

THE WAVES of Swan Lake DECEMBER 2023



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VETERANS DAY GOLF CART PARADE

The 2023 Veterans Golf Cart Parade was hosted by Wayne and Colleen Smith. There were 18 golf carts, 1 motorcycle and a skateboard (don't ask!) parading through both Swan Lake and Pescara Lake communities, with a total of 49 residents enjoying the refreshments after the parade.



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Please go to the following website for all the latest HOA information, events and updated news

www.swanlakeresidents.netIf you can't find the information you need there then contact the HOA Board of Directors at this email address:
swanlakevillagehoaboard@gmail.com**Editor's Notes**

Wishing all our residents a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy 2024. Are you hosting an event? If so, please remember to take lots of pictures and submit them to me with a short article indicating the date of the event, where it was and how many attended.

Please note that any of the editorial staff can be reached by email at SwanLakeVillageWaves@gmail.com



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Submissions of interesting articles are always welcome. Reports of community activities, interesting articles, pictures and reminders may be submitted via e-mail to Ric Tyrer at SwanLakeVillageWaves@gmail.com by the 10th of the month for the next issue. It is our pleasure to consider all such articles for publication.

Remember: This newsletter is also available online at www.ontracnewsletters.com. Take this web address with you when you travel so you can keep touch. .

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VETERANS DAY

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HOA President's Message



As this article goes to press, I will be preparing to preside over what will be my last HOA meeting. This will be a bittersweet moment as this will also be my 74th birthday!

During my time as president, I have seen many changes with residents' priorities being different to what they once were, all of which has had an impact as to how life is played out here in Swan Lake Village.

The early years of my time on the HOA Board saw a community that had more snowbirds than we have now. What effect did this have? Well, there was more of a vacation-type atmosphere which was reflected in the level of activities, all of which were hosted and well supported by residents.

As time has progressed, the demographics have changed with a significant swing toward more permanent residents with snowbirds now only being 25%. A significant number of those permanent residents are still in fulltime employment, which is another factor.

What impact has this had on our community? Participation in community events has seen a significant decline--what was once 90+ attendance at most events is now 50 in most cases. Inter-neighbor communication has taken a hit due in the main to the busy everyday lives of those who are still in gainful employment. The HOA membership has also seen a change with a significant drop.

All that said, there is still a nucleus of residents who participate and host events all of which, hopefully, bodes well for the future.

As for the HOA Board, I firmly believe it has a role to play and, contrary to what some may believe, sometimes influences decisions and policy. Unfortunately, the significance of this would only be felt if it were no longer here!

Finally, I would like to thank all HOA Board members, past and present, for their support during my time on the board.

It just remains for me to wish all residents a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy 2024.

Ric Tyrer

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**THURSDAY
MORNINGS 10-12**

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WORDS OF WISDOM FROM SHERIFF CHRIS

Following are some safety & crime prevention tips from our friendly Sheriff Chris Ralston:

1) If you See something, Say something.

To report emergencies, crimes or critical information call 911

To report non-critical information call 941-747-3011 extension 2260

To report suspected drug activity call 941-747-3011 extension 1100

As preached so very often, do not be afraid to call the sheriff's office.

2) Lock it or lose it.

Schemes by the Bad Guys

Watch out for Distractionary Burglary. Sheriff Chris states this is still a very real scam.

This is where one person claims to be a salesman or repairman to get you outside your house and distracted while another burglarizes your home. A bad guy can quickly go to the master bedroom, which is where many people keep their most valuable items such as guns, jewelry, money and prescription medicines. And anytime you leave your house, lock the door.

Be careful of numbers that show on your telephone when receiving a call. Many of them are spoofed and are not the actual number calling you. Never give any personal information to an inbound caller and do not call the number shown on your caller ID. If you suspect the caller is legitimate, hang up and call the number you have on file for that entity.

Be a wise consumer when choosing a company with which to do business. Two very valuable tools are personal referrals and online reviews.

As we approach the holidays, remember the bad guys are as anxious to have a good holiday as you are. Thus, be especially careful with your purse and wallet. If you are out shopping, put your packages in your trunk, if you can, and never leave your vehicle unlocked. As you go from one store to the next, do not leave your car in the same spot, make it look like you are leaving, then park in another spot.

Two big items seem to be popular for pilfering lately; 20-pound propane tanks and, as always, bicycles. Make sure they are secure.

Be aware that since the snowbirds are coming back and the Canadian border is open, traffic is greatly increased. Be careful when you drive. Don't use your cell phone while driving.

If your car has a fob to start it, do not leave your fob in the car. In your home, it should be far enough away from the car so it does not keep it from locking.

