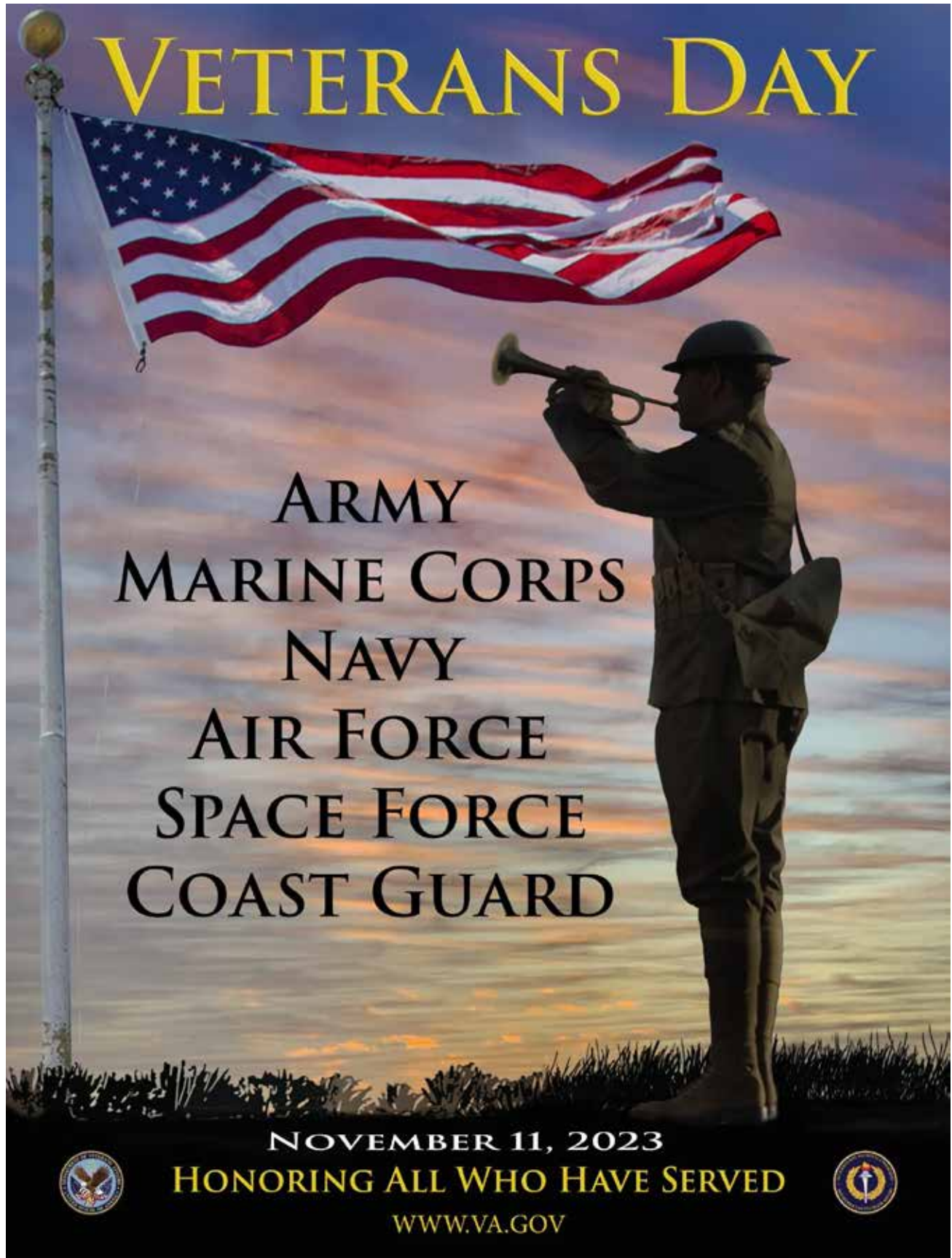


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**Weekly Activities**

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## **FROM THE OFFICE**

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Thank you

## **FROM OUR PUBLISHER: COMMUNITY MEDIA**

I'd like to introduce you to Georgann Nugent with Senior Friendship Centers. We worked with Georgann previously as a Lifestyle Director/newsletter editor and now she is the Business Development Manager for the large non-profit. Georgann is scheduling expert panel discussions, (free) educational lunch & learns in your 55+ community. You've likely seen the Senior Friendship Center ads in your monthly newsletter. She is a great resource for you and could engage your community residents offering (non-sales) wellness seminars, local resources, and an invitation to their busy Mon- Fri Activity Center. This year is SFC's 50th Anniversary, they are a vibrant hub of active retiree resources.

