

## Country Club Estates January 2026

### Reminders...

#### January 2026

Jan 3rd	10:00am	SAC Meeting Big Red Bus	Activity Bld Clubhouse
Jan 5th	9AM	Pizza orders Due	
	10AM	Boat & Fish Club Meeting	Activity Building Clubhouse
	11AM	Harbor Committee Meeting	Activity Building
Jan 7th	6PM	Raquet Ball Meeting	Activity Building
	6PM	Euchre Tournament	Clubhouse
Jan 8th	9:15AM	Poker-Texas Hold'em	Clubhouse
Jan 9th	11:30AM	Board Meeting	Clubhouse
	7PM	Boat & Fish Club	11 Dockside
	7PM	Pub Feud	Clubhouse
Jan 10th	9AM	Bible Study	Activity Building
Jan 11th	5PM	Horse Races	Tickets needed
Jan 12th	5PM	Pizza pick up	Clubhouse
Jan 13th		Hazardous waste day	Maintenance Area
	10AM	Line Dancing	Clubhouse
Jan 14th	7PM	Pub Feud	Clubhouse
Jan 16th	3PM	Shed Band	Clubhouse
	7PM	3rd Annual Birthday Bash	Clubhouse
Jan 17th	5PM	Potluck Anniversary	Clubhouse
Jan 18th	6PM	New Homeowners	Clubhouse
Jan 20th	7PM	Comedy Show	Clubhouse
Jan 21st	6:30PM	Karaoke	Clubhouse
Jan 23rd	4:45PM	New England Dinner	Clubhouse



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#### **FOR NEWSLETTER CALENDAR**

Please email [veniceccenewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:veniceccenewsletter@gmail.com) with your activity updates. Thank you.



## **January Birthdays**

1	Judith Minor
2	Kathe Magadance
	Karen Ritchie
4	Sharon Maynard
7	Frank Magadance
13	Bob O'Connell
16	Linda Fettig
17	Jerry Prey
18	Barbara Drum
	Diane Saporito
22	Paula Meserve
23	Chris Zander
27	Jim Tripp
28	Debra Dean
29	Susan Brooks
31	Laura Droke
	Lucky Kaiser



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

## **January Anniversary**

1	Jim and Kathy Stevens 2001
8	Jim and Kathy Milkert 1972
13	David & Karen Ritchie 1973
15	Eddie and Kim Johnson 1999
21	Jim and Alice Thomas 1967



If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, and you would like to be included in our newsletter; please send an email to [veniceccenewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:veniceccenewsletter@gmail.com). If you are new to our community, we would love to remember and acknowledge your special days! Also, if we have printed incorrect information, we are working with an old list; please accept our apologies and update us, so we can correct for future publishing.

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## **SAC Meeting Jan 3rd**

Our monthly SAC meeting is on Saturday Jan 3rd in the Clubhouse. Come at 9:30 for coffee and donuts. The meeting begins at 10am.

## **Pizza Time!**

Big News about Pizzas!!



Change is good. Trying something else is good. And that is what your Pizza Group has done with where we get our Pizzas!

We are getting our Pizzas from Tuscan Nokomis. You may recall that this restaurant was formerly known as Mama Leones. The Pizzas are out of this world! Head chef and owner, Jimmy Nadell, has agreed to work with us on providing tasty, larger size and affordable pies.

We have chosen 6 styles of pie to start, but want your feedback on varieties we might offer in the future. Sorry but we cannot handle individual preferences. For ex., 'no onions on my deluxe-style pizza'. They are what they are. It is the easiest for our group ordering...for now! Here are the varieties and prices (includes sales tax and \$1 tip and credit card surcharge) Sizes: Medium (12") or Large (16").

Style: Thin crust and cut into squares, not triangles.  
 Varieties – Deluxe: pepperoni, Italian sausage, mushrooms, green peppers and onions  
 Medium: \$17.00      Large: \$20.00

Garden: mushrooms, black olives, onions, green pepper and tomatoes

Medium: \$17.00      Large: \$18.00  
 BBQ Chicken: BBQ sauce, chicken breast, red onion

Medium: \$13.00      Large: \$16.00

Meat Lover's: pepperoni, Italian sausage, bacon and ham

Medium: \$18.00      Large: \$21.00  
 Single Meat Pizza: choose either Pepperoni or Sausage

Medium: \$13.00      Large: \$15.00  
 Cheese: just Cheese!

