

REFLECTIONS

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Love Mother Earth
Tuesday, April 30th



VILLAGE CENTER HOURS

Administration: 863-427-7100

Monday-Friday 9am-5pm

C3 Wellness Spa: 407-914-9168

Monday-Thursday 8am-8pm

Friday 8am-7pm

K&M Drugs: 863-496-7930

Monday-Friday 9am-6pm

Saturday 9am-1pm and Sunday Closed

Marketplace Bistro: 863-427-7157

Daily 8am-7pm, Breakfast 8am-11am

Mosaics Restaurant

Call 863-427-7150, option 2 for hours

Riviera Spa & Fitness Center: 863-427-7130

Monday-Thursday 6:30am-9pm

Friday 6:30am-7pm, Saturday-Sunday 7am-7pm

Solivita Club Facilities After Hours Emergency

Phone Number: 863-286-8779 (Calls Only/No Texts)

Weekdays 5pm-8pm and Weekends 12pm-5pm

Starlite Ballroom

Daily 8am-11pm

Stonegate Pro Shop: 863-427-7150, option 1

Daily 7am-5pm

The Grille at Stonegate: 863-427-7167

Breakfast: Thursday-Sunday 8am-11am

Lunch: Monday-Sunday 11am-4pm

Dinner: Monday-Thursday 4pm-8pm

Friday-Sunday 4pm-9pm

The Palms: 863-496-1530

Amenity Center: Monday-Sunday 8am-9pm

Kids Pool Hours

Monday-Friday 12pm-4pm

Saturday & Sunday 9am-9pm

Fitness Center

Monday-Thursday 6:30am-9pm

Friday 6:30am-7pm

Saturday-Sunday 7am-7pm

Waterfront Galleries

Daily 8am-11pm

Welcome Center: 863-427-7000

Monday-Tuesday & Thursday-Saturday 10am-6pm

Wednesday 1pm-6pm, Sunday 12pm-6pm

ON THE COVER

Celebrate Solivita's First Earth Day Event! Solivita clubs and organizations will showcase the various ways to live more sustainably, reduce our environmental impact, and be overall better caretakers of Solivita's natural resources. Come to the Ballroom on Tuesday, April 30th anytime from 9am-12pm to visit the booths and to listen to one of the many presentations. This event is made in part with the Resident 2 Resident Resource Center. *Photos by Joe Thomas.*

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NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Email submissions to Reflections@SolivitaClub.com

MAY SUBMISSIONS

Calendar submissions and newsletter articles are due on **Friday, March 29th**. Club flyer insert copies are due by **Friday, April 19th**, but must be approved by the Club Manager, Sheri Wollschlager (Sheri.Wollschlager@CastleGroup.com) or the Communications Coordinator, Wilman De Jesus (Wilman.DeJesus@CastleGroup.com) before they are copied.

JUNE SUBMISSIONS

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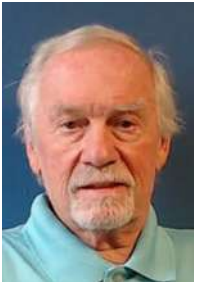
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Alligator Mating Season

BY LARRY ANSON PRESIDENT, SOLIVITA HOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Most of us moved to Solivita for the sunshine, as well as easy access to beaches and attractions. Our home in Central Florida is in a humid, tropical weather zone with Solivita located at the apex of the Florida Watershed System flowing to the Okeechobee River and the Everglades.

What does this mean to us?

Solivita is a natural habitat for a more exotic array of wildlife than what we left behind. As a conservation friendly community, we embrace and celebrate this difference, making required adjustments, balancing resident safety with wildlife protection.

Alligators are part of the natural balance in our tropical community. Their presence plays an important role in our ecological system. However, they are also predators. So, your HOA Board of Directors advises extreme caution in dealing with them.

The months of April, May and June are Alligator Mating Season. Males move from pond to pond to wetlands, in search of a mate. The female's travels are similar, searching for an appropriate nesting area. They are very protective of their young. While there is no need for alarm, this is a time for all of us to remain alert and cautious in regard to the presence of gators.

Remain alert and calm, giving any gator you may encounter at least thirty feet of space to guarantee your safety. Keep in mind that alligators are often waylaid in their search for a new domicile. Street traffic and other distractions cause them to lose their way. They are not hunting – they are simply confused. This may result in encounters on sidewalks, lawns, and driveways. If that occurs, keep cool and clear. Given time, gators will adjust and continue along their intended path back to water.

Remember to keep your garage and lanai doors closed when not in use. An open door is an invitation for any unwanted wildlife visitor. Be smart – lock them out BEFORE they arrive.

It is dangerous and unlawful to feed an alligator. Feeding will cause an alligator to lose its natural fear of humans, leading to aggressive behavior. **Please, NEVER FEED AN ALLIGATOR.**

Central Florida is beautiful, but living here requires following a few simple wildlife safety rules - just like looking both ways before you cross a busy street. We encourage you to incorporate them into your daily routine.

Have a happy and safe spring season!

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Activities Program

APRIL 2024

Trivia

Select Mondays
4pm & 7pm » \$7
Mosaics
Reserve Your Table
& Purchase Your
Limited Drink
Selection Online

Curbside Cuisine

Solivita Market Area
in Freedom Park
Wednesdays
11am-1pm » To Go Only
Thursday, April 25th
4pm-7pm » DJ » Cash Bar » Seating

DON'T LET THE
Rain Put a Damper
ON OUR PARADE!

These Guys Worldwide Show

Friday, April 5th
7:30pm » Ballroom
General: \$25
EOSS: \$30

Karaoke

Select Tuesdays
Moved to Art
Gallery
Complimentary
5pm-9pm
Cash Bar

Movie on the Lawn

Thursday, April 18th
Chess Lawn by The Grille
Starting Around 8pm
Bring Your Own Chair
Cash Only Bar



Wine Down Concert

Wednesday, April 24th
6:30pm-8:30pm
By The Grille
Bring Your Own Chair
Food Concession
& Cash Bar



Read more information and who is permitted to attend these events on the back of the monthly newsletter calendar or go to the SolivitaHOA.com Home Page and click on the RSVP or Purchase Ticketed Events icon. For questions, email or call the Activities Department at SolivitaActivities@CastleGroup.com or 863-427-7125.

SOLIVITA OLYMPICS

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Solivita's fifth Olympic games started with a brilliant opening ceremony in the Village Center. The event began with a parade which included the Veterans Honor Guard and Auxiliary members, Olympics Committee and Captains, Event Coordinators, Participants, Sponsors, Volunteers and nine worthy torchbearers who passed the torch the whole way. The last torchbearer, a current USA Olympian, lit the cauldron in the Pro Shop roundabout and then Keith Eaton, the Event Chair, welcomed those in attendance. And, in true Solivita fashion, the event culminated with a street party.

This community event was open to all residents. These Olympic games saw our highest participation thus far, with 494 registrants in 670 games! The feedback has been overwhelming from those who have participated in past Olympic events and many who took part for the first time. Many have expressed great appreciation for the hard work and excellent organization of the committee to pull off a successful event of this magnitude. Much fun was had by all! Greatest of all, the event proceeds of \$7,300 was presented to the Boys and Girls Clubs of Polk County.

The Solivita Olympics 2024 Committee thanks the entire community and their gracious sponsors and hopes to bring this event back in the near future. Stay tuned!

- » Daystar Skin and Cancer Center - Gold Sponsor
- » Affinity Dental Group - Silver Sponsor
- » Osceola Memory Gardens Funeral Home - Bronze Sponsor
- » First Financial Strategies - Community Partner
- » Florida Skin and Cancer Center - Community Partner
- » Solivita Showtime Entertainers - Community Partner
- » Family Donation - Community Partner
- » Taylor Morrison - Community Partner



AND THE MEDALISTS ARE ...

Thursday, February 1st

Hand and Foot Canasta

Gold: Jane Thomas, Cheryl Mill, Joanne Hinrichs
Silver: Sandy Perlmutter, Betty & Frank Russo
Bronze: Annette Ferrara, Linda Vining and Mary Buck

Dominoes

Gold: Nelson Rodriguez and William Silfa
Silver: Joe and Norma Velazquez
Bronze: Ralphie Matias and Carmen Bigley

Table Tennis: Men's Singles

Gold: Timothy Dee
Silver: Bryant Scott
Bronze: Raj Kumar

Table Tennis: Men's Doubles

Gold: Raj Kumar & Timothy Dee
Silver: Rex Alexander & Joseph Miller
Bronze: Joseph Shanahan & Andy Ratangee

Table Tennis: Mixed Doubles

Gold: Nanping Wang & Jichuan Wang
Silver: Eric Zheng & Jenny Dai

Bid Whist with a Twist

Gold: Gail Bell-Baptist & Akilah Mashariki
Silver: Diahann Hambrick & Tony Robinson
Bronze: Nita Mayberry & Bob Mayberry

Friday, February 2nd

Walking: Women 50 - 59

Gold: ½ mile and 1 mile - Carmen Fernandez

Walking: Women 60 - 69

Gold: ¼, ½ & 1 mile - Linda Taylor
Silver: ½ mile - Joanne Koellner
Silver: 1 mile - Cindy Robbins
Bronze: ½ mile - Marie Reyes
Bronze: 1 mile - Joanne Koellner



Walking: Women 70 - 79

Gold: ¼ mile - Janet Bremer
Gold: ½ mile - Janet Bremer
Silver: ½ mile - Christine Austin
Bronze: ½ mile - Kathleen Shaffer



Walking: Women 80 - 89

Gold: 1 mile - Verdica Kelly

Walking: Men

Gold: ¼ mile - Ian Larrier
Silver: ¼ mile - Richard Shaffer
Gold: ½ mile - Ian Larrier
Silver: ½ mile - Richard Shaffer
Bronze: ½ mile - John Austin
Gold: 1 mile - Ian Larrier
Silver: 1 mile - Douglas Likkel
Silver: 1 mile - Richard Shaffer
Bronze: 1 mile - John Austin



Billiards Advanced 8 Ball

Gold: Richard Watt
Silver: Brad Morrison
Bronze: Ben Ramsey



Billiards Advanced 9 Ball

Gold: Jim Norman
Silver: Bill Malanga
Bronze: Ben Ramsey

Swimming Freestyle: Women's 50m

Gold: Sue Urbach
Silver: Karen Rowe



Swimming Freestyle: Women's 100m

Gold: Sue Urbach
Silver: Karen Rowe

Swimming Freestyle: Women's 200m

Gold: Sue Urbach
Silver: Karen Rowe



Swimming Freestyle: Men's 50m

Gold: Richard Veit
Silver: Rick Bowles
Bronze: Bill Widman

Swimming Freestyle: Men's 100m

Gold: Richard Veit
Silver: Bill Widman



Swimming Freestyle: Men's 200m

Gold: Bill Widman

Swimming Backstroke: Women's 50m

Gold: Sue Urbach

Swimming Backstroke: Women's 100m

Gold: Sue Urbach

Swimming Breaststroke: Men's 50m

Gold: Bob Broman

Swimming Breaststroke: Men's 100m

Gold: Bob Broman

Mexican Train Dominoes

Gold: Betty Flynn
Silver: Enrique Pecou
Bronze: Amelia Pecou

Chess: 75+

Gold: Jay Nixon
Silver: Tony Reed
Bronze: Rich Gagnon

Chess: Under 75

Gold: Joe Byrnes
Silver: Jon Gonzalez
Bronze: Harry Barrett

Pickleball Mixed Doubles: Division A

Gold: Sylvia Emery & Dean Dressler
Silver: Lynn Moreno & Mike Prisby
Bronze: Lynn McDonald & Jose Rosado

Pickleball Mixed Doubles: Division B

Gold: Deb & Gary Koch
Silver: Donna Jacobi & Dennis DeWulf
Bronze: Carmen Bigley & Keith Wells

Pickleball Mixed Doubles: Division C

Gold: Cheryl MacDonald & Scott Carpenter
Silver: Darlene & Michael Belanger
Bronze: Laura Markure & Gene Burch

Pickleball Mixed Doubles: Division D

Gold: Sharon & Alvin Chipman
Silver: Lynn Clancy & Wayne Backlund
Bronze: Dorothy Davis & Simon Mead

Basketball Hotshot: Men 65+

Gold: Andrew Gensheimer
Gold: Gregory Crosby
Silver: Marty Hurwitz

Basketball Hotshot: Men Under 65

Gold: James Smith

Basketball Around the World: Men 65+

Gold: Andrew Gensheimer
Silver: Marty Hurwitz
Bronze: Gregory Crosby

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Basketball Around the World:

