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### YOUR 2026 BOARD

- PRESIDENT - Mitch Miller- 616-481-8084**
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- Monday, May 4: Star Wars Day
- Tuesday, May 5: Cinco de Mayo
- Sunday, May 10: Mother's Day
- Saturday, May 16: Armed Forces Day
- Monday, May 25: Memorial Day

#### **CVLA OFFICE SECRETARY:**

**Kathy Manning**  
Office Hours: Monday – Friday  
10:00 am – 2:00 pm  
Phone: 239-543-2771

 **Notary Public Services: Phyllis McLachlan**

Please email Phyllis at [PMC9745@gmail.com](mailto:PMC9745@gmail.com) to schedule an appointment.

#### **CVLA MAINTENANCE FEE**

**DUE: May 1, 2026 - \$95.00**

Checks or money order payments may be placed in the black lock box built into the office door outside of office hours. **Zelle is an acceptable payment method available through the NEW website at [www.carriagevillage.org](http://www.carriagevillage.org)**



WASTE PRO **RECYCLE PICKUP** - THURSDAY- 5:00 AM

 **TRASH PICKUP** – MONDAY & THURSDAY- 8:00 AM

In the event recycling pick-up falls on a holiday, Waste Pro picks up the next day after the holiday. Trash pick-up will resume the next trash pick-up day.

#### **Newsletter**

Renee Mack, (Editor)  
[rrmack17@gmail.com](mailto:rrmack17@gmail.com) 239-296-4221

Newsletters on-line: [www.4communitymedia.com](http://www.4communitymedia.com)

June 2026 Newsletter articles due: May 14, 2026

#### **Lee County Sheriff's Office**

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#### **Lost and Found**

If you are missing an item, please check with **Kathy** in the CVLA Office during office hours to see if your lost item has turned up.

**Kathy** will post LOST items on our CVLA Facebook page when they get turned into her. If you don't access Facebook, then your next best bet is to check at the office. Many unclaimed items have included: keys; glasses; sunglasses; jewelry; hats; cups; etc.



Join CVLA Facebook page(s). Go to Groups on your FB page. Search CVLA (to find the community site) and/or CVLA Garage Sale (to find the site to sell items in Carriage Village). Request Membership and answer resident questions. Please read the Group Rules for the page and agree to the rules. Please make sure to have some type of picture for your profile.

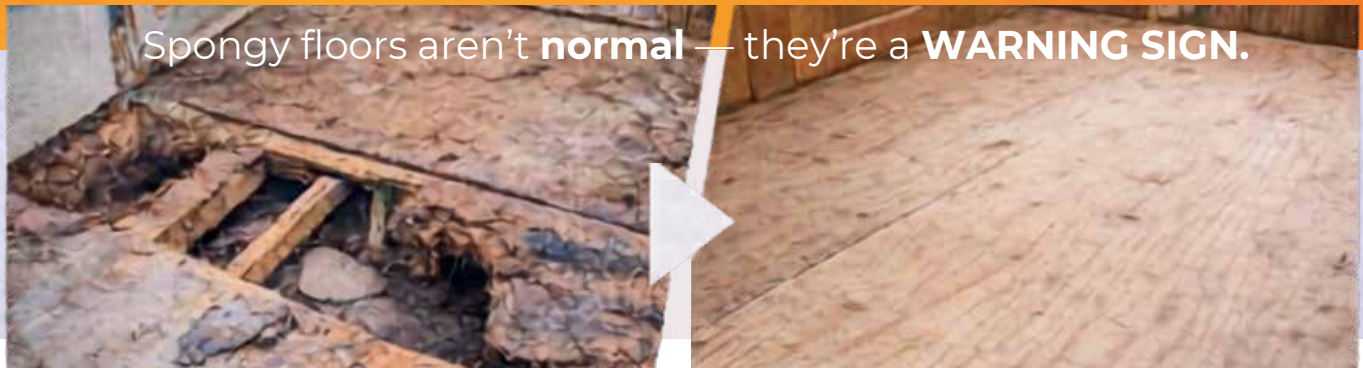
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## Landowners Meeting

Tuesday, May 13 2026 - 7 pm

## Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, May 13, 2026 - 9 am

Tuesday, May 27, 2026 - 9 am

These are the “working” meetings where discussions are had and decisions are made!

**All Owners are welcome...and encouraged to come!**



Stacey Brush, 190 Santa Fe Trail, (262-501-4647), chairs the Welcoming Committee. The Welcome Committee visits EACH new resident and goes over a VERY in-depth Welcome Package that includes the By-laws, Rules, and other pertinent information! If you are a NEW resident, look for Stacey to be reaching out to meet with you!

- David and Shari Fisher- 212 Shenandoah Ln (FT)
- Michael and Lynn Guigino - 390 Santa Fe Trl (PT)
- James and Patricia Whitrock- 123 Conestoga Trl (PT)
- Dale and Susan Herzog- 166 Chisholm Trl (PT)
- Tamara Zelaya- 180 Overland Trl (FT)
- Arthur Clifford- 208 Brandywine (PT)
- Harry and Doreen Doty- 212 Cobblestone (FT)
- Ronald and Christine Moody- 115 Overland Trl (PT)



Please notify the office if your residency status changes, for example from Winter Resident to Full Time or vice versa – or any contact information changes. Thank you!