Medium: \$11.00      Large: \$13.00

We are sorry to leave Marco's Pizza, but your Pizza Committee has grown to love the taste and prices for Tuscan's pizzas. Marco's has been a great partner since 2020 and offers a number of deals online. And the Shamrock location does deliver to CCE. Orders need to be in by January 5 for pickup on January 12. Orders taken at the SAC meeting on January 3 might be the most efficient way to get your order in. Payment due to Marlene Fleming (803 Carefree) before January 12. Cash or Check (make the check out to S.A.C. (social activity committee) please. Pickup at the Clubhouse, 5 pm on January 12.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Multiple pizza orders require a separate order slip.**

Choose your Pizza type and size by its number and circle it!

1 – **Deluxe** (Sausage, Pepperoni, Mushroom, Green Pepper, Onion).

**MED** \$17.00      **LARGE** \$20.00

2 – Garden (Mushroom, Onion, Green Pepper, Black Olive, Tomato).

**MED** \$17.00      **LARGE** \$18.00

3 – **BBQ Chicken** (BBQ sauce, Chicken Breast, Red Onion).

**MED** \$13.00      **LARGE** \$16.00

4 – **Meat Lovers** (Pepperoni, Sausage, Bacon, Ham).

**MED** \$18.00      **LARGE** \$21.00

5 – Single Meat (Circle meat choice: Sausage or Pepperoni)

**MED** \$13.00      **LARGE** \$15.00

6 -Cheese only

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**Big Red Bus Jan 3rd**

Just a reminder, The Big Red Bus will be at CCE on Jan 3rd for our blood drive. Hours are 9:am - 2:00pm. Walk ins are welcome, sign-ups are recommended. Help save lives, donate blood. Questions, Tom Krubl 630-362-8444

**Boat and Fish Club Meeting****Jan 5th**

Boat and Fish Club Meeting on Monday Jan 5th at 9:00am in the Activity Building.

**Line Dancing Jan 6th**

Eileen and Connie will begin line dance lessons in January. Lessons will be held on Tuesday mornings at 10 am beginning January 6 in the Clubhouse. Experienced and non-experienced welcome.

**Euchre Tournament Jan 7th**

Euchre Tournaments on Jan 7th at 6:30 pm in the Activity Building. The cost is \$6. All money will be given out in prizes, after a donation to SAC for paper products. Bring a snack to share, half of the enjoyment is the snacking between matches. You must know the basics of Euchre. Individuals are welcome, you do NOT need a partner. Sign up and pay with Eileen Krueger. 690 n Green Circle 989.482.9495. These tournaments are always a lot of fun! Please bring quarters for an extra prize opportunity. Openings are limited.'

**Board Meeting Jan 8th**

Our Annual Board meeting will be held on Thursday Jan 8th at 9:15am in the Clubhouse. All are welcome.

**Boat & Fish Club Luncheon Jan****9th**

Our January luncheon will be held on Friday, January 9 @ 11:30 am at Dockside Waterfront Grill. A signup sheet has been posted in the Clubhouse meeting room.

**Pub Feud Jan 9th & 14th**

Come and enjoy a fun filled night of Pub Feud in the Clubhouse on Friday Jan 9th and again on Jan 14th. The game starts at 7pm. The cost is \$10 per table for 2-6 players. You can come alone, and we will find you someone to play with. All money collected is rewarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. Please bring your drinks and snacks. For more information, please contact Bob Rutkowski 248-885-3007

**Tame Your Thoughts Bible Study Jan 10th**

Come join our Bible Study on Saturdays, Tame Your Thoughts, at 10AM in the Activity Building starting Jan 10th. Signup sheets will be available at the January SAC meeting. Questions, please contact Joan Oldenkamp 269-506-6424

**Hazardous Waste day Jan 13th**

Please see Flyer

### Household Hazardous Waste COLLECTION EVENT

## Sarasota County

Hazardous Waste and Country Club Estates are hosting a household hazardous waste collection event.

Tuesday, 13JAN2026

From 9am - 11am

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Venice, FL 34285

## ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED

- Ammunition
- Empty containers (>5 gal)
- Flares
- Medications
- Needles or syringes
- Radioactive materials
- Tires

## SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

- Place materials in vehicle trunk.
- Remain in your vehicle.
- Staff will unload materials.
- No walk-ups accepted.

