



# Camp Florida Property Owners Association

## LAKE PLACID, FLORIDA

### THE CRITTER

March/April 2024 • Lakeview Club House • (863) 699-4063 • Hours: Monday - Friday 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

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## Letter from our POA President - Ron Goudy

Hello Camp Florida Fellow Property Owners,

This is my first official communication to you as your 2024 POA Board President. I am excited and humbled to represent all owners of our 397 lots. The last two years, during my first term on the Board, as well as the last year serving on the Architect Committee, has resulted in my getting to know many of you, so I hope you already have a sense of who I am as a person. I pledge to you here that I will continue to strive to represent everyone of our Association members in a fair and compassionate fashion, and to treat you with respect and hopefully earn yours along the way.

I look forward to continuing to work with this Board while extending a very special thanks to our outgoing President Cindy Leising. Cindy and I have spent countless hours this last year striving to do the right thing. Cindy, like our entire Board, always has our community's best interest in mind and will continue to make this Board an effective communicator as she now serves as Secretary to the Board. I look forward to working with newly appointed Vice President Bob Platt, Treasurer Cindy Donovan and Member at Large Bill Pease.

How do we see ourselves as a community of people? This is a question my wife, Teresa and I ask ourselves and I now extend to you. In part, the recent five year plan questionnaire made available to all is an extension of this very question. Do we see ourselves proud of our community? I think most, if not all of us, find this easy to answer with a quick yes. Where do we see ourselves in the future comes with perhaps more questions than answers. This question certainly comes with Budgetary impacts. Your collective inputs to the questionnaire will be given strong consideration by this board. Rules and Regulations are apart of any successful organization as well as having to comply with higher authority's laws. As we all strive to hold ourselves to reasonable standards, hopefully the need for more and more rules are not needed. I think most would agree that less is better when it comes to regulations. Being principally a senior aged demographic here, most of us are looking to live as stress free as possible while enjoying the many opportunities for good friendships, food and fellowship that we enjoy here.

It is my hope that the standards that we continue to hold ourselves to continue to foster all of these things. This board and I are committed to being available to the concerns and needs of all. We are a community of many voices and opinions. I pledge to listen to all with courtesy and respect enroute to reaching fair and reasonable solutions to problems or raised concerns.

Sincerely, Ron Goudy  
[rgoudy158@yahoo.com](mailto:rgoudy158@yahoo.com)

### ABOUT THE CRITTER

THE **CRITTER** is a monthly newsletter published November through March/April for Camp Florida property owners and renters. If you have an article (with or without photos) that you would like to submit, please email/text SAM at: [Millemo26A@dmcibb.net](mailto:Millemo26A@dmcibb.net) (419)450-1007 or complete a [Critter Request Form](#), available at the POA office. Completed articles are due no later than the 20th of the month.

\* Printed copies of the "CRITTER" are available in the POA Office. Donations are accepted to help defray printing costs.

#### Activities Committees

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SAM aka SAMiller

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##### Food Chair:

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## SPECIAL EVENTS:

GR: Great Room CR: Card Room LB: Library

03/02 Bunko - 7:00 PM LB - \$5.00 - Bring a Snack to Share

04/06 Bunco - Sign up in the Library

03/07 Pickleball Fun Day - 8:30 AM - 03/08 Rain Date

Tri-County Mental Health - (Coffee & Donut Hour)

03/07 + 04/04 - POA Meeting - 1:00 PM GR

03/09 Performance Series #5 - Mike Palma - 7:00 PM GR

03/10 Daylight Savings Time - Set your clocks forward 1 hour

03/11 Ladies Luncheon - 12:30 PM GR

03/12 Luau at the Pool - 2:00 - 6:00 PM - BYOB + Snack to Share

03/14 History of Camp Florida - (Coffee & Donut Hour)

03/15 Special Social Hour Dance - G Men - Tickets \$7.00 - 7-10 GR

03/16 Veterans/Remembrance Ceremony - 9:30 AM GR

03/17 St Paddy's Day 🍀

CF Pet Parade - 2:30 - 5:00 PM "C" Circle

03/18 Last Pancake Breakfast - Tickets \$8.00 - 8 - 10:00 AM GR

Blood Drive - 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM • BIG RED BUS

03/21 Camp Florida Singers - (Coffee & Donut Hour)

03/23 Performance Series #6 - Rockin Pianos - 7:00 PM GR

03/24 Palm Sunday

03/25 Stroke Screening - 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM CR

03/27 Super Bingo - 7:00 PM GR

03/28 Sam Donaldson, FL Natural Resources - 10:00 AM GR  
(Coffee & Donut Hour)

03/29 Good Friday

03/31 Easter Sunday Dinner 🐰 - 4:30 PM GR - Tickets \$12.00

## **After Hours Security**

If there is a security concern  
you can contact the  
Highlands County Sheriffs  
Department at **863-402-7200**.