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## **HONORING OUR VETERANS WORLDWIDE WHO MADE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE FOR THE CAUSE OF FREEDOM**

The poster on the cover causes us to remember and be thankful to those who fight and die around the world for the freedoms we



enjoy. The 2023 Veterans Day Poster Contest, the Veterans Day National Committee (VDNC) called on professional and amateur artists to create picture-perfect designs that reflect the theme of this year's Veterans Day observance. There were more than 60 entries from people ranging from school-aged children to graphic designers with decades of experience. When all ballots were tallied, the VDNC selected "The Bugler" by Gene Russell, a service-connected disabled Army Infantry Veteran and VA employee, as this year's winning submission.

Russell is the principal photographer for the VA Secretary in Washington, D.C., and he spends his days photographing the Secretary's significant events and documenting other senior VA leaders' internal and external engagements. Described as "customer-service obsessed" by acting Deputy Secretary Scott Blackburn, Russell received the VA Secretary's Honor Award for "I CARE" in 2020 for his work on the Center for Women Veterans' "I Am Not Invisible" (IANI) campaign. The I CARE Award is VA's highest honor for customer service and workplace excellence, and refers to VA's five core values:

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Music was the inspiration for Russell's submission; he has played the bugle since he was a boy. "Bugle calls are not songs, and they do not have lyrics. Yet, when heard, the calls evoke the emotion and the pride of service for members of every uniformed branch listed on this poster," he said.

More than 100 bugle calls are used in the United States Armed Services, including a few used only in emergencies, such as "man overboard" or "abandon ship." For that reason, the bugler connects each service member on land, air and sea.

"My goal was to link the sight, sound and

feeling of how we served our country. The pole and American flag in this image are the ones currently flying over VA headquarters in Washington, DC," he said. "It flies for each of us and those Veterans to come."

The Veterans Day poster will be displayed in VA facilities, military installations and municipal buildings across America. It will also serve as the cover of the official program for the Veterans Day commemoration at Arlington National Cemetery on November 11.\*

\*By Terri Evans

National Veterans Outreach Office  
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## **NOTICE OF UPCOMING BOARD AND MEMBERS MEETINGS**

In accordance with VPE bylaw 4.5(b) as members of Venetian Park Estates you are hereby notified that on 15 Nov 2023, at the regular VPE board of directors meeting, the 2024 budget will be discussed eventually setting the total maintenance monthly fees for 2024 at the 20 Dec., 2023 board meeting.



For the Board,  
Michael Anderson, Treasurer

## **CHECK OUT OUR NEW WEBSITE AT VPEONLINE.COM**

Our website has a wealth of information... a list and schedule of our weekly activities, our financial reports, our governing documents, the minutes of our Board of Director meetings, real estate requirements for buying or selling in VPE and the website committee has now added a Safety page with tornado and hurricane safety guidelines. In the near future, we will be adding a Standing Committee Charters Page. We also have a new password for protected portions.

Contact the office for the password.



**Looking for volunteers to join committees... VPE has vacancies on the Enforcement Committee (x1), Welcome Committee (x2), Activities Committee (x1). Feel free to contact JoEllen Wuerzburger (wuerzjo@gmail.com) or Tony in the office if you have any interest or any questions.**

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## **ACTIVITIES**

by Deb Cinco

Summer is over and Fall time brings changes to the Activities committee. Bobbie Clay has resigned from the committee due to personal reasons. As far as her position as secretary Amy DeBruin has been voted to take her place. We also have a new member on the committee to replace Bobbi. Anne Heller is our newest member of the committee. With these changes brings another winter hopefully to be filled with exciting new things to do. With the help of the good people of VPE I am sure we can find chairs for the upcoming events. Chairing an event does not need to be difficult. There are plenty of people that will help pull together an event as long as there is someone to direct them. I know we have a lot of talented people with great ideas in this park. I am looking forward to finding those people in our park that will dazzle us with their talents.

