



Views From the Bluffs

A Senior Community

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Here we are the beginning of November and starting another winter season here at the Bluffs. On behalf of the board of directors, we would like to welcome back all of our seasonal residents. I would partially like to welcome all of our new owners who have joined us. We hope your experience here is a very enjoyable.



I would encourage all owners old and new to review the rules of the Bluffs, so all residents are on the same page. If you are renting a unit out, as owner, you are responsible to be sure your renters have a copy. It seems during the summer months we get a little more lax, with more people in residence--it is important that all rules are followed. To name a few, grills must be covered or put away when not in use.

There are to be no grills, of any kind, on any second floor landings nor shall grills be used indoors or on any lanai. Second floor landings are not storage areas for bicycles or setting areas we only allow a small plant stand per unit. We have occasional problems with flags, only flags that are state approved are allowed. Those would be the standard US flag and military flags, no more than 4X6. Seasonal flags of all kind are not allowed even though they are very decorative. If you research this, we are a condo association, not an HOA--the rules for each are different here in Florida.

When walking about the

property please be careful and observant of any hazard. When walking on the roadway, please walk towards the traffic--when biking, ride with traffic. At night, please use lights and or reflective or light colored clothing. Remember many of our residents have a hard time seeing and hearing. Motorists, please slow down and observe our 17 mph speed limit and be on the lookout for your neighbors on Casablanca Cir or Bluffs Hill Ct.

Many maybe thinking about holiday decorations. Seasonal decorations are allowed to be put out and encouraged, however, please do not create any tripping hazards with cords or any type of decoration. We must keep all of our walkways clear. With all that said, I thank you for your cooperation in making the Bluffs a safe and enjoyable place.

*Ken Moran,
President*

MESSAGE FROM THE MANAGER



Dear Community Members,

Welcome home! I hope the summer months were enjoyable and look forward to meeting each of you over the upcoming months.

As most of you know, the Board recruited me in June of 2023, and it has been a relaxing time. Not! The staff has been working hard this summer, and still have a lot of work to do.

Items completed this summer:

New Bridge Built
Billiard Room Painted and Renovated
Basketball Court Striped and Refurbished
Pool Deck Painted And Drains Rebuilt

New Sand Filter Installed For The Pool

We know that many of you will have items for us to address. So please be patient and kind to the staff as they work to fulfill your request.

If you are computer savvy and have work orders to place with us, please consider using our website to communicate your request. This way, we have a written record of your request, with the date, time, and an accurate description of the issue coming straight from the source.

The following web address will take you to our website where you can fill out the information we need. <https://www.thebluffsofsebring.com/contact>

If you have an after-hours emergency, please call our main number (after hour emergency number (863) 382-9393). And the answering service will reach out to our on-call

Maintenance Person to respond.

Office hours of operation are:

Monday-Friday
8:00am-12:00pm
1:00pm-4:00pm

Thanksgiving is coming soon!

Michael Swords,
Manager

VI'S CORNER



Well Welcome Back Dear Friends!! Each day more of our northern friends and neighbors are returning to us at the Bluffs. It is good to see their safe return and smiling faces. Hugs all

around. We have been truly blessed this year with no hurricanes or hail storms near the Bluffs so far. We have had so many new owners move into the Bluffs in the last year. Please join me in welcoming them and making new friends. The more participation, the more fun that will be had by everyone.

November Activities



On **Saturday, November 11th** at **9:00 AM** we will be having a **Veteran's Day Breakfast** hosted by Bruce Parke. Breakfast is \$6.00 per person. **There is no charge to Veterans.** After breakfast Wanda Reeves will be presenting a program to pay tribute to our vets. You can purchase your tickets for this event at Bingo, Koffee Klatch or Games Night. See Vi Oliver, or go to or Vi's – Villa 13A. The sign-up sheet will be on the walkway next week.

Wednesday, November 15th at **12:00 PM** will be **Ladies Day Out** being hosted by Lynn Kern at the Jacaranda in Avon Park. The sign-up sheet will be on the walkway next week. Due to the Jacaranda being an all-inclusive buffet they are requesting we be billed by one check only for a large party of people. Therefore, we are requesting you prepay for lunch. Lunch will be \$22.00 per person (which covers lunch, beverage, dessert and tip) and can be prepaid to Lynn Kern (Unit# M-3). She would appreciate payment by no later than Monday November 13th.

If you paid for lunch and find for some reason you can't attend, please contact Lynn before the event and you will be reimbursed your money.

