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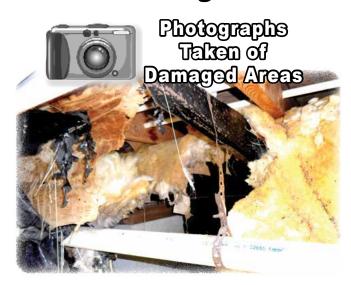
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## **Community Calendar**

Pancake Breakfast, October 4, 9 – 11 AM—Donations Accepted Social Club Members Dinner, October 7, 5:30 PM Social Club Meeting, October 7, 7 PM Ladies Luncheon, October 9, 1 PM HOA Board Meeting, October 11, 9:30 AM Donuts, 9:45 AM Mtg Birthday Bash, October 16, 5 PM

Recurring Activities: see Calendar pages 8-9



### **Social Club News**

Linda Greer. Social Club President October Social Club Happenings

The weather has started to cool and some of our neighbors will be returning for the season. This season will certainly look different; but rest assured, your team of officers are working hard to provide alternative activities for the Fall and Winter months. We are preparing for the clubhouse to be closed as soon as November and will be planning some events at the last minute if time allows.

The next Social Club Meeting will be October 7. The Officers are planning a dinner for all paid Social Club members to be served at 5:30, followed by a meeting at 7:00 pm. The first Ladies Luncheon will be October 9 at 1:00 pm at the Breakfast Station. Birthday Bash will be held on October 16 at 5:00 pm. A pancake breakfast will also be served on October 11 at 9:00 am. Donations will be accepted at the door. Watch for more information on Facebook, in the kiosks, and in the clubhouse regarding Sunday Movies, Halloween, and more.

The Clubhouse renovation will be but a minor inconvenience for a few months. Many in the community, full and part-time, have been waiting for several years to have the library returned to use. Please be flexible and excited about what will be waiting for the residents when the construction is complete. Let's start planning a wonderful clubhouse welcome party for when construction is complete. Who is up for a Casino Night?

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# Greetings From the HOA Randy Ellis, HOA President

Looks like some cooler weather is coming. The temperatures are getting lower, including the pool. Having said all that, October we begin to welcome back our winter residents. On Wednesday September 10th, Carol Roberts and I met with Malinda and then your HOA held a meeting on September 13th. Here is what to expect.

Clubhouse Renovation Project: It looks like this project is finally coming to fruition. The permits have been filed for, just waiting for approval from the building department, before they start pounding the nails.

Pool & Hot Tub, and Shuffleboard **Resurfacing:** This is expected to begin shortly. The company that will be doing the Clubhouse Renovation will also be doing the pool and hot tub. Not sure if they are the same company doing the shuffleboard. Hopefully things are starting to get done.

PAC Committee: On Tuesday, September 9, the PAC Committee met via zoom. As previously mentioned, House Bill 701 will be reintroduced as it failed to make to the floor last year. The PAC committee will also be discussing with the FMHA a plan that I brought up two months ago that could reduce the amount we pay for pass thru tax. I will keep you posted.

The HOA communicates using Facebook, Email, and the Seagull. If you would like to receive a hard copy of our communications, please get a message to me, and I will do my best to provide you with such. If you are not receiving Emails from the HOA, please contact us so that you can be added to our emailing list. Any personal information that the HOA

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receives from a resident is not shared with any outside groups. With your consent, it can be shared with the Social Club and our in-park directory. Resident Information forms are in the Clubhouse for anyone to update their personal information with the HOA. We also have a new Comment/Wish List slip at the Clubhouse. The HOA also has a locked box at the Clubhouse in which anyone can submit these forms or slips. If anyone has any concerns or questions, please feel free to contact me anytime.

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### Manager's Corner

Malinda Brown, Community Manager

Hurricane season is still upon us. Please stay safe and stay prepared. There is a Hurricane Preparedness packet located in the clubhouse and a copy for you in the office if you want to come get one. It has great tips and lots of useful information in the event of a hurricane.

Everyone should have received the updates on the rent increases and tax pass through and fire tax in September for 2026. If you have not received yours, please contact the office. As always, the pass through tax will be given as an estimate. We will get the final number in November. These are sent out so that you can do your best to plan for payment due January 1st with your monthly rent. These charges will

automatically be withdrawn from your accounts if you are signed up for EFT. As a reminder, ELS will not be approving any payment plans or extensions. Both taxes are due January 1st and will be considered delinquent if not paid by the due date.

I want to address the appearance of our park. As our team is addressing and trying to improve our responsibility to the appearance, we are asking that you do the same. I will start giving friendly reminders to homes with carports that are filled with items that do not belong in them and providing a timeframe to get them cleaned up. These areas are becoming a problem and are a definite eyesore in our community. We also have some landscaping, overgrown plantings, etc., that need some attention. Please give attention to these areas and bring them up to our rules and regulations standards as I will begin addressing them individually soon.

Lastly, if you need to dispose of something, you can call Waste Connections for bulk pickup. Phone Number (844)708-7274. They can schedule a 24 hour pickup for you. Please do not set anything out by the roads unless it has been scheduled for pickup. Some of you might want to give the community an opportunity to claim items for free. If you want to do this, I don't object to that. What I ask is that any items must be moved back to under your carport after 24 hours has passed.

Be kind to your neighbors; be grateful for every moment given; every day and as always, stay blessed!

