



SPANISH LAKES RESIDENTS REMEMBER SEPTEMBER 11

Everyone remembers where they were and what they were doing when they heard the news about the terror attacks on September 11. As we approach the 25th anniversary, I thought it would be interesting to see what some of our friends and neighbors remember about that horrendous day.

Some of them were at home, watching Good Morning America as part of their everyday routine. Others who were also at home reported that someone called and told them to turn on the TV.

Many of our neighbors reported being at work and joining co-workers as they watched the events unfold. Including Dean Fauci.

Dean was sitting at her desk in Poughkeepsie, NY (about an hour and a half northwest of New York City) when a co-worker, Jim, yelled, "My son just called. A plane hit one of the Twin Towers. He doesn't think he's in any danger, but I insisted that he leave work ASAP." (Jim's son arrived home at about 4 pm that day. Many of his co-workers did not survive the attack.)

Other co-workers gathered to watch a TV just in time to see the second plane hit the other tower. Everyone was crying and trying to call family and friends. The phones didn't work. Their boss said they could go home, but there was a warning about the bridges being closed for fear the terrorists would destroy them. They all left with tears and heavy hearts.

Meanwhile, in Dallas, I was in my mobile grooming van, grooming a couple of toy poodles

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when the DJs described the scene on TV as the second plane hit the WTC. The first song they played after this was Twila Paris' *God Is in Control*. In the days and weeks after 9/11, Christian radio stations nationwide heavily played it as an anthem of comfort. It seemed perfect, with its opening lyrics: *This is no time for fear; This is a time for faith and determination...*

The owner of the dogs I was grooming worked as an evening news anchor at the Dallas Fox station and came out to tell me she had to go to work (the Dallas station didn't broadcast news during the day). When I finished grooming her dogs, I put them back in the house and locked up. Then went on with my day. On my bus ride home, the afternoon rush hour traffic was non-existent—Dallas looked more like a ghost town! It felt like I'd entered the Twilight Zone.

Donna Glaser was working from home when her client told her to hang up and turn on the TV. Tom was working in a county building in downtown Cincinnati, and he and his team were told to go home because no one could predict what might happen next. Later in the day, as they sat glued to the TV watching the news reports, their youngest son called. He was at home with his kids and said he was having a medical emergency that he couldn't explain—he needed to go to the hospital. Tom drove him to the ER while Donna stayed with their two granddaughters until his wife could make her way home from work. That was the beginning of their son's battle with an autoimmune disorder called Goodpasture's syndrome and its aftereffects.

Linda Dessalet had taken a half day off work that day for a custody hearing at the courthouse in Doylestown, PA. There had been no news reports inside the courthouse, so as she made the 45-minute drive back to work, she was hearing constant reports about what had already happened and what was still going on. Since there were no commercials, Linda thought it sounded a lot like the Orson Wells radio broadcast of War of the Worlds.

At work, one of her co-workers was crying and told her about the morning's tragedy. Several classrooms had TVs to watch current events and she usually played a radio in her home economics classroom while students worked on their projects. They could not turn them on because the school administration did not want to create panic, especially since their town, Langhorne, PA, was home to many people who worked in New York City

because of the easy commute by train. Several students lost their parents.

On September 11, 2001, Gary and Kelly Hicks were not yet married. He was working as a second shift crew leader for the City of Dublin, OH. The city called to let him know they had let workers stay home with their families if they wanted. They asked employees who did report to work with Gary to watch for anything suspicious. No one knew what might happen next...

Gary called Kelly at school to see if they were dismissing early. She was teaching fifth grade social studies at Plain City Elementary in the Jonathan Alder LSD. The fifth graders were at art, music, and PE when the teacher across the hall came in pushing a TV on a cart, saying a plane had hit a building in New York. By the time they had it set up, they saw the second tower get hit! Realizing this was no accident, they turned the TV off before the kids returned to class. The school did not send kids home early since a lot of parents would be at work, but if parents came for their children, employees escorted the students to the office so they could leave without causing alarms among the remaining students.

