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#### **Karla Blevins**

# A Message from the Vice-President

Summer is now officially here. For me, being a relatively new year-round resident, I feel strange saying that because don't we basically have summer 365 days a year. When I was a "snow bird", like many of our Golf Lakes residents, summer was all about warming temperatures, getting gardens planted, waiting for Hummingbirds to arrive at our feeders, going to the lake and other various activities and changes that only come with the onset of summer.

So now, how do I know as a year-round resident that summer has arrived in Florida? Well there are definitely signs. The biggest one being fewer people. There are fewer people on the road, in the stores, at the restaurants and you can get to the beach and find a parking space in a reasonable amount of time. In Golf Lakes we know summer has arrived because it is quieter, not as much activity, only 50-60 people at Social hour and the summer park projects have begun. Our yearly paving project is finished and 49 B Ave Dr, 50th Ave and 6 B St at 51st Ave all have a nice fresh look. The sewer relining project is still underway, having had to actually replace a main section of pipe that could not be relined. This summer everyone here in Golf Lakes has been very excited to see the first steps in the Veterans Garden Project begin with the removal of all the plantings and rocks along 5th St. More progress is expected by the time this July Banner is in print.

Before I bring this to a close, I did want to mention something that is always important and that is communication. One of the ways our office can communicate quickly and timely to our residents is by an E-mail Blast. For this to be a successful way to communicate, the office needs everyone's current and accurate email address. Also if you are not getting the E Blasts and the office does have your address, check your junk mail. Trust me I know from experience that they can end up there. Another way to communicate and for residents to be heard is by use of surveys. I can hear the groaning from here, but surveys can be a good tool for the manager and the Board to get the residents opinions on things we are discussing in workshops and meetings. For instance I hope you all took time to fill out the recent survey that was sent to you concerning the Bulk Trash Pick-up for Spring Cleaning. The Board voted, as you know, not to have it this past year because of cost and many of you were not happy. So this survey was to get as many resident's opinions as possible about how important it is to you going forward. We want to continue to use surveys in the future. It is another way to have a voice in communication here in Golf Lakes. Let's all continue to communicate and have a great summer where ever we are. Stay safe!



Deadline is **10<sup>th</sup> of Month** 

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#### Manager's Report



Could it be any hotter? If you are somewhere cool, good for you. It is hot as blazes at Golf Lakes. With very little rain to date, things are drying up including our lakes and lawns. That said, rain is in the forecast, so hopefully by the time you read this, we will be getting some relief.

Hector got some great news this week and we are celebrating his wife's receipt of her green card, almost a year after receipt of his. Hector and his family are headed to El Salvador to see family after 17 years apart. Thank you to all Golf Lakes residents who supported Hector and family throughout this endeavor.

With paving complete and sanitary sewer lining nearing completion, the next big project is the annual tree trimming in August. We are able to offer trimming of your personal palm trees for \$30 each. If you have a palm on your property that needs trimming, please call the office to arrange for payment in advance no later than July 31.

This fall we are instituting a new procedure for reporting concerns, violations, or other matters to the office. We have created a form that will provide us the needed information to address an issue and it will allow us to take action, follow up and close the ticket with the reporting resident, upon completion. I know many residents are accustomed to dropping in and wish to discuss concerns in person, however, the workload during the season is such that we must prioritize and assign tasks to staff members to ensure we can timely address issues and reduce the number of disruptions to an already busy work day.

The office also hopes to start pursuing a new website platform or application that would offer additional ways for better communicating all the goings-on at Golf Lakes. We would like to have a visible calendar of events that residents can access for information and have application processes available online in addition to paper for requesting event booking, Exterior Modification applications, etc.

If there is something you think would be of value to consider, please don't hesitate to drop me a line at tracy@golflakes.com.







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#### ~History Behind the Fourth of July ~

**Cover Story written by Tom Drooger** 

The Fourth of July commemorates the adoption of the Declaration of Independence. This document declared the thirteen American colonies' independence from British rule, marking a pivotal moment in history and igniting the flame of liberty that continues to burn brightly today.

Prior to the Declaration of Independence, tensions between the American colonies and the British government had been steadily escalating. The colonies became frustrated by unjust taxation and lack of representation in the British Parliament causing them to assert their autonomy and push for independence.

