

THE VILLAGE GREEN SCENE

Active 55+ Resort Living



Village Green MHC

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July 2025



SHEILA'S COLUMN

Happy Fourth!

Happy Independence Day to everyone! We hope you have a fun and festive holiday.

Live Healthier With Friends

July is Social Wellness Month, an opportunity to focus on this important facet of overall health. Referring to a person's capability to bond and build relationships with others, social wellness is about having positive interactions with your friends, family and community.

Your circle of peers should be a good support system, offering assistance and perspective when needed. Those with a solid social network are able to

DAILY/WEEKLY

8am Daily Coffee Bar
 9:30am M-F Pool Exercises
 9:30am Tues. Bowling League
 9:30am M-F Bocce
 10am Sun. VG Church
 10am-3pm Tues. Arts & Crafts
 10am Wed. Shuffleboard
 10am MWF Walking Club
 10am Thurs.1&3 .. Mexican Train
 10am Thurs. Rummikub
 10:15am M-F Pool Exercises
 11am MWF... Pool Time w/Joan
 11am Tues. Chair Yoga
 11am Wed. & Fri. Zumba
 11am Wed. & Fri. Pinochle
 Noon Sat. Food by Pool
 1pm Mon. Watercolor/Paint
 1pm Tues. & Thurs. Canasta
 1pm Mon. Wed. Fri. Ceramics
 1pm Tu. & Th. Acrylic Painting
 1:00 Fri. Mahjong
 2pm 1st/3rd Sat. Bunco
 2:30pm Wed. .. Show M T Money
 3pm Daily Happy Hour
 4:30pm Tues. & Thurs .. Aquacise
 4pm Thurs. Line Dancing
 5pm Wed. & Sun. Water Vball
 6pm Tues. Adult Coloring
 6pm Mon. Classy Crafters
 6pm Tues. Shuffleboard
 6pm Wed. Wine Wednesdays
 6pm Thurs. Bible Study
 6:30pm Tues. Billiards
 7pm Sun. Cribbage
 7pm Mon. Game Night
 7pm Tues. Euchre
 7pm last Tues. Book Club
 7pm last Wed. Bingo
 7pm Thurs. Pinochle

Sheila's Column (Cont.)

handle stress better, can navigate the world more easily and have higher self-esteem. In addition, they are proven to live longer lives and have lower cholesterol, healthier hearts and higher levels of immunoglobulin A—an antibody that fights respiratory sickness and cavities.

Humans are inherently social, but a study by Harvard found that more than 1 in 3 Americans consider themselves lonely. Especially after the pandemic, people are struggling with their social wellness.

This month, put a new focus on reaching out to old and new friends. Practice empathy and active listening, and offer support to those going through difficult times. Set up friend “dates” and weekly check-ins with those you love.

If you’re looking to make new friends and don’t know where to get started, try an exercise class, a volunteer group or a hobby-related course.

Quench Thirst With Lemonade

For many, nothing satisfies summertime thirst better than a chilled glass of lemonade. Research shows that sour flavors stimulate salivation, which hydrates the mouth and creates a thirst-quenching feeling long after the drink is finished.

Flag Facts

Our American flag has been flying for more than 240 years and has quite the story to tell.

Kid wonder. Our current version of the flag was created by a high school student for a history project. In 1958, Robert G. Heft designed the 50-star flag—a year before Alaska or Hawaii officially became states, though rumor was that they would both join the United States before long. Heft’s teacher, however, gave him poor marks for counting and said Heft could save his grade if he could convince the government to accept his design. Two years later, Heft got a call from President Eisenhower: his flag was in. (And yes, his teacher did increase his grade, though by this time Heft had graduated!)

Lunar legacy. Six American flags have been placed on the moon. An American astronaut has planted the flag for each of the six lunar missions, bringing the Stars and Stripes to space.

The tried and true Red, White and Blue. Our pennant’s colors are as symbolic as the numbers of stars and stripes. Red was chosen for valor and bravery, white for purity and innocence, and blue for vigilance, perseverance and justice.



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With Sympathy

Please offer your condolences to the families and friends of the residents who have passed away.