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## TYPES OF ITEMS ACCEPTED

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- Paint
- Pesticides
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- Propane cylinders
- Rechargeable batteries
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- Vehicle batteries

This event is only for residents in Country Club Estates. Proof of residency may be requested before any waste is accepted. Sarasota County may limit the amount of waste collected. No commercial or other organizational waste will be accepted.

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No matter where you go.**



Sarasota County



**FPL Presentation Jan 14th**

Please join FPL for their presentation in the Clubhouse at 1:30pm

**3rd Annual Birthday Bash****Jan 16th**

Come join us for our 3rd Annual Birthday Bash with TK THE DJ (Tom Kremer) on Friday Jan 16th 6:30pm to 9:30pm in the Clubhouse. MUSIC OF ALL YEARS! (Send special requests to [ckremer@comcast.net](mailto:ckremer@comcast.net) ) Featuring special Music of TOBY KEITH. Cake will be served. We've had a great time each year. You don't won't to miss it! Tickets \$5 can be purchased from a SAC Committee member or purchased at the door!

**Buddy Break Jan 17th**

Buddy Break takes place every 3rd Saturday of each month 9:30am, at the Venice Presbyterian Church at 825 Rialto, Venice. What is Buddy Break? Buddy Break is a free kids/respite program where kids with special needs (VIP kids) make new friends, play fun games, enjoy crafts, therapy dogs, stories, music, activities and more! Siblings have fun too! For more information, please contact Patti DeLano 941-408-3018, our Buddy Break Leader, and take a tour of our facilities. Call 941-488-2258 to schedule a time to see Buddy Break in action.

**Pot Luck Anniversary Party****Jan 17th**

This year, we are trying something new. We will be celebrating wedding Anniversaries with a Potluck Dinner. Please join us in the Clubhouse on Saturday Jan 17th at 5pm. Come and celebrate with your friends and neighbors. Signup sheets will be on the Bulletin Board in the Club House Meeting Room. Print your name, number of people in your household coming to the potluck, including yourself, on the same line as the food item you will be bringing with you. This is a B.Y.O.B. potluck so bring your own plates and silverware. Any questions, contact any member of the SAC team.

**Comedy Show Jan 20th**

Come laugh with us January 20 at 7pm in the Clubhouse for a fun filled evening with Stratton Smith. Stratton has performed from Los Vegas and throughout the Midwest and is guaranteed to make you laugh. He was at CCE a year ago to a full house. Bring your own snacks and favorite beverage. There is no charge for the event and there will be a "pass the hat" opportunity. Hope to see you there.

**Karaoke Jan 21st**

Come and enjoy singing and dancing to your favorite Karaoke songs. Wednesday Jan 21st 6:30 in the Clubhouse. Bring your best voice and your dancing shoes. If you're not a singer, come and listen to others having a great time. Don't forget to bring snacks and your own cocktails. Hope to see you there. Questions - contact Bob Rutkowski 248-885-3007

**New England Dinner Jan 23**

New England Dinner will be held in the Clubhouse on January 23rd from 4:45 PM to 9PM. Full Course Spaghetti Dinner will be served with entertainment and dancing until 9PM with David Turner. Door prizes also will be given. Tickets will be on sale at December and January SAC meetings while they last. \$15 per person or call Helen Nyhan at 617-605-5507

**Newsletter Birthday and Anniversary Posts**

If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, and you would like to be included in our newsletter; please send an email to [venicecccenewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:venicecccenewsletter@gmail.com). If you are new to our community, we would love to remember and acknowledge your special days! Also, if we have printed incorrect information, we are working with an old list; please accept our apologies and update us, so we can correct for future publishing. Thank you. Jackie

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## Attention Coordinators/Leads of Scheduled Activities

Now it would be a great time to fill out your paperwork and secure your space/room for this year's activity. Please be sure the S.A.C. Facility Use Agreement has been completed and signed by SAC chair for ALL activities. This form is found on NABR and/or in the office. For Room Reservations - How to reserve: In NABR - Under Residents – Select Reservations – Select which Building – Make reservations. **ALL newsletter updates must be submitted by the 15th of each month.** Please provide the following information via email: Your activity, start date and end date (if known), time and location. Please know that all SAC events will override any scheduled activity, except board meetings. Your information is greatly appreciated. Email to veniceccenewletter@gmail.com Thank you.



