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==A "Breezier" Breezes==



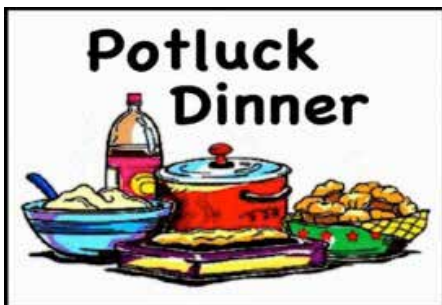
The 2018 Atlantic Hurricane Season is an event in the annual tropical season in the northern hemisphere. The season officially begins on June 1, 2018 and will end on November 30, 2018. More information on "Hurricane Preparedness" inside!

Home Of The Month



June's colorful "Home of the Month" belongs to Jeff and Laura Donahue at 194 Bimini Dr. Beautiful landscaping adds to the newly remodeled inside to increase this home's curb appeal. Congratulations!

Pot Luck and a Movie - June 13



Details inside!

~~ Thought For The Day~~

"Struggles will come and go, but it's from those lessons that you find purpose, wisdom, empathy, and strength."

Meet Your New Neighbors

By Cindy Shaw

Look for these two new faces at 326 Terra Ceia Dr. They are **DIANE FENTON** and **ANN PALMITE**, who will be part-time residents from Hamilton, NY. After hunting through Zillow, the online real estate database, and watching the HGTV Beachfront Bargains show during one cold winter in New York, they found a place to rent for a month last April in St. Pete Beach. While in the area, they came upon a house for sale on the water and decided it was the perfect place to own.



Diane is a retired theater administrator of 10 years and Ann worked for the treasury department for 30 years. They both love the outdoors and enjoy golfing, kayaking, and biking. Please welcome Diane and Ann to our little piece of paradise!

You may recognize these two new residents. They are **JOHN** and **CHERYL BRINK** at 258 Jamaica Dr. They will be part-time residents from Liberty Center, OH. The Brinks came to Tropic Isles to visit Tim and Brenda Bartels and liked the area, so they rented for a couple of months.



They used their rental as a home base to check out other places in the area, but kept returning to Tropic Isles where they felt the people were friendly and they loved the amenities, especially the kayak launch in their backyard.

They both enjoy boating, kayaking, hiking, fishing, and most anything outdoors. John also spends time woodworking and Cheryl enjoys crafting and interior decorating.

They have 4 sons—Josh, Aaron, Mark, and Ryan—and 10 grandchildren. John worked as a consultant in banking and business for 27 years. Cheryl worked as an administrator in the telecommunications field for 20 years.

Cheryl and John look forward to spending their winters in their brand new home in Tropic Isles. Please give them a warm Tropic Isles welcome.

Tropic Isles' Happenings

New homes are popping up all over.

Seen here are 3 new homes at



213 Bimini Dr. - waterside (Tom and Bridget Krasowsky)



132 Capri Dr. (Art and Rosemary Mahacek)



2816 14th St. W. (Bob and Jeanne Rohr)



Shirley and Tom Kaye had some unexpected visitors take residence along their shed. A male and female tortoise dug a burrow and laid some eggs. Here is dad keeping an eye on the eggs and making sure people keep their distance.

This year's Star Awards were presented to two worthy residents at the Annual Shareholder Meeting. They are:

- Mark Krueger for his 3 years of service as Secretary of the Co-op and for the many activities he volunteers to organize for the residents of the park.



- Clyde Martin (posthumously) for his 2 ½ years of service as President of the Co-op. The award was accepted by his wife, Barbara.



Many residents attended the last Movie Night of the season where they enjoyed the movie, Wonder. Movie Night will resume in January 2019.



Donna Waterman, as drawn by caricature artist, Fred Bloye, is shown here as she was recovering from her eyelid surgery.

Tropic Isles

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Letter From The Editor

FATHER'S DAY – JUNE 17, 2018

Father's Day is a celebration honoring fathers and celebrating fatherhood, paternal bonds, and the influence of fathers in society. In Europe, it has been celebrated on March 19 since the Middle Ages. This celebration was brought by the Spanish and Portuguese to Latin America, where March 19 is often still used for it, though many countries in Europe and the Americas have adopted the U.S. date, which is the third Sunday of June. It is celebrated on various days in many parts of the world, most commonly in the months of March, April, and June. It compliments similar celebrations honoring family members, such as Mother's Day, Siblings Day, and Grandparents Day. Happy Father's Day to all the fathers, stepfathers, fathers-in-law, grandfathers, and great-grandfathers out there! Enjoy your day!

Father's Day Quotes That Sum Up What It's Like to Be a Dad!

- "Sometimes the poorest man leaves his children the richest inheritance." –Ruth E. Renkel
- "My father didn't tell me how to live. He lived and let me watch him do it." –Clarence Buddington Kelland
- "Dads are the most ordinary men turned by love into heroes, adventurers, story-tellers, and singers of song." –Pam Brown
- "A father is neither an anchor to hold us back nor a sail to take us there, but a guiding light whose love shows us the way." – Unknown
- "A father is someone you look up to no matter how tall you've grown." –Unknown
- "I believe that what we become depends on what our fathers teach us at odd moments, when they aren't trying to teach us. We are formed by those little scraps of wisdom." –Umberto Eco
- "My father gave me the greatest gift anyone could give another person. He believed in me." –Jim Valvano
- "It's only when you grow up and step back from him—or leave him for your own home—it's only then that you can measure his greatness and fully appreciate it." –Margaret Truman
- "The quality of a father can be seen in the goals, dreams, and aspirations he sets not only for himself, but for his family." –Reed Markham

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For Your Summer Enjoyment...

Don't forget that during the summer months, we continue to enjoy many things in Tropic Isles...

