



Veranda Springs Views

October 2025

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From the Park Manager

Just a couple of things this month:

- We have a new maintenance man, his name is Leo, so please welcome him.
- The rent increase letters have gone out, if for some reason you did not receive yours let us know at the office and we can email you a copy or you can come by and pick one up.
- The HOPA audit form that you received has a stamped return envelope enclosed so please make sure you return those as soon as possible.

PRESIDENT REPORT

October 2025

We have made it through the first half of Hurricane Season. Please stay vigilant, don't become lax. We have endured lots of heat, humidity and rain. But we still love it here.

By now you may have noticed work has been completed in the memorial garden area. Bricks have been reset, smoothed out and added for future memorials. Also, the Veterans Memorial is completed. The committee is planning a special dedication on Veterans Day and of course our veterans' lunch.

BINGO has started and needs your support, come play. The Wednesday kitchen is open. Come get dinner whether you are playing BINGO or not. Take it to go. Take one for a neighbor, too. Thank you to everyone who has helped us bring this together.

This time of year, one of my favorite shows is on, it debuted October 27, 1966. It's the Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown. Charlie Brown gets rocks, The Red Baron gets Snoopy, Linus is still waiting for the Great Pumpkin and Lucy held the football for Charlie Brown the first time.

Watch our social Calendar, upcoming events, Halloween, my birthday, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, Also as I am writing this, by the September deadline, Christmas is 105 days away!

Make sure to welcome back our Snowbirds!!!

Jim



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RESIDENT NEWS

Fran Scanzelli Roberts,

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Tuesday Recycling
Wednesday..... Yard Waste

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Karin Stern 203.451.7738



Tuesday November 11, 2025
Veranda Springs Monument Dedication Ceremony

VETERANS' DAY ★ CEREMONY ★



Ceremony 11:11am - Please be seated by 11am outside by the monument. Lunch to follow.

Lunch Tickets are \$10 ea. **VETERANS ARE FREE!**

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Annual Craft Show & Bake Sale

The Big Day is November 15, 2025



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The Craft Show and Baked Goods Annual Event will be set up in the clubhouse with doors opening at 9 am and vendors closing up at 2pm. We have some old and some new vendors signed up for this year's show but, there is still room for more. If you wish to sell your crafts in the clubhouse with the other vendors, please call Ginny Storey at (610) 506-4428. I'll be glad to go over the details with you. Cost of table and space is HOA- \$15 for 1 & \$10 more for second; Non HOA-\$20 & \$15 more for the second. Make checks payable to "VSHOA". Also, if you know of or see new and unusual crafters at other shows, please have them call me.

Please watch for sign-up sheets at the back table in the clubhouse to help. Since it will be a busy day, plan on purchasing lunch and baked goods at the clubhouse and see the lovely crafts the vendors are selling.

Donated Baked Goods Information

The most important part of the day will be accomplished by all of our Veranda Spring bakers! Your generous donations to the bake table are what make this event so successful.

For new residents, in the past, the craftshow and baked goods table were one of our biggest money makers for the HOA, especially because of so many residents who generously baked and donated items for us to sell on that day. Previously, we have had as many as 50+ bakers. When all goes well, the baked goods table is the biggest money maker of the day; followed by the raffle, kitchen and the payment from the vendors for their selling space.



For those donating baked goods, we are asking that you wrap your items in quantities that you think will sell. We will price the items once we see the varieties and sizes we receive from you. Please mark your items if they contain any nuts or peanut butter. Also mark items that are either sugar free or gluten free. Whatever you wish to donate is fine with us, however sometimes it is hard to sell whole cakes or pies, but occasionally a few ask for them.

The drop off time for the baked goods will be Friday evening November 14th between 4 PM and 7 PM. If that doesn't work, we will gladly accept items at 8 AM Saturday morning.

Sign-up sheets can be found on the table outside of the library in the clubhouse. There you will also find some sign-up sheets to volunteer where ever you wish on the day of the show. The more who volunteer, the less time anyone will have to help.

Committee Chairs: Ginny Storey, Faith Walzak, Vicki Mulhern, Carol Gonzalez (Baked Goods), Pam Stone (Kitchen), Charlotte Frank (Raffle), Mike Gonzales, and Dave Storey, along with their many other helpers. Consider adding your name to the list.