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## **Mark your Calendars**

### **OH Canada.....EH! Feb 3rd**

The OH Canada.....EH! event will take place Tuesday, February 3rd, in the Clubhouse from 7-9:30 pm. Doors open at 6:30. There will be entertainment featuring New Brunswick, a live band, dancing, door prizes and a 50-50 draw. BYOB. Tickets are available for \$10.00 per person at the January 3rd SAC meeting while they last. Or email [ohcanadagroupevents@gmail.com](mailto:ohcanadagroupevents@gmail.com).

### **Kennedy Space Center**

#### **Feb 10th**

Join us for this exciting tour of the Kennedy Space Center. The price is \$159.00 per person and includes transportation and entrance to the Space Center. We will have approximately 5 hours on site to explore the many exciting attractions. The special events calendar is not out for February yet, but I will keep checking and announce what is available when it is. Payment is due January 8 (earlier than the flier states to allow time to get checks to the travel agent) check or Money Order, made out to Tours4You. Please put in an envelope with your name, address and phone number and email on it. Also, call me before dropping it off, 585-298-6069; 867 S Green Cr. Questions, please email [lstullcce@gmail.com](mailto:lstullcce@gmail.com)



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With four restaurants and three snack stands, an out-of-this-world dining experience is easy to find at Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex. Vegetarian, gluten-free and healthy choices are available at all restaurants and crew members can assist with information about menu options. Lunchtime meals are not included in the price of this tour.

After your day of explorations you will rejoin the motor coach as we will begin the journey back to your community.

### **Pickleball Tournament Feb 16th**

February 16 on President's Day. Open to owners and renters who are members of the CCE Racquet Sports Club. More info is coming soon. We are looking for volunteers. Text Connie 989.239.5862 if you can help.

### **Chili Cookoff Contest Feb 18th**

10th Anniversary Celebration of the Pottery Studio!



Wednesday, February 18th 5:00–8:00 PM \$20 per person

Join us for a festive evening in the Clubhouse, as we celebrate 10 years of creativity, connection, and clay! Enjoy tasting 10 delicious homemade chilis, cast your vote for the “crowd favorite”, and kick up your heels with line dancing and lively country music. Every guest will go home with a handmade piece of pottery of their choosing — a special keepsake from our studio to you. This is the CCE pottery studio first-ever Chili Cookoff, featuring all your

favorite potters and plenty of friendly competition. This will be a warm, flavorful celebration of the community that has made the past decade so special while supporting our pottery studio program and the exciting projects ahead. Come celebrate where Community Thrives and Creativity Shines! We can't wait to see you there! For tickets, contact Kathy Forrest. 941-483-0265; forrkat@gmail.com

## TRINKETS & TREASURES Feb 28th

We're getting ready for our Trinkets & Treasures Sale, now scheduled for the last week of February! Our new date is Saturday February 28th, giving you time to gather your items. We'd love for you to start setting aside any gently used treasures, trinkets, jewelry or unique finds you'd like to donate. Your donations make all the difference! All proceeds from the sale go directly back to the Social Committee to help fund fun events and activities for YOU, our great residents. Thank you for your continued support.

## CCE - Residents Bulk Service

Please feel free to share with residents. Do not call the manager's comcast phone number to Bulk Services, you will be redirected to the Residents Bulk Service number.

Outline of the new agreement:

The new services began on 1/1/26. The free installation window will run from 1/1/2026 until 3/31/2026.

After 3/31/26, it will be a \$100 Service Call fee for an installation. Residents always have the option to order a self-install kit via customer service or they can pick up the equipment at any Xfinity Retail store any time during the entire agreement. When the new fiber network lines are installed, all residents will have a free installation of the required fiber equipment with no time limit. Xfinity will install the courtesy services within 90 days from 1/1/26. Clubhouse/Activity Building and Office. For ongoing customer support, please leverage the options that are specifically for bulk customers.

