

THE VILLAGE GREEN SCENE

Active 55+ Resort Living



Village Green MHC

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Father's Day Is June 21

The third Sunday in June is Father's Day. Show your gratitude for the dads in your life with a card, gift, visit or phone call.

Summer Solstice

Sunday, June 21, is the summer solstice, the longest day of the year.

The Longest Day

Every year on the summer solstice, the day with the most hours of sunlight, communities across the country gather to "outshine the darkness of Alzheimer's."

Since 2012, the Alzheimer's Association has hosted this awareness campaign on the summer solstice, originally called "The Longest Day." Today, the event is called "Do What You Love to End Alzheimer's," encouraging people worldwide to use every hour of the longest day of the year to bring awareness to the journey of the more than 55 million people worldwide who are living with Alzheimer's disease and dementia, as well as their caregivers.

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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 MWF Walking Club
 10am Thurs.1&3 .. Mexican Train
 10am Thurs. Rummikub
 10:15am M-F Pool Exercises
 10:30 2nd Thurs Book Club
 11am MWF... Pool Time w/Joan
 11am Tues. Chair Yoga
 11am Wed. & Fri. Zumba
 11am Wed. & Fri. Pinochle
 Noon 2nd Sat. Food by Pool
 1pm Mon. Watercolor/Paint
 1pm Tues. & Thurs. Canasta
 1pm Mon. & Wed. Ceramics
 1pm Tu. & Th. Acrylic Painting
 1:00 Fri. Mahjong
 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 1st & 3rd Wed Bunco
 6pm Tues. Ceramics
 6pm Mon. Classy Crafters
 6pm Wed. Wine Wednesdays
 6pm Thurs. Bible Study
 6pm Sat Corn Hole
 6pm Sat Shuffleboard
 6:30pm Tues. Billiards
 7pm Sun. Cribbage
 7pm Mon. Game Night
 7pm Tues. Euchre
 7pm 1st Wed Activities Mtg
 7pm last Wed. Bingo
 7pm Thurs. Pinochle

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Individuals participate by creating or joining a team of family, friends and co-workers and planning a fundraising event. Teams can choose any activity, such as a walk-a-thon, playing cards or bingo, baking, crafting, playing a sport, or volunteering for a service project. Virtual gatherings, online charity donations, and sending cards and care packages to people with dementia are additional ways of showing support.

In addition to wearing purple, the color for Alzheimer's awareness, participants are encouraged to share stories and pictures of their Longest Day events on social media. The Alzheimer's Association features these photos on their website, *ALZ.org*. **WATCH FOR DETAILS, Joanne is putting a project together!**

The Stars and Stripes

Flying outside businesses and homes, in classrooms and on TV, the American flag is seen by many of us every day. Each year on June 14, Flag Day is an opportunity for us to appreciate this patriotic symbol and all it stands for. The holiday marks the date in 1777 when the Second Continental Congress adopted the nation's first flag, which had 13 red and white stripes and 13 white stars on a blue field in the upper left corner. The number of stars and

Sheila's Column Cont

stripes represented the 13 Colonies that formed the U.S. Today's flag continues to honor the original Colonies by keeping the 13 stripes, but there are now 50 stars in the corner, as the country has grown to include 50 states.

Happy Juneteenth

Commemorating the end of slavery in the U.S., Juneteenth takes place on June 19 every year. On that date in 1865, U.S. troops arrived in Galveston, Texas, the western-most state at the time, to announce the end of the Civil War. The following year, formerly enslaved people celebrated the anniversary as Jubilee Day, and the festive tradition spread through the remaining states, eventually becoming a federal holiday.

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

Sheila Blevins, Manager

With Sympathy

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

Ron Snow

Nelson Simoneau



Happy Anniversary

- 5/10 Wendell & Cindy Estell
 5/13 Gary & Deb Aleshire
 5/17 Bob & Milli Denolf
 5/29 Howard & Susan Crosby
 6/13 George & June Tamm
 6/25 Robert & Pat Gulliver



HITCH-A-RIDE

FREE transportation service is 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. Please tell us if we are picking you up at your home or at the Clubhouse.