If you have never been to the historic Jacaranda Hotel, you will be in for a real treat. The hotel will be decorated for the Holidays and is such a beautiful site and will definitely put you into the Christmas mood.

Men's Day Out hosted by Bill Muckler will be held the same day at Three Gens Grill & Bar at **12:00 PM**. 3 Gens has recently relocated to 3400 Sebring Parkway in Sebring. The sign-up sheet will be on the walkway next week.

On **Friday, November 17th** at **4:30 PM** we will have our monthly **Meet & Greet**. BYOB and a snack to share. This is a great opportunity for new and returning residences to meet and get acquainted. It's also a good place to discuss activities that are going on that they would like to join.



On **Thursday, November 23rd** at **5:00 PM** we will have our annual **Thanksgiving Day Dinner** hosted by Carol & John Graham and some of our Canadian friends. This is always a delicious meal and a wonderful Holiday to share together. We will be pre-selling tickets for \$15.00 per person, starting

November 09th for this event. See the walkway for sign-up sheet and specific details. At Thanksgiving Dinner we will be passing the basket for donations to the Avon Church Park Services. At the dinner we will explain all about the benefits the Avon Park Church Services gives to the local people in need. This organization is made up of all volunteers and has no direct administrative overhead. So all proceeds go directly to our local people in need.



On **Saturday, November 25th** at **5:00PM** we will have our annual **Welcome Back Potluck** hosted by Brigitte & Horst Eberle. This is a Pot Luck Supper, where the meat choice is fried chicken and you sign up on the walkway to bring a dish to pass to feed a minimum of 10 people. There is a small nominal cover charge of \$8.00 per person which will assist in

covering the cost of chicken and the band. The entertainment for this event in George Durham & Company out of Winter Haven, FL. This is an evening you won't want to miss, so watch the walkway for the sign-up sheet and details.



On **Wednesday, November 29th** at **10:00 AM** we will have the **Hanging of the Greens** in the Clubhouse. This is where the Bluffs elves decorate the clubhouse for the Christmas season. Please come join us, the more the merrier. Bruce Parke and his helpers will be working the grounds that week getting ready for the Holiday. Christmas is such a magical time of the year to enjoy and share.

REMINDER:

Every year we have our Annual **Treasure Sale** towards the end of January.

Save the date: Saturday, January 20th. If you are renovating or doing some fall cleaning, please think of us. We are always looking for donations for the sale. There is a lot of hard work, fun and love that goes into this sale. The residents of the community rally together year after year to make this such a success. As most of you know this event is used to raise funds for the Activities for the Bluffs. Any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at 585-746-3547.

The Bluffs is a residential community made up of a great number of fine people that work hard to make it a fun place to live and play. We need everyone to offer a hand and join in and participate. We are always looking for volunteers for various jobs.

If you are interested in getting involved, please let me know. Volunteers are what make this community so great and the more people that get involved the easier it is on everyone.

My door is always open at Villa 13A. Please feel free to stop by to discuss any ideas you would like to see implemented.

I can be reached at:
585-746-3547 or
violiver48@gmail.com

Vi Oliver, Activities Chair

GOOD QUOTES

**"The minute that you're not learning I believe you're dead."
Jack Nicholson**

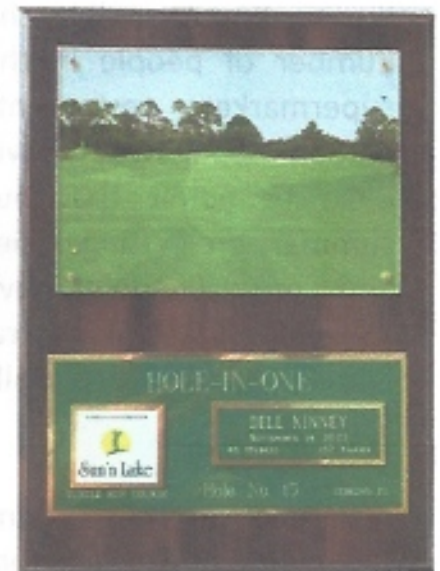
**"Love all, trust a few, do wrong to none."
William Shakespeare**



KINNEY SCORES AN ACE

Dell Kinney scored an ace at Sun 'N Lake on the Turtle Course on September 14th, 2023. He scored his hole in one on Hole #15, 157 Yard hole with his #6 Hybrid.

Chris Lorincz witnessed the ace and Sun 'N Lake awarded Dell with a nice plaque. If you see him, congratulate him!





