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NEW YEAR

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keep you posted on all Park news.



## MANAGER'S KORNER

Tony Toscano

Happy New Year !!! I hope last year was a great one for all and that the New Year has started with the hope of another great year to come with friends and family.

For the third year in a row your Board of Directors has authorized and completed another major renovation project to the common areas at Stonehedge with no additional burden to the residents' monthly fees. In case you haven't noticed the kitchen, the pool and the storage room have been added in the past 3 years. A total of over half a million dollars in upgrades that have helped make sure Stonehedge is in great shape for years to come, not to mention help support property values in this market. I hope you had the time take a walk into your new clubhouse. Ceilings, walls floors, electric wiring, fans, moldings, door knobs, and hinges have all been replaced or upgraded. The decorating committee has begun to put up pictures and add the final touches.

We will be discussing the coming years' projects in the beginning portion of the New Year with the clubhouse chairs and the retaining wall (behind units 2-9) near the top of the agenda.

With this being the near end of the holiday season I will be gentle on the maintenance issues and just offer a reminder that during your time away please make sure that you have someone

to maintain your home. This goes for our permanent residents as well who can no longer do the little things that keep your home looking good throughout each season.

One of the items that will be addressed early in the coming year is the pressure washing of all the sidewalks at Stonehedge, hopefully sometime in March. Please take a look at your driveways as well, if there is rust stains or black mildew on any part of them – then they need to be cleaned. The company doing the sidewalks will add on the driveways for the homeowners' expense of \$30 each. We will have notice and a form to fill out if the home owner wants this additional service. If you contact our resident (licensed) pressure washer, Dave Cox, he will give the residents the same job for \$25 (please contact him directly for details). Many homes need to be done; this is part of the maintenance rules.

Last item that seems to becoming an issue is feeding the large wild birds. This should not be done. End of story. Residents have mentioned it to me and I have witnessed it as well that the birds sit on and possibly damage car roofs and roof tops of homes in the neighborhood waiting to be fed by those who do. Please stop this as it is a State law not to feed wild or exotic animals.

The real estate market is rockin' early this season. As you can see there are 4 homes with contracts pending already, as all expecting to close early in the New Year. There has been strong interest in 2 others as well.

Current homes for sale are:

|                  |                       |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| Unit 178 - 45K   | Unit 229 - 65K        |
| Unit 198 - 49.5K | Unit 139 - 50.5K (CP) |
| Unit 251 - 69.9K | Unit 130 - 49K        |
| Unit 240 - 52.1K | Unit 42 - 45K         |
| Unit 87 - 45K    | Unit 136 - 45.5K      |

\*Unit 132 - 35K ask about details for this home at the office

|                      |                       |
|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Unit 53 - 48K        | Unit 73 - 42K         |
| *Unit 238 - 35K (CP) | Unit 190 - 30K        |
| Unit 229 - 65K (CP)  | Unit 119 - 59.9K (CP) |
| Unit 262 - 83K       |                       |

(CP) contract pending

**\*NOTE: Homes at 132 and 238 have been foreclosed on by Stonehedge Residents Inc. and are owned by the association.**

**They have been offered at market value based on condition of the home and related sales.**

I wish you all great health in the coming year

Thank you  
Tony

## Stonehedge Beacon

The Beacon Deadline for the February issue will be January 25, 2012. If possible please email your articles to [beacon.melanie@gmail.com](mailto:beacon.melanie@gmail.com), or leave your articles with Tony in the office.

Thank you.



## SRA NEWS

Judy Scott, Secretary

Stonehedge's Christmas activities began in November with the Christmas Bazaar. The proceeds from the bazaar were donated to the Tarpon Springs Fire Department for Thanksgiving Baskets for the needy. After Thanksgiving many volunteers decorated the clubhouse and the front entrances. Monica Blake made several new wreaths for the hall to coordinate with the new color scheme there. Many thanks for a beautiful job. The progressive dinner December 3, organized by Diane Curtis & Mary Lutz, was the first Christmas activity. The next event was the annual Christmas dinner/dance. Codys provided the prime rib dinner. Music was by Lawrence. Naomi Dutch & her committee were hostesses. Thank you Naomi for a great job.

