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Suncoast Mental Health Honors OV

At a luncheon on November 21 at Harbour Ridge Yacht and Country Club in Palm City, Florida, Ocean Village was honored for being an active philanthropic community.

National Philanthropic Day celebrates the meaning of giving and all it has made possible. Ocean Village was nominated by Suncoast Mental Health for their outstanding contributions to Mental Health Care.

Our heartfelt thanks to those members of the community who have continued to volunteer and to attend events in order to enrich the lives of others.

*Submitted by Pat Savino
President, Suncoast Mental Health*



Toys for Tots Tennis Event

The weather did not cooperate for the planned Toys for Tots tennis event and after one postponement, the tennis matches had to be cancelled due to rain and high winds. Thirty-one players had signed up for the tennis portion of the event.

The scheduled luncheon did take place, and we were lucky enough to be able to host this portion of the event at the new Hutchinson Island Bar and Grille. We were very appreciative of Taylor Shull, chefs Dena and Lauralee, and all of the

staff who served us and made the day special. The service was top notch and the food was excellent.

We'd like to thank everyone who supported Toys for Tots by donating toys. This charity is run by the U.S. Marines and provides toys to children in need. With the help of the Ocean Village community, we collected over 75 toys.

This event was coordinated by Linda Stephan and Lori Dobbin.

Submitted by Lori Dobbin





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Pot Pourri of Trivia

1. Fresh water mussels are a source of what rainbow-colored material used in making jewelry?
2. Wolf, beaver, blood, pink, thunder, snow, cold, sturgeon, worm and flower are names of what natural reoccurring phenomena?
3. The bat is a well-known trademark for what popular consumable?
4. What is the name of the cigar smoking pug dog that gives assistance to Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones in "Men in Black"?
5. What staple children's Christmas gift is named after both Guglielmo Marconi and Charles Lindberg?
6. Gucci designer, Tom, and Yankee pitcher and Hall of Famer, Edward, both have the same last name, which is?
7. In 1984, Clara Peller, an 81-year-old manicurist became an overnight sensation by asking a question to McDonald's, what was it?
8. Until 2011, when the law was changed, no living person could be depicted on U.S. postage stamps, However, one time, three living people - Ira Hayes, Rene Gagnon, and John Bradley - were depicted on a postage stamp in the 1940s. Explain.
9. If you went to an eye doctor and failed an Ishihara test, what affliction would you have?

1. _____	2. _____
3. _____	4. _____
5. _____	6. _____
7. _____	8. _____
9. _____	

December answers: (1) 75 (2) Westminster Abbey (3) Taming of the Shrew (4) Turkey (5) King (6) Four (7) Clarence Darrow (8) Green (9) Neil Patrick Harris

(Produced by Mike Tormey, a 1982 inductee into the Trivia Hall of Fame, located in Boulder, CO)

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OV Trivia Season is in full Swing

Brainiac prevails in photo finish in last month's Trivia. Five teams finished within 5 points as Brainiac prevailed with 50 points, nosing out Cheetah with 48.5, Beach Cats with 47.5, Bumpas with 46, and Paint it Black with 45 points. This was the closest multiple-entry finish since 1944 when Brownie, Bossuet, and Wait a Bit finished in a triple dead heat at Aqueduct.

Next Trivia Extravaganza will be at the Community Center at 7 PM on Jan. 14, where we will again attempt to give the prize of a mint 1957 silver certificate!

Hope to see you there!

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Beach & Dune Committee 2025 Speaker Series – Florida's Invasive Reptiles & Amphibians

Save the Date! Friday, February 7 at 11 AM. Ocean Village and the Beach & Dune Committee are happy to announce the return of Dr. Zak Jud of the Florida Oceanographic Society in Stuart. Please join us as we learn about reptiles and amphibians in and around Ocean Village. This will be of special interest to pet owners!

Dr. Jud is a dynamic speaker with an in-depth knowledge of the Indian River Lagoon estuary and tributaries, in addition to marine animals. We first met Dr. Jud in 2023 when he shared his knowledge of sea turtles. Last year he helped us understand the immense pressure on water and soils in our area because of nitrates and phosphate. He

is passionate about bridging the gap between the scientific community and the public.

Dr. Jud received his M.S. and his Ph.D. from Florida Institute of Technology in the field of Marine Biology. He is the Director of Education & Exhibits at the Florida Oceanographic Society.

We will be starting at 11 AM on February 7 in the Community Center, and there should be enough time for questions at the end. As in years past, there will also be a few special door prizes for lucky attendees.

Ask anyone who has heard Dr. Jud speak before. This is not to be missed!

Submitted by Lee Hearn



Ocean Village POA

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the following AWOL members for their invaluable assistance with the recent mail-stuffing project for Ocean Village POA. Your time, dedication, and efforts are greatly appreciated:

Elaine Petropoulos
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January 22 - Men's Welcome Back

January 25 - Wimbledon in Winter

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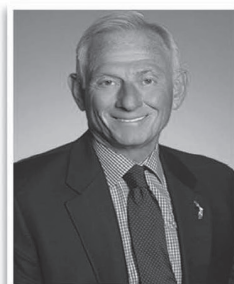
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OV Red Hat News

Fifteen of our Red Hat members gathered on November 13 to discuss and plan the 2024-2025 season's upcoming schedule. While many of our members were not here at that time, plans were made to include all of them participating in another exciting season centered on fun, friends, and festivity, as well as an afternoon's delight once a month!

Many thanks go to our November co-hosts, Barbara Boyle and Barbara McArthur, for welcoming everyone back to our first event of the season, arranging a lovely luncheon catered by the Pot Belli Deli, and also to Jan Heckenhauer for volunteering the Hospitality Room at her building for this occasion.

Our December 18 Christmas luncheon was held at the newly designed, contemporary Waterfront Restaurant on Flagler Drive in Stuart, overlooking the beautiful St. Lucie River. There is even an outdoor patio right on the water with tables for alfresco dining. We enjoyed a lovely luncheon while admiring several gigantic Christmas trees as well as the gorgeous navy- and silver-themed holiday decorations throughout the restaurant! Of course, the unbeatable main focus was the unparalleled panoramic water view through the huge wrap-around windows that span the entire river side of the building. The name "Waterfront

Restaurant" is perfect!