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Veranda Springs Social Committee News

October 2025

Since the publication deadline of the September newsletter, there were additional August activities that kept residents happy in the clubhouse. Thanks to Jan and Fred Crider, many came and enjoyed food and games. The following weekend was another chance to be fed by the grill master, Fran, and served by many who helped in the kitchen. All reports of these two activities were positive as always. Labor Day was hosted by Cindy and Dean who organized another memorable pot luck dinner with the added fun of “kiddie games” for everyone’s enjoyment and laughter.

September 20th was possibly our last grill day for awhile. No telling when we will put Fran back to work. September 27th the Saturday morning social hour resumed after taking a break over the summer.

Moving forward here are dates for events in October that you won’t want to miss:

October 12th – Columbus Day Italian Dinner – hosted by Karin Stern.

October 28th – Edgar and Emily – a performance by the Parrish Playworks – 6:30 refreshments and curtain opens at 7 PM. Check out the fliers in this newsletter for further details.

October 31st – Halloween Party with entertainment by Cruise Control.

Again, “Thank You” to all of our hosts and volunteers. Without you we wouldn’t enjoy life so much here in Veranda Springs!

Check out the fliers in this newsletter for further details. Tickets for each of these events will be available at Thursday morning coffee or call the host of the event.

Future Events – be sure to mark your calendars for the following:

Nov. 8th Saturday Morning Social *(change from the normal last Sat. of the month)*

Nov. 11th is our Annual Veterans Day Event

Nov. 22 Thanksgiving Dinner

December – We need hosts for Christmas celebrations – dates are up to hosts.

Ideas for events: Caroling, Ugly Sweater Contest Party, Christmas Breakfast,

Cookie Exchange, or Christmas Dinner, or any other ideas you might have.



For those asking about New Year’s Eve, nothing is planned for that evening in the clubhouse due to the poor attendance in the past.

Ginny Storey, Social Committee Chairwoman

Please note: my phone number is 610-506-4428

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October 2025 GUIDE FOR DAI

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
<u>Calendar submitted to newsletter middle of previous month, Changes Possible</u>	* <u>Pickleball 7:30AM</u> * <u>Water Aerobics 2 PM</u> <u>Progressive Hand and Foot 7 PM</u>	<u>Shuffleboard 9 AM</u> * <u>Line Dancing 10-12</u> <u>Pinochle 1 PM</u> <u>Mahjong 1 PM</u>	<u>1</u> * <u>Pickleball 7</u> <u>Cornhole 1</u> <u>Water Aer 2 PM</u>
<u>5</u> <u>Horse Race Game or Tripoli 6PM</u>	<u>6</u> * <u>Pickleball 7:30AM</u> * <u>Water Aerobics 2 PM</u> <u>Progressive Hand and Foot 7 PM</u>	<u>7</u> <u>Shuffleboard 9 AM</u> * <u>Line Dancing 10-12</u> <u>Pinochle 1 PM</u> <u>Mahjong 1 PM</u> <u>Trivia 6:30 PM second Tues.</u>	<u>8</u> * <u>Pickleball 7</u> <u>Cornhole 1</u> <u>Men's Lun Second Wed.</u> <u>Ladies Poker</u> <u>Water Aer 2 PM</u>
<u>12</u> <u>Columbus Day Italian Dinner</u> <u>Horse Race Game or Tripoli 6PM</u>	<u>13</u> * <u>Pickleball 7:30AM</u> * <u>Water Aerobics 2 PM</u> <u>Progressive Hand and Foot 7 PM</u>	<u>14</u> <u>Shuffleboard 9 AM</u> * <u>Line Dancing 10-12</u> <u>Pinochle 1 PM</u> <u>Mahjong 1 PM</u>	<u>15</u> * <u>Pickleball 7</u> <u>Cornhole 1</u> <u>Ladie's Lun Third Wed.</u> <u>Water Aer 2 PM</u>
<u>19</u> <u>Horse Race Game or Tripoli 6PM</u> <u>26 repeat same as above</u>	<u>20</u> * <u>Pickleball 7:30AM</u> * <u>Water Aerobics 2 PM</u> <u>Progressive Hand and Foot 7 PM</u> <u>27 repeat same as above</u>	<u>21</u> <u>Shuffleboard 9 AM</u> * <u>Line Dancing 10-12</u> <u>Pinochle 1 PM</u> <u>Mahjong 1 PM</u> <u>Trivia 6:30 PM</u> <u>28 repeat except no trivia</u> <u>"Manatee Players" 6:30 Edgar & Emily</u>	<u>22</u> * <u>Pickleball 7</u> <u>Cornhole 1</u> <u>Water Aer 2 PM</u> <u>Ladies Poke</u> <u>29</u> <u>Pickleball 7</u> <u>Cornhole 1</u> <u>Water Aer 2AM</u>