On December 14<sup>th</sup>, Judy Scott, Penny Curvin, & Bill Postlethwait joined Ron Curvin, Diane Curtis, & Joyce Chace on the SRA the board. Lynn Dunstall, Dick Kosloski, Joyce Lester, and Dolores Thomson retired from the board. We thank you four, for your many years of service. December 28<sup>th</sup>, Ron appointed Wally Scheid to the SRA board. He completes our roster for the year.

On Christmas Eve the park will be putting out luminaries with the help of Roger Hunter. The New Year Dance with music by the Bendys and hosted by the Curvins will begin at 7 p.m.

January looks as busy as December.

Below are the events planned so far:

- 1/09 Take down Christmas decorations
- 1/09 SRA Agenda Meeting
- 1/10 Pictures will be taken for those who missed last fall
- 1/11 SRA Monthly Meeting
- 1/17 & 20 AARP 55 Alive Safe Driving Course
- 1/18 Ladies Luncheon
- 1/21 Annual Spaghetti Dinner
- 1/29 Newcomers Party & Ice Cream Social

Watch the bulletin boards in the clubhouse hallway for other activities and to sign up to participate as soon as you can. This is very helpful for the people organizing the events.



## **RULES COMMITTEE**

Jerry Kinsey

A friendly reminder that pedestrians, golf carts, and bikes have the right away. Golf carts are to obey the same rules as cars and stop at stop signs. Remember? The Park Speed Limit is 15M.P.H.

## **FROM THE PRESIDENTS KORNER**

Don Gill

I would like to take this time to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year.

Looking back over the past year I think we have accomplished a great deal, with the new kitchen and you could almost say a new Clubhouse.

I know we had some setbacks, but all in all I believe everything turned out well.

I think the board and all the committees have also done a great job, it takes everybody working together to keep our park looking as good as it does.

I would especially like to thank our employees, Tony, Shannon and Ted. Keep up the good work.

## ***NEW STONEHEDGE TELEPHONE DIRECTORY***

The new Stonehedge Telephone Directory will be published in late January. Please review the current information in the directory and let Tony know by January 11<sup>th</sup> if any information needs to be corrected.



## SUNSHINE REPORT

Mary Alice Gebo

### Hospitalizations:

None to report



### Attention Men & Women JEWELRY JEWELRY JEWELRY

Is needed for the "SPRING FAIR" !!

So please clean out your jewelry boxes and bring all your unwanted jewelry to me or call me and I will pick the jewelry up.

Thanks

Linda Kosloski, #255  
942-2085.



### ANNUAL CARPORT SALE

The annual Stonehedge Carport Sale will be held on March 3rd, 2012.

Keep watching the Beacon for future updates.

## NEEDED NEW RESIDENT WELCOME WAGON

Stonehedge is in need of someone who will continue the Welcome Wagon for new residents, effective immediately. This person(s) prepares and delivers information about Stonehedge such as opportunities for social groups, where to find information, activities and events, etc. to new residents. Please see Carol Doornbos (#141) for information or call 942-8802.



### STONEHEDGE PHOTO ALBUM

Melanie Horaney

The last day to have a picture taken will be January 10, 2012. There are still a few times that are available. If you would like to schedule an appointment please call me. You will receive a complimentary 8"x10" picture and a Stonehedge Photo Directory when they are completed.

If you have not been here, and will not be here on January 12<sup>th</sup>, please call Lifetouch at 800-489-2142 or send an email to [tkerns@lifetouch.com](mailto:tkerns@lifetouch.com) and they will try to get you into a nearby location that is taking pictures.

We have had a great response so far, and it would be great to have 100% participation.



## **NEWCOMERS PARTY & ICE CREAM SOCIAL**

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 2012  
2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

2:00 P.M. - NEWCOMERS  
INTRODUCTION

ICE CREAM DELIGHTS TO FOLLOW

SIGN UP SHEET IN CLUBHOUSE MID  
JANUARY

The Newcomer's Party for the new residents in 2011 is chaired by Sue Richards #39. The Newcomer's Party will be combined with the Ice Cream Social chaired by Dorothy Siembieda #26.