When making purchases in a store or online, be aware that credit cards have far more fraud protection than a debit card. This is especially important when making online purchases...

Remember, each individual is responsible for their own security. Be aware of your surroundings and your neighborhood. If something doesn't seem right, it probably isn't. Call the sheriff's department; better safe than sorry.



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Community Activities:

FEATURED:

See Bulletin Board for details & sign-up:

Meals Out – See Bulletin Board for details & sign-up:

Lunch Out – December 13th – 11:30am – Riverhouse Waterfront Restaurant – Requires sign-up in Clubhouse

Breakfast Out – December 15th – 8:30am – Perkins – Requires sign-up in Clubhouse

Dinner Out – December 26th – 5:30pm – Cody's -- requires sign-up in the Clubhouse

Special events – These may require advance ticket purchase instead of sign-up sheets. Bulletin Board will still be used for details:

- December 12th – HOA AGM – 6:30pm Coffee 7:00pm Meeting– Membership Badges required
- December 16th – Christmas Dinner/Dance- 6:00pm – Free to HOA members \$25 to Non-members
- December 19th – Christmas Golf Cart Parade 6:00pm—requires sign-up in Clubhouse
- December 20th and 27th – 2:00pm – Monday Music in the Clubhouse
- December 7th,14th,21st and 28th 10:00am -12:00pm - Line Dancing in the Clubhouse – Requires sign-up in the Clubhouse

REGULAR:

Monday Coffee, Social and Info	Every Monday	9:00am	Clubhouse
Sit & Be Fit	Every Monday	10:00am	Clubhouse
Sit & Be Fit	Every Wednesday	9:00am	Clubhouse
Games/Dominos	Every Wednesday	6:00pm	Clubhouse
Euchre	Every Wednesday	6:30pm	Clubhouse
Shuffleboard	Every Thursday	7:00pm	Shuffleboard Court
Sit & Be Fit	Every Friday	9:00am	Clubhouse
Poker	Every Friday	6:00pm	Clubhouse
Dominos	Every Friday	6:00pm	Clubhouse

Meals Out

Lunch – 2nd Wednesday – 11:30am – Hosts needed

Breakfast – 3rd Friday – 8:30am – Hosts needed

Pot Luck – 3rd Monday – 5:00pm -See Swan Lake Village 2022-2023 Events Calendar under separate cover

Dinner – 4th Tuesday – 5:00pm - Volunteers

Book Nook

The Lending Library

Books, DVDs, and puzzles are available free for all community residents to borrow.

To return borrowed articles simply place them into the Returns Basket on the table in the library area.

To donate items that are in good shape, please bring them to the library for consideration. Place them in the Returns Basket to be sorted and filed. The only books that are accepted are novels, especially those by popular authors. At this time VHS tapes and nonfiction books (cookbooks and instructional books) cannot be placed into the library. Any unaccepted donations will be taken to Goodwill for disposal.



Event Notes:

All Meals Out – See Bulletin Board for details & sign-up sheets.

Special Events – These may require advance ticket purchase instead of sign-up sheets. The Bulletin Board will also be used for details concerning Special Events.

Please note: Coffee will now be provided at the Monday morning meeting for the winter months. Please bring your own mug. Donuts will also be provided by management on the first Monday of these months.



Swan Lake

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TU
3	<p>4</p> <p>Monday Coffee, Social and Info 9:00am Clubhouse</p> <p>Sit & Be Fit 10:00am Clubhouse</p>	
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17	<p>18</p> <p>Monday Coffee, Social and Info 9:00am Clubhouse</p> <p>Sit & Be Fit 10:00am Clubhouse</p>	Christma 6:00pm— Clubhouse
24	<p>25</p> <p>Monday Coffee, Social and Info 9:00am Clubhouse</p>	Dinner O Cody's Requires
31	<p>Sit & Be Fit 10:00am Clubhouse</p>	