## Sunshine Club News

Our Sunshine Club sends cards from Carriage Village to residents that may need some cheering up or need to be in our thoughts. If you know someone like this, please provide their name, address (nursing home, rehab center, family home address, etc): PJ Simms 904-476-2058.

### **Speedy Recovery wishes were sent out to:**

- Jim Broschious

### **Condolences were sent to the families of:**

- Bev Barnes (Jack passed)
- Sara Huntley (brother passed)
- Carlene VanLaningham (David passed)

If you have Sunshine News, please feel free to also email Kathy at the Clubhouse: [carriagevillagenfm@gmail.com](mailto:carriagevillagenfm@gmail.com) and Kathy can help get the info to PJ.



**Owners:** What **AGE** do I need to be in order to **RESIDE**, which means “live here” in Carriage Village?

According to our Carriage Village Landowner’s Association By-Laws, Article XI, Section 1, units must be occupied by at **least one (1) person 55 years of age or over**. And, under an amendment filed on March 19, 2021, Article XI, Section 3, **no person under the age of 40 years shall be permitted to permanently reside in the units**.



**RENTERS: ALL Renters MUST BE 55** and have a lease on file for the period they will be renting, which can be **NO LESS than 90 days**. Anyone under 40 in their unit is considered a guest and must also follow all Carriage Village Rules, Regulations and By-Laws allowing them to stay for a period of no more than 3 weeks.

### **Reminder to OWNERS:**

**LESS THAN 90 days** rental agreements are NOT PERMITTED  
Rental agreements **MUST** be on file with the Office



## **CVLA Lawn and Yard Care**

We want to keep Carriage Village beautiful ALL YEAR long!

CVLA would like to know who is doing your lawn and yard care when you are gone. Rocks need to be maintained, as well. This will assure us and your neighbors that your property is being cared for while you are away. And, we can inform you if your lawn and or yard company is not keeping up with your lawn and yard care.

There is a \$125.00 fee (each time) for overgrown lawn and yard maintenance if Carriage Village has to take care of the lawn and or yard.

**Forms are available to fill out in the office  
and will be kept on file**



**CVLA Web Page is LIVE!** <https://carriagevillage.org/>

First time logging in, you need to go through the “reset your password” steps. Retrieve the “reset your password” email and set-up your password. Your email will be your user id.



## Security KEY FOBS

Available at the Clubhouse during office hours

- One FREE FOB per Owner-Resident household
- 2nd FOB can be purchased for \$20
- Renter-Household FOB \$20 per renter (Each renter in a household must purchase a FOB)
- FOBS must be signed for by a household member. If you get a second FOB, the other household member must sign for the second FOB.
- Replacement Cost for any lost or damaged FOB is \$20
- FOBS are easy to attach to a lanyard or your key ring
- These FOBS are about the size of a quarter and they are NOT waterproof, so don't jump in the pool with a FOB in your pocket!

FOBS access the Clubhouse Doors, Pool Gates, and the Compound Gates. **Clubhouse and Pool and Compound will be locked at all times, so DON'T FORGET YOUR FOB!**

**The Back Gate Exit "ARM" is sensor activated and will lift when a vehicle pulls up to it**

**NEW! FOBS are no longer deactivated when Snowbirds head North!**



## Safety at the Pool

Remember, there is **NO glass** allowed inside the fenced area of the pool which includes the pool deck, the pool itself, and the screen room.

**NO GLASS at the pool is a Lee County Code Requirement!**



## Pool Wristbands

Carriage Village **REQUIRES** everyone at the pool to have a CVLA Wrist Band. You do not have to wear one, but you must have it handy at the pool.

- ORANGE = Owners
- GREEN = Renters
- YELLOW = Visitors
- PURPLE = Lee County Resident Family Visitor

Pick up the bands in the CVLA office.

Please remember to return your visitor's wristbands to the office when your guests have gone. Renters must have a lease verification on file in the office and bring their lease agreement with them. Please do not get offended if you are asked for your wrist bands. There are so many new residents, and we don't recognize everyone yet. We are protecting our pool by allowing only residents and their guests to enjoy what we are paying for.

## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH



**"See Something, Say Something!"**  
**Call Lee County Sheriff's Department FIRST**

**For non-emergency concerns**  
**dial 239-477-1000**

**ALL EMERGENCY situations Dial 911**

This information is brought to you as a courtesy by our:

**SECURITY INFORMATION TEAM**  
**"See Something, Say Something"**

Organized and led by Dan Inabnitt

The goal: Raise security awareness in our neighborhood  
***This team is NOT a police force!***

**Full-time::** Frank Mendoza , Russ Lachman , Dan Inabnitt

**Snowbird Season:** Duane Schwartz, Jim Phend, Jim Lee, Wayne Stubblefield

**Watchers:** Harry Robbins, Annie Robbins, Ron Newkirk, Mike Benedict, Ray Mack, John Durkin, Rob Henderson

Anyone can be on this team, and technically, **EVERYONE** should be a "Neighborhood Watcher"!