## ***Park Manager's Message - John Sims***

It is hard to believe it is March already. Not a great winter weather season even though it is better than most. Some of our northern family will be leaving this month so here are some items to do before you leave. You are responsible for the appearance of your property. If you have a concrete pad that hasn't been pressure washed, please do so before you leave or have someone do it as soon as possible after you leave. If you have a park model and haven't had it pressure washed, please do it. With our hot and humid summers, it won't take long to turn green. Weeds are the responsibility of the property owner. The weeds grow fast in the summer rain and humidity. Please secure a contract with someone to take care of your weeds during the summer months. The maintenance crew can be hired for a fee to take care of your weeds on their OFF TIME. If you have an empty pad, turn off your water and lock your electrical box if you aren't going to be renting your lot. If you have a park model make sure someone has a key in case of an emergency and have to enter your residence. Shut off your water but do not lock your water meter as it belongs to the water company. Remove any outside furniture items that could become flying objects during a hurricane or severe thunderstorms. If you are leaving a boat and trailer or just a cargo trailer, please tie them down before you leave. On another note, dog complaints are always an issue in this park. If you are in a dog circle your dog has to be on a 6 foot leash before you exit your camper or park model. That is park rules and county law and it is the one thing that can get your dog or ESA Service animal removed from the park. Pick up your dog POOP and have your dog on a six foot only leash at all times. Those of you that don't follow the rules make it difficult for those that do. If you want a dog park, prove to everyone that you can follow the rules because there will be rules at a dog park. Thank you and have a good summer.

*John Sims, Park Manager*





## BINGO

Every Wednesday through  
March at 7:00 PM in the  
Great Room

**SUPER BINGO - Wednesday**  
**March 27th at 7:00PM**  
**See you there!**

No one under 18 years can participate in BINGO under  
Florida State Law!

## Activities Committee Meetings

Thursdays • 11:00 AM • Card Room

The Activities Committee will meet twice monthly in March. If you have a proposal for a new activity, join us at one of our meetings to present your proposal for the Activities Committee to consider. We welcome new ideas and we like to hear thoughts on making any of our current activities even better. Please call Debbie Owen at (217) 821-8777 at least two days prior to the meeting to get added to the agenda.

## Nor' Easter Plus Potluck

**Sunday, March 3, 2024 - 12:30-4:30 - Great Room**

New York, New Jersey, New Hampshire, Vermont, Maine,  
Massachusetts, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Delaware,  
Maryland and Canada **AND** folks from other states that are not  
having potluck parties!

**BRING** your own place settings (plates, utensils, cups) and your own  
beverage, a dish to pass with a serving utensil (if it requires cutting into  
serving pieces, please do so).

**WEAR** your name tag, if you have one (or fill one out when you get there).

**ALSO** when you introduce yourself, please tell us one special thing about  
your home **STATE, REGION** or **PROVINCE**.

Be prepared to relax, enjoy the delicious food and get acquainted with your  
Nor' Easter neighbors.

Have any ideas or suggestions? Leave us a note beside your name when you  
**SIGN UP** on the sheet outside the CF Office...  
or email Karen or Monica.

Also, if you can help set up/clean up, indicate  
that on the sheet.

Hosted by:

Paul and Karen Meyer - [k\\_meyer5491@yahoo.com](mailto:k_meyer5491@yahoo.com)

Neil and Monica Landry - [monica@thelantors.com](mailto:monica@thelantors.com)



## Nickels Game



Welcome Everyone!

Grab your favorite beverage and a  
couple rolls of nickels and join us in  
the Great Room on Mondays at 1:00  
PM for an afternoon of socialization  
and fun!



The Last Pancake  
Breakfast will be  
held on March 18th  
from 8:00 - 10:00 am  
in the Club House

The cost is \$8.00. Tickets will be sold  
prior to each date in the POA office.

It's a great time for good food  
and fellowship. See you there!

Joan Fisher  
Representing Pickleball

## Camp Florida POA 5 Years and Beyond Plan

Planning for Camp Florida's future is a topic  
of great interest to all of us as property  
owners. This year at the annual meeting,  
which was on February 17, 2024, when you  
signed in at the door each registered  
property owner in good standing was given  
a form where you could express and share  
your future desires, improvement ideas and  
ideas for our park's future. You can drop  
your completed forms in the ballot box or  
drop them off at the POA office. This  
feedback will be an important tool that will  
be used by your Board of Directors during  
our annual budget planning and future park  
needs. Thanking you in advance for your  
participation.