Men Under 65

Gold: James Smith

Saturday, February 3rd

Horseshoes

Gold: Chip Nash

Silver: Larry Taylor

Bronze: Ralph Kleeman

Billiards Intermediate 8 Ball

Gold: Kevin Fossum

Silver: Joe Morales

Bronze: Bob Cugini

Billiards Intermediate 9 Ball

Gold: Jim Weisheyer

Silver: Fred Schneider

Bronze: Kevin Fossum

Tennis Men's Doubles

Gold: Curtis Catlin & Gary Yu

Silver: Bruce Maytubby & Mehrdad Zibanejad

Bronze: Robin Loebel & Mike Maher

Cornhole

Gold: Dennis Clark, Paul Berrigan,
Nicole Andrade, William Andrade

Silver: Alnoble Hambrick, Randy Hanson,
Joseph Miller and Peter Ledingham

Poker

Gold: David Levine

Silver: Joel Schuster

Bronze: Jeff Lauer

Scrabble

Gold: Chris Janis

Silver: Richard Gagnon

Bronze: Sharon Dansby

Sunday, February 4th

Tennis Mixed Doubles

Gold: Lily Enquist & Aldo Guzman

Silver: Huimen Shen & Maolong Cai

Bronze: Melba Baez-Officer & Gene Officer

Hand, Knee & Foot Canasta

Gold: Team Best or Bust - Susan Ragsdale,
Dvora Shpun and Jack Ragsdale



Hand, Knee & Foot Canasta

Silver: Team Lucky Ladies - Sylvia White,
Louise Frenger and Sharon Elliot

Bronze: Team Jab - Bruce Lostocco,
Jack Figenholtz and Alan Goldman

Billiards Beginners 8 Ball

Gold: Linda Vining

Silver: JoAnn Brown

Bronze: Helen Nixon

Billiards Beginners 9 Ball

Gold: Linda Vining

Silver: Betty Colecio

Bronze: Bill Spears

Monday, February 5th

Tennis Women's Doubles

Gold: Lisa Burns and Sheila Heald

Silver: Carmen Boos and Angie Ross

Rummikub

Gold: Betty Flynn

Silver: Lisa Domroes

Bronze (tie): Janene Lehman &
Joanne Scocozzo

Softball Hitting, Throwing & Catching: Women Under 65

Gold: Alicia Arroyo

Softball: Women 65+

Gold: Debra Wells-Lynn

Softball: Men Under 65

Gold: James Smith

Softball: Men 65+

Gold: Alnoble Hambrick

Silver: Mark Arena

Bronze: Robert Frasca

Cycling 10 Mile: Women 55 - 59

Gold: Marcia Gensheimer

Cycling 10 Mile: Women 65 - 69

Gold: Sharon Vaughn

Silver: Sue Wiacek

Cycling 10 Mile: Women 70 - 74

Gold: Kay Hsu

Cycling 10 Mile: Women 75 - 79

Gold: Dee Dee Richardson

Cycling 10 Mile: Men 60 - 64

Gold: Stan Reinhold

Silver: Randy Buch

Cycling 10 Mile: Men 65 - 69

Gold: Andy Gensheimer

Silver: Mike Vaughn

Cycling 10 Mile: Men 70 - 74

Gold: Bill Widman

Silver: Ralph Deconto

Bronze: Ralph Whelan

Cycling 10 Mile: Men 80 - 84

Gold: Tony Handler

Power Lifting

Gold: Wilson Duvermeau, Randy Butch, Carlton Gillman, Ronald Hill, Joan McLeod-Omawa, Jacque Weaver, Andrew Gensheimer, Marcia Gensheimer, Janet Bremer and Tony Spinelli

Tuesday, February 6th

Team Bridge

Gold: Charles Davis, Omawale Omawale, Don Wierenga and Gwen McEvoy
Silver: Marilyn Tayler, Susan Cooper, Phyllis Schnell and Jean Holman
Bronze: Lynn Morrison, Anthony Reed, Alan and Donna McIlwain



Dragon Boat

Gold: Joann Gammichia, Jan Gripp, Pat Lanaconi, Corene Kelly, Steve Schuster, Al Hambrick, Randy Hanson, Debbie Fergusson, Dale Fergusson, Karin Therien, Fritz Nickel, Jill McKenzie, Kathy Harris, Jim Thomas and Pam Dalsimer
Silver: Denise Vincent, Victor Rivera, Bea Jones, Doug Jones, Lisa Watt, Mark Lundberg, Donald Hegedus, John Biellik, Chantal Biellik, Lynn Williamson, Eileen Almeida, Raul Almeida, Vicki Nuno, Kimberly Zuelsdorf, Tom Beaman and James Smith

Soul Line Dancing

Gold: Spades Team - Wendy Zalko, Frank Foster, Debra Wells-Lynn, Lisa Suggs, Joan Hogarth, Diahann Hambrick and Jan Jennings
Silver: Hearts Team - Sharon Ferris, Alba Alvarado, Claudia Bird-Day and Judy Walls
Bronze: Diamonds Team - Iris Roberts, Nancy McLaurin, Sheila Haire, Debbie Cox and Robin Wilson
4th Place: Clubs Team - Beverly Foster, Kathy Hartong, Robin Beasley, Maria Melchiori, Gail Sibley and Lola Homberg



Wednesday, February 7th

Water Volleyball (February 1st - 7th):

Division 1

Gold: Sean Dillon (C), John Badger, Elizabeth Lambrides, Doug Stauffer and Pete Zelano
Silver: Rob Blankenship (C), Deb Connell, Dean Dressler, Mike Luddy & Paul Williams
Bronze: Dennis DeWulf (C), Lisa Coady, Josie Dillon, Ken Laino and Roy Larue

Water Volleyball: Division 2

Gold: Janice Brooks (C), Don Demers, Leonor Klesck, Mark Tyler, and Lynn Williamson
Silver: Tony Sica (C), Fred Aransky, Mell Faison, Esperanza Hansen and Nancy McCloud
Bronze: Mike Scichilone (C), Angela Damico, Bob Miller, Gail Waberski and Pam Wallace

Water Volleyball: Division 3

Gold: Katherine Souza (C), Wayne Hamilton, Kit Nadeau, Kevin Smock and Rob Blankenship
Silver: Jan Gross (C), Felicity Miller, Gin Mirisola, Jose Morales and Dennis DeWulf
Bronze: Betty Stokes (C), Rick Lindstrom, Pat Miller, Dave Snider and Shelia Minore

Water Volleyball: Skills Competition

Gold: Pete Zelano
Silver: Dean Dressler
Bronze: Doug Stauffer





April's Choices!

BY SHELLEY DESTEFANO COMMUNITY CONCIERGE

Be witty on April 1st or you may involuntarily partake in a mischievous April Fool's Day prank. On the bright side, there are so many options of things to do in the area that you may want to do.

Pier 60 Sugar Sand Festival

The Pier 60 Sugar Sand Festival located at 1 Causeway Boulevard in Clearwater will be running until April 14th. Enjoy walking through 1,000 tons of white sand sculptures, live music, fireworks, and sculpting classes. \$14 per person. Visit sugarsandfestival.com or call 727-403-0517 for more information.

Exotic Car Show

Celebration will have their Exotic Car Show from April 5th-9th located at 600 Market Street in Celebration. Admission is free. They also have their farmers market every Sunday in case you are interested in checking it out. Please visit celebrationtowncenter.com for more information.

Sebring Soda Festival

If you enjoy soda, you can head to the Sebring Soda Festival from 10am-5pm on April 6th or from 11am-4pm on April 7th located at Circle Park Drive in Sebring. Tickets range from \$6 to \$25 at this pet friendly event with free parking. You can also enjoy a beer garden, food trucks, live music in addition to soda. Visit sebringsodafest.com to purchase tickets and for more information.

56th Annual Dunedin Highland Games & Festival

On April 6th from 8am-6:30pm you can experience the Dunedin Highland Games and Festival located at the Dunedin Community Center (1920 Pinehurst Road). Pets are not allowed; welcome to bring your own chair. Regular tickets are \$20, VIP tickets are \$125 (includes food and drinks all day including beer, wine, and soda), Stirling ELITE VIP tickets are \$225 (includes the only onsite parking, food and drinks all day including beer, wine, and soda). Visit dunedinsafoundation.com/highland-games to purchase tickets and for more information.

SUN 'n FUN Aerospace Expo

The SUN 'n FUN Aerospace Expo will be running from April 9th-14th located at 4175 Medulla Road in Lakeland. If you like planes you will not want to miss the largest airshow in Florida.

Adult Admission is \$45 and there is a parking fee of \$10 a day if you purchase online or \$20 purchased onsite. Visit flsynf.org or call 863-904-4063 for more information.

17th Annual Pinellas Pepper Fest

Spice up your life at the 17th Annual Pinellas Pepper Fest from 10am-5pm on Saturday, April 13th or Sunday, April 14th located at 5010 Dave McKay Way in Pinellas Park. This free admission, free parking event is also pet friendly. Please visit facebook.com/PinellasPepperFest for more information.

International Flower & Garden Festival

Epcot (located at 200 Epcot Center Drive in Lake Buena Vista) has their International Flower & Garden Festival until May 27th. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit disneyworld.disney.go.com.

Mount Dora Blueberry Festival

The Mount Dora Blueberry Festival will be running from 9am-5pm on April 27th and 28th located at Donnelly Park (539 N. Donnelly Street in Mount Dora). This is a free event that will have vendors, live music, blueberry beer, a pie eating contest and a \$10 pancake breakfast from 9am-11am on both days. Visit mountdorablueberryfestival.com for more information.



Please visit the Concierge page on SolivitaHOA.com to see more events going on in the area. Life does not always give you choices but when it does, choose wisely. There are those exceptions when we know it would be wise to remain silent, but the silence is just not within us. Those are voluntary bad choices that may be worth the hot seat, but for the most part it's best to walk the peaceful path in life.

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**SOLIVITA
UNIVERSITY**

**Co-Sponsored by the Solivita University
Committee and Activities**

No studying, tests or exams are given, just enlightening topics to keep your mind energized. All classes are 90 minutes long unless otherwise noted. Solivita University class calendar and faculty biographies can be found on SolivitaHOA.com under Get Connected. Adult guests welcome. For more information, call the Activities Office at 863-427-7125 or email SolivitaActivities@CastleGroup.com.

Psychology – Are You Talking to Me?

Tuesday, April 16th | Ballroom at 3pm (NEW LOCATION)

Tuition: Complimentary

Professor: Dr. Edward Zenker

Course Description: Just talking to someone is not communicating. This presentation highlights what is necessary to truly communicate with another individual. The presentation examines various forms of communication and provides an awareness of how culture dictates meaning. Suggestions are offered for dealing with difficult people.

Historic Florida: Beloved Maitland & Eatonville, Better Together “Armchair” Walking Tour

Wednesday, April 24th | Ballroom at 3pm

Tuition: Complimentary

Instructor: Beth Landa and John Beacham

Course Description: Central Florida’s town of Maitland was incorporated two decades after the Civil War with the help of freedmen, and historic Eatonville, the first all-Black town in America, was chartered three years later with the help of Maitland citizens. Enjoy this window into some little-known Florida history, presented by authentic speaker John Beacham, whose freedmen ancestors lived it. The two neighboring towns have benefited for 137 years from mutual support. Learn how this amicable relationship evolved, who the heroes are, and which cultural superstars entertained in or emerged from the small town of Eatonville.



We should all have a fire extinguisher in the kitchen, one in the garage (easy to get at while outdoors), and another in your car. The most useful and popular type is “ABC” (displayed prominently on the device), which can be used for:

- » Common combustibles (A)
- » Liquids and gases (B)
- » Energized electrical devices (C)

These can be found in most home improvement and hardware stores. A dry chemical type should be shaken every few months to keep the powder from settling. Keep the one in your kitchen at eye level in plain sight of the range (not hidden in the pantry or a cabinet where you lose time searching for it). Other extinguisher types include D for combustible metals (like magnesium used in newer cars) and K for cooking oils (e.g., kitchen). Most extinguishers today are throw-away. Look for the expiration date or pressure gauge to determine if you need a new one.

The easiest way to extinguish a stove-top fire is to put a lid on the pan or pot or cover it with a wet dish towel. Do not put a burning pan under the faucet! Never try to carry a burning pan outside; you will burn yourself and start even more fires when burning fluid spills or you drop the pan along the way.

To use a fire extinguisher, remember: PASS

- » P – Pull the pin
- » A – Aim at the base of the fire
- » S – Squeeze the handle
- » S – Sweep back and forth across the flames

Only use an extinguisher if the fire is *smaller than a waste can* and AFTER someone has called 9-1-1. Another option that has come on the market recently is the Fire Blanket. The blanket can be used for stove top fires and is made from 100% glass fiber. However, it is not big enough for an adult clothing fire.



Resident to Resident RESOURCE CENTER

Technology Education

Smartphone Basics

Basic iPhone – April 2nd & 3rd (Full) • Basic Android – April 9th & 10th (Few Slots Open) • 9am-12pm • The Palms

Are you having trouble using your smartphone, know very little about the features, or wish you could do more? Then this training is for you. Please bring your smartphone fully charged. *Advanced registration requested at 863-236-9973 or SolivitaR2R@gmail.com; class size is limited to 15.*

Tech Clinic – Help with Your Devices

Tuesday, April 9th • 2pm-4pm • Gator Room

Bring your device (e.g., computer, smartphone, Apple watch, tablet, etc.) and we'll help you with your questions. *Advanced registration requested at 863-236-9973 or SolivitaR2R@gmail.com; limited timeslots available every ½ hour between 2pm-4pm.*

Community Paper Shred Day

Saturday, April 6th • 10am-2pm • Freedom Park

Clean out all the paperwork clutter in your office and home – old bills, papers, check books, and sensitive documents to shred.

Monster Food Drive

Thursday, April 11th • 10am-2pm • Freedom Park

Most needed items: canned vegetables, fruit, meat, juices, and pasta sauce; rice, beans, pasta and macaroni & cheese; peanut

butter and cereal; diapers. Donations – cash or checks payable to St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church Food Pantry and/or St. Ann's Catholic Church.

Hurricane Preparedness

Wednesday, April 17th • 10am • The Palms

Hurricane season begins on June 1st and runs through November 30th. Now is the time to learn about preparing for a disaster, whether you are a full-time resident or a snowbird. Polk County Fire and Rescue will cover advance preparations, necessary supplies, protecting your house, protecting your pets, and shelters available. *Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)* will cover specific information pertaining to Solivita. **Register for this session by calling the Resource Center at 863-236-9973 or email SolivitaR2R@gmail.com.**

Solivita Earth Day

Tuesday, April 30th • 9am-12pm • Ballroom

We are delighted to welcome you to the first Solivita Earth Day event! Solivita organizations/clubs will showcase the various ways to live more sustainably, reduce our environmental impact, and be over all better stewards of our Solivita natural resources with Education Stations. Guest speaker presentations: How CDD Manages our Ponds; Florida Wildlife Corridor in Solivita -View the Local Wildlife Video; Benefits of Protecting and Restoring Florida's native plants; and Feral Hog Control Project Update.

 **R2R Resource Center** 863-236-9973
SolivitaR2R@gmail.com

Important Alert Regarding Drainage Improvements

From time to time, Solivita property owners decide to improve drainage on their residential lot. In some cases, homeowners consider terminating a drain line on a stormwater parcel owned and maintained by Poinciana Community Development District or Poinciana West Community Development District (CDDs). Procedures have been put in place to review and approve the installation of a drain line on CDD property. Please be aware that the installation of a drain line on CDD property requires an application and explicit CDD approval in the form of a license agreement. The HOA architectural review committee has these drain line applications. The application includes a helpful engineered drawing depicting proper drain line installation, drain line termination location, and the pop-up emitter that should be installed where the drain line terminates. *For more information regarding the application and procedures to install a drain on CDD property, please contact CDD District Manager Tricia Adams at TAdams@gmscfl.com or at 407-841-5524, extension 138.*

WANTED! ARTISAN AND CRAFT VENDORS

Saturday, November 2nd • 10am-4pm • Village Center • Rain or Shine



10% Early Registration Discount Deadline is May 31st. Application Deadline is June 28th.