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## Future CCE Events

### 2026

Feb 3rd OH Canada.....EH! Clubhouse

Feb 11th Legal tips - life's big Transitions Activity Bld

Feb 16th Pickleball Tournament Courts

Feb 17th Mardi Gras Golf Cart Parade and Pizza Activity Bld

Feb 17th Music by Bandana Clubhouse

Feb 18th Chili Cookoff Contest Clubhouse

Feb 26th & 27th Trinket & Treasure set up Clubhouse

Feb 28th Trinket & Treasure Sale Clubhouse

Mar 11th CCE Antique Road Show

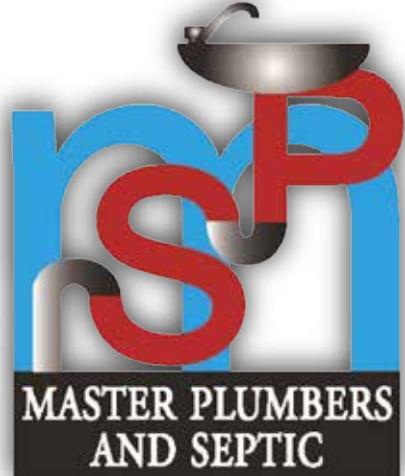
Mar 15th Horse Races Ticket needed





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# JANUAR

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## Life with Molly Brown

By Molly Brown



My Mom, Melinda Lopert, decided having a dog would support one of the challenges facing humans in the later stages of life. Keeping physically active often becomes somewhat challenging later in life. Soon after the family discussion

I arrived. Mom named me “The Unsinkable Molly Brown.” My Dad Joseph thinks my name should be Vel-Cro because I always have to be in physical contact.

So far, I have done a good job of assisting my Mom and Dad meet some of their goals and lead an active lifestyle. I love physical activity, especially running, swimming, playing fetch and socializing. Dad takes me on several Golf Cart rides each day. We always meet new people on our rides and enjoy learning more about the CCE and the residents. You may see us on

our blue Golf Cart as we continue to explore CCE. We visit Dog Beach, Dog Parks and visit fields so I can run and play fetch. I practice my training sessions with Mom. Actually. I do everything I can think of to keep us active. I am a Portuguese Water Dog. My breed can be traced back to the eighth century in Portugal. I am very good retriever both on land and water. I was the fisherman’s companion, retrieving

nets, herding fish into nets and delivering messages from ship to ship. Advanced technology in the fishing industry nearly caused the extinction of my breed.

The Portuguese Water Dog breed was introduced in the U.S. around



1968. The breed still remains rare in many countries. So glad I made it to the U.S.!

Based on my Mom’s opinion, I am the “Best Dog Ever” and I believe her. My goal is to keep her active and healthy as we both move to our next stage in life. So far it seems to be working. Keep Moving!

## Boy moms

*Author: Alyssa Becnel*

Someone shared these words with me, and the moment I read them, my heart whispered... this has to be shared. So, take a deep breath and read slowly. We always hear about a father giving his daughter away on her wedding day. I never really thought about what a mother gives away when it is her son’s turn. But we give something just as precious. Something we never truly get back. I gave away being the one he hugs when he walks into a room. I gave away, being the face he searches for in a crowd. I gave away being the first person he calls when life gets hard, I gave away being the one he laughs with at random moments.

I gave away being his number one girl. I gave away a piece of my heart. I gave away my son. Deep down, I know he will always love me. But I also know he loves her more. And that is how I knew he found the one. Isn’t that the hope anyway. That he chooses a woman he will put first. Even if that means we become second. Mommas... Love him while you are still first. Kiss his baby face longer than he wants. Hold onto those awkward teenage hugs. Drive him to school even when he barely speaks to you. Listen to him when he needs to vent. Feed his friends. Take the medicine to school for the millionth time, Maybe he has a headache, Or maybe he just wants a moment with you. Sit beside him

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even when he has messed up. Cheer for him under those Friday night lights. Laugh with him. Forgive him. Forgive yourself too. Because one day... You will give him away. You will watch him hand his heart to the love of his life. You will dance with him and hear the sweetest words about what you meant to his journey. He will hold you tight. And for a second, it will feel like a goodbye. You will become his second-best girl. And it will be so incredibly hard. But oh, what a blessing to have loved him first.

## CCE Name Badge

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## CCE Monthly Newsletters and Delivery

If you would like to add any content to the newsletter, please email [veniceCCEnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:veniceCCEnewsletter@gmail.com) by the 15th of each month. If you do not receive your newsletter, they are available approx. the 3rd of each month in the Clubhouse. Please stop by and pick one up. **Don't forget to thank our volunteers that deliver them to you each month!!**

## Dog Owners

If you want your smart and handsome pet (dog/cat/bird) to have national and international (Canada) fame, please send a note with all the information about your fur baby and pictures to [pattidelano2@gmail.com](mailto:pattidelano2@gmail.com), so that Fonzy can write about this cutie for the Newsletter. Fonzy will be a new reporter for our CCE Newsletters.