CF Board of Directors



## RECYCLING IN LAKE PLACID

25 West Royal Palm Street  
(off Main Street)

Monday & Wednesday 2 - 5:30 PM

Saturday 8 AM - 1 PM

Bring **\*CLEAN\*** Glass, Paper & Plastic (1&2)  
Metal and **\*FLATTENED\*** Cardboard



## TRIVIA

1. Who introduced the Easter Bonnet into American popular culture in 1933?
2. In England, when you dance between Easter Eggs on a floor, it's called what?
3. The world-record largest chocolate Easter Egg was made in what city?
4. Which country celebrates April Fools Day for two days consecutively?
5. Which country has the custom of celebrating April Fools day by throwing flour at their friends?
6. One of the greatest pranks of all time was the Spaghetti Tree Prank. In which country were there Spaghetti Trees said to be growing?

(Answers can be found on Page 8)

## YOGA STRETCH

with Diane Lucey

Tuesdays and Thursdays  
at 8:45 AM in the  
Great Room.



Classes will continue through the end of March.

Please join us for this special time together where we practice various Yoga poses and end each class by quieting the mind. Please bring your Yoga mat if you have one. Otherwise, we have several available. Any questions, contact Diane Lucey at 16 Inner Lane.



## PET PARADE 2024

Sunday March 17th

Location: "C" Circle

Time: 2:30 - 5:00 PM

Pets must be checked in at the line up location  
(C54) by 2:45 pm

- Registration forms are available for pick-up at Lot C6.
- Forms are also available to print on from the CF Website under Forms
- Refreshments will be provided for a free will donation.
- Entertainment will be provided by the CF Jammers and Don Keeler
- 50/50 Raffle tickets will be sold. Proceeds will go to Pawsitive Effects
  - Pawsitive Effects is a local 501 C organization.
- Donations in the form of clean toys and unopened food will be accepted. You can bring items to the parade or drop them off at Cheryl O'Brien's home in "D" circle prior to the event (D22)

Our final planning meeting will be on  
March 14th at 3:00 in the Card Room.

Joan Fisher  
Pet Parade Chairperson

## JAMMERS

Wednesdays  
1:00 PM - Great Room



Calling all jammers! Jam sessions will be held on Wednesdays from 1:00 - 3:00 PM in the Great room. Everyone is welcome. Bring your instrument and music and lets have some fun! Set up starts at 12:45 PM.

# Easter Dinner

Sunday March 31st  
4:30 PM Great Room  
Dine In or Take Out

Tickets \$12.00 on Sale March 1st  
at the POA Office

Ham or Hot Turkey Sandwich  
Mashed Potatoes and Gravy  
Vegetables and Dessert



## Coffee & Donut Hour

Every Thursday through March  
at 10:00 am in the Great Room

*Check the "Special Events"  
Calendar for Guest Speakers*



A \$2.00 donation  
is requested to  
help defray the  
rising costs  
for this event.

**Thank you!**



## March 2024

- 03/06 Chicken & Sauce over Noodles  
and Veggies or Taco Salad (\$9)
- 03/13 Corned Beef or Ham, Potatoes,  
Cabbage, Carrots & Bread (\$12)
- 03/20 Chef's Choice (\$9)
- 03/27 Fish or Shrimp, Cole Slaw  
Fries (\$12)

All meals come with dessert. Drinks also  
available at an additional cost.

## I need your help!

I am requesting ideas for  
meals for next year. I will  
take all ideas into consideration  
when preparing menus next season.  
Please email me, Cindy Pease at:

[clpease4@yahoo.com](mailto:clpease4@yahoo.com)



## Mayra Products Fresh Fruits and Vegetables

Every Thursday - February 1st - April 25th  
Between 10:00 - 11:30 am

And Saturdays - May 1st - September 26th  
Between 10:00 - 11:30 am

Fresh produce conveniently  
available to you in the  
parking lot by the pool!



## VETERANS HONOR CEREMONY AND CAMP FLORIDA REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY LAKEVIEW CLUBHOUSE

PLEASE JOIN OUR CAMP FLORIDA FAMILY AT 9:30 AM ON  
SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2024, AS WE HONOR OUR  
VETERANS AND THE MEMORIES OF OUR LOVED ONES WHO  
HAVE PASSED SINCE FEBRUARY 2023.

## CRITTER of the Month

The American Flamingo, (*Phoenicopterus ruber*) - Quite honestly, I chose this beautiful creature because I remember them as "lawn ornaments" and they always seemed to be depicted as being native to Florida. So I started to read about them and it turns out that the FWC (Florida Fish and Wildlife) considers flamingos native to Florida but disappeared from the state around the turn of the 20th century. After about 1925, people started captive colonies of flamingos in South Florida, including a breeding colony at Hialeah Park Race Track in the 1930s which still remains. The American flamingo is one of the largest species averaging up to 5 feet tall because of its long legs and elongated neck. They get their mostly pink to red plumage color from pigment in their food, including aquatic invertebrates, such as shrimp. I can't begin to cover all of the fascinating information that is available from the links below so do yourself a favor and visit.



