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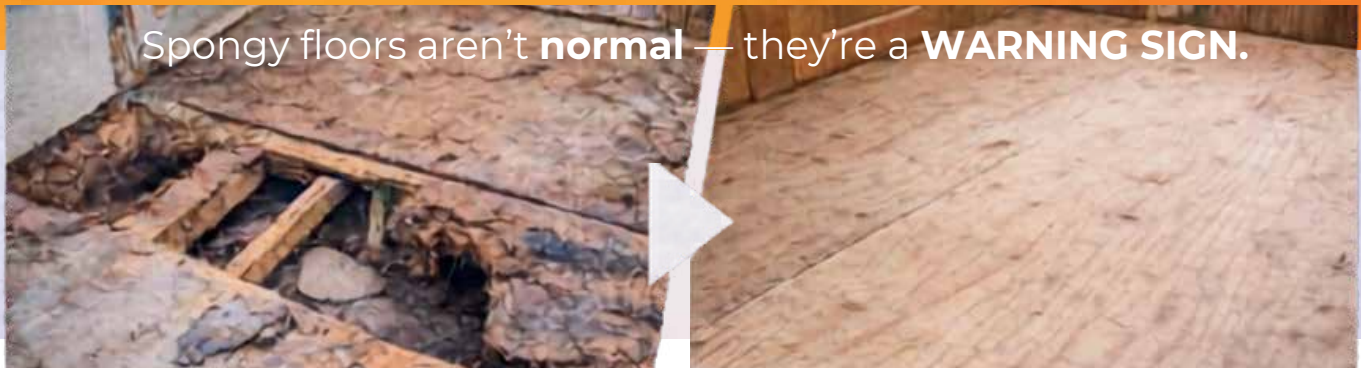
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From the President's Porch



Well hey there, neighbors,

I hope everybody's air conditioner is still holdin' on stronger than Aunt Betty at the church buffet line, because Lord knows this Florida heat showed up early this year.

Now, I wanted to take a minute to talk about somethin' near and dear to every HOA heart: community spirit. That's right. Not the kind sold in plastic cups at football games — I mean the kind where neighbors wave at each other, help each other out, and maybe don't leave their garbage cans sittin' at the curb until Saturday lookin' like modern art installations.

Unfortunately, we got rules, regulations, committees, bylaws, and enough paperwork to choke a horse. But at the end of the day, laws alone don't build a neighborhood. People do.

As Scripture says in Galatians 6:2:

"Bear ye one another's burdens..."

Now around here, sometimes that burden is emotional support. Sometimes it's help changin' a tire. And sometimes it's politely explainin' to your cousin Earl that "lawn décor" does not include three broken

recliners and a ceramic alligator wearin' sunglasses. That's community.

I've always believed the Lord made neighborhoods so folks wouldn't have to go through life alone. Even Jesus gathered a group together — though if you think HOA meetings are tough to sit through, imagine trying to organize twelve disciples with no email chain and no quorum rules. And while we're on the subject of patience, let me say this: if you've served on a committee or volunteered this year, thank you. Y'all deserve medals, gift cards, and maybe counseling. Volunteer work in an HOA or social community is a little like Noah buildin' the ark. Everybody laughs at you while you're workin', then suddenly they come lookin' for you when the rain starts.

A few reminders for the week ahead:

- Please pick up after your pets. We all love dogs, but nobody wants a surprise landmine before morning coffee.
- xool hours are posted for a reason. Midnight cannonballs may feel youthful, but some of us wake up at 5 a.m. whether we want to or not.

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- Hurricane season is sneakin' up on us, so now's a good time to check supplies, batteries, and make sure your lanai furniture won't end up in Tampa Bay.

Finally, I want to encourage everybody to extend a little grace to one another. We've all got aches, worries, bills, doctor appointments, and some folks still can't figure out how to answer a text message. Life's heavy enough already.

A smile, a wave, or a kind word can go farther than you think.

And remember:

The Lord may calm the storm... but sometimes He expects you to bring in your trash cans first.

Y'all stay safe, stay cool, and stay neighborly.

Blessings,

Your HOA President

Ladies Luncheon

Laura B



You're invited to the July 14th Ladies Luncheon at 1 pm at OCC, where the winner of a drawing will select Poblano's restaurant by Walmart for the next event, and there will be a chance to win a \$ or a boobie prize at the upcoming Horse races at SLV clubhouse on the 25th at 1 pm.

Note

Join the craft session.

Attend the Ladies Luncheon.

Participate in the Horse races.



B-I-N-G-O!



Quarter Bingo is a Smashing Success!

What a fantastic turnout we had for Quarter Bingo! As you can see from the wonderful photo taken on June 9th (referenced in our files as FB_IMG_1780667788404.jpg), our clubhouse was filled with great energy, big smiles, and plenty of friendly competition.

It was wonderful to see neighbors gathering together, catching up, and cheering each other on as the numbers were called. From the looks of those organized bingo daubers, lucky charms, and stacks of quarters, everyone came ready to play and win!