MONDAYS & FRIDAYS

Gateway Mall Publix, Post Office, Target, CVS & HomeGoods

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

-Hot Bins, 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

Lynn & Cory Taylor

James Crane

Joseph Conte



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!

AARP Origins

Anyone over the age of 50 who takes advantage of AARP membership benefits has one woman to thank: Ethel Percy Andrus.

Andrus, who was the first female high school principal in California, founded the National Retired Teachers Association in 1947 as a way to assist retired educators living on small pensions. This was before the days of Medicare, when private health insurance was largely unavailable to older people. Andrus worked with insurance companies to provide benefits and programs such as a discount mail order pharmacy.

In 1958, the program was opened up to all Americans over 50 and called the American Association of Retired Persons. Since 1999, the organization has been known as AARP, with the NRTA remaining a division. Today, more than 37 million people are members.

A nonprofit association, AARP serves as an advocacy group for older people, promoting independence, dignity and quality of life. The group offers various types of insurance coverage and provides member discounts.

"Our vision is a society in which all people live with dignity and purpose, and fulfill their goals and dreams."

-AARP's Vision Statement



Happy Birthday

- 6/1 Michael Ames
Janice Biddle
Marleen Brauch
Albert Mrowca
- 6/2 JoAnn Stoy
- 6/3 Laura Harshman
- 6/4 Winnie Mallory
Michael McIntyre
- 6/5 Eve Alexander
Todd Noonan
Roselyn Smith
- 6/6 Cynthia Striffler
- 6/7 Walter (Drew) Smith
- 6/8 Terry Keller
- 6/9 Mary Krueger
- 6/10 Greg Foran
Kimberly Langston
Christopher Murphy
Kathleen Ray
- 6/11 Jay Braun
Justine O'Brien Rayne
- 6/12 Marianne Palumbo
Michelle Sands
Stephen Walker
- 6/13 Kenneth Clark
Vince Julien
JoAnn Morrison
- 6/14 Richard McNabb
- 6/15 Susan Crosby
Ryan Cuti
Deborah Duddy
Dorothea Hamilton

Birthdays Cont.

- 6/16 Vicki Karnitz
- 6/17 Robert (Bo) Dillingham
Cindy Estell
Joleen McCrary
David Ribehart
James Sowder
- 6/18 Gabrielle Chance
George Stanec Jr.
- 6/19 Louie Calderon
Joy Dziopala
David Hayes
- 6/20 Donald Doiron
Stephanie Gibble
Cherri Miller
Judith Recktenwald
- 6/21 Jayne Minter
William Rolfs
- 6/22 Jeffrey Miller
- 6/23 Arthur Benner
James Kelly
- 6/24 Mark Lynch
Gregory Nies
- 6/25 Gordon Fasting
Linda Johnson-Holmes
- 6/26 Suzanne Hensley
Cleotilde Lopez
Allan Martin
- 6/27 Jay Williams
- 6/28 Rebecca Keller
- 6/29 Mary Sue Dickert
- 6/30 Julie Bamsey
Sandra Gardner
Maria Halloran
Bonnie Holmes
Francis Keogh
Frank Lamica



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Come and See the Homes We Have Available Today!



#1027 2BD/2BA \$74,900.



#1059 2BD/2BA \$125,900.



#1093 3BD/2BA \$119,900.



#1186 3BD/2BA \$125,500.



#1187 2BD/2BA \$45,900.



#1221 2BD/2BA \$82,500.

At Print Time & Subject to Change Without Notice.



#1278 - 2BD/2BA plus den. Corner Unit. This unit is 1977, 1152 sq ft. Galley semi-open floor kitchen. All white appliances. Beautiful built-in China cabinets located in the dining room. 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 living room has a beautiful bay window for viewing. The primary bathroom has a walk-in shower with a walk-in closet. The roof was replaced two years ago, which has a transferable warranty. New AC/Heat installed 2026 with a 5-year warranty. Washer and dryer are located inside. Listed at \$74,500



#1280 2BD/2BA \$120,900.