**Our residents should NEVER**  
**put themselves in harm's way!**

Any questions, please contact  
Dan Inabnitt 502-330-1658 or Frank at 815-531-9628  
Text is preferred



**Yes, we do take your COMPLAINTS seriously!**

- Forms are found to the right of the office window in the Forms Organizer on the wall
- Please fill out completely
- You **MUST** include your name and phone number on the form
- Drop the form into the Complaint Box (on the small table in the vestibule)

**Complaints Committee:**

Mike Benedict, Chairman; Denise Sexton; Jim Lee,  
Paula Henderson, Candy Jones

# ACTIVITIES

## Activities Group

President- Rob Henderson - 513-795-9503  
 Vice President- Pam Griffin- 269-449-5533  
 Treasurer- Jane Tollett - 765-465-9707  
 Secretary- Mary From- 239-699-2021

### Monthly meetings:

The first Thursday (excluding a holiday) each month  
 (except summertime- the band is on a break!)

NO meetings May, June, July, August, September  
**First meeting in the Fall: Thursday, October 1, 2026**



## HOBBY SHOP



### Monthly Meeting (every 2nd Thursday):

Monthly meetings are suspended through the Summer  
 and will resume **Thursday, November 12, 2026**

**John Durkin, President** (161 Overland Trl)  
**Gary Peterson, Vice President** (165 Overland Trl)  
**Zoe Abernathie, Secretary**, (120 Conestoga)  
**Treasurer (vacant)**

### Hobby Shop Hours M-F 8am-12pm

Stop in and join or take a tour with anyone in the group!  
 \$10.00 Annual Dues

Remember: you **MUST** have a "buddy" accompany you  
 when you go to the shop to use machinery. Be safe!



## Bylaws Committee

### Our Bylaws Committee is an Advisory Committee

Advisory Committees have a place within the organization of the Homeowners Association. They are not authorized by the Community Document or by Statute to carry out functions for the Association or to exercise any authority on behalf of the Board of Directors. Such Advisory Committees help analyze problems, review facts and gather information and alternatives.

The conclusions and recommendations of Advisory Committees are reported to the Board of Directors.

The CVLA Board of Directors has requested the Bylaws Committee to review the CVLA governing documents for any changes needed. The Committee is currently in the process of reviewing our Bylaws.

Suggestions or Comments to our **Bylaws** or our **Rules and Regulations** can be written up and put in the **Bylaws Box** on the table in the clubhouse lobby. All will be reviewed by the **Committee: Rob Henderson, Jim Lee, Mitch Miller, Sheryl Hampton, Janie Tollett, and Duane Schwartz**



## Street Captains

(Ticket Sales, phone chains...helpers getting the word out!)

Street	Address Range	Captain
Carriage & Hart	10-26	Chrissie Allen
Carriage	102-116	Pam Carpenter
Carriage	200-218	PJ Simms
Shenandoah & Coach	all	Towanda Foy
Brandywine	all	Nancy Trumbauer
Captain's Walk	all	Mary Lou Voelker
Harvest & Village	all	Phyllis McLachlan Monica Dennie
Chisholm	all	Betty Lam
Cobblestone	all	Kathi Deaki
Conestoga	all	Zoe Abernathie
Santa Fe	150-188	Alyce Lachman
Santa Fe	190-219	Teresa Inabnitt
Santa Fe	220-373	Annie Robbins
Santa Fe	374 and up	Sheryl Hampton
Overland	109-131	
Overland	132-213	Carol Robinson
Overland	165-213	Pam Cupp

## Compound and Refuse Area Rules

Rules are posted in the Clubhouse on the CVLA bulletin board

We ALL already know...there's NO CARDBOARD in the Compound... Cardboard gets picked up with your recycling on Thursdays. There's LOTS of signs in the compound to direct you where to place your trash and items you are disposing of. Please read the signs or the bulletin board or get info at the office!

# Happy Birthday

<b>MAY BIRTHDAYS</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>MAY BIRTHDAYS</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Faith Benedict	1-May	Glenda Devers	20-May
Jose Ramos	1-May	Cathy Karaz	21-May
Andrew Ernspiker	2-May	Dan Edmunds	21-May
Sharon Heuer	3-May	Greg McAdam	22-May
Rebecca Jane Judkins	4-May	Karen Bertsch	23-May
Denny Matson	4-May	Tarri Johnston	23-May
Lorie Olson	4-May	Kathy Mostowski	24-May
Judy Crystaloski	5-May	Rena Cote	25-May
Bob Buss	6-May	Karen Karcher	25-May
Beverly Parsons	6-May	Mary Smith	25-May
Pam Cupp	7-May	Peter DeHaas	26-May
Patricia Bortz	9-May	Nancy Raymond	26-May
Bob Mathews	9-May	Marta McComb	27-May
Diane Mayfield	9-May	Russ Lachman	28-May
Gloria Vila	10-May	Sheelagh Malo	28-May
Lynn Gugino	12-May	Martha Thomas	29-May
Jim Hutchison	12-May	Joyce Richardson	29-May
Lloyd Kelsey	12-May	Lenee Filo	30-May
Thad Linton	14-May	Mary Lou Voelker	30-May
Burt Huegel	16-May	Denise Sexton	31-May
Josefina Ramos	17-May	Donald Whitten	31-May

## Happy "Surprise Party" to Elma Childers on her 98th birthday, March 26!



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# Make a plan to be HERE in May! We'd Love to see ya!