## **MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK**

After an affair is over it would be helpful if everyone would take their cans and put them in the recycling can and their bottles and papers in the trash cans. It would help the affair planners. They have spent time and effort to plan a nice evening for us...so let's help them. Thanks



Jose Dudley will be here at Stonehedge to entertain us on February 15<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 10:00 P.M. We will have a "Share The Wealth" and snacks. Please BYOB. A sign-up sheet is in the clubhouse. Tickets will go on sale at the clubhouse for \$6.00 each on January 11<sup>th</sup>.

Jose will also entertain at the New Port Richey Elks Club on February 10<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 10:00 P.M. This show will be a fund raiser for the Holiday United Church of Christ Roof Fund. There will be a "Share The Wealth", snacks and a raffle table. There will also be a cash bar. Tickets are on sale now for \$10.00 each. Call 942-1662 or see Mal or Sandy Hunt or Arnie Chace.

Happy New Year to All  
Mal Hunt



## **PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

Bill Roy and John Ahearn Co-coordinators

The next Pancake Breakfast will be January 28<sup>th</sup>.

Come and enjoy eggs scrambled, sausage, and pancakes.

See you all. Bring your family and friends and enjoy.

# WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS

Joe and Sandy are from Wisconsin and they live in Unit 223. They have been married for 39 years and have two children and eight grandchildren. Joe and Sandy have a home in Wisconsin where they will reside during the summer months and will be here approximately six months. Joe was in the service and then worked for the Post Office part time. Sandy works in a bank in Wisconsin. They both enjoy the Green Bay Packers, fishing, hunting and motor cycle riding. Joe also likes scuba diving, woodworking, gardening, and sports in general. Sandy likes to sew, crafts and flowers. Oh by the way Sandy usually outfishes Joe.

We look forward to enjoying friends in this beautiful community. Everyone has been very friendly in welcoming us to this community.

## FREE HOUSECLEANING FOR CANCER PATIENTS

Erv and Gale Harmon

If you know any women currently undergoing Chemotherapy, please pass the word to them that there is a cleaning service that provides **FREE** housecleaning once a month for four months while she is in treatment. All she has to do is sign up and have her doctor fax a note confirming the treatment. Cleaning For A Reason will have a participating maid service in her zip code area arrange for the service.

This organization serves the entire United States of America and currently has 547 partners to help these women. It's our

job to pass the word and let them know that there are people out there that care. Be a blessing to someone and pass this information along.

You may not know someone going through Chemo at the present time, but someone on your email list might. Please let everyone on your email list know about this service.

Their website is

<http://www.cleaningforareason.org>.



## RECIPES

Lois Bauer

I hope that everyone in Stonehedge had a great holiday. My brain turned to mush and I decided to spend the holiday in the cold north with seven (7) grandchildren and five (5) great-grandchildren. I know I will be glad to get back to Florida. I did not forget some recipes for you.

### “HERB CRUSTED COD”

¼ Cup Melted Butter or Margarine  
2/3 Cup Buttered Flavor Cracker Crumbs  
2 Tablespoons Grated Parmesan Cheese  
½ Teaspoon Dried Oregano  
½ Teaspoon Dried Basil  
¼ Teaspoon Dried Basil  
¼ Teaspoon Garlic Powder  
1 Pound Cod Filets

Place butter in shallow bowl, in another bowl combine next 5 ingredients. Dip fillets in butter, then coat with crumbs. Place in greased 13x9x2 inch baking pan. Bake uncovered at 400° for 20 minutes or until fish flake easily with fork. Makes 4 servings.

This is apple season. This recipe made a splash at last years White House holiday festivities. Be sure to use Granny Smith apples. Pudding mix and sour cream make the cake extra moist.

### “WASHINGTON APPLE CAKE”

- 1 Package (2 layers size) Yellow Cake Mix
- 1 Package Vanilla Instant Pudding
- 4 Eggs
- 2/3 Cup Water
- ½ Cup Oil
- 1 Teaspoon Cinnamon
- ½ Cup plus 2 Tablespoons Sour Cream (divided)
- 3 Granny Smith Apples Peeled, Chopped
- ¾ Cup Powdered Sugar
- 1 Teaspoon Water

Heat oven to 350°.