Application packets for the 23rd annual Festival will be mailed out to our mailing list by the end of April. To have your name added to the mailing list, send an email with your name, address, phone number and email address to SolivitaFallFestival@gmail.com or call Activities at 863-427-7125. Handcrafted art or craft items are accepted in the festival.

Photos by Joe Thomas



FRIENDS WHO HAVE LEFT US, BUT ARE NOT FORGOTTEN



Johnson



Leader



Reid

**Ronald Johnson
Andrew Leader
John Reid**

Our thoughts are with the families and friends of the residents who recently passed away.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

FLAMINGO FUN DANCE PARTY



Saturday, April 6th • 6pm • Ballroom

Sponsored by PALS. All Solivita humans invited. DJ Irwin will be spinning your favorite tunes. Break out your flamingo shirts, hats, or anything pink. The fun includes dancing, games, raffles, photo ops, and a cash bar. \$10 tickets include goodie bag, door prizes and popcorn. Don't want to attend alone, no problem! Connect with new friends. Easy ticket delivery; just text 407-414-5750. We accept cash, checks and credit cards.

NEW DIMENSIONS HIGH SCHOOL LIVING WAX MUSEUM



Friday, April 19th • 10am-11:45am • Mosaics

Sponsored by Poinciana Residents for Smart Change (PRFSC). Come on out and support the students from New Dimensions High School and visit their Living Wax Museum. The students will tell you about famous historical characters who they will be representing. The event is free and has been very well received by the Solivita community in year's past.

TRIVIA MONDAYS

April 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th

4pm-6pm & 7pm-9pm • Mosaics

Test out your all-around trivia knowledge in teams up to eight people. Doors will open 30 minutes before the game starts. A professional trivia host is present, and prizes are given to the top three teams! Participants are limited to attend one Trivia game per advertised day. **Smart watches and phones are to be put away in a place not visible.** Price of \$7 includes the game fee, one wine, beer or soda, tax, and gratuity. **Online table selecting and payment will start on April 1st at 9am on the SolivitaHOA.com home page. Click on the “Purchase Activities Events Tickets or Solivita University Classes Here” image or scan the QR code using your phone camera or QR scanner app for all April Trivia dates.** Walk-ins welcome if Trivia is not sold out. You may input one attendee name per Trivia date.



KARAOKE TUESDAYS

April 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th • 5pm-9pm

MOVED TO ART GALLERY

Sing and dance while listening to your favorite Solivita singers.

The above events (*Trivia and Karaoke*) are welcome to residents and their adult guests. Bring your Solivita Resident ID badge for admission to these special events. Food purchased from the Bistro and The Grille only is permitted to Trivia and Karaoke. A cash bar will be available.



MOSAICS SPECIAL NIGHTS

Hosted by Stonegate Golf Club

MOSAICS DINING

Thursdays, Fridays & Saturdays, April 6th – 27th (**not open April 4th & 5th**) • April 6th will Open at 6pm due to Ladies Member Guest Event

Enjoy a full menu of seafood, steaks, pasta and more. Bar service will be open from 4pm-8pm. For reservations to any of our dinners, please email MOD@stonegategolf.com.

MAY REFLECTIONS ASSEMBLY, DELIVERY & PICK-UP

Friday, April 26th • 9am • Ballroom

Newsletter assembly volunteers are asked to meet at 9am in the Ballroom on Friday, April 26th. Delivery volunteers should arrive between 9:45am-10am and are asked **not to leave the Ballroom until all neighborhoods have been completely assembled. If you do not receive your newsletter** by Monday, April 29th you will need to pick a copy up at the Concierge Desk in the Admin building anytime between 9am-5pm.



MUSIC AS HEARD ON TV

Friday, April 12th, Saturday, April 13th, and Sunday, April 14th • 7pm • Starlite Ballroom

Sponsored by the Solivita Starliters. This year’s show includes theme songs from classic TV shows, commercials, talent featured on TV Specials, and Variety Shows. The 55-person cast and the 40-person crew are putting the finishing touches on their music, staging, dance steps, costumes, set, lighting, and projections. Don’t miss your chance to see what has kept your friends and neighbors busy for the last twenty weeks! Tickets can only be purchased online through **spacinc.com**. Click on Events and Tickets, and then Tickets. Prices are \$30 and \$25 with no additional service charges. Tickets are non-refundable but ALL SEATS ARE RESERVED. A portion of each ticket price will go to the SPAC, Inc. Endowment Fund. For assistance with ticket purchases, call 863-289-5740.

ANNUAL SPRING SHOW

Saturday, April 13th & Sunday, April 14th • 10am-7pm • Art Gallery & Ceramic Gallery

Sponsored by the Solivita Artisan Guild. Solivita residents are invited to attend the annual Spring Show. The show will feature a wide variety of paintings, sculpture, mixed media, wearables and original jewelry designs by talented members of the Solivita community. Many items for sale, plus live afternoon music with cash bar on the patio by the lake! Free admission, open to all residents and their guests.

GAME DAY

Sunday, April 14th • 12pm-3pm • The Palms

Sponsored by the Solivita Democratic Club (SDC). ALL Solivita residents are invited to play! Doors open at 11:45am. The event includes lunch, snacks, beverages, and fun! Bring your own favorite table games to play with friends (board games, card games, domino games, Mahjong). Learn to play a new game with new friends. Tickets are \$20 for SDC members and \$25 for non-members, available for purchase at Clubs' monthly ticket sales day at Mosaics on Monday, April 1st from 10am-12pm and SDC membership meeting in the Ballroom on Wednesday, April 10th from 6:15pm-7pm. Cash or checks payable to Solivita Democratic Club. Contact: Val Williams at vpowell65@aol.com or 631-455-4036 (call or text).

PLANT SALE

Monday, April 15th • 9am-2pm • Solivita Market

Sponsored by the Native Plant Club. Native and Florida-friendly flowers and plants will be on sale at great prices just in time for spring planting. Look for our tent at the Solivita Market in Freedom Park.

UPCOMING SSB CONCERTS

Sponsored by the Solivita Swing Band (SSB). Join us at **Wine Down Wednesday** on **April 24th** from 6:30pm-8:30pm behind The Grille for this free community event. A cash bar will be provided. Bring a chair and your dancing shoes! We'll be back in the Ballroom on **May 18th** at "**May Day for Music & Dancing,**" from 7pm-9pm. A cash bar will be provided. Bring snacks and treats! Tickets go quickly and are on sale April 1st in Mosaics. To check availability, call Jon Cameron at 701-890-0208 or Lindsay Chalmers at 313-515-4240. SSB is open to auditioning any resident musicians for future openings in the band.

FLORIDA'S FABULOUS TREES

Thursday, May 23rd • 10:30am-12:30pm • The Palms

Sponsored by Green Thumbs Club. Join us for an informative presentation about Florida's native trees by Kellie Antonowicz, Director of Education, IDEAS For Us, a professional naturalist and advocate for Florida's native Flora and Fauna. Cost: \$5/ members; \$10/non-members. To register, payment to Marianne Whitmer (340 Hamrick Drive). Checks payable to Green Thumbs Club. For information, call Retha Sellers at 863-427-3317.

UPCOMING WELLNESS EVENTS

DATE	ACTIVITY
Wednesday, April 3rd 10am • RSF2	Cremation and Funeral Service: Baldwin Brothers Cremation and Funeral Service, Tom Hoffman, Counselor. The purpose of the seminar is to provide information to anyone who feels it is important to relieve their family and loved ones with the burden of having to deal with arrangements at the time of need. RSVP to 407-636-6986.
April 5th & 22nd 9am-4pm • Freedom Park	Eye Care: 20/20 Onsite
Wednesday, April 10th 2pm • RSF2	Estate Planning: Henderson Sachs. Attorney Dan Henderson will explain purpose of wills, trusts, and powers of attorney as well as the probate process in Florida. Legal issues regarding healthcare surrogates and end-of-life choices will also be discussed. Presentation followed by a Q&A.
Wednesday, April 17th 10am • RSF2	Gastroenterology Colorectal Cancer: AdventHealth Osceola, Dr. Jeffrey Fein. Learn about risk factors, prevention strategies, early detection methods, and treatment options in this session aimed at raising awareness and promoting proactive health practices. RSVP to 407-543-4502.
Wednesday, April 24th 8am-4pm • RSF2	Stroke Screens: Prevention Plus. RSVP to 888-667-7587.
Wednesday, May 1st 10am • RSF2	Financial Planning: Edward Jones, Cris Allen and Dylan Allen, Financial Advisors. Market and economic update; Legacy planning, gifting, financial plan; Generate income and tax-free income strategies; Allocation/Diversification strategies - mutual funds, ETF's and CEF's; Annuities and life insurance strategies; FDIC CD's, fixed income rates. RSVP to denise.glover@edwardjones.com.

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Art

All Occasion Card Making

Michelle Musial:
561-573-0662
solivitacardmakers@gmail.com

Wednesday, April 10th from 3pm-4:30pm & 4:30pm-6pm • Wednesday, April 24th from 3pm-5pm & 6pm-8pm • Ceramics Gallery

Join us each month as we create handmade cards for All Occasions using a variety of techniques including Stamping, Embossing, Fun Folds, Pop Ups, and 3D Layering. No experience is necessary. Two new cards are introduced each month. Class fee is \$8 for both cards which includes all materials. Choose from the dates and times listed above. *Class size is limited.* Since class materials are prepared in advance, registration is required.



Beginners through Advanced Sculpture

Robin Skeete: 845-313-7657

Mondays • 9am-12pm • Ceramics Gallery

Whether you are looking to explore, develop or revisit a hobby, our sculpting class is for you. Anyone interested in joining the class can stop by any Monday morning at 9am and experience the fun and excitement of creating lasting memories in clay.

Ceramics

Brigitte: 863-427-1288
Jolaine: 863-427-7379

Tuesdays • 9am-2pm • Ceramics Gallery

New students are welcome at 11am. We will advise where you can purchase your projects and products. The classroom fee is \$1 per week.



Iris Folding All Occasion Card Making

Betty Scott:
614-743-8216
bscott1945@gmail.com

Wednesdays, April 3rd & 17th • 3:30pm-5:30pm & 5:30pm-7:30pm
Ceramics Gallery • \$8

Learn how to do Iris Folding to make beautiful cards for all occasions. The cost for two cards is \$8 and the kit includes the items to make the cards. The only supplies you need to bring are scotch tape and scissors and a tape runner if you have one. You will be making two new designs in each class. You will need to register in advance since there is a limit to the size of the class. Contact Betty. *If you enjoy card making, but cannot attend the class, contact Betty about the kits to make the cards on your own.*



A Touch of Class

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Art continued

Mixed-Media Artworks

Char Chaim: 914-980-7591

Open Studio

Joan Owens: 407-620-7138
owens9949@hotmail.com

Brigitte Blomstrom: 407-729-7427 and Liz Weis: 518-378-9001, ewsolivita@gmail.com

Painting

Acrylic Painting Class Intermediate and Advanced

Cindy Nagle: 407-760-8335
cindymnagle@hotmail.com

Rock Painting

Jan Fridh: 815-979-8137
jan815fri@gmail.com

Class on Fridays • 9am-12pm • Ceramics Gallery

The class is always experiencing and exploring new and innovative art techniques. Students are working in different mediums and styles at the same time, regardless of what project Char is teaching. Art then becomes personalized, and what the individual chooses to express through their own creativity. We have 14 students in class on Fridays who choose to express themselves 14 different ways.



Every Thursday • 1pm-4pm • Art Gallery

Every Sunday • 9am-12pm • Ceramics Gallery

There are no fees to join in on Open Studio days. This is not a formal class, but an open studio session. Open to all artists, jewelers, and crafters. Come together to visit, work on joint or individual projects, share knowledge and new ideas. For more information on Thursdays, contact Joan Owens. For more information on Sundays, contact Brigitte Blomstrom or Liz Weis.

Mondays • 1pm-4pm • Art Gallery • \$10 Per Class • Limited Class Size

If you have ever painted before in acrylics, oils, or watercolor AND wish to paint again, this just might be the acrylic class for you. We have a great class of creative artists who enjoy the experience of painting together. They all paint a wide variety of subjects at their own pace. Work from your own pictures or browse through the selection of pictures we have available. Supportive direction and instruction are provided along with helpful critiques. Some paints and brushes are provided in class. Call for more information and to reserve a spot in class.

Thursday, April 25th • 3pm • Ceramics Gallery • \$15 Per Class • Seating is Limited

Spring is finally here with fresh new designs. Choose one of these fun and whimsical pieces to paint. No matter your skill level, we guarantee you will walk out with a completed project and will have a great time socializing while you do it. We provide all the materials and detailed instructions, and assist throughout the class. If you cannot make the class but would like to do one of these rocks, we can put together a complete kit for you to take home. Just send us an email. Your instructors are Janice Fridh and Tammy Pautz.



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Painting continued

Watercolor: Beginners, Intermediate & Advanced

Stephanie Sodel:
352-250-3303

Tuesdays • 10am-12pm • Art Gallery • \$15 Per Class

This is a mixed group of beginners, intermediate, and advanced students. In these classes you'll be introduced to the basics of traditional watercolor and learn skills that will help you express yourself through the art of watercolor. Beginners attend for free for four weeks. These are on-going classes and not workshops. Call Stephanie to register and obtain the list of supplies you'll need to get started. The cycle of beginner classes begins the second Tuesday of the month.