#3004 2BD/2BA 1973, 1224 sq ft. This home is in a beautiful landscaped sitting park area that is a walk away from the clubhouse. This home offers a large screened-in porch overlooking the mini park. Open kitchen area with a separate dining room. There is a bonus room on the side of the home that may be used for an office or extra storage area. Plus, a three-car parking carport. \$63,500

Featured Photo



5092 - 2BD/2BA, plus a den. The unit is new 2020. Space, comfort, and luxury touches in this home. Start your mornings with coffee in the breakfast nook and unwind with evening cocktails in the shady lanai with remote custom blinds. Inside, you'll find cathedral ceilings, sheet rock walls, marble window sills, crown molding, baseboards, and classic six-panel doors throughout. The open-concept kitchen, living, and dining areas are spacious, light, and airy, perfect for entertaining. Stainless steel kitchen appliances complete the space. The primary bedroom easily accommodates a king-size bed and additional furniture and features a huge closet. The en-suite bath offers a double-sink vanity with designer lighting, ceramic flooring, and a beautifully tiled walk-in shower and Ceiling fan. The guest bath features ceramic flooring, a designer tub/shower, and a stylish vanity with updated lighting. Additional highlights include an indoor laundry closet with new washer and dryer, new water heater with HVAC (2020), and custom drapery. This home offers a two-car carport. The carport has a beautiful nonstick surface coating material overlay. Plus, a large storage shed. A perfect blend of space, comfort, and thoughtful upgrades, ready for you to enjoy. Home comes with warranties. \$170,000

ANOTHER FEATURED HOME

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Activities

The year is flying by; before you know it, it will be the 4th of July!

The Cinco de Mayo Party was a great success, everyone enjoyed the music and the food.

We will be continuing the Music Bingo Dance Party Night in June as well. Everyone who attended enjoyed the challenge of guessing the songs as they were played.

The Horse Races are attracting many people and we usually have at least 3 tables of people participating. Come join the fun!

A trip was planned to go to the Tuesday Morning Fresh Market in Gulfport on May 19th, and all who attended enjoyed the day, so I will possibly arrange for another one in June.

If all goes well, we might possibly have a Stuffed Potato Night this month. We bake potatoes and then offer a variety of items that you can stuff your potato with, for example: sour cream, chives, cheese, bacon bits and many more ingredients.

There is a possibility of a Rays Baseball Game in June as well, watch for details!

See you at the events!

**Joanne, Activities
Director**

Homes Cont.



5167 - 2BD/2BA This unit is a 1975, 864 sq ft. Open kitchen plan. The kitchen has an island with a combined eat-in area. Plenty of oak kitchen cabinets in the kitchen with laminate countertops. Primary bedroom has a double sink vanity with a walk-in shower. The guest bath has a full tub shower. Two French doors located in the living area open to a closed-in, air-controlled room, located at the front of the home. Extra-large laundry/ storage area located outside. \$68,900



#4030 3BD/2BA \$119,000.



#4050 2BD/2BA plus a den. \$75,500.



#4063 2BD/2BA \$115,000.

Homes Cont.



#4083 2BD/1BA \$46,900.



#5008 2BD/2BA \$64,500.



#5068 2BD/2BA \$159,900.



#5074 - 2BD/1BA. This unit is a 1975, 672++sq ft. There is plenty of natural light throughout the home. Open floor plan kitchen, with a combined separate dining area, that has additional cabinet spaces. White kitchen cabinets. Remodeled bathroom. There is a closed-in patio room on the side of the home. \$40,500

So Nice To Hear

Start the month with a thank-you, compliment or other words of kindness. June 1 is Say Something Nice Day!

Homes Cont.



#5035 - 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, plus a den. The unit is brand-new 2026. Space, comfort, and luxury touches in this home. Start your mornings with coffee in the breakfast nook and unwind with evening cocktails in the shady lanai with remote custom blinds. Inside, you'll find cathedral ceilings, sheet rock walls, marble window sills, crown molding, baseboards, and classic six-panel doors throughout. The open-concept kitchen, living, and dining areas are spacious, light, and airy, perfect for entertaining. Stainless steel kitchen appliances complete the space. The primary bedroom easily accommodates a king-size bed and additional furniture and features a huge closet. The en-suite bath offers a double-sink vanity with designer lighting, ceramic flooring, and a beautifully tiled walk-in shower and Ceiling fan. The guest bath features ceramic flooring, a designer tub/shower, and a stylish vanity with updated lighting. Additional highlights include an indoor laundry closet with hook-ups. This home offers a two-car carport. Plus, a large storage shed. Home comes with warranties. Listed at \$195,900



#5127 2BD/2BA \$60,500.



