overestimate the power of a simple smile in a world that frequently feels divided and disconnected. Reduce your stress, lower your blood pressure, and boost your immune system – and everyone around you! It's simple, free and easy-to-do! I'll start! Gwen Snook, CLHA President 517-937-2921

HOA CALENDAR DECEMBER 2024

- Thursdays, 11 am 2 pm throughout Cypress Lakes community Peg Leg Ice Cream Truck
- Monday, January 6 Board of Directors Meeting, 6 pm, Arts & Crafts
- Wednesday, January 8 Resident Coffee, 8 am, Main Hall
- Wednesday, January 15 Annual HOA Members Only Meeting, Main Hall, 6 pm check in, 7 pm meeting
- Saturday, January 18 Monthly Pancake Breakfast, 7-9 am, Main Hall
- Saturday, January 18 Activities Fair, 11:30 am -2 pm, Main Hall
- Sunday, January 19 Kettle Corn with Spontaneous Consumption in the Garden Walk, 11 am 1 pm
- Monday, January 20 Food Truck Event in the Garden Walk, 5-7 pm
- Monday, January 27 PJ's BBQ Truck in the Garden Walk, 5-7 pm
- **There is no Night at the Movies in January.

From The HOA - President Gwen Snook

SHOW TIME ENTERTAINMENT

It's ShowTime for 2025! You've received your ticket package, the dates are on the calendar and we're ready to enjoy the shows! If your plans change and you have tickets you don't need, contact me at once! We hold a wait list for people who have guests coming in for each show! It's first come, first serve, so if you find YOU are needing extra tickets, again contact Gwen Snook at 517-937-2921. Our first show is 'Beautiful Loser', an excellent Bob Seger Tribute band. See you Thursday, January 9. "Say I'm old fashioned, say I'm over the hill....I like that old time rock and roll"!

BULLETIN BOARD NEWS

Just a reminder to please read the rules and guidelines posted on the Kiosks so that your posting can remain on the boards \mathfrak{S}

Hopefully soon the Kiosk located on Little Cypress Drive will be replaced as it is leaning on two trees. Please be careful when using that board to post your upcoming events.

HOA requests that you NOT post duplicates as there is limited space available. Also, please don't post events that are not going to happen for several months. It uses up space the current events need to use. You also need to live in the park to post a business card.

A reminder, we do remove faded and outdated information.

Thanks for taking the time to read over the guidelines so you have a better understanding of how the boards are used.

Our neighbourhood volunteers work very hard to your boards looking nice. Give them a big thank you if happen to see them cleaning up the boards. HAPPIEST of New Year's!!!

Patty Herblet

CLVBB Coordinator for the HOA 989-560-3363



Pancake

Breakfast

Saturday, January 18 7-9:30 am, Main Hall

\$6 tickets in advance, \$7 at the door

Includes: Sausage, Pancakes & Syrup or Blueberries, Scrambled Eggs, Fruit Cup, Juice & Cottee

Tickets at HOA Office during regular hours The weather is cooler so it's a good time for a hot breakfast! What a great start to your weekend!

Bring friends from your neighborhood! We'd love to recognize your group!

We'll reserve your table on request!



ACTIVITIES FAIR SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 MAIN HALL 11:30 am – 2 pm

Sloppy jo, chips & soda \$5 While you check out the tables!

Find out about a game or hobby or club you don't know about from friends and neighbors here at Cypress Lakes!

Join us for information, table raffles and camaraderie!

When was the last time you tried something for the first time!

It's a New Year! Take time for something new for YOU! ?? Gwen Snook 517-937-2921

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From The HOA - President Gwen Snook

CITIZENS ASSISTED PATROL (CAP)

We are all members of the Polk County Sheriff Volunteer Staff providing extra eyes and ears in Cypress Lakes! We currently have a few people in the queue for training but we welcome more! It takes more than two hours to patrol our 50+ miles of streets and you could help us! Applications are in the Oak Room. Our next regular meeting is Tuesday, January 7 in the Oak Room at 10 am. Check us out, ask questions, talk with veteran members to find out what we're about! Or catch us at the Activities Fair on January 18 in the Main Hall! We'll have a raffle for you to win pancake breakfast tickets too!

