

Golden Acres R. O. Association, Inc. 2024-2025

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Bingo Committee

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Darts League

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Pool Exercise Debra Farris

Progressive Cards Dave & Lynn Roselli Shuffleboard Bill Battersby, Dan Peters

President's Report

By Paula Bunevith #202

Hello Everyone: Happy New Year and Hope yours is a Healthy One.

The Drain Team will be working on "G" Ave, Jan 8th to the 13th to repair a break in the drainpipe. Folks living on "G" Ave will have to park their cars either at the pool/ shuffle area or a neighbor's carport with their permission while this is being done.

The City of Dunedin Trash removal has stated that trash barrels are to be placed 3 FEET Apart., If not they will not pick up your trash.

Please, if you use the library or clubhouse and turn on the lights and fans, SHUT THEM OFF. They have been left on numerous times.

Enjoy the Simple things in Life, The warmth of the sunshine, the sweet smell of the rain, the scent of flowers, the laughter of children, and the Sunflower on 4th street.



Greetings from the Office

By Karin Desmone

Please welcome Susan Franco #17 to the park. Congratulations and may you find lots of happiness, fun, and laughter in your new home.

From the Editor's Desk

By Sue Bailey #188 suebail@tampabay.rr.com

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

I hope everyone had a fantastic Holiday season. Now we are in another New Year. Boy time is really speeding up - it seems like the older I get, the faster it goes. Now get ready for a busy social life here at Golden Acres. The calendar is really chocked full of things to do this month.

For those of you who just arrived from the north, welcome. For those of you confined to the north for whatever reason, we'll miss you but stay warm and have confidence that before long it will warm up again. May the New Year bring all of you peace, love, and joy.

Besides January first being the beginning of the new year, the other important date in January is Martin Luther King Jr. Day, celebrated on Monday, January 15h in the U.S.

Quote of the Month: "Almost everything will work again if you unplug it for a few minutes, including you." – Anne Lamott, novelist, and non-fiction writer.

Until next time,

May God bless and keep you well and safe...

PS: Some residents are no longer receiving the eNewsletter or the Email Blasts from me since I changed my email address from suebail@tampabay.rr.com to suebail999@gmail.com. If you are also experiencing this situation, just add me as a contact in your email contact list, using my new email address. Mystery Solved, thanks to Jim Whitney #176. Also, you might want to shut down and reboot your device.

BINGO

By Ann Knott #189, Chair

Welcome back to all Golden Acres members. Hope you had a great Christmas. It is Bingo time again. We are looking for people this year to be callers and bankers. It is not hard, and we will train you. Every Monday night at 7pm in the Clubhouse. All are welcome.

Let's Play Cards

By Bev Collins #143

To name a few. Whist, Bridge, Pinochle, Solo, Gin Rummy, Euchre, Poker!! Each card has a meaning, I will just name a few:

- Ace One God of any faith
- 2 Two parts of the Bible (Old & New Testament)
- 4 Four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, & John)
- 6 & 7 Created the earth & 7th for a day of rest.
- 10 The Ten Commandments
- Count all dots on cards adds up to 365 days of the year.
- 52 Cards is the number of weeks in a year.
- Four Suits (four seasons (Spring, Summer, Fall, and Winter)
- 12 picture cards are the number of months in a year.
- Check the Internet and you will find more stories and songs.

CanAm

By Jimmy List & Robin Jewell #19



Friendly reminder! CanAm Talent Show will be on March 8th, 2024. Get your act together and join in on the fun!

Golden Nuggets Bowling – 2024 SEASON (Jan 3-Mar 27)

By Jack Terry #141 Jdterry57@yahoo.com 727-358-5722

Welcome back fellow residents.

Our second season of bowling will be starting the first Wednesday of January @ 3:15 and will continue every Wednesday ending on March 27. Last season we had 7 teams of 4 and everyone really had a lot of fun and laughter. There were several first-time bowlers, so beginners are welcomed. Our league has plenty of room for more bowlers so if you would like to join our fun league, please reach out to me.

All The Best...

Rules and Regulations.

Item XIII Noise and Conduct.

