

March



From the President: Rick Pluese

Sarasota - 27.34 N, 82.53 W - This is our Latitude - Longitude location coordinates. We are in zone FLZ160 - which is the zone where data is collected for severe weather warnings and watches.

This winter has been a cool one and we have experienced one to two days of nice warm weather followed by a long stretch of cooler weather. The winters I am used to here were the opposite, one or two days of cooler weather followed by a long stretch of warmer weather. On December 26, 1983, Sarasota had its coldest temperature ever recorded - 20 degrees Fahrenheit, according to NOAA. The hottest temperature ever recorded for Sarasota was on August 13, 2007 at 101 degrees Fahrenheit. In the year 1990, Sarasota had 294 days of 80 degrees F. or higher. That leaves only 71 days of temps below 80 degrees F—what a great year.

We may have some disappointed Snowbirds this year, but all things considered, we still have great weather in Sarasota. When it's cool in Sarasota, it's usually cold north of us. Put your jacket on and get outside to enjoy what Sarasota has to offer. Global cooling, Global warming, or Climate change, we have it all each year here. Enjoy

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From the Manager: Dan Pittaro

March is right around the corner. Of course, this means the best three months of weather, a vibrant entertainment schedule, and crowded beaches. And March Madness! The Kansas City Chiefs won their third Super Bowl in the past

five years and became the latest wild card team to win four playoff games on the road to win it all. The only good thing about football season ending is there is less news about Travis Kelce and Taylor Swift!



Spring will be here in a few short weeks, regardless of what Punxsutawney Phil saw. Please be sure to schedule your air conditioner preventive maintenance service now. Be sure they include cleaning your condensation line with the service. Most companies have a backlog of several weeks for scheduling. Also, this would be a good time to have your dryer vents cleaned out. If your dryer vent is clogged it could be a fire hazard. Cleaning the vent could also save money on your electric bill by allowing your clothes dryer to work more efficiently.

The front gate call box was recently replaced. The process for a resident to let in a visitor has changed slightly, though the general order is still the same. The revised instructions have been uploaded to the pinestone.org website under the Community Information / Forms and Applications page. Copies are also available in the library on the back wall. The fobs and headlight transponders are unaffected by the change.

Please be reminded that I will be removing the owner gate entry codes in the coming days. Too many of the entry codes have been shared and passed around many times over to unrelated parties. This creates security issues for the neighborhood since the activity log will not necessarily tell us who has used a particular code. I will assign a temporary code upon request when construction work is being done, or in certain cases when a guest is coming for an extended visit.

BIKE CORRAL PURGE

As I announced at the February board meeting, we will be purging the bike corral. There isn't any room for additional bikes, and there are quite a few that have been abandoned. I will be sending out a one-call message with instructions that anyone with a bike in the corral needs to follow. If you have a bike in the corral and you are NOT currently on the property, you will be asked to call or email me with either your bike identification number or description of the bike. If you ARE currently on the property, you will be asked to remove your bike for a day (not overnight) to narrow down the count. Any unidentified bikes will thereafter be donated if possible or placed in bulk trash. If you have a bike in the corral, you must follow the directions. Pinestone will not be responsible for any bikes removed that have not been properly accounted for.

Here are a few reminders during your stay at Pinestone:

- As with most bodies of water in Florida, alligators have occasionally been spotted in Crocker Lake. It is always good common sense to keep children and pets far away from the water's edge. NEVER put out food for birds or any other animals, especially behind the buildings on the lake. And remember bird feeders are prohibited on the property.
- When parking in front of walkways, leave open space for people to get by. Choose an adjacent space whenever possible. If your carport assignment fronts a unit walkway, please leave some room at the front of your car. Consider how much room a handicapped person will need to get by your vehicle.
- Be sure to lock your car doors and unit doors at all times.
- Remember that the application fee for sales and rentals increased to \$150 as of January 1st. Be sure to use the updated application forms found on the website.
- All bulk trash must be reported to the office and tagged before being left in the recycling area. Nothing should **EVER** be left outside of the trash compactor.
- Pick up after your dog. There are three doggie waste stations around the property. Use them!
- All reports needed for insurance renewals or refinancing can be downloaded from the website. They can be found under Community Information / Forms and Applications. They include the current insurance certificate, the fire alarm inspection report, and the fire sprinkler inspection report. Wind mitigation reports have their own page on the website's home page.
- ARC applications are required for work such as replacing an HVAC system, windows and sliders, and second-floor flooring. Applications can be downloaded off the website or picked up in the office.
- If you rekey your front door, remember to bring a key to the office. If you have a digital lock on your door, we still need a copy of the key. The batteries die, and they can lose the connection to your wifi network.
- If you have a headlight transponder and are selling or trading in your car, please notify me before you do so if you have more than one car. That way I can easily take the old transponder out of service.

