

# January 2025



## River Vista RV

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HELLO  
*January*  
2025



## facebook

Facebook pages:  
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Village

River Vista RV Village.

## instagram

@covecommunities

@rivervistarv

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Office Telephone (813) 645-6037

After Hours Telephone (813)-613-6296

Hillsborough County Sheriff Office (813) 247-0455

Hillsborough Non-Emergency (813)-247-8200

## OFFICE HOURS -

Monday – Friday 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM

Saturday 9AM- 1PM

## OUR CORE VALUES

**HOSPITALITY** – We love what we do, and it shows

**EXCELLENCE** – We raise the bar

**PASSION** – We make every moment count

**TRUSTWORTHY** - We consistently do the right thing

**STEWARDSHIP**– We value the world and care for it

**KINDNESS** – We follow the golden rule

Happy New Year 2025!

Hello everyone.

Welcome to River Vista RV Village to all new guests and welcome back to all that were here in the past.

Our activities group has a lot planned for your enjoyment. All activities are sponsored by volunteers. It is a big job that is sometimes overlooked. Having a lifestyle is what keeps everyone coming back. We need activities to keep the park alive. So, here is a BIG Thank you to all who have planned our events and to all the volunteers that make it happen. You are very much appreciated by all!!

Office hours are M-F 9am-3:30pm. Saturday hours, 9am -1pm. Emergency after hour phone number is 813-613-6296 Facebook – River Vista RV Village and Activities at River Vista Email - rivervista@covecommunities.com

Sales- If you have family or friends that would like to purchase one and live in our beautiful community, you and the buyer will receive an extra \$1,000. In your pocket.

We currently have 2 units for sale. They are both one bedroom/one bath. If you are planning to sell your unit, you must let the office know before putting a sign in your window.

The boat ramp and firepits are open. Please remember to clean up after each use which includes putting out the campfire and cleaning up the ring. Please only use natural wood in the firepits. No treated wood or pallets. Please if you are using the fishing pier down at the boat launch, do not leave your vehicle or golf cart parked on the concrete. Use the grass on the east side of the boat launch.

For those of you who have a concrete driveway or carport, please use that for parking and do not park on the grass.

**BIG REMINDER** – PLEASE do not put anything down your toilet other than toilet paper. Our sewer system cannot handle wipes, flushable or not.

**PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR PET! THERE ARE PLENTY OF DOGGIE DEPOT AREAS AROUND THE PARK.** This is not only a park rule it is also a Hillsborough county rule! All pets **MUST** be on a leash, no longer than 6ft, when outside your home or RV. No unattended tying/caging and **NO** electric fences.

Speed limit inside the community is 10mph.

Quiet time is between 10pm and 7:30 am

Pool – swim at your own risk (**NO LIFEGUARD**), pool closed at dusk, **NO** night swimming and **NO** glass, No food and No Pets in the pool area, amenities/sports courts. No smoking or the use of electronic cigarettes in the Clubhouse or in any other amenity buildings.

Please while traveling the streets at night, wear a flashlight while walking or biking and all golf carts **MUST** keep their lights on.

If you hear rumors – come to the office and ask. Do not assume you are receiving the correct information.

# From your Lifestyle Coordinator

*hello January...*



Happy New Year, welcome 2025! It's a new day, month and year. December was the most wonderful time of the year and also the busiest at River Vista ending with a blowout NYE party.

Kicking off 2025 with so many activities and events. January is busting with food events, BIG 10 Breakfast, Ladies Tacky Tourist Lunch, Guy's Gathering and D.A.V. fundraising Cheeseburgers and a Dessert Auction. Outdoor activities include start of Shuffleboard, our 1st Shuffleboard tournament, Pickleball tournament and Cornhole tournament. Pirates invade again this year with our annual Gasparilla Dance, we will have a Caribbean Happy Hour featuring Ron Headley on pans. HOT SHOT begins and Trivia is back. Jammers, Karaoke and Music Bingo rounds out our music activities. Beading with Debbie, One Blood and of course weekly BINGO.

February Save the Date for Valentines Day Dinner and a Show, Coves Got Talent, John Russell Magic Show, D.A.V. Silent Auction and lunch, Annual Spaghetti Supper, Ladies Lunch Adventure, Guy's Gathering, Annual Poker Run and a "Rock Out" Dance.