[Florida Fish and Wildlife](#) and [Flamingo Captive Colony](#)

### Mahjong

#### Beginners:

Mondays & Wednesdays - 1:00 PM - Pool House

#### Experienced:

Sundays - 1:00 PM  
Card Room

Bring a set if you have one!



### Stroke Screening

Monday, March 25th  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Card Room



Please call to schedule:  
**1-888-667-7587**

### SPECIAL SOCIAL HOUR DANCE

March 15, 2024 - G Men

7:00 - 10:00 pm

Tickets will be available  
for \$7.00 at the POA Office

Bring your favorite beverage and head to the Club House to listen and dance to some great bands! Bring some money as we'll be holding raffles at each dance. Money raised will be going toward new benches and horseshoes for the horseshoe pits.

Mark your calendars and come out and enjoy!



### Shuffleboard

10:00 AM - Monday thru Friday

CFR Courts



ALL ARE WELCOME!

No Experience Necessary  
Equipment is Provided

We draw for partners before  
each of the 4 games.



### Sunshine Committee

Sue Reising (5 Beachfront Lane) will continue as our CFR POA Sunshine Committee volunteer again this year.

Requests for cards, etc. call or email Sue  
**(315) 853 - 2047 - [lsreising@gmail.com](mailto:lsreising@gmail.com)**





2024 Camp Florida POA

## Luau at the Pool

Tuesday, March 12th

2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Please bring your own beverage and a snack to share. **(NO GLASS PLEASE!)**

GAMES

MUSIC

FUN

### Books with Chocolate

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

3:00 PM • Card Room

Please join our Book Club with our March Host, Paulette Kallstrom, as she meets to discuss March's book pick, by author Pat Conroy. "*The Prince of Tides*".



#### 2025 Book Selections



January 21, 2025

***Demon Copperhead*** by Barbara Kingsolver  
(Discussion to be lead by Paulette Kallstrom)

February 18, 2025

***A Land Remembered*** by Patrick Smith  
(Discussion to be lead by Monica Shoemaker)

March 18, 2025

***First Ladies*** by Marie Benedict & Victoria Christopher Murray  
&

***Lessons in Chemistry*** by Bonnie Garmus  
(Discussions to be lead by Karen Meyer)

Kathy Holser, Coordinator  
[kholser@yahoo.com](mailto:kholser@yahoo.com)

## Pickleball FUN DAY!

March 7th at 8:30  
with a RAIN Date of  
March 8th at 11:00

This event is for Camp Florida Owners and Renters Only. Anyone interested in participating should contact Judy Miedema at [616-834-8274](tel:616-834-8274).

There will be refreshments and prizes for participants. All are welcome to come and watch the fun!

Sponsored by Edward Jones

### ABSOLUTE BEGINNER LINE DANCE

with Marjorie Hayter

Tuesdays 2:00 - 3:30 PM  
Great Room



Come join Marj on Tuesdays at 2:00 PM where she'll teach us all how to ball-change, shuffle and stomp - as well as offer very basic steps in line dancing. If you're brand new to line dancing or know just a step or two, this is the class for you.

## BUNCO!

Saturday, **March 2nd**  
and Saturday **April 6th**  
**7:00 PM** - Great Room  
Cost: \$5.00

Bring a snack to share.  
Sign up in the library.



## BROWN BAG CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

No one wants to think about the nasty "C" word, but many of us have been touched by cancer ourselves or have been a caregiver of someone on that journey. This group is for you. We meet in the Card Room every Wednesday from 11:30-1:00. Although our topics are varied and not always about cancer, we have a special bond that continues to bring us back each week. You are welcome to join us anytime. Due to our name, please feel free to bring your lunch or a snack. I look forward to seeing you.