Enjoy our little piece of paradise!

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From the Editor: Julie Wallace

I say this in each Patter - time sure does fly! I can't believe it's already March and the season of snowbirds is coming to an end. What a great time it has been for Michael and me as we are settling into being in Sarasota for 6 months and in Ohio the other 6 months.

Myself, along with Becki Linton, wish to give a special thank you to our husbands - Michael and Jon. Becki and I hosted **That 70's Party**, and the help, assistance, and muscle they provided helped to make it a success.



The next Patter is a combined edition, let's call it Spring, and will be distributed at the end of April. I plan on doing calendars for each month throughout the year. People have told me they like to have these as a visual for all the activities that take place around Pinestone.

Do you know of interesting things happening around Sarasota? Send me an email with details and I'll put them in the Patter. I have heard neighbors talking about things they've recently done, and I had no clue. Let's share the good times.



2024 POOL PARTY

Pinestone's annual pool party is back! Saturday, March 23 from 5:30-9:00, come join us for a poolside cookout. After dinner, Chuck Drager- singer/ impressionist will also join us for a return performance.

There is a \$10.00 cover charge, which includes dinner and entertainment. Please bring your beverage of choice.

Come dance under the moonlight and party with your friends and neighbors. Be sure to sign up in the library by Monday, March 16!





What a fun February we have had! Our **Super Bowl Party** was great and whether your team won or lost it still was an exciting game to watch. A big thank you to Jill and Dave Notter for hosting our Super Bowl Party and a thank you to those who helped.

The **70's party** was groovy and filled with "flower power". 113 people attended. A big thank you, Becki Linton and Julie Wallace for hosting a wonderful fun party that brought us back to the 70's. It was such fun to go back in time and see all those styles from the 70's so artfully worn by those attending. A thank you to those who helped.

Our winter season is not over yet. We have a fun and challenging evening coming up - the **Pub Quiz**, which will be held on Friday, March 8 at 7:00 pm. There will be a charge of \$1.00 per person and please remember to bring two desserts to a table (team) to share. Sign-up sheets went up in the library on Friday, February 23. There will be 10 teams with 6 members per team. Start gathering a team and thinking about a name for your team.

The last big party of the season will be the **Pool Party** on Saturday, March 23 at 5:30 pm. The rain date will be Sunday, March 24. There will be a return performance by Chuck Drager with dancing poolside. There will be a charge of \$10.00 which includes dinner (hamburgers, hotdogs, sides, and dessert). Please bring your beverage of choice. Please sign up in the library and because food is being provided we need you to sign up by Saturday, March 16. Join your neighbors in the last big event of the winter season.

Bingo will continue through March on Wednesdays - March 6 and 20. Please remember to bring a dessert if you won at the previous bingo. A big thank you to Betty and Ken Angotti and all those who helped them.

March Lunch Bunch will be held on Tuesday, March 26 at Tripletail Restaurant. Please sign up for this event in the library. A big thank you to Terri Rung for hosting the Lunch Bunch.

The last **Book Club** meeting will be on Thursday, March 21 at 11:00. The book to be discussed is *The River We Remember* by William Kent Krueger. A big thank you to Mary Strelvel for hosting the Book Club.

Monday Night Movies are going strong and will end on March 25. Please look at the calendar to see what film is showing each week on Monday nights at 7:00 pm. A big thank you to Bill Muzzillo for hosting this much-enjoyed evening.

The next meeting of **The Pinestone Gals** will be on Wednesday, March 27 at 6:30 pm. A big thank you to Betty Lorenzo for hosting this group.

Friday night socials will continue until Friday, April 12. A big thank you to those who have volunteered to host each Friday.

And speaking of the Friday night socials, on Friday, March 15 a Pinestone resident entertainer, Country Somethin', will provide music and songs for our listening pleasure.

Our next **Social Committee** will take place on **March 6 at 10:00 am**. All are welcome to attend including our male residents and renters.

☮ THAT 70'S PARTY

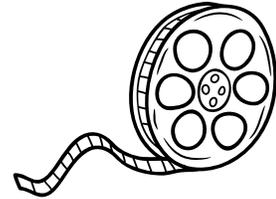


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CLASSIC MONDAY MOVIES - The Final Four

Each Monday night, Pinestone audiences continue to enjoy classic films in the Pinestone clubhouse theater, hosted and moderated by Pinestone resident and film prof, Bill Muzzillo.



For Mondays in March, Pinestone movie fans will be treated to the following four classic cinema gems, all of which have been requested for many years! And seeing these classics on the big screen makes it a whole new experience!