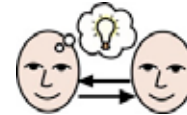


- Red Hatters meet the first Wednesday of the month and have activities all summer long.
- Aerobics meets Mondays-Fridays at 8 AM in the Yacht Club on most days.
- Bingo meets every Tuesday at 7 PM in the Auditorium.
- You can use the shuffle courts at any time. Equipment is available for use.
- Saturday Coffee Hour is held at 8:30 AM in the Auditorium.
- The Fitness Room, game room, and library are always available for your use.
- **The All-timers hold monthly pot lucks in the Yacht Club from June-September on the second Wednesday of the month.**
- Boating and fishing are good.
- The kayak launch is always available for use.
- Come and join us at the pool for the beautiful sunsets this summer.
- **Summer Office hours are from 9 AM to noon and 1-3 PM. The Office is closed from 12-1 for lunch.**

~~Pool Participants and Sun Worshipers~~



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## WALKING AND BEER

A recent study found the average American walks about 90 miles per year. Another study found Americans drink, on average, 22 gallons of beer a year. That means, on average, Americans get about 41 miles to the gallon. Kind of makes you proud to be an American!

## CAB DRIVER

Yesterday I went to a party. I had a few beers, followed by a few cocktails, followed by a few shots. I still had the sense to know I was over the limit. That's when I decided to do what I've never done before. I took a cab home.

Sure enough, there was a police road block on the way home, but since it was a cab they waved me through. I arrived home safely without incident. This was both a great relief and a surprise because I had never driven a cab before. I don't even know where I got it from, and now that it is in my garage, I don't know what to do with it.

## Neologism---supplying alternate meanings for common words

- Coffee—(n) the person upon whom one coughs
- Flabbergasted --(adj.) appalled over how much weight you have gained
- Abdicate (v)—to give up all hope of ever having a flat stomach
- Negligent (v)—describes a condition in which you absentmindedly answer the door in your nightgown
- Gargoyle (n)—gross olive-flavored mouthwash
- Flatulance (n)—emergency vehicle that picks you up after you are run over by a steamroller.
- Lymph (v)—to walk with a lisp

## SIGN ON A DOOR

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## GO AWAY!

## THE SELFLESS IRISH

Shortly after take-off on an outbound, evening flight from Dublin to Boston, the lead flight attendant nervously made the following painful announcement in her lovely Irish brogue:

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When the muttering of the passengers had died down, she continued, "Anyone who is kind enough to give up their meal so that someone else can eat, will receive free and unlimited drinks for the duration of our 10 hour flight."

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## Cook's Corner



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- ½ cup onion, finely chopped
- 1 can (14 ½ oz.) low sodium chicken broth
- ½ package (6 oz.) No Yolks broad egg noodles, uncooked
- 1 package (10 oz.) frozen peas and carrots
- 1 can (10 ¾ oz.) condensed cream of chicken or cream of mushroom soup (low fat if preferred)
- ¾ cup milk
- ¾ cup grated Parmesan cheese, divided
- 1 jar (4 oz.) chopped pimiento, drained (optional)

#### Directions:

1. In a heavy 5-quart saucepan over medium heat, melt butter.
2. Add chicken and onion.
3. Cook 5 minutes or until chicken is no longer pink.
4. Add chicken broth and heat to boiling.
5. Stir in uncooked pasta and peas and carrots, stirring to coat evenly with liquid.
6. Heat to boiling; reduce heat.
7. Cover and simmer on medium heat 8 minutes, stirring occasionally or until most of the liquid is absorbed.
8. Meanwhile, in a medium bowl, stir together soup, milk, ½ cup cheese, and pimiento until smooth.
9. Stir into pasta mixture.
10. Simmer until heated through.
11. Serve sprinkled with remaining cheese. Enjoy!



- The pink area on the inside of the eye is an evolutionary remnant of a time when man used to have an inner eyelid.
- On average, a 67-year old person breathes about 250 million liters of air in a lifetime.
- Every time you gain one pound, your body builds 7 miles of new blood vessels to accommodate the weight, making the heart work even harder.
- On average, a human being walks about 74,580 miles in their lifetime—the equivalent of walking around the world 3 times.
- The “red eye” that often appears in photographs is due to light reflecting off of blood vessels that appear in the eye.
- A 2” x 4” stud is really 1-1/2” by 3-1/2”.
- During the chariot scene of “Ben Hur”, a small red car can be seen in the distance.
- The number of possible ways of playing the first four moves per side in a game of chess is 318,979,564,000.
- The name “Wendy” was made up for the book Peter Pan. There was never a recorded “Wendy” before.
- Charlie Chaplin once won 3rd prize in a Charlie Chaplin look-alike contest.

## Live and Learn and Pass It On

(People ages 5-95 share what they've discovered about life, love, and other good stuff.)

- I've learned that children are the best teachers of creativity, persistence, and unconditional love. –age 37
- I've learned that you learn most from people who are learning themselves. –age 62
- I've learned that when bad times come, you can let them make you bitter or use them to make you better. –age 75
- I've learned that simple things are often the most satisfying. –age 63
- I've learned that if you allow someone to make you angry, you have let them conquer you. –age 54
- I've learned that women with double first names usually know how to make terrific peach cobbler. –age 29
- I've learned that there are no unimportant acts of kindness. –age 51
- I've learned that nothing tastes as good as vegetables from your own garden. –age 62
- I've learned that how you do your work is a portrait of yourself. –age 64
- I've learned that successful living is like playing a violin—it must be practiced daily. –age 70



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# Hurricane Preparedness

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A hurricane watch indicates the possibility that a region could experience hurricane conditions within 48 hours.

A hurricane warning indicates that sustained winds of at least 74 mph are expected within 36 hours.