Paragraph 1. It is important that we respect our neighbor's privacy and property. Consideration for your neighbor(s) right to peaceful enjoyment should be observed at all times. Disturbing, loud, and excessive noises from persons, radios, televisions, stereos, etc. where it constitutes a nuisance to neighboring residents are not allowed at any time. While this may be subjective, a common-sense fair play approach should be taken.

- Paragraph 2. Disorderly conduct and profane language will not be tolerated. Public intoxication will not be tolerated in the community at any time.
- Paragraph 3. No Resident, Guest or Visitor shall commit any illegal conduct anywhere in the Community.

Paragraph 4. The hours from 11:00 P.M. to 8:00 A.M. should be considered an especially quiet time. Residents shall exercise common courtesy regarding noise or the playing of musical instruments, voice, radio, television, and amplifiers that may tend to disturb other residents.

Parking Cars.

Remember if you own two vehicles, 2 cars, or a car and a golf cart or a truck etc. they are to be parked in your carport. The area near the pool or shuffle courts is not for personal use. If you have visitors, your vehicle comes up to that area and your visitor's vehicle uses your carport and notify the office.

Recreation Report

By Debbie Douthit #60 Recreation Chair

Dear Residents,

Happy 2024 to each of you and your families! We hope you took some time to relax and enjoy this holiday season while reflecting on our many blessings.

Once again, the holiday season was enjoyed by all, and at Golden Acres there are many long-term and new residents who work together beautifully to ensure that your park is the best it can be.

Time sure flies when we are having fun, doesn't it? January is the beginning of many activities, so you can stay as busy and active as you want. Our Wednesday updates will be provided while enjoying conversation and coffee starting at 9:00 a.m. Also, updates and volunteer opportunities will be listed in the community hall weekly.

For your benefit, we encourage you to sign up in the clubhouse for 2024 – 2026 position openings on your recreation committee.

Thank you to our forty plus park holiday decorating volunteers! All the hustle and bustle and teamwork lead to a twinkling park and much rejoicing for our blessed Christmas season. Rita Syroteuk #123 humbly orchestrates each ornament to insure they were nestled on the proper branch making our community tree look its best for ALL to enjoy. (Pictures below).

Thank you to Donna Richtmyer #66 for donating our easy to decorate and store felt Christmas tree. Donna is quick to volunteer, donate items, and her time to our park.

Our recreation committee is here to do our best to schedule the activities you suggest. Debbie Matthews #222 was kind enough to suggest and host this year's cookie exchange. With such a delicious variety of cookies, it made choosing only a few difficult tasks.

Claudia and Jack #141, and Nancy and Eric #67 - words cannot express the terrific job the four of you did hosting and "rocking" in the New Year with Papa Jay! We appreciate each of you for hosting this large crowd, selling tickets, purchasing, as well as serving appetizers, prizes, etc.! What a daunting undertaking, but you made it look so easy! Thank you for the huge sacrifice and lovely evening enjoyed by ALL.

"Jim Schmitt #217 and the grill master" not only managed our pancake breakfasts each season start to finish without any direction, but once again made a nice profit for our park. We appreciate each of you for yummy pancakes while serving residents. This is such a team contribution to our park and good conversation for all. Thank you, Jim and the team.

Feel free to join our aquafit class with Debra Farris #28. Debra goes above and beyond offering gentle stretch instruction on how to improve and maintain one's overall joint and muscle memory. Once you attend her classes (assuming you follow instructions) you will leave finding this time well spent. A big thank you Debra for your unselfish contribution of your time and knowledge to our residents.

Mildred Todd #2 once again had a nice line waiting to have blood pressure checked and offering explanation of our personal results. Watch your calendar and take advantage of Mildred's experience at this month's screening. We appreciate you very much Mildred!

Again: If you wish to join the committee, the sign-up form is posted on the club house bulletin board.

On behalf of our recreation committee, we thank you for your contribution and wish all Golden Acres Residents and family members a Blessed 2024 season.











Attention All Golfers

From Ron Tasior #36

To all golfers: Starting in January if you are new or would like to join our Tuesday Golf League at Countryway (executive course 18 holes) or join us at Tarpon Springs Golf Course (18 holes, regular course), on Thursday, please call me or leave a message at (607) 435-5065.