Beat first 6 ingredients and ½ cup sour cream in large bowl with mixer until well blended. Stir in apples, pour into greased and floured 12 cup fluted tube pan or 10 inch tube pan.

Bake 1 hour and 5 minutes or until tooth pick inserted comes out clean. Cool in pan 15 minutes. Loosen cake from sides of pan with knife. Invert cake onto wire rack and cool.

Whisk powdered sugar and remaining sour cream, 1 Teaspoon of water, and drizzle over cake.

Can also bake cake in 13x9 inch pan. Only bake it 38 to 40 minutes. Makes 16 servings.

May everyone have a blessed New Year.



### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Philip Dailey, Sylvia Harkins, Frederick Stetkiewicz
- 3 Ted Hebert, Ronald LaFosse, James Penders
- 4 Nancy Bergeron, Paula Musci, Waldo Scheid
- 5 Nina Willever, Charyl Vlasblom
- 6 Mary Moore
- 8 Terry Langlois
- 9 Cheryl Bruno, Carolyn Duncan
- 10 Kelton Casey, Betty Nataline, John Tilley
- 11 Robert Purtee
- 12 Kent Willever
- 14 Gerald Miner, Melvin Ververs
- 17 Rosemary Fetridge, Robert Kindig
- 20 Ronald Gebo, Janet Purtee
- 22 Everett Quattrone, Linda Vayna,
- 23 Lenore Beck
- 25 Dave Davenport, Diane LaFosse, Suzanne Reiter
- 26 Sally Hall, Helen Thrall,
- 27 Monika Blake
- 28 Ann Bird-Beetem
- 30 William Grantham



## JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Kelton Casey and Lois Botma
- 6 Donna and Donald Roy
- 8 Ronald and Mary Alice Gebo
- 9 Bob and Christine Damico – 52nd
- 18 Mary and Jerald Van Horn
- 19 Roger and Dianna Hunter  
George and Peggy McBee – 54<sup>th</sup>
- 20 Kent and Nina Willever



## THE LANDSCAPE ARTICLE

the landscape guy

Ahhhh ! Winter. What a wonderful time of year. I think this is said because after sweating out all those summer months in the yard it's time to relax and enjoy the benefits. Hopefully.

If you look out and see a yard that you are not proud of then it's time to ask your friends what they do. Yes, swallow your green thumb pride and look at the flowers and shrubs in and around the neighborhood and see what you like. Look at some of the shrubs that are in bloom during the cooler months and it's a good bet they made it through last winter and are still going strong this one.

Oleanders are always a great choice. Make sure you get the dwarf variety (usually only come in pink or white) or you will be looking at a 15' plant in about 3-4 years. Another great winter blooming shrub is Knockout Roses – they come in red and pink and are hearty and healthy during the cooler months and offer a nice consistent bloom. Geraniums are a great choice for winter color. They come in red, pink and white but the red is the standout. They can be placed in front of some green shrubbery or in pots to brighten up the yard for quite some time, most bloom for over a month at a time and come back year to year. Those are only a couple to look into if you have some bare spots to fill. It's also a great idea to visit your local nursery (I said nursery – not the Home Depot or Lowes garden center) during this time of year to see what they are selling. Don't let them talk you into anything if you are not sure, check out their recommendations on the internet to confirm their info. It's OK to buy plants from the local larger retailers mentioned above, but be careful on their advice; usually they do not have an expert on staff all the time. Also, many of the plants sold there are hot house plants and not grown in their natural environment so they may not react as they should when grown outside.

Another great idea to add color to your yard is to look into annuals (these are plants that thrive in certain seasons then die). There is a large selection of these that produce great color. Petunias are probably the healthiest and most colorful for the season can they come in a variety of colors (the hanging basket variety is a good choice).