It is important to be prepared before disaster strikes. Please pick up a copy of the Disaster Planning Guide wherever you see one. They include maps of the locations of all shelters, as well as planning and preparation information. Here are some important things to remember:

- Which shelters they open can vary with each emergency, depending on many factors, for example the size and intensity of a disaster, etc. Emergency Management will announce via the media which shelters will open and when.
- **DO NOT** go to the shelter until local officials make the announcement that the shelter is open!
- The shelter listing will include designated pet-friendly shelters.
- If you need assistance in an evacuation, or need to go to a special needs shelter, please register now with your county. The contact numbers are in the Disaster Planning Guide.
- Please do not call the schools or 9-1-1 for Disaster/Hurricane information. Listen for the announcements.

**Please note: It is important to know that ALL persons living in Tropic Isles MUST evacuate if ANY mandatory evacuation order is given. Tropic Isles lies in the RED zone for hurricane evacuation and flooding, which means we must evacuate! Be prepared and be safe!**



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## ~~~HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS~~~

### Top 10 Things to Do BEFORE the Storm

- 1 Make your Family Disaster Plan. It's not hard. Talk with your family. If you need help, go online to [www.tampabayprepares.org](http://www.tampabayprepares.org) and [www.floridadisaster.org](http://www.floridadisaster.org) and call your local emergency management agency or local chapter of the American Red Cross.
- 2 Refer to the Hurricane Evacuation Map inside the local Disaster Guide. Locate where you live and your evacuation zone. Determine if and when you would have to evacuate.  
**REMEMBER: All mobile home residents must evacuate, regardless of location. If you need help determining your zone, go online, or call your local emergency management office BEFORE THE STORM THREATENS.**
- 3 Decide NOW where you would go if ordered to evacuate (a friend or relative, a hotel or motel, or as a last resort, a public shelter or out of the region). REMEMBER, if you are going to leave the area or go to a hotel, do not delay. Determine your route, leave early, and travel the shortest distance possible. Think tens of miles, not hundreds. Tell family and friends where you are going.
- 4 Check your **Disaster Supply Kit** and obtain any items you need.
- 5 Make plans and purchase materials, such as storm shutters, to protect your home before the storm.
- 6 Keep your home in good repair. Tacking down loose roofing, securing all loose outdoor articles, trimming trees, and keeping gutters clean are good places to start.
- 7 Purchase a battery-powered weather alert radio and a non-electric land-line phone. Even though phone service may not be disturbed, cordless phones will not work during power outages. Cell phone signals will be overburdened, so make sure your friends and relatives know where you plan to be during the storm. Save them the heartache of looking for you.
- 8 Inventory your property and possessions (on paper) and take pictures or a video survey of your property. Store the inventory with insurance and other important papers in a safe place and send a copy to a relative out of the area.
- 9 Make sure your street address number is clearly marked on your home.
- 10 Whether you rent or own your home, review your insurance with your agent now.

## WHEN YOU MUST EVACUATE

If you are at Tropic Isles when an evacuation order is given, don't panic. Move at a steady pace and be sure you leave enough time to get to where you will weather the storm. **DO NOT** take chances with your life by staying at home or waiting until the weather turns bad!

- Make sure your destination is not within a zone that has been ordered to evacuate.
- Take enough supplies for your family.
- Take your pets. Don't forget their supplies.
- Take important papers, including your driver's license, special medical information, insurance policies, your insurance agent's name and number, and property inventories.
- Take irreplaceable items and valuables, such as jewelry, photos, or keepsakes.
- Let friends and relatives know where you are going.
- Make sure your neighbors have a safe ride.
- Turn off your electricity, water, and gas if officials tell you to do so.
- Lock your windows and doors.
- Stay tuned to your local radio and television station for emergency broadcasts.

### Leaving Coastal Areas

If you are leaving the area, remember to take supplies with you. Move inland away from the storm surge and inland flooding, but it is not recommended that residents try to leave the region. Roads will be heavily congested, and you run the risk of being caught on the highway without a safe refuge or running into the storm if it takes a different track.

### Hotel or motel

If you plan to go to a hotel or motel, you will need to check for availability and make your reservation well in advance. Some hotels/motels have standing reservation hurricane programs, and some relax their pet restrictions in an emergency. Again, make sure your destination is not in an evacuation zone.

**If you are at Tropic Isles when an evacuation order is issued, you WILL be required to evacuate. Be prepared!**

## Summer Co-Op Board Meetings

Summer Co-op Board meetings will be announced as necessary. If a Board meeting is needed, one will be scheduled on the third Thursday of the month at 9:30 AM, if possible.

*Milly Sumler, Co-op President*



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**THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT CHANGES TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NEW DIRECTORY IS JUNE 1, 2018.**

#### CORRECTIONS FOR THE DIRECTORY

Please make these corrections or additions to your directory. If you have a change to submit, please send it to [tibrezes1@aol.com](mailto:tibrezes1@aol.com) or call Cindy Shaw at 941-722-4037. Interim changes will be posted in each newsletter until the next directory is published in the fall of 2018.

##### Community Listings:

- Coulson**, Ron & Nancy . . . . . New listing: 103 Del Rio Dr. 705-203-9141, northern information 27 Burnside Bridge Rd., McDougall, ONT, CAN P2A 2W9, 705-746-7809
- DeRose**, Dwight & Teresa . . . . . Remove 4411 Oak Glen Rd., Lakeland, FL 33813 and the northern phone numbers
- Eaton**, Al and Gin. . . . . Correct the northern phone number to be 905-581-1860
- Kellogg**, Dorothy & Charles . . . . . Add cell phone 585-356-0301
- Miller**, Ann M. . . . . Remove 729-5406 and leave 962-0606 as the only number
- Swartz**, Ron & Diane. . . . . Remove 776-4690, add 508-596-9685 (D), add northern information 5 John Ewer Rd., Sandwich, MA 02563 508-596-0480 (R) 508-596-9685 (D)
- Waterman**, Donna . . . . . Change current phone number to 941-713-6609
- Weber**, Dennis and Janet . . . . . Remove northern phone number 989-868-4232 and add 989-233-4512