Community 50th Anniversary Celebration

By Paula Bunevith #202 and Kathy Schmitt #217

Just a friendly reminder if you are celebrating your 50th Wedding Anniversary at our Community celebration on Sunday February 11, 2024, at 1pm in the clubhouse. Please bring memorable pictures from your wedding. A table will be set up to show the pictures. Any questions please contact Kathy Schmitt #217 at 607-437-7935 or Paula Bunevith #202 at 508-826-1562. Hope to see everyone there to help celebrate.

Thanksgiving Dinner

By Paula & Joe Bunevith #202

Thanksgiving dinner was a huge success. 37 community members enjoyed an afternoon of friendship and great food. Starting with appetizers, assorted fruits, veggies, dips, and crackers.

Turkey, stuffing, mashed and roasted potatoes, gravy, carrots, peas, a cheese broccoli & cauliflower casserole, homemade cranberry sauce, rolls and butter, coffee, tea, and then came the desserts. Pecan and Pumpkin pie, carrot cake cupcakes, pineapple nut cake, and a cheesecake. What a great afternoon.

Many Entertainment Adventures

By Kurt Novakowski #177

Time flies and Linda and I have enjoyed many entertainment adventures. We were able to see Diana Ross in Chautauqua, NY, and Barry Manilow in Cleveland, Ohio which then led us into a week in Las Vegas seeing Americas Got Talent, Donny Osmond, and the best of all shows the Rat Pack at the Tuscany Casino with the most convincing Dean Martin.





I have been performing as Elvis throughout the spring and summer and will be performing at the Largo Community Center on January 7th 2-4pm for the Sunday matinee. address 400 Alt Keene Rd. Tickets are available at just \$12 per person. Call (727) 518-3131 to secure your spot.

Linda is the founder, and Director of Gliding Stars of Erie, PA which is an adaptive Ice-skating program designed to get everyone regardless of condition on the ice to enjoy the experience and learn to skate, then celebrate with a public show in March. This is the 24th year so Linda will be coming to GA intermittently during this winter season. On the good side she has retired from her day job as a teacher which frees up some of her busy schedule. She is a wonderful blessing to my world.

Arrowhead Wines are Awesome, God Bless You

Wise Choices - Soothing a Sore Throat

From NIH (News in Health) newsinhealth.nih.gov

- Warm liquids can help. Try hot tea with lemon or gargling with warm salt water.
- Keep your throat moist with lozenges or hard candies. Do not give these to young kids.
- Ice chips or popsicles may help numb the pain.
- Painkillers like acetaminophen or ibuprofen can reduce throat pain. Read the label to make sure products are safe for children. Never give aspirin to kids.
- Keep the air in your bedroom moist with a clean humidifier or vaporizer.
- Avoid smoking or inhaling second-hand smoke. Smoke can irritate the throat.

Beware of Online Shopping Scams

By Sue Bailey #188 as an AARP Fraud Watch Fighter Free Helpline at (877) 908-3360 or https://www.aarp.org/benefits-discounts/all/aarp-fraud-helpline/

How It Works

- You see ads for a website, app or new social-media store selling products at very low prices.
- A pop-up window may appear asking for sensitive information to access coupons and discount codes.
- When you check out, you're asked for a nontraditional form of payment, like a wire transfer or a gift card that you have to buy and enter the activation codes.

What You Should Know

- Bargan-basement prices are a red flag. Internet security firm Norton says to be on guard if discounts exceed 55 percent.
- Copycat websites abound perpetrators are hoping to gather payment information or infect your devices with malware that gathers sensitive information, including your logins.
- That encryption padlock symbol that we used to be able to trust is no longer trustworthy criminals use it to make their sites look legit.

What You Should Do

- Stick with retailers you've done business with before or brand names you trust.
- Rather than clicking on a link from a message or social media platform, type the web address into your browser to make sure you are going to the real site.

- Check refund, return and privacy policies. If they are vague or nonexistent, take your business elsewhere.
- Pay by credit card. Credit cards offer the most protection against fraud, including the right to dispute charges if there are problems with your purchase.