On July 2, 1776, the Continental Congress voted in favor of independence. It was only two days later that the Declaration was formally adopted. The signing of the Declaration of Independence represented a bold and courageous act by the Founding Fathers, who risked their lives and fortunes to secure liberty and self-governance for future generations. Following its adoption, the Declaration of Independence was widely circulated throughout the colonies, galvanizing support for the revolutionary cause and inspiring patriots to fight for freedom. The ensuing Revolutionary War would test the resolve and perseverance of the American people, but ultimately culminated in victory and the birth of a new nation.

Early celebrations were modest affairs consisting of local gatherings, patriotic speeches and readings of the Declaration of Independence. However, as the years passed and the nation grew, so too did the significance of the holiday. By the early 19th century, the Fourth of July had become a widely celebrated national holiday marked by parades, fireworks, and festivities that brought communities together in a spirit of unity and patriotism.

Throughout American history, the Fourth of July has served as a time for reflection, celebration, and remembrance. It is a day to honor the sacrifices of those who came before us, to reaffirm our commitment to the principles of liberty and equality, and to celebrate the rich tapestry of cultures and identities that make up the American experience.

Over the years, the Fourth of July has evolved to reflect the changing dynamics of American society. It has been a time of great triumphs, such as the abolition of slavery and the extension of civil rights to all citizens. It has also been a time of great challenges, marked by periods of division and discord. Yet through it all, the Fourth of July has remained a beacon of hope and inspiration, reminding us of the enduring power of the American dream.

The history of the Fourth of July is a testament to the spirit of the American people and their unwavering commitment to freedom and democracy. As we celebrate this historic holiday each year, let us not only honor the past but also rededicate ourselves to the ideals that continue to define us as a nation. Happy Fourth of July!







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#### THE BOTANICAL BEAUTY OF GOLF LAKES

Written & submitted by Kim Gendron

The moment you approach Golf Lakes you are greeted with the beauty of tropical plants. The front gate with its tropical palm trees and bushes along with a mix of colorful ground plants invites you in. Once in you see the planters are full with colorful flowers and the Bougainvillea bushes are blooming.

Turn right or left and you see the signs of a colorful neighborhood. People here take pride and effort adding to the beauty by planting or potting a variety of tropical plants. Our clubhouse and activity areas are filled with stunning varieties of tropical plants that our Maintenance team and Beautification committee work hard to keep healthy.

The most popular plant in the park is the Palm tree and our residents have planted many of the different species available. Some Palms stand alone or have many trunks with fan shaped or feather like fronds. "Palms against a clear blue sky can give you the sensation of relaxation and escape."

Hibiscus is also a popular plant. The Hibiscus comes in a tree or shrub form and screams tropical due to its flower's shapes and colors. Seen as a stand-alone or tucked in with other plants you cannot miss their beauty. The city of Punta Gorda loves the Hibiscus and has an annual Hibiscus festival every May.

The Bougainvillea put on a show with their colorful bracts(leaves). Grown as a vine or bush they can grow 20 ft high and 10 ft wide. Bougainvillea can also be trained as Bonsai and thanks to Pat and Mike Mandjack we get to see a talented display in our park. Bougainvillea are symbolic-in many countries, meaning that when planted around your home you are welcoming visitors and beauty.

Another plant around the park are Philodendrons. There are over 489 species ranging from a small houseplant to large lacey leaf plants grown like bushes. We have a beautiful Variegated Tree Philodendron hugging the trees near the clubhouse.

There are small plants around the park that give us a show. One being the Foxtail fern seen in planters or put as border plants. Native to Africa, this plant is an evergreen herb that is related to the asparagus plant.

Amaryllis love it here, but sadly many who plant them leave at the end of the season and miss out on the plants gorgeous blooms. Flowers range in color from reds, orange, to a pure white.

There are so many plants that I did not mention, which add to the beauty of Golf Lakes Estates! All I can say is ride around and discover the ones you like or visit a local nursery and find your own tropical beauty.