Be careful out there! When you walk, when you drive your car or cart, when you ride your bike. Only YOU can make the real difference. Slow down. Stop at pedestrian crosswalks when there are people crossing. Additional winter residents mean you need to stay alert, and obey posted speed limits and stop signs to keep everyone safe! Extra attention around congested areas like the clubhouse helps you be prepared!

Federation of Manufactured Homeowners <u>(FMO)</u>

Why me? Why you? Because this is the only homeowner-based organization working legislatively to Rob Kowalski 716.867.4149 Tobey Kress207.341.0656 maintain our lifestyle in leased lot communities. Membership is critical to FMO. It is their ONLY source of revenue. Everyone volunteers their time, just as with the HOA. We don't want to lose our major voice in the public arena. Please renew your membership and ask a neighbor to join. Numbers count. Nancy Black Stewart, legislative counsel for FMO in Tallahassee, can tell you that membership translates to votes when you're speaking to congress men and women. Make your voice count by being part of this important organization! Questions about what they do? Contact one of us or see us at the Activities Fair on January 18! Gwen Snook 517-937-2921 Richard Szarowicz 716-984-4236 Caprice Temple 719-661-8702 FMO Reps

CERT

Welcome to 2025 Cypress Lakes Village! Another year is behind us, as is the memory of the 2024 Hurricane Season. Some of you may still be dealing with cleanup and repairs, but at least the nicer weather is upon us for a while. Your Cypress Lakes CERT had a successful exercise at the end of November which simulated removing a patient from under a vehicle and transporting to the staging area in the Main Hall to await paramedic response. Teams practiced stabilizing the vehicle, splinting, backboarding, and working as a team to move the patient. Our theme for 2025 is to perfect the basics. We want to focus on a few key skills and practice them over and over. Due to some of our team relocating, we have some vacancies on the roster that we would like to fill. Please consider joining our group. We only train and operate to our skills level, and no contribution is too small. The commitment is 6 meetings a year, and a 20 hour county training to be completed within a year of joining. We will be meeting the last week of January - date to be determined as we are looking to possibly move our meeting night. Meetings are typically 60-90 minutes, and no previous experience is necessary. Watch the Cypress Lakes Village email for the date and time this month. This is a great way to give back to the village we all call Home. Happy New Year!



Diana Stewart CERTIFIED NURSE

Caregiver Curative Care H I Palliative Care **Temporary Living** Cell 863-338-0606 Email: tulearnikki@gmail.com 2408 Sandcrane Trail Lakeland, FL 33810



"BETWEEN THE LANES"

by Bonnie Binns, Courtesy Patrol Manager 863-209-2887 bbinns@covecommunities.com The mission of Courtesy Patrol is to provide a secure, quick and pleasant entry experience into Cypress Lakes Village for our residents, guests, visitors and contractors, with accuracy and accountability and an emphasis on safety with our Rover Patrol.

As we enter the new year and our northerners are home to "bask in the sun", we would like to ask, <u>"Do You Know Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety?"</u> Many Cypress Lakes Village residents and visitors enjoy bicycle rides. Unfortunately, pedestrian and bicycle injuries and fatalities remain high. According to the GHSA's (Governors Highway Safety Association) annual Spotlight on Highway Safety Report, in 2023, many pedestrians and bicyclists were killed while walking or crossing roadways nationwide. Courtesy Patrol would like to raise awareness of the dangers to both the pedestrians, bicyclists and the driver while providing tips to keep everyone safe.

You Can Be the Pedestrian!

We all have different preferences when it comes to transportation, but at one time or another, everyone is a pedestrian! When walkers practice safety tips and drivers maintain safe speeds and practice other safe driving behaviors, safer walking environments are created for everyone in our community.

Safety Tips for Walkers:

- Follow the rules of the road and obey stop signs and our 15 MPH speed limit through the community. The speed limit entering the Gatehouse is posted at 10 MPH.
- Walk facing traffic and stay out of the path of oncoming traffic.
- Cross streets at crosswalks or intersections. Look for motorists in all directions, including those turning left or right. Motorists need to yield to pedestrians at crosswalks at the Clubhouse.
- If a crosswalk or intersection is not available, locate a well-lit area where you have the best view of traffic. Wait for a gap in traffic that allows enough time to cross safely; continue watching for traffic as you cross...especially when walking your pet.
- Wear high visibility clothing and carry a flashlight when walking your pet after dark.
- Watch for cars entering or exiting driveways or backing up in parking lots.
- Avoid alcohol and drugs when walking; these impair your abilities and your judgment.