DAV fund raising events will include the annual raffle of a YETI kit includes a 24 can cooler, cooler net, 2 Yeti 35oz. Rambler cups and a \$50 ABC Fine Spirits gift card, a \$425 value. Perfect for camping, boating, the beach, pool picnics and fishing. Tickets are \$5 each and on sale now and will be at activities and events. River Vista residents raised \$6,026 last year, and have already raised \$670.

I will be recruiting as much help as possible for the silent auction. See me in the clubhouse to become a part of the leadership committee. Remember monies raised are donated in the name of **Residents of River Vista**.

One small  
positive  
thought  
in the morning  
can change your  
whole day



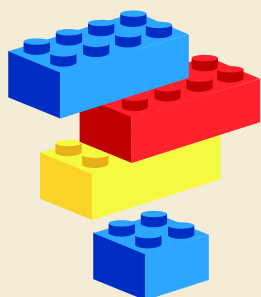
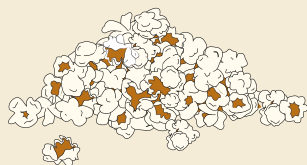
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# KICKSTART THE YEAR

## January

Embrace the chill of January, the month of fresh starts and cozy comforts! Kickstart the year with New Year's Day, making resolutions and dreaming of what's to come. As the days unfold, find solace in the little things – snuggle up on Cuddle Up Day, tantalize your taste buds on Chocolate Cake Day, or take a break from your usual routine on Opposite Day. From cheese connoisseurs celebrating Cheese Lover's Day to sleep enthusiasts embracing Festival of Sleep Day, there's no shortage of whimsy and joy to be found. This month, we invite you to revel in each day and find delight in the simple pleasures that January offers.

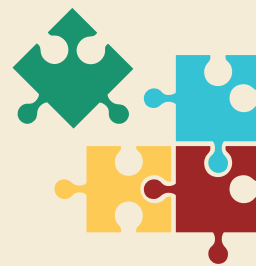


New Year's Day  
World Introvert Day  
Festival of Sleep Day  
Spaghetti Day  
Bird Day  
Cuddle Up Day  
Tempura Day  
Bubble Bath Day  
Shop For Travel Day  
Houseplant Appreciation Day  
International Thank-You Day

Hot Tea Day  
Sticker Day  
Dress Up Your Pet Day  
Hat Day  
Nothing Day  
Museum Selfie Day  
Winnie-the-Pooh Day  
Popcorn Day  
Cheese Lover's Day

Hugging Day  
Polka Dot Day  
Pie Day  
Peanut Butter Day  
Opposite Day  
Green Juice Day  
Chocolate Cake Day  
Lego Day  
Puzzle Day  
Croissant Day

Inspire Your Heart with Art Day



# The History of Gasparilla

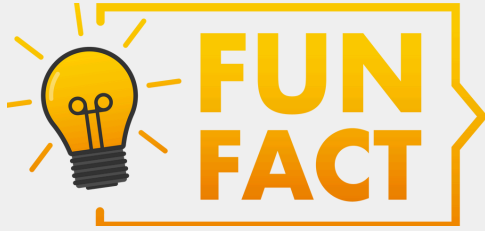
The name and foundation of Tampa's traditional Ye Mystic Krewe of Gasparilla Pirate Invasion and Parade come from legendary pirate Jose Gaspar, "last of the Buccaneers," who terrorized the coastal waters of West Florida during the late 18th and early 19th century.

As an aristocrat by birth and officer in the Spanish Navy, Gaspar was well educated, possessed courtly manners and had all the appearances of a fine gentleman.

When Jose Gaspar died, he supposedly left an untold fortune in buried treasure somewhere along the Florida coast. Though that treasure has never been discovered, the story of the swashbuckling Gaspar was unearthed and his memory revived in 1904 when Ye Mystic Krewe of Gasparilla was formed and adopted the pirate as patron rogue of their city-wide celebration.