Recreation Club Clinics

Men's Softball Clinic

Alejandro Recio:
recio1523@yahoo.com
954-445-1186

Call to Find Out When Our Next Clinic is for Prospective Members

If you like softball and would like to get back in the game, come to one of our clinics and give it a try. Our members range in age from early 50's to mid 80's and are of all skill levels. We also have members who are willing to work with you to hone your skills, because if you are like most of us, it's been awhile since you last played. We play Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday at 9am, so come and check us out. The clinics are free, and it will give you a better idea if you want to join.

Pickleball Newbie Classes with the Smashers

Patti Greenberg:
newbies@solivitas Smashers.com

Tuesdays, April 2nd, 9th & 16th • 10:30am-12pm • The Palms Pickleball Courts
MUST COMMIT TO ALL 3 WEEKS OF THE CLASS

Classes fill up quickly! To register for the Newbie Classes, please email Patti Greenberg at newbies@solivitas Smashers.com. Our program usually begins at 10:30am on the first Tuesday of the month. If the 10:30am class fills up, we may add a second class at 12pm. The clinic includes an introductory class plus two additional classes. The Smashers Pickleball Club will supply paddles and balls. For more information on the classes and the club, see the club's webpage on SolivitaHOA.com. Register, come out, and join the fun! *Check out photos below of recent Newbie Classes!*



A Touch of Class

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Recreation Club Clinics continued

Tennis Instruction

Curtis Miller:
curtismiller2049@gmail.com
614-314-3705 (call or text)

Mondays • 8am-10am • Venezia Tennis Courts

Every Monday the Racquetees Tennis Club offers FREE tennis instruction at the Venezia Tennis Courts from 8am-10am. We have a certified tennis instructor and peer coaches to introduce tennis to beginners and players returning to the sport. All are welcome! Be sure to wear proper court shoes and dress accordingly. Don't have a racket? No problem, we will have one for you to use. Otherwise bring your own. This is an excellent introduction to tennis at Solivita.

Water Volleyball Newbie Clinics

Rob Blankenship:
solivitawatervolleyball@gmail.com

Rotating Schedule • Riviera Spa & Fitness Center Pool

Newbie Clinics are held on a rotating schedule and consist of three successive sessions of training. Please email the club to determine the dates of the next clinic and place yourself on the waiting list. During the clinic we teach the rules of Solivita Water Volleyball, some basic skills and play some games. You can reach our club at solivitawatervolleyball@gmail.com.

Skills

Bridge Classes

Donna McIlwain:
dmc3726@yahoo.com
407-738-5325

Newplicate Game with Mini Lesson • Mondays • 12:30pm • Caspian Room

The game is a gentle competition with fewer hands than the more advanced ACBL game. This is a first step in playing duplicate bridge. To ensure full tables of four, reservations may be made. Private lessons may be available online if there is enough interest. For more information, contact Donna.

Jewelry Making

Peggy Tepper:
tepy02@outlook.com
908-303-6432

Wire-Wrapped Bracelet • Saturday, April 20th • 9am-12pm • Art Gallery

Back to the basics! As many of you know, wire-wrapped loops take practice, so I have decided that we should make a beautiful crystal bracelet by attaching wire-wrapped crystals to chain. In this class, you will learn the technique of making beautiful wire-wrapped loops. Once you have done this bracelet you will be able to make earrings, finish kumihimo and never be afraid of this finishing technique again. Cost of the class will be \$30.



Phoneography

Irene Stecher:
763-443-8550
stecherirene06@gmail.com

Monday, April 1st • 1pm • Mosaics

Our once-a-month workshop is designed to challenge you to continue on your digital photography quest. Our phone camera workshop offers a practical hands-on approach to help you take high quality and engaging photos. The friendly group shares their photos via a private Facebook page accessed only by participants.



Club Meeting List

Web	Club	Day	Time	Room	Contact	Phone	Email
•	African Heritage Cultural Club	1st Tuesday	10:30am	ST	Keith Eaton	609-472-4826	keitheaton522@gmail.com
	Applause Club, The	-	-	-	Nancy Pahl	631-960-6128	nancy.pahl@yahoo.com
•	Artium Patroni	-	-	-	Art Mateos Yelong Han Zynia Rionda	609-273-8503 703-304-0519 703-508-4820	agmateos@yahoo.com yhan1701@gmail.com zyniar@aol.com
	Astronomy Club	1st Tuesday	7pm	MSB	Gary Doody	603-486-8868	gdoodynh@gmail.com
	Basket Weavers	Friday	9am	AR	Tinker Price Irene Stecher	917-224-9723 763-443-8550	solivitabaskets@gmail.com
	Bid Whist with a Twist	1st & 3rd Thursday	6pm	MSB	Denise Howard	773-852-2715	howde326@yahoo.com
•	Big Money Bingo	3rd Sunday	6pm	ST	Susan Schulman	863-427-0443	susanschulman@msn.com
•	Bocce Boyz-Girlz	Mon., Wed., Fri.	8:30am	FP	Carl Warren	407-497-7240	wcpwarren10@yahoo.com
	Bocce Squad	Sunday	1pm	FP	Larry Taylor	901-489-1590	harleycruizer6@yahoo.com
	Bowling for Fun	Wednesday	12pm	Cypress Lanes, Winter Haven	Bill Vazquez Gary Miller Barbara Morin	214-710-0792 315-491-7598 516-578-1674	bvazquez28@outlook.com f1time@hotmail.com tinker.bell7@verizon.net
	Bridge - Friday Bridge Connection	Friday	1pm	MSB	Bly Trinrud	863-438-9957	-
	Bridge - Friendly Bridge Club	Sunday Friday	1pm 1pm	LV RSF2	Tom Whittle	863-439-8415	dadsumpire@aol.com
•	Bridge-Sol. Bridge Club Duplicate Bridge Practice ACBL Bridge	Sunday & Monday Friday 1st & 3rd Fridays	1pm 1pm 1pm	MSB & MSC RSF2 MSB	Tony Reed Phyllis Schnell Donna McIlwain	518-860-4903 863-547-4643 407-738-5325	radnorth@yahoo.com bpschnell@me.com dmc3726@yahoo.com
•	British Isles Heritage Club	2nd Tuesday	7pm	RSF2	Collin MacDonald	863-313-9870	collinmacd@verizon.net
	Brooklyn Fun Club	Monthly	-	-	Alan Goldman Bob Moss	- 561-246-0184	giantyank061147@gmail.com bobpsft6868@yahoo.com
•	Bunco	1st & 3rd Tuesday	1:30pm	RSF2	Brenda Verrico	617-823-5206	momlunch@gmail.com
	Butterfly Club, The	2nd Monday	1pm	PA	Heather Hayes Kathy Martin	703-282-7753 630-746-0094	heather.hayes@verizon.net tkmnyt@aol.com
	Canadian Club of Solivita	-	-	-	Glenda Bedard	647-977-4940	glendabedard@hotmail.com
	Canasta - Friday Canasta	Friday	11am	MSC	Martha Layton	863-496-4179	mart1947fi@msn.com
•	Caribbean American Association (CARAMVITA)	1st Wednesday	4:30pm	PA	Ben Kizer Debra Wright	863-353-2595 863-496-7887	caramvita@gmail.com
	Casual Canasta Club	Monday	1pm	MSA	Eileen Bertuglia	863-438-0066	ebitugs@gmail.com
•	Catholic Bible Discussion Group	Friday	10am	RSF2	Lee Hough Bobby Gaudioso	863-221-6200 863-313-3224	Lhough123@gmail.com sekova2@aol.com
•	Catholic Families of Solivita (CFS)	2nd Sunday (Even Mths.)	1pm	PA	Fran Bigg	908-456-2390	franbigg101@gmail.com
	CCFA Poker Club	Saturday	12pm	MSA	Joel Schuster	-	jschuster0709@yahoo.com
•	CERT	2nd Monday	1pm	ST	CERT Main	863-514-6728	solivitafl.cert@gmail.com
	Chess Club of Solivita	Wednesday	9am	MSB	Joe Byrnes	516-810-1048	jjb091@gmail.com
	Chinese Cultural Club at Solivita	-	-	-	Angela Chen	-	angelachen88850266@yahoo.com
	Christian Fellowship of Solivita	-	-	-	Dennis Leroy	630-244-6697	dlnavy66@gmail.com
•	Citizen's Assisted Patrol (CAP)	2nd Tuesday	12:30pm	RSF2	Lynn Scherr	863-427-2666	lynn0113@verizon.net
	Club Ageless	-	-	-	Ty Johnson	716-517-5492	clubageless7@gmail.com
•	Computer Connection	1st Wednesday	7pm	RSF2	Wayne Schoeffel	407-319-9142	waynendi15@gmail.com
	Constitutional Club of Solivita	-	-	-	JJ London	-	jjlondon.ccs@gmail.com
•	Cork & Bottle	3rd Thursday	7pm	-	Glenn Holdcraft	609-658-3092	gholdcraft@gmail.com
	Couple's Texas Canasta	Tuesday	6pm	BV	Irwin Goldberg	863-427-0982	igoldber2003@yahoo.com
	Cribbage Club of Solivita	Sunday	6pm	GTR	Larry Daigneault Art Thibault	863-496-4655 203-376-0273	larrydano52@gmail.com barbara28thibault@gmail.com
	Daisy's Texas Canasta	Monday	11am	VZ	Joe Velazquez	863-427-1260	normavss@yahoo.com
•	Disney Cast Members of Solivita	-	-	-	Rich Patrone	863-438-9951	richp7@aol.com
•	Disney Fan Club (Members Only)	Wednesday	7pm	PA	Mary Steel	-	SolivitaFanClub@gmail.com
•	Do Unto Others (DUO)	-	-	-	Martha Cusimano	863-496-2749	marthacus@aol.com
•	Dominoes Club of Solivita	Wednesday & Thursday	12pm	MSB	Joe Velazquez	407-346-3714	normavss@yahoo.com
	Episcopal Friends in Solivita	3rd Monday	-	VP	Angela Ifill	646-331-0823	-
•	Energizing Christian Women's Connection	M & Th + Monthly Events	-	-	Kim Lucar	616-915-0400	ecwc.solivita@gmail.com
•	Euchre	2nd & 4th Wed.	6:45pm	MSC	Helen Rhoades	774-545-0484	hrhoades2@cfl.rr.com
	Exceptional Palate Cooking Club	3rd Monday	5pm	PA or Pavillion	Cheryl Parker	863-313-3059	parkerccgem@aol.com

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	Filipinos at Solivita (FAS)	2nd Sunday (Odd Mths.)	3pm	BV	Sal Aquino Prescie Villasin	917-309-3395 973-960-2262	manistheend@aol.com layang61@msn.com
•	Forever Young Music	Sundays	2:30pm	RSF2	Maria Melchiori	407-579-9696	mfmelchiori@gmail.com
	Funtime Billiards	Wednesday	6pm	BL	Carl Amato	508-844-8311	carl100uvt@aol.com
	Game Dames - Rummikub Mexican Train	Monday Wednesday	1pm 1pm	CR MSC	Rose Lyons Michelle Musial	863-496-5385 561-573-0662	lyonsx2@att.net shellmus29@aol.com
	Game On	Last Friday	5pm	GTR	Norma Velazquez	863-427-1260	normavss@yahoo.com
	Genealogy	3rd Monday	6:30pm	RSF2	Jeff Carlson	863-427-7233	jrcsr5561@gmail.com
	Girlfriends of Solivita	Monthly	TBA	TBD	Linda Lawrence	248-349-5754	linda_lawrence07@yahoo.com
	Give Kids The World (GKTW)	-	-	-	Wanda Weiland	919-673-5258	wandaw4gktw@gmail.com
•	Green Thumbs	-	-	-	Michelle Weisinger	863-353-3332	tikky45@aol.com
	Gun Club of Solivita	4th Thursday	6pm	RSF2	Janet Warnsdorfer	610-781-0430	galaxypwd@aol.com
•	Guys and Dolls	-	-	-	Ellen Factor	863-496-7258	efactor50@hotmail.com
•	Hand & Foot Canasta	Wednesday	12:30pm	GTR	Mati Gomoll Nancy Edwards	863-512-9337 614-893-9521	vgomoll@gmail.com nedwards513@gmail.com
	Hand & Foot Canasta Card Game	Monday Thursday Friday	12:30pm 11am 11am	MSA MSC MSB	Cheryl Wynn	863-557-9747	mabelmac97@yahoo.com
	Healthy Eating/Active Living Club (HEAL)	-	-	-	Diane Fezza Sacco	917-538-0500	healthevolution@aol.com
	Hole-in-One Golf Club, The	-	-	-	Essic Dillard Butch Pridgen	863-399-0386 863-207-6607	- -
	Holistic Horizons	2nd & 4th Tuesday	3pm	MSB	Rita Miliios	863-496-7223	ritamilios@gmail.com
•	Horseshoes Club of Solivita	Tues., Thur., & Sat.	8am	FP	Chip Nash	781-626-3081	cpnash@yahoo.com
•	Illinois Club of Solivita	-	-	-	Tom Leonhardt	407-766-7759	illinoisclub2019@gmail.com
	India Club	-	-	-	Vrinda Master	908-727-0692	vrinda.master@gmail.com
•	Indiana Friends	-	-	-	Tom Digate	260-413-3670	tom@digate.us
•	Jewish Philosophy Club	-	-	-	Sharon Shuller Matthew Hoffman	407-247-7397 -	solivitajpc@gmail.com mhoffman95@yahoo.com
	Kapamilya	Last Sunday	3pm	VZ	Sonia Weaver Ester Sarabia	863-319-6595 732-306-7128	jweaver249@cflr.rr.com esterlanesar@yahoo.com
	Korean Friends of Solivita Golf Outing Ladies Club	Tuesday 2nd Wednesday	- 12pm	- -	Insoon Rim Antonio Kim	973-960-5461 201-953-9312	insoonwrim@aol.com miokus@yahoo.com
	Labyrinth Explorers at Solivita	2nd Wednesday	10am	GTR	Isabel Gutierrez Stephen Lee	917-526-0981 631-383-2464	igutierrez110@gmail.com stehenspencerlee@gmail.com
	La Fe (The Faith) Christian Social Club	1st Tuesday	10am	RSF2	Joe Velazquez	863-427-1260	normavss@yahoo.com
•	Ladies Poker Club	Monday	6:45pm	MSA	Linda Eisenberg Linda Hrdlicka	561-602-5283 630-862-0132	lindae311@yahoo.com lindahrdlicka@yahoo.com
	Las Marianas	-	-	-	Olga Laureano	216-333-9709	olgalaureano@icloud.com
	Latin Ladies of Solivita	-	-	-	Diana Torres	-	latinladiesofsolvita@gmail.com
	Mah Jongg	Tuesday & Saturday	12pm	MSC	Rosemary Noack	863-427-9304	chaseno@verizon.net
	Massachusetts Club	-	-	-	Margie & Rick Segel Maria & John Kevgas	781-367-5487 863-496-7141	margiese@gmail.com sotirios5@aol.com
	Mexican Train Dominoes	Wednesday	1pm	MSA	Rose Lyons	863-496-5385	lyonsx2@att.net
	Michigan Club	Friday	9am	GR	Janet Simetkosky	863-496-7071	jans48@aol.com
	Model Railroad Club of Solivita	3rd Thursday	2:15pm	CR	Doug Peterson Doug Tolman Dale Dixon	- - 412-609-8822	solivitadoug@gmail.com dtolman@cfl.rr.com dixonde1@comcast.net
•	Movie Club: Solivita Silver Screeners	-	-	Offsite	John & Andrea Walen	214-636-9214	solivitasilverscreeners@gmail.com
	Native Plant Club of Solivita	1st Tuesday	10am	MO	Linda Moffat Susan Shubrook	- -	moffat5401@gmail.com susanshubrook@gmail.com
•	Neighborhoods Rosary at Solivita (NRS)	Monday	5:30pm Zoom-5pm	LV	Resty & Fe Espinosa Nady Gutierrez Veny Dy-Liaccio	248-321-4657 - 407-758-7958	respinosa630@gmail.com nady.gutierrez@hotmail.com venyd14@gmail.com
	New England Club	Annual Meeting in November	6:45pm	MSC	Jack Lelli Gerry Durkee	407-922-7363 863-221-8420	jack17737@aol.com jakedf44@aol.com
	New Jersey Club Board Meeting	Annual Mtg in Dec. 2nd Tuesday	ST -	6pm 5pm	Glenn Holdcraft	609-658-3092	gholdcraft@gmail.com
	New York City Transit Retirees of FL (NYCTROF)	1st Saturday	1pm	RSF2	Eddie Richardson Greg Miller	863-496-5904 863-313-3084	- -
	Not-So-Serious Mah Jongg Club	-	-	-	Donna McIlwain	407-738-5325	dmc3726@yahoo.com
	Odd Fridays Bridge Club	1st, 3rd, & 5th Friday	1:30pm	MG	Donna Monroe	863-427-1199	dm.monroe@yahoo.com