Safety Tips for Bicyclists in Florida:

- Make sure all equipment on the bicycle is in working order (brakes, gears, tires, etc.).
- Wear a helmet if you are under age 16.
- Wear appropriate shoes (such as sneakers).
- Be seen! Wear bright colors and reflective clothing at night. Have a light on your bicycle.
- Ride in the same direction as traffic and stay as far to the right as possible. All bicyclists must obey traffic controls and signs. Do not cycle through stop signs or expect motorists to give you the right of way!

Safety Tips for Motorists and Golf Carts:

- Look out for pedestrians and bicyclists everywhere, always...especially dog walkers.
- Use extra caution when driving in low visibility conditions, such as night or foggy bad weather.
- Do not pass on double yellow lines, particularly over our bridges and at our crosswalks...look for pedestrians crossing a bridge, maybe admiring the wildlife.
- Slow down and be prepared to stop when entering a crosswalk such as in front of the Grill. Yield to pedestrians and stop far back from a crosswalk to give other motorists an opportunity to see the crossing pedestrians so they can stop, too. Pedestrians should never have to run to get out of your way!
- Never pass a vehicle stopped at a crosswalk. There may be people crossing where you can't see. Be patient and stay in your lane.
- Never drive under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs; these impair your abilities and your judgment.
- Be extra cautious when backing up out of driveways and at our community buildings. Watch for pedestrians and dog walkers.

Your Courtesy Patrol Team wishes you a wonderful and safe New Year as we share our roads, "between the lanes."



January Anniversaries & Birthdays

Barbara Thouvenin

Clifford Andrews

David Eddy

Steve LaScola

Paul Olekoski

Leo Schess

Nancy Shaw

Kay DiNova

Kenneth Hall

Barbara Klein

Gwen Snook

Tom Helding

Norman Kee

Brian Rhody

Mary Travis

John Autry

Rita Wood

Nurys Garcia

Carole Mason

Lynn Seelbinder

Nadine J. Vandam

Janice Gardner

Marguerite Dube

James Gallagher

Barbara Brown

Doug Grahlman

Erik Olsen

Theresa Shepherd

Fayth Warmington

Durwood Winchell

Donald Brandsma

Alan & Cheryl Bushy	1/4
Thomas & Joanne Fleming	1/5
Danny & Sandra Hollon	1/6
Randy & Jacqui Newhouse	1/6
William & Diane Larkin	1/6
Alan & Victoria Dicks	1/8
Robert & Lorraine Dragon	1/8
Ronald & Faye Saltzman	1/8
Leslie & Victoria Watson	1/10
Dan & Becky Hardy	1/11

Danilo Bayaca	1/1
Raymond Berube	1/1
Charles Lairamore	1/1
Douglas Long	1/1
Don Saunders	1/1
Barry Simmons	1/1
Don Smith	1/1
Roxanne Berg	1/2
Lori Dunn Haley	1/2
Bill Harloff	1/2
Linda Jones	1/2
Alfred Larsen	1/2
Gladys Levier	1/2
Sharon Confer	1/2
Sharon Oliver	1/2
Jerry Smith	1/2
Dawn Hand	1/3
Richard Hanson	1/3
Ken Liberatore	1/3
Vida McCullough	1/3
Richard Szarowicz	1/3
Cheryl Tiemens	1/3
Lisa Wright	1/3
John Azzoto	1/4
Jane Berrier	1/4
Betty Boram	1/4
James Confer	1/4
Chris Graham	1/4
Roger Jensen	1/4
Margaret Krawczak	1/4
Barbara Parrott	1/4
Corey Sigut	1/4
Diane Tomiuk	1/4
Deborah West	1/4
Margaret Zaker	1/4
Scott Duemler	1/5
Marlene Klein	1/5
Victoria Krug	1/5