## KENTUCKY DERBY



Saturday, May 2, 2026  
Kentucky Derby Party  
4:30 pm

### Kentucky Derby Post Time: 6 pm (ish)

And, we're "Off to the Races": Pre-Race Putting, Bocce, and Horseshoes (around 4:30 ish). Bring a few bucks for entry fees- Winners will be drawn from a hat...so it's all about participation...not skill!

Bring a dish to share and of course, your favorite Kentucky Derby Beverage!

Stewarded by Jim Lee

50-50, of course... and there may be some side-betting on the "fastest 2-minutes in sports", also!

## Happy Memorial Day

Golf Cart Parade  
Monday, May 26, 2026

Decorate your Golf Cart, Bicycle, Three-Wheeler, Harley, Roller Blades, Hot Rod, Scooter, whatever, YOU... in Red, White and Blue!

Line up at the Clubhouse begins at 5pm,  
Parade to start at 5:30pm

Refreshments and Cookies in the Clubhouse, following the parade, then pop over to the pool for an evening on the Pool Deck! Organized by Mary From and Annie Robbins



"Shuffle up and Deal"

### LIMIT TEXAS HOLD'EM POKER GAME

Organized by your local "Poker Stars",  
Mike Goodwin and Rob Henderson  
1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month

**Tuesday, May 5 and May 19, 2026**  
**Tuesday, June 2, 2026**

\$5 = 50 chips / \$1 and \$2 blinds  
Re-Buys / 10 chips or all-in MAX bet



### Crafty Crew

Thursdays, 2:00 pm May 7 and May 28, 2026

**NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED**

**LOTS of fun projects coming soon!**

*(there may be another CC session squeezed in if there are no other conflicts! Check with LJ or Annie)*

### BINGO Concession Food

Hot Dogs \$2.00 Drink \$1.00 Chips \$1.00 Ice Cream Drumsticks \$1.50

#### NEW- JUMBO Hot Dogs \$4

(Volunteers needed to serve- help out for a free hot dog)



### THE LUNCH BUNCH

This adventurously fun group meets at the Clubhouse and 1402 heads out for lunch every couple of weeks on Fridays, please be at the Clubhouse by 11:20am for a departure at 11:30am.

- **May 8, 2026 - Farmer's Market Restaurant 2736 Edison Ave, Fort Myers**
- **May 29, 2026 Famous Dave's BBQ 12128 S Cleveland Ave, CapeCoral**

Please call Pam Cupp at 239-731-3866 or see the bulletin board for sign-up sheet



**Thursday, May 21, 2026**  
12:00 pm

**Monty's Restaurant & Pizzeria**  
2525 South Tamiami Trail  
Punta Gorda, FL 33950  
941-637-0008

A "Special Request" was made for the Group's favorite server, Brett

Please sign-up by May 20 at the Clubhouse  
**Organized by Annie Robbins 513-328-1110**

# Meetings and News to share from April

## Activities Club April 2, 2026 Meeting Summary

### Key take-aways:

- In attendance: 2026 Board Officers and 13 residents
- The usual: past minutes and treasurer's report read and approved
- A second April meeting was scheduled for April 23 for people to get budget requests in before the summer meeting postponements- there will be NO May meeting
- May, June, July, August, September meetings are suspended for the Summer months
- Several votes on approving funding for the Activity Club to put on various events and supporting the purchase of supplies and new equipment for various groups
- Activities Officers plan to be available to recap a monthly summary and make the treasurer's report available before Landowner meetings
- Significant income reported:: Membership Drive \$3,400+; Bingo Concessions \$400+; Meatball Subs \$220+; Bake and Yard Sales, which was old unused stuff from the Clubhouse refresh project \$1,000+



## VILLAGE BREAKFAST NEWS from the April 4, 2026 Breakfast

We had 20 volunteers that served 121 customers. This was our last breakfast for this season. We were pleased with the number of people that came out for breakfast especially since many have left the park to go home for Easter.

**We are very grateful and thankful for a wonderful donation again this year. A generous couple paid for everyone's breakfast. They want to remain anonymous and we will respect their wishes. A huge THANK YOU goes out to them!**

Village Breakfast gives back to the park. This year we donated \$2,927.18. The donations were: clubhouse chairs, two new serving carts, tables, two solar lights at the compound, hats for our security team, park party, horse paint, table signs, horse shoe pits, shop vac, fans for pool screen room, and an umbrella for the pool.

We would like to thank all the volunteers who have participated and helped prepare and serve all the breakfasts this season. Some of us are at the clubhouse at 5AM, so it is an early start!