Marianna Cunningham (97 years old)

Clarence Phinney (former resident, 93 yrs old)

June Bricker (former resident, 104 yrs old)

Raymond Jackson (former resident)



Happy Anniversary

7/2 John & Rochelle Hill-Drew

7/29 David & Sheila Letarte

Happy Anniversary

To those of you celebrating wedding anniversaries this month, we'd like to offer congratulations and best wishes for many more happy years together.



HITCH-A-RIDE

FREE transportation service provided to all residents.

Please call the office, 727-577-0135, either prior to the day or before 8:30am the morning of the day you would like to be picked up. Leave your NAME, LOT# and day you will be taking the bus. It is important that you tell us if we are picking you up at your home or at the Clubhouse.

MONDAYS & FRIDAYS

Gateway Mall

Publix, Post Office, Target, CVS & Bealls

Clubhouse Pickup 9:30AM

Publix - Drop-Off 10:00AM

Publix - Pickup 12:00PM

WEDNESDAYS (1st, 3rd & 5th)

Walmart/Aldi

Clubhouse Pickup 9:30AM

Walmart - Drop-Off 10:00AM

Walmart Pickup 12:00PM

WEDNESDAYS (2nd & 4th)

Winn-Dixie & Rutland

Plaza -

Big Lots, Bealls Outlet,

Save-A-Lot & Dollar General

Clubhouse Pickup 9:30AM

W-D Drop-Off 10:00AM

Winn-Dixie - Pickup

12:00PM

Welcome New Residents

Marleen Brauch and Joleen McCrary

Gertrude Myers

William Rolfs and Petrina Horvath

George Stanec Jr. and David Schaffer

Christine and Gary White



Corrections, Phone #s, Emails, Spelling, Etc.

A Corrections/Update Form available in the Office must be filled out for corrections to be made to your Resident File or Directory. These forms will be used to update Resident Files as well as the Resident Directory. If you have been excluded from the directory and would like to be included, also fill out this form and it will be given to the directory editor. THANK YOU!

Sheila's Column (Cont.)

Additional studies also suggest that tart flavors and scents, especially citrus, are often associated with refreshment.

Maintenance Moment

Keep cool without shooting your electricity bill sky high:

- Use fans to circulate air through your home. This keeps rooms cooler longer and reduces the time your A/C runs.
- Keep the blinds or curtains closed. This helps keep the cool air in and the warm air out.
- Change your A/C filter every month. Clogged filters force your A/C to work harder to circulate air through your home.
- Set the thermostat at 78° F; raise it to 80 or 82 when you aren't home. Do not turn your air-conditioning off when you leave—your home will store up the heat and you're likely to make the air conditioner run for hours just to feel comfortable.

Double the Hydration

Nutrition experts say you can double up your hydration by snacking on fresh produce. Eating fruits and veggies with a high water content, such as an apple or some carrot sticks, along with drinking H₂O can help you stay better hydrated.

Sheila Blevins, Manager



Happy Birthday

7/1	Stephen Phillips Dee Ann Wilkinson
7/2	Roger Link Carol Sanderson
7/4	Claudia Harrison Valerie Kovach Joseph Lazarus Beverlee Thompson
7/6	Carlotta Lewis Cory Taylor
7/7	Carlos Ainslie Nancy Curiel Doreen Earley Birgit Gordon
7/8	Philippe Michaud
7/9	Brenda Erickson Gina Gigliotti
7/10	Michael Evarts Brian LaRose Donald Powell
7/11	Sandra Marxkors
7/12	Lawrence Airdo
7/13	Charles Pray
7/14	Gary Gay Stanislaw Zalejski
7/15	Thomas Barker Maurice Doucette David Fish Richard Heitkamper James May James McKechney
7/16	Deborah Owens

Birthdays Cont.

