



# Veranda Springs Views

**January 2025**

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## **From the Manager** **Happy New Year Everyone!**

Points to ponder for the New year:

- Find something good in every day.
- There is always someone in a worse position than you.
- 365 new days , 365 new ways to bless someone.
- If you got up today and put your britches on without falling over you're in better shape then most of us.
- Remember we are Veranda Strong! A great community with wonderful caring people.

The pool heater was damaged from Milton and had to have replacement parts so it took a bit to get that back in order, thankfully we live in Florida and it doesn't stay cold long. So we are sorry for any inconvenience this caused anyone.

If you have an email and want to be on the email blast that go out please send an email to [VerandaspringsMHP@nremgmt.com](mailto:VerandaspringsMHP@nremgmt.com) and we will add you.

We still have those speeders going through and not using the stop signs, there have been couple of close calls in the past month or so, so please slow down.

That's about it for now, have a great day!

## **PRESIDENTS MESSAGE**

**January 2025**

It's 2025, Happy New Year! It's a time of reflection of the past year. Saying goodbye to neighbors and friends who have left us or are leaving for a new chapter, you will be greatly missed.

Together we survived two major storms. Overcame challenges. We have learned many lessons.

It's now time to look forward to a new year! Reach out to our new neighbors. Welcome and encourage them to get involved. We need their ideas, involvement, and energy to make 2025 the best year yet. To everyone, I challenge you to make a resolution this next year to volunteer, join a committee, share your passions and experiences. Let's all help keep Veranda Springs the ever dynamic, growing and compassionate home for everyone that we know it is.

*Jim Walsh*



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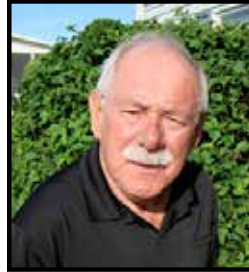
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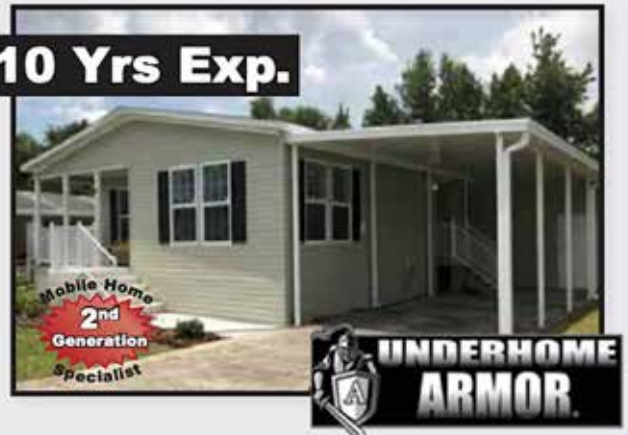
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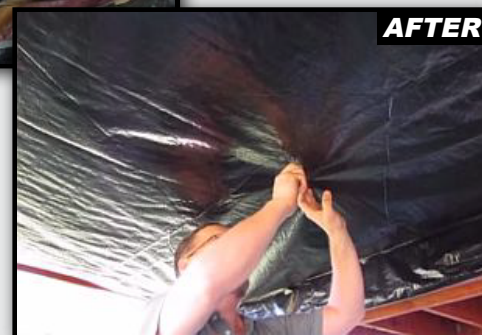
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# Thanksgiving Dinner





# Men's Day Out

The Men (with the ladies for our Christmas time meal) had a wonderful time at Speaks Clam Bar. They go to lunch every second Wednesday of the month. Sign-up sheet on the back table in the Hall. Why not plan on attending with us in January for a good time with your friends and neighbors. A big shout out of thanks for Gary Hoffmaster who has stepped down as our host and welcome Fran Mulhern as he steps into that role this month!





# Purpose of the Veranda Springs Social Committee

The Social Committee's purpose is to help provide and/or assist with activities that offer fellowship, fun, and enjoyment to all who wish to participate. The cost of these events is to cover expenses, with any excess going to the HOA to help defray expenses of the HOA. Any HOA member is welcome to host; just discuss it with any of the social committee members listed below.

Hosting an event requires responsibility and work but NO cost other than purchasing your own tickets just like everyone else in the past. The host is responsible for planning, finding help, planning a flier (hand delivered fliers are not necessary) and getting tickets from Susan Fullum. Hosts sell tickets at coffee on Thursday mornings for Three weeks prior to the event. Decorations for the event, and purchasing all items including food (*other than those provided by the HOA*) necessary for the event can be purchased with the money collected from tickets sales. It is not necessary for the hosts to pay anything for the decorations out of their own pocket. (Check with Pam or Cindy to learn what decorations are left from previous events.) Keep all receipts for items purchased for the event as they must be turned in with the final report. (*If you are purchasing items for yourself, please have them on a separate receipt for yourself*). The other main duty is setting up and cleaning up the kitchen and hall immediately after or within 24 hours of the end of the event. More detailed instructions will be given when you get the date and approval for the event. All money, receipts and forms are then returned to the social committee hopefully within 48 hours of the end of the event.