50/50 winners this month were : Janet Kriegmont \$60 - Doyle Carpenter \$85 - Randy White \$110

**Our next breakfast is Saturday, December 5, 2026**

**We wish everyone safe travels home and back again. We hope everyone has a healthy summer. See you all next season. Bim Adams - Jim Phend - Mike Goodwin**

## Quilt Club News

For a small group we accomplished quite a bit this year. We made Christmas Stockings for prizes for the Christmas party. They were quite a hit especially since they had goodies tucked inside.

We made a beautiful throw quilt and 5 totes that we raffled off at the Ladies Luncheon with all proceeds going to Activities. We also finished a few Charity quilts that will be donated to various organizations.

We will try to keep this going year round so if you are free on Friday mornings at 9:30, come on up to the clubhouse and join whoever is there.

Sharon Yanz, Quilting Club Chairman



## HOBBY SHOP NEWS



The Hobby Shop would like to THANK Everyone who made our Annual Auction a BIG SUCCESS- members, workers, and BUYERS! We made over \$5,000!

**NEW:** Beginning in January, 2027, the Hobby Shop will be holding "**Hobby Shop Classes**". Anyone who wants to teach or learn a skill or machine is invited to participate. There will be sign-up sheets on the Hobby Shop Bulletin Board.

I would like to THANK Audrey, Treasurer, for being a part of our leadership team. Unfortunately, Audrey had to resign her position, so we will be looking for someone to take over her role as Treasurer. If interested, please contact John Durkin.

Wishing ALLI a great summer and see you next season.

**Next meeting: Thursday, November 12, 2026.**

John Durkin, President



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## Clubhouse Dining Room “Refresh” Project

Check this one off our list! Phew! 

This is what it took to complete the project:

- Several months of pre-planning, budget approvals, measuring, getting quotes, getting samples, etc. before the heavy lifting began in February through mid-April
- TWO coats of paint on walls, ceiling rails, ceiling fan alcoves, covering approximately 5,000 square feet
- EIGHT existing ceiling fans re-purposed and repainted
- 300+ feet of floor to wall molding removed, then replaced with new molding
- Replacement of outlet and plug switch covers
- 800+ ceiling tiles removed and then 800+ new ones cut and replaced
- 60+ Vents, ceiling lights, ceiling filters removed, cleaned, repainted, then replaced
- Removal of TWO old cabinet bases and countertops
- Removal of the broken water fountain
- Installation of THREE new heavy duty cabinets and THREE new countertops
- Repainting and new efficient use of ONE library built-in shelf for the Activities Bulletin Board Cubby
- Installation of new hardware and knobs for cabinet drawers and doors
- Removal of the old Bingo Board curtain and Clubhouse window curtains
- Replumbing of existing water line and Installation of ONE new wet sink
- Removal of unused and broken fixtures and oddball furniture
- Yard Sales sales of \$740+ from the sale of all the old chairs, unused junk furniture and old office equipment stored in the Clubhouse...that the project team manned for TWO days
- The removal of 248 old chairs to sell in the yard sale
- The replacement of 248 new chairs - unpacked, unstacked, placed at tables, and inspected
- Repainting and repair of the existing NINE chair dollies used for excess chair storage
- Repainting of the Board of Directors sign
- Rehangng of FOUR TVs
- Addition of FOUR new shelves for the TVs
- Installation of wood window cornices and custom vertical blinds for the THREE clubhouse windows

The Clubhouse Dining Room project was a massive undertaking. The project came in just UNDER its budget of \$11,147, largely in part because of the **100's and 100's of man-hours donated by resident volunteers AND from additional funding provided by Activities, Hobby Shop, and Village Breakfast that allowed us to purchase all the new chairs.** Thank you to the the committee, led by Becky Beasley and Project Managed by Tim and Janie Follett, and included: Paula Henderson, Denise Sexton, June Schwartz, Annie Robbins, Towanda Foy, Sharon Hauer, Phyllis McLachlan, Nancy Trumbauer, Monica Dennie, Pam Griffin, Jerry Barger, and Renee Mack. A huge shout-out to some other key folks that stepped up and helped with some really big jobs: Jim Phend, Zoe Abernath, Mike Goodwin, Joe Keeler, Jerald Cartmell. Paul Gries, and Gary Peterson. Sincerest gratitude to the many others who pitched in when they could. The only thing left are the doors, which will be repainted this summer when there is less Clubhouse traffic **MARK THIS PROJECT COMPLETE!** We hope you are enjoying your new Clubhouse Dining Room!

**This PROJECT...“literally”...Took a Village!**



98 of us went, 98 of us tailgated, 98 of us feasted on a ballpark buffet, 98 of us laughed, and 98 of us had fun, even though the game rained out! We'll get our record of 100+ NEXT YEAR! **Thank you, Jim Lee,** for organizing this ALWAYS, ALWAYS fun Mighty Mussels event!

### Snowbirds leaving for the Summer?

Make sure to lock-up doors, golf carts, sheds, put small potential projectiles away, put your hurricane shutters down, turn off your water, unplug your golf cart, think about giving a trusted neighbor a key to your house, and clear out your carport so things don't blow around.

