



The Florida SKP Co-Op, 2219 SKP Way, Wauchula, FL 33873-4870

November 2018

Welcome Back!



Effective November 1...

1. Office hours are 9 am-4 pm Mon-Sat, 9 am-noon Sunday.
2. Mail is once again being delivered and sorted on Saturday.
3. The sign up for delivery of propane by Coker is on the bulletin board to the right of the office window. Delivery is every other Tuesday and only made to motor homes.
4. Fax service in the office may take up to 24 hours. New rates are posted in the office window. Other fax service options if you need more immediate service are also posted.
5. Place all electric bill/maintenance payments in the office slot in the mail room. Do not hand them in at the office window. Receipts for payment will be placed in your mailbox after processing.
6. Mail should be picked up in the mail room. A notice will be in your box if you have a package to be picked up in the office. Asking the office for your mail because you forgot your key can no longer be accommodated.

Please be respectful of the office staff's time.

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Sunday, November 4

Taking "Caring & Sharing" to the Next Level



How often have you heard that our co-op is a family? And it's true! But we are also a business...a family business, if you will, that takes caring and sharing seriously.

But caring and sharing is a two-way street and there are times when a family must accept what some consider inconveniences to make it better for everyone.

With that in mind, until the full-time office position is filled, the Board is taking a closer look at the responsibilities of the office to fulfill park requirements.

To that end, a concerted effort has begun to streamline some office procedures that will bring much-needed efficiency to our business side. These efficiency measures will, in the long run, help everyone by keeping our annual maintenance costs in check. The streamlining of procedures will be slowly implemented as the needs arise.

There will be times when the office may not be able to accommodate a member's special request. Please be patient. The caring and sharing you exhibit to the staff and to each other is appreciated.

If you have any concerns about a new procedure, feel free to speak with the treasurer, Cheryl Lamoreaux, who supervises the office.

November Special Events

Makers and Bakers Craft Fair
Oven Mitts
Dog Collars
Wine Glass Coasters
Market Bags
Fabric Postcards
Dish & Wash Cloths
Jewelry
Potluck Dish Bags
Saturday, November 17
9 am - 12 pm
and more!

Bakers are invited to join the vendors this year to sell their specialty for their own profit.

Sign Up in Clubhouse

Veterans Day Program

Sunday, November 11 - 2 pm



Thursday, November 22 ~ 2 pm

Turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy and stuffing provided by Fun 'n Sun.

Bring table service and dish that serves 8-10.

Sign Up in Clubhouse



Medicare

"Medicare Enrollment Education"
Wednesday, November 14
Clubhouse ~ 1 - 2 pm*

Medicare Questions? SHINE has answers!

SHINE provides **free, Unbiased and confidential Medicare** counseling to empower you to make the best decisions for your individual needs. This presentation explains what changes can be made during the Open Enrollment Period (October 15—November 7, 2018) and what to consider when making changes.

*Question and answer segment follows the presentation.

Program courtesy of the
Senior Connection Center, Inc.
 Speaker: Jim Tolbert
 800-366-2226

November Monthly Events



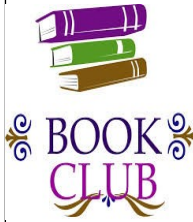
Thursday, November 29

Meet at 1:30 pm at

Don Jose Mexican Restaurant
4731 Lakeview Dr. Sebring

Sign Up in Clubhouse

Note if you need a ride.



A Land Remembered by Patrick Smith is the book that we'll be discussing on Friday, November 16, at 1 pm in the Library..

This is a classic saga of an original cracker family in Central Florida. Copies are widely available from libraries or to purchase. It is a little longer book than some we have read, but it is a fast and enjoyable read.

Come join the discussion!



Everyone's a member!
Monday, November 5 - 9:15 am



Afternoon Coffee

Tuesday, November 20
3 p.m.

Site: F-04 1272 Travel Trail
(Bring lawn chair)

Hosted by
Norm & Ginny Milliard

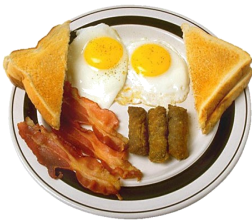
Weekly Activities

Monday Breakfast

7:50 am

Begins November 5

Ala Carte Menu



Weekly Announcements at 9 am

Shuffleboard



Mon - Sat ~ 10:30 am

Begins Thursday, November 1



Bowl of Fun Lanes

943 S 6th Ave, Wauchula

Thursday ~ 10:00 am

Begins Thursday, November 1



Wednesday ~ 7 pm

Begins November 7

\$3.00

Movie Night

Tuesdays ~ 7 pm

Begins November 6

50¢ for movie & popcorn



BYOB

Bring Your Own Bowl



Tuesdays ~ 1 pm
Begins November 20

Pickleball



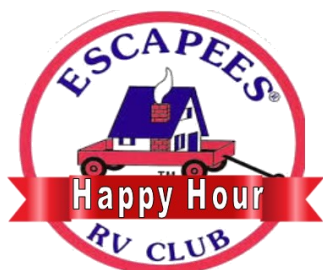
Palm Lane here at park

Wednesdays ~ 9:30 am

Begins November 14

Strictly Social**Morning Coffee**

Monday - Friday ~ 6:45 am

Begins November 5**Clubhouse**

Mon—Wed—Fri ~ 4 pm

Begins November 5**Clubhouse****Wine B4 Dine**

Thursdays ~ 4:00 pm

Poolside PatioBring your beverage of choice
and a snack to share.**Editor**

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Deadline for submitting articles