Our schedule for the rest of the year includes a tour of the Gifford Historical Museum and Cultural Arts Center in Vero, a tour of the original Peacock House (which has received landmark designation in Port St. Lucie), a tour of the brand-new Highwaymen Museum here in Ft. Pierce, and another visit still in the planning stages!

So, many of you reading this article might ask, "What the heck is a Red Hat?!"

Well, The Red Hat Society is a worldwide membership society that encourages women in their quest to get the most out of life. It supports women in the pursuit of Fun, Friendship, Freedom, Fitness, and the Fulfillment of lifelong dreams. It encourages women to live life to the fullest and to celebrate every stage of life. Our Ocean Village group has over 35 members!

The signature colors for Red Hats are red, purple, and pink, and members wear hats and clothing in these colors. Women over 50 typically wear red hats and purple clothing, while women under 50 wear pink hats. Why? Because at our distinguished age, we want to declare our vibrancy (the French might say, joie de vivre) by wearing and letting bright colors shout out, "We celebrate living to the fullest!"

*Submitted by DiAnn Yonker
Red Hat Queen Mother*

Friday, January 17
11 am

Meet at the
Community Center

2025 Ocean Village

ANNUAL BEACH CLEANUP

75 tee shirts will be distributed

3 AWARDS FOR SPECIAL FINDS

No early birds, please



OV Book Club News

The Ocean Village Book Club will again be held the first Monday of each month at the Cayman Center at 1 PM and will commence on the following dates:
Jan. 6, 2025 *Art of Racing in the Rain* by Garth Stein
Feb. 3, 2025 *The Day the World Came to Town* by Jim DeFede
March 3, 2025 *The Lincoln Highway* by Armor Towles
April 7, 2025 *Tom Lake* by Ann Patchett

This Book Club is open to anyone at Ocean Village who would like to attend, and all are welcome!

We are fortunate to have Book Kits on loan from the Susan Kilmer Ft. Pierce Public Library, which we share with our regular attendees. This means we obtain 12 copies of our selected books each month and these books are signed out prior to the next session. The January selection is available now. Please call me at 772-466-9960 to arrange pickup.

We look forward to another enjoyable season of stimulating and thought-provoking discussions!

Submitted by DiAnn Yonker, Ocean Village Book Club Chair

December book review, *House of Eve*

At the December 2 Ocean Village Book Club session, we discussed *The House of Eve* by Sadeqa Johnson. It is a historical fiction novel that follows the lives of two young Black women navigating love, class, and societal expectations in the late 1940s and early 1950s.

Sadeqa Johnson is a New York Times bestselling author of five novels. Her most recent novel, *The House of Eve*, was an instant New York Times Best Seller. She is a passionate public speaker, writing coach, and teaches for the MFA program at Drexel University.

The novel begins with Ruby, a bright high school teenager, abandoned by her single mother and living with her aunt Marie, a character that is complex and unconventional. Should characters like her be seen as role models for standing up against oppressive systems or should they be criticized for disregarding the laws? We all respected Marie's tenacity to survive against all odds, to provide a home, love, guidance, and understanding for her niece.

Ruby struggles with a forbidden love affair with a white boy that threatens her path to college. The weaponization of women's bodies is a major theme throughout the book.

Meanwhile, Eleanor, a Howard University student whose poverty-stricken parents have worked tirelessly to save for their only child's tuition, falls for a man who is studying to be a doctor. William is from a wealthy elite Black family, forcing her to confront the complexities of fitting into his world. She is especially shocked to see "white" Black couples in William's family home, representing a class system which is prejudiced against lower-class Blacks. Both Ruby and Eleanor face life-altering decisions that shape their futures.

There were different responsibilities placed upon men and women in the novel during the 40's and 50's, specifically, the double standard of what

happens when the woman gets pregnant. Does this still happen in today's world?

The novel revolves around the theme of material bonds and the absence of them. There are a lot of female influences in this novel, such as Ruby's aunt, Ruby's mother, the contrast between Ruby's relationship with her mother and her boyfriend's relationship with his mother, who fights for her son's future without the life-changing event of an unexpected Black child. Eleanor's character struggles for her place in William's life against his powerful mother's control. How do their different upbringings affect their life decisions?

Sadeqa Johnson is an expert at excavating the parts of the past that we would rather not confront. She dusts off these harrowing histories, shines them up, and gives them their proper glory. She mines this terrain with soaring grace, shining intellect, and a love that resonates on every page. Thanks to Johnson's enviable ability to craft narratives that not only educate and elucidate, but also enamor the stories of Ruby and Eleanor and the ancestors and elders they represent, will long be remembered.

With these two women's stories colliding in the most unexpected ways, Ruby and Eleanor will both make decisions that shape the trajectory of their lives.

The January 6 Book Club discussion will be *The Art of Racing in the Rain* by Garth Stein. Steve Hanley will lead this discussion, which focuses on auto racing, dogs, and how to navigate life's ordeals.

The February 3 Book Club selection will be *The Day the World Came to Town* by Jim DeFede, which is a true story behind the events of 9/11 that inspired Broadway's smash hit musical, "Come From Away!"

All Ocean Village residents are welcome to attend!

*Submitted by DiAnn Yonker
OV Book Club Chair*

“Why We Hold the Annual Beach Cleanup”

While you're visiting the lovely beach of our Ocean Village community, many of you contribute to cleaning up all the plastic littering the shore. You're aware that plastics change the environment on South Hutchinson Island unalterably, and you pledge to be one of the Ocean Village residents who removes plastics when you come across them. You grab a grocery bag stuffed into the BlueTube system and scour the sand; eventually discard the refuse you've collected in the trash cans at the base of each crossover.

Perhaps you walk the beach with your grandchildren and use the discovery of plastics as a teachable moment. You point out that living marine creatures are easily fooled by small chips of plastic, thinking they're a yummy food source since they smell so appetizing.