If you have any questions contact:  
Diane Lucey, 16 Inner Lane



Trivia Answers: 1. Irving Berlin 2. Hop-Egging 3. Tosca, Italy  
4. Scotland 5. Portugal 6. America

## POA

Regular Monthly Meeting  
Thursday, **March 7, 2024**  
and Thursday **April 4, 2024**  
**1:00 PM** - Great Room



## LAKESIDE WRITERS GROUP

*Do you like to write poetry, journals or essays? You don't have to be published or perfect...you just have to have a pencil and paper or your laptop and an appreciation for the written word. If you do, please join us for the Camp Florida Lakeside Writers Group meetings every Tuesday in January, February and March from 11:00-12:00 in the Card Room.*

*Also, be sure to check out a new "CRITTER" feature, the "Lakeside Writers Corner" on the next page, a place where we feature poems, short stories or writings from our talented group.*

Karen Meyer, Coordinator  
(email: [k\\_meyer5491@yahoo.com](mailto:k_meyer5491@yahoo.com))

## Beginner & Beyond Line Dance

with Lynne Blakeslee

**Tuesdays 11:00 AM & Thursdays 2:00 PM**  
**Great Room**

We begin our time dancing to beginner dances and move to more difficult dances as our sessions progress. We'll be dancing to a wide variety of music, introducing new dances all of the time. Some experience necessary.



## VETERAN DONATIONS

From Peg Vedder...

Your **AWESOME** donations were picked up and appreciated. Special requests now for the homeless veterans are sweatpants, sweatshirts and long high top socks. Food donations are a constant need. Cash donations will be used to purchase food. Bring donations to 10 Hidden Cove or the Clubhouse. There will be another pickup and delivery this next weekend. Thank you again and blessings!



## WINNERS

The February 10th  
50/50 winners are:

- 1st - \$55.00 - Dan Grandmont
- 2nd - \$40.00 - Paul Keenan
- 3rd - \$20.00 - CJ Owen

The next 50/50 drawing will be March 9th

Thanks to all who contributed.

**Congratulations!**



# WELCOME TO THE LAKESIDE WRITERS CORNER

*As I float in the exquisite, wonderfully warm pool, enjoying the fluffy palm trees and the beautiful blue sky overhead, I wonder "what is that noise"? No, that's not noise, but the sounds of Camp Florida sharing joy and laughter at our many recreational activities, fulfilling so many fun times.*

Paulette Kallstrom  
CF Lakeside Writers



## Santa on Skis

by Monica Shoemaker  
CF Lakeside Writers

It was a February summer's delight day in the Camp Florida pool by the lake. People were talking and I heard one woman say "Look, it's Santa on skis!" People strained to see him. I knew it was my husband Dave. He sure did look like Santa! Dave's been skiing all of our 47 years of marriage. He was even on a waterskiing team, where he was, by far, the oldest team member. We live on a lake and when he gets desperate for a driver, our 45 year old son takes off early from work just to drive the boat. At 77, Dave's been challenged by some chronic illnesses, but it's never quelled his love of waterskiing. He plays Pickleball too, almost daily, all year round, but he always finds time to waterski. He's really a nice guy too.



## Entertainment Committee

**Season Tickets (only) for our 2025 Performance Series will go on sale on Monday, March 11, 2024, at 8:45 a.m. at the POA Office. Please enter through the Card Room door, fill out your paperwork, purchase your ticket(s) and exit through the POA Office door. The 2025 Show Listing will be posted on our bulletin board at the POA Office prior to the sale.**

**The first 150 Season Tickets (only) for the Front Section will be sold first (Unless you specifically want to sit in the Back Section). The remaining 90 Season Tickets (only) for the Back Section will be sold second.**

**Season Tickets are \$55 for six shows. This is a \$35 savings over the cost of six Individual Show Tickets at \$15 each.**

**After March 11, 2024, the Season and Individual Show Tickets will be available at the POA Office Monday - Friday from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon.**

## Entertainment Committee

I would like to thank my Entertainment Committee for helping me make it through my first year, especially with the cancellation of our first show! I would also like to thank Warren Nesler and the rest of the Chair Committee, all the ushers and announcers we've had, and to those who purchased tickets to support this year's Performance Series. Season tickets (\$55) and individual show tickets (\$15) for 2025 will be available for purchase through next year. Members of the 2024 Entertainment Committee are KC Dvorak, Dennis & Nancy Johnson, Marty Miller, Bonnie Poeschel, and Ross & Madelene Robinson.

## CAMP FLORIDA 2025 PERFORMANCE SERIES



January 11, 2025  
GEORGE CASEY  
Comedy Show



January 25, 2025  
THE ALANS  
Magic & Mentalism Show



February 8, 2025  
THE STORYTELLERS  
Acoustic Classic Rock



February 22, 2025  
JIM CARTER  
Singer / Piano Player



March 8, 2025  
JIMMY TRAVIS  
Comedy Show



March 22, 2025  
WILLIAM FLORIAN  
The Neil Diamond Story

**2025 SEASON PASS TICKETS**  
6 SHOWS - \$55.00  
TICKETS AVAILABLE MARCH 11, 2024  
8:45 AM - NOON OUTSIDE THE POA OFFICE