7/17	Daniel Brunson Vincent Trano
7/18	Brian Clifford
7/19	Gloria Bonter Mary Landis Dwain Peters Elwin Plummer
7/20	Virginia Dunn Rebecca Jones Jackie Walker
7/21	William Brandt Laura Miller
7/23	Linda Brock Melissa Greenberg Mary Keen Renee Lynch Lisa Rasolt
7/24	Susan Green Stacey Karseras David Meharg Dorothy Toni
7/25	Richard Amann Jeffrey Dee Gina Lasser Denise Williams
7/26	Jimmy Carter Inge Plummer
7/27	Erica Crandall Richard Cushman
7/28	David Martinez Walter Petersen
7/29	Debra DeCicco Barbara Lowry Mary Piper Thomas Williams
7/30	Sharon Kellner Lisa Luetjen Richard Wery
7/31	Charles McFall Susan Myers Donald Sellers

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Happy Birthday!

Come and See the Homes We Have Available Today!



2BD/2BA - This unit is a 1979, 864+ sq. ft. fully remodeled 2019. Open kitchen floor plan. White cabinets with white appliances. Butler's bar/cabinets located off the kitchen. Separate dining area. Extra living room area located in the front of the home. This home has an ex-large utility shed. 1039



2BD/2BA plus a den - This unit is a 1978, 1056+ sq. ft. fully updated 2024. Open floor kitchen. Extra-large breakfast bar located in the kitchen. Stainless steel appliances are all new. Separate dining room area. Primary bathroom has a beautiful, tiled walk-in shower. Tankless water heater. This home comes with a one-year home shield warranty. 1093



2BD/2BA – This unit is a 1978, 1416 sq. ft. Plenty of natural light throughout the home. Open floor plan. White kitchen cabinets with granite countertops. Newer appliances. Extra living area located at the front of the home. Large bedrooms. Primary bathroom has been updated. Screened in Florida room. 1165

Here's the Scoop

National Ice Cream Day is July 20, and businesses often churn out freebies and specials to celebrate.

At Print Time & Subject to Change Without Notice.



2BD/2BA - This unit is a 1977, 1104 sq. ft. square-shaped kitchen with a combined dining area. There is an extra closed-in living space in front of the home. The primary suite has plenty of closet space with a bathroom attached. Closed-in screen area under the carport. 1182



2BD/2BA - This unit is a 1979, 1296 sq. ft. Open floor plan with lots of cabinets. Dining area has a built-in China closet. Extra living space located in the front of the home with a large bay window. There is another additional area located at the side entrance that can be used for an office. Spacious bedrooms with walk-in closets. Primary suites can fit a king size bed. 1187



2BD/2BA- This unit is a 1977 1104 sq ft. Open floor kitchen. Extra-large breakfast bar located in the kitchen. Stainless steel appliances. This home offers an additional living space located at the front of the home. This space could be used as a third bedroom or office space. The primary bathroom has a walk-in shower with a large custom walk in closet. Screened in Florida room. The laundry room has a utility sink. 1211

Featured Photo



1BD/2BA - This unit is 1977, 960 sq ft. 1 bedroom 2 bath home has been converted into a large primary suite but can be converted back to 2 bedrooms. Open floor plan with lots of cabinets. New vinyl plank flooring throughout. Beautiful deck space is off the rear of the home. Large, screened lanai. The water softener system comes with this home. 1290



2BD/2BA This unit is a 1979, 1440 sq ft. - Corner unit. Circle kitchen floor plan with plenty of counter and cabinet space for cooking. The dining area is adjoined by the kitchen. Extra-large living area with plenty of sunlight. New windows throughout the home. Both bedrooms can fit a king-size bed and have large closet spaces. Washer and dryer are located inside the home. There is an extra-large closed in Florida room. Plus, a supersize storage area. 1074

Hot Deals in July

This month, keep your eye out for markdowns on summer clothing and shoes. Consumer experts say July is one of the few times of the year you can score deals on seasonal items and still have time to use them.

Activities

The summer months are just flying by ... I cannot believe it is already the 4th of July!! Be sure you sign up and enjoy this fried chicken event at the pool. Bandstand will be playing. They are the band that plays for the Cinco de Mayo Party.

Hope you all enjoyed the tribute to our flag on Flag Day and throughout the rest of the month of June until after the 4th of July. A huge thank you to all who passed out the flags and also to all those who collected them up to be used again next year.