A huge thank you to everyone who came out to make the day so lively and fun. Neighbors connecting with neighbors is truly what makes Shady Lane Village such a unique community.



A Creative Afternoon at the Clubhouse!

ARTS & CRAFTS

A huge thank you to everyone who joined us at the clubhouse for our latest craft afternoon! We had a fantastic turnout, and the creative energy in the room was wonderful.

This session, we hand-crafted beautiful, personalized hanging wall plaques complete with handy clips for displaying photos or notes. From gorgeous floral and hummingbird backgrounds to clever additions like Scrabble letter tiles spelling out "FL FUN," everyone's unique personal touch truly shone through. The results were absolutely awesome, and you should all be incredibly proud of your work!

If you missed out this time, don't worry—there is more fun on the way. Keep your eyes on the newsletter and clubhouse calendar for the next Crafts with Laura.

Until next time, keep being creative!



GOT IT!

Good Times and Great Food: Shady Lane Village Celebrates "GOT IT!" Night

The Shady Lane Village clubhouse was buzzing with excitement this evening as residents gathered for a fantastic night of fun, food, and community spirit at the highly anticipated "GOT IT!" event.

From the moment neighbors walked through the door, the atmosphere was warm and welcoming. Guests were greeted at the front desk by friendly faces ready to kick off the night's festivities, including a "Share the Wealth" raffle that added an extra layer of excitement to the evening.

A Spectacular Salad Bar Spread

The highlight of the evening's menu was a spectacular salad bar with all the fixings. The buffet line featured:

Crisp, fresh greens served in a festive, patriotic cooler setup.

An array of delicious toppings, proteins, and dressings to build the perfect custom salad.

A massive basket of fresh, fluffy dinner rolls to accompany the meal.

The tables were beautifully set with bright red tablecloths, and the room quickly filled with the sounds of laughter, lively conversation, and the clattering of cards as residents enjoyed their meals and dove into the games.

Shoutout to Michelle and the Team!

An event this seamless doesn't happen by accident. Michelle and her team did a truly amazing job organizing, decorating, and keeping everything running smoothly from start to finish.

A very special thanks goes out to all of Michelle's helpers who volunteered their time to prep the food, set up the clubhouse, and clean up afterward. Your hard work did not go unnoticed, and you are the reason the Shady Lane Village community continues to feel like one big family!

It was a wonderful evening that reminded everyone why the clubhouse is the heart of our community. If you missed out on this one, make sure to check the bulletin board for the next big event—you won't want to miss it!



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Ladies Luncheon **at OCC Road House!**

A beautiful day for a fantastic get-together! The ladies gathered at the OCC Road House & Museum, enjoying great food, wonderful company, and the impressive motorcycle memorabilia display.

🎉 Congratulations to Our Winner!

A special shout-out to Donna H., who was the big winner of the day!

📺 Stay Tuned! Be sure to watch our Facebook page for updates and details on the next monthly luncheon. You won't want to miss it!



Keeping Up with July:

Dates, Updates, and Community Spirit!

Happy July, neighbors!

Summer is in full swing, and we have a fantastic lineup of activities and events planned for the month ahead. You'll find our full monthly calendar attached to this newsletter so you can start planning your weeks.

That being said, as the old saying goes: "Things happen, and things change!"

While we do our absolute best to keep everything running exactly as scheduled, our monthly calendar is not entirely foolproof. Sometimes unexpected weather, scheduling shifts, or last-minute opportunities mean we have to adapt on the fly.

To make sure you never miss out on the fun (or a sudden change of plans), we highly recommend using these three foolproof ways to stay in the loop:

Check Facebook: We post the most up-to-date announcements and reminders on our community Facebook page. It's the fastest way to get real-time updates.

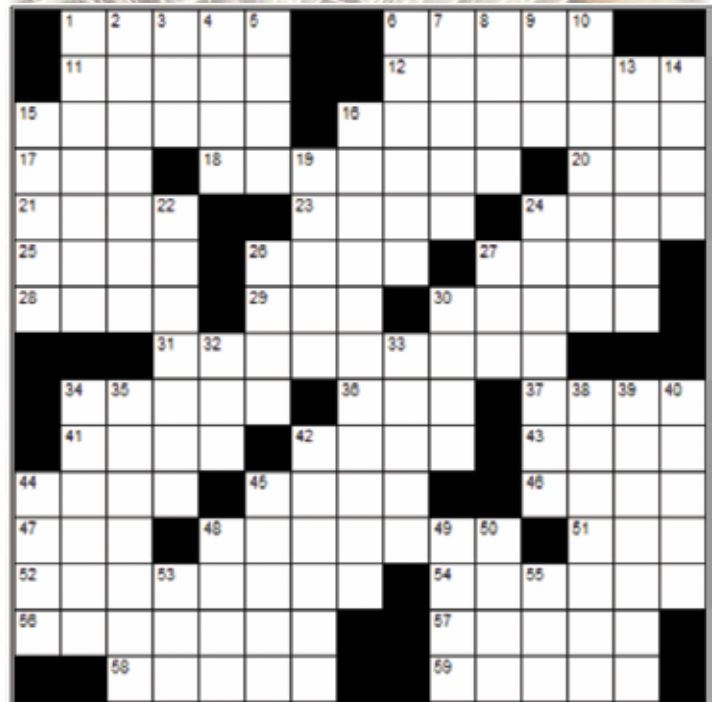
Watch for Signs: Keep an eye out for physical signs posted around the community and common areas for quick notices.

