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SPANISH LAKES COUNTRY CLUB VILLAGE

VILLAGE VOICE

Letter from The H.O.A. President

Welcome to the 2025/2026 season. I think it would take writing a book to cover all the issues this season brings. What is going on in our community seems like a microcosm of what is going on in our country, indeed, the world. Please allow me to cover what seems to be major issues as seen on Facebook pages and those which have been the reason for many phone calls and face to face discussion.

The first, obviously, would be countless terrifying eviction threats resulting from what many consider overly aggressive, excessive and invasive home inspections. It seems we all agree that establishing and maintaining high community standards is in the best interest of our community. We all want a community we can take pride in. High standards make us comfortable and protects our home values and enhance our ability to enjoy friends, neighbors and community events. There are strong beliefs that these excessive inspections and threats are being used to punish residents because of the pending lawsuit which does not appear to be going their way. I wish I could tell you they are or are not. I cannot.

What I may say is that in less than 2 weeks since I have been back from the north, I have had no less than 6 people tell me that they are fed up and are going to sell their homes and move anywhere else. I have heard the same from folks living in Fairways and other Spanish Lakes Communities. The tornados and general economic conditions have caused high inventories of home for sale have created a buyers' market. This puts downward pressure on housing values and makes moving difficult. Knowing that a big part of the Wynne business involves building and selling both new and manufactured homes, I can't imagine they would shoot themselves in the foot by driving people away. Your HOA board members have met with them over these issues without compromise. We will keep trying.

The water issue seems like a dead end as far as the county is concerned. We have asked Representative Trabulsky to pursue financing through money left over from the federal government Milton relief and although it's a long shot there could be a chance. We will let you know when we know.

Pat Clymer is no longer our Rec Director. We would like everyone to join us not only to thank Pat for all her help and hard work, but to welcome Judy and Carol as Co Directors. We are certain they will do a great job.

Bob Heslop

SLCCV HOA President

The next H.O.A. meeting is scheduled for October 29th. Please support your HOA by joining and paying the dues. The board members work diligently for the betterment of SLCCV and for you!

**REMEMBER TO SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK AN HOUR ON SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 2ND, FOR THE RETURN TO EASTERN STANDARD TIME!**

From the Editor

I like to get an issue published so I can include news from HOA meetings, but scheduling is getting tougher. It's more important to have an issue for distribution at the meeting. I'm working on getting back to the Publisher format for the December issue.

I'd like to share some observations with you.

If you are going to sell your house here, you might want to consider the negative things you post on social media. Prospective buyers are looking at comments. I know of one sale that fell through for this very reason.

If you are going to sell your house "For Sale by Owner", make sure you call the rent office in PSL to find out what the new rent will be. Another sale was lost because the rent increase was greater than what was anticipated. If you have, or know of, an elderly neighbor who must do things like pull weeds, how long would it take for you to do that task for free?

Now, questions!

What would you do if the resident across the street placed a surveillance camera on a carport post aimed directly up your driveway, into your carport and at your front door? Isn't a camera like that supposed to protect your own driveway, your own carport and your own front door? And what kind of neighbor does something like that?

What would you do if a neighbor continually and blatantly disregarded published park rules and regulations regarding the leashing of dogs? Or lawn watering? Or anything else that is in the back of the directory?

All of us need to remember the Golden Rule: Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. To think of others sometimes before we think of ourselves! That's what makes this a community we can be proud of, the community, selfless and giving, that lived through October 9th, 2024. May it ever be so!

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PUZZLES in closed cabinets in the Billiard Room. Only Puzzles that have no missing pieces and please do not leave on top of counter.

THANK YOU.

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STREETS: Azul; Buenos Aires; 1-22 Calle de Lagos; 181-187 Calle de Lagos; San Felipe; 43-63 Vista de Laguna and Tosca.

All or part of these areas can be claimed by you and you do not have to be a full time resident or live on one of these streets.

NHN has helped many people in Spanish Lakes (i.e. a fire or other house emergency while you are not at home, or an emergency that requires notification of family or friends). For example, the contact information kept by NHN was used following the 2024 Tornado outbreak in the park and the Sheriffs' Dept. praised it. MANY THANKS TO THE C.O.P. Program Donation Drive for inserting our blank Emergency Forms into their packets that were left at the residents' homes. The wonderful response is appreciated by NHN and the Volunteers.