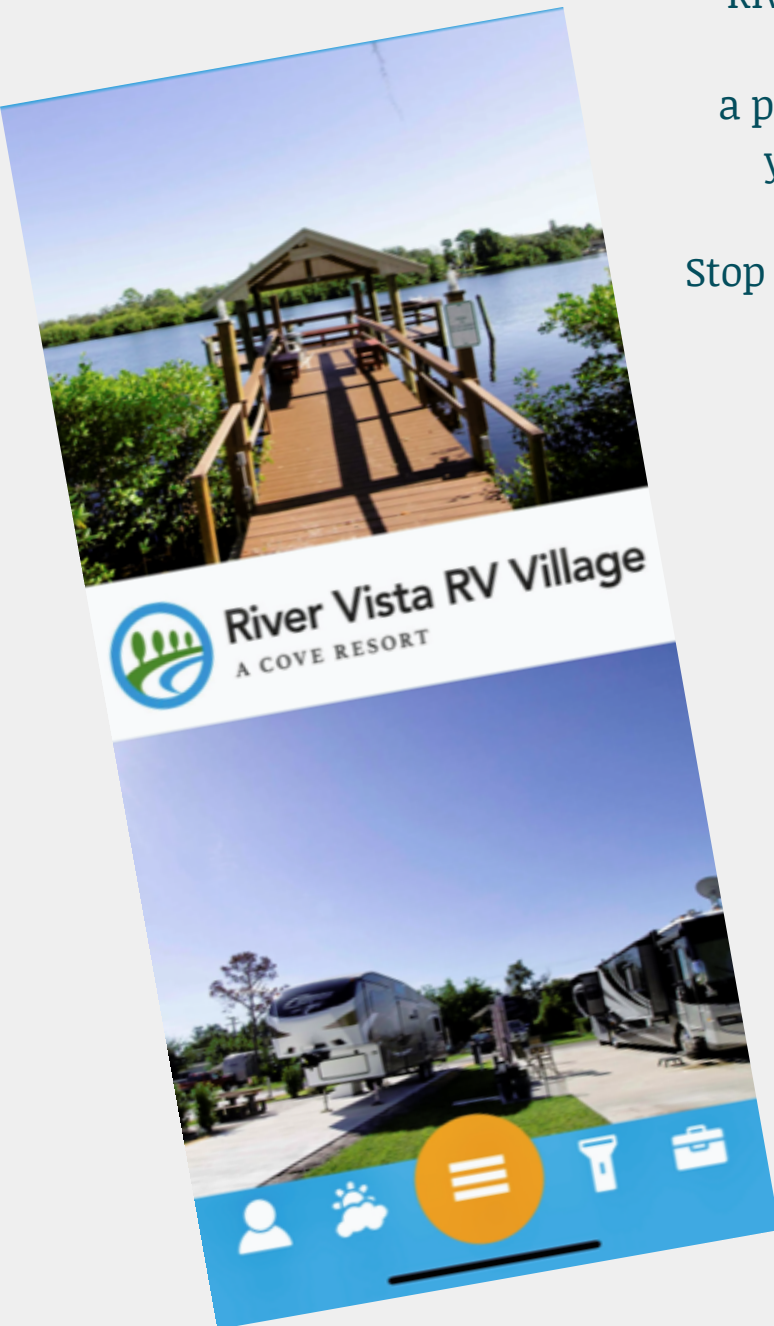
# Get Connected to What's Happening



## GET CONNECTED

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

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



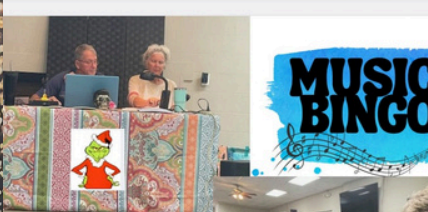
# DECEMBER HIGHLIGHTS





River Vista RV Village, A 55+ Cove Community







# LET THE NEW YEAR BEGIN...

**BIG 10**  
IN THE CLUBHOUSE  
SATURDAY, JANUARY 11TH  
9:00AM

A BIG 10 Hunter's Breakfast. Serving a hot and fresh breakfast plate that includes 10 delicious items: **\$10.00**

1. Ham
2. Bacon
3. Sausage link
4. Scrambled eggs
5. Home fries
6. Beans
7. French toast
8. Pancake
9. English muffin
10. Orange Juice, Coffee

\$10.00 advance ticket required.

**GONE HUNTING**

**GASPARILLA PARTY & DANCE**

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

He is said to have terrorized the Gulf of Mexico between the late 15th and early 17th centuries. Rumor has it that Gaspar died, he left an unopened fortune in buried treasure somewhere along Florida's coast. To this day, it has yet to be found. "Gasparilla" literally means "little Gaspar" in Spanish.