Nancy Johnson  
Entertainment Committee Chair

## DON'T MISS OUT!

**Monday**  
**March 11, 2024**  
**12:30 pm - ???**  
**Great Room**



**Lunch - \$10.00 includes:**

**Chicken Salad, Cucumber Wrap, Egg Salad Tea Sandwich, Broccoli Salad, Fruit and Apple Tart. Ice Tea and Water provided or bring your own beverage of choice.**

**Entertainment - Bella Gusto will be giving a presentation about their oils and vinegars.**

**<https://www.bellagustooliveoil.com/>**

**Don't miss out! Receive a 10% off coupon.**

**Ladies who are chairing their table can pick any type of theme, ie: Western, Holiday etc.**

**Hosted by:**

**Bonnie Morris - [goody2shoesbg@gmail.com](mailto:goody2shoesbg@gmail.com)**

**Joan Kolk - [joankolk@gmail.com](mailto:joankolk@gmail.com)**

## What does it mean to listen to God?

Come Join CFR Bible Study every Tuesday in the Card Room at 1:00 PM.

We will reflect on this together.

All are welcome regardless of where you are in your relationship with God.

Books are \$8.00 and are available from your Host.



Doris Ervin  
11 Beachfront

## Entertainment Committee

Individual show tickets (\$15) for the 2024 season are still available for purchase Monday - Friday from 10:00 a.m. - Noon at the POA Office or at the door for that show.

Our fifth show of the season, **Mike Palma**, will be on **Saturday, March 9, at 7:00 p.m.** Originally from Long Island, New York, Mike Palma has been a performing Ventriloquist and Comedy Magician for over 25 years appearing in Comedy Clubs, Casinos and Theaters across the country. His funny and fast paced shows come alive with his unique characters and side-splitting comedy magic!



Our sixth and final show of the 2024 season, **Rockin' Pianos**, will be on **Saturday, March 23, at 7:00 p.m.** Rockin' Pianos veteran piano players Tyler Chaney and Keith Kobee, who have been performing in various shows for nearly 30 years, give an outstanding performance. Their high energy interactive shows will get everyone in our group involved!



## Donate Blood



**Monday March 18th • 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

**BIG RED BUS • Between the Poolhouse & Clubhouse**

Nancy Johnson  
Entertainment Committee Chair (217) 821-2531

# MONTHLY/WEEKLY EVENT NOTES:

**Activities Committee** meets twice monthly in January, February and March at 11:00 in the Card Room. Everyone is invited to attend and offer suggestions for events in the park. First meeting is scheduled for Thursday January 11.

**Bible Study** will be held on Tuesdays at 1:00 in the Card Room. January-March.

**Billiards** Monday at 7:00 in the Pool House

**BINGO** will be held on Wednesday at 7:00 in the Great Room beginning December 6.

**Bocce Ball:** afternoon games Mondays and Wednesdays at 1:00. Teams play on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:30. Scheduled games but court is open other times to play on your own. Return equipment to shed when finished.

**Books with Chocolate** Book Club will meet on January 21, 2025, February 18, 2025 and March 18, 2025 at 3:00 in the Card Room. Selections for the 24-25 season are:

- January - Demon Copperhead by Barbara Kingsolver
- February - A Land Remembered by Patrick Smith
- March - First Ladies by Marie Benedict & Victoria Christopher Murray and Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus

**Bridge:** will be on Mondays at 7:00 in the Card Room.

**Brown Bag Lunch** (with Diane Lucey). For cancer survivors to get together to share stories and support each other while eating lunch. Bring your own lunch. Meet on Wednesdays at 11:30 in the Card Room.

**Bunko** will be on the first Saturday of the month at 7:00. Cost: \$5.00. Bring a snack to share between rounds! Great Room. 1st session January 6.

**Camp Florida Singers** will meet and rehearse every Monday at 1:00 in the Card Room beginning January 8. Everyone is welcome.

**Canasta (Ladies):** Canasta will be played on Wednesdays from 1:00-4:00 in the Card Room. Experience is not necessary. We'll teach you!

**Canteen:** Served on Wednesdays before **BINGO** beginning December 6. Sign up for teams on bulletin board in the Library. Everyone is welcome. You do not have to play **BINGO** to take advantage of our Canteen. Meals begin at 5:00.

**Chair Volleyball:** Wednesdays at 10:30 in the Great Room. Begins November 8.

**Coffee and Donut Hour:** Join us for coffee & donuts while we listen to presentations from various speakers. Thursdays at 10:00 in the Great Room. Donations for refreshments are encouraged. Begins January 4.