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•	Ohio Club	2nd Wednesday	9am	GR	Don Kayle Bill Blatz	419-348-0207 407-784-0177	solivitabuckeyes@gmail.com bill1950.65@gmail.com
	Oh Scrap!	Fridays	12pm	CR	Regina Vogel	516-998-5224	reginaandgirls@me.com
•	Oldies But Goodies	-	-	-	Robert E. Doktor	863-427-9114	bbdoktor@verizon.net
	Our Time Club	-	-	-	Vickie Freece	-	vfreece@cfl.rr.com
	PALS (Pets Are Loved in Solivita) Club	2nd Thursday	6:30pm	RSF2	Karla Wisinski	407-414-5750	palsofisolivita@icloud.com
	Pennsylvania Club of Solivita	-	-	-	Elaine Mattis	814-720-3958	emattis57@gmail.com
•	Photography Club of Solivita	2nd Monday	9:30am	RSF2	Kim Michaud	-	gadwallakm@live.com
•	Pinochle Club	Thursdays	6pm	MSC	Dale Dixon	412-609-8822	dixonel1@comcast.net
	Playing For Life Club	-	-	-	Rudi Trivigno	201-213-7251	barondrug@gmail.com
	Playreaders of Solivita	2nd or 3rd Sunday	6:15pm	Zoom	Matthew Hoff man Donna McIlwain	863-496-7436 407-738-5325	mhoffman95@yahoo.com dmc3726@yahoo.com
	QiGong Club of Solivita	Wednesdays Thursdays Saturdays	3pm 1pm 11am	PA	Stuart Abo	863-496-7961	abofmlwear@aol.com
	Red Hatters, Casual	-	-	-	Brenda Verrico	617-823-5206	momlunch@gmail.com
	Red Hatters, Classy	3rd Wednesday	-	-	Roe Morreale	863-438-2514	roee11595@aol.com
	Red Hatters, Crafty	1st Thursday	6pm	CR	Sharon McLafferty	863-496-0156	slmtm589@gmail.com
	Red Hatters, FlyBye (Snowbird Chapter)	-	-	-	Karen Taggart	905-449-2751	kamt@rogers.com
	Red Hatters, New Attitude	3rd Thursday	-	-	Clotilde Ogle	863-496-7054	motley.barr@verizon.net
	Red Hatters, Roaring	3rd Wednesday	-	-	Sandra Dunbar	407-433-8157	sandrardunbar43@gmail.com
•	Red Hatters, Scarlet Chapeaux	1st Wednesday	9:30am	MSA	Sandra Abo	863-496-7961	sandra.abo12@hotmail.com
	Red Hatters, Scarlet O'Hatters	4th Wednesday	-	-	Carolyn Schwarz	863-496-1499	rcrschwarz@verizon.net
•	Red Hatters, Solivita	-	-	-	Marie Russo	863-496-0708	mrusso424@aol.com
	Red Hatters, Spicy	-	-	-	Nilda Rivera Minerva Grajales	407-754-4187 407-361-9570	nmr1040@yahoo.com -
•	Republican Club of Solivita	3rd Wednesday	5:30pm	ST	Glenn Larson Carol Rimdzius	513-433-9288 630-254-8225	glenn45140@gmail.com crimdzius@gmail.com
	Retired Old Men Eating Out (ROMEOS)	Last Wednesday	12pm	-	Dave Lane	863-427-6939	davidlane0828@gmail.com
	Rondalla of Central Florida	Saturday (except 1st Saturday)	2pm	RSF2	Arnie Yabyabin Carminia Yabyabin	407-780-3637 863-274-5121	rcfdec09a@gmail.com -
	Seniors for Safe Schools and Communities	2nd Tuesday	4pm	RSF2	Dorothy Schwartz	732-207-3358	schwartzapn@aol.com
•	Sew 'N So	1st Wednesday	10am	AR	Louise Timms	631-987-6511	louisetimms@cfl.rr.com
•	Shalom Club	4th Monday	7pm	ST	Lynne Shefsky	407-461-5785	lynneshesky@icloud.com
	Simply Latin Dancing	-	-	-	Herman Velez	863 496-7530	herman.velez@gmail.com
	SLICE (Solivitans Looking for Incredible Cheesy Excellence)	-	-	-	Helen Callanan	631-882-0863	sunnnight@aol.com
•	Smashers Pickleball Club	Various Thursdays	2pm-4pm	-	Wayne Fullerton	301-885-6401	smashers.president1@gmail.com
	Sol. Apple Club	4th Monday	7pm	RSF2	David Winograd	516-637-8692	solivitaappleclub@gmail.com
•	Sol. Artisan Guild	2nd Monday	10am	AR	Joan Owens	407-620-7138	owens9949@hotmail.com
	Sol. Aviation Club	-	-	-	Rose Kerr	863-313-3910	rosekerr389@gmail.com
	Sol. Backgammon Club	1st & 3rd Friday	10am	MSC	Barbara Peterson	561-385-0398	solivitabarbara@gmail.com
	Sol Belly Dancers	Wednesdays	1:45pm	RSF	Ludmilla Wikkeling-Scott	-	solivitabellydancers@gmail.com
•	Sol. Bible Study Group (Non-Denominational)	Thursday	10am	RSF2	Ken Hokkanen	608-695-6588	kenhokkanen@gmail.com
•	Sol. Billiards	Mon. Tues. & Thurs.	4pm	BL	Ben Ramsey Bill Brown	317-407-2040 917-273-4937	benramsey72@cfl.rr.com bill5joann@aol.com
	Sol. Board Gamers Club	2nd & 4th Friday	9am	MSC	Paul Hakken	407-401-4081	phakken@gmail.com
	Sol. Bocce	Tues., Thurs., Sat.	9am	FP	Jackie Erickson	863-427-6440	teejacq@aol.com
•	Sol. Book Circle	-	-	-	Kathy Griffin	863-242-2238	kmgriffin96@cfl.rr.com
•	Sol. Bowlers	Tuesday	12pm	Cypress Lanes	Patrick Dowson Josie Morin	407-922-3364 203-415-2587	patrickdowson@yahoo.com gogam47@yahoo.com
	Sol. Cigar Club	-	-	-	Greg Coach Denise Janey	- -	coach006@gmail.com djaney@comcast.net
	Sol. Co-Ed Softball	Thursday & Sunday	4pm	Softball Field	John Dwyer	603-630-6297	solivitacoedsoftball@gmail.com
•	Sol. Cyclists	Wednesday & Saturday	8am	Veterans Memorial	Sue Wiacek Tony Handler	610-453-7506 863-427-4345	swiacek54@gmail.com nardah99@verizon.net
	Sol. Cypress Bowling	Thursday (Oct-Mar)	12pm	Cypress Lanes	Doug Dorsey	917-763-4362	douglas.dorsey.nf@gmail.com

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•	Sol. Dancing Diehards	Sunday	1:30pm	RSF Aerobics	Mark Petrycki	863-496-5538	-
•	Sol. Democratic Club	2nd Wednesday	7pm	ST	Brian Fillette	704-641-2978	president@solivitademocrats.org
	Sol. Dragon Boat	Tuesday & Friday	9am	The Dock	Pat Ianaconi	516-721-7022	solivitadragonboat@gmail.com
•	Sol. Fishing Club	2nd Tuesday	7pm	MSB	Jim Clough	316-204-2595	jclough.sfc@gmail.com
	Sol. Friends Helping Those In Need	-	-	-	Alida Carpenter	708-738-4308	alida827@gmail.com
•	Sol. Friends of Elementary Education School	4th Monday	9:30am	MSB	Janet Yu	734-486-3451	jkeyu@yahoo.com
	Sol. Funtime Events	-	-	-	Mary Ann Lando	863-496-5632	mlando@aol.com
	Sol. Hunt Club	4th Tuesday	6:30pm	RSF2	Steve Davis	815-201-4628	steveyd7399@gmail.com
	Sol. Italian Club	-	-	-	John Fusco	954-629-4797	jafusco@aol.com
•	Sol. Older Bikers (SOBs) SOBs Meet to Ride	4th Tuesday Tuesday Thursday Saturday	7pm 8am 8:30am 9:15am	MSB PA MB MB	Tom Wallis Joe Nuzzi	607-368-2967 330-727-6553	tjwallis0711@gmail.com bib46@msn.com
•	Sol. Quilters	Friday	3pm	PA	Barbara Angell	407-493-3115	quiltsatsolivitareas@gmail.com
•	Sol. Racqueteers Tennis	-	-	-	Jim Clawson	313-522-7384	jwclawsonsr@gmail.com
•	Sol. Radio Club	Last Thursday	7pm	GTR	Paul Bresnowitz Alan McIlwain	201-919-6875 863-313-0202	N2TTR@arri.net AKM3726@yahoo.com
	Sol. RC Hobby Club	2nd Tuesday	4pm	FP Parking Lot	Larry Librach	973-997-6099	larry@librach.net
	Sol. Road Runners	-	-	-	Micheline Vosges	863-496-0431	michv726@aol.com
•	Sol. RV Club	3rd Wednesday	4:30pm	RSF2	Barb Bizon	248-420-0708	solivitarvclub@gmail.com
	Sol. Scrapanos	1st & 3rd Monday	6:30pm	-	Beth Baumwell	863-427-4282	-
	Sol. Scrabble Group	Wednesday & Saturday	11am	PA	Pat Preston	310-359-5975	gr8auntpat@gmail.com
	Sol. Showtime Entertainers	3rd Tuesday	1:30pm	MSB	Jeannette Schnetzer	347-605-9555	solivitashowtimeentertainers@gmail.com
•	Sol. Shuffleboard Club	Mon., Wed. & Sat.	9am	FP	Dale Dixon	412-609-8822	dixone1@comcast.net
•	Sol. Singles Club	1st Sunday	4pm	ST	Lisa Kelly - President Pat Lynn - Membership Judy Walls - Activities	339-203-2531 517-614-0481 508-740-0702	lakelly1956@gmail.com lynnp101@gmail.com walls1202@gmail.com
•	Sol. Social Club	3rd Tuesday	9am	MG	Paul Spagnola Margret Barsh	407-480- 8055 646-932-6891	pspag2125@gmail.com mclancy22@aol.com
	Sol. Social Dance Club	-	-	-	Dale Roberts	863-496-4368	solivitasocialdance@gmail.com
•	Sol. Softball Club	Monday-Saturday	9am & 10:30am	FP	Alejandro Recio	954-445-1186	recio1523@yahoo.com
•	Sol. Softball for Women - The Diamonds	Tuesday & Friday	8:30am	FP	Jill Gatlin	407-552-5086	gatlin94@gmail.com
•	Sol. Sorcerers of Magic	Varies	6pm	Varies	Sid Simon	423-596-5154	sidneyhsimon@yahoo.com
•	Sol. Starliters	-	-	-	Ellen Factor	863-496-7258	efactor50@hotmail.com
	Sol. Swing Band	Thursday	9:30am	AR	Steve Orange Lindsay Chalmers	734-755-4014 313-515-4240	navalarange22@yahoo.com linchalmers2004@yahoo.com
	Sol Table Tennis Club	-	-	-	Joseph Shanahan	863-496-7725	joeshana@ymail.com
•	Sol. Theatre Group	-	-	-	Peter Stern	732-740-0642	actorpete@aol.com
•	Sol. Travel Club	3rd Tuesday	6:30pm	ST	Teresa Johnson	612-868-5847	teri_jhnsn@icloud.com
•	Sol. Wildlife Advocates	-	-	-	Bob Monica	941-705-9142	swa.solivita@gmail.com
•	Sol. Wine Club	-	-	-	John Parent	863-206-0475	johnmark39@yahoo.com
•	Sol Writers	1st & 3rd Monday	10am	RSF2	Marilyn Shapiro	518-859-6774	shapcomp18@me.com
	Sophisticated Ladies	-	-	-	Jacqueline Jones	917-589-9962	elephantjk74@gmail.com
	SoulaVita Line Dancers	Tuesday	5pm	PA	Deldra Eaton Keith Eaton	609-238-8288 609-472-4826	soulavitalinedancers@gmail.com
	Stitches & Quilts	-	-	-	Renee Typaldos	732-735-7539	rntyp@aol.com
	Stonegate Couples Golf Association	Saturday	8:30am	SGC	Wayne Uren	863-496-7300	SCGA.Solivita@outlook.com
•	Stonegate Men's Golf Association	Wednesday	-	SGC	Art Hallman	863-660-2630	arthallman@yahoo.com
•	Stonegate Niners Women's Golf	Thursday	-	SGC	Tory Torok Alice Miller	216-644-7640 518-265-3369	snwga.golf@gmail.com
•	Stonegate Women's Golf Association	Thursday	7:45am	SGC	Yolanda Cornell	305-586-0169	yolanda.cornell@yahoo.com
•	SWANS: Solivita Women's Action Network	-	-	-	Virginia Allain Dorothy Schwartz	863-370-5762 -	vallain576@gmail.com schwartzapn@aol.com
•	Tai Chi Club	-	-	-	David Deloach	561-677-1566	ddeloach315@gmail.com
	Texas Canasta	Mon. & Wed. 3rd Monday	7pm 7pm	MSB MSC	Barb Scherr	863-427-2666	barbsix@verizon.net