##### Email changes:

- Burnham**, Carol and Lloyd . . . . . Add [cjblwb@aol.com](mailto:cjblwb@aol.com)
- Coulson**, Ron and Nancy . . . . . Add [nrcoulson@cogeco.ca](mailto:nrcoulson@cogeco.ca)
- Sweeney**, Jim . . . . . Change [waukonstatebank.com](http://waukonstatebank.com) to [jim@waukonstatebank.com](mailto:jim@waukonstatebank.com)
- Weber**, Dennis and Janet . . . . . Add [denweb@toast.net](mailto:denweb@toast.net)



## Anniversary Celebration Video For Sale!

Did you enjoy the video that was shown in the Auditorium during the 15th/60th Anniversary Celebration? Well, you're in luck! The DVD video (photos and aerial video) is for sale for \$5 per copy. There will be a limited quantity to start, but if there is enough interest we will order more. Contact Pat Brazil at 612-669-9462 to order your copy.

## "Coffee Talk"



This feature will be run throughout the year, sharing the names of those people who have received "We Care" cards from their friends and neighbors here in Tropic Isles.

#### GET-WELL CARDS WERE SENT TO

**Donna Waterman** of Nassau Dr. (recovering from eye surgery).  
**Richard Nitti** of Bahia Dr. (hospitalized)

If you know of someone who needs a "Get Well" card or a family who has lost a loved one in need of a "Sympathy Card", please contact Anne Nitti at 508-873-6205.



## Summer Saturday Coffee

Come to Saturday Coffee held in the Auditorium at 8:30 AM. The cost is \$1 per person. Coffee and donuts are served. Please bring your favorite cup and plate. This is a great time to spend with friends and neighbors. There are many informational announcements about folks and events in our community. Hope to see you there!

*Summer Coffee Committee*

## Summer Hours for the Real Estate Sales Office

The Real Estate Sales Office is now located at 139 Capri Dr. on the corner of 28th Ave. W. Beginning June 1, 2018 to September 4, 2018, office hours are as follows:

- Sunday - closed
- Monday - by appointment
- Tuesday - 12-3 PM
- Wednesday - by appointment
- Thursday - 12-3 PM
- Friday - by appointment
- Saturday - 12-4 PM

I am taking all calls, so please contact me,  
**Barbara Curtis**, at 941-720-2513,  
call or text **Elizabeth Baldwin-Gregson** - 941-704-6003,  
or call **Linda Rogers** - 813-334-7628 - Tropic Isles resident.

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*Barbara Curtis, Broker  
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## Tropical Red Hatters



The Tropical Red Hatters had a learning experience at the South Florida Museum in May. We heard a live Star Talk in the Planetarium and saw the three manatees in rehabilitation at the Aquarium. The June meeting will be on Wednesday, June 6 at 4:00 PM in the Yacht Club.

On Wednesday, June 13 we will go "thrifting" and meet at the Yacht Club at 10 AM for carpooling. We will stop for lunch along the way.

On the last Tuesday of the month, we will wear our Red Hat finest for Bingo in the Auditorium. Because our usual Red Hat meeting day will fall on the Fourth of July, we will meet at the home of Sharon Duval at 10:00 AM. For additional information, contact Queen Anna Antonacci at 941-238-7773.

*Ann M. Miller, Scribe  
Tropical Red Hatters*

## BINGO Bingo News

Please join us every Tuesday in the Auditorium by 7 PM. Come a little early, get your cards, and visit with your friends. Attendance is a little down, but we are still having good payouts. See you Tuesday!

*Joy & Elaine*

## ~~Special Thanks~~

Special thanks to **Jan and Mark Krueger** for putting on Movie Night this past season. With the new screen and DVD player, we can enjoy first rate movies in the Auditorium.

Having an enthusiastic, dependable blood drive organizer is one of the keys to a blood drive's success. We want to take this opportunity to thank **Betty Smith** for doing such a great job as our Tropic Isles' blood drive co-ordinator! Thanks, Betty, for all your years of dedication to Tropic Isles.

## Please Send Me Your Pet Pictures!



Tropic Isles is a pet-friendly park. Our pets are a part of our family and bring so much comfort and joy to our lives. I would like to feature our Tropic Isles pets in a future issue of the Breezes. **Please send me a picture of your pet** (dog, cat, bird, or other) to [tibreezes1@aol.com](mailto:tibreezes1@aol.com) with their name, breed of cat or dog, age, and any other information about your pet (i.e. quirky habit, etc.) you'd like to share. Once I gather enough pictures, I will dedicate a page to the pets of Tropic Isles. Thanks to all those people who have already submitted pictures of their pets.