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Village December 2023

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				<p>1</p> <p>Sit & Be Fit 9:00am Clubhouse</p> <p>Poker 6:00pm Clubhouse</p> <p>Dominoes 6:00pm Clubhouse</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Sit & Be Fit 9:00am Clubhouse</p> <p>Games/Dominoes 6:00pm Clubhouse</p> <p>Euchre 6:30pm Clubhouse</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Line Dancing in the Clubhouse - Requires sign-up in the Clubhouse 10:00am</p> <p>Shuffleboard 7:00pm Shuffleboard Ct</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Sit & Be Fit 9:00am Clubhouse</p> <p>Poker 6:00pm Clubhouse</p> <p>Dominoes 6:00pm Clubhouse</p>	<p>9</p>	
<p>12</p> <p>Association Meeting Coffee - 7:00pm Meeting. membership or</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Sit & Be Fit 9:00am Clubhouse</p> <p>Lunch Out 11:30am Riverhouse Waterfront Restaurant Requires sign-up in Clubhouse</p> <p>Games/Dominoes 6:00pm Clubhouse</p> <p>Euchre 6:30pm Clubhouse</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Line Dancing in the Clubhouse - Requires sign-up in the Clubhouse 10:00am</p> <p>Shuffleboard 7:00pm Shuffleboard Ct</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Breakfast Out 8:30am Perkins Requires sign-up in Clubhouse</p> <p>Sit & Be Fit 9:00am Clubhouse</p> <p>Poker 6:00pm Clubhouse</p> <p>Dominoes 6:00pm Clubhouse</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Christmas Dinner/Dance 6:00pm - Free to HOA members \$25 to Non- members</p>	
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December 2023 Birthdays

01	Brian McGuire	18	Lucy Stetson
03	Christopher Boland	20	Paul Brock
08	Roy Johnson	20	Becky Schumann
10	Margaret Paveglia	20	Samuel Dix
12	Ric Tyrer	23	Paige Williamson
15	John LaCrosse	24	Sandra Ouderkirk
15	Jeanne Owens	29	Sonia Wolfe
16	Doreen MacGowan	29	Ken Gonsalves
16	Dwight Robinson	30	Carole Fitzgerald
17	Jodi Hakamaki		



Happy Anniversary

December 2023 Anniversaries

04	Dwight (Ike) & Bonny Rainey
13	Edwina & Ken Gonsalves
20	Roy & Jerry Johnson
22	Louie & Carolyn Sidoti
24	Dennis & Jermin Gidden Karlzen

*From the records of Barb Robitaille, (978) 387-2242.
Call for errors or omissions.*

Some Things We Need to Remember

- Please be sure to obey all traffic signs throughout our community. Please also be aware of and respect pedestrians and bicyclists.
- Please walk your property to make sure it looks clean and trimmed. Be sure to inform the office who will be responsible to keep it trimmed if you are going to be away.
- Make sure management has your current phone numbers and e-mail addresses.
- Let the office know if you are leaving for an extended period of time.
- Make sure all visitors are registered with the office when they arrive and when they leave.
- If you are having work done on or around your home, make sure the contractors are qualified, bonded, licensed and insured.
- If you have concerns about safety in our community, please dial 911 for assistance from Manatee Sheriff's Patrol. Help keep our park safe.
- Please follow the Southwest Florida Management guidelines for use of lake water on your lawns. In addition, all timers on sprinkling systems must be outfitted with rain sensors to shut off the system in the event of a rain shower.
- Parking in the clubhouse parking lot requires a parking permit issued by management.
- If you have pets, they may be walked in the areas designated for this purpose. They may be walked on community streets as long as they are on a non-retractable lease no longer than 6 feet and their waste is promptly picked up and disposed of properly. Picking up after your pet is a must to keep our community clean. Do not allow your pet on other resident's yards. No pets are allowed in the clubhouse, parking lot or pool area. Visitors are not allowed to bring animals into the community.
- Please do not postdate rent checks.

Christmas Golf Cart Parade
Tuesday, Dec. 19th
6pm
Refreshments to follow at Clubhouse
Sign-up sheet on bulletin board

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<p>3</p> <p>Well that's good, but I bet you're overpaying, and waiting forever for service. Me? I'm gonna stay "Cool like a Sewell" all summer long!</p>	<p>4</p> <p>I wanna be cool like a Sewell! I'm in!</p>