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	Texas Lone Stars	-	-	-	Kay Manis	512-785-4815	texaslonestarsolivita@gmail.com
•	Veterans Club of Solivita	4th Wednesday	7pm	ST	Mick McCabe John Calanan	859-652-1087 917-567-0882	fmccabe83@gmail.com bmbjohn@aol.com
•	Vizcaya Social Club	-	-	-	Gabby Thomas Millie Green	863-496-1544 863-438-4548	gabbyap332@aol.com mrg18405@gmail.com
	Walk 4 Wellness Club	-	-	-	Catherine Cabeza	347-533-0813	drcabeza4fitness@aol.com
•	Water Volleyball Club	-	-	-	Rob Blankenship	270-219-9055	blankenship165@yahoo.com
	Western/Upstate New York (WUNY) Club	-	-	-	Martha Cusimano Fran Bliet	610-737-2606 607-227-2475	marthacus@aol.com franbliet2@gmail.com
	Widows Club of Solivita	3rd Wednesday	10am	-	Agi Hyman Sue Durham	914-799-1212 708-341-7898	agnort1@gmail.com durhamsue@gmail.com
	Wisconsin Club	-	-	-	Mary Steel	-	masteel411@gmail.com
•	Yarners	Wednesday	10am	MSC	Esta McNamara Matthew Hoffman	631-332-9507 863-496-7436	estafla@yahoo.com mhoffman95@yahoo.com
•	Young & Young at Heart, The (YaYaH)	-	-	-	Charlene Chaim	914-980-7591	lchaim2000@yahoo.com

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SUPPORT GROUPS

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•	Cancer Support Group	Our group is dedicated to providing emotional support and education to anyone touched by cancer.	Thursday	10am	MG	Tony & Narda Handler	863-427-4345	nardah99@verizon.net
	Grief Support Group	This group is facilitated by a trained counselor from Cornerstone Hospice who understands the grieving process and will help those on the journey of grief recovery and rebuilding their life. Offered at no cost to participants. Registration is requested. Residents only.	2nd Tuesday	10am	Zoom	Cornerstone Hospice Bereavement Counselor: Enos Butler	407-552-1011	ebutler@cshospice.org
	Living Sober in Solivita	A discussion group of Solivita residents who are living in sobriety, and for those wanting support and information on how to be alcohol-free themselves.	Sunday	9am	MSB	Kate Lupe Ralph	570-236-0443 407-202-1007 407-460-3401	ksquared1987@yahoo.com loop924544@yahoo.com radsolivita2005@gmail.com
•	SolAbility Club	This club supports those with disabilities, their caregivers, and interested friends. Our goal is to reach out to the disabled and caregivers and connect them with the resources and encouragement. We are here for you! For meetings, call the contact or check our Club News article.	-	-	-	Ralph Whalen Ralph DeConto	689-253-6891	solability2019@gmail.com
	Solivita Alzheimer's Support Group	We provide assistance and support to those whose loved ones have this disease.	4th Thursday	9:30am	MSB	Deena Watson	630-605-0703	deena@nowinfl.com
	TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) in Solivita	A private chapter open to Solivita residents and employees. TOPS can help you reach your weight-loss goal by providing you with the tools, information, support and accountability you need to be successful.	Tuesdays Weigh-In Zoom Meeting	8:30am-9:30am 10:30am	MSC	Frances Martin	770-289-1519	franatl@juno.com
	Venezia Support Group	Intends to get together to support each other and have fun	Wednesdays	4pm	VZ	Melba Harris	407-334-6300	melbaharris60@gmail.com

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ROOM LEGEND

AR Art Gallery	LV Lago Vista Amenity Center	PA The Palms Amenity Center
BL Billiards Gallery	MB Marketplace Bistro	RSF Riviera Spa & Fitness Center
BV Bella Viana Amenity Center	MG Magnolia Room	RSF2 Riviera Spa & Fitness Center, Second Floor Classroom
CR Ceramics Gallery	MO Mosaics	SGC Stonegate Golf Club
FP Freedom Park	MSA Mediterranean Skyline, Aegean Room	ST Starlite Ballroom
GTR The Gator Room	MSB Mediterranean Skyline, Baltic Room	VZ Venezia Amenity Center
GR The Grille at Stonegate	MSC Mediterranean Skyline, Caspian Room	

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Astronomy Club

At our last meeting in February, we had guest speaker, Dr. Barbara Emery-Geiger (pictured below), an expert in space weather and earth climate, who gave a very interesting presentation. We meet on the first Tuesday each month at 7pm in the Gator Room. At each of our meetings, we have one to two presentations by club members, including the latest in astronomy and happenings at NASA, the night sky and what you're looking at, and other topics. These aren't intended to be lectures, but more shared topics with open discussions. If you're interested in our club, you are very welcome to join us at our meetings. All are welcome.



Big Money Bingo

Our next Big Money Bingo will be Sunday, April 21st. Remember you must have your Solivita ID and your guest must have a Solivita Guest Pass. Outside beverages are not allowed but we do provide two snacks and drinks. We close the doors once we have reached 300 bingo players. The doors open at 5pm and close at 6pm. Bingo starts at 6:15pm. Our Big Money Bingo Winner for February was Tracee Terry. Bingo players rock!



Bocce Squad

Members recently participated in a fun afternoon of challenging and humorous bocce activities after a social potluck. Players competed against each other to be named "Boss of the Toss" winning prizes and bragging rights. Lots of laughs and cheering was heard as players threw with their non-dominant hand, backward tosses and other unusual tosses. Congratulations to our winners!



Pictured above-left: Boss of the Toss Bocce Winners (left to right) - Susan Cittonaro, Tom Cummings, Janene Lehman, Chrisann Luckie and Vince Luckie.

Solivita Funtime Events

Pictured is First Place and Second Place Winners of the Hand, Knee & Foot tournament! Since everyone had a wonderful time with great food and plenty of fun, we are having another tournament on April 30th. June 12th is the Victory Casino Cruise including roundtrip bus transportation, admission, lunch and free play for only \$35 per person. Join us! Not a member? Email mlando@aol.com. All proceeds go to feeding and caring for homeless kitties.

Scarlet Chapeaux

March was an entertaining event for the Scarlet Chapeaux. We went to see *Menopause the Musical*, the theme being "CURSING THE CHANGE." The show was amazing and it's something that we ladies of Solivita can relate to, shopping at Bealls for lingerie.



Friday Bridge Connections

The Friday Duplicate Bridge game is open to everyone in the Baltic Room in the Mediterranean Skyline (MSB) at 1pm. You don't need to be a member to play. Membership is a one-time fee of \$15, with a cost of \$1 to play thereafter. The cost for a non-member is \$2. We ask that you be checked in and ready to play by 12:55pm. Please come with a partner and enjoy the game. For more information, please contact Bly Trinrud at 863-438-9957.



2/2/24 Winners (seated, left to right): North/South - Marian Jones & Joan Down; East/West - Charles Davis & Don Wierenga



2/16/24 Winners: North/South - Charles Davis & Don Wierenga; East/West - M.J. Raser & Jeanne Durham



2/9/24 Valentines Special Prize Games Winners: Jeanne Madden & Tony Botelho (standing); North/South - Nancy Robbins & Maria Coggins; East/West - Glenda & Leroy Partin



2/23/24 Winners: North/South - Bob and Elaine Zuelsdorf; East/West - George Tabak & Tom Yuan

Ladies Bridge Luncheon

Congratulations to these First Place bridge winners at our luncheon on February 7th! Pictured below-top (left to right): Kathy Wheeler & Elaine Lavine, Nancy Ryback & Janice Matusevich, Judy Kelly & Bly Trinrud. Missing are Sharon Cohen & Marsha Montgomery. Pictured below-bottom: We welcomed back three great alumni - Pam Dempsey, Marilyn Bader and Judy Kelly! Mark your calendar, our next Ladies Bridge Luncheon is Wednesday, November 6th.



Solivita Bridge Club: Sanctioned Duplicate Bridge

Our club meets on Sundays at 1:30pm and Mondays at 1pm. The cost is \$2. You don't need to be an ACBL member to play. Come with or without a partner. Please arrive at least 15 minutes before starting time. On the first and third Fridays, we also have a team game. It is super fun to win a game with your friends. More information about the team game, contact Donna McIlwain at dmc3726@yahoo.com. Other questions, contact kathywheeler537@gmail.com. In February, five teams from our club participated in the Solivita Olympic games. One team won the gold medal. *Team game winners for February 2nd & 16th as well as the Olympic games are pictured here.*



Solivita RV Club

RV Club members have been on the go so far in 2024 exploring new locations. Back home, we participated in the Solivita Mardi Gras Parade as well as a potluck dinner. Upcoming events include our April Rally at Creekfire RV Resort in Savannah, GA, a “pre-rally” in St. Augustine, and our annual pre-Christmas rally, returning to Fisherman’s Cove in Palmetto December 4th-7th. Our members generously share their knowledge, expertise, tips, and techniques with each other. We encourage RV owners to check us out at our meetings on the 3rd Wednesday at 4:30pm in RSF2 or visit us at SolivitaRVClub.org.



RV Club cast of characters at the Mardi Gras Parade.



Laurie and Debra camping under the Aurora Borealis on the Denali Highway.



Even the pets get in on the action!

Solivita Showtime Entertainers

Did you miss our February show “RETURN TO THE BIG APPLE?” The saga continues and there will be another opportunity to be dazzled by the talent in our community. The production has something for everyone, from the streets of New York to Broadway. There will be singing, dancing, comedy, and a fun time for all. Tickets on sale Mondays and Fridays at the Solivita Market, by phone at 863-588 7015, or email SolivitaShowtimeEntertainers@gmail.com. Show date is June 3rd in the Ballroom. Reserved seating \$25. General admission \$20. Doors open at 6:30pm with the show starting at 7pm.

Widows Club of Solivita

Several recent activities included a trip to Bok Tower Gardens to see the azaleas and camellias in bloom, followed by lunch at L’Incontro, a road trip to the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Maitland for the Tables Extraordinaire event and lunch, and our monthly dinner at Azteca D’Oro. Currently planned is a boat ride in the Winter Haven Chain of Lakes, followed by lunch at Harborside Restaurant. All new and existing members are encouraged to attend the next meeting on Wednesday, April 17th in the Gator Room. Contact Sue Durham at durhamsue@gmail.com or 708-341-7898 with questions.



The Applause Club

April showers bring May flowers. The Applause Club invites you to join us as the Applause Club Band and Vocalists shower you with great entertainment on April 19th at 6pm in the Starlite Ballroom. For further information, contact Sheila at 917-887-5828. Julia Wood will be performing at the Senior Prom Dinner Dance in May. Check out the party people!



Solivita AHCC Educational Fund

On May 3rd, SAHCCEFI will hold its 18th scholarship luncheon in the Starlite Ballroom. The purpose of the luncheon is to express our gratitude to contributors who have generously donated money to support our program, acknowledge our Mentors for their commitment to our scholars, and present this year's scholarship recipients. Twelve high school scholars will receive \$4,000 to offset the cost of college, and a mentor to guild them through their college experience. One postgraduate student will receive \$5,000 to support their graduate work. Thank you for making the difference!

Jewish Philosophy Club

Last call! Don't get left out! Jerusalem Jones, aka Dr. Ken Hanson, will be returning to Solivita in just a few days with his two-part presentation, "Dig Deeper: The Untold Stories of Biblical Archaeology." Remember, we will still be in the Gator Room, but the class has changed to Fridays (April 5th and 12th) from 11am-12:30pm. \$40 per person covers both sessions. Please see our club webpage on the SolivitaHOA.com for the complete presentation description. PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. For further information and/or to register, contact Sharon at 407-247-7397 (text) OR SolivitaJPC@gmail.com.

The Young and Young at Heart Club (YaYaH)

The YaYaH Club and Mixed-Media Artworks Class are sponsoring a series of special events! The first is on Saturday, August 17th from 1pm-5pm in the Ceramics Room. We will have a canvas paint party, creating pieces that light up when plugged in. Please bring a no-need-to-heat covered snack to share. The ticket price, which includes guaranteed success for all art-experience levels, is just \$20 per person. All necessary materials will be supplied, including light installation. Due to limited space, early registration is suggested. Call Char Chaim at 914-980-7591 or 914-924-3687 (leave a message).