To volunteer for a committee, a chair for an activity, kitchen, pool or coffee duty and any new ideas for activities, send your requests via email to: vpeact@gmail.com "teamwork makes the dream work"

Next Activities Committee Meeting Tuesday Nov 8 at 11 AM in the Clubhouse All are welcome.





## **GETTING TO KNOW YOU**

by Amy Newman

Tim & Brenda Park, VPE owners since March of 2021, have joined the band of year round residents, having sold their brick and mortar home in Ohio this past year. The search for the right place to retire in Florida took many years and when a realtor showed them 8847 Chez Vous on FaceTime, they knew they were home.

Tim grew up in DeKalb, Illinois, with one brother and two sisters. His adventurous childhood included living near the Kishwaukee River. In adulthood, Tim worked in the family construction company and masonry business and has 5 kids. In the past he enjoyed sky diving, scuba diving, and was a body builder, having won many competitions including at the professional level. He also rode his Harley to bike week in Daytona but more on that later...

Brenda retired in June from Honda after 33 years. She achieved the status as the top female in management at the Anna, Ohio engine plant. Brenda is an only child and was born and raised in Piqua, Ohio, and she also has one child. She enjoys casino gambling, travel, and owned a Harley in the past but more on that later...

As pictured, the Parks have a docile cat, a Maine coon fur baby named Thor, who enjoys his view from their lanai.

So back to Daytona...in March of 2001 Brenda and a girlfriend went to Daytona for bike week. Brenda stepped outside of her accommodations to watch the bikers. Across the street on their bikes were two guys, one with a lady on the back and one without. After some eye contact with Brenda and encouragement from his friend, Tim nodded to his hog's empty back saddle, and like that, Brenda was

riding the pillion. It was love at first hairpin twisty and the Parks were married in December of 2001. Tim moved from Illinois to Ohio and continued doing masonry work and became a union project supervisor, retiring a few years ago.

A belated welcome Tim & Brenda to the VPE family!

## **CORNHOLE INFO**

The Gondolier Activities Calendar will print cornhole events when they begin this season. However the Cornhole equipment is available to all residents and their guests to use anytime they wish. The boards and bags are stored in an all weather container located behind the clubhouse on the back patio area. This area is accessed through a gate behind the pool beside the shuffle courts.

The Cornhole "court" area is located just outside the pool fence on the east side of the pool by the sidewalk. There are concrete pads for tossing the bags. The boards are available to all. We just ask that the equipment be used in the designated area and not be taken to anyone's home. Please return borrowed equipment to it's proper storage place. Thank You



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3. Everyone donates pasta sauce and spaghetti noodles.
4. They cannot eat all the awesome canned veggies and soup unless you put a can opener in too or buy pop tops.
5. Oil is a luxury but needed for Rice a-Roni which they also get a lot of.
6. Spices or salt and pepper would be a real Christmas gift.
7. Tea bags and coffee make them feel like you care.
8. Sugar and flour are treats.
9. They fawn over fresh produce donated by farmers and grocery stores.
10. Seeds are cool in Spring and Summer because growing can be easy for some.
11. They rarely get fresh meat.
12. Tuna and crackers make a good lunch.
13. Hamburger Helper goes nowhere without ground beef.
14. They get lots of peanut butter and jelly but usually not sandwich bread.
15. Butter or margarine is nice too.
16. Eggs are a real commodity.
17. Cake mix and frosting makes it possible to make a child's birthday cake.
18. Dishwashing detergent is very expensive and is always appreciated.
19. Feminine hygiene products are a luxury and women will cry over that.
20. Everyone loves Stove Top Stuffing.