NEW OWNER

Sally & Ralph Benividez—D-21

R.J. & Nancy Silverthorn--F-1

Richard Campovari—G-26

Ross Ravelo—Q-24

Susan Watts—V5B

Jeanne & John Grady--O-1

Jean & Ron Jeglie—J-1

EDITORS NOTES

The snowbirds are returning to their winter roost and it is getting busier. You can tell by the number of people in the supermarkets, restaurants and on the highways. I will have to admit that our summers are getting busier and more people have learned how nice central Florida is and especially Sebring!

A telltale sign that Sebring is growing is the fact that we are getting (at least one) and possibly two Culvers, a Chick-fil-A and a

Chipolte Grill. There is a carwash on just about every corner, as well as a medical marijuana dispensary. (Stay alert!) Property values are also increasing, as well as a big boom in building. With the interest rates climbing, it will be interesting to see how long that lasts.

If you're in to Halloween, there are some great displays around town. There is one in the neighborhood behind the mall, I hear that 110 E. Wolf in Avon Park is good and also at the intersection of Golfview and Westminster.

Some safety reminders for the newbies (and some that just don't remember)...please don't get impatient and let people in at the call box. Give them time to go through the proper procedures and contact the person they're visiting. Also, please don't drive around them...if their guest is opening the gate, it will mess up the queue. If someone tailgates you in, please notify the office so they can identify the vehicle and contact them.

Glass containers are not allowed at the pool...not because we are mean but because if a bottle or glass breaks and pieces go in the pool, it can be a nightmare...use common sense. Food is not allowed at the pool, except in the designated eating areas. Please enjoy your stay and enjoy your wonderful home away from home...more and more of us are living here full time and enjoying The Bluff's year round!

Bonnie Lennox,
Editor



November 2023
Bluffs of Sebring
Activities Calendar



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Game Night 6:00 PM	2	3	4
5	6 Activities Meeting 3:00 PM Bingo 6:45 PM...start at 7:00 PM	7 Koffee Klatch 7:45 AM	8 Board Meeting 2:00 PM Game Night 6:00 PM	9	10	11 Veterans Day Breakfast 9:00 AM Bruce Parkes & Wanda Reeves
12	13 Bingo 6:45 PM...start at 7:00 PM	14 Koffee Klatch 7:45 AM	15 Ladies Day Out - Lynn Kern host Men's Day Out - Bill Muckler host Game Night 6:00 PM	16	17 Meet N' Greet - byo and a snack to share 4:30 PM	18
19	20 Bingo 6:45 PM...start at 7:00 PM	21 Koffee Klatch 7:45 AM	22 Game Night 6:00 PM	23 Thanksgiving Dinner - 5:00 PM John & Carol Graham chairs	24	25 Welcome Back Potluck Dinner 5:00PM Brigitte & Horst Eberle hosts
26	27 Bingo 6:45 PM...start at 7:00 PM	28 Koffee Klatch 7:45 AM	29 Hanging of the Greens 10:00 AM Game Night 6:00 PM	30		

Weekly Activities

Please check the bulletin board for any last minute changes in the monthly calendar or weekly activities. Activities listed below are subject to change. Sign up in the mailroom.

Bingo	6:45 PM	Mon	Golf (sign up for shotgun)	12:30 PM	Thur
Bridge	(sign up)	Tues	Shuffleboard (sign up)	3:00 PM	Wed
Golf	(sign up)	Tues	Shuffleboard	10:00 AM	Sat
Mahjongg	(sign up)	M & W	Water Aerobics	10:00 AM	M,W,F
Euchre	(sign up)	Wed	Water Aerobics	2:00PM	MTWTF
Mexican Train		Wed	Chair Yoga	9:00 AM	MTWTF
Mens Poker		Wed	Bocce Ball (sign up)	10:00AM	Mon
Pickleball		M,W,F	Ladies Poker	7:00 PM	Thur
Sequence	10:00AM	Thur			

BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Lorraine Dexter
- 4 Joan Krueger
- 6 John Graham
- 8 Linda Sherman
- 9 Dottie Pledger
- 12 George Radcliffe
- 19 Dottie Cavanaugh
- 19 Bonnie Coston
- 22 Marylyn Adams
- 26 Suzanne Huffer
- 30 Judy Hensley

ANNIVERSARIES

- 19 Margaret & Bill Hawley 1955
- 23 Beth & Dan Hogan 1991
- 24 Debbie & Keith Addis 1985
- 28 Polly & Doug Duden 1970