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Bougainvillea



Philodendron



Foxtail & Pigmy Palm



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#### **Our Community**

# Resident Updates

#### **NEW RESIDENTS**

NAME/PHONE	ADDRESS	НОМЕ
Mettille, Mark	5005 6th D St E	IL

#### **CORRECTIONS**

NAME	CORRECTION
Harris, David & Mary	Add 620-639-4244
	Old: 440-477-3310
Simon, Tom & Diane	New: 440-7893342
	440-477-7003

#### **DEATHS**

NAME	ADDRESS	DATE OF
Dunlap, James	4809 8th B St E	6-May
Gross, Frank	709 49th Ave E	3-Dec

#### **GOLF LAKES OFFICIAL RESIDENT FACEBOOK PAGE**

Any resident applying for membership to <u>Golf</u> <u>Lakes Official Resident Facebook For Events</u> <u>and Recommendations</u> page must answer the 3 questions.

Otherwise the committee cannot verify their standing with the community.

Those not answering all 3 of the questions WILL NOT BE considered.

Submitted by Janet Eisses

Be advised that The Banner is using a new Resident database for Birthdays. If your information is missing, incorrect or you do not want it listed—PLEASE contact The Banner—golflakesbanner@gmail.com



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3	Lawrence Clinger, Ralph Pfau
4	David Kutscher
5	Jean Ade, Susan Christy, Helen Hicks, Geraldine Wunderink
6	Lisa Goodie, Grace Naegele, Thomas Steichen, Joann Welch, Mary Wilson
7	Mary Doan, James Gadoury
8	Mark Hooker, Lynn Miller, Jack Puckett
9	Robert Monoski, John Pawelczak, Gary Smulick, Cynthia West
10	Cathy Thornell
11	Mark Fischer, Janice Surratt
12	Joseph Biga, Elaine Dansereau, Kim Vanderbilt, Roger Williams
13	Martin Messner, Vickie Nutter, David Portinga
14	Gina Andrews, Nancy Dwyer, Sandra Elsenheimer, Gale Krol, Robert Soppitt
15	Melanie Dye, Claire Petruzzi, Judy Rand, Janet Schnell, Kimberley Vanderstelt, Connie Will
16	Gerald Geltink, George Guyon III
17	Richard Termaat, Joyce Weesies
18	Charles Battleson, Ron Emser, William Kratz, Mike Mandjack, Harlan TenHarmsel, Mark Tietje, Jane Verkaik
19	Ann Lee, Paula Raymond, Suzanne Shock, Gordan Vellenga
20	Bette Buzzell, David Harris, Mary Kline, Ellen Lacher, Bill Norton
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22	Diane Cody, Mavis Lownds, Douglas Smith, Kelley Underwood
23	Donna Ebert, Mike Henderson, Michael McNichols, Sharon St. John
24	Robert Breidel, Shirley Kilburn, Renate Pears, Donna Rosengarten
25	Phyllis Brown, Robin McNichols, Sherie Wood
26	David Hiltpold, Shirley McFarland, Berend Wagter
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28	Lori Mathos, Mark Rospert, Howard Wallace
29	Billie Bechtel, Richard Hepting, Rita Marderosian, Ari Mathos, Ruby Van Egten, Bill Winter
30	Ronald Hart, Jean Mayes, Pamela Vowell
31	Kenneth Albert, Deborah Biga, Rick Loeckel, Dick Varney

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#### News From Your Committees

#### **Veterans Garden Project Update**

The excavation of the rock and landscaping that border 5<sup>th</sup> St. E. and the clubhouse parking lot was completed on June 3. Construction of the fencing and stone posts will follow. The construction for the Veterans Garden is slated to begin on June 24.

If you would like to make a donation to honor a resident veteran and/or help make improvements to our clubhouse entrance, please write a check to **Golf Lakes Residents Assoc.** and write on the memo line **"Veterans Garden."** Also include the name of the veteran that you wish to honor. Bring your check to the Golf Lakes office.

Please contact Steve Pandiscio with any questions. Thank you for your support!







#### ATTENTION NEW RESIDENTS "Welcome to Golf Lakes"

The Activities Committee has a New Resident Welcome Committee, and we would love to talk to you. The Committee shares information about our Park, provides you with a voucher for a free safety vest, a "New Resident Handbook" and a Pictorial of the residents in the Park. A short interview provides the opportunity for your formal introduction to the Park. At a minimum, the meeting with the Committee results in your introduction in The Banner. A New Resident listing appears most months in The Banner. You would be surprised the number of times our new residents have found folks from their own state or even their city through The Banner introduction. At this time, the Committee is working hard to get caught up with interviews due to the large number of new residents. If you would like an "Official Greeting" to Golf Lakes, signup on the New Resident sheet on Board 2 in the Clubhouse or call Terry Keller at 269-953-2431.