You describe how the green, ladderback, or loggerhead turtles that lay their eggs on our beach might be stopped on their long path if they find a barrier of plastics. You explain how our beach is interconnected with the mangroves to the south of us, which is a unique waterway system home to wildlife like bobcats, raccoons, egrets, spoonbill cranes, and

rabbits -- among others. You explain that plastics have no place beside the mangroves.

You tell your family members about the Ocean Conservancy, which says, from the tiniest plankton to the largest whales, plastics impact nearly 700 species in our ocean. You all try to make sense of the reality that plastic has been found in more than 60% of all seabirds and in 100% of sea turtle species.

You relate to the young ones in language they can digest that the planet's growing plastic crisis carries with it grim predictions -- if humans don't change their plastic consumption habits, the oceans will contain more plastic than fish within 30 years. The world is dumping 18 billion pounds of plastic into the ocean every year, and the world's plastic production is expected to quadruple by 2030.

Becoming conscious of the effects of plastics on your beautiful Ocean Village beach is only the first step, you explain. You describe how to reduce the amount of plastic going into the ocean by choosing materials other than plastic in our consumption. You outline how every person can also be a force to get other individuals to examine their relationship and behavior with plastic.

You are a voice of change, hoping to lead to more pervasive overall sustainable consumption and production.

With this knowledge of the destruction that plastics cause, won't you please join other concerned Ocean Village owners and their guests for our Annual Beach Cleanup? We'll meet at 11 AM on Friday, January 17 on the steps of the new Community Center. From there we'll spread out north and south, on the Ocean Village beach, down to Blue Heron Boulevard and up to Coconut Drive Park Beach. It is a rare opportunity to go into the dune, carefully examining each of your footfalls to avoid our native and rare dune plantings while you pick up debris that has blown in from storms.

We'll have T-shirts for the first 75 participants and a few awards for special litter finds.

We hope you'll join us and share in this wonderful event that builds community, and which creates in us all the habit of protecting the pristine natural world around us from the devastation of plastics.

*Carolyn Fortuna
Beach and Dune Committee Chair*

Do you like racing? Dogs? Boy books?

Then you should join the Ocean Village Book Group
on Monday, Jan. 6 at 1 PM
at the Cayman Center.

We'll be reading:
The Art of Racing in the Rain, by Garth Stein.



AWOL ... Annual Christmas Dinner Party & Boat Parade

On December 11, the ladies of AWOL gathered together for the **Annual Christmas Dinner**. With a change in location, the group held the dinner in the Community Center. The catering was provided by the Siren's Group, new managers of the Ocean Village Restaurant. The dinner, with choices of prime rib, chicken marsala, or salmon, was extremely delicious. It was the attendees' privilege to be served by very professional personnel. The restaurant's Chefs, Dena and Lauralee, together with Taylor Schull, owner of The Siren's Group, addressed the guests and personally greeted the attendees. Booklets with various Christmas carols added to the festive evening with a group sing-along, led by Judy

McDowell. Many thanks to Anna King and her committee, Loretta Starck and Maureen VanName. Their efforts once again provided a beautifully decorated environment for the AWOL wonderful Christmas celebration.

As a final Christmas holiday celebration activity, AWOL members watched the Annual Fort Pierce Christmas Boat Parade on December 21. The original date was cancelled due to inclement weather. Although not all of those originally planned Parade viewers were available, there were two tables of members at the Manatee Island Restaurant. The parade was beautifully executed with a variety of small and large vessels with outstanding decorations.



Members of The Siren's Group catered the Annual Christmas Dinner Dec. 11.



(Below): Boat Parade attendees at the Manatee Island Restaurant on the Fort Pierce Inlet.



The Garden Spot

Happy New Year! Best wishes for a happy, healthy 2025 to each and every one in Ocean Village, be you owner, renter, or friend. I hope you enjoyed the Christmas lighting in the Remembrance Garden. This year the garden was the best ever, thanks to the direction of Scott and Bethann Zaprowski. They were assisted by volunteers shown in the picture. When broken circuits and the heavy rains caused many problems with keeping the lights going, Brian Dennehy and Shelton Struchell added their electrical expertise.

plumeria because they usually lose their leaves in late fall and look like dead trees until late spring. There are hundreds of varieties of these members of the dogbane family. At the Farmer's Market they are sold under the common name, frangipani. This name is derived from a 16th century Italian nobleman who created a perfume with a scent similar to the fragrance of the plumeria. The fragrant flowers, which can be white, yellow, pink, or even mixed colors, are often used in leis.

With night visits dominating the attention, it was easy to miss a big surprise in the garden: For the very first time ever, not one, but both of the plumeria trees have produced seed pods. It is very rare for a cultivated plumeria to produce a seed pod, and we have three. The seed pods are two-horned, attached to the limb at the center. The long, hard, leathery, cylinders end in a point. I have tied a net around one of the seed pods on the plumeria on the NE side of the garden, hoping to catch the seed when the pod splits open. Each pod can contain 20-60 seeds. Each seed has a wing on one side that propels it in the wind. Pictures to follow next month?

The plumerias in our garden are often bare as a bone during this season, but with the unusual weather we have had this year, we have spotted occasional leaves and blooms, so keep your eye out for more unusual garden happenings. We even had crepe myrtle bloom in September.

Keeping the garden beautiful requires a lot of work. If you would like to lend a hand to water, to weed, to trim, or elsewhere, contact me, Bettie Marshall, at 772-607-1918 (can't get voice mail but can receive texts).

Email bettiemarshall4@gmail.com, or I can be found at Beachtree I #3635. The same applies for ordering bricks. Forms are in the plastic box on the walkway or available from me.

Submitted by Bettie Marshall



Back row: Scott Zaprowski, Lara Cook, Christine Martin, and Bob Cook; Seated: Bethann Zaprowski, Sylvia Parmelee, Claud McMillen, and Bettie Marshall. Not pictured: Hans Schumann, Tom Jaeger, and Gene Marshall.



Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency Expands Freebee Fleet with FIFTH TESLA to Meet Holiday Season Demand



FORT PIERCE, FL – The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency (FPRA) is excited to announce the addition of a fifth Tesla vehicle to the Freebee fleet, just in time for the busy holiday season. This expansion ensures that residents and visitors can easily navigate Fort Pierce during the holiday season, whether shopping, dining, or spending time with family and friends.