VPE no longer collects donations in the clubhouse, please do not leave food there. Donate it directly to the food bank, they also accept cash donations, or a local church which operates a food bank.

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## **EVERYBODY'S DAD**

By Pat Olson McGee

My dad, Gerald Olson, commonly called Tag, was a commercial fisherman on the Mississippi River. He and his brother learned their trade from their father. He also fried fish for both political parties in the fall. For a small town, our fish and chicken fries attracted over 1,000 hungry eaters. Politicians would make their way back to see the fryers and earn a tasty treat of fish, chicken, or even better, fried cheese curds and other goodies.

Everett McKinley Dirksen, Tom Railsback, Barak Obama were a few of those gathering votes and tasting fish.

\*Reminder Thank you to Pat for her entry...

We need YOU to write about one of your parents for the Everybody's Mom, Everybody's Dad column. Please consider sharing your loved one with us. Open to All. Email entries by the Gondolier deadline dates to [cassiedionne@yahoo.com](mailto:cassiedionne@yahoo.com)



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## **RECIPE OF THE MONTH**

by Cheryl Smith

Some of the things I especially look forward to during the Thanksgiving holiday are the pies. Pumpkin pie is always a no-brainer, but it is fun to have a variety. This coconut macaroon pie is easy and fast to prepare. It surprises everyone who tastes it. It is that good.

### **Coconut Macaroon Pie**

- 1 ½ C. sugar
- 2 eggs
- ¼ t. salt
- ½ C. softened butter
- ¼ C. flour
- ½ C. milk
- 1½ C. shredded coconut
- 1 9" pie shell, unbaked



Beat sugar, salt and eggs until the mixture is lemon-colored.

Add the flour and blend well. Stir in the milk. Now fold in one cup of the coconut. Pour into the pie shell and top with the remaining coconut. Bake in a preheated oven at 325 degrees for about an hour or until the mixture is set.

## **THANK YOU CORNER**

"Sometimes we take for granted the wonderful friends and neighbors we have in our lives and it takes something drastic to happen like the loss of my best friend Oscar who won the hearts of most of the park and would stop and talk to him or pet him over the years. Oscar was a sweet great dog and I'm so very grateful for everyone showing him affection and for all the kindness shown us in the loss of this sweet boy. Sincere and heartfelt thanks VPE." Fred Neuman and family. PS Fred and Joan have just adopted Misty, their latest addition to the family.



The neighbors on Ca D Oro Drive are also missing Harley, Bill and Alice Chafer's dog. He became ill this fall and passed away. Cassie Dionne

Thank you Pat for all your time and work cleaning the deck and pool area. We appreciate all you do. ♥ Bonnie Ryan

"Butch & I would like to thank everyone for their thoughts & prayers! He is getting several therapies and having improvements, just a slow process & speech seems to be the last to come back. Love our Park Family & truly pray that we will be able to come back some-time !Love to all". Sharon Sanson

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- 13 Ellen Matthews
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- 17 Diane Banash
- 18 Sharon Davis  
Kim Carpenter
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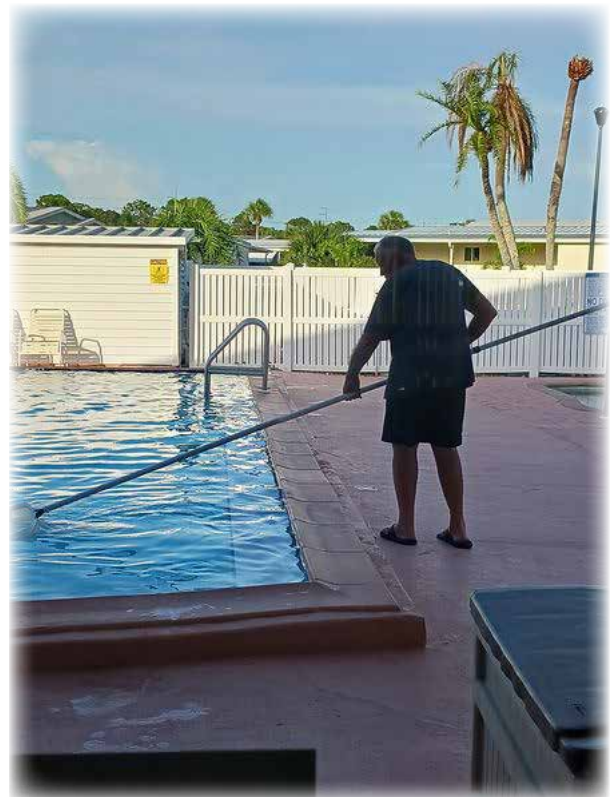
- Q. Why did they let the turkey join the band?
- A. Because he had his own drumsticks.
  