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|                                     |                                                                   | <b>June 2018</b>                                                        |                                                                               |                                                                                        | <b>1</b><br>Start Hurricane Season                            | <b>2</b>                   |
| <b>3</b><br>National Gardening Week | <b>4</b>                                                          | <b>5</b>                                                                | <b>6</b><br>4:00 pm<br>Red Hat Meeting - PR                                   | <b>7</b>                                                                               | <b>8</b><br>Best Friend Day                                   | <b>9</b>                   |
| <b>10</b>                           | <b>11</b>                                                         | <b>12</b><br>8:30 am<br>1:00 pm<br>Writer's Group - PR<br>Book Club - Y | <b>13</b><br>9:30 am<br>5:30 pm<br>ARC Mtg. - PR<br>Pot Luck and a Movie - A  | <b>14</b><br>9:30 am<br>Co-op Board Meeting (optional) - A<br><br>Flag Day             | <b>15</b>                                                     | <b>16</b>                  |
| <b>17</b><br>Father's Day           | <b>18</b>                                                         | <b>19</b>                                                               | <b>20</b>                                                                     | <b>21</b><br>First Day of Summer                                                       | <b>22</b><br>Take Your Dog to Work Day                        | <b>23</b>                  |
| <b>24</b>                           | <b>25</b>                                                         | <b>26</b><br>8:30 am<br>Writer's Group - PR                             | <b>27</b><br>9:30 am<br>ARC Mtg. - PR                                         | <b>28</b>                                                                              | <b>29</b>                                                     | <b>30</b>                  |
| <b>WEEKLY EVENTS</b>                |                                                                   |                                                                         |                                                                               |                                                                                        |                                                               |                            |
| 4:00 pm<br>Mahjong - PR             | 8:00 am<br>Aerobics/<br>Exercise - Y<br>12:30 pm<br>Pinochle - PR | 8:00 am<br>Aerobics/<br>Exercise - Y<br>Bingo - A<br>7:00 pm            | 8:00 am<br>Aerobics/<br>Exercise - Y<br>Bridge - Y<br>7:00 pm<br>Pinochle - Y | 8:00 am<br>Aerobics/Exercise - Y<br>12:30 pm<br>Canasta - PR<br>6-8 pm<br>Mahjong - PR | 8:00 am<br>Aerobics/<br>Exercise - Y<br>7:00 pm<br>Euchre - Y | 8:30 am<br>Coffee Hour - A |



# Safety Tip Of The Month

## TOP 10 TRAVEL TIPS



- 1 Obey all speed limits.** Be aware of changing speed limits. The limit will never be higher than 70 mph.
- 2 Drive sober and only sober.** Plan ahead - designate a driver or call a service.
- 3 Eliminate distractions.** Keep your hands on the wheel, eyes on the road, and mind on driving.
- 4 Don't drive drowsy.** Make sure you get plenty of rest before setting out on a long trip. Take breaks every 100 miles or 2 hours.
- 5 Move over** for stopped emergency and law enforcement vehicles. Drive on the right side of the road.
- 6 Buckle up.** Make sure everyone in the vehicle is safely secured at all times.
- 7 When it rains,** turn on your wipers and headlights - not your hazard lights.
- 8 Be prepared.** Keep your driver license, proof of insurance, registration or car rental documents with you at all times.
- 9 Check your vehicle.** Make sure your vehicle is in proper working condition before starting your trip.
- 10 Be courteous.** With its warm weather and scenic coastal highways, Florida is a popular place for motorcyclists, bicyclists and pedestrians.

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### If You See Something, Say Something!

Please be alert to your surroundings and any strangers in the park. If there are people in the pool or in the park who do not belong, please contact the Office and call the police. You do not need to confront the person, just place the call. There is a phone on the outside wall of the Yacht Club on the pool deck and inside the Yacht Club and Auditorium that can be used for emergencies or to call the police for any trespassers. Call the Palmetto Police Department with any non-emergency information at 941-721-2000, ext. 4, OR 911 with an EMERGENCY! If in doubt, CALL. We ALL need to do our part to keep Tropic Isles a safe place to live!



Many Tropic Isles' snowbirds have headed north and as our population decreases, the incidents of pool trespassers, theft, and vandalism may increase. Please remember that our local Palmetto Police are very prompt in their response time if we call them. Please add the local Palmetto Police number to your cell phone and do not hesitate to call and report suspicious activity in our community.

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## Tropic Isles' Marina



### SUMMER HOURS

Monday hours will be 7 AM to 3 PM

Tuesday - Sunday will remain at 7 AM to 5 PM

Things are getting a little lonely here at the marina. Due to the lack of business on Mondays during the summer, we have decided to reduce operating hours. We will now be open on Monday 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM and Tuesday thru Sunday 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Look for the "OPEN" flag flying. The good news is that we will increase hours in the winter on Fridays and Saturdays.

Spanish Mackerel, as well as King Mackerel, are in thick in the bay and along the Sunshine Skyway Bridge. You can go fish the flats for a while for Reds, then head out to deeper water in the bay and target Spanish or Kings. You can even go to the areas where the Tarpon usually congregate and see if you can jump a silver King. Don't forget the Tarpon, though. They have returned in force. If you catch a Snook, put it back! The season is over. Stop by the Marina and get all the advice and tackle you need to catch the big one. Fill up the boat with the cheapest gas on the water, have a beverage and a sandwich at your Marina where the prices are low, and the conversation is free.

Jim Kelly  
Marina Manager

## Kayak-It-Yak

### Kayak Launch Use Reminders



If you are using the Tropic Isles' kayak launch, please make sure to do the following:

1. Read the directions if you are not sure how to use the launch.
2. Make sure you sign out and erase your name when you return.
3. When you lower the ramp, do not undo both ends of the rope. Undo one side, lower the ramp, and then cleat it off.
4. If no one else is signed out when you return, please lift the ramp out of the water.
5. If the ramp has debris on it, please hose it off.

Your help in taking good care of our launch is appreciated.



## Summer Fun

With summer already here, I would like to encourage everyone to send in a picture from their travels or fun activities this summer. Please include the names of the people in the picture, location, and date. Email your pictures to [TIBreezes1@aol.com](mailto:TIBreezes1@aol.com) for the Breezes and to [f134221@aol.com](mailto:f134221@aol.com) for our TI Facebook page. Thanks, in advance, for your pictures.

## Tropic Isles' Marauder's Fan Club



The Tropic Isles' Marauder's Fan Club had a large group of 40 attend the Thirsty Thursday, April 19 game at Lecom Park on a beautiful night. Steve Grant and Rita Collins got to meet Marty, the Mascot. It was our second outing and we cheered the Marauders on to another victory. The Tropic Isles' Marauders Fan Club had 17 members rooting for the home team on another Thirsty Thursday, May 10. To everyone's surprise it was free t-shirt night. We proudly displayed our shirts and had a great time. We have plans for another game in May and will do one or two in June.