Talk with Your Neighbors: Chatting with the folks on your street is still one of the best ways to stay connected and informed.

Thank you all for your flexibility and community spirit. Let's make it a wonderful, safe, and happy July!



JULY CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1. Highly skilled
6. Manila hemp
11. Metric unit of capacity
12. Pours
15. Countenance
16. Eternally
17. Evil spirit
18. To provide maintenance
20. Black bird
21. See the sights
23. Apiece
24. Assists
25. Initial wager
26. Skin disease
27. Carpenter's tool
28. Strong cleaners
29. Dog with a wrinkly face
30. Not younger
31. Too keen

DOWN

34. Team
36. Falsehood
37. Ages
41. Kick
42. Digestive juice
43. Kitchen or bathroom _____
44. Electrical distribution system
45. Labyrinth
46. Fizzy drink
47. Petroleum
48. In an exposed manner
51. Make lace
52. Woven together
54. First-aid item
56. Robber
57. Go-between
58. Clothe
59. Scope

DOWN

1. Payment to an ex
2. Argument
3. Greek letter
4. Clothespins
5. Tall woody plant
6. Consultant's offering
7. Kind of nut
8. Unnot of land
9. A rotating disk
10. Coat electrolytically
13. Dealer
14. Stitches
15. Critical
16. Converted to Christianity
19. Happen again
22. Echo
24. House location
26. Mimicked
27. Beer
30. Curved molding
32. Tank
33. Was laid up
34. Run very fast
35. Worked patchwork
38. Carousing
39. Moderate in tempo

40. Glide over ice
42. Bread makers
44. Leaves
45. Flowing tresses
48. Egyptian river
49. Teller of untruths
50. Eastern discipline
53. Armed conflict
55. Lair



Beat the Heat: **Summer Energy Saving Tips**

1. Master the 78°F Rule

According to Florida utilities (like FPL and Tampa Electric), 78°F is the magic number for summer comfort and savings.

The Cost of Cooling: For every single degree you lower your thermostat below 78°F, you add roughly 6% to 8% to the cooling portion of your power bill.

When You're Away: If you leave the house for work or errands, bump the thermostat up to 82°F. Just don't shut it completely off, as your AC needs to run occasionally to pull moisture out of the air and prevent indoor mold.

2. Give Your AC Some Breathing Room

The 30-Day Filter Rule: Change or clean your AC air filters every single month during peak summer. A dirty filter chokes airflow, forcing the system to run longer and consume up to 15% more energy.

Keep Vents Clear: Make sure furniture, curtains, or boxes aren't blocking your return vents or supply registers.

3. Use Fans for People, Not Rooms

Ceiling fans create a "wind chill" effect that makes a room feel about 4 degrees cooler than it actually is, allowing you to keep the thermostat a bit higher.

Spin Direction: Double-check that your ceiling fan blades are rotating counter-clockwise in the summer to push a cool breeze straight down.

The Golden Rule: Fans cool people, not furniture. Turn them off completely when you leave the room to avoid wasting electricity.

4. Trap the Cool Air Inside

Defend Your Windows: Keep blinds, drapes, and window shades completely closed during the day, especially on windows facing south and west. Sunlight passing through glass acts like a greenhouse, trapping heavy heat inside.

Check the Seals: Use low-cost weatherstripping or a simple door sweep (draft blocker) to stop your expensive, cooled air from escaping through gaps around doors and windows.

5. Stop Cooking Your Kitchen

Skip the Oven: Traditional ovens throw massive amounts of heat into the living space, making the AC work twice as hard to combat it. July is the perfect time to rely on microwaves, slow cookers, air fryers, or the outdoor grill.

Time Your Appliances: Major appliances like dishwashers and clothes dryers generate both heat and high humidity. Run them late at night or early in the morning when the outside temperatures are lower.

Wash on Cold: About 85% of the energy used by a washing machine goes toward heating the water. Switching the dial to a cold-water cycle cuts that energy use right in half.

💡 **Quick Water Heater Check:** While adjusting appliances, consider lowering your water heater's temperature setting to 120°F. It is plenty hot for showers and dishes, prevents accidental scalding, and trims down your baseline monthly energy use.

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5 Poker Oaks @6 pm	6 Got It! SLV @5:30	7 Texas Hold Em Oaks @6	8	9	10 LCR Oaks @6pm	11 Karaoke Oaks @6-9pm
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