Arrangements will be made for your official welcome.

Submitted by Activities Committee

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Submitted by Barb Wenzler, Outreach Chair

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# GOLF LAKES JULY 2024 DAILY ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

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# Golf Lakes



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FRIDAY	<b>S</b>	12	19	26 NATIONAL AUNT & UNCLE DAY	
THURSDAY	<b>4 INDEPENDECE DAY</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Picnic — Clubhouse 1pm	<b>1</b>	<b>18</b> Gad-A-Bouts- Cortez Café 1pm	25	
WEDNESDAY	m	10 Amazon Prime Day	17 NATIONAL HOT DOG DAY	<b>24</b>	31
TUESDAY	2 WORLD UFO DAY	9 Amazon Prime Day	16 NATIONAL CHERRY DAY	23	30 INTERNATIONAL 31 DAY OF FRIENDSHIP
MONDAY	1 CANADA DAY	8 NATIONAL BLUEBERRY DAY	15	22	<b>29</b>
SUNDAY		2	14	21 NATIONAL ICE CREAM DAY	28 NATIONAL PARENTS DAY

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#### Across

- 1. Blood's rival
- 5. " Dabba Do!"
- 10. Far from creaky
- 14. "\_\_\_\_ Nagila" (Hebrew folk song)
- 15. Looked leeringly at
- 16. Faddish kind of pet
- 17. Came out in the end
- 19. Taxi
- 20. Computer command
- 21. Wind-borne toys
- 22. Further discussions
- 26. Ali G portrayer \_\_\_\_ Baron Cohen
- 30. Consequence
- 34. Simmering
- 35. Kind of lord
- 36. Amateur's antonym
- 37. "Zip-A-Dee-\_\_\_"
- 39. Main act prelude
- 42. IATA code for Will Rogers Airport
- 43. Hardwood trees
- 47. Carrion carnivore

- 48. Command to the birthday boy at cake-time
- 51. Acts as a guide
- 52. First public performance
- 54. Barber's sharpener
- 57. Quarter halves
- 62. Fish-eating bird
- 63. Displaying immaturity
- 66. "That's right \_\_\_ alley"
- 67. "No \_\_\_\_!" ("Nothing to it!")
- 68. Neb. neighbor
- 69. Squad
- 70. Castor and Pollux, e.g.
- 71. Problem, metaphorically

(solution on page 29)

#### Down

- 1. "Mask" star
- 2. Ecstatic review
- 3. "A Holly Jolly Christmas" crooner
- 4. Emulate a warm puppy
- 5. "\_\_\_ So Vain"
- 6. Christie, and namesakes
- 7. Certain sandwich, for short
- 8. Busy insect
- 9. Total
- 10. Rift
- 11. Cool, slangily
- 12. Sushi ingredient
- 13. Babbles
- 18. Kiribati capital
- 21. Plunk or blooey lead-in
- 23. Samuel Gompers' org.
- 24. Three after R
- 25. Globin lead-in
- 26. Place that Lot fled
- 27. Minneapolis suburb
- 28. Timepiece on the wall
- 29. Mason's carrier
- 31. Sleep \_\_\_\_ (breathing problem)
- 32. Market analysis discovery
- 33. Lively dances
- 38. Yes guitarist Steve
- 40. Cold-sufferer's excess, sometimes
- 41. Scan
- 44. Sharpshooter's skill
- 45. Pressure initials
- 46. LPGA star Patty
- 49. Name, of a sort
- 50. With "A," a retiree's org.
- 53. Uprises
- 54. Hussy
- 55. Drink excessively
- 56. Actress Downey
- 58. Pawn
- 59. Disney sci-fi classic
- 60. Aloha State city
- 61. Edinburgh native
- 63. Concorde, in brief
- 64. Scream of pain
- 65. Louvre pyramid architect

Puzzle from https://www.printable-puzzles.com/

#### SUMMER ISSUES ARTICLE

This is just a reminder to everyone that our abbreviated issues have begun for the Summer issues. Only articles pertaining to those specific months will be accepted.

As of the October issue, The Banner will be accepting all articles pertaining to start-up of activities, etc. It would be appreciated if you would hold those until at least August 15th before sending them to golflakesbanner@gmail.com.