20th of each month

All articles are subject to editing...and
all mistakes are made with love!Non-member subscription
available via email for free.**Become Involved****Blood Drive****Monday, December 3****10 am - 2 pm****Sign up in Clubhouse****Christmas for Kids**Accepting cash and Walmart gift cards
to donate toHardee County's
Shop a Cop and ExplorersPlace donations in the
office slot in the mailroom
marked "Christmas for Kids."Hardee County Chamber of Commerce
Presents:**A VERY MERRY PATRIOTIC****CHRISTMAS PARADE****Saturday, December 1st @ 6PM**Sign up in the clubhouse if you'd like to
help plan and decorate our float for the
Very Merry Patriotic Christmas Parade
in downtown Wauchula on Saturday,
December 1, at 6 pm. It's always a fun
time!**Join the Army
Be a Bell Ringer****Wauchula Walmart****Tues & Wed, Dec. 4 & 5****9 am - 5 pm ~ 2-hr. Shifts****Sign Up in the Clubhouse****FOOD PANTRY**Most needed are
protein items, complete meals
in a can or box, and grains.Place donations inside the
Clubhouse double doors.Kathy and Ray Heaton report that last season, we donated
511.3 lbs. of food to the Hardee Help Center.

On the Home Front

Co-op Committee Chairs for 2018-19

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* Board Liaison



Committee Chairs

Project Funds

Committees are asked to submit in writing their request for funds to complete this year's projects.

2019 Budget Process

Any modifications or new requests for committee budgets that were submitted last April will be required no later than the middle of the month to be included in next year's budget preparation for the annual meeting.

Meeting Notices

A supply of meeting notice forms will be placed in your mailbox. These forms have been re-sized to accommodate the limited space on the bulletin board at the Clubhouse front door.

Meeting notices should be placed under the applicable day of the week and should include the meeting date.

Board Resignation

The Board accepted Margaret McIntyre's resignation as Assistant Treasurer in early October for medical reasons.



The Board and the Co-op membership sincerely thank Margaret for her full-time commitment over the summer to ensure the needs of the park were met.

Board Members

President..... Bob Lewis, A-13
Vice President Frank King, A-15
Secretary..... Anne Warren, H-18
Treasurer.... Cheryl Lamoreaux, S-07
Ass't Treasurer..... Vacant
At Large..... Ed Landry, A-35
At Large..... Norm Milliard, F-04



Fire Ant Control

by Paul Zeller, Landscape Chairman

Last fall at the request of the Board of Directors, I began investigating methods to control fire ants around the Co-op. I found a granular ant bait that is carried back into the colony by the workers and is supposed to kill the whole colony including the queen. The ant bait is applied at a very low rate and is safe for use around humans and pets.

I applied bait to most of the green spaces and public areas around the Co-op last February. As a result, the number of fire ant mounds were greatly reduced within a few weeks. Over the summer, I noticed the number of fire ant mounds remained low, so the bait appears to have been effective at greatly reducing the number and size of ant hills for a period of several months.

By the beginning of October, the number of fire ant mounds began to increase as ants began to move in from adjacent areas, so a couple of weeks ago I applied another round of fire ant bait to green spaces and public areas. This time at the request of the Board, I also included all our long-term rental lots.

The latest application is a slightly different type of bait, and I will be monitoring the areas where the bait was applied to see how effective it is compared to the first one I tried. Within the next couple of months, I am hoping to be able to make a final recommendation on which bait to use and whether or not we should use it on an ongoing basis.



Anniversary Wishes

11/8 Dick & Judi Ward
11/25 Craig & Linda Sandel
11/29 Stanley & Barbara Bobek

Website Update

The park's website has a new address AND a new look. You can find us at www.fl-skp-resort.org that now features our new byline:



*WHERE SHORTS ARE ALWAYS IN SEASON
AND LIFELONG FRIENDSHIPS BLOSSOM.*

The monthly newsletter and calendar are also available on the website under both the Home and Members tab on the main menu bar.

Revised Reservation/Rental Policy

A revised policy has been posted under the Reservations tab on the main menu. Guests can now make reservations for multiple months based on availability.

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Reservation Request Form Now Available Online

Reservation requests can now be made by completing the online form on the website. After submitting the form, the park's reservation master will follow up to work out the details and confirm the reservation.

Space Station Watch Party



Miss Vera (H-4) thanks the SKPs for their thoughtfulness this past summer.

Thank You!