Here are the final four for this season:

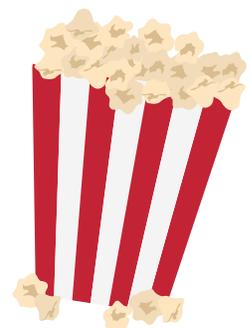
March 4th – “The African Queen” (1951) Talk about a classic! Here’s Katharine Hepburn and Humphrey Bogart in their famous film that was nominated for 9 Oscars and helped confirm their status as major movie stars. This wonderful film was presented here at Pinestone in 2011 (our first year of movies), and people keep asking for it again, so here it is!

March 11th – “Titanic” (1997) Twenty-seven years ago, this famous film rocked the world and became an instant American classic. It’s one of the most powerful and requested films to be presented on the big screen at Pinestone.

March 18th – “Casablanca” (1942) Audiences at Pinestone keep asking for this title, and it’s one of the most beautiful films ever made. Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman dazzle on the screen. First presented in our theater in 2011, this incredible film must be included in our March finale. See for yourself!

March 25th – “Carousel!” (2017) Here is THE MOST requested title of all the films we’ve seen here in the Pinestone theater. Last year (in February) it was presented as an experiment (simply because it’s a live performance with the New York Philharmonic) and caused such a stir that it must be repeated once again. Filled with glorious music by Rogers and Hammerstein, this is a live performance of the original 1948 Broadway show – complete with the New York Philharmonic on stage. People talked about it for days afterward, and it’s a pleasure to present it once again as a season finale to Classic Monday Movies.

Each presentation begins promptly at 7:00 p.m. in the clubhouse theater, and a friendly donation of \$1 per person is suggested. Popcorn, beverages, and the traveling candy bowl are always on-the-house. Sorry, no saving of seats. Be sure to get there early!





Brown Bag Concert Series @ Phillipi Creek Park

Month of March on Thursdays @ Noon
Bring your lunch and lawn chair

- March 7 - Sophisticated Swing Big Band
- March 14 - Stephen Ditchfield
- March 21 - Drew Trapani Big Band
- March 28 - Good Time Groove Band



Facebook Name Change for Pinestone

We have changed/updated our Group page to eliminate any confusion some may have with our page name, which was very close to several other pages out there. Our new name is: **Pinestone People @ Palmer Ranch, Sarasota.** To join you must be able to answer the membership questions provided. As a reminder, this is a closed group and only open to Pinestone owners and renters.



Ron Ebert
Charles Kenney
Henry Lenz

Free Lecture Series - March 2024

Sarasota Memorial Hospital Auditorium - 1st Floor
1700 S. Tamiami Trail

Tuesday, March 5 - 4:30 to 5:30 pm

Stephen T. Kucera, MD - Gastroenterologist:
Combating Colorectal Cancer with Improved Screening

Thursday, March 7 - 4:30 to 5:30 pm

Sarah C. Kimball, MD, FACS - Breast Surgical Oncologist:
New Surgical Approaches for Breast Cancer

Jerette J. Schultz, MD - Plastic Surgeon:
Breast Reconstruction After Mastectomy

Tuesday, March 19 - 4:30 to 5:30 pm

Jayan Nair, MD - Medical Oncologist & Hematologist:
Understanding your Genetics and Impact on Cancer Care

Thursday, March 21 - 4:30 to 5:30 pm

Beverly J. Long, MD, FACOG - Gynecologic Oncologist:
Updates in Cervical Cancer Prevention & Screening

Matthew C. Biagioli, MD - Radiation Oncologist:
Advances in GYN Radiation Oncology



Our Sunshine Lady, Liz Collister, sends cards to Pinestone residents who may be ill, hospitalized, celebrating a special anniversary, or to the family of those who have passed away. Contact Liz at: 941-925-0579 or email to: bubbalizzy@aol.com if you know someone who could use a little sunshine.



Dr. Charles William Kenney, 88, of Sarasota, Florida passed peacefully in his sleep on December 20, 2023, with beloved daughter, Gay Browne, and long-time dental associate and friend, Kristin Murphy, at his side. Born in Coral Gables, Florida on January 11, 1935, he spent most of his life in Lexington, Kentucky.

Charlie Bill attended Lexington public schools as well as Sayre School until completing high school at St. Andrews School in Middletown, Delaware. He prepared for dental school at the University of Kentucky where he was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. He obtained his D.D.S. degree from Baylor Dental School in Texas, and after several years of general dentistry in Lexington, he obtained a specialty degree in Orthodontics from the University of Indiana. His well-known orthodontics practice in Lexington for over four decades improved an impressive number of smiles and bites in the community!

Charlie Bill's enthusiasm for boating, short Par 5's, photography, good bourbon, raw oysters, Kentucky basketball, and Saturday afternoons at Keeneland or watching racing on TV, were favorite ways to spend his leisure time, wherever the years took him, from the East Coast of South Carolina to New Mexico and back to Florida!