**Hurricane Season is June 1- Nov 30, 2026**



# EVERY WEEK ACTIVITIES



## BUNCO

Fun, fast-paced Dice Game

No experience necessary

TUESDAYS 2:00 - 3:30pm

Cost: \$1.00



## Rummikub

Mondays at 2:00 pm

All levels welcome



## Mah Jongg

Tuesdays at 1:00pm

All levels welcome!

National Mah Jongg League version

Pung, Kong, Quint, BAM,  
Charleston



## Morning Coffee

- Monday, May 4, 2026 9am
- Monday, May 11, 2026 9am
- Monday, May 18, 2026 9am
- Monday, May 25, 2026 9am

Coffee, tea and donuts/muffins available at the CVLA Clubhouse. Please bring your favorite cup and a donation for the morning treats. Interesting, informative Programs and presentations are planned weekly

Candy Jones, 573-453-6330

Rita Banning, 317-282-7861



# BINGO

**Thursdays** – Play begins at 7:00 pm

PLEASE ARRIVE EARLY

Purchases begin at 6:30pm

Cost: 75¢ per card or  
paper packet for the night

For the Super Specials,  
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## Euchre

Sunday Nights 6:30 pm

Organized by Sharon Yanz

*Don't be a "loner" come join in the fun!*

## Line Dancing

Fridays: May 1, 8, 15, 22, 2026

10:30am

Line Dancing, taught by our resident expert,  
Teresa Inabnitt and her sidekick assistant, Renee Mack



## Train Dominoes

**Every Wednesday** at 10:00 am

**Every Sunday** at 2:00 pm

- Play 13 games/ \$.10 (ten cents) per game or a \$.01 (a penny) per game table.
- Bring your dimes and a drink, if desired!

Wednesday Session organized by Annie Robbins

Sunday session organized by Mary Trujillo

**One tile at a time!**



## Water Aerobics

Monday, Wednesday, Friday at  
10:30am and 9:30am



## Strength & Balance Class

Tuesday at 10:30am and 9:30am



## Aquatic Cardio Class

Thursday at 10:30am and 9:30am  
Saturday at 9:30am

Come join us for a good workout and fun!  
*Exercise in the morning, before your brain  
figures out what you're doing!* 😊

**Saturday Night Social- 3rd Saturday of the Month (Music, Dancing, Karaoke, BYOB)**

# EVERY WEEK ACTIVITIES



### Friday mornings at 9:30

"Head Seamstress", Sharon Yanz, Chairman

It doesn't matter if you are an advanced quilter or a beginner. All are welcome to join us. We will be working on a variety of projects during the year.

**NEW- We will continue Quilting Club throughout the Summer!**



Mondays: 8:30 am  
Tuesdays - Fridays: 9:00 am

*Tuesdays of Board meetings, chair yoga begins at 8:30am*

A 30-minute safe, low-impact exercise session that improves flexibility, strength, balance, and circulation while reducing stress...NAMASTE

Organized by your local "Gurus", Jim and Linda Lee  
All skill levels are encouraged!



## Nickel/Dime POKER

### Tuesdays & Wednesdays at 6:30pm

We play all kinds of poker games that are easy to learn. Join us for some fun & maybe take home some extra cash. Pete Miller, 239-543-1447

Pete and Ed and John "don't know when to fold 'em", so come join in at the table!

## Gospel Music Singing and Community Church

Sundays 9am-11am at the Clubhouse

Organized by Thad Linton

Bring: Bible; Favorite Hymns; Breakfast Foods; Husbands 😊. Thad supports: Kairos Prison Ministry; NO politics; and nothing weird!



## WEDNESDAY NIGHT GAMES

### CARD GAMES

5:30 pm for HKFT and 6:00 pm for other cards

Sign-up sheets on bulletin board

Play HKFT, Progressive Rummy, Nickel Nickle, and other card games- your choice!

### GAMES 6:00 pm

Play Farkle, LRC (Left, Right, Center), Penny Drop, Pass the Ace, and other games.

Both groups play for money so bring your quarters, pennies, nickels, dimes, and dollars. **Prepare to LAUGH!**



## Hand, Knee, Foot & TOE Card Game

Mondays 5:30pm (NEW TIME!)

Please arrive 10 minutes early

Sign-up to play the week before on the bulletin board

**If you sign-up, we are counting on you to play!**

**We need 4 players per table!**

Organized by Renee and Paula

All skill levels are welcome!

Each player- Bring \$2 for the pot

HKFT, players need to bring a set of 8 decks of cards, pre-shuffled- this MAKES play go a LOT faster.

**5's, 7's, 9's, Wilds...You are going to LOVE this card game!**



**The hard-working Village Breakfast Crew!**



Put a pin on your 2026-2027 calendar on these dates...FOR SURE!



### THE LUNCH BUNCH

- Friday, June 12, 2026 - Ford's Garage  
1719 Cape Coral Parkway, Cape Coral
- Friday, June 26, 2026 - Cristof's  
10231 McGregor Blvd, Fort Myers



### Labor Day

Monday - September 7, 2026  
Raffle and Social - Hosted by Lucky and Betty.  
More details soon!