The TV in Gaile Harpan's Detroit classroom was on and 38 first graders (ages five and six) looked at the screen in horror as the plane crashed into the World Trade Center in New York City. At first, the children thought it was a Superman movie to enjoy while they got ready for music time. Then they heard 25 army helicopters outside their classroom near the Detroit River between the American and Canadian borders.

A message came over the PA system, "Get under your desk and hug your knees." The children complied immediately because they were used to hurricane and tornado drills. Later, the principal told me the officials were unsure about a direct attack because our two countries are so connected by the river and the tunnel. Gaile says she'll never forget the fright in the students' eyes. Some of them began to cry, and some of those unsure began to laugh. As we huddled together, I could hear a few children singing and praying.

In Lenox, MA, Roey Ficaro was attending a 7-day yoga therapy training. Her daughter lived in lower Manhattan, near the attack. All phone and internet service was down. Roey was in a panic when she couldn't reach her daughter, who fortunately was en route to the train station, headed to a job in Westchester. The train delayed

its departure, waiting for people rushing to get out of the city. She witnessed people covered in ash getting on the train. Roey was a clinical social worker in a high school where 3 students lost a parent. It was a devastating time for so many.

Barbara Koehler's daughter had just gotten married on September 8 in Buffalo, NY. On Tuesday morning, Barbara and her husband were helping her parents finish packing for their return flight to Cape Coral, Florida. They were chattering, with TV on in the background, when they heard a plane had hit the Twin Towers. They didn't really pay attention, figuring they'd catch up with the news later. The radio was on as they drove to the airport, but again, they were talking and didn't hear the report of the second plane hitting the Towers.

The passenger departure lanes at Buffalo International Airport were eerie, with no traffic or noise, and no valets at the outdoor check-in. Inside wasn't much better—no employees were in sight. People talked in subdued voices, and someone mentioned there'd been a terrorist attack. Then they heard an announcement telling them to leave the airport.

Barbara had to return to work on Wednesday, and her mom spent most of Thursday on the phone trying to book their flight back to Florida as soon as the planes started flying again. The possibility of a hurricane heading directly for Fort Myers further complicated this.

On 9/11 Bob Lebensold was in New Rochelle, NY, about 25 miles from the World Trade Center. He stood on the pier at Long Island Sound and looked to the south, where he saw a plume of smoke rising over the site. He says he can't remember how he felt standing there taking in the scene. The outrage of the event and the implications for life in our city, country, and planet had not yet struck his brain.

Bob also tells of his friend Holly, who was a first responder. She was there in the early days, doing what she could to aid in the rescue. Twenty-five years later she looks back on multiple skin cancers, one of which required a skin graft to her face; drug and antibiotic allergies; and scarring of both lungs. She suffered a partial lung collapse from bronchitis just last winter. Those are the physical effects. Holly has had to live with these consequences for the last 25 years, waiting for yet another health event, which is a when, not an if.

September 11 was Sharryl Pangborn's son's 30th birthday. Before she left for work that morning, she called to wish him "the best birthday ever" in a warm, cheery voice. Then, on the way to work, she heard about the tragedy in New York. But there was no way for her to cancel the voicemail she'd left her son. Later that day, he called her, saying, "Mom, how could you?" She tried to explain that she felt bad, but she'd called with the birthday greetings before she knew about the World Trade Center.

Everyone I talked to expressed feelings about dealing with the aftermath of the attacks, as well as the wonderful way everyone came together to help one another. I think Barbara and Kelly sum it up well.

The enormity of 9/11 didn't hit until after Barbara's parents arrived home safely, between attending to the details of everyday life and hosting her parents for several days while all planes were grounded. At first, it was a disbelief that the greatest country in the world had been attacked; it was the fear that crept into the complacent normalcy in the lives of her sixth-grade students; it was the heart-wrenching poetry that some of them wrote; it was the tears flowing from the eyes of our stoic son-in-law, unable to grasp the why of what had been done to his beloved country...it was the helping hands and hearts of strangers from every corner of our great country who became family, it was the American flag proudly waving from so many homes...and cars.... and businesses, without it being a flag holiday....it was the American spirit, having survived so many wars that threatened to break us apart, coming together with one heart, not broken by the enemy's goals, but truly united, once again, so proud "to be an American."