#5175 3BD/2BA \$99,900.

The Blue Zones of Longevity

There are a few places around the world where people tend to live longer, healthier lives.

After analyzing data, scientists identified specific regions that have the highest concentration of centenarians and residents who are largely free of chronic disease. In 2004, author Dan Buettner, working with the National Geographic Society and the National Institute on Aging, dubbed these areas Blue Zones, after the blue circles researchers drew around the locations on a map. The five Blue Zones are Okinawa, Japan; Sardinia, Italy; Ikaria, Greece; Nicoya, Costa Rica; and Loma Linda, Calif.

Research shows that people who live in the Blue Zones have several lifestyle traits in common that contribute to their longevity. Their diet is primarily plant-based, with an emphasis on vegetables, beans, nuts and whole grains. Natural movement is part of their daily routine, in activities such as gardening, chores and walking to the store. They also have close bonds with family and friends, possess a sense of purpose, belong to a spiritual-based community, and spend time relaxing each day.

A project is underway in several U.S. cities, with residents adopting the healthier habits of the Blue Zones residents.



Out & About

Special Shopping Trips on Other Days!

11:30, June 5th, FRIDAY, Goodwill

9:30, June 9th, TUESDAY, Disston Plaza

11:30, June 10th, WEDNESDAY, Dollar Tree/Ross

11:30, June 24th, WEDNESDAY, Marshalls

FOOD BANK, June 16th, TUESDAY @ 11:45

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.)

* ADDITIONAL TRIPS

New: Gabe's Tuesday, June 30th, 9:30am

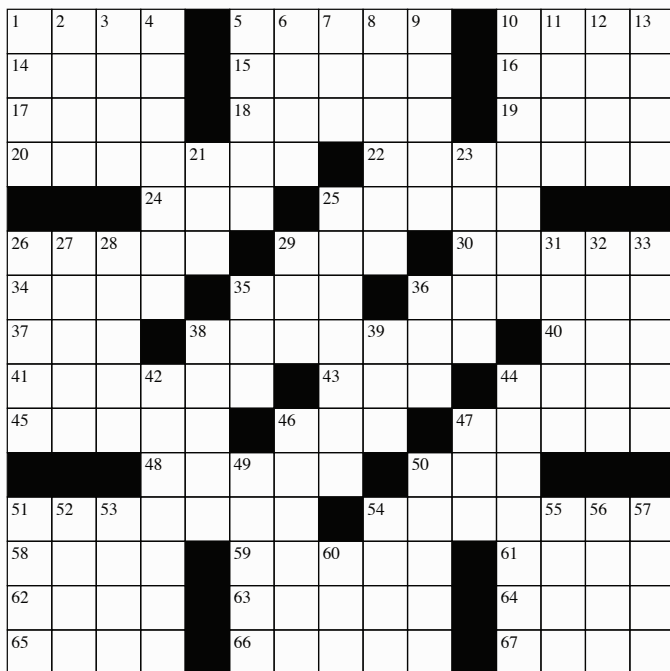
Being With Friends Can Boost Your Brain

Did you know that interacting with friends and family is a great way to exercise your brain? Studies link the engagement and intellectual aspects of socializing to better memory and cognitive abilities, especially as we age. Researchers say a happy social life that involves positive people and meaningful activities may help temper the effects of stress, which affects brain performance.