### Annual Halloween Bash

Saturday, October 31, 2026 7-10pm

Halloween Costume Contest

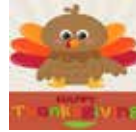
Dance the night away with DJ Skip,  
who plays your requests

Enjoy the "Haunted" Clubhouse decor  
50-50 Raffle

Free to all Activity Members  
\$5 for non-members and guests

Bring your own ghoulish beverage  
and a dish or snack to share

Organized by a favorite Goblin, Mary From



### THANKSGIVING Dinner Pitch-in

Sunday, November 22, 2026

1pm in the *FABULOUS* Clubhouse Dining Room

We will celebrate our Carriage Village Family  
with a Thanksgiving Pitch-in Dinner

Sign-up sheets will be available in the Clubhouse  
on November 1, 2026

Meats; Salads/Cold Sides; Hot Sides, Breads/Rolls; Desserts

You have all Summer to think about what you can make or  
bring to "Pitch-In" to our Community Dinner...with all the  
Rockstar cooks in Carriage Village...it's gonna be YUMMY 😊

Paper products, plastic ware, tea and lemonade  
will be provided by Activities

Contact Janie Kellam-Tollett with questions 765-465-9707



### Quarter Auction

Saturday, January 9, 2027

Doors open at 11:30 am

for preview and paddle sales (\$5 per paddle)

Auction: 12:30 ish- 3 pm

**All donations need to be received by  
Friday, December 18, 2026 (11 am- 3 pm)  
at the Clubhouse**

Donations (new stuff) are needed. Individuals and our various  
clubs can put together a cool basket, donate a bottle of wine or  
booze, gift cards, lottery tickets, donate a service, artwork,  
woodwork, ceramics, MEN's items

We will have a BYOB Happy Hour before the Auction. You buy  
paddles, place your matching numbered quarters into the item  
drawing, then win if the number drawn matches your paddle! All  
proceeds will go to the Activities Group as a Fund-Raiser.

Contact Mary From, Vicki Adams III, or Renee Mack

**This was BIG Fun last year!**



### 3rd Annual

### CVLA Golf Outing

Monday, January 18, 2027

**El Rio Golf Club**

**9 am Tee Time**

- Be at the course by 8 am
- Pay at the course!

4-person SCRAMBLE format

\$48 per person (price may be subject to change)

Organized by your Tournament Chairman, Mike Benedict

Long Drives, Closets to the Pin, Long Putts, etc; MUST use at  
least ONE drive per player per nine holes!

**Sign-up will begin in the Fall...probably around November**



**VILLAGE BREAKFAST- Saturday, December 5, 2026**

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# Summertime Postponed ACTIVITIES

 <h2>Horseshoes</h2> <p>Bill Johnston, Organizer</p> <p><b>Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:00</b> Experienced and Beginners are Welcome!</p> <p>Come and clank some shoes <i>(and on Saturday mornings, you might spot a random pick-up game!)</i></p>	 <h2>Shuffleboard</h2> <p>And, this Activity will be looking for a new organizer for Snowbird Season in the future.</p> <p>Duane Petersen is retiring from his shuffleboard duties...thank you Duane for keeping us “shuffling” this past year!</p>
 <h2>Bocce</h2> <p>Tuesday and Thursdays at 11 am Organized by Robert Allen</p> <p>It's a game of inches!!</p>	 <h2>Pinochle</h2> <p><b>Mondays and Fridays at 6:30</b> Organized by Betty and Lucky</p>
 <h2>Ceramics</h2>	 <h2>Putting League</h2> <p>Mondays at 3pm</p>

## **100** The Colonel - Lloyd Kelsey **100**

Born May 12, 1926. An Air force, World War II veteran. Did you know - there are only .5 % (point 5 % ) of the WW II vets still alive? WOW!

Lloyd has been in Carriage Village since 1973. He purchased his home at 190 Overland Trail in 1979. The Colonel has held numerous jobs in the Village over the years, and besides being involved in many dinners and scads of other activities, Lloyd was in charge of running and maintaining the Bocce Ball courts for 25+ years. He was one of Carriage Village's top players, and until just a few years ago, you could find him rolling balls at the courts.

In his prime, Lloyd enjoyed sitting in his carport late afternoon with many neighbors and friends, discussing a variety of topics. If you have a history question about Carriage Village, the Colonel is the one to ask. His mind is still sharp as a tack and his concise answer will include names and dates!

On May 12th Lloyd will be celebrating his 100th birthday at his beloved home in Boyne City, MI. If you want to send a Birthday card you can send it to: Lloyd Kelsey, 2775 Hi Life Lane, Boyne City, MI. 49712.