The summer league doesn't end until the last week in August. Call or email Leonard and I will get you ticket(s). The \$10 cost includes a baseball cap and large soft drink. As long as there are 10 or more people, I can get tickets at that price for any home game, plus the cap and soda. If you and some of your family or friends would like to get this great deal, contact me. If we are short one or two people, I may find someone to fill-in. Call 941-721-8917 or email me at [leonard2807@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:leonard2807@tampabay.rr.com) if you are interested in joining us for a game. **There is a group of people that are planning to attend the Thirsty Thursday, June 7th game. If you are interested, call Leonard before June 3.**

Leonard & Florretta Krueger



## Reading Material for Vets

This summer, we will continue to collect reading materials for Vets. Magazines are great (for men or women), as are books. The library at Tropic Isles will be donating any books that are duplicates and those books that are too old to shelve. There will be a collection box in our library underneath the magazine racks. Someone will take all donated reading items to Bay Pines over the summer. It may seem like a small thing to do, but it is greatly appreciated.

## Calling All Fishermen and Women!



Would you like to share a picture of your "catch of the day" from the nearby waters around Tropic Isles? Send it to [tibreezes1@aol.com](mailto:tibreezes1@aol.com) and it can be published in the next issue of the Breezes. Please include a sentence or two about where it was caught, what species it is, and its size. Any fish pictures will do—large or small—fish, that is! Come on ladies! Show us your stuff!



## Congratulations!

Congratulations to our own **John Castellana** for winning 2nd place at the Manatee Sailing Association's 22nd annual Terra Ceia Regatta on April 21, 2018. Great sailing!

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## Rule Of The Month

This is a reminder that the 2014 Rules and Regulations are in effect and being enforced. All residents and their guests are expected to know and abide by these rules. Each month, I will highlight a section of the current Rules and Regulations in the hopes of increasing awareness. If you need of a copy of the 2014 Rules and Regulations, you may pick up a copy at the Office or go to [www.tropicisles.net](http://www.tropicisles.net) to view or print a copy online.

### 12.6 Carport Use

\_ Carports are primarily intended to be used for passenger vehicle parking.

\_ **However, unoccupied campers, motor homes, travel trailers, boats on trailers, motorcycles, and utility trailers may be parked in a Resident's carport as long as the item can be parked completely within the carport.**

\_ Carports cannot otherwise be converted to living or personal property storage space if vehicles are displaced to the street or other areas.

### 12.7 Restrictions on Parking

\_ Each Resident is permitted no more vehicles than can be accommodated by their carport, driveway, or assigned parking.

\_ Any area not designated as a parking surface may not be used for parking.

\_ Vehicles may not occupy parking spaces of other Residents without their expressed permission.

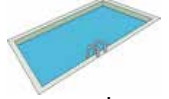
\_ Golf cart parking is allowed on designated parking areas as approved by Management.

\_ Parking is not permitted on the streets between the hours of 12 midnight and 6 AM.

\_ **No vehicles, storage trailers, travel trailers, boat trailers, and/or boats are to be parked on vacant Association-owned lots without prior approval of Management.**

### PLEASE WEAR YOUR POOL/HOT TUB BRACELETS ("PASSES")

It is especially important during the summer months for **Residents and Guests to wear their bracelets at the pool/hot tub** to avoid any problems with people asking you if you are a resident or guest here. If you have not yet received your pool bracelets, please check with the office. Section VII of our 2014 Rules and Regulations regarding the Pool and Hot Tub/Spa states:



### 7.2 Pool and Hot Tub/Spa Passes

All Residents and their Guests must display Tropic Isles "pool passes" when using the pool and hot tub/spa facilities. Each Resident will be issued 1 "pool pass". Temporary "pool passes" are available at the office for Guests. Residents must sign for the pool passes for their Guests. A proper ID is required to obtain pool passes. A fee may be charged for the replacement of lost "pool passes".

### PLEASE REMEMBER TO SHOWER BEFORE ENTERING THE POOL

Our 2014 Rules and Regulations state:

### 7.5 Shower

The State of Florida requires all persons using a public pool or hot tub/spa to shower immediately before entering the pool and hot tub/spa. (FS 64E- 9.008) No shampoo or soaps are permitted in the pool or hot tub/spa deck area.

**Our shower at the pool is tucked behind the palm tree on the west side of the pool near the boat docks. (It is disguised as a palm tree and after a minute or so gives you a nice warm shower to remove any soaps or oils on your skin which keeps the water in the pool and spa cleaner.)**



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## Out and About... Around Town

### Summer Construction In Bradenton

These are few of the latest construction projects getting underway that will keep downtown under construction until at least the end of 2018 and may affect you.

1. Construction of the new \$12 million City Centre parking garage began on Monday, April 16 with the closure of the Bradenton City Hall parking lot — and its hundreds of parking spaces. Workers began demolishing the parking lot and what used to be the home of the Manatee Chamber of Commerce in May, which has relocated to temporary offices until the garage is completed. The Chamber then will move into space on the new building's east side. It is about an eight-month long project and should be completed in December.

The parking garage will have about 400 parking spaces, with 100 reserved for use by the Spring Hill Suites hotel under construction on the riverfront. The \$17 million Spring Hill Suites should be completed in November.

With more than 200 parking spaces being temporarily removed from downtown, the city still has more than 1,000 public spaces available, though many require a permit on weekdays. According to Carl Callahan, economic development director, the public's best options during the week will be the Manatee County Administration parking garage, on 10th Street West north of Manatee Avenue West, which has 100 spaces, as well as the city's Judicial Center parking garage at 615 12th St. W., which has 200 spaces.

Only a few of those up next to the building are reserved, the rest is for public parking. People get confused over there, but the spaces on the asphalt and the shell are all available. That lot is probably going to be the best and quickest for anyone looking to walk into downtown. There are also a few dozen parking spaces across from Sage Biscuit on Manatee Avenue and 13th Street East.