June 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Water Aerobics 1 Walking Club 10am Aquacise All Games Night 7pm	Water Aerobics 2 Chair Yoga 11am Canasta 1pm Billiards 6:30pm	Water Aerobics 3 Zumba 11am SMTM 2:30pm Wine Wed 6pm ACTIVITIES MEETING 7pm	Water Aerobics 4 Pinochle 10am Canasta 1pm Line Dancing 4pm Bible Study 6pm Pinochle 7pm	Water Aerobics 5 Aquacise Walking Club 10am Zumba 11am Mahjong 1:30pm Ice Cream 2:30pm	6 Shuffleboard/Corn Hole 6pm
7 VG Church - Water Vball 5pm Cribbage 7pm	8 Water Aerobics Walking Club 10am MYSTERY DINE-OUT 5pm All Games Night 7pm	9 Water Aerobics Chair Yoga 11am Canasta 1pm Billiards 6:30pm HORSE RACING 6:30pm	10 Water Aerobics Walking Club 10am Zumba 11am SMTM 2:30pm Water Vball 5pm Wine Wed 6pm	11 Water Aerobics Pinochle 10am Canasta 1pm Line Dancing 4pm Bible Study 6pm Pinochle 7pm	12 Water Aerobics Aquacise Walking Club 10am Zumba 11am Mahjong 1:30pm	13 FOOD BY POOL KITCHEN OPEN FROM NOON to 2pm Shuffleboard/Corn Hole 6pm
14 VG Church - Water Vball 5pm Cribbage 7pm	15 Water Aerobics Walking Club 10am Aquacise "SWITCH" 7pm	16 Water Aerobics FOOD BANK 11:45 Canasta 1pm Billiards 6:30pm	17 Water Aerobics Walking Club 10am Zumba 11am SMTM 2:30pm Water Vball 5pm Wine Wed 6pm	18 CASINO TRIP 9am Pinochle 10am Book Club 10am Canasta 1pm Line Dancing 4pm Pinochle 7pm	19 Water Aerobics Aquacise Walking Club 10am Zumba 11am Mahjong 1:30pm Ice Cream 2:30pm	20 Pancake Breakfast 9am To 11am Shuffleboard/Corn Hole 6pm
21 VG Church - Water Vball 5pm Cribbage 7pm	22 Water Aerobics Walking Club 10am MYSTERY DINE-OUT 5pm All Games Night 7pm	23 Water Aerobics Chair Yoga 11am Canasta 1pm Billiards 6:30pm HORSE RACING 6:30pm	24 Water Aerobics Walking Club 10am Zumba 11am SMTM 2:30pm Water Vball 5pm Wine Wed 6pm	25 Water Aerobics Pinochle 10am Canasta 1pm Line Dancing 4pm Bible Study 6pm Pinochle 7pm	26 Water Aerobics Mahjong 1:30pm Monthly Birthday Potluck 6pm Karaoke 7pm	27 Shuffleboard/Corn Hole 6pm
28 VG Church - Water Vball 5pm Cribbage 7pm	29 Water Aerobics Walking Club 10am Aquacise "Match Game" 7pm	30 Water Aerobics Chair Yoga 11am Canasta 1pm Billiards 6:30pm	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.			

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1. Cotton-tipped item
5. Fall flower
10. Small progression
14. Carson's successor
15. River through Paris
16. Prefix for prompter or vise
17. Countertenor
18. Punitive
19. Freedom from difficulty
20. Sore spot
22. Coal or phosphate
24. Not reversed
25. Paper appliqué
26. Baby bird's noise
29. Abbr. on an encyclopedia spine
30. Come together
34. Estate recipient
35. "Diamond ___"
36. Throw off track
37. As well as
38. Was relevant
40. Numerical prefix
41. Shows contempt
43. Launderer's purchase
44. Comic Foxx
45. Danny's daughter
46. Craft made of gopherwood
47. Succinct
48. Collect

DOWN

1. Thick piece
2. Healthy
3. One opposed
4. Enthusiastic supporter
5. Poplar variety
6. Crystal ball gazer
7. Metal container
8. Part of a tooth
9. Keepsake
10. Pennsylvania athlete
11. Droplet
12. Ms. Maxwell
13. Part of an apple
21. Surpass
23. Called
25. Monetary units
26. Gap
27. Reddish tint

28. Sea duck
29. Bigwig, for short
31. Assessor
32. Surrounds
33. Slur over in pronunciation
35. Albums, for short
36. State: abbr.
38. Fragrance
39. Type
42. Waistband material
44. Regulated system
46. Take for granted
47. Small flap
49. "... for spacious skies, for ___."
50. Say "Hi" to
51. Tree trunk
52. Sly as ___
53. Tiny insects
54. Make eyes at
55. ___ off; detached
56. Orchid genus
57. Car scar
60. Fleur-de-___