RESIDENTS: If you are not represented by a Volunteer at this time and you are not able to help, you can obtain one of the Emergency Forms by looking at the Form Holder on the shelf between the restrooms in the Lobby of the Clubhouse. Just fill out and hand to a staff member at the front desk to put into the Green Folder in the office. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE YOUR COMPLETED FORM ANYWHERE ELSE BUT THE FRONT DESK WITH STAFF!! Your form will be kept confidential and entered in the computer in case of an Emergency. We particularly appreciate your naming a family member who can be contacted, and someone who has knowledge of where a key can be obtained (WE DO NOT WANT A KEY) 02/19/25)

NHN THANK YOUS AND WELCOMES

WELCOME to our NEW Volunteers who recently came aboard as CANVASS VOLUNTEERS:

Liz English; Patti Fortin; Bobby Martinez; Toni Martinez; Jeanne McKamey; Carol Perella; Steve Rannacher; Deb Rannacher; Sandy Whittaker.

Also to BACK UP DATA PROCESSOR, Olga Taylor and to Deb Richwien as our NHN REPRESENTATIVE. Marianne Hoag has now assumed running the Village Cart and you are most welcomed into this responsibility. It's an important one. Welcome, Marianne.

WELCOME to all of our new volunteers.

NHN also conveys THANK YOUS to these wonderful NHN Canvassers who have recently resigned: Bill Blazak, Wendy Brown, and our Back Up Data Processor, Gay Fazio. We appreciate so much all you have done for the Program.

Thank You to Kathy Searl, who ran the Village Cart and for so many years. An important program for SLCCV. Your vibrant personality made the Welcome even more welcome.

And now to three of the longest time Canvassers...from the Beginning or close to it:

Ed Broomfield; Carol Fensterer; Carol Kelly. Your dedication was invaluable and we never can convey to you all our appreciation.

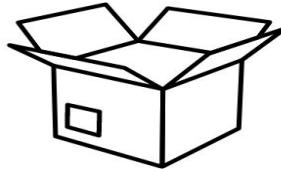
Last, but not least...THANK YOU to the C.O.P. Program for including our blank Emergency Forms in their Packets for their Donation Drive. The Residents response was amazing and has helped all our Canvass Volunteers greatly.

THANK YOU.

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C.O.P NEWS:

The year really begins here in October when our friends and neighbors come “home” for the winter. The Community Observation Patrol has planned three events for the fall.

“National Night Out for Crime” is on October 7th, 1:00pm-3:00pm, in the clubhouse auditorium. Meet your SLCCV C.O.P. members and deputies from the St. Lucie County Sheriff’s Department. Get to know us and learn how you can be part of this valuable team. The Sheriff’s Department really like us (which you may have figured out by listening to Deputy Reuther at HOA meetings) and has featured us with our “new” car in their new brochure. Light refreshments, door prizes and 50/50 raffle.

“Annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner” will be on Turkey Day, November 27th in the auditorium. Ticket price remains at \$15.00; tickets will be on sale in the clubhouse card room in November so watch for more announcements in the weekly newsletter and on the SLCCV BMC Facebook page. Further information will also be in the weekly recreation department newsletter and online.

“Christmas Toy Drive with the Sheriff’s Department” is scheduled for Saturday, December 6th.

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VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA....PICK UP DONATIONS.

My daughter in Massachusetts told me about this organization...Vietnam Veterans of America. I called them to be sure they pick up in Fort Pierce, Fl ,also...Yes, they do...EVERY MONDAY here in our Village...you must put anything you wish to give them in no more than 5 boxes or 5 bags that they can lift to put into the truck. CALL them first to schedule the pickup: 800-775-8387.

The boxes or bags should be placed outside where the driver can see them before 8:00 a.m. They pick up between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Rain or Shine.

1. Pick Up Every Monday in Fort Pierce. Can leave up to 5 boxes or 5 bags of books and DVDs.
2. You must call them to schedule a pickup ahead 1-800-775-8387
3. Label your donations "VVA Pickup", so their driver will know what to pickup.
4. They pick up "Rain or Shine"

The Vietnam Veterans of America needs your generous support. Our drivers do not accept cash donations, but we will pick up a variety of household goods including:

- – Clothing of all types (men women's and children)
- – Clothing accessories – purses, belts, ties, wallets
- – Shoes (all kinds)
- – Baby items
- – Housewares, glassware, and home decor
- – Books, Dvds, toys, bikes
- – Stereos, radios and other working electronics
- – Bedding, linens, draperies, curtains
- – Kitchenware
- – Usable small furniture & rugs
- – Small appliances
- – Tools (all kinds)
- – Jewelry and unopened cosmetics

Almost Anything! SORRY – NO LARGE FURNITURE, LARGE APPLIANCES, MATTRESSES OR TVs

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Thursday, October 2, 2025: 7:00pm (doors open at 6:30pm)

Guest Speaker Massey Campos

"Echoes of America's Miraculous History:
Shaping Today's Culture"

St. James the Apostle Orthodox Church Community Hall

2201 SE Airoso Blvd. Port St. Lucie

Thursday, November 6th, 7:00pm

Guest Speaker, Sheriff Rich Del Toro
(Paid for by the St. Lucie County T.E.A. Party)