Richard & Alice Singer Steven & Ginger Rubio Ken & Carol Liberatore Thomas & Janet Enda Todd & Julie Stofan Ray & Cookie Westgate Fred and Nancy Biery Pedro & Gail de la Cruz Mark & Vilma Devries Nathan & Sarah Tackett

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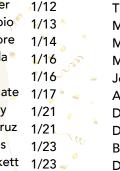
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3		Vincent DiNova	1/15
		Patrick Haley	1/15
		Diane Larkin	1/15
		Michael Lyes	1/15
Anne Andress	1/11	Barbara McClorey	1/15
Josephine Deraco	1/11	Judy Monnich	1/15
Mark DeVries	1/11	Donna Robinson	1/15
Paula Macchiabella	1/11	Cookie Westgate	1/15
Terry Moul	1/11	Stephen Hatfiled	1/16
Deb Robert	1/11	Patricia Herblet	1/16
Laura Werner	1/11	Gary MacArthur	1/16
Beverly Winans	1/11	Kathy Schumacher	1/16
Shelli Burgess	1/12	Raymond Coxe	1/17
Jason Caskanette	1/12	Judith Davis	1/17
Bryan Everett	1/12	Tammy Franklin	1/17
Paul Goostrey	1/12	Joe Pellak	1/17
Judi Huffer	1/12	Kevin Shell	1/17
David Still	1/12	Donald Temple	1/17
Christine Wohlers	1/12	Michael Andress	1/18
Melinda Young	1/12	Charlie Burtch	1/18
Debra Adedokun	1/13	Robbin Clarke	1/18
Jeffrey Cote	1/13	Julaine Grunwald	1/18
Dave Crandall	1/13	Denise Kree	1/18
Tom Evans	1/13	Terry Peterson	1/18
Charles Graham	1/13	Jane Basta	1/19
Kenneth Hoffman	1/13	Marilyn Davis	1/19
Bea Mielke	1/13	Diane Faulkner	1/19
Cara Nightengale	1/13	Iris Hansen	1/19
Barbara Swierk	1/13	Coleen LaValley	1/19
Lawrence Tierney	1/13	Ruth Johnston	1/19
Victoria Wagner	1/13	James Nickerson	1/19
Lydia Brown	1/14	Gary Sandow	1/19
Debra Kovich	1/14	Lise Stearns	1/19
Roger Olivier	1/14	Lois Foster	1/20
Diane Vollmer	1/14	Laura Leseberg	1/20

Cypress Lakes Village COVE COMMUNITY

December Birthdays

Craig Mckeever	1/20
Donna Menart	1/20
Donna Short	1/20
Patricia Stegner	1/20
Ed Collins	1/21
Michael Derrick	1/21
Joni Jewart	1/21
Debra LoSchiavo	1/21
Robert Marquardt	1/21
William Mennen	1/21
Pamela Neeley	1/21
Tom Paulson	1/21
Julie Amos	1/22
John Clark	1/22
Althea Dobbins	1/22
Richard Duane	1/22
Delia Harris	1/22
Ken Large	1/22
Peter Iaria	1/22
Earl Laughlin	1/22
Robert Moreau	1/22
Dennis Pell	1/22
Ed Stewart	1/22

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	Richard Donaldson	1/23
	Karen Hathaway	1/23
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	Lisa Mazur	1/23
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	William Riley	1/24
	Mark Smith	1/24
	Jeanne Winchell	1/24
	Becky Jensen	1/25
	Charles Lanczkowski	1/25
	Randy Summers	1/25
	Milda Collins	1/26
	Robert Collins	1/26
	Connie Doughty	1/26



"Sweet Celebrations from Our Hearts to Yours" Ambassadors (volunteer residents) host this event bimonthly 6 times a year. Make sure you mark your calendars to save the date & time. Stop by for a free, sweet, homemade treat made by other residents to celebrate all resident birthdays! It does NOT have to be your birthday month, help us celebrate everyone with homemade goodness.

- Who: ALL residents are welcome
- When: Sunday, January 19, 2025
- Time: 3:00 4:45 p.m.
- Where: Arts & Craft Room
- Why: January/February Birthdays

If you are, or know any residents who are home confined, and would enjoy a treat delivered to them, please let us know. Or if you would like to join in as an Ambassador, contact Stacy Scott-Calcagni, 225-772-2408.