Smashers

Smashers Pickleball Club

The Smashers held the annual picnic this year on February 29th. Music was provided by Jim Thomas as the cooks prepared the salads, hotdogs and brats. The Smashers welcome new Board members, Jim Balas, J.R. Gray and Steve Gordon. Thanks go out to Stacey Harrison, Kathy DeWulf, Ron Powers and Stevie Harrison for their past work as Board members. Returning members are Wayne Fullerton, Matthew Lythouse, Keith Wells, Jerry Mallett and Kathy Burch.



Great food, great friends!



The salad masters!



Jerry & Jack having fun cooking.



SolAbility

Did you know that SolAbility is for caregivers as well as disabled? New caregivers are often overwhelmed with their responsibilities and the myriad of things they must learn and arrange. Experienced caregivers may feel trapped and isolated. If you know a caregiver in our community, tell them about SolAbility. They can join even if the person they care for doesn't join. There are more caregivers in SolAbility than there are disabled! Caregivers can meet and talk with others in the same situation. Caregivers are at every club function and Caregiver Get-Togethers are scheduled monthly. Contact us at 489-273-6891 or SolAbility@gmail.com.





British Isles Heritage Club (BIHC)

At February's meeting, forty-seven members enjoyed a Pizza and Movie Night. "To Sir with Love 2" was featured. March 12th the "Buskers," an Irish band, played to a sold-out audience, celebrating St. Patrick's Day. May 10th will be our British Afternoon Tea, relocated to the Ballroom to accommodate the demand for more to attend. Classen String Quartet will play music, as authentic British hot tea, finger sandwiches, quiche with three different sweets will be served. Being a proper British Afternoon Tea, please wear appropriate attire. Women - dress, fascinators, and hat. Men - jacket and tie. Tickets: \$35 per person. Contact Meg MacDonald at 863-313-9870 or memacd@verizon.net.



Brooklyn Fun Club

For all residents who come from Brooklyn, know someone from Brooklyn, or just know where Brooklyn is, you are welcome to join this very active club. We have monthly events with no boring meetings. A recent activity was a Karaoke and Potluck night, and an upcoming event is our annual ballgame outing. The Valentine's Dinner was very well attended. For more information, contact Bob at 561-246-0184.



Brooklyn Fun Club Valentine's Dinner



Disney Cast Members

Our table at Mardi Gras was a success serving hot dogs, chips, water, and Mickey cookies. Thanks to all for setting up, serving, working the table, and cleaning up. Last month, we spent a day at Epcot and enjoyed a fabulous lunch at Disney's Biergarten Restaurant at the Germany Pavilion. This month, we will play a round of Mini Golf at Disney's Winter Summerland Golf Course followed by brunch at Olivia's Cafe at Disney's Old Key West Resort on April 16th. Our monthly meeting will be April 6th at The Palms at 10:30am. As always, we invite all Disney Cast members, active and retired, to join us.



Solivita Road Runners

Mary Bell's new Hospitality Committee and our new Board Member, Jeff Lee, prepared for our Membership Meeting where our 2024 events were reviewed by Micheline Vosges. Our Barbecue in Freedom Park was so good, with good food, friends and fun. Our luncheon on the St. John's Riverboat was delightful and relaxing. April 13th, we'll enjoy Tampa Bay Downs, Kentucky Derby Style, with our annual Day at the Races trip. May 26th, we're enjoying brunch at Fred's, then it's back to Sarasota where the Black Theatre Troupe will present the *Marvin Gaye Story*. Call Micheline for availability at 863-496-0431.



Ohio Club

The Ohio Club held a potluck game night on March 12th where fun and food was enjoyed by all. The ladies lunch is held on the first Wednesday of every month. Please contact Sue Reed at ronsuereed@yahoo.com for more information. Anyone interested in being on the list for golfing once per month, let Bill Blatz know at bill1950.65@gmail.com. We are planning a brunch to be held on Tuesday, April 16th at Egg City at 10:30am. We will meet at Freedom Park at 9:45am to carpool. Anyone interested in attending the brunch, please email Don Kayle at solivitabuckeyes@gmail.com.



Cork & Bottle

February's wine tasting at Rosie Fogerty's greeted the club with a global selection of varietals (pictured here). French and New Zealand Sauvignon Blancs sparkled with citrus, while French and Portuguese Rosés offered floral notes. Argentinian and South African Cabernet Sauvignons impressed with bold flavors. Paired with delightful bites, the evening celebrated diverse terroirs, fostering camaraderie and wine appreciation. For more information, please visit our club webpage on SolivitaHOA.com or email CorkAndBottleSolivita@gmail.com. Cheers!



Texas Lone Star Club

Howdy y'all! Members of the Texas Lone Star Club had an incredible time at Inredibowl in February. While the pins were flying, the beer was flowing, and the group had a rousing time. In April, we're planning on having fun at the cornhole courts. The summer promises to have even more exciting events. If you're interested in joining us, call Kay at 512-785-4815 or email us at TexasLoneStarSolivita@gmail.com.



Christian Fellowship of Solivita

Come join the fun at the annual Spring Fling event on April 4th from 2pm-4pm in The Palms Amenity Center (free entrance). There will be a spectacular silent auction, live entertainment, refreshments, raffles and much, much more. Try your luck bidding on golf rounds, boat rides, restaurant gift cards, beauty services, works of art and other treasures. Proceeds from this event help our club fund special events offered throughout the year to Solivita residents. A donation to the Light Still Shines Foundation will be made. DON'T MISS IT.



Chinese Cultural Club at Solivita

The club successfully held its third annual Chinese New Year celebration on February 10th. Around 120 club members and Solivita neighbors attended the festivities. With tremendous support from volunteers and generous contributions from the attendees, this year's event was the best ever. Stage performances included authentic Chinese programs, even an excerpt from Peking Opera. Near the end, the audience joined the performers on the dance floor for the Electric Slide, a popular line dance. The evening concluded with dance to the music of *An Unforgettable Night*, the signature ending song for the Chinese New Year Gala.





The New Jersey Club

Save the date! May 10th is the New Jersey Club's annual members' Picnic in the Park at the pavilions in Freedom Park. We'll have authentic Jersey Mike's subs, including classic Italian, hearty turkey and cheese and vegetarian options, as well as music and games. More details are coming in an email blast to members or check out our webpage on SolivitaHOA.com for up-to-date information on all our events. New members from any state or country are always welcome to join the club. Email us for details at NJClubofSolivita@gmail.com. **Jersey Strong!**

Stonegate Women's Golf Association (SWGA)



The SWGA recently wrapped up the two-week President's Cup, its first major tournament of the year. Congratulations to overall winner Julie Howard, with a two-week net score of 133. Flight winners were Young Kim, Sandy Smith and Mary Agnes Kammann. Well done ladies! The SWGA plays every Thursday morning at 8:30. New member applications are available in the women's locker room on the SWGA bulletin board. For information, email yolanda.cornell@yahoo.com.



President's Cup Champion Julie Howard



Flight Winners: Mary Agnes, Young and Sandy



Photography Club of Solivita

The Photography Club of Solivita meets the second Monday of the month in RSF2 and via Zoom from 9:30am-11:30am. Congratulations to Level 1 member Kathy Griffin who won a first place award for "Feather." The next meeting is Monday, April 8th; it is a Print Competition and the theme is "Arches." Matted prints for the Theme, Open and Creative categories must be placed on the room's bulletin boards before the meeting begins. Membership is \$20 a year or \$35 a year per couple. For information, contact solivitaphotoclub@gmail.com.



ROMEOs (Retired Old Men Eating Out)

We had a terrific luncheon at the Ovation Bistro and Bar in Davenport. It is near the license bureau near Posner Park. We were 20 hungry men and we all agreed that the food and service was exceptionally good. As we don't have a lot of eating out options close by, we agreed this was one we would support and return to. If you are looking for a club to meet new male friends, whether you are new to Solivita or have been a resident for many years, call Dave Lane at 703-999-7946 for sign up information.



Solivita Quilters

Through the efforts of Hospitality Chairperson Vivien Croucet-Cano and 18 club members, we have reinstated serving refreshments after our monthly Business Meetings, giving our members a chance to stay and chat with their fellow quilters. Barb Marino has organized a three-day quilting retreat for 12 of our members in May at the Alpaca Fun Retreat in Punta Gorda to bring together those who enjoy sharing their passion for quilting. Jerilyn Larsen has organized a "shop hop" to Melbourne to the local area quilt shops as well as trips to the Daytona Quilt Show and the Lakeland Sewing and Quilt Expo.



Do Unto Others (DUO)

New members joined us for the basket raffle held at the Solivita Car Show. Welcome to our club! The food pantries of St. Rose of Lima and St. Ann, St. Vincent DePaul Society were the charities selected to receive contributions from the show. There were over 20 gift baskets and gift certificates for services from Molly Maids and Bargain Carts which were raffled off. Our next big event will be the spring Monster Food Drive to also support these two community pantries. Thank you to all of our Solivita neighbors for their continued generosity.



Solivita Book Circle

The Solivita Book Circle hosts author events and coordinates book clubs within Solivita. To learn more about joining a book club, contact Carole Underwood at 861clu@gmail.com or 863-496-1107 for more information. You can also contact Donna McIlwain at dmc3726@yahoo.com.



Catholic Families of Solivita (CFS)

Catholic Families of Solivita enjoyed a potluck and an informative talk by new leader, Fr. Richard Tuttle. The background, meaning, and practices of the Lenten season were explained by Fr. Tuttle. He also spoke of his upcoming September pilgrimage to historic religious sites in Italy. More information will be forthcoming on this trip and your opportunity to join him. Keep in mind, we also have a bible study on Fridays at 10am in RSF2. For more information about Catholic Families of Solivita or interest in joining, call Fran Bigg at 908-456-2390.



forever young Forever Young Music

Sometimes it's fun to do a little research into our favorite Rock and Roll tunes, as some have interesting origins and histories. For example, Little Richard's "Long Tall Sally" was inspired by a "tall and ugly" whiskey-loving family friend. She supposedly was having an affair with a man named John, who was married to a woman whose nickname was "Short Fat Fanny," and they fought like cats. Guess we never know when and how inspiration strikes. Let us inspire your mind to recall fond memories of Rock and Roll days every Sunday starting 2:30pm in RSF2. It's FREE! Rock 'On!



Caribbean American Association of Solivita (CARAMVITA)

February and March kept our members busy with various committee meetings, Focus Group participation, Mardi Gras, and a trip to the movies! Special thanks to our Focus Group presenters, Bill McCoy and Antoinette Brown; our Event Planner, Donna Alleyne-Chester, and her committee for the Mardi Gras food setup, Kwanzaa Frazier and Cary Brown for coordinating CARAMVITA's participation in the Mardi Gras Parade; Deb Wright, Robin Wilson and Karleen Samuels for coordinating our movie excursion to see "Bob Marley: One Love."





16 Shooters

The 16 Shooters' Open Tournament is held monthly on the Third Thursday. "Show up" by 1:30pm in the Billiards Gallery. Everyone plays. **NEXT**

TOURNAMENTS: April 19th; May 17th; June 21st; and July 19th. **POOL PLAYER RANKINGS/OVERALL TOP 9:** 1) **Arthur Remington**; 2) Betty Colecio; 3) Lucy Pagan; 4) Jim Weisheyer; 5) Joe Thomas; 6) C.E. Murrell; 7) Omar Morales; 8) Jay Nixon; and 9) David Russell. **WOMEN TOP 9 PLAYERS:** 1) **Betty Colecio**; 2) Lucy Pagan; 3) Linda Vining; 4) Amelia Pecou; 5) Micheline Vosges; 6) Rae Carlers; 7) Helen Nixon; 8) Leonor Klesck; 9) Jae Robinson. **CONTACT:** William McCoy at 614-785-8497, 16shooters@gmail.com, or 16shooters.yolasite.com.



16 Shooters Directors



African Heritage Cultural Club (AHCC)

Our next General Meeting is Tuesday, April 2nd at 10:30am in the Ballroom.

Come early to fellowship with "The Men of AHCC" and the "Sistahs Who Bake." Visitors are welcome. Our annual White Party is scheduled for Thursday, April 4th in the Ballroom. For more information, please contact Christine Jeffreys at 917-513-1677 or Diahann Hambrick at 917-613-7888. Our Outreach committee is still collecting toiletries for our "Mother's Day Pretty Pouches" for Chestnut Elementary. For more information, please contact Tia Anderson at 609-876-3425 or Denise Johnson at 773-592-4344. Follow us on Facebook (African Heritage Cultural Club AHCC@Solivita) or visit our website (ahcc-solivita.org).



Cribbage Club of Solivita

It was very nice this past month to welcome several players back to the club, as well as several new players. All had played cribbage before, but for some, it had been more than a few years. After a couple of warm up games, they were all able to join the other club members in our normal rotation. Teaching cribbage, or just helping to refresh one's cribbage memory is always fun. This past month, we had two nice 24 hands. They were by John Rogers and Cap Doorn (pictured). Congratulations to both! We play cribbage each Sunday night at 6pm in the Gator Room.



Las Marianas

For all the Catholics, Lent started on Ash Wednesday, February 14th and ends on Holy Saturday, March 30th. It means days of abstinence, fasting and penance. We got together, we prayed the rosary and meditated on the sorrowful mysteries. We planned to go to the church as a group and pray the stations of the cross. We shared lunch and we welcomed new members. We pray for peace for the world.



Labyrinth Explorers at Solivita

The club, founded by Isabel Gutierrez, is working to create a handicap accessible labyrinth for walking meditation, contemplation, and spiritual centering. Worldwide there are more than 6,000 labyrinths, single paths that lead in a circuitous way from an outer edge to the center. In February, a board was elected - Stephen Lee, Ellen Chiappetta, Donna Gilbert, Michael Zahn, Marie Rohde and Catherine Cabeza. The group meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 10am in the Gator Room. The next meeting is April 10th. For more information, contact the club at labrinthexplorers@gmail.com.

Off Leash Club

We are proud to announce a new club in Solivita, the Off Leash Club. We support the efforts of PALS (Pets Are Loved in Solivita). In February, we participated with PALS to make the Mardi Gras parade a woofing success. Membership is free and open to everyone, even if you don't have a four-footed friend. If you like photographing, painting, or doing crafts involving pets, this club is for you. The club is planning monthly and weekly activities designed to bring pets and owners together. Come and participate; it's all about the bark and meow! For further information and meeting times, please email offleashclub@gmail.com.