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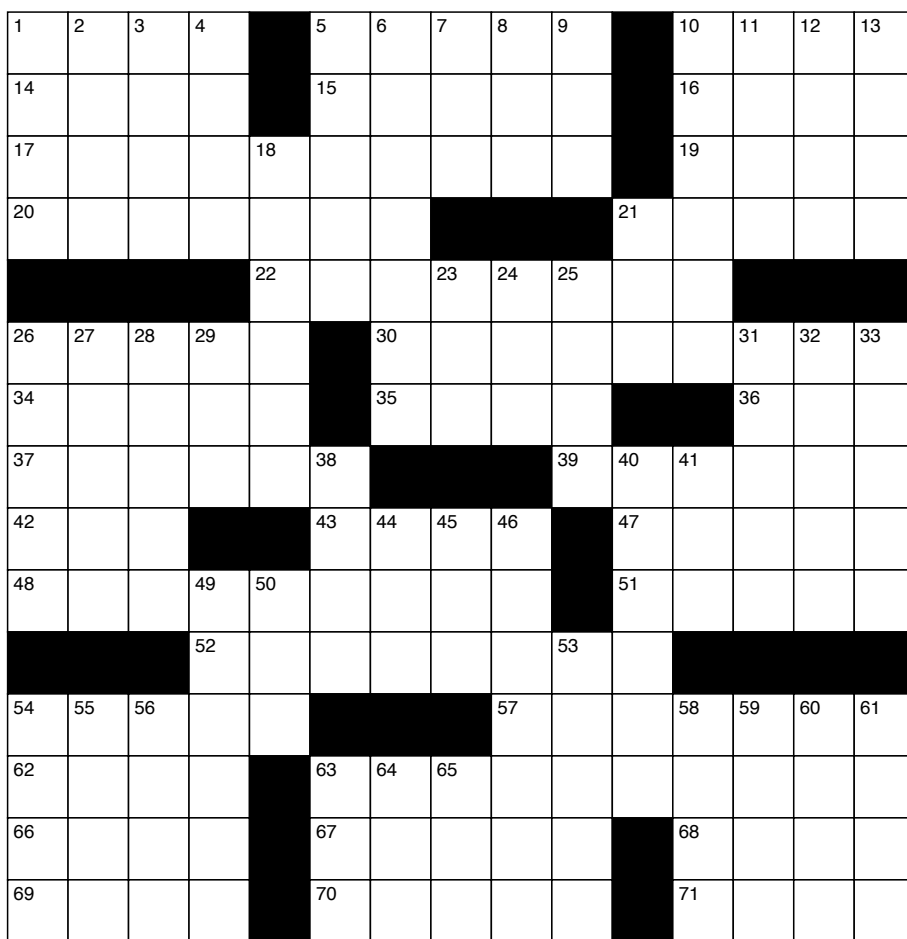
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Crossword #KJN3Q657



Down

- Where a tab is inserted
- Part of a giant's chant
- Some PC files
- Biblical verb
- Aerobics routine
- Wolfs down
- Canadian rock band big in the 70s, for short
- Old McDonald letters
- Admonisher's sound
- Soft, blue-gray mineral
- Cowboy's command
- Rip
- Some bombs, briefly
- Sibilant catcalls
- Mire
- Danube city
- With "t", a source of tips
- "Picnic" playwright William
- Leg-up
- Yellowish-brown
- Big bang maker
- African grazer
- Contents list
- Mystery writer Stanley
- Jouster's horse
- Sea birds
- Clinton press secretary Myers
- Special effects co.
- Humbling feeling
- "___ in volcano"
- April 15 need
- Junky car
- Pack animal
- Seasonal helpers
- Come ___ impasse (be deadlocked)
- In an unwell way
- Not fatty
- Cut ___ (boogie)
- Murray of movies
- "It comes ___ surprise..."
- Mountain pass
- Neither Rep. nor Dem.
- Alg. neighbor
- H.S. supporter

Across

- Bay Area force, for short
- Buddhist land
- Scarlett and Rhett's title, initially
- Italian beach resort
- Those against
- Throat-clearing sound
- No longer in trouble
- Fill up
- Electronics brand
- Suffers
- Troubleshooter's goal
- Hair over the forehead
- Extends
- "Sweet Child ___"
- Puffed up
- Flight concern (abbr.)
- Slow to learn
- Fit to consume
- To be, in Spanish
- Sitar player Shankar
- Ewing matriarch of TV
- Ten-year battle chronicled in the "Iliad"
- Fix, as text
- Gauged
- Cash register features
- Inferior inn
- Nondairy topping
- Bankrupt
- Gain ___ on
- Dame preceder, in football and French
- Wrist-to-elbow bone
- Madison Ave. location
- Ounce fractions
- Language suffix

(solution on page 18)

DECEMBER SUDOKU PUZZLE

Sudoku Puzzle #S250YM

Presented by Puzzle Baron

Rated: Medium

(solution below)

				9				2
						6	7	
1		5	3	6			8	
	2		6		4		3	
	4	9		7	3			
			7			1	6	3
		6		1			9	4
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52	A	S	S	E	S	S	E	D						
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Birthday and Anniversary Form

- Please place my birthday and anniversary in the private records of the HOA and Waves.
- Please feel free to use this information to recognize me on my special day(s).
- No thank you.

Name _____

Birthday – Month/Day Only

Name _____

Birthday – Month/Day Only

Name _____

Anniversary – Month/Day Only

Telephone and Address Form

- Please place my telephone and address in the records of the HOA.
- Please feel free to publish this information in the Swan Lake Village resident directory.
- No thank you.

Name _____

Telephone Number _____

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Please fill in your information and fill in the appropriate boxes.

Then tear the forms out and give to any Board member or drop in the HOA box in the vestibule at the clubhouse.



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