**Cribbage:** Tuesdays at 7:00 in the Card Room.

**Dancing:** Classes offered Monday, Tuesday and Thursday in the Great Room.

- **Beginner and Beyond Line Dance** Tuesdays at 11:00 and Thursdays at 2:00 with Lynne Blakeslee. Classes begin December 5.
- **Line Dance for Fun** Mondays at 6:30 with Joyce Covington, (309) 642-5881. Everyone welcome! Beginners too! Doing older dances and some new. November - April.
- **Absolute Beginner Line Dance** Tuesdays at 2:00 with Marj Hayter. Begins January 2.

**Darts:** Join your fellow dart throwers. Meet on Sunday evenings at 6:30 in the Pool House. Come check it out!

**Euchre:** Thursdays at 7:00 in the Card Room. Begins November 30.

**Golf:** Foursomes, Couples, Guys and Gals. Everyone welcome. Special rates for CFR group. Join any week. 18 holes or 9 with cart. Non committing, no pressure. Make your own game. Game on Tuesdays; must know several days ahead in order to arrange tee times. Text or call Joyce Covington at (309) 642-5881, if no answer please leave a message and she'll return the call.

**Horseshoes:** Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays. All games begin at 1:00. \$1.00 entry fee. Arrive by 12:45 to draw teams.

**Jammers:** Join us for some music "picking and grinning"! Wednesdays from 1:00 - 3:00 (set up at 12:45) in the Great Room beginning January 3. All are welcome.

**Ladies Nickels Game:** Mondays at 1:00 in the Card Room. Sorry guys, this is a ladies only activity!

**Lakeside Writers Group** will meet every Tuesday in January, February & March from 11:00 - 12:00 in the Card Room.

**Lawn Games:** Join us down at Skinny Dipping Point for lawn games such as bean bag baseball, etc. every Sunday (weather permitting) from 3:00-5:00. Bring your own beverages and chairs.

**Library:** Hardcover books are housed in the library of the club house. Paperbacks are kept in the pool club house.

**Mahjong:** Beginner Mahjong plays on Mondays and Wednesdays at 1:00 in the Pool House. More experienced players meet in the Card Room on Sundays at 1:00. Bring a set if you have one.

**Mayra Products Fruits & Vegetables** will be here every Thursday from February 1st - April 25th between 10:00 - 11:30 am and Saturdays from May 1st - September 26th between 10:00 - 11:30 am. They are planning to be in the park year-round on the parking lot by the pool.

**Mexican Train:** Join the group on Fridays at 1:00 in the Card Room for a challenging game of dominoes.

**Miscellaneous Card Games.** Players will meet in the Card Room on Thursdays at 1:00. We'll be playing a different game each week depending on how many attend.

**Open Game Night** Tuesdays at 7:00 in the Great Room. Bring your own game.

**Pickleball** is played every M-W-F at 11:00 and Tues-Thurs-Sat at 9:00 on the tennis courts. **Beginner Pickleball** is held every Tuesday and Thursday at 5:00 beginning January 2. Paddles and balls are available for your use.

**Poker** will be held on Sundays at 7:00 in the Card Room.

**Pool Exercises: Water Exercises - Low Impact** classes M-W-F at 10:00 beginning December 2. These are low impact, stretching and strengthening exercises that are especially good for arthritis. **Water Exercises - Aerobics** a more aerobic water exercise class is held M-W-F at 11:00 beginning January 1.

**Poolside Grilling: Fridays at 4:00 - Happy Hour** (bring your own food and beverages). **Saturdays 11:30 - 1:30** beginning December 2. Check the bulletin boards to sign up for **"Grilling Teams"**.

**Quilters Group:** Group meets on Fridays on 12:00-4:00 in the Great Room. Beginners through Advanced quilters are welcome. Bring your own supplies and projects. Learn new techniques for other Quilters!

**Shuffleboard** will be on Mondays thru Fridays at 10:00 on the CFR Courts. We draw for partners before each of the 4 games. No experience is necessary and all are welcome to play. Equipment is provided for players.

**Social Hour:** Held every Friday evening from 6:30-9:00 PM. Join us for a variety of music, karaoke and dancing. Great singing, conversation and a perfect place to practice all dance rhythms and types of dancing you've learned in Camp Florida.

**Tennis:** Meets on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:00 and Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 11:00.

**"31" Easy Card Game:** Meets on Thursdays at 7:00 in the Great Room and Fridays at 7:00 in the Card Room.

**Walking Class:** Come join the group as they follow along to walking tapes by Leslie Sansone. It's a great workout! Monday, Wednesday and Friday classes are facilitated by Kathy Holser in the Great Room at 9:00 beginning December 4. Tuesday and Thursday classes are facilitated by Sharon Kinder in the Great Room at 9:00 until January then switch to 8:00 November - March. Hope to see you there!