Freebee will continue to operate 7 days a week to accommodate all residents and visitors.

Service hours are as follows:

- Monday – Wednesday: 8 AM – 6 PM
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- Saturday: 10 AM – 10 PM
- Sunday: 10 AM – 8 PM

To make requesting a ride even easier, Freebee encourages users to download the Freebee app, available for both iOS and Android devices. The app allows users to book rides, track the location of their vehicle, and enjoy a smooth and stress-free journey throughout the city.

For those without a smartphone or in need of additional assistance, Freebee’s customer support team is available at 855-918-3733.

The City of Fort Pierce and the FPRA are proud to continue offering this free, sustainable, and convenient transportation option to all residents and visitors, especially during the busy holiday season.

For more information on Freebee’s services, including hours of operation and service boundaries, please visit the City of Fort Pierce’s official web-site at [Freebee | Fort Pierce, FL - Official Website \(cityoffort-pierce.com\)](http://Freebee | Fort Pierce, FL - Official Website (cityoffort-pierce.com)).

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Happy New Year!

Welcome Back and Happy New Year, Friends!

As this is the first installment of the *Seaword* in 2025, I'd like to take the opportunity to thank you all for making the 2024 season another fantastic and memorable year on the golf course. On behalf of my staff, I wish you a very happy and healthy New Year. We still have the most affordable and well-maintained course on the Treasure Coast at \$5 per round. Payment options available – cash, check or credit card. Booking methods available are walk up to the Golf Shop in person, calling (772-467-0102), or via online reservations at Chrono.golf – renters must go to the OV Recreation office to receive a pass code.

Please bring a copy of your lease agreement or a valid parking pass.

Our mission is to make this a pleasurable, safe, and welcoming golf atmosphere. Play 7 days a week from 7:30 AM until about 1 hour before sunset (5 PM). Just a reminder, the course is closed most Tuesdays until noon for golf course maintenance. A good way to meet people is to join the Men's and Ladies' Social Leagues, beginning every Thursday, January 2, and Friday, January 3, or participate in one of our many scrambles.

Next up on the schedule are two fun tournaments, starting with the Welcome Back Scramble (January 6) and Winter String Scramble and Breakfast (January 18). See the complete tournament schedule below or check out Channel 901 for further details regarding upcoming golf events.

The OV course is designed for all levels of golfers. We don't have a strict dress code but please, no flip flops or tank tops! What we expect is respect for our golfing environment, its staff, and its rules and regulations. Please use the sand in the green bins to repair divots on tee boxes and fix your pitch marks on the greens. Don't pull your cart over the greens or the tee boxes. Please utilize the putting green by the shack or the hitting bays by the third crossover to the beach for practice at OV. As tempting as it may be, DO NOT practice anywhere on the course itself during the season.

If you happen to break a window, please report it to the Golf Shop personnel, or OV Security if it is

after hours. You must also wear a valid wristband in order to have access to play on the golf course. NO EXCEPTIONS. It is important to maintain a steady pace of play. (Should play 9 holes in 90 minutes or less) It is advisable to arrive 10 minutes prior to check in so that you will not have to wait. All payments are made at the time of play. Of course, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask me or one of my staff. We want to make sure that we are doing everything possible to positively serve the golf community.

Finally, I am appreciative for the numerous warm seasonal well wishes, gifts, and holiday goodies. Please remember, we value all of your comments and suggestions to help make this your favorite place to be on property. Welcome back and let's make it our New Year's Resolution to play lots of golf, stay safe, and have FUN!

Happy New Year,

Beth E. Cecil
Golf Shop Manager



Shanks and Franks - Dec. 5

IN CASE
YOU
MISSED
IT

Last month marked the first addition of this event. It was a gorgeous day, filled with a friendly 9-hole scramble tournament, a 5-hole individual putting competition, and tons of camaraderie in the Florida sunshine.

The individual putting winner of the day

was Don McEwen, who bested 31 other players in the field with a score of 10 strokes. The highlight of the event was a thrilling moment – a jackpot clearing hole-in-one by Jon O'Donnell - on the first hole, no less! Congratulations, Jon, on this incredible achievement. Tom Bockenstette, Karen Schmittendorf, Gary Fry, and Scot Ridinger captured team honors and bragging rights with an impressive 2 under par score. Well done.

Following golf, players were treated to a delicious cookout, cold refreshments, and prizes. Complete results are listed in the mini scoreboard below.

Champions: Tom Bockenstette, Karen Schmittendorf, Scot Ridinger, Gary Fry - 24

2nd Place: Jon O'Donnell, Paul Poole, Pam Shepherd, Judy Cardone - 25

3rd Place: Don McEwen, Wes Taylor, Katy O'Donnell, Patty Noerr - 27 *

CTP Draw Winners: Anna McEwen, Katy O'Donnell

Hole-in-One: Jon O'Donnell

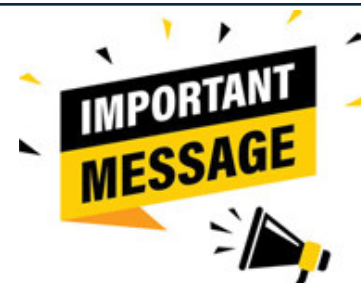
Congratulations on your Jackpot-Clearing ACE on Hole #1!

Thank you players and volunteers for supporting OV Golf in this Inaugural event.



Jon O'Donnell aces Hole #1 in the Shanks & Franks Tournament (Photo courtesy of Pam Shepherd)

More photos on page 10



Our "push up" greens have a higher percentage of organic matter and no sub-surface drainage, compared to the standard USGA specification green. They remain saturated longer and are susceptible to anaerobic conditions leading to turf loss. Foot traffic on wet greens, compacting pore space and reducing oxygen capacity, has caused turf loss. When greens' moisture reaches a given threshold, restrictions on play are necessary to preserve the health of the putting surfaces.