LY ACTIVITIES & Special Events

SDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
7:30 AM 10 AM obics	<u>2</u> <u>Coffee-9 AM</u> <u>come early</u> <u>Shuffleboard - after</u> <u>coffee</u> <u>Canasta 1-3:30</u>	<u>3</u> <u>*Pickleball 7:30AM</u> <u>* Water Aerobics</u> <u>2 PM</u>	<u>4</u> TIMES FOR OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES WILL CHANGE WITH THE WEATHER
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7:30 AM 10 AM ch Out of Mo. obics	<u>Coffee-9AM</u> <u>come early</u> <u>Shuffleboard after</u> <u>coffee</u> <u>Canasta 1-3:30</u> <u>Board Meeting</u> <u>6:30 PM</u>	<u>17</u> <u>*Pickleball 7:30AM</u> <u>* Water Aerobics</u> <u>2 PM</u>	<u>18</u> <u>Remember to get</u> <u>your event tickets</u> <u>during coffee as</u> <u>much as three</u> <u>weeks before an</u> <u>event</u>
7:30 AM 10 AM obics r 1 PM	<u>23</u> <u>Coffee-9 AM</u> <u>come early</u> <u>Shuffleboard - after</u> <u>coffee</u> <u>Canasta 1-3:30</u>	<u>24</u> <u>*Pickleball 7:30AM</u> <u>* Water Aerobics</u> <u>2 PM</u> ----- <u>31</u> <u>Halloween</u> <u>Party</u> <u>6:30</u>	<u>25</u> <u>Saturday</u> <u>Morning</u> <u>Social</u> <u>9 AM</u>
7:30 AM 10 AM obics	<u>30 repeat</u> <u>same as above</u>		



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2 - Oct.	Daniel Ferraro	19 - Oct.	John Geary
3 - Oct.	Michael Boyle	19 - Oct.	Dan Pritchard
3 - Oct.	Susan Reed	20 - Oct.	Margo Popa
8 - Oct.	Ritchie Gabriel	20 - Oct.	Liz Quigley
9 - Oct.	Kurt Schendel	20 - Oct.	Cindy Walsh
10 - Oct.	Beverly Lawson	23 - Oct.	Linda McCarthy
10 - Oct.	Kathleen Tranby	23 - Oct.	Ilona Ross
11 - Oct.	Rick Legge	24 - Oct.	Steve Hamilton
12 - Oct.	Mark Higgins	24 - Oct.	Segundo Ordonez
13 - Oct.	Darla Chandler	24 - Oct.	Ken Williams
13 - Oct.	Sharon McCollister	25 - Oct.	Nancy Dugas
13 - Oct.	Robert Schendel	25 - Oct.	Rita Dyer
14 - Oct.	Mark DeLathower	25 - Oct.	Paul Erlink
14 - Oct.	Bruce Eisnor	25 - Oct.	Andrea Giguere
15 - Oct.	Michael Kobelski	25 - Oct.	Annie Wine
15 - Oct.	Deborah Steinhaus	28 - Oct.	Michele Sandy
16 - Oct.	Leslie Kennedy	29 - Oct.	Karen Mowry
16 - Oct.	Sharon Miller	31 - Oct.	Pat Wallace
17 - Oct.	Nancy Phillips	31 - Oct.	Megan Bode



October Anniversaries

2 - Oct.	Fran & Vicki Mulhern
3 - Oct.	Barry & Joann Gascon
4 - Oct.	Darwin & Annette Miller
4 - Oct.	Mark & Lori Vance
5 - Oct.	Anthony & Pat Wallace
6 - Oct.	Ed & Marilyn Kvandal
10 - Oct.	Duane & Jackie Corstange
12 - Oct.	David & Marjorie Dangerfield
13 - Oct.	Dave & Suzanne Freeman
13 - Oct.	Steve & Nancy Hamilton
13 - Oct.	Robert & Sandra Schendel
15 - Oct.	Darnell & Barbara Radtke
17 - Oct.	Jan & Nancy Fetterly
23 - Oct.	Steve & Alicia Matincheck





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HOA (Homeowner's Association) Membership

Welcome back to our returning snowbirds! It's October, and our social calendars are getting full of activities to enjoy in our Veranda Springs community. I want to thank all the Veranda Springs homeowners who became dues paying members this year. The HOA is very much a part of this community. Many amenities are available to our residents throughout the community because of the involvement of the HOA. Dues are \$25.00 per calendar year (cash or check made out to Veranda Springs HOA or VSHOA). Dues can also be paid at coffee hour on Thursday's at the clubhouse or you can call/text me, and I will arrange to get your membership card to you.