Please remember, your photos are always accepted! Please feel free to send them anytime. The Banner cannot promise that all of them will be used but every effort will be made to give everyone a good glimpse of what is going on within the park during the summer. If there are individuals in those photos, please give their names. And, always give information on where the photo was taken, why, and by whom.

Want to showcase your "hometown"? We are looking for pictures or short articles about your northern home area. Perhaps a unique place, someplace important to you that you'd like to share or feel would be of interest.

Please email the pictures/articles—with your name, the name of the town and description of photo to golflakesbanner@gmail.com

#### Answers to Sudoku Puzzle

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



#### HOMETOWN SPOTLIGHT

#### THE COG RAILWAY - MT. WASHINGTON NEW HAMPSHIRE







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Originally, power was provided solely by two coal-fired steam engines. Staying with it's steam heritage the railway continues to operate the steam engines in the warmer months. These steam engines are well over a century old.

Submited by Gail Lawley and Gerry Barnicle



This beautiful sunset picture over Lake Michigan was taken by Lee Stanage's grandson in St. Joseph, MI

#### HOMETOWN SPOTLIGHT

Sitting in southwest Michigan, on the shores of Lake Michigan is Holland.

Holland is the home of the Tulip Time Festival, held the first week of May, welcoming 250,000+ visitors. They come to see 500,000 tulips, Dutch Dancers, and parades.

When July arrives, it's blueberry time! For two months, blueberries are in abundance and delicious!

September brings the apples in the orchards that include 20 varieties.

January usually has one or two good snowstorms. Because of the warm waters of Lake Michigan and cold air coming across the lake, a good foot of snow can fall in one storm!

Holland sits between the quaint town of Saugatuck and Grand Haven, Coast Guard City USA.

Some of the finest beaches and sunsets are in Holland.

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#### Year - Round Activities



#### Bridge

Ladies Bridge
12:15pm | Mondays
Friendship Room
Submitted by Barb Janke

#### Hand, Foot & Elbow



6:00pm | Tuesdays Board Room 12:00pm | Tues. & Fri. Friendship Room 6:00pm | Thursdays Friendship Room



#### Mah Jongg

1:00pm | Tuesdays

1:00pm | Thursdays Friendship Room

Submitted by Jan Ballard



Cribbage

6:15pm | Thursdays Clubhouse

If you have never played Cribbage in the past or it's been awhile, this may be a good time for you to join us and either learn or brush up on your skills. Everyone is welcome. For questions please contact Bette Buzzell at 508-688-2686.

Submitted by Bette Buzzell,



#### **BALANCE SHEET OF LIFE**

The most destructive habit .....Worry The greatest joy .....Giving The greatest loss .....Loss of self-respect The most satisfying work ..... Helping Others The ugliest personality trait ..... Selfishness The greatest "shot in the arm" ..... Encouragement The greatest problem to overcome .....Fear The most effective sleeping pill .....Peace of Mind The most crippling failure disease .....Excuses The most powerful force in life .....Love The most dangerous act .....Gossip The world's most incredible computer .....The Brain The worst thing to be without ..... Hope The deadliest weapon .....The Tongue The two most power-filled words ....."I Can" The greatest asset .....Faith The most worthless emotion ..... Self-pity The most beautiful attire .....Smile! The most prized possession .....Integrity The most powerful channel of communication ..... Prayer The most contagious spirit .....Enthusiasm

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#### Food and Friendship



#### Social Hour Invitation



The Activities Committee is confirming the open invitation to Saturday Social Hour starting at 9am every Saturday in the Clubhouse.

For a nominal fee of \$1.00, you get a seat and coffee. For an additional \$1.00 you get a donut. This is an opportunity to meet new people and catch up on what is going on in the park.

In addition, there are special announcements made to keep everyone informed of club or committee activities.

Be sure to arrive a little early, if you have trouble finding a seat, someone will assist you.

Submitted by Terry Keller





#### **INDEPENDENCE DAY 2024**

Please join us in the Clubhouse **Thursday July 4**<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm. to celebrate
Independence Day with a summer picnic.

The Activities Committee will provide a wonderful mid-summer picnic style meal with refreshments. **A donation is requested**.

<u>Please sign up on bulletin board #2 in the clubhouse.</u>

#### Gad-A-Bouts Luncheon

When: Thursday, July 18 1pm

Where: Cortez Café

12108 Cortez Rd W. Cortez

**Bring:** Wear your Name Tag

**RSVP:** Sign-up Sheet Bulletin Board #4.

Be sure to print your name and phone number. Also indicate whether you need a ride or you

can drive.