Lack of cooperation with closure signs and posts potentially creates unnecessary expenditures to the golf course. As always, our team has been working diligently to maintain and improve the course, ensuring that you have the best possible golf experience. Thank you for being part of our golf community, and we look forward to seeing you on the course soon.



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Bright new bunker sand was added to all bunkers on the course. It makes playing out of them much more favorable.



As I conclude my article for this month, I want to take a moment to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the incredible individuals who made December's events a resounding success. Your dedication, hard work, time, and talents have been instrumental in creating memorable experiences for everyone involved. In no particular order: Bobbie and Steve Burbank, Nancy Edwards, Joe and Margie Dymond, Scot and Vicki Ridinger, Eileen Mullen, Kathy and Ed Conroy, Mary Duckworth, Barb Quinn, Ted and Sally Samples, and Susie Herr. Thank you for being the backbone of our golf community and for making each event a special shining success. You are the best!

Shanks and Franks - December 5, 2024



Mark, John, Bill and John O.



Anna wins a Closest-to-Pin prize puzzle!

SAVE THESE DATES FOR SPECIAL EVENTS



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| Jan 6 | Welcome Back Scramble (9&18 holes) |
| Jan 18 | Winter String Scramble & Breakfast (9 holes) |
| Feb 2 | Couples Scramble (18 holes) |
| Feb 14 | Valentine's Day Scramble (9 & 18 holes) |
| Feb 17 | Hospice Pro/AM (18 holes) |
| Feb 24 | Ladies Friendship Day (9 holes) |
| Mar 12 | Moonlight Masters (9 holes) |
| Mar 17 | St. Patrick's Day Scramble (9 & 18 holes) |
| Mar 29 | HEC Putting Championship (18 holes) |
| April 7 | Farewell Scramble (9 holes) |
| April 20 | Easter Sunday |
| April 22 | Season Over |

Social Leagues Begin:
 MEN: Thursday, January 2 • LADIES: Friday, January 3
 Contact: 772-467-0102



The putting course.



Chef Ted Samples, our Grille Master.



The Shanks and Franks prize table.



Shanks and Franks champions: Tom Bockenstette, Karen Schmittendorf, Beth Cecil accepting for Scot Ridinger, and Gary Fry.

Golf Shop News and Notes

Open Daily Dec. 1-April 15 (Closed Christmas Day) 7 AM -5 PM • Phone: (772) 467-0102 • Online tee times: OceanVillage.com • Facebook: @ovgolfclub • Maintenance: Tuesdays course closed until noon

OV Holiday Putting Tournament - Monday, Dec. 16, 2024

The 11th Annual OV Holiday Putting Tournament was held last month. Thirty-two players competed in the fun-filled event, where **\$320 was raised for our beautiful Remembrance Garden.**

The course was cleverly designed by 7 of Santa's finest helpers. The layout featured 9 challenging holiday-themed holes. Players went around the course twice, testing their putting prowess. Our very own Golf Course Superintendent, Sean Gillen, bested a narrowly bunched field where 1/4 of the players were within 5 strokes of his winning score of 46. Sean received the coveted victory towel, and his name will be forever engraved on the traveling trophy.

Players participated in several rounds of Christmas games, vying for an opportunity to win more prizes. The awards luncheon included delicious pizza from Angelina's, salad a la Susie Herr, and Snicker Doodles by Chef Ted Samples. A great time was had by all!

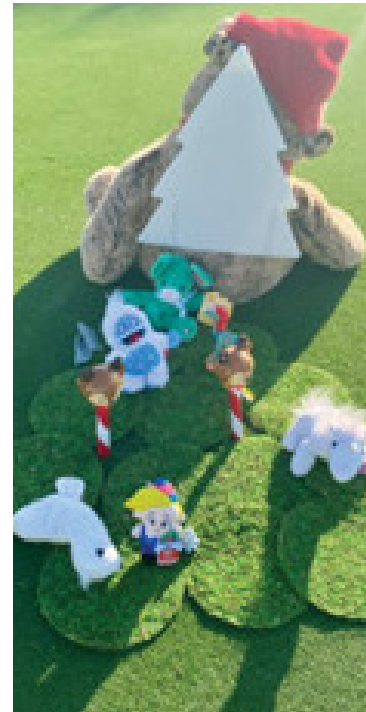
- Champion: Sean Gillen - 46
- T-2nd Place: Peggy Goetz - 49
Eileen Mullen
- T-4th Place: Wesley Taylor - 50
Matt Quinn



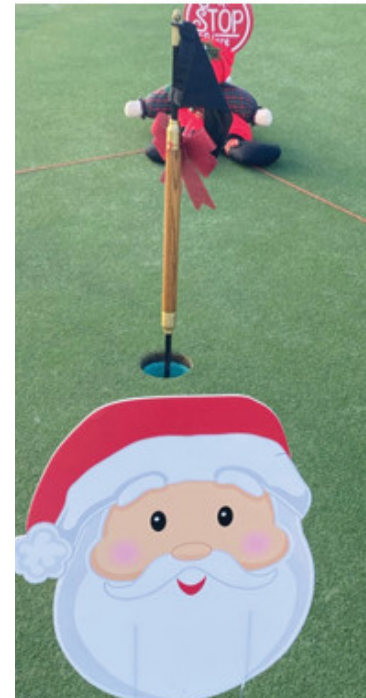
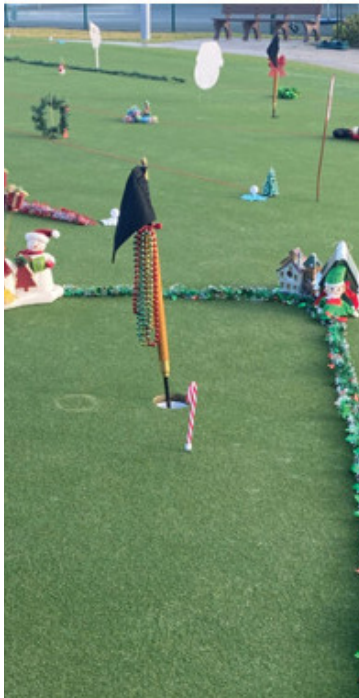
(L-R): Linda Risetto, Eileen Mullen, Bob Page, Nancy Edwards and Susie Herr.