## Food Pantry

Our local food shelf could use your donations. Food Collection Carts are in the Clubhouse by the player piano and in the Craft room of the Activity Building. Thanks for caring, Joyce Rooney and Ann Lawerence



## Activities

Since our season is beginning, please provide via email with any updates to your activities. All rooms need to be reserved, and the S.A.C. Facility Use Agreement form need to be completed, which you may pick up in the office. For the newsletter additions or correction, please email to [veniceccenewletter@gmail.com](mailto:veniceccenewletter@gmail.com). Your information is greatly appreciated. .

## CCE Event Room Reservations

If you wish to secure a room in our Clubhouse, Activity Building or Patio, for a CCE Event, please submit a request via NABR (see below for short instructions). If the space is available, you will receive email confirmation. You must go to the office to pick up the event package. **ALL EVENTS MUST COMPLETE THESE FORMS, which will need SAC chairman's written approval and submission to the office. No event is secure without submitted paperwork.** How to reserve: In NABR - Under Residents – Select Reservations – Select which Building – Make reservations.

## **31 Card Game**

Will resume in the Fall, once we have enough players.



## **700 CCE Social Club (Fridays)**

Join your friends, bring your friends to Brew burgers on Fridays at 4:30 pm. Lots of talk, laughs, good food and good drink. We've changed the name to "Social Club" as not all of us are drinking alcohol when we go...we just love to see everyone and catch up on news!

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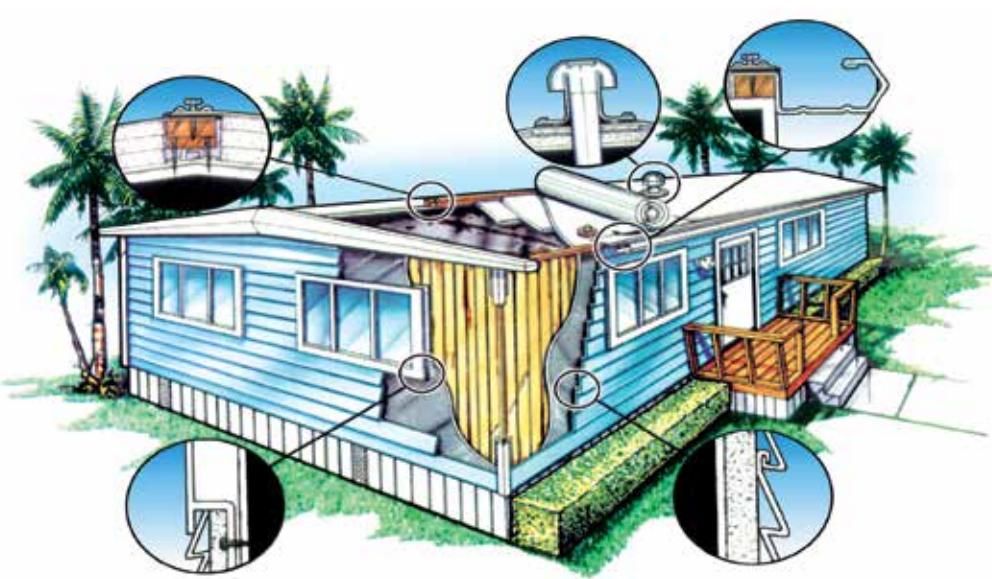


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I started working with hearing aids in 1999 and I loved it from the beginning. I took all the classes and extra accreditations including Board Certification and designation from the American Conference of Audioprosthology.

Since I was raised in a hard of hearing household, I have firsthand experience with frustrations and misunderstandings. I watched my own father, Ed, get frustrated whenever he had to repeat himself. I watched my Mom, who loved social events, choose to avoid very noisy situations due to her hearing.

When Karen married into our family, I saw her get her feelings hurt since she thought my Mom wasn't listening. It was accurate but not on purpose. Both my Mom and Karen enjoy cooking, but a kitchen is an acoustical nightmare.

When they cooked together for our holiday meals, I would have to stand in the middle of the kitchen and translate what Karen was saying to my Mom. It is much easier to hear a deep male voice than Karen's higher pitched voice. Add in an exhaust fan, a clang of a pot and a clink of a dish and this is not an easy place for conversation.

A few years after I got into this industry, I was able to re-fit my Mom with appropriate technology for her very social life-style. I gave insight to Karen about her feelings of being ignored. I gave awareness to my Mom about her frustrations and feelings of isolation.

I thoroughly enjoy being able to share these personal experiences so you can see you aren't alone. I truly do understand the frustrations. These insights enable me to help you ease the strain that does exist when living with someone with a hearing loss.