- Q. What happened to the turkey who got into a fight?
- A. He got the stuffing knocked out of him.
  
- Q. Why did the cranberries turn red?
- A. Because they saw the turkey dressing.
  
- Q. Why didn't the cook season the Thanksgiving turkey?
- A. There was no thyme.
  
- Q. Why did the Pilgrims spend their first Thanksgiving eating outside with the Indians?
- A. They didn't have a reservation.
  
- Q. Why didn't the turkey eat dinner?
- A. Because he was already stuffed.

## NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 18 Jerry and Shelia Bacon 1967
- 26 Paul and Gina Miller 1994
- 28 Glenn and Amy Newman 1981

**Happy Anniversary!**

If you would like your birthday or anniversary published in the Gondolier, contact Gina Miller. (260) 246-3551



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## SUNSHINE NEWS

by Cassie Dionne



Welcome new residents, welcome back to our winter residents and friends. The years seem to pass in a flash here in Paradise. We've sent sunshine and get wells to many over the summer months...hopeful to hear of our neighbors' return to good health. Let us know how well you've recovered and I'll gladly spread the news here in this column. Butch Sanson continues his rehabilitation at home in NJ, we look forward to seeing him on his daily morning walks once again. Jan Coble is recovering from recent knee surgery. Jeff Fisher is also healing following surgery this fall. We send sunshine to all of our neighbors, that their good health will be restored quickly.

Sadly, we lost so many of the people we've loved who've lived among us...

**Judy Weber** died 9/2/23 unexpectedly in Anchorage, AK. "Judy was a fun loving, thoughtful, caring person who would do anything for anybody". "Shocked and saddened, prayers for her 3 sisters". "She will be greatly missed, always enjoyed being with you". "She was a sweetheart and so full of life, loved her smile". Will greatly miss our Texas hold-em rival. "We'll miss her so much and the great cans of jam and jelly she made for us". Our deepest sympathy to her family, daughters Dawn Ives, Diana Hays, Darlene Mackinnon. Condolences to the Weber Family; 2218 Piazza Dr. Sarasota, FL 34238



**Art Rootes** passed away while on hospice care on 10/4/23. A familiar face at our monthly coffees and Euchre games. "Len and I will dearly miss our Euchre partner and my Euchre teacher. May he rest in peace". "Art will be missed by all". "Sincere condolences to Jerry and Sheila Bacon". Cards may be sent to his family at 2092 Ca D Oro Dr. Sarasota, FL 34238

**Gloria Lemon** died at home after a period of failing health, her family around her on 10/8/23.

Sympathy and prayers to her daughter Penny Lemon and family. 2236 Gondola Dr. Sarasota, FL 34238. 941-822-2003.

"She was a joy for so many years and a sweet blessing to VPE." She always gave me a beautiful smile and a wave in the mornings." "My beautiful mother is now in God's arms she has been surrounded with family and so much love from her family, please forgive us for all the traffic, all of it was done out of love ~ May God bless you all & Thank you to all you prayer warriors out there". Penny

**Lee Kluge** passed 9/5/23 and spent what would be her 100th birthday in Heaven. She resided in VPE for several years. She is loved and missed by family, friends and VPE neighbors. "She was a great lady". "Melanie Wakeman Beall reminisces" I spent many hours with her, Maryel, Pat, & Rosie at the pool. Years and years of memories on my visits to my parents."