I am now in the process of coming up with an idea for our annual Murder Mystery Event. I will keep you posted as to when, how and whatever. Would still like to do a scavenger hunt in the Fall. No running or walking through yards, this whole hunt could be done driving around, walking the streets or perusing the community in a golf cart. It would not be a race. Info as to what you have to find and an end time for you to hand in your answer sheet will be given out at the beginning of the hunt. More info to follow.

Try to stay cool and hydrated! See you at the events!

**Joanne, Activities
Director**

Homes Cont.



2BD/2BA - This unit is a 1972, 960 sq. ft. & corner unit. Square kitchen floor plan with plenty of counter space for cooking. The dining area is adjoined by the kitchen. Extra-large living area. Both bedrooms have two closet spaces with built-in dressers. The closed in front porch area has single pane windows that can be used year-round. 1235

Thank a Postal Worker
July 1 is National Postal Workers Day. With words or a sweet treat, thank one of the wonderful men and women who make sure our mail gets to us every day.

Homes Cont.



3BD/2BA - corner unit- This unit is a 2005, 1368 sq ft. This is a Jacobson manufactured home. Open floor plan. Cathedral ceilings. There is plenty of light throughout the home. Spacious open kitchen with an eat in area. Plus, a formal dining area. White cabinets with a breakfast bar area. All three bedrooms can fit a king-size bed. The primary bedroom has an en-suite bathroom with a sunken tub, separate shower and two separate bathroom vanities. Large walk-in closet. Double car driveway with an open porch. The back of the home also has a private open-sitting porch area. No neighbors behind the home. Extra storage area. 4030

Homes Cont.



3BD/2BA- This unit is a 1978, 1174 sq. ft. fully remodeled 2024. New kitchen with Corian countertops. New stainless steel appliances. All custom lighting throughout the home. The bedroom has a new tiled walk-in shower. The guest bedroom is located on the other side of the home. The guest room has a clawfoot tub. All new plank floors and new drywall. Washer and dryer inside the home. Tankless water heater. No neighbors behind the house. 4034

Be Free

"May we think of freedom not as the right to do as we please, but as the opportunity to do what is right." —Peter Marshall

Homes Cont.



2BD/2BA - This unit is a 1974, 1152 sq. ft. updated 2019. Open-floor kitchen. Extra-large breakfast bar located in the kitchen. Stainless steel appliances. Separate dining room area. The guest bathroom has a beautiful, tiled walk-in shower. The primary bedroom has a large walk-in closet. Screened-in Florida room. No neighbors behind you. 5041

Enjoy Your Own Scoop

"Don't let your ice cream melt while you're counting somebody else's sprinkles." — Akilah Hughes

Homes Cont,



2BD/2BA, plus den, -This unit is 1976, 1248++ sq ft. Fully updated 2025. Open floor kitchen. Extra-large breakfast bar located in the kitchen. Granite countertops. Stainless steel appliances are all new. Extra-large living room area. Plus, another spacious den area. The primary bathroom has a bathroom on suite with a walk-in closet. The second bedroom would fit a king-size bed. Lot 5062

Memorable Melody: 'Wipe Out'

When the Surfaris composed this song in 1963 as a B-side to their planned single "Surfer Joe," they had no idea how big of a splash it would make on the music charts—and in pop culture. Drummer Ron Wilson based his frenzied solos, sprinkled throughout the song, on his high school marching band's drum cadence, and the rhythm has become one of the most famous drum breaks in history. Also instantly recognizable is the repetitive guitar riff, often learned by aspiring musicians as a classic crowd-pleaser to add to their catalog of tunes. Referring to a gnarly fall from a surfboard when riding a wave, "Wipe Out" has landed on the soundtracks of several films, TV shows and other media.



Cheeseburger Choices

The grills are sizzling from sea to shining sea with these different states' spins on the classic cheeseburger.

Oklahoma onion burger. These smashburgers are cooked together with plenty of caramelized onions, topped with American cheese and then finished with steamed buns. This burger boasts a one-to-one ratio of beef to inexpensive onions, making it an affordable and delicious option, especially for past generations of Oklahomans during the Depression and the Dust Bowl.