Kelly added, the national sense of patriotism that followed the attacks was comforting. Whatever our differences, we had a common foe, and this situation forced us to unite against outside threats. We Americans were not accustomed to being attacked on our own soil. In many ways, I yearn for a time when we were not so divided....



POKER RUN

The Poker Run was a blast. About 30 people attended. Participants travelled to several stops and collected playing cards along the way. Each stop also had a small alcoholic drink or Jello shot. When they returned to the clubhouse, they revealed their cards and the best poker hand won.

The winners of the poker run were:

3rd place: Patti Gens

2nd place: Dean Fauci

1st place: Suzanne Kenney



Everyone enjoyed it so much we've scheduled another for September 26.

The pool party was moved indoors because of weather. Everyone had a great time, listening to music, meeting new people and playing corn hole. The 50/50 was won by Randy Timm.

The next Poker Run will be September 26, at 3 pm. Meet in the clubhouse. \$5 for to play. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners will be awarded.

The Football Bash will begin after the poker run. Bring a tailgate dish to share. Dress in your team colors. Come ready to support your favorite Football team. There will be a 50/50 drawing.

Sign-up in clubhouse. Questions? Contact Patti Gens at (239) 410-8694 or Dean Fauci at (570) 656-9001.

PET OF THE MONTH

Sanford lives with Karen Annen and Ron Bann. Karen's grandchildren captured him at an Air B&B where they stayed when their parents were looking for a home to move back to Florida. The kids fell in love with the kitten and talked Karen into keeping him (their dad said they couldn't keep it). They named him Sanford because that's where they found him. He is deaf, so Karen and Ron learned sign language to communicate with him.



If you would like to have your pet featured as Pet of the Month in future issues, please send a picture of your pet and information about it to Kathleen Putman at kpSplashEditor@gmail.com or text it to (513)833-3334.



SUPER SECOND DONATIONS

It's not too early to start donating for February 2027 Super Second Sale. Just a few reminders: Please contact Lee Stuttle (607) 351-6443 or Gerry White at (860) 214-3058 for a pickup.

Please do not drop off any donations at the clubhouse or at the shed itself.

We accept clean, gently used items in working condition. Also, saleable items such as collectibles, jewelry and antiques are appreciated. We would appreciate all glass ware to be wrapped in paper etc.

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Thank you, Mary Ernst

BOOK CLUB NEWS

For over twenty years, Sarasota County's One Book, One Community has become a coveted designation, and the selected book must meet many criteria, including being well-written, relevant to our society, and thought-provoking. It is a "must-read."

The Sarasota County Libraries and Historical Resources committee reviews dozens of titles before choosing the best one for the readers of Sarasota County. During March, the author leads community discussions throughout Sarasota on the book and, of course, participates at book signings for loyal readers.

Ten copies of the selected book per library allow many Sarasota readers to experience this great read.

Many times, over the last twenty years, our Spanish Lakes Book Club has read the One Book selection. Once again, we are excited that one of five finalists is on this year's Book Club list. We will read *The Book Club for Troublesome Women* by Marie Bostwick for our April 2027 discussion.

This book, set in the 1960s, tells the story of four friends who, through their impromptu book club, discover the American dream they've been sold isn't all roses and sunshine. Through humor, persistence, self-discovery, and the power of sisterhood, they achieve "the most freeing year of their lives."

The Association has been generous in budgeting money for our Book Club to purchase copies of the books we will read for the 2026-'27 year. Once they arrive, the library will display them so any interested SL reader can catch up on what we are reading.

It is not a given that *The Book Club for Troublesome Women* will be the Sarasota County selection, but we can hope. Join us in reading it, regardless!



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COOKING CORNER

Welcome to September, Spanish Lakes!

This month, I found a tasty treat that can be served as an appetizer or a delightful side dish for a brunch.