**Yoga: Yoga Stretch with Diane.** Diane Lucey will be holding classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:45. Bring your mats, towel and/or weights. For those who have difficulty getting on the floor, try **Chair Yoga** taught by Linda Newton. Classes will be held on Tuesdays and Fridays at 10:00. No experience necessary. Wear comfortable clothes and bring a 1 to 3 lb weight (or a full water bottle) to each class.

**Note:** Many of these activities and events were/are on hiatus during the off season months. Please check with the group/person organizing these park functions as this information is continuously updated.



Indoor Events & Activities			Outdoor Events & Activities		
SUNDAYS					
Mahjong	CR	1:00	Lawn Games/Happy Hour	SDP	3:00 -5:00
Ripple Golf	GR	1:00			
Darts	PH	6:30			
Poker	CR	7:00			
MONDAYS					
Walking Tape Leslie Sansone w/Kathy	GR	9:00	Tennis	TC	9:00
Camp Florida Singers	CR	1:00	Water Exercise w/Peg (Low Impact)	Pool	10:00
Mahjong	PH	1:00	Shuffelboard	SC	10:00
Ladies Nickels	GR	2:00	Water Exercise w/Barb (Aerobic)	Pool	11:00
Line Dance for Fun w/Joyce	GR	6:30	Pickleball	TC	11:00
Bridge	CR	7:00	Bocce Ball w/Joyce	BC	1:00
Billards	PH	7:00			
TUESDAYS					
Walking Tape Leslie Sansone w/Sharon	GR	8:00	Bocce Ball w/Rick & Debra	BC	9:00
Stretch Yoga Live	GR	8:45	Golf Foursomes/Couples/Guys/Gals	GC	8:40
Chair Yoga	GR	10:00	Pickleball	TC	9:00
Lakeside Writers	CR	11:00	Shuffelboard	SC	10:00
Line Dancing Beginner & Beyond w/Lynne	GR	11:00	Tennis	TC	11:00
Bible Study	CR	1:00	Pickleball (Casual/Beginners)	TC	5:00
Absolute Beginner Line Dancing	GR	2:00			
Books with Chocolate (3rd Tuesday)	CR	3:00			
Open Game Night - Pinochle/Cribbage	CR	7:00			
WEDNESDAYS					
Walking Tape Leslie Sansone w/Kathy	GR	9:00	Tennis	TC	9:00
Senior Volleyball	GR	10:30	Shuffelboard	SC	10:00
BB Lunch Cancer Support Group	CR	11:30	Water Exercise w/Peg (Low Impact)	Pool	10:00
Canasta (Ladies)	CR	1:00	Water Exercise w/Barb (Aerobic)	Pool	11:00
CF Jammers	GR	1:00	Pickelball	TC	11:00
Mahjong	PH	1:00	Horseshoes (Co-Ed)	HP	12:45
Canteen	GR	5:00	Bocce Ball /Joyce	BC	1:00
Bingo	GR	7:00			
THURSDAYS					
Walking Tape Leslie Sansone w/Sharon	GR	8:00	Bocce Ball w/Rick & Debra	BC	9:00
Stretch Yoga Live	GR	8:45	Pickleball	TC	9:00
Activites Meeting (Bi-weekly)	CR	11:00	Mendoza Fruits/Vegetables	PPL	10:00
Coffee & Donuts	GR	10:00	Shuffelboard	SC	10:00
Line Dancing Beginner & Beyond w/Lynne	GR	2:00	Tennis	TC	11:00
31	GR	7:00	Pickleball (Casual/Beginners)	TC	5:00
Euchre	CR	7:00			
FRIDAYS					
Walking Tape Leslie Sansone w/Kathy	GR	9:00	Tennis	TC	9:00
Chair Yoga	GR	10:00	Shuffelboard	SC	10:00
Quilting	GR	12:00	Water Exercise w/Peg (Low Impact)	Pool	10:00
Dominos-MexicanTrain	CR	1:00	Water Exercise w/Barb (Aerobic)	Pool	11:00
Friday Social W/Don Keeler	GR	6:30	Pickleball	TC	11:00
31	CR	7:00	Devine Ice Cream Truck	PPL	2:00
			Poolside Happy Hour	Pool	4:00
SATURDAYS					
LEGEND: BC: Bocce Court   GC: Golf Course   GR:Great Room CR: Card Room   HP: Horseshoe Pits   SC: Shuffleboard Ct. FP: Fire Pit   PH: Pool House   TC: Tennis Court PPL: Pool Parking Lot SDP: Skinny Dipping Point			Pickleball	TC	9:00
			Tennis	TC	11:00
			Poolside Grilling	PH	11:30
			Horseshoes (Co-Ed)	HP	1:00
			Fire by The Lake	FP	6:00