All public parking is free on the weekends, including in the garages. On-street parking is always free, but it is typically limited to one or two hours during the weekdays. So, most drivers probably won't be affected since the bulk of the City Hall lot is used by city employees.

2. The Florida Department of Transportation is expected to start work on a revamp of the intersection of Third Avenue West and Ninth Street West. Callahan said the city has not heard from FDOT regarding an exact start date. The \$1.52 million project includes widening the walking trail over the Green Bridge, adding a dedicated southbound right-hand turn lane on Ninth Street West at Third Avenue, decreasing the lane and median sizes, and repaving much of Ninth. The \$1.5 million Ninth Street West and Third Avenue intersection improvement could begin any day.
3. The first phase of the \$12 million South Florida Museum expansion has begun and is expected to be completed by the end of the year.
4. The FDOT and CSX Railroad crossing on Manatee Avenue West just west of Third Street West began May 31. Access to downtown Bradenton on Manatee Avenue West will be blocked at the crossing for 30 days.

## Dramature

### Enjoy performing and being on stage?



DraMature is Manatee Performing Arts Center's resident theatre troupe. The ongoing program gives those people age 55+, opportunities to learn and practice their new acting skill. **Participants stage 2 productions on a regular basis at Manatee Performing Arts Center, Bradenton. In January, they staged Guys and Dolls Sr. and in May they performed Dramature's Greatest Hits.** They also take their shows on the road and perform at various communities throughout the area. They're always looking for new troupe members. You can join at any time. If stepping on stage has been on your bucket list, cross it off and join DraMature. Call 941-748-5875 for more information.

## Palmetto 4th of July Celebration



Palmetto's 4th of July celebration will include an evening of music from the Charlie Daniels Band on the Sutton Park stage before the fireworks. Make plans to be there! **Don't forget to join us for our own Tropic Isles 4th of July party in the Yacht Club at 11:30 AM.** (For more information, see the article in the "Coming Events" section of the Breezes.)

## Look What's Coming!



Oak & Stone, a tavern featuring craft beer, pizza, and gourmet fare, will be located on the ground floor of the new Springhill Suites Hotel in Bradenton across from Pier 22. In addition, there will be a bar, The Deck @ Oak and Stone, on the eighth floor of the hotel offering tiki-themed cocktails. It will be a great place to watch the sun set from the rooftop pool area due to be completed in December.

## What's New in the Neighborhood?



**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS ARE  
9 AM TO NOON AND 1 PM TO 3 PM.**

The office is closed for lunch from 12-1 PM.

### • Technology Help at Palmetto Library

The library staff are there to assist with downloading e-material to devices like Kindle, Nook, and iPad. They also offer basic tablet and computer help by 30-minute appointments on:

**2nd Saturday of the month 9:30 – 11:30**

**4th Thursday of the month 2:00-4:00.**

Call 941-722-3333 to make an appointment. The library is located at 923 6th St. W.



## Summer Office Hours

On May 1, the Tropic Isles' office switched to summer office hours. The summer hours occur May through September 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. The office is closed for lunch from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.

Remember that the doors to the Yacht Club and Auditorium are kept locked at all times for security reasons, so you will need to use your FOB to enter.

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## ~Coming Events~

JUNE 13



The All-Timers (residents who live here full-time) will continue the tradition of hosting summer pot-lucks on the second Wednesday of the month in June, July, August, and September for all

residents and their guests. **The first Pot-Luck and a Movie will be held on Wednesday, June 13 at 5:30 PM in the Auditorium. (Note the location change and the addition of a movie.)** Please bring a hot or cold dish to share, your own table setting (plate and silverware), and beverage. Bring a comfortable chair, if you choose. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Auditorium. Reminders will be placed in the Breezes, in the Yacht Club, and on the marquee at the Auditorium. Contact Jan or Mark Krueger if you have any questions. Hope to see you there for some good food, conversation, and a few laughs!

### July 4th Party

Come and share in the great American tradition! The annual Tropic Isles' July 4th celebration lunch is 11:30 AM, July 4, at the Yacht Club. We will be serving sloppy joe sandwiches, chips, potato salad, dessert, and table service (plates, napkins, etc. are included). The cost is \$6.00 at the door. Please bring your own beverage and money for 50/50. We'll also have a trivia game, door prizes, music, and friendship! Any questions, call Pat Brazil at 612-669-9462.



## Neighbors Helping Neighbors (NHN)



**NHN CONTINUES SERVING THE COMMUNITY DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS.** NHN Volunteers are looking for projects to assist our neighbors here in Tropic Isles. Listed below are projects we can help with:

- Cleaning Mold
- Weeding
- Clearing Away Clutter Under Carports
- Painting Outside Sheds & Awnings
- Help To Tame Overgrown Trees And Shrubs
- Plant Annual Flowers

If you need assistance with any items listed above, or if you have questions, please call one of the Coordinators listed below. Remember, this is a free service for residents of Tropic Isles.

- Jan Krueger . . . . . 262-617-0710
- Pam Hennessy . . . . . 941-447-6228
- Ann Nitti . . . . . 508-873-6205

## TI Book Club



We will continue to meet every month going forward. If you are away until next "season", please join us in reading an eclectic selection of books while you are away. Members at the March Book Club meeting selected the following books until y'all come back. Some are new, and some are old favorites of some of the members. We hope to challenge and widen everyone's interests whether you read for pleasure and to escape the real world for a bit, to learn about new cultures, peoples, and places, or whatever, so here goes.....