## Happy Birthday!

Phil Banfill, Charity Barfield, Marge Bresinski, Deborah Brown, Pat Hetherington, Marla Holmes, Karen Keenan, Susan Neely, Sue Rice, Shirl Schmelzer, Deborah Serdar, Rusty Snyder, and George Thompson.

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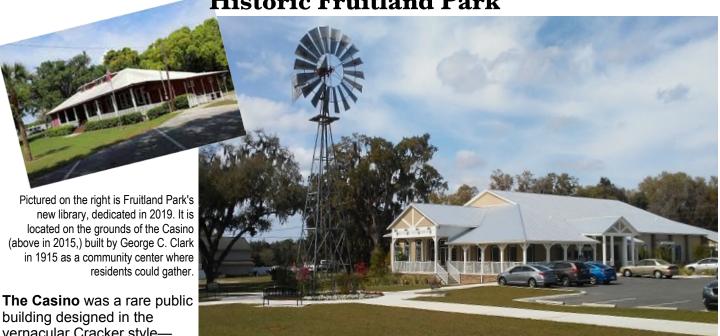
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## **Out and About: Historic Fruitland Park**



building designed in the vernacular Cracker style-

wood frame construction, metal roof, wide wrap-around porch, low eaves and a breezeway—and the new library echoes the architectural lines of the original building. Although named to the National Historic Register in 2015, at 100 years old, the original wood building could no longer withstand Florida's tropical weathering and was demolished soon after. The new library honors the history of the old Casino, using original siding from the building as flooring and incorporating two original windows into the décor. Adding to the historical artifacts is the original windmill that provided water to the village, now only fifty feet from where it stood for decades. The library fulfills much of Clark's vision of the old Casino as a gathering place for residents. The new library offers exercise classes, craft groups and workshops, access to technology, games, book clubs, story time, pre-K activities, and even dining opportunities in the attached Gardenia Cafe.



**Established** in 1876 and named by its first non-indigenous settler Orlando P. Rooks for the numerous surrounding fruit groves, Fruitland Park once faced a battle over its name, which postal officials judged too easily confused with the town of Fruitland. Briefly forced to call itself Gardenia, the powerful railroads in early Florida won out, and Fruitland Park has kept its given name ever since. The Rookses and their friends the Berckmans, the Dwights, the Clarks, and the "English bachelors" August Bosanquet and Granville Chetwynd Stapylton left a mark on Fruitland Park—in legacies, in street names, and in their descendants. Today their legacy can be seen on the Fruitland Park Historical Trail. Maps are available for free in the main lobby of the library during regular operating hours.

Pictured left is Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, an historic Carpenter Gothic structure listed on the National Historic Register. Funds to build it were raised by "the bachelors" in 1888.





Hill Crest (far left), built by Rooks in 1883 in the vernacular Frame style, is also a listed historic property.

Recognized as a Site of Historical Value in 2022, the Rose Plantation (left), originally named Pine Eden, was built in 1915 by W.G. Dwight and his wife, who were significant benefactors of Fruitland Park and nearby Leesburg. Modified over the years, the property was restored in 2015 and now houses The Rose Plantation restaurant.



### **Community Assistance Fund**

### Linda Greer, Social Club President

Our community has long supported neighbors in a wide variety of ways: financial, food, clothes, donations of time and goods. These efforts led to the creation of the Emergency and Help Funds. This summer, a committee of residents, Social Club, and HOA met to create the **Community Assistance Fund (CAF).** Funds from the previous mentioned accounts have been combined into one account and guidelines have been developed to manage the dispersal of these funds to eligible residents.

Moving forward, all requests for funds will be approved by this committee. Residents may request funds by completing the application found in the clubhouse. Requests for funds should be submitted to a Social Club officer at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance. Applicants can apply for funds only once in a 12-month period. All fund requests must come from the individual experiencing the emergency.

Recipients are expected to help maintain the Community Assistance Fund through monetary donations, fundraising, or volunteering at community events. Failure to meet this requirement may void any future requests for funding. See the guidelines in the application for a list of recommended items approved for funding along with additional eligibility requirements.

Applications are available in the clubhouse in a folder on the bulletin board board. Thank you for all the love and support always present in our community.

### **Assistance Agencies**

Fo help with food, rent, utilities, etc., start your research at **www.findhelp.org** If you are facing food insecurity, below is a list of resources for free food.

### **Food Assistance Programs:**

Leesburg Food Bank 503 N 13th St, Leesburg, FL 34748 Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 0830 am – 1130 am

Beyond the Walls Food Pantry 609 W Berckman St, Fruitland Park, FL 34731

Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 0900 am – 1130 am

Life Church Assembly of God Food Pantry 4001 Picciola Rd Fruitland Park. FL 34731

Hours: Monday, Thursday 1000 am - 1200 pm

Benevolence Center/Christian Care Center 118 North 14th Street Leesburg, FL 34748

Hours: Monday – Friday 0900 am – 1100 am

Joining Hands Food Ministry 130 S Lone Oak Dr Leesburg, FL 34748

Hours: Friday 0830 am - 1030 am

Rent/Utility Assistance Programs:

Salvation Army of Lake and Sumter Counties 2605 South Street

Leesburg, FL 34748

Hours: Monday - Friday 0830 am - 430 pm

Lake Community Action Agency 1010 North Boulevard East Leesburg, FL 34748

Hours: Monday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Additional help with rent can be found through the LST Office.

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See Park manager Malinda Brown for more information.

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### **Lakeside Terrace Office**

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