23	Daniel Gagne	1/26	Bonnie Barrett	1/29
23	Daniel Hollon	1/26	Dean Bonaiuto	1/29
23	Roseline Klembarsky	1/26	Terry Ezekiel	1/29
23	Alma Lokken	1/26	David Fozard	1/29
23	Daniel Shepherd	1/26	Kent Keesling	1/29
23	Cheryl Violette	1/26	Bob Logan	1/29
23	Vicki Armendinger	1/27	Karen Skidmore	1/29
23	William Glose	1/27	Richard Toth	1/29
23	Diane Greb	1/27	Mark Wagner	1/29
23	Lawrence Kauffman	1/27	Angela Werksman	1/29
23	Dominic Piozi	1/27	Thomas Ellis	1/30
24	Gerald Titherington	1/27	Sheryl Myers	1/30
24	James Chiado	1/28	George Rundt	1/30
24	Karl Farmer	1/28	Ronald Shewman	1/30
24	George Giesman	1/28	Jeanne Thompson	1/30
24	Evelyn Hees	1/28	Michal Wright	1/30
24	Sam Holbrook	1/28	Marie Gregorich	1/31
25	Paul Maciejewski	1/28	Pat Kane	1/31
25	Bonnie Mallard	1/28	Cinda Lindsey	1/31
25	Dennis McLaughlin	1/28	Michael Mangano	1/31
26	Madeline Mott	1/28	Julie Retzlaff	1/31
26	Robert Talvensaari	1/28	Barton Tokas	1/31
26	Lynn Williams	1/28	Lealand Wallin	1/31



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Mike Cook



A big THANK YOU to DJ Dennis Pell and all the of the volunteers, we could not have done this without you!!

We hope everyone had a wonderful & fun evening and we hope to have this event next year!



Special Events





Date & Time

Saturday January 11th plan to meet in the admin parking lot to begin boarding at 10:15 a.m. for a 10:30 a.m. departure and plan to reboard at 3:15 p.m. for a 3:30 p.m. departure back to CLV.

Trip Details

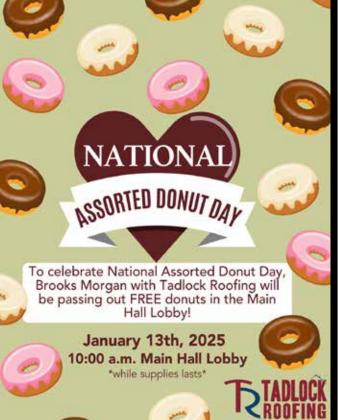
Join us for an independent trip to the Hard Rock Casino and Cafe! Hop on the bus for a day of gaming, dining, and fun. Whether you're into slots, table games, or exploring the Hard Rock Cafe, there's something for everyone. There will be limited seating so sign up now in the Lifestyle Office!

COOKING WITH PAULIE

Experience watching a special dish being prepared by Paul Biango! Once the meal is complete you will be served and receive a copy of the recipe.



\$20.00 per person Minimum 10 - Max 25 People Sign-up in the Lifestyle Office by January 10th



The Cypress Lakes Entertainment Committee presents VALENTINE'S DAY DANCE



Friday February 14, 2025 Doors open 6:30pm, Dancing 7pm – 10pm, Music by Fever Band Snacks available – BYOB 50/50 Drawings & Raffle Tickets \$10.00 On Sale Wednesday Feb. 5th 9am – Noon, Tables of 8 8 Tickets Max Individual Purchase Save Your Place in Line from 7am – 7:30am on Feb 5th. ??? Donna Massaro 609-203-0174

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Come out and show off your favorite soup or chili recipe

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Cooks meeting is scheduled for February 5, 2025 at 2:00 pm in the Palm Room Please contact : Margie Holmes (856-981-5580) to reserve your spot

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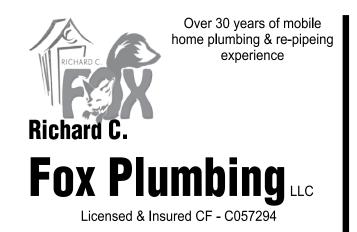
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