Some live 'round the corner, some live miles apart,
But all friends are God's gifts to strengthen our hearts.
With the kindness of love and the power of prayer,
And the comfort of knowing that somebody cares.
Yes, friends are God's gift wrapped in sweet memories
Who share both our joys and our burdens with ease.
Each friend's a treasure, God's unique design
Gifts that can only be labeled divine.



Birthday Wishes

11/3 Marsha Hodgkins
11/4 Jo Mellis
11/6 Bud Hodgkins
11/9 Lydia LeMaistre
11/12 Doris Chase
11/14 Alex Rutchka
11/14 Doris LeBlanc
11/25 Susan Hohman
11/17 Nelson Castle
11/23 Donald Masella
11/25 Susan Hohman
11/25 James Gooding
11/27 Britt Holstun
11/29 Kenneth Griffey
11/29 Rita Blakely

With Our Deepest Sympathy

We are saddened to lose three of our members this year.

Bob Price, husband of Marianne Price, G-3, passed away peacefully in his sleep at their home in Missouri on March 14.

Donna Clark, wife of Bob Clark, G-13, passed away on August 24, as a result of injuries she suffered in a fall at their home here in the park.

Don Fletcher, husband of Barb Fletcher, H-1, passed away on September 5 here in Florida after an extended illness. Barb and his two daughters were by his side.

Tree Trimming

The yearly trimming of the palm trees along the streets of the co-op is about to begin. While these "street trees" are trimmed at no cost to the members on whose lots they are located, members are reminded they are responsible for maintaining the neat appearance of any other trees on their lots.



Trimming of additional trees is available at a cost of \$20 per tree. The crew will also do tree removal at a cost of \$50 per tree for a large tree (smaller trees or shrubs can be removed at lower cost) plus the cost of dumping fees (around \$30 per tree depending on weight).

To initiate a request to have work done on your lot, complete the form below **or pick up a form at the sign-up table in the Clubhouse.**

Hardee County Emergency Numbers

Life Threatening 911

(Law Enforcement, Fire, and EMS)

Hardee County Sheriff (863) 773-4144

Ambulance (863) 773-3313

Hardee County Emergency (863) 773-9390

(Storm, Disaster, etc.)

Power Outage—Peace River Electric..... (800) 282-3824

The RESORT is located on the north side of Hwy 64, just over 2 miles east of where Hwy 64 intersects with Hwy 17.

Code for Gate Beside Site A-1.....13-35-13

Code for Drive-Through Gate Between Sites A-28 and A-30.....32-14-22



After completing the form, **place it in the office slot in the Mail Room** addressed to the Landscape Committee c/o Paul Zeller.

Once the work has been completed, the final cost will be applied to your electric bill for payment.

TREE TRIM / REMOVAL REQUEST

**PLACE YOUR REQUEST IN OFFICE SLOT IN MAIL ROOM
ADDRESSED TO LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE C/O PAUL ZELLER.**



While the crews are trimming the street palms over the next couple of months, trees on member's lots can be trimmed for \$20 / tree or removed for \$50 / large tree (less for smaller trees or shrubs). Removed trees also incur an addition fee for dumping, about \$30 depending on the weight.

Name _____ Site # _____

Telephone # _____

☐ I have _____ tree(s) to be trimmed @ \$20 / tree trees x \$20 / ea \$ _____

Location(s) on the lot: _____

☐ I have _____ trees(s) / shrub(s) to be removed at no more than \$50 / each plus appropriate dumping fees trees removed

Location(s) on the lot: _____

Once the work is completed, your cost will be added to your electric bill.

Co-op Representative _____

Treasurer _____

For Office Use Only

_____ trees x \$20 / ea \$ _____

_____ trees removed
x \$50 / eac \$ _____

Dumping Charge \$ _____

Total Charge \$ _____



Measured Mile Walking Trail

A brochure showing a measured mile is available on the sign up table in the Clubhouse. It is a useful tool for walkers, runners and cyclists.

Holiday Travelers

Be sure to let the office know when you are away from the park overnight. This is important information for the office to have in the case of an emergency.



Thanks to this pretty lady, summers at the Resort have included grill outs, pool parties, potlucks, birthday parties, holiday celebrations, Whine B4 Dines, and a myriad of other fun activities, some planned and some spur of the moment.

Noreta Ray has announced that after 10 years, she is stepping down from her role as summer "activity director."

Thank you, Noreta! Your fun-lovin' and caring personality has created lots of good times and fostered a strong sense of community over the years..

Osprey

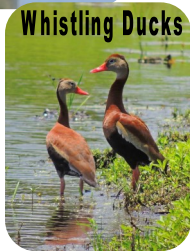


Summer Visitors

Slider Turtle



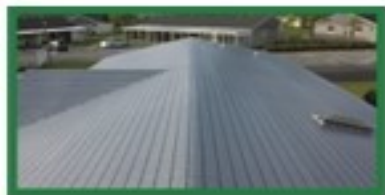
Whistling Ducks



Backyard Visitors



MOBILE HOME ROOFING



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