The committee is not responsible to host all of the events! We are here to help and assist any volunteering host with anything they need for the event. Feel free to talk to any one of us with event ideas or offers to host or help with an event. Help is always appreciated.

**Ginny Storey (610-506-4428) Chair**

**Social Committee Members: Susan Fullum, Connie Hill, Linda McCarthy,  
Dee Prichard, Pam Stone, Faith Walzak, and Pam Young**

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Name and Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

If you are interested in volunteering in any way, please cut off, fill out this portion, and submit it in the volunteer slot of the Veranda Springs mailbox inside the clubhouse.

\_\_\_\_\_ Hosting an Event      \_\_\_\_\_ Assist a host for an event      \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteer to do Thurs. morning coffee

\_\_\_\_\_ Make a suggestion of something you would like to volunteer to do.

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3 - Jan.	David Freeman	21 - Jan.	Bonnie Siems
4 - Jan.	Kenneth Bussert	23 - Jan.	Patti Davis
4 - Jan.	Joanna Nedea-Kilby	23 - Jan.	Marcia Foley
4 - Jan.	Pam Kline	23 - Jan.	Scott Hueter
6 - Jan.	Lynn D'Amato	23 - Jan.	Gloria Schendel
7 - Jan.	Semyon Furman	24 - Jan.	Anil Lund
7 - Jan.	Ron Wade	25 - Jan.	Rose Calanni
8 - Jan.	Dave Gibel	26 - Jan.	Phyllis Gilbert
8 - Jan.	Daniel Tilleman	27 - Jan.	Susan Fullum
9 - Jan.	Victor Procopio	29 - Jan.	Joan Foley
11 - Jan.	Pearl Corlew	30 - Jan.	Susan Bingham
11 - Jan.	Cheryl Fossi	30 - Jan.	Peter Fossi
13 - Jan.	Linda Giguere	30 - Jan.	Ken Gerrard
14 - Jan.	Geza Kozmits	30 - Jan.	Billy Light
15 - Jan.	Linda Calvo	30 - Jan.	Nancy Reinmann
17 - Jan.	Ruth Hennessey	31 - Jan.	Paulette Vanderwest
18 - Jan.	Sue Wiedmeyer		



## January Anniversaries

7 - Jan.	Mike & Linda Christensen
9 - Jan.	Dennis & Jeanette Cooter
14 - Jan.	Bill & Sue Wiedmeyer
15 - Jan.	Segundo & Martha Ordonez
20 - Jan.	Marty & Cheryl McGinley
21 - Jan.	David & Sharon McCollister
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You may approach this in any way you choose. It doesn't have to be collections every Thursday at Coffee

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They originally lived in Rhode Island and dated as teenagers. They went their separate ways a couple of times and eventually found their way back together. They have a grown son who stayed behind when they moved here from Connecticut. He is happily enjoying his single life. Occasionally he gets to visit and loves spending time at the pool.

Dean is a veteran of the Coast Guard. In Connecticut he was an owner of an insurance company that he sold to his partner when he retired. In the past he served on many boards of different organizations and was a volunteer fireman. He will tell you his main job now is taking care of Cindy. He considers his love for Porsches a hobby and he enjoys playing pool on a league in Bradenton.

Cindy at one time lived in Palmetto and enjoyed visiting a friend here in Veranda Springs. She worked in banking in her younger days, but now enjoys cooking, shopping at yard sales, basking in the sun and would like to find others to join in a game of Mexican Train.

They have two friendly little dogs; Cassie and Spanky. Watch for Cindy and Dean in the park as they love being involved.

**Welcoming Committee:**  
Ted, Faith and Ginny



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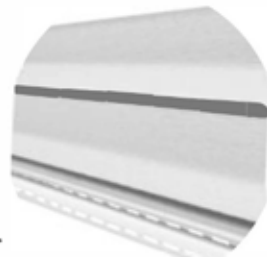
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**\*Annual Membership Fee: \$25.00 (payable by cash or check)  
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**Membership is valid from January 1 to December 31 of the current year.**

**A membership card will be issued by our Membership Administrator.**

**\*Membership entitles the card holder to receive membership rates on all sanctioned HOA provided events and annual voting on the Board of Directors elections.**

### **HOA (Homeowner's Association) Membership**

Happy New Year! I want to thank all the homeowner's who joined the HOA in 2024. There were 187 sign-ups for 2024 which means 53% of the community were HOA members!