Call Gloria Slowiak at 941-727-0672 with any questions.

Supper

Single

Ladies

Club



Each month, the Supper Club investigates an area restaurant.

In May, we were delighted to find Cremesh (located in the Beachway Publix shopping center). This is a newly opened eatery advertises itself as a "European Restaurant" whose entrees have a definite German flair. Our party of twenty-two almost filled the seating area. Jen, our server, was as competent as she was easy to look at. Mark, the Chef, came out of the kitchen to speak with us. This diner would recommend the weiner schnitzel as it was perfectly thinned and breaded. The Jager mushroom sauce enhanced the flavor of the veal. Chef Mike was very willing to accommodate a diner who needed a gluten-free entree by substituting mashed potatoes for the noodles in the stroganoff. The Kostritzer (Dark German) beer is not well known. Jen readily offered a tasting to those who were unaware of this particular brew.

Submitted by Don Raymond







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# Greens of Manatee Golf Course (The family friendly golf course) Summer 2024

Play was very strong the first quarter of the year and has slowed significantly as we get into the warm weather and folks leave for the north. For the golf course, summer brings the challenge of storms and wet weather. The rest of the time, it is warm as usual but still a good time for golf. With additional summer rains, the course will be in great shape. In addition, there are special low summer rates for walking and riding. Stop by and check them

out. As a reminder, June 1<sup>st</sup> is the start of the hurricane season which runs thru November 30<sup>th</sup>. Stay safe and enjoy what the course has to offer.

**A reminder for the Golfers-** The scrambles will continue throughout the summer depending on the weather. Signup is in the course Clubhouse. The scrambles are open to all golfers regardless of skill level, and are a lot of fun. Any questions, give the course a call at 941-755-8888.

**All residents-** As always, the Snack Bar will be open 7 days a week for your dining pleasure. The Golf Lakes gate opens at 6:00am and the Snack Bar will always be ready to serve you a filling breakfast. For a great lunch, avoid the traffic and stop in for good food at a reasonable price.

Have a great summer. Your support of the Greens of Manatee Golf Course this past season was greatly appreciated.

Submitted by Terry Keller- President, Greens of Manatee Golf Course, Inc.

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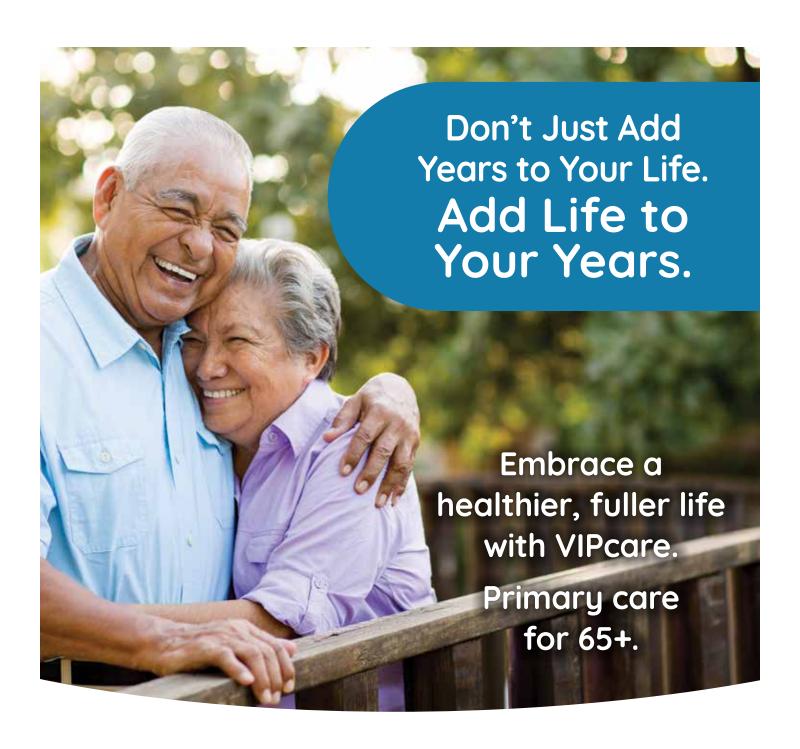
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