Sean Gillen, 2024 Holiday Putting Champion with GSM Beth Cecil.



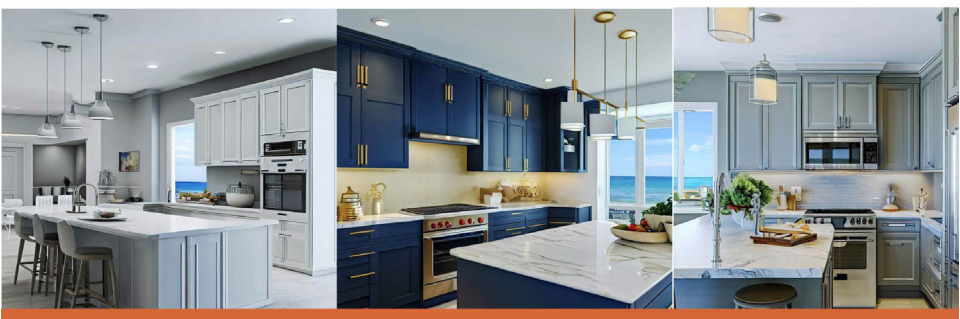
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If you sell your unit the TiVo/Set-Top Box boxes and plumes must be returned, but the ONT stays. The TiVo boxes and plumes can either be returned to **Blue Stream Fiber, 1982 SW Hayworth Avenue, Port St. Lucie, FL 34953** or you can call for a technician to come out to pick up the equipment, which usually incurs a fee. New owners will have to call for a new install at a cost of \$99.



Please put the number below in your Contacts. This is the number to call for any issues with Blue Stream service.

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BREAKING NEWS

Welcome to the NEW and IMPROVED Ocean Village Community Channel. Your go-to destination for information and happenings in Ocean Village.

The Community Channel is now available on **CHANNEL 901** (Blue Stream Fiber subscribers only) or at <https://live.mysmartcommunity.net/oceanvillagetv> (Non-Blue Stream Fiber owners use this link or



Please stop by at Rec. or the Admin. Office for advertising information and forms to submit your own slide to the Community Channel. If you have any issues accessing Channel 901 (Blue Stream subscribers only), please call Blue Stream Support at 772-242-6811. Choose Tech Support for TIVO (TV) and ask the tech to add Channel 901 to your line-up. A big THANK YOU to our Community Channel Team for all of their many hours of creativity and hard work to provide another great asset available to OV Owners.

Ocean Village Community Channel Channel 901 is now available! Watch for OV announcements and Cluster Meeting information.



To place an ad on the Community Channel, click on the following link: <https://www.oceanvillage.com/general-8-2> Or scan the QR Code

The new email address for Security is: oceanvillageofficer@gmail.com

COVID-19 policy
We exceed all CDC guidelines for disinfecting and sanitizing the workplace. Also, our staff is serving clients in SEPERATE rooms to provide for social distancing.

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BlueTube Makes it Easy!

Please stuff the Blue Tube containers at each Crossover with grocery bags. And then tell others about picking up litter on the beach by using the Blue Tubes each time you visit the Ocean Village Beach.



Please keep our beach clean by joining in the BlueTube program!

Recreation Activities



Beginner Bridge Lessons

Wednesdays, Starting Jan. 15th for 8 weeks
9AM-11:30 AM | ARUBA WEST

Four friends + a standard deck of cards = the best game you'll ever play. Bridge!

Instructor: Sue Peterson(petersons@sympatico.ca)

This session is for people who have never played bridge but have some knowledge of card games or for people who have had some experience with bridge and want to brush up on their basic skills.

No cost for lessons, but purchase of a Beginner's Bridge Book (~\$20)

Sign up with Recreation—minimum of 8 people required to run the program.

OV BOOK CLUB

Lead by **Diann Yonker**
First Monday of the month
1-3pm | Cayman

November 4, 2024: **Rough Sleepers** by Tracy Kidder
December 2, 2024: **House of Eve** by Sedega Johnson
January 6, 2025 : **Art of Racing in the Rain** by Garth Stein
February 3, 2025: **The Day the World Came to Town**, by Jim DeFede
March 3, 2025: **The Lincoln Highway** by Armor Towles
April 7, 2025: **Tom Lake** by Ann Patchett

OCEAN VILLAGE RECREATION PRESENTS

24TH JANUARY, 2025

A NIGHT WITH ELVIS

\$40 ENTRY TICKET
 INCLUDES "ELVIS" LIVE PERFORMANCE AND DINNER

JOIN US FOR A ROCKIN EVENING!
ENJOY A PERFORMANCE OF ELVIS'S GREATEST HITS AND DINNER

DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 PM, SHOW STARTS AT 6:30PM
JANUARY 24TH | 6:30PM-8:30PM | OCEAN VILLAGE COMMUNITY CENTER

MUST REGISTER BY JANUARY 16TH , CALL TO RSVP 772.429.7415

Bring a friend and win prizes!
 Participants need to compete in teams of three

JIGSAW PUZZLE CONTEST

JANUARY 16TH | 12:00PM
COMMUNITY CENTER

Register with Recreation by Fri. 1/10
ovpoarec@fsresidential.com
 or 772 429 7415
 \$5 per person

OV January Recreation Calendar

Lifestyle, Wellness, & Recreation Dept.

Hours: Sun.-Sat. 8 AM-6 PM

772-429-7415

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Lifestyle, Wellness, & Recreation

Wednesday, Jan. 1

- *Vinyasa Flow Yoga 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Bible Study 8 AM Aruba East
- *Oil Painting 9 AM Cayman
- *Water Aerobics 9 & 10 AM Cayman
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East
- *AWOL Bocce 10 AM Court C
- *Strength/Tone 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Mahjong 1-4 PM Aruba East
- *Acrylic Painting 2:30 PM Cayman
- *Strength-Tone 4 PM Comm. Cntr.
- *AWOL Gamenight 6 PM Aruba East

Thursday, Jan. 2

- *Gentle & Energy Flow Yoga 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Water Aerobics 9 & 10 AM Cayman
- *OnSpot Dermatology 9:30 AM Beachclub Parking Lot
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East-Cancelled
- *OV Quilters 10 AM Aruba East
- *Strength-Tone 9:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Zumba 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Bridge 12:30 PM Cayman
- *AWOL Mahjong 1-4 PM Aruba West
- *Open Ping Pong 6-8:30 PM Gameroom

Friday, Jan. 3

- *Yoga Sculpt 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.