Happy cooking.

Linda

SPINACH PUFFS

These flaky, bite-sized spinach puffs are full of three kinds of cheese and so much creamy goodness.

INGREDIENTS

- 1 package frozen puff pastry (thawed)
- 1 package (10 oz) frozen chopped spinach, thawed and squeezed dry
- 4 oz cream cheese, softened
- ½ cup shredded mozzarella cheese
- ¼ cup crumbled feta cheese
- 2 large eggs, divided
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- ½ tsp pepper
- ¼ tsp salt



INSTRUCTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 400°. Unfold puff pastry and cut each sheet into 12 sections. place in greased mini muffin cups, pressing gently onto bottoms and up sides, allowing corners to point up.
2. In a large bowl, stir together spinach, cream cheese, mozzarella, feta, 1 egg, garlic, pepper, and salt. Spoon 1 Tbsp into each cup. Bring pastry corners together and pinch to seal. In a small bowl, beat the remaining egg. Brush over pastry edges. Bake until puffed and golden, about 20 minutes.

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Look for more info in the October SPLASH.

Or contact Dean Fauci at (570) 656-9001



2026 VETERANS' DINNER

Mark your calendar. This year's Veteran's Day dinner will be held on Wednesday, November 11th 6:00 pm, in the clubhouse. This is a great way to salute our veterans who are responsible for the freedom we enjoy. If you are not a veteran and would like help with the Dinner Committee, please contact Jill Kaylor (904) 826-7520. If you are a Veteran, please make sure you're on the invitation list. Watch for a special Veterans' Dinner Flyer in the October issue of the Splash. God Bless America!



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If you send pictures, please identify the people in the photo and mention that we have your permission to print it. Send it as a word document (.doc), plain text (.txt), or type it into an email and send it to kpSplashEditor@gmail.com or text it to (513) 833-3334. **DO NOT** send me a picture of your printout and no handwritten submissions, please. Deadline for final content is the 15th of each month, but we are open to suggestions anytime. **Also include your name and phone number so we can contact you if we have any questions.**

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DO YOU HAVE A SERVICE TO OFFER?

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We do not endorse or recommend any of these services but will publish the information for residents to use at their own discretion. You **MUST** be a resident to be included in the list. If interested, ***please contact the editor with your information.***

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- 7 Mark & Teresa Edsall
- 9 Dan & Carole Kelly
- 12 Tom & Cecilia Meko
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- 25 Lou & Jan Frizzell
- 27 Nolan & Ellen Rossi
- 28 Stephen & Sherry Harthill
- 30 Mike & Wendy Novak



FACEBOOK

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*Because this is a private group, only members of the group can see what is posted.



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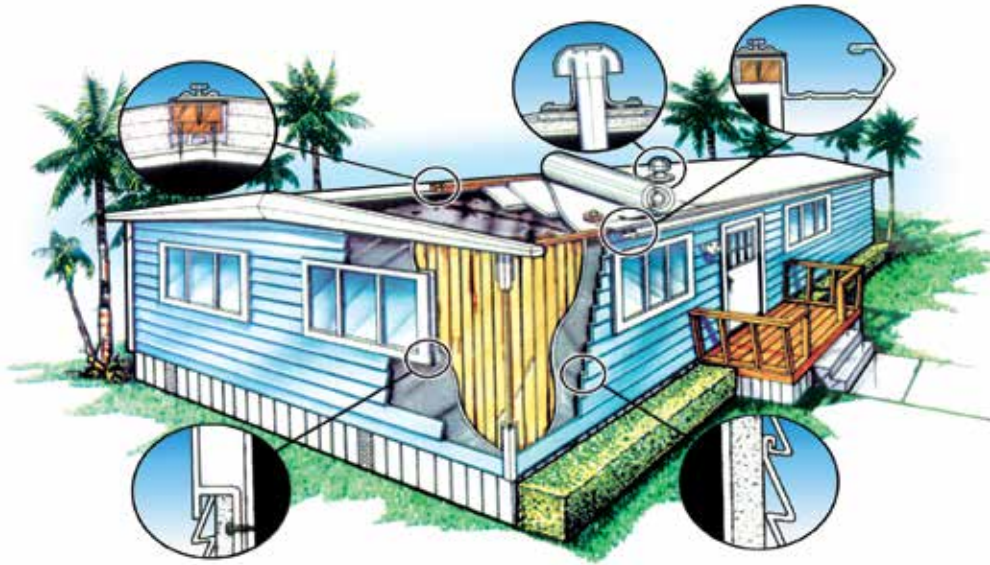