The HOA board elections will be held Monday February 3, 2025. You can vote if you are a current 2025 HOA member.

The HOA membership dues are \$25.00 (cash or check made out to VS HOA). There is an envelope enclosed in the newsletter. You can fill out the membership form with your dues and place in the Membership slot located in the mailboxes at the clubhouse. Dues can also be paid at coffee hour on Thursday's. If neither of these options work for you, please call me and I can assist you in getting your membership paid and up to date.

*Cheryl Longwell, 423-223-4585*



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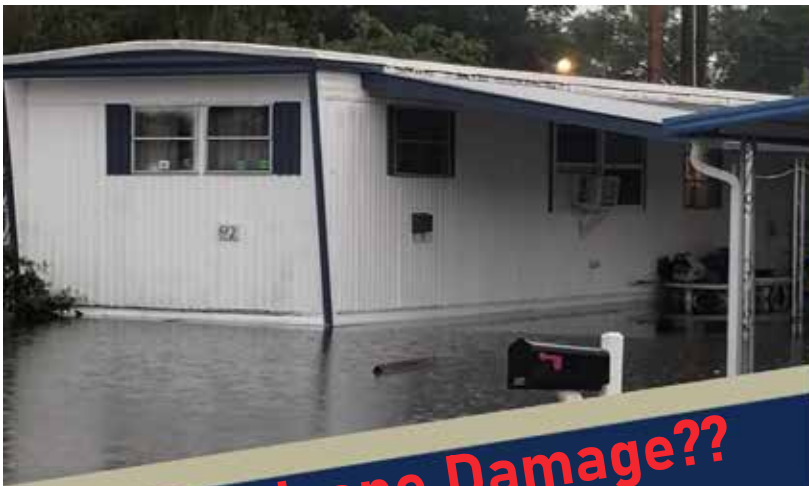
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**February 1st, 2025**  
**Jimmy Mazz**  
**Vegas Dinner Show**  
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# January 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><u>Calendar submitted to newsletter middle of previous month, so there might be changes.</u></p>			<p><u>1</u> Happy New Year DO WHAT YOU WANT DAY! Pickleball 7:30 AM Water Aerobics 2 PM</p>	<p><u>2</u> Coffee-9 AM come early Shuffleboard - after coffee Canasta 1-3:30 Pickleball 3:30 PM</p>	<p><u>3</u> Pickleball 7:30AM Water Aerobics- 2 PM</p>	<p><u>4</u></p>
<p><u>5</u> Horse Race Game or Tripoli 6PM Texas Hold-em 6 PM</p>	<p><u>6</u> Pickleball 7:30AM Water Aerobics 2 PM Progressive Hand and Foot 7 PM</p>	<p><u>7</u> Shuffleboard 9 AM Line Dancing 10-12 Pickleball 11 AM Pinochle 1 PM Mahjong 1 PM Darts 2 PM</p>	<p><u>8</u> Pickleball 7:30 AM Painting Class 9:30-11AM Water Aerobics 2 PM Mens Lunch Out Ladies Poker 1 PM Bingo sales end 5:30</p>	<p><u>9</u> Coffee-9 AM come early Shuffleboard - after coffee Canasta 1-3:30 Pickleball 3:30</p>	<p><u>10</u> Pickleball 7:30AM Water Aerobics- 2 PM</p>	<p><u>11</u> SHOW NIGHT Comedy Hypnosis Show 6:45 PM</p>
<p><u>12</u> Horse Race Game or Tripoli 6PM Texas Hold-em 6 PM</p>	<p><u>13</u> Pickleball 7:30AM Tai Chi 10-11AM Water Aerobics 2 PM Progressive Hand and Foot 7 PM</p>	<p><u>14</u> Shuffleboard 9 AM Line Dancing 10-12 Pickleball 11AM Pinochle 1 PM Mahjong 1 PM Darts 2 PM Trivia 6:30 PM</p>	<p><u>15</u> Pickleball 7:30 AM Painting Class 9:30-11AM Tai Chi 10-11AM Water Aerobics 2 PM Men's Lunch Out Bingo sales end 5:30</p>	<p><u>16</u> Coffee-9AM come early Shuffleb. – aft. Coffee Canasta 1-3:30 Pickleball 3:30 Board Meeting 6:30 PM</p>	<p><u>17</u> Pickleball 7:30AM Water Aerobics- 2 PM</p>	<p><u>18</u> Italian Dinner Veteran Mem. Event Dinner at 6 PM Dancing 7 -9</p>
<p><u>19</u> Horse Race Game or Tripoli 6PM Texas Hold-em 6 PM</p>	<p><u>20</u> Pickleball 7:30AM No Tai Chi today Water Aerobics 2 PM Progressive Hand and Foot 7 PM</p>	<p><u>21</u> Shuffleboard 9 AM Line Dancing 10-12 Pickleball 11AM Pinochle 1 PM Mahjong 1 PM Darts 2 PM</p>	<p><u>22</u> Pickleball 7:30 AM Painting Class 9:30-11AM Tai Chi 10-11AM Water Aerobics 2 PM Ladies Lunch Out Bingo sales end 5:30</p>	<p><u>23</u> Coffee-9AM come early Shuffleboard - after coffee Canasta 1-3:30 Pickleball 3:30</p>	<p><u>24</u> Pickleball 7:30AM Water Aerobics- 2 PM</p>	<p><u>25</u> Saturday Morning Social 9 AM Karaoke Party 6:30 to 10 PM</p>
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## Social Committee News