Active-Duty Soldiers to Remember

Please take a moment to offer a prayer of thanks and remembrance to all those who help to protect our way of life. Keep t in your prayers until they return safely to their loved ones.

Adam Coburn (British Army), Nephew of Mildred and David Todd, Lot #2.

Damien Fitzpatrick (Tech Sgt. USAF) Grandson of Judith Fitzpatrick, Lot #87.

Sean Fitzpatrick (Major US Army) Grandson of Judith Fitzpatrick, Lot #87.

Reid Forster (Master Corporal with the 4th Royal Canadian Regiment) son of Dave Forster & Colleen Collins #128

Tim Joy, US Army Special Forces Green Berets, Fort Bragg, NC - Nephew of Jack Terry, Lot #141.

Daniel Jones (US Navy) Grandson of Carol Diniz, Lot #25.

Matthew Jones (US Navy) Grandson of Carol Diniz, Lot #25.

Brian Karhoff (US Army Major) Son of Nancy Karhoff, Lot #67.

Jacob Smith (PE3 Army M. Police) – Grandson of Valerie O'Farrell, Lot #31.

Colleen Terry, US Navy, Petty Officer 3rd class, Naples, Italy - Daughter of Jack Terry, Lot #141.

John Wilson (PFC lst Class USMC) Iraq – Grandson of Jean Key, Lot #138.

So that we might get to know these courageous soldiers better, I would like to add their pictures to this section. Please forward any photos to Sue Bailey suebail999@gmail.com

For changes to the list of soldiers, please contact Sue Bailey suebail999@gmail.com

Birthdays and Anniversaries

By Norma Moore #54

We want to mention all those who are celebrating this month and send them our very best wishes.

Golden Acres January Anniversaries

Let us wish these couples a very happy wedding anniversary.

Dan and Janet Peters January 14

Golden Acres January Birthdays

We want to mention all those who are celebrating this month and send them our very best wishes.

Paul Shannon	January 1
James List	January 2
Bill Obermark	January 2
Frances Clark	January 3
Elaine Janes	January 3
Mary Blaney	January 4
Randolph Nickle	January 6
Maurita Reeves	January 9
Clifford Cushman	January 10
Deb Dundon Whitney	January 10
Kurt Novakowski	January 13
Robert Knott	January 19
Robert Mickle	January 19
Mary Ann Zura	January 21
Theresa Cerbelli	January 22
Jean Hall	January 23
Kay Erickson	January 26
Craig Houston	January 26
Jean Franqueira	January 28
Jim Coplen	January 29
Joseph Lemon	January 29
Tom McGrory	January 29
William Smith	January 31

Obituary

Thought some of you would want to know of Mike Cox's passing (former resident of #117).

Mike Cox 1941 – 2023



It is with great sadness that the family of Mike Cox announce his passing on Saturday, October 7, 2023. Deeply missed by his wife and best friend, Barbara (Galipeau), his children Jason (Heather) and Mark (Jill), stepchildren Derek (Nevis) and Jennifer (Jeremy). Special Grandpa to Beatrix, Arwen, Gwendolen, Matthew, Jessica, Sam, Evan, Jacqueline, Capreese, Cassie and Becky. Big brother to Carol, Ken, Alfred (Janis), Peter (Laissa) and Paul (Rosalind and John, deceased).

Mike enjoyed a full life. From his early auto racing days, through his career as a realtor in Niagara and then in retirement, he touched many lives and made many people laugh along the way. He was an avid racing, golf, and hockey fan - as frustrating as it could be, he was always a Leaf fan.

There are special people in our lives who never leave us, even after they are gone. Mike's wonderful, boisterous smile and big personality will be with us forever.

A private celebration of life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Hospice Niagara or the Canadian Cancer Society in his memory.

January-2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Indoor Exercise 8am AquaFit 10:30 Pickleball TBD	Walking in the Clubhouse with Belinda 9:30am	Wednesday Weekly Coffee Hour-9am AquaFit 10:30 Bowling 3:15 Pickleball TBD Shuffle Under the Stars 7-9	Indoor Exercise 8am Walking in the Clubhouse with Belinda 9:30am Darts 7-9pm	AquaFit 10:30 Fun Shuffle 1pm	6
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