I am so very grateful that I get to do what I love doing every day. I get to be of service to other families who struggle with hearing loss and improve their life and connections with their families. If you or a family member struggle to hear well, call for a free consultation.



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**Bid Euchre** (Fridays)

Bid Euchre will begin on Friday December 5th at 7:00pm in the Activity Building. If you have any questions, please contact Diann Bowman at 614 804-9660.

**Billiards**

CCE pocket billiard club is open to all. Come play on our new tournament size table. Our club plays 9:45 am through 12:15 pm Monday through Friday, all year round. If you have any questions, please contact Bob Daley.

**Bingo**

We are playing bingo on Thursday evenings in the Clubhouse at 7pm. Come join the fun. Tom and Sandy Krubl.

**Bocce**

Our first meeting will be on Wednesday Dec 3rd @1:45 PM at the Bocce Courts.

Questions, please contact Jack Christiansen.

**Bridge (Tuesdays)**

Bridge is being played on Tuesdays at 12:30 in the Activity Building. For questions, please contact Ann Lawrence 941-402-9410.

**Ladies Duplicate Bridge** (Tuesdays)

Ladies Duplicate Bridge which meets on Tuesday, 12-4pm in the Activity Bld, will resume on November 4, 2025. Contact Bea O'Neill 612-251-2651 with any questions..

**Bridge** (Thursdays)

Open Bridge will be held on Thursdays from 1pm – 4pm in the Activity Building beginning on **Thursday Dec 4th**. For more information contact Ed Schneider at 859-609-1140

**CCE RACQUET SPORTS CLUB**

The Club continues to grow with new members every year. Our next meeting is Monday, January 5 at 11:00 in the Activity Building. Membership dues are

\$10.00 per person, to help pay for equipment and the year-end picnic. The Club includes Pickleball, Ping Pong, and Tennis.

**Ceramics**

CERAMICS will start back up on DECEMBER 5th for the season. You don't need any prior experience in painting ceramics. Tom & Valerie will be available to teach you & answer questions. We have many ceramic molds to pick from in our catalog. Tom will pour the mold, clean it, fire it once & it will be ready for you to paint! Valerie has some special techniques that she can show you how to use. Come join us on Fridays from 9am to 12pm (Ceramicists) We look forward to seeing you! Tom Kremer @ 941-914-4234 Valerie Scheno @ 443-617-7842

**Chair Exercise**

(Tuesday, Thursday and Friday)

Chair Exercise classes take place year-round on Tuesdays, Thursday and Friday from 9:15 to 10:00 in the Clubhouse. Questions, please contact Bonnie Gallagher (978)502-9754

**Cornhole** (Tuesday and Thursdays)

Starting October 2nd, cornhole will be played at **1pm on Tuesday and Thursday, on the patio of the Activity Building**. Don't miss it!

**Double Deck Pinochle** (Saturdays)

Join us for Double Deck Pinochle Every Saturday at noon in the Clubhouse beginning Jan 3rd. If you have any questions, please contact Betty Magnusson at 262-844-7335

**Euchre**

Euchre Tournaments on Dec 3rd at 6:30 pm in the Activity Building. The cost is \$6. You must know the basics of Euchre. Individuals are welcome, you do NOT need a partner. Sign up and pay with Eileen Krueger 805 S. Green Circle. 989.482.9495. These tournaments are always a lot of fun!

**GAME DAY 3rd Friday of each month**

Ladies Cards is now Game Day. This will now include both guys and girls who would like to meet on the 3rd Friday of every month during high season. 12 pm to 3 in the Activity Building. Any game is welcome. Bring your own group or plan to meet others to get together with. First one will be October 17 in the activity bldg. Contact Judy McKinney at 517-881-1947 with questions.

**GOLF League - Ladies** (Thursdays)

Join us on Thursday mornings @10:00. November through March at the Venice Lake Country Club. For sign-ups and additional information please contact Donna Conlon (908)-294-7667 or Donna McLean (612)-281-2341.

**GOLF League-Mens** (Tuesdays)

We invite all owners and renters to join us for a fun 9 holes on Tuesdays and 18 holes on Saturdays. All events are held at Lake Venice Golf Club. You must join the league to participate. Please do not worry about your golfing expertise, we are a welcoming group. Any questions, please contact Doug McCrea, your president at 506-977-2866.

**Hand & Foot** (Wednesdays)

Hand and Foot will begin on Wednesday Nov 5th at 7pm in the Activity Building.

