

The Breeze

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A Very Merry Christmas And a Happy New Year



THANKSGIVING DINNER

Approximately 130 people attended a beautiful Thanksgiving dinner hosted by the *purple* group. Preceding the dinner, our Southwinds family enjoyed an hour socializing and catching up with each other. Larry Teevens & Phyllis Matney, thank you for the impromptu sing along. It started our afternoon just right.

After the prayer by Evelyn Coleman, we enjoyed the delicious food made by Der Dutchman, and the outstanding desserts made by our great Southwinds cooks.

The *purple* group would like to thank all of our great helpers, including those who were from other groups, and a special thank you to Linda & Dave King for their leadership.

On the same note, I was given these 10 things to be thankful for:

- 1. Good health – even if your health isn't great, it could be worse**
- 2. Good friends and family – often, it's the quality of friendships, not the quantity**
- 3. Money in the bank – having just a few coins makes you richer than most people on Earth**
- 4. Weekends – there's something magical about weekends**
- 5. Freedom of religion – Being able to worship whomever you want is a privilege not all experience.**
- 6. Pets – pets offer one of the best examples of unconditional love**
- 7. Having a home – an apartment, a mansion, or a tent, having a place to call home is something to be thankful for**
- 8. An ability to read – if you're reading this right now, count your blessings, 775M people in the world can't**
- 9. Laughter – without laughter the world would be a sad place**
- 10. Armed Forces – our lives would likely be very different if we didn't have protection from the armed forces. THANK YOU VETERANS!!!**



Our Christmas dinner will be hosted by the green group (159 thru 201). Details will be provided on the Bulletin Board.



The "fluffers" prepare the garlands for hanging. It takes a lot of fluffing for 100 feet of garland.

Do you enjoy having the front of the park decked out for Christmas?? If so, you need to give a big Thank You to John Butler for his 12 years of leading the volunteers who helped decorate the front of the park.

However, this year, John has had to step down and Joe & Paula Buesing have graciously volunteered to head this venture. We want to thank them for their willingness to be in charge of making the front of our park look festive. Great job Guys, thank you!!!!



DON'T FORGET THE LUMINARIES ON CHRISTMAS EVE



ALL FAITHS FOOD BANK

THAT SPECIAL TIME OF THE YEAR IS FAST APPROACHING!! IT'S THE TIME TO GIVE THAT HELPING HAND TO OTHERS WHO ARE LESS FORTUNATE. EACH YEAR SOUTH WINDS SUPPORTS THE ALL FAITHS FOOD BANK.

**THE BOX IS NOW LOCATED IN THE REC HALL AND WILL BE TAKEN IN ON DECEMBER 16TH. LAST YEAR WE DELIVERED OVER 500 POUNDS OF FOOD AND \$440 IN CASH. WHAT A JOB WE DID!!!!!! THANKS AGAIN FOR MAKING THIS A SPECIAL HOLIDAY PROJECT.
DON & SHIRLEY LANLOIS**



REC CLUB EVENTS –

- Friday Dec. 11, 2015 - Rec. Club Executive Meeting 9:45 am Annex**
- Saturday Dec. 19, 2015 - Recreation Club Coffee Hour Meeting 9:00 am Rec. Hall**
- Friday Dec. 25, 2015 - Christmas Dinner at noon Rec Hall (Green Group Units 159-201)**
- Thursday Dec.31, 2015 - New Year's Eve Dance**



**SALAD LUNCHEON MEETING
November 9, 2015**

Business meeting:

The business meeting was conducted by Co-President, Janet Smith. She welcomed returning members and new members (identified by a butterfly sticker on their name tags.) Approximately 42 women came to enjoy the meeting.

Finance report:

Last year was very successful and Janet thanked her Board members, Co-President, Jan Crews, Shirley Sweet, Carol Bond, Nancy Plumb, Theresa Gomez, and Pat Warren. Our membership dues have increased from three dollars to five for the coming season to cover our operating costs. Our opening balance for this year is \$878.89.

Coming events:

Janet reviewed the coming events: **December** – Cookie Exchange and Yankee Swap and **January** – Theater Event. A sign up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board for the theater event with Linda Bartek and Janet Smith selling tickets, same as last year, members first, then opened to non-members if there is room.

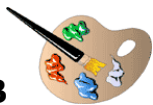
Grace was said and Janet thanked her hostesses, Paula Buesing and Carol Hutter for their fine work for the event. A wonderful array of salads was enjoyed by all.

After the luncheon an informative talk was given by a very knowledgeable Physician’s Assistant from a local Dermatology practice. We all now know how to protect our skin from the sun and prevent skin cancer.

Our next event is a Cookie Exchange and Yankee Swap on Monday, December 14, 2015, at 1PM. Bring 2 dozen cookies to the hall by 9am.

The Yankee Swap (bring a \$10 wrapped gift) will start at 1PM.

Optional: Bring a gift to donate to the Salvation Army’s Women and Babies charity. (suggestions on the bulletin board)



HOBBY CLUB

The Hobby Club will meet on January 6, 2016 at 1PM in the Annex. Please bring ideas for this season’s projects----- Bring a project to work on at the first meeting.

During January we will work on items to sell at the Hobby Club Spaghetti Dinner.