Animal style at In-N-Out. At California-based fast-food chain In-N-Out, customers in the know can order burgers "animal style." This off-menu code—now a "not so secret" menu option—means the thin patties are cooked with mustard and topped with the traditional tomato and lettuce plus pickle, grilled onions and extra spread.

Texas bean burger. Cheeseburger meets Frito pie in San Antonio's rendition of an American classic. A beef patty is layered with diced onions, crushed Fritos, refried beans, Cheez Whiz and either pico de gallo or jalapeños.



Out & About

Special Shopping Trips on Other Days!

11:30, July 7, MONDAY,
Goodwill

9:30, July 15th, TUESDAY,
Disston Plaza

11:30, July 9th,
WEDNESDAY, Dollar
Tree/Ross

11:30, July 23rd,
WEDNESDAY, Marshalls

NOTE: Walmart,
Wednesdays, also goes
to ALDI!

Call the Office @
727-577-0135 to sign up for
any of these special trips.
(TIMES & DATES MAY BE
SUBJECT TO CHANGE.)

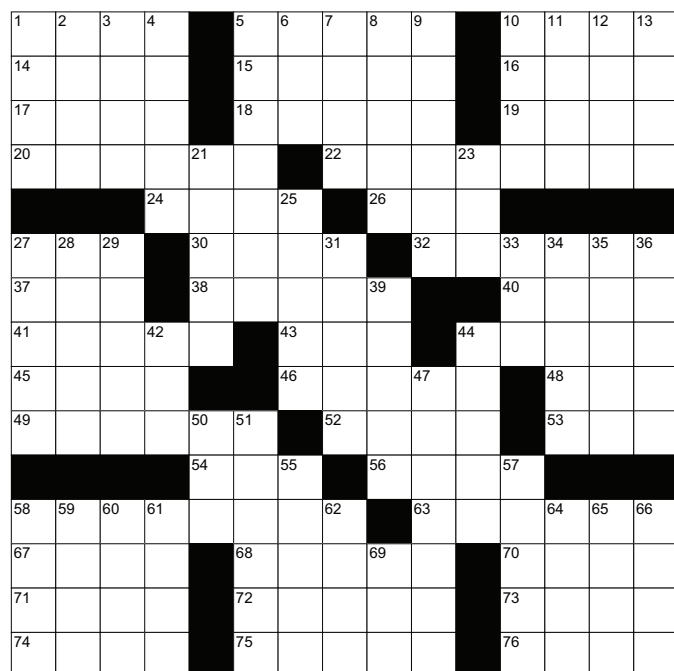
Inside a Thunderstorm

Some find thunderstorms soothing, while others think they're scary. Around 100,000 storms take place in the U.S. every year, mostly in the spring and summer. Storms often happen on hot, humid days, as warm air rises and collides with cold air, creating tension in the atmosphere. Ice particles inside of clouds swirl and crash together, resulting in static electricity that's released in the form of lightning. And did you know that thunder is simply the noise that lightning makes? We just see lightning first since light travels faster than sound.