A burial service will be held at the Paris, Kentucky Cemetery in May 2024, with same-day memorial events to follow. All interested in attending, please contact Gay Browne at gay@gaybrowne.com for details.



This recipe has made an appearance at several functions here at Pinestone - and many of you have asked for it.

Pineapple Cream - No Bake Dessert

Ingredients:

- 2 sleeves graham crackers
- 1/2 cup (1 stick butter) melted

- 1 1/3 cups powdered sugar
- 1/2 cup (1 stick butter) softened
- 4 oz. cream cheese, softened
- 1 8 oz. tub of whipped topping (only use 6 oz.)
- 1 20 oz. can crushed pineapple, well-drained

Instructions:

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
2. Use a food processor to create fine crumbs of graham crackers. Set aside 1/2 cup for topping.
3. Mix the remaining crumbs with the melted butter.
4. Press into a 9x9 baking pan. Bake for 7 minutes. Remove from oven and cool completely.
5. Combine softened butter and cream cheese in a mixing bowl and beat well.
6. Add powdered sugar and 2 heaping teaspoons of crushed pineapple to the cheese mixture.
7. Beat well and spread evenly over the cooled crumb crust.
8. Add remaining pineapple and whipped topping together, mixing well. Spread over the previous layer.
9. Top with reserve crumbs.
10. Cover and refrigerate for 4 hours or overnight.



From: Toni Tenlen

Deadline



PATTER DEADLINE: the next Patter will be published at the end of April, our April/May combined issue. The **deadline** for that issue will be **Friday, April 19, 2024**. If you have something you would like to put into the Patter, please send it to Julie Wallace before the above deadline at jayayuu@gmail.com

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Pinestone Market Update

FROM ROBERT AGNELLO, REALTOR®

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\$328K—\$389K

*Source: MFRMLS data from 1/1/23 – 2/16/24

Have you considered selling your Pinestone residence?

Now is a great time to get on the market with inventory low in Pinestone after an active year.

Recent Reviews from Customers:

"My experience with Robert was very positive. At our first meeting, you clearly understood what my requirements were, and what I was trying to achieve. He was helpful in suggesting alternatives to solve any snags we had once the condo was listed. We had several offers in a very short period of time. Robert was very helpful during the negotiations and dealing with whatever issues came up. I would recommend him to others looking for a REALTOR." John McManus Unit 1024

"Words cannot express how much I appreciated your expertise during the selling of our Pinestone condo. You walked me through the entire process and made it easy for me to understand. You answered every call and email, quickly and with professionalism knowledge and honesty. I clearly appreciate the time you spent helping me navigate the sale." Marian Valentine Unit 512

"Just a note to express our gratitude and thank you for making the sale of our Pinestone property go so smoothly. You made the process easy for us and were there whenever we had questions about the process. I don't think a property sale could have gone any smoother." Don and Linda Miller Unit 2612

"Robert Agnello handled all aspects of the sale of our Pinestone at Palmer Ranch condo and the purchase of our new home in Sarasota. We could not be happier about the job he did! Our condo sold in three days at a price we didn't dream we'd be able to get for it. He also guided us through the process of bidding on, and arranging financing for, our new house. Robert knows this industry inside and out. It's hard to imagine another agent working harder for his clients. Most importantly, Robert is a man of high integrity who delivers on his promises. Plus, he's got a great sense of humor! Thanks for everything, Robert!" David Yamin Unit 211

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- Sandra & John Kelley #1913

"Brian, I want to thank you for all the help you provided in the selling of our condo. Since we were in Massachusetts at the time, you handled all the preliminary issues including scheduling and overseeing the inspection and any subsequent repairs, as well as finding a new buyer for our condo in record time! It was a difficult time for our family and your support and understanding was greatly appreciated."
- Terry Green #927

"Seldom in today's world does anybody live up to expectations. In the case of Brian McGreevy he exceeded all our expectations. Brian suggested a listing price much higher than what we expected and at the time he predicted he would have it sold in a week. Well, he was 100% correct. From start to finish, he was everything and more."
- Mike & Suellen Coito #2411

"Phenomenal is the only word that describes Brian McGreevy. We not only received the asking price on our condo, but it happened in twenty four hours. Brian is the type of Realtor you want on your side, he not only does his job effectively and efficiently but becomes a true friend."
- Tom and Nancy Pasternak #2410

"Brian was exceptional with helping me navigate the challenges of buying a condo in this current market. He was extremely knowledgeable about all aspects of the buying process and guided me through each step with professionalism and care. He was very personable and easy to communicate with and I always felt that he had my best interests in mind. I would definitely use him again and would recommend him to others."
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