I’m looking forward to a great crafting season and seeing you all again. Please keep Pauline in your thoughts and prayers and we hope to see her in 2016. Carol Carley



JUST FOR FUN

GOLF WITH OUTER SOUTHWINDS PARK RESIDENTS

**AN EXECUTIVE GOLF COURSE AT
VILLAGE GREEN GOLF COURSE**

**3500 PEMBROOK DR.
AT THE END OF PINECREST – OFF BENEVA
WEDNESDAYS AT 1:00 PM**

COST---\$11.00 FOR 9 HOLES/\$15.00 FOR 18 HOLES

Golf carts and pull carts are available for rent

If you are interested, there will be a sign up sheet on the southwest bulletin board in the rec hall until Tuesday at noon of each week. Please sign up if you intend to go as I have to call the golf course and give them a head count. Questions??? Call Laraine Gillespie -- 440-645-3302



NO SOLICITING IN THE PARK I understand there have been some people soliciting here this past month and they were not very polite when asked to leave by a resident. If someone comes to your door, please inform them that we have no soliciting in the park and ask them to leave. If they won't cooperate, call the office and we'll have someone deal with them.



The Great Weight Loss Challenge!!!!

We challenge all of our Southwinds Residents to weigh in once a week. Men will weigh-in on London – "in the men's restroom" Ladies will weigh-in on New York – "in the ladies' restroom"

We weigh ourselves and chart our own weight loss or gain. This will remain totally anonymous!!!!

For Your eyes only! HOWEVER!!! Full disclosure of pounds lost must be placed on our Southwinds Bulletin Board Chart. Come sign up and check out the rules of this challenge Saturday Dec. 19, 2015 @ the Hall after our Rec. Club Coffee Hr.

"See you Slimmer"

Any questions call me...Connie McCabe 924-4878

PA--WV--MD LUNCHEON

MILLIE'S RESTAURANT

Clark Road

Wednesday, December 9, 2015

11:30 am

Start of a new season, so let's all come out and get reacquainted and enjoy the food.

Sign up sheet on the bulletin board.

Windy Coulter----#158C 927-9816

NORTHEAST LUNCHEON

Thursday, Dec. 10, 2015

11:30

Millie's

3900 Clark Road

Start your Holiday here

Everyone Welcome!

SUS on BB

Info: Gerry K 924-0892

LIFE EVENTS



Harold Davies, who will be 92 on December 22

Maurice Price, who will be 95 on December 14



And Anniversary Congratulations to:

Bob & Marcia Kartman – 65 years on the 23rd

Lee & Joyce Minges – 66 years on the 25th

Dave & Bernice White – 54 years on the 31st



Harold Forbes passed away on November 15, 2015

Graveside services were held at Sarasota National Cemetery

A celebration of Harold's life was held in the Rec Hall following the services.

Again, our condolences to Harold's family & friends



Phyllis Gouge

Phyllis Gouge is having medical problems and will not be able to return to Southwinds until at least Jan. or Feb. Please keep Phyllis in your prayers. Cards can be sent to Phyllis at 102 Reece Hill Rd., Hampton, TN 37658

Pauline Villeneuve

Successful surgery on the 26th

She went in smiling and the Doctor said she was smiling in the recovery room! They were able to successfully remove all affected areas in a clean sweep. Hoping she will be home early next week for some much needed recovery time.

YOUNG AT HEART

HALLOWEEN AT SOUTHWINDS

BEING OVER 55 DOESN'T MEAN A THING WHEN IT COMES TO DOING FUN THINGS AND, FOR SOME, TRICK AND TREATING IS STILL FUN. THIS NEW VERSION DOESN'T SAY TRICK OR TREAT, THEY SAY TREAT ONLY. THE TRICK IS TO GET SOMEONE TO COME ALONG WITH YOU AND SHARE THE FUN. LOOKS LIKE A FEW OF US ARE "STILL YOUNG AT HEART"



Costumed residents Max and Sally Nadelman, Evelyn Coleman and Robert Heid pass out treats to delighted residents.

DECK THE HALLS



Carl Johnson



Janet Waldron, Donna Haag, Celeste & Dick Mosher



Janet Smith & Ron Swanson



Paula Buesing, Jean Kyle, Claire Testa, Janet Smith and Joe Buesing

Thank you to the following volunteers who helped put **JOY in the season:**

Joe and Paula Buesing – Organizers Janet and Rich Smith – Organizers helpers

Susie Tiernan, Don & Janet Waldron, Nancy Plumb, Connie McCabe, Theresa Gomez, Claire Testa, Armand Beaulé, Carl Johnson, Ron Swanson, Jean Kyle, Donna Haag, Dick & Celeste Mosher, and special thanks to Johhna Dail for the bows.



DECEMBER CALENDAR 2015



SUN	MON	TUES 1	WEDS 2	THURS 3	FRI 4	SAT 5 HOME-OWNERS COFFEE HOUR 9AM
6	7	8 BOARD MEETING 9AM	9 PA/WV/MD LUNCHEON 11:30AM	10 NORTHEAST LUNCHEON 11:30AM	11 REC CLUB EXEC. MEETING 9:45AM	12
13	14 CLOUD NINE COOKIE EXCHANGE 1PM	15	16	17	18	19 REC CLUB COFFEE HOUR 9AM
20	21	22	23	24	25 CHRISTMAS DINNER	26 <u>BREEZE</u> <u>DEADLINE</u>
27	28	29	30	31 NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE		

HYMN SING- SUNDAY-6:45PM
BINGO-MON & FRI-7PM
CARDS-TUES & THURS 7PM
SHUFFLE-MON-SAT 1PM
GOLF – WED. 1PM