July 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
VG Church Every Sunday, Fellowship 9:30am, Service 10am Water Aerobics M-F 9:30am & 10:15am Aquacise W/Joan M-W-F 11am Zumba Wed & Fri 11am		Water Aerobics 1 Chair Yoga 11am Canasta 1pm Billiards 6:30pm Euchre 7pm	Water Aerobics 2 Walking Club 10am Zumba 11am SMTM 2:30pm Water Vball Wine Wednesdays	Water Aerobics 3 Rummikub 10am Canasta 1pm Line Dancing 4pm Bible Study 6pm Pinochle 7pm	Independence Day ⁴ 4th of July Party by the Pool w/"Bandstand" 1pm To 4pm	5 BUNCO 2pm
6 VG Church - Water Vball 5pm Cribbage 7pm	7 Water Aerobics Walking Club 10am Mystery Dine-out 5pm All Games Night 7pm OEL Cards	8 Water Aerobics Chair Yoga 11am Canasta 1pm Billiards 6:30pm Euchre 7pm	9 Water Aerobics Walking Club 10am Zumba 11am SMTM 2:30pm Water Vball Wine Wednesdays	10 Water Aerobics Rummikub 10am Food Bank 1pm Line Dancing 4pm Bible Study 6pm Pinochle 7pm	11 Water Aerobics Aquacise Walking Club 10am Zumba 11am Mahjong 1:30pm Ice Cream 2:30pm	12
13 VG Church - Water Vball 5pm Cribbage 7pm	14 Water Aerobics/ Walking Club 10am Aquacise 11am "SWITCH" 7pm	15 Water Aerobics Chair Yoga 11am Canasta 1pm Billiards 6:30pm Euchre 7pm	16 Water Aerobics Walking Club 10am Zumba 11am SMTM 2:30pm Water Vball Wine Wednesdays	17 Casino Trip 9am Rummikub 10am Canasta 1pm Line Dancing 4pm Bible Study 6pm Pinochle 7pm	18 Water Aerobics Aquacise Mahjong 1:30pm CHRISTMAS IN JULY - VG Church 4pm	19 BUNCO 2pm
20 VG Church - Water Vball 5pm Cribbage 7pm	21 Water Aerobics Walking Club 10am Mystery Dine-out 5pm All Games Night 7pm OEL Cards	22 Water Aerobics Chair Yoga 11am Canasta 1pm Billiards 6:30pm Euchre 7pm	23 Water Aerobics Walking Club 10am BINGO Sign-up SMTM 2:30pm Water Vball Wine Wednesdays	24 Water Aerobics Rummikub 10am Trivia Auction 10:30am Presented by Humana Pinochle 7pm	25 Water Aerobics Mahjong 1:30pm Ice Cream 2:30 Monthly Birthday Potluck 6pm Karaoke 7pm	26
27 VG Church - Water Vball 5pm Cribbage 7pm	28 Water Aerobics Walking Club 10am Blood Bus 10am To 12:30pm All Games Night 7pm OEL Cards	29 Water Aerobics Chair Yoga 11am Canasta 1pm Billiards 6:30pm Euchre 7pm	30 Water Aerobics Walking Club 10am Zumba 11am SMTM 2:30pm Water Vball Wine Wednesdays	31 Water Aerobics Rummikub 10am Canasta 1pm Line Dancing 4pm Bible Study 6pm Pinochle 7pm		

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1. Downtowns
5. Cavort
10. Made a web
14. Decorative needle case
15. Water retention
16. In addition
17. Red planet
18. Navigation system
19. Antelope
20. Brief expression
22. State with Isle Royale National Park
24. Not as much
26. Tell a tall tale
27. Brother's sibling
30. Bunsen burner
32. Ruler
37. Teaspoon (abbr.)
38. State with Acadia National Park
40. Navy color
41. Leftovers of civilizations
43. School group
44. The Cat
45. Jewish scribe
46. Power controlling device
48. Airport abbr.
49. Indian village
52. Visionary
53. Okay
54. Environmental protection agency (abbr)
56. Pull
58. Handyman

63. Innumerable
67. Nurture
68. State with Nez Perce Historical Park
70. Domain
71. Canal
72. Italian city
73. Working implement
74. Firm up muscles
75. Tilted
76. Green Gables dweller

DOWN

1. Rope fiber
2. State with Arches National Park
3. Prickly sticker
4. Strong rope fiber
5. Keyboard instrument
6. Hubbub
7. Curl hair, permanently
8. Electronic communication
9. Spoiled
10. Rice wine (var.)
11. Stopper
12. U.S. Department of Agriculture
13. Person, place or thing
21. Gives the impression of being
23. ___ you! (attention getter)
25. Trims
27. Throat infection
28. Car manufacturer
29. Church steeple

31. What you raise in poker
33. North by east
34. Bowling ___
35. Large hotel room
36. Big Bend
39. Cornstalk
42. Arrest
44. Inroad
47. Rockefeller Historical National Park State
50. Constellation
51. Type of American Express card
55. Scrutinize
57. Non ___ (not welcome)
58. Gall
59. Air (prefix)
60. First murderer
61. Leaf maker
62. African country
64. Smooth
65. Long time
66. Valley
69. Talking computer from "2001: A Space Odyssey"