Concolences to her son Craig Kluge and family; 35858 Little Mack, MI 48035

**Stephen Tracy Clay** passed away 10/22/23 following a recent illness. He had been hospitalized here in FL, having thoracic surgery on 9/13 followed by rehab .He had recently returned home to continue to recover. The news of his death has saddened all of us. He and Bobbi are well known for their participation at all of the activities, parties, flea markets, dances and most coffees since first arriving at VPE in 2021. They enthusiastically volunteer their time and talents; they are friends with everyone. A look at the current VPE Neighbors page on facebook gives a hint at how well loved they are.



To Bobbi and their family, we offer our deepest sympathy. Know that your friends and neighbors here are holding you in their hearts and praying for God's peace which passes all understanding during this saddest of times.

Condolences may be sent to Bobbi Clay and family, 2233 Gondola Dr. Sarasota 34238.

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# November Crossword

**ACROSS**

- 1. Small containers
- 5. Personnel
- 10. Circle fragments
- 14. Brews
- 15. Reef material
- 16. Arid
- 17. Writing paper
- 19. Gush forth
- 20. Be mistaken
- 21. The best people or things
- 22. Femme fatale
- 23. Dawdled
- 25. Domicile
- 27. N N N
- 28. Assembled in one place
- 31. Thin person
- 34. Legal setting
- 35. Chapter in history
- 36. Durable wood
- 37. Nonpoetic writing
- 38. Make a sweater
- 39. Commercials
- 40. High-pitched woodwind instrument
- 41. Waits
- 42. Chide
- 44. Encountered
- 45. Sesame
- 46. Illness
- 50. Select by voting
- 52. Ice a cake
- 54. Needlefish
- 55. Telegram
- 56. Blending
- 58. Makes a mistake
- 59. Mistake
- 60. Countertenor
- 61. Articulates
- 62. File
- 63. Kind of moss



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**DOWN**

- 1. Enclosed
- 2. Extreme
- 3. Necklace item
- 4. Supersonic transport
- 5. A large amount
- 6. In shape
- 7. District
- 8. Farmer's home
- 9. Travel by plane
- 10. Help
- 11. Criticize
- 12. Algonquian Indian
- 13. Stitched
- 18. Sugarcoating
- 22. Tallow source
- 24. Fluid escape
- 26. Beast
- 28. Bicuspid
- 29. A Great Lake
- 30. Rodents
- 31. Asterisk
- 32. Formally surrender
- 33. Boo or hiss
- 34. Shaped like a cross
- 37. Scheme
- 38. Toy with a tail
- 40. Typeface
- 41. Beats
- 43. Alcove
- 44. Woe
- 46. Sorrow
- 47. Nimble
- 48. Father Christmas
- 49. Grain disease
- 50. Flock members
- 51. Former Italian currency
- 53. Scarce
- 56. C
- 57. Type of hat



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Coffees are held at the Clubhouse. Sign up on bulletin board by Thursday before the coffees so volunteers can order the donuts. We are always looking for folks to host the coffees. See the sign up sheet for this on the bulletin board or speak to an activities committee member. It's fun and easy, we'll show you what to do. Men are invited to host too!</p>						
5 Daylight Savings Time Ends	6 10AM Water Aerobics 1PM Texas Hold-Em 6:30PM Aggravation, Pegs & Jokers	7 Election Day	8 10AM Water Aerobics 6:30PM Mexican Dominoes 11AM in Clubhouse; Activities Meeting (all welcome)	9 All Saints Day	10 10AM Water Aerobics 1PM Hold-Em 6:30PM Hand & Foot	11 Coffee 9:30AM Calling all Veterans to our Veterans Day Coffee. Contact Pat McGee to let her know how many veterans will be attending. Veteran's Day
12	13 10AM Water Aerobics 1PM Texas Hold-Em 6:30PM Aggravation, Pegs & Jokers	14	15 10AM Water Aerobics 6:30PM Mexican Dominoes Board Budget Meeting in Clubhouse, watch email and FB for time.	16	17 10AM Water Aerobics 1PM Hold-Em 6:30PM Hand & Foot	18
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