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SPANISH LAKES RESIDENTS OFFER SERVICES FOR HIRE

*This is a list of Spanish Lakes residents offering services to other Spanish Lakes residents for hire.
We do not endorse or recommend any of these services. Please use your own discretion.*

Deb Adams.....	(269) 208-5742.....	House sitting, pet sitting, and transportation to/from doctors, grocery, and airports
Eric Adams.....	(269) 208-0820.....	House sitting, pet sitting (cats in your home), and transportation to/from doctors, grocery, and airports
Sue Coolack	(281) 692-1517.....	Sue will return mid-October to resume giving haircuts. Women's & Men's haircuts. Also coloring and highlights!
Pamela Dahl.....	(941) 445-1054.....	Handmade greeting cards for all occasions, (may also be customized)
Eric Ebsch	(941) 294-9455.....	Professional painting, power washing, and other handyman services
Lori Good.....	(636) 279-5064.....	House Sitting, Airport transportation to and from Sarasota, Ft. Myers, and Punta Gorda airports
Kurt Groggel	(941) 539-8658.....	Installation and repair of flooring (hardwood, laminate and vinyl plank), also sub flooring
Tom Hilsheimer	(941) 887-0000.....	Handyman work. Year round
Bill Johnson	(517) 896-2702.....	Insurance and Annuities agent
Bob Lebensold	(914) 500-5892.....	Guitarist, pianist, singer; teaches instruments, music theory, singing, and performance skills. All ages.
Kathleen Putman	(513) 833-3334.....	Graphic design, Pet nail trims (by appointment only)
Gail Roser	(602) 881-5331.....	Photography: headshots, family portraits, pets and events
Pat Strongarone.....	(313) 729-1699.....	House Sitting, anytime! Vacation Pet Care: (Small) dogs – my house; Cats – your house
Chris Thomson.....	(941) 232-8442.....	Carpet and Furniture Cleaning, Power Washing & Painting
Michelle Thurston.....	(239) 403-7703.....	Travel Planner
Randy Timm.....	(727) 644-4371.....	Handyman (Jack of All Trades) Carport tie downs
Tom Wannop	(941) 875-8301.....	Vehicle washing & detailing, Housework, Weeding, Trimming, Edging; Rides (airports, appointments, shopping)

POOL RULES

- Pool Hours – Sunrise to sunset
- No Lifeguard on Duty. Swim at your own risk
- Shower before entering the pool.
- No food, glassware, or beverages allowed in the pool or fenced area. Commercially bottled water in plastic bottles are allowed in pool fenced area.
- Children not potty trained are not allowed in pool.
- **No diving or jumping** into the pool.
- No animals allowed in pool or pool fenced area.
- Pool capacity **16** persons.
- Persons under 16 may use pool between 11 AM – 3 PM and 5 PM – 7 PM with adult supervision.
- No smoking in the pool area.