- *Water Aerobics 9 & 10 AM Cayman
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East
- *Strength 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Strength-Tone 4 PM Comm. Cntr.

Saturday, Jan. 4

- *Cardio(Lite) 9:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Barre 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Bingo 1 PM Cayman *\$1 per Card

Sunday, Jan. 5

- *Pilates 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Mahjong 1-4 PM Aruba East
- *Open PingPong 6-8:30 PM Gameroom

Monday, Jan. 6

- *Gentle Flow Yoga 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Water Aerobics 9 & 10 AM Cayman
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East
- *Strength 9:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Bookclub 1-3 PM Cayman
- *Strength-Tone 4 PM Comm. Cntr.
- *Euchre 7 PM Aruba East & West
- *Duplicate Bridge 6:45 PM Comm. Cntr.

Tuesday, Jan. 7

- *Yoga Core 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Water Aerobics 9 & 10 AM Cayman
- *Zumba 9:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Geneology Group 10 AM Cayman
- *Bible Study 10 AM Aruba East
- *Cardio 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Knitting & Kneedle Crafts 1 PM Aruba West
- *Soundsations 2 PM Aruba East
- *Bingo 1 PM Cayman Center

- *Restorative Yoga 7 PM Aruba East
- *Open PingPong 6-8:30 PM Gameroom

Wednesday, Jan. 8

- *Vinyasa Flow Yoga 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Bible Study 8 AM Aruba East
- *Oil Painting 9 AM Cayman
- *Bridge Lessons 9 AM Aruba West
- *Water Aerobics 9 & 10 AM Cayman
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East
- *AWOL Bocce 10 AM Court C
- *Strength/Tone 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Mahjong 1-4 PM Aruba East
- *Acrylic Painting 2:30 PM Cayman
- *Strength-Tone 4 PM Comm. Cntr.
- *AWOL Gamenight 6 PM Aruba East

Thursday, Jan. 9

- *Gentle & Energy Flow Yoga 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Water Aerobics 9 & 10 AM Cayman
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East
- *Strength-Tone 9:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Zumba 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Bridge 12:30 PM Cayman
- *AWOL Mahjong 1-4 PM Aruba West
- *Open Ping Pong 6-8:30 PM Gameroom

Friday, Jan. 10

- *Yoga Sculpt 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Water Aerobics 9 & 10 AM Cayman
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East
- *Strength 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Strength-Tone 4 PM Comm. Cntr.

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Recreation Activities

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

STARTING JAN 6

Mondays in the Community Center

6:45 pm

(come at 6:30 to sign in)

Cost: \$2

Join us for a competitive, yet very friendly game of bridge on Monday nights. We welcome players of all levels. If you are new to Ocean Village or want to play but do not have a partner, please contact Sue at petersons@sympatico.ca. We will make every effort to pair you up.

SATURDAYS 10AM
ARUBA WEST

EUCHRE LESSONS
WITH RUTH
JAN 25 - FEB 22

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT RUTH

518-945-2127

OV January Recreation Calendar

Saturday, Jan. 11

- *Cardio(Lite) 9:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Watercolor Painting With Bob 10 AM-3:30 PM Cayman
- *Barre 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Bingo 1 PM Cayman *\$1 per Card-Cancelled

Sunday, Jan. 12

- *Pilates 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Mahjong 1-4 PM Aruba East
- *Open PingPong 6-8:30 PM Gameroom

Monday, Jan. 13

- *Gentle Flow Yoga 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Water Aerobics 9 & 10 AM Cayman
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East
- *Strength 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Strength-Tone 4 PM Comm. Cntr.
- *Euchre 7 PM Aruba East & West
- *Duplicate Bridge 6:45 PM Comm. Cntr.

Tuesday, Jan. 14

- *Yoga Core 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Water Aerobics 9 & 10 AM Cayman
- *Zumba 9:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Bible Study 10 AM Aruba East
- *Cardio 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Knitting & Kneedle Crafts 1 PM Aruba West
- *Soundsations 2 PM Aruba East
- *Bingo 1 PM Cayman Center
- *Restorative Yoga 7 PM Aruba East
- *Open PingPong 6-8:30 PM Gameroom
- *Trivia Night 7 PM Comm. Cntr.

Wednesday, Jan. 15

- *Vinyasa Flow Yoga 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Bible Study 8 AM Aruba East
- *Oil Painting 9 AM Cayman
- *Bridge Lessons 9 AM Aruba West
- *Water Aerobics 9 & 10 AM Cayman
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East
- *AWOL Bocce 10 AM Court C
- *Strength/Tone 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.-Cancelled
- *Mahjong 1-4 PM Aruba East
- *Acrylic Painting 2:30 PM Cayman
- *Strength-Tone 4 PM Comm. Cntr.-Cancelled
- *AWOL Gamenight 6 PM Aruba East

Thursday, Jan. 16

- *Gentle & Energy Flow Yoga 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Water Aerobics 9 & 10 AM Cayman
- *Oneblood Blood Drive 9:30 AM- 3:30 PM Beachclub Parking Lot
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East
- *Strength-Tone 9:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Zumba 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Puzzle Contest 12-2 PM Comm. Cntr.
- *Bridge 12:30 PM Cayman
- *AWOL Mahjong 1-4 PM Aruba West
- *Open Ping Pong 6-8:30 PM Gameroom

Friday, Jan. 17

- *Yoga Sculpt 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Water Aerobics 9 & 10 AM Cayman
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East
- *Strength 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Strength-Tone 4 PM Comm. Cntr.