As promised, I'm here to let you know how we ended November. It was a busy month and December promises to be the same way. However, all of the December activities won't take place until after the deadline for the January newsletter so you will have to read about them later.

The Craft Show change of date seemed to be successful. There were 20 craft vendors; ten of them are residents of our park. It was so nice to see all of their talents and I was told that they all had a successful day. As always, the biggest part of the success couldn't happen without so many of you donating your time and talent baking for the baked goods table. I would like to thank all of you by name, but so many of you always just bake and show-up at the clubhouse with a delicious variety of goodies. The vendors were also very generous by donating items for the raffle baskets. New neighbors, Tim and Pam Riley won the \$100 prize. The overflowing baskets of crafts went to three winners this year: Colleen P., Maureen B., and Linda B.

The whole event could not take place without so many of you who devoted time helping me with this annual event. The baked goods part of the event takes many helpers who were coordinated by Carol Gonzalez who started Friday evening collecting, pricing and arranging the generous display of baked goods.

Fran Mulhern started grilling around 10 AM so that the great Kitchen staff, headed by Pam Stone, would have plenty to sell to hungry shoppers and vendors. Charlotte Frank oversaw the raffle ticket sales just as she has for many years. Vicki Mulhern spent many hours by my side helping to keep me sane along with all of the others whenever and wherever needed.

Immediately, Carol Gonzalez got Niccie Carlesi and myself busy planning and shopping for the Thanksgiving Dinner. Phil and Mary Ann Godin were kind enough to pass on their wealth of experience planning and providing the wonderful dinners in the past, so Carol knew where to start. This is always the biggest dinner event of the season, so it requires many people and many hours to make it happen and Happen it did! With the help of many preps, cooks, bakers, servers, set-up people and hours of clean-up, the delicious dinner was served to over 150 people. The list of volunteers is endless and thank you to all of you who helped in any way to make us all feel Thankful.

After this writing, we will have had the Ugly Sweater & Pizza Party and an evening of golf cart parade and caroling. Then there will be our New Year's Eve party to welcome in 2025. Watch for pictures and read about it next month.

January 11th will be the first of the three shows brought to us by the new show committee of Dawn Siems and Sharon Oliveraz. Hope you have already gotten your tickets for one, two or all three great shows they have lined up for us in 2025.

January 18th will be the last of the Memorial Fund raising events. They have planned an Italian Dinner for all to enjoy.

January 25 Jan and Nancy Fetterly will host their every popular, annual Karaoke Party. Hopefully many of you will pick a song or two and sign up to entertain all of us. As always, prizes will be awarded to groups of three or more. This is always an event you don't want to miss.

As always, you can purchase tickets three weeks in advance of any event at coffee on Thursday morning. We will also try selling tickets on a Wednesday evening before bingo (4:30 to 5 PM). Also, you can call the host to make arrangements to purchase tickets.

February 15th we have Kevin Brooks contracted to entertain us for the Palentine Party. (Yes, Palentine, so you can bring your pal). We are still looking for someone to host the event. If you have never hosted, please give it a try. Dances aren't hard to host and I will be glad to help and guide you..

*Ginny Storey: Social Chairwoman*



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<p><b>Tootsie</b> Jan 22 - Feb 2, 2025</p>	<p><b>Steel Magnolias</b> Jan 23 - Feb 2, 2025</p>	<p><b>Tribute to Jimmy Buffett</b> Jan 28, 25 - 2 &amp; 7PM</p>		
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