One of many memorable quotes: “We did not have golf carts in the park until the early 2000's...when the baby boomers started moving in!”... Classic Colonel! 😊 **Happy 100th Birthday to Lloyd!**



**Thank you to the Dengler's and Kriegmont's for hosting the FUN Taco Buffet Pool Party!**

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*Mother's Day*

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**May 2026**  
**Every Sun**

	Every Sun	Every Mon	Every Tue	Every Wed	Every Thurs	Every Fri	Every Sat
	9am- Sunday Gospel Music singing 9-11am - Community Church 2pm - Dominoes 6:30pm - Euchre (4-handed)	7am- Trash Pickup 8a-12p- Hobby Shop open 8:30am - Chair Yoga 9a-12p - Ceramics 9am- Mon Morning Coffee 9:30 and 10:30am- Water Aerobics 10am - Shuffleboard (suspended for summer) 1-4pm - Ceramics 3pm- Putting League (suspended for summer) 2pm- Rummikub 5:30pm - Hand, Knee, Foot, Toe cards 6:30pm- Pinochle (suspended for summer)	8a-12p- Hobby Shop open 9am - Chair Yoga 9:30 and 10:30am- Water Aerobics 11am - Bocce (suspended for summer) 1:00pm- Mahjong 1-4pm - Ceramics (suspended for summer) 2:00pm - Bunco 3:00pm- Horseshoes (suspended for summer) 6:30pm- Poker	8a-12p- Hobby Shop open 9am - Chair Yoga 10am- Dominoes 10am- Shuffleboard (suspended for summer) 9:30 and 10:30am- Water Aerobics 5:30pm- Hand, Knee, Foot, Toe 6pm- Card Games 6:00pm- Games 6:30pm- Poker	5am- Recycle Pickup 7am- Trash Pickup 8am- Refuse Clean-Up 9a-12p-Hobby Shop open 9am - Chair Yoga 9:30 and 10:30am- Water Aerobics 11am - Bocce (suspended for summer) 3:00pm- Horseshoes (suspended for summer) 7pm- BINGO	8a-12p - Hobby Shop open 9am - Chair Yoga 9:30am- Quilters 9:30 and 10:30am- Water Aerobics 6:30pm- Pinochle (suspended for summer)	8a-12p Hobby Shop open 9am - Chair Yoga 9:30 am - Water Aerobics
<b>April 26</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>Tues</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Thurs</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>Sat</b>
<b>3</b>		27	28	29	30	May 1	2
<b>10</b>	<i>Mother's Day</i>	11 9 am - Monday Morning Coffee Star Wars Day- <i>May the Fourth be with you!</i>	12 9 am - Board Meeting 7pm - Landowners Meeting <i>Cinco De Mayo</i>	13	14 <i>Newsletter Articles Due for June</i>	15 10:30 am - Line Dancing	16 Saturday Night Social (if there's interest) Armed Forces Day
<b>17</b>		18 9 am - Monday Morning Coffee	19 7pm - Texas Hold 'em	20	21 12p - Red Hats- Monty's Restaurant & Pizzeria (Punta Gorda)	22 10:30 am - Line Dancing	23
<b>24</b>		25 9 am - Monday Morning Coffee 5pm - Golf Cart Parade Memorial Day	26	27	28 2 pm - Crafty Crew	29 11:20 am - Lunch Bunch Famous Dave's BBQ (CC)	30
<b>31</b>		June 1 9 am - Monday Morning Coffee <i>Hurricane Season Begins</i>	2 7pm - Texas Hold 'em	3	4	5	6

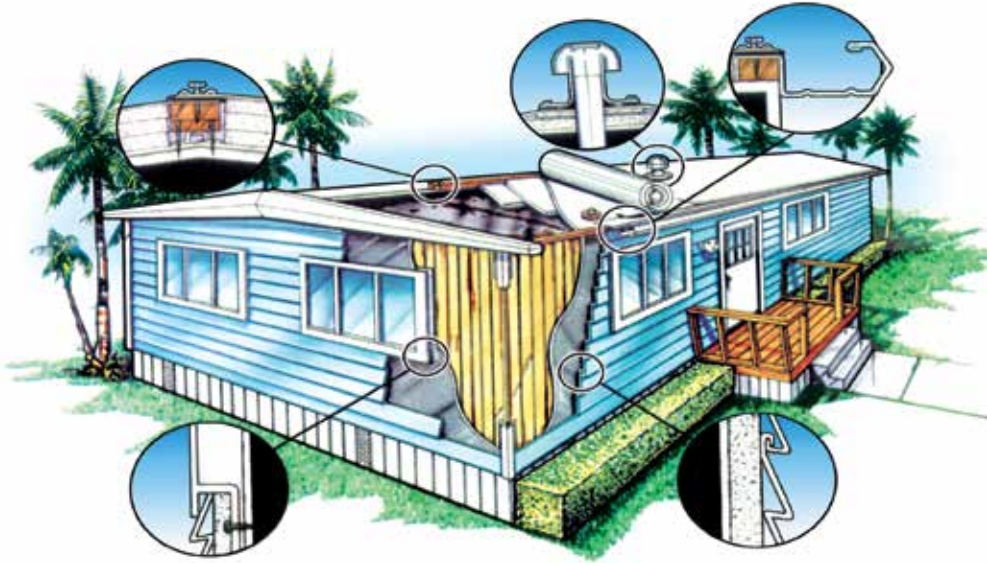


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