POOL MAXIMUM DEPTH: 6 FEET

NO DIVING

1. Please put down the umbrellas and clean up all trash.
2. If you take down the rope to swim laps, please put it back after you are finished.
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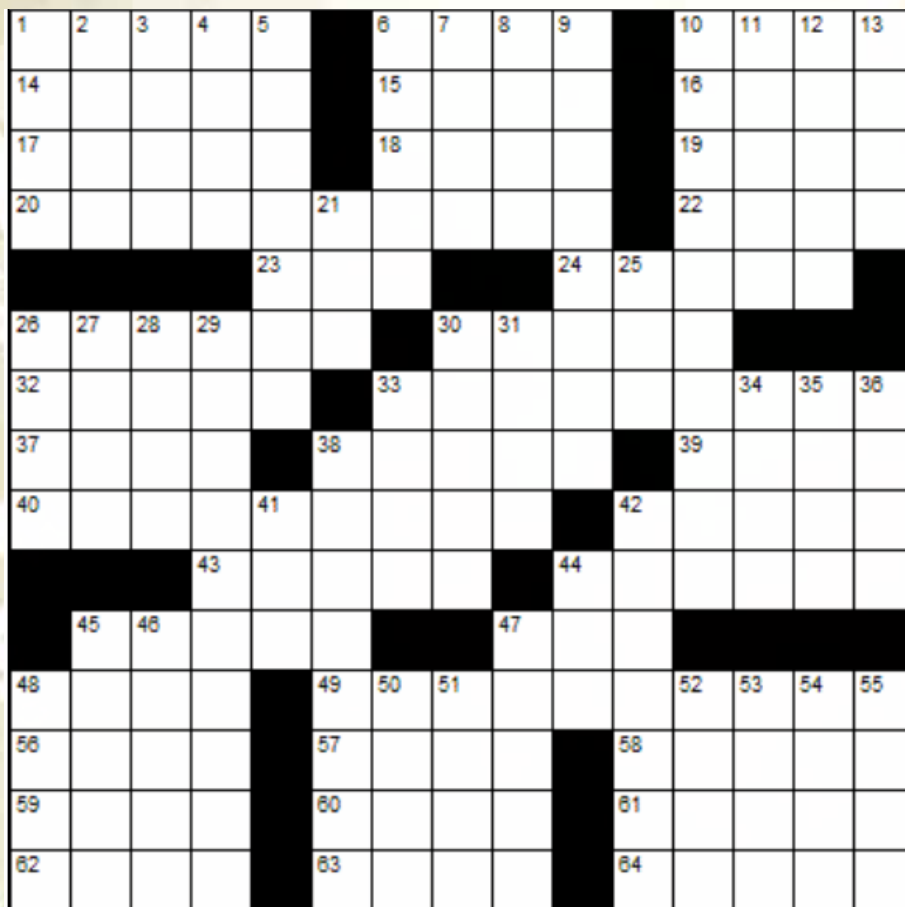
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ACROSS

1. Muscle spasm
6. Outcropping
10. Style of hairdo
14. Female demon
15. Relative of a rabbit
16. Neophyte, in modern slang
17. Kick out
18. Put ____ words
19. Storage site
20. A political government philosophy
22. Leg joint
23. 3 in Roman numerals
24. Rewrites
26. Sitting room
30. Complete
32. Give or take
33. Fantasy world
37. Small amount

38. Embroidered mat
39. Ice sheet
40. Likewise
42. Debonair
43. What we are called
44. Oleoresin
45. Displeased look
47. Grayish brown
48. Lives, in brief
49. Stewards
56. African sheep
57. Drill
58. Hawaiian greeting
59. Let out
60. French for "Wolf"
61. Lull
62. Countercurrent
63. Anagram of "Seek"
64. Sows

DOWN

1. Musical staff symbol
2. All-night party
3. In the center of
4. Rodents
5. Nationalist
6. Ground beef with peppery powder
7. Hindu princess
8. Cultural doings
9. Euclidean topic
10. Poorly done
11. Sharp end
12. Handouts
13. Double-reed woodwind
21. What we breathe
25. 24 hour period
26. Flat masses of soft material
27. Dugout shelter
28. Wander
29. Brightness
30. Dogs wag these
31. Greasy
33. Golfer's cry
34. "Oh dear!"
35. Exploded star
36. Regard
38. Deserving a curse
41. The collection of rules
42. Beach footwear
44. Hair style
45. Dismissed
46. Circular
47. Ocean trenches
48. Naked
50. Swiped
51. Not false
52. Away from the wind
53. Mark down
54. Impact sound
55. Exhausts



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