Cheryl Longwell

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Social Activities

The hard-working Social Committee plans numerous events each year:

- Holiday celebrations, shows, dinners and dances

Helping Hands

Helping Hands Committee maintains an inventory of equipment in the storage sheds provided by the HOA.

- Medical equipment: Wheelchairs, walkers, commodes, crutches and canes
- Household items to serve your visitors, such as equipment for babies and children

Welcoming Committee

Greets all new homeowners and provides them with a packet of information on our community

Coffee Hour

Coffee and donuts every Thursday year-round

- Socialize
- Learn about upcoming events
- Enjoy presentations
- Take advantage of health screenings
- Learn about volunteer opportunities

Memorial Service Assistance

Intra-Park Mail Service

Facilities & Equipment

Outdoor

- Outdoor and pool furniture
- Shuffleboard
- Horseshoes
- Tennis and Pickleball courts
- Memorial Garden

Indoor

- Exercise room and equipment
- Card, pool and craft room
- Well-stocked library
- Folding tables and chairs
- Fully-equipped kitchen

The Back Gate

Owned and maintained by HOA

- Electronic gates
- Lights
- Signs
- Plantings

Publications

- Monthly newsletter
- Annual resident directory



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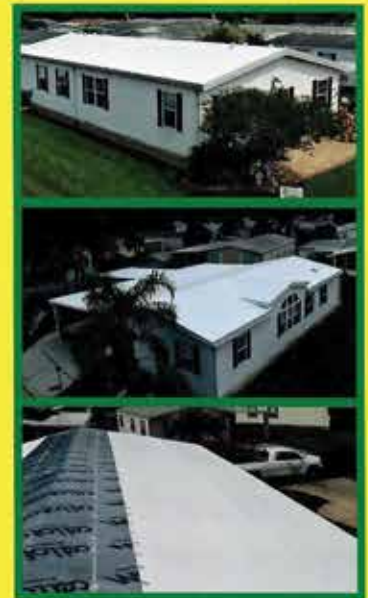
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Columbus...Discoverer or Connector?



The story of Christopher Columbus “discovering” America in 1492 has long been taught in classrooms, but the truth is more complex. While Columbus’s voyages were historically significant, he was not the first person to set foot on the American continents, nor did he actually land in what we now call the United States.

Columbus, an Italian sailor sponsored by Spain, set out to find a westward route to Asia. Instead, in October 1492, he arrived in the Bahamas, later visiting parts of the Caribbean and Central and South America. He believed he had reached islands near Asia, never realizing he had encountered continents previously unknown to Europeans. His expeditions opened the door for greater European exploration and colonization, but they did not mark the first human presence in the Americas.

For thousands of years before Columbus, Indigenous peoples thrived across North and South America. From the Iroquois in the northeast to the Maya, Aztec, and Inca civilizations further south, these societies had rich cultures, political systems, agriculture, and trade. Columbus did not “discover” empty land; he encountered civilizations that had existed for millennia.

Even in terms of European exploration, Columbus was not the first. Nearly 500 years earlier, Norse explorer Leif Erikson had landed in Newfoundland, Canada, around the year 1000, establishing

a settlement called Vinland. Archaeological evidence supports Viking presence in North America long before Columbus’s journey.

Still, Columbus’s voyages were undeniably transformative. They marked the beginning of sustained contact between Europe and the Americas, which had lasting consequences for the world. This “Columbian Exchange” brought crops, animals, technologies, and ideas across continents, but it also introduced diseases that devastated Indigenous populations and began centuries of colonization and displacement.

The narrative of Columbus as the heroic “discoverer” of America has been increasingly challenged, especially as awareness grows of the suffering Indigenous peoples endured following European arrival. Today, many recognize that while Columbus played a role in connecting Europe and the Americas, he cannot be credited with the true “discovery” of a land that had been inhabited and cultivated for thousands of years.

In reality, Columbus’s legacy is complicated. He was a skilled navigator whose voyages altered history, yet his arrival also marked the beginning of conquest, enslavement, and profound cultural disruption. The truth is that Columbus did not discover America—he opened it to Europe, forever changing the course of both continents.

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