- June** . . . . . Snow Falling on Cedars by David Guterson
- July** . . . . . Fervent by Priscilla Shirer
- August** . . . . . The Women in the Window by A.J. Finn
- September** . . . . . Look for Me by Lisa Gardner
- October** . . . . . The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah
- November** . . . . . Cutting for Stone by Abraham Verghese
- December** . . . . . Before We Were Yours by Lisa Wingate

For those who are away for those months, you are encouraged to email your comments and reviews to [irene5381@gmail.com](mailto:irene5381@gmail.com) or text 774-201-9444 by the second Tuesday of the month. Please start thinking of your book selections for 2019. Stay safe and keep on reading!

*Irene Casey*



## Calling All Park Artists

Are you interested in meeting other artists once a week at the Yacht Club? All levels are welcome. It would be just a casual time to work on your sketches or paintings with other like-minded people for a few hours. If you are interested, please contact me at my email address. Once I get enough interest, I will reserve a date/time with the office. Please reply ASAP as spots on the TI calendar for next winter will disappear quickly. Please reply to [catheezart@hotmail.com](mailto:catheezart@hotmail.com). Thank you.

*Cathy Marshall*

## Tropic Isles' Facebook Page

Facebook is the most popular media site and "seniors" are the fastest growing segment of Facebook users. There isn't any better way to let all your friends and relatives know how beautiful it is here and how much fun you are having. Tropic Isles' Facebook page has over 400 followers and if you aren't one of them yet, here's how easy it is. Sign into the Facebook search engine. Type "Tropic Isles Community and Yacht Club" into the space and we should pop up. Hit "like" and you will get all the updates. **Send us your pictures to post on the Tropic Isles' Facebook page. Send anything you want to share or brag about this summer. Send your photos to Sharon Schumann at [FL34221@aol.com](mailto:FL34221@aol.com).** Send the names of the people in the photos and any information you want to include. Get permission from the people in the picture to post it on Facebook. Please send your photos. It's easy enough to do.

*Sharon Schumann, Website Administrator*  
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# Song For Tropic Isles

Written by Hank A. Vitan

Composed by Leslie Vitan



## Verses 1-3

We've got owners, we've got renters  
And we're close to shopping centers  
There are restaurants and diners  
Where you'll find nothing much finer.

We have bikers, we have boaters  
And the fishermen who're gloaters  
We've got golf carters and dog walkers  
And some very chatty talkers.

We have shuffleboard and swimmers  
In our outdoor pool that shimmers  
We have bowling, we have bingo  
Where you'll hear many a lingo

## Chorus

**We have wonderful people in  
our Tropic Isles  
Friendly a neighbor who'll wave  
with a smile  
Even though our homes are all  
classed as mobile.  
We surely hope you'll stay here a while.**

## Verses 4-6

At our clubhouse we have dances  
With the 50/50 chances  
And you'll eat at every party  
Where the fare is good and hearty.

We have coffee hour and cruising  
And all things that are amusing.  
Our nights to sup or see a movie  
That will leave you feeling groovy.

We have ping pong and some yoga  
Where you needn't wear a toga  
There's kayaking and karaoke  
To leave you feeling okie dokie

## Chorus

**We have wonderful people in  
our Tropic Isles  
Friendly a neighbor who'll wave  
with a smile  
Even if our homes are all  
classed as mobile.  
We surely hope you'll stay here a while.**

## Verses 7-9

There are tournaments of ping-pong  
And a host of times to sing song  
On the TV times are listed  
All activities assisted.

As our folks are from all over  
We may hear from quite the rover  
Of the travels he has taken  
But how now that's all forsaken

As you watch the sea at sunset  
You'll be happy with your fun set  
Of the kindly friends and neighbors  
Who will help you with your labors.

## Chorus

**We have wonderful people in  
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## Play Ball!



40 residents attended the April 19th Thirsty Thursday ball game and cheered on the Marauders to victory.



Rita Collins and Steve Grant got to meet Marty, the Marauder's Mascot, up close and personal.



Tropic Isles' Marauders Fan Club had 17 members cheering for the home team on Thirsty Thursday, May 10. To everyone's surprise it was free Thirsty Thursday t-shirt night. They proudly displayed their shirts and had a great time.



## Fun On The Water



This group of folks are seen here enjoying Passage Key in April. They are John Elias, LeAnn Kaska, Linda and Chuck Sugg, Pat and Len Brantmeyer, Karol and Jerry Frystak, Sharon Schumann, Frank Lord, Anne and John Stubbs, and Christine and Jim Gorton.



Bob and Cindy Shaw enjoyed a beautiful day on and in the water at Passage Key in May.



Mark Krueger took his boat out for a spin on a picture-perfect day in May.

## Out and About



The Tropical Red Hatters held their annual pajama party at the Riverside Cafe on Wednesday, April 18.



Jeff Gerstenslager, Jim Muckley, and Ed Baker enjoyed a day of hunting for wild boar at Seminole Prairie Hunting Lodge in Okeechobee, Florida. It was a successful hunt for all three hunters.



Shirley Norman ran in the 2018 DeSoto Grand Parade 5K on April 28, 2018. Way to go, Shirley.



Paul and Miriam Grossi of 128 Capri celebrated "50" years of blissful marriage on May 3, 2018 on the Tropic Isles' shuffle courts. Shufflers gave them well wishes and were treated to refreshments by the guests of honor!



Residents on Nassau Dr. enjoyed dinner at Owen's Fish Camp in Sarasota on a beautiful May evening. Seen here are Bill and Rita Schilling, Mark and Jan Krueger, Fred and Dori Bloye, Cindy and Bob Shaw, and Patti and Mike McBride.



Residents throughout the park said farewell to their snowbird friends and neighbors before they left for their summer homes. Seen here are the Bloyes, the Wadsworths, the Kruegers, the Shaws, and the McBrides at the Riverhouse.

## Fish On, Ladies!



Sally Neihart caught herself a beautiful 25+ inch trout in April near Bird Island in Terra Ceia Bay.

Jean Volkens caught a keeper trout on her last excursion out on the bay before heading north for the summer.