Any questions, contact Marlene or Bob Ritlinger.

**Horse Race**

We play Horse Race on Monday at 1pm in the Activity Building. All are welcome.

Questions, please contact Ann Lawrence 941-402-9410.

**Line Dancing**

Lessons will be held on Tuesday mornings at 10 am beginning January 6 in the Clubhouse. Experienced and non-experienced welcome.

**Mah Jong** (Wednesday)

We meet weekly to play Mah Jong in the Activity Center, on **Wednesdays at 1:00**.



Questions, please contact Ann Lawrence 941-402-9410.

**Movie Night** (Sundays)

Movie Night has been temporarily postponed. Please check Nabr for our next movie, date and time.

**Pickleball**

Open play continues each day for all owners and renters. See the scheduling board on the outside wall of the equipment room to schedule your play times. The first Women's Ladder for experienced players will begin in January and run for 8 weeks on Wednesday mornings at 10:30. Sign up sheets will be posted on the Pickleball board in the Clubhouse meeting room on December 15.

**Pickelball** Beginners

Beginner and low intermediate players welcome on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 10:30 am. Experienced and non-experienced welcome. Equipment available.

**Ping Pong** (Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays)

Doubles matches are held Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 1:00. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Pinocle**

Please join us every Thursday at 6:30 in the Activity Building for Pinocle. We will begin December 4th. If you have any questions, please contact Jane Howell at 262-366-4921

**Poker** (Wednesday)

Come join us every Wednesday evening in the Clubhouse from 6-9pm. Buy in is \$9 Dealers Choice. For any questions, please contact Tom Krubl.

**Pool Exercises****(Monday, Wednesday and Friday)**

Join us for **Mon, Wed and Friday at 10am** in the pool for water exercise. Questions contact Joanne Matwij. Come join us!

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**Putt Putt Golf** (Mondays)

The course will re-open on Monday, October 27. Questions, text Harry Wirtz, 802-310-0790

**Quilting**

We will be meeting at 6:30 on Friday nights in the activity building.

**Racetrack/CANASTA CARD GROUP**

(Mondays)

Monday at 1pm in the Activity Building begins on Nov 3rd Canasta is a simple card game that is easy to learn and fun to play! Whatever level you are, all are welcome to join the group

**Racetrack Hand and Foot** Tues 6:30pm

Please join us every Thursday at 6:30 in the Activity Building for Pinocle. We will begin December 4th. If you have any questions, please contact Jane Howell at 262-366-4921

**Sewing**

We are on hold for the season. Stay tuned.

**Shuffleboard**

We play Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 1:00. Come and join us. Nancy VanDeest 507-276-7793

**Teddy Bear Class**

Do you have a fur coat that you would like to make into a Teddy Bear. We will be giving classes on

Wednesdays commencing on January 7th, 1-3 PM. If you are interested to be scheduled, please contact Barbara Dooley at 603-490-7513 or Anita Tedrow at 412-760-0289 if you would like to participate.

**Tennis (Ladies)** Mondays

Do you want to up your game, like friendly competition, and meet new friendly opponents from other communities? We have started a lady's league, play started in November, every Monday through March. We practice every Wednesday 8:45-10:15 ish at Venice High School, we play sets and men play also. You must be a member of the racquets club for a seasonal fee of \$10 to play in the league. If interested contact Luci Grover 860-391-1245 or lucigrover@gmail.com.

**Tennis (Mens)**

The CCE men's winter league tennis team will begin play on January 7th with a match at LaCasa. Gordon Amidon is the new team captain. Our guys have been consistent winners for a number of seasons. All matches are played on Wednesdays through March. It is a fun league, with friendly interpark competition, and new players are welcome. If interested, contact Gordon Amidon at [amidon99@msn.com](mailto:amidon99@msn.com) OR [reggrover@comcast.net](mailto:reggrover@comcast.net).

**Tennis Mix Doubles**

Mixed doubles League season begins January 2 through March. We are a competitive team playing matches at different communities. We have a good playing record of more wins than loses!. Join our team by paying your seasonal dues of \$10. Many of the pickle ball players have also joined the tennis league and love it! Contact Luci Grover 860-391-1245 or [lucigrover@gmail.com](mailto:lucigrover@gmail.com).

**Trivia** (Mondays)

Hello Trivia Players!! We will play on Mondays at 7pm in the Activity building. See you there! Brandon Dean



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