**15TH JANUARY 7PM TO 10PM**

**Music by Beamer**  
\$10.00  
PURCHASE TICKET 10AM-2PM M-F IN CLUBHOUSE

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**MIXED CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT**

**\$5.00 ENTRY** Saturday, January 4th  
10:00 AM  
9:00 am registration - 9:30 Round Robin

Mixed Cornhole Tournament - Round Robin, Double Elimination.  
Draw at 9am. Tournament starts at 10am sharp.  
\$5 entry. Sign up in clubhouse.  
\$5 Air Mail Challenge.  
D.A.V. Cheeseburger Plate on sale 10:30am. \$7.00

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**GUY'S GATHERING LUNCH**

January 17th, 12:00 PM  
Last day for tickets is (January 6th)

Italian Meatball Sub Sandwich, loaded baked potato, chopped wedge salad and dessert.  
\$10.00 sign up and advance ticket required.

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River Vista Golf League  
Cypress Creek Golf Club  
Ruskin, FL

Play Weekly, All golfers please sign up.

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**Pickleball Tournament**

Thursday, January 11th  
8am

Cash Prize for 1st and 2nd place **\$5 Per Person**

Blind Draw @ 8:00 am  
Games Start at 8:30 am  
Double Elimination  
Sign Up In Clubhouse  
More Information :  
Contact Renaye Williams Lot 541

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**Let's Go**

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**HOTSHOT!**  
TUESDAYS STARTING  
JANUARY 7TH  
7:00 PM

**\$1 Per Line - 3 Lines Max  
10 Games Total**

Easy & Fun Game to Play!  
Bring a drink and treat to share with neighbors!

Hosted by Mike & Deb Hyneman

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**AMBASSADOR MEETING**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3RD  
10:30AM

It's the beginning of the New Year! Not only do I want to get together to say a BIG Thank You to all of our amazing Ambassadors, but also have many upcoming exciting activities and events to share.  
Coffee and pastries.

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**SO MUCH FUN!**

Ride By Your Seat Bus Lines  
presents  
**TACKY TOURIST LADIES LUNCH**

THURSDAY  
JANUARY 16TH  
12:00PM

**Road Trip!**

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**enjoy!**

Dress to NOT impress in your tackiest tourist outfit and board the bus for a road trip you will not forget.  
Serving a "Take It or Leave It Blue Plate Special" \$10.00 per person sign up and advance ticket required.



# Save the Date

**Valentines Day Dinner & A Show - Celebrity Newlywed Game**

Friday, February 14th  
6:00 pm

*You do not want to miss it!!*

EVENT INCLUDES DINNER OF ROASTED PORK LOIN, MARRY ME CHICKEN, PARSLEY POTATOES, ASPARAGUS, TOSSED GREEN SALAD, PARKER HOUSE ROLLS AND KILLER CHOCOLATE CAKE.

\$12.00 PER PERSON, ADVANCE TICKET REQUIRED, LIMITED SEATING. SEE DELILAH FOR TICKET. ADULTS ONLY, NO REFUNDS.

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**Spaghetti Dinner**

Saturday, March 4th  
4pm

Keeping with tradition- A Spaghetti Supper includes a special recipe Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce, Tossed Salad, Garlic Bread & Dessert. Sign up and ticket required.

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**POKER RUN**

\$7.00 per person

**SATURDAY  
FEBRUARY 28TH  
10:30 AM**

Sign up on or before cut off 2/19 12:00 PM.  
No walkers, cars or trucks allowed.  
7 total stops

Bonus- Lottery tree raffle!!  
START & END AT THE CLUBHOUSE PARKING LOT

**CASH PRIZES  
1ST, 2ND & 3RD**

ENJOY REFRESHMENTS IN CLUBHOUSE AFTER THE RUN

For more information and rules contact Chet or Lisa Hains

**COMING SOON**

- \*Ladies Lunch Adventure - Chinatown
- \*Cornhole Tournament
- \*Guy's Gathering
- \*Elegance Dinner

**Jamaica Me Happy HOUR**

**Saturday, January 24th  
6pm - 8pm**

Let's go to Jamaica - Enjoy live Caribbean Pan music by Ronald Headley. BYOD and an island snack to share. Sign up in clubhouse. Free event.

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