As far as the lawns are concerned, below is the schedule for the 2012 year of what **will be provided by the park** that the homeowners have already paid for to help kick start the season and help keep the place looking good:

#### JANUARY

Pest Control  
Broad Leaf Weed Control  
Liquid Fertilizer

#### MARCH

Pest Control  
Broad Leaf Weed Control  
Dry Fertilizer  
Small Leaf Weed Control

#### MAY

Pest Control with Allectus  
Broad Leaf Weed Control  
Liquid Fertilizer

#### JULY

Pest Control with Allectus  
Broad Leaf Weed Control  
Fertilizer with Iron

#### SEPTEMBER

Pest Control with Allectus  
Broad Leaf Weed Control  
Fertilizer with Iron

#### NOVEMBER

Pest Control  
Broad Leaf Weed Control  
Dry Fertilizer  
Small Leaf Weed Control

Allectus (insecticide) is a pest control geared for chinch bugs which have been an ongoing issue at the park. Broadleaf weed control will be the herbicide Celsius Iron fertilizer will be used in the months that there is a restriction by the County to use Nitrogen.

Remember these applications are done every 60 days so it is important to assist this program by keeping an eye out for any signs of stress in your yard described in previous articles— with staff and your cooperation this program will work

Another reminder to check the batteries in you sprinkler timer. If you can't remember when you changed them last - change them.

Hope you have a great holiday season. It's a great day on the green side of the grass

# Tarpon Springs

## THINGS TO SEE AND DO IN TARPON SPRINGS

Gladys Edwards

### January 2

Lunch and Learn at the Heritage  
Museum

11:30 A.M.

\$12.00 Includes Box Lunch and  
Opera Talk: Tristan and Isolde

I went to the program last month which featured Christopher Still, (the noted Tarpon Spring artist). The talk was excellent and the box lunch alone was worth more than the \$12.00.

### January 4 & 5

Lil' Rev::Jews-N-Blues  
Cultural Center

7:30 P.M.

\$16.00 Non-Members

\$14.00 Members

January 6

106th Annual Epiphany Celebration  
and Dive For The Cross

St. Nicholas Cathedral to Tarpon Bayou.  
The church services begin at 8:00 A.M.  
with Orthros followed by the Hierarchical  
Divine Liturgy at 10:00 A.M. Services are  
complete around 12:30 P.M. or 1:00 P.M.  
followed by the procession to Spring  
Bayou. After the invocation and the  
release of the dove, 54 Greek Orthodox  
male youths will dive for the cross. The  
annual festival with food, drink, music &  
Greek dancing is held at Spanos-Pappas  
Community Center. If you have never  
attended the dive for the cross, (it draws  
thousands from around the world), you  
might enjoy seeing it. Something unique  
in our own backyard!

January 6, 8 & 14

New Century Opera Tristan &  
Isolda

Performing Arts Center

Friday – 7:30 P.M.

Saturday & Sunday – 2:00 P.M.

\$22.00 Non-Members

\$18.00 Members

January 11

Golden Dragon Acrobats

Performing Arts Center

7:30 P.M.

\$28.00 Non-Members

\$24.00 Members

January 13, 15, 20, 22

The Return

Cultural Center

Friday - 7:30 P.M.

Sunday - 2:00 P.M.

\$16.00 Non-Members

\$14.00 Members

January 14-16

Arts and Crafts Show

Sponge Docks

10:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Free

January 15

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. 17<sup>th</sup>

Annual Parade

MLK Blvd & Dorset Park

Free

January 20

Comedian & Singer Suzanne Ruley

Performing Arts Center

8:00 P.M.

\$16.00 Non-Members

\$14.00 Members

January 21

Alex DeGrassi Guitarist

Performing Arts Center

7:30 P.M.

January 22

New Century Opera Concert

Heritage Museum

2:00 P.M.

\$16.00 Non-Members

\$14.00 Members

January 27

Cherish The Ladies, Irish Music &  
Dance

Performing Arts Center

8:00 P.M.

\$28.00 Non-Members

\$24.00 Members

January 29

Concert Pianist Joseph Schwartz

Performing Arts Center

3:00 P.M.

\$24.00 Non-Members

\$19.00 Members