Saturday, Jan. 18

- *Cardio(Lite) 9:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Barre 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Bingo 1 PM Cayman *\$1 per Card-Cancelled

Sunday, Jan. 19

- *Pilates 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Mahjong 1-4 PM Aruba East
- *Open PingPong 6-8:30 PM Gameroom

Monday, Jan. 20

- *Gentle Flow Yoga 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Water Aerobics 9 & 10 AM Cayman
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East
- *Strength 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Strength-Tone 4 PM Comm. Cntr.
- *Euchre 7 PM Aruba East & West
- *Duplicate Bridge 6:45 PM Comm. Cntr.

Tuesday, Jan. 21

- *Yoga Core 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Water Aerobics 9 & 10 AM Cayman
- *Zumba 9:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Bible Study 10 AM Aruba East
- *Cardio 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Knitting & Kneedle Crafts 1 PM Aruba West
- *Soundsations 2 PM Aruba East
- *Bingo 1 PM Cayman Center
- *Restorative Yoga 7 PM Aruba East
- *Open PingPong 6-8:30 PM Gameroom

Wednesday, Jan. 22

- *Vinyasa Flow Yoga 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Bible Study 8 AM Aruba East
- *Oil Painting 9 AM Cayman
- *Bridge Lessons 9 AM Aruba West
- *Water Aerobics 9 & 10 AM Cayman
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East
- *AWOL Bocce 10 AM Court C
- *Strength/Tone 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Mahjong 1-4 PM Aruba East
- *Acrylic Painting 2:30 PM Cayman
- *Strength-Tone 4 PM Comm. Cntr.-Cancelled
- *AWOL Gamenight 6 PM Aruba East

Thursday, Jan. 23

- *Gentle & Energy Flow Yoga 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Water Aerobics 9 & 10 AM Cayman
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East
- *Strength-Tone 9:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Zumba 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Bridge 12:30 PM Cayman
- *AWOL Mahjong 1-4 PM Aruba West
- *Open Ping Pong 6-8:30 PM Gameroom

Friday, Jan. 24

- *Yoga Sculpt 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Water Aerobics 9 & 10 AM Cayman
- *Watercolor Painting With Bob 10 AM-3:30pm Cayman
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East
- *Strength 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Strength-Tone 4 PM Comm. Cntr.-Cancelled
- *A Night With Elvis: Live Performance & Dinner 6:30-8:30 PM Comm. Cntr.

Saturday, Jan. 25

- *Cardio(Lite) 9:30 AM Aruba East
- *Weekly Euchre Lessons Begin 10 AM Aruba West

- *Barre 10:30 AM Aruba East
- *Bingo 1 PM Cayman *\$1 per Card

Sunday, Jan. 26

- *Pilates 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Mahjong 1-4 PM Aruba East
- *Open PingPong 6-8:30 PM Gameroom

Monday, Jan. 27

- *Gentle Flow Yoga 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Water Aerobics 9&10 AM Cayman
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East
- *Strength 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Strength-Tone 4 PM Comm. Cntr.
- *Euchre 7 PM Aruba East & West
- *Duplicate Bridge 6:45 PM Comm. Cntr.

Tuesday, Jan. 28

- *Yoga Core 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Water Aerobics 9&10 AM Cayman
- *Zumba 9:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Bible Study 10 AM Aruba East
- *Cardio 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Knitting & Kneedle Crafts 1 PM Aruba West
- *Soundsations 2 PM Aruba East
- *Bingo 1 PM Cayman Center
- *Restorative Yoga 7 PM Aruba East
- *Open PingPong 6-8:30 PM Gameroom

Wednesday, Jan. 29

- *Vinyasa Flow Yoga 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Bible Study 8 AM Aruba East
- *Oil Painting 9 AM Cayman
- *Bridge Lessons 9 AM Aruba West
- *Water Aerobics 9&10 AM Cayman
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East
- *AWOL Bocce 10 AM Court C
- *Strength/Tone 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Mahjong 1-4 PM Aruba East
- *Acrylic Painting 2:30 PM Cayman
- *Strength-Tone 4 PM Comm. Cntr.
- *AWOL Gamenight 6 PM Aruba East

Thursday, Jan. 30

- *Gentle & Energy Flow Yoga 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Water Aerobics 9&10 AM Cayman
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East
- *Strength-Tone 9:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Zumba 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Yoga Sign Ups 12 PM Recreation Office
- *Bridge 12:30 PM Cayman
- *AWOL Mahjong 1-4 PM Aruba West
- *Open Ping Pong 6-8:30 PM Gameroom

Friday, Jan. 31

- *Yoga Sculpt 7:45 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Water Aerobics 9&10 AM Cayman
- *Sit N Fit 10 AM Aruba East
- *Strength 10:30 AM Comm. Cntr.
- *Sit N Fit Sign Ups 12 PM Recreation Office
- *Strength-Tone 4 PM Comm. Cntr.





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2025 OCEAN VILLAGE POA

BOD & COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

OV BOD MEETING

COMMUNITY CENTER @ 1 PM

THURSDAY

January 23rd
 February 27th
 March 27th
 April 24th
 May 22nd
 June 26th
 July 24th
 August 28th
 September 25th
 October 23rd
 November 20th
 December 18th

FINANCE

ARUBA WEST @ 2:30 PM

TUESDAY

January 21st
 February 25th
 March 25th
 April 22nd
 May 20th
 June 24th
 July 22nd
 August 26th
 September 23rd
 October 21st
 November 18th
 December 16th

ABR

ARUBA WEST @ 1 PM

MONDAY

January 13th
 February 10th
 March 10th
 April 14th
 May 12th
 June 9th
 July 14th
 August 11th
 September 8th
 October 13th
 November 10th
 December 8th

BEACH & DUNE

ARUBA EAST @ 12 PM

THURSDAY

January 9th
 February 13th
 March 13th
 April 10th
 May 8th
 June 12th
 July 10th
 August 7th
 September 11th
 October 9th
 November 13th
 December 11th

LONG RANGE PLANNING

ARUBA WEST @ 11 AM

TUESDAY

January 14th
 February 11th
 March 11th
 April 8th
 May 13th
 June 10th
 July 8th
 August 12th
 September 9th
 October 14th
 November 11th
 December 9th

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