Gun Club of Solivita (GCS)

Gun Club has been very busy planning upcoming events along with our monthly outings to the range. April will see our second Self-Defense Class directed by the Polk County Sheriff's Department as well as our annual BBQ, this time put on by our Boys of the BBQ! We have a Ladies Day planned and a Basic Gun Class geared for newbies and intermediates. Come join us.



See gunclubofsolvita.club for more information and an application to join.



The Butterfly Club

Our annual "Play in the Dirt" day was a great success! Thank you to Tracy Thomas for hosting us again this year. More milkweed = more butterflies to enjoy! Member Sharr Dargatz decorated The Palms in green for our March meeting, and Crystal from Butterfly Dans gave an informative and entertaining talk on how to attract butterflies to our yards. Joe Shanahan has been hard at work getting the wildflower area ready to plant, and Joe Bodziony has been getting the Butterfly Garden in shape for spring. We have a lot of great events coming up, more information coming soon!



Solivita Travel Club (STC)

We started off the New Year right with two cruises, two different cruise lines, but the same destination. First, there was the New Year's Eve cruise aboard Royal Caribbean's *Explorer of the Seas*. The cruise was extra special for Allen Calvert, who also got to celebrate his birthday with 21 of his neighbors and new friends. Meanwhile, on another ship on another island, 45 Solivitans cruised the Eastern Caribbean on *The Enchanted Princess*. Check out the cruise squad who gained notoriety with these clever shirts. Cruising is the best with STC.



FAS Filipinos at Solivita (FAS)

FAS in celebration of the February members' birthdays designated the 17th as the post Valentine's Day affair. Chaired by Boots Julian and Cory Fernando and Tina Aquino as MC, the event was well attended and all had great fun dancing to the music of DJ Irwin Zalko. We enjoyed the beautiful dance number *New York, New York* performance by FAS Dancing Queens taught and choreographed by Tessie Gaceta. The gentleman also sang love songs and made a rare line dance number with the help of the ladies. A special song was performed by Music Director Naomi Martin with Resty Espinosa playing the guitar accompaniment.



STG Solivita Theatre Group (STG)

The Solivita Theatre Group has successfully completed its spring season with the production of the *Vanities*. Auditions for the upcoming fall dinner theatre production of *The Sunshine Boys* by Neil Simon will be held on April 4th and 5th from 9am-11:30am in the Gator Room. Roles for both men and women are available. All Solivita residents are welcome to audition. Come to the Gator Room and read for a part. Scripts will be provided. Crew volunteers are also welcome. If you are interested in participating in the fall production in any capacity, contact Peter Stern at 732-740-0642.

Latin Ladies of Solivita

The Latin Ladies welcomed new members at our quarterly meeting. We were thrilled at the turnout of our sold-out celebration of Women's History Month in March. We recognized Latina Pioneers who were first in their field to have a wide influence on a national and international level. There were some known figures and some "hidden figures." For example, who was the first Latina to become a U.S. military pilot and commercial airline captain? We are looking forward to our next event, **Paint and Sip**, scheduled for **Sunday, May 19th**. (Answer: Lt. Col. Olga Custodio pictured above.)



Kapamilya Club

The creative flair of our month of love celebrants makes their company desirable in any context. The fun side of them shines through friendship and camaraderie. As we celebrate birthdays, we also thank God for all the blessings bestowed upon us - good health, happiness, and peace.





Solivita Swing Band (SSB)

Hello music lovers! April is here, spring has arrived! The flowers and trees are beginning to bloom, it's time to celebrate the season with some great music and dancing. Your very own SSB will be performing at **Wine Down Wednesday** in April, behind The Grille! Following that event, in May SSB will be playing our final spring show in the Ballroom. See the *Community Events* section for all the details, concerning both shows. We are your jazz orchestra! All of us are residents of Solivita and we thoroughly enjoy entertaining this wonderful community!



Veterans Club of Solivita

On March 29th, the Veterans Club, along with 11,000 organizations across the country, joined the Department of Defense in a ceremony commemorating the Vietnam War. In Solivita, a ceremony was conducted in accordance with the 2012 presidential proclamation that showcases the 50th anniversary of the war's end in May 2015. The ceremony honors and pays tribute to Vietnam Veterans and their families. The ceremony included personal anecdotes from Solivita veterans about their own Vietnam experiences and posting of the colors. Surviving Spouse Certificates were presented to Solivita widows of Vietnam Veterans.



Give Kids the World Club (GKTW)

Pictured are residents enjoying serving at the Give Kids the World Village, including Debbie Reynolds, Judy Hallinen, and Pat and Bob Clarke. The GKTW Village is a nonprofit organization that provides week-long, cost-free wish vacations to children with life treating illnesses and their families from around the world. It's easy to sign up, contact 407-396-0770 or volunteer@gktw.org.



Playreaders Club

The club has enjoyed reading "Send Me No Flowers" from a script provided by Solivita's Theatre Group and looks forward to sharing several more of their scripts in coming months. Our next meeting will be on Sunday, April 28th at 6:15pm in the Baltic Room, and we hope you will join us! We meet monthly, mostly in person but sometimes on Zoom. To get on our email list for future announcements, please contact Donna McIlwain at 407-738-5325 or dmc3726@yahoo.com, and be sure to see our **SolivitaHOA.com** club webpage for a complete list of every script we've read since beginning.



Solivita Social Dance Club (SSDC)

Our February "Sea of Red" dance was a night of giving and dancing. The club was able to give \$1,500 to *Help Now of Osceola*, a facility that provides safety and healing for survivors of domestic violence. Music was provided by Mr. Breezz. Our May 24th dance is "South of the Border" with music provided by DJ Irwin. Ticket sales for the dances take place on the first business day of the month in Mosaics at 10am. Tickets are \$5 for members; \$10 for non-members. Any questions, please contact Dale Roberts at 863-496-4368 or for ticket information, Nancy Tessoro at 845-558-4786.



Holistic Horizons (HH)

This spring we welcomed speakers like Patricia McGivern, who trained under Dr. Brian Weiss, talking about her life and her passion for assisting others through past-life regression hypnosis, as well as the small group travels she leads to sacred sites around the world. HH member Liz Viale, who discussed and demonstrated the Emotion Code (developed by Dr. Bradley Nelson), a process which helps identify and release the energy of past emotions trapped in your body, through which physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual health can be improved. This month's meeting topics include the Purpose and Benefits of Labyrinths!



Liz Viale



Patricia McGivern

Not-So-Serious Mahjongg Club

On Thursday mornings at the Lago Vista Amenity Center, we play a friendly game of mahjongg. We have winners each week who have several mahjonggs. Ilene Stahl had six wins in one morning, making her the big winner for February. Feel free to join us between 9am-12pm. For more information, contact Donna at 407-738-5325 or dmc3726@gmail.com.



Neighborhoods Rosary at Solivita (NRS)

The Filipino community of St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church celebrated the Feast of Sto Nino. Cathy Farag of NRS planned the affair and Fr. Mariano Catura officiated the mass service. The Holy Infant Jesus Feast is a centuries old tradition that began in the 1520s when Catholicism was brought to the Philippines by the Spaniards. This is still being celebrated by Filipinos all over the world. The strength of Catholicism in the Philippines was manifested in the presence of Filipino priests serving across the U.S. A recent convention of 400 Filipino priests was highlighted by a mass at St. Patrick Cathedral in New York City.



Solivita Bible Study Group

Greetings neighbors! The Solivita Bible Study Group welcomes you to join us at our weekly Bible study, we meet every Thursday morning at 10am in RSF2. Why do we study the Bible? Studying the Bible allows us to grow spiritually through a personal relationship with our Lord. Studying the Word of God allows us to gain insights into God's character and purposes, which leads us to a deeper understanding of ourselves and our relationship with Him. The Bible's teachings challenge and shape our values, attitudes, and behaviors, guiding them towards becoming more Christ-like.

Roaring Red Hatters

The Roaring Red Hatters enjoyed an outing at Seasons 52 in the Dr. Phillips area of Orlando. We celebrated the birthdays of Carol Jones, Sharyn Lane, Andrea D'Angelo, Carol Lynn, and Ann Carl. We all enjoyed the good food and service! Thanks goes to our Queen, Joanne Calvacca, for setting this all up!



Stonegate Niners Women's Golf Association

The Niners welcome those interested in joining the group at our Thursday morning play. You may play for two Thursdays without being a member to see if this group is for you. You do not need to be a member of Stonegate golf. Contact us with any questions at SWNGA.Golf@gmail.com.

New Attitude Red Hatters

Our Red Hat Sisters shared so much love in February, supporting our friends. We participated in the Solivita Olympics. We joined the Solivita Road Runners for brunch and the play, *A Soldier's Story*. We enjoyed the movie *Bob Marley* with CARAMVITA and ended the month with Showtime's spectacular tribute to New York. The talent was phenomenal. In March, we hosted Game Day. It was so much fun. A delicious lunch rounded out our day making it so enjoyable and relaxing. Our May 2nd event salutes our veterans with a Dance in the Ballroom. Contact Marcia Nembhard at 917-882-8390 for tickets.



TOPS in Solivita

TOPS IN SOLIVITA celebrated Mardi Gras by participating in the Solivita parade. As usual, party animal Teddy TOPS was masked and beaded, along for the ride. You are invited to come along for the ride of your health life! Our TOPS IN SOLIVITA family can help with the necessary support and tools to help you lose excess weight and keep it off. No regiment programs! No gimmicks! We invite you to observe a weekly Tuesday meeting and see if TOPS is right for you. For more information, call Frances Martin at 770-289-1519. Check out our national website at www.TOPs.org.



Solivita Racquetees

The Solivita Racquetees are busy on the court and off the court! Tennis is always on the menu at Freedom Park and The Palms, and you are invited to stop by and check out our schedule of play which is posted on the bulletin board at each court site. Our club sponsors both Open (drop-in tennis) and organized, scheduled league play. Recently we moved our tennis activity beyond the courts to include dinner trips to Capone's and the Little Fresh Greek Grill. Come on out and join in the fun. Contact Jim Clawson for all tennis questions at 313-522-7384 (call or text) or email jwclawsonsr@gmail.com.



Guys and Dolls

New to Solivita? Make sure you have tickets to the Starliters show, *"Music As Heard on TV"* on April 12th, 13th, and 14th. If you are someone who enjoys singing, you don't have to wait until Starliters begins again next October to join a singing group. Guys and Dolls, Solivita's community chorus, starts rehearsing at the end of August for their Holiday Concerts on December 6th, 7th, and 8th. Contact Ellen Factor at 863-496-7258, at spacinc.com or efactor50@hotmail.com for more information about Starliters ticket sales and Guys and Dolls vocal auditions.

Solivita Wildlife Advocates (SWA)

SWA designates April as **Alligator Safety Month**. Alligator mating season is happening right now, so if you encounter one searching for a mate or a safe place to nest, remain calm and give it a wide berth for your safety. Always obey the Golden Rule – NEVER FEED AN ALLIGATOR. The SWA will be exhibiting in the Ballroom for Solivita Earth Day on April 30th. Our president, Bob Monica will be giving a presentation on *Feral Hog Control*. Don't miss it.

Crafty Red Hatters

We had an enjoyable brunch at Egg City this month. There was so much laughter that our waiter wanted to join the group. We all love our craft meetings, but our social outings are getting more and more popular. Great job, Social Committee.



Solivita Artisan Guild

Our meetings are fun and inspiring. Our February meeting featured a “Show and Tell” where members brought a favorite art or craft piece to show to the group. Our members’ interests range from painting, drawing, jewelry, photography, sculpture and ceramics, tie-dye and batik, basketry, mixed media, quilting and sewing...and more. Some of us are seasoned artists, others are just starting and experimenting. We meet the second Monday of each month in the Art Gallery. We also have a monthly exhibit of members’ artwork in the Riviera lobby, and we host various art classes. You are welcome to attend one of our meetings and check us out!



Solivita Backgammon Club

The Backgammon Club meets on the first and third Friday of every month at 10am in the Caspian Room located on the second floor just down from the Bistro. If you enjoy playing or are new to the game, come by and join in the fun as we gather to play one of the most popular board games around. Come join in on the fun and meet our members as we gather to play our favorite board game together.



Solivita Dragon Boat Club

By land, the Solivita Dragon Boat Club marched in the Solivita Olympics Parade. By “sea,” the club is preparing for their first ladies 10 paddler race taking place at the Clermont Waterfront Dragon Boat Festival on April 13th. Come cheer the club members on!



Exceptional Palate Cooking Club

Gathering at Ming’s Bistro, 32 members indulged in an exquisite Dim Sum experience to celebrate the Chinese Lunar New Year, infusing the occasion with cultural significance and culinary delight. The tables overflowed with an array of tantalizing tastes from delicate dumplings, an assortment of shrimp, tasty vegetables, and flavorful small dishes. Amidst the lively chatter and clinking of teacups, bonds were strengthened, and friendships deepened, creating memories to be cherished long after the last morsel was savored. Join this exciting group. March was slated to celebrate homemade Irish dishes in honor of St. Patrick’s Day.



Energizing Christian Women's Connection (ECWC)



Fellowship and fun coupled with inspirational learning is happening every week during our weekly Bible Studies! Our monthly Book Club meetings delve into a broad spectrum of current and timely topics. Women of Solivita gather to share with one another, to learn and strengthen their faith. Many also take advantage of our various volunteer opportunities and meet monthly to pray as a group for each other and those in need. Quarterly craft sessions are well attended. Details on these and other opportunities are available on our **SolivitaHOA.com** club webpage or email ecwc.solivita.inquire@gmail.com.



Stephanie Jones joyfully hosting a Bible Study Valentine's Party

Sol Writers

"We write to taste life twice, in the moment and in retrospect" ~ Anais Nin. Do you enjoy writing poetry? A play? An essay? A fictional piece? Join our group of talented women to share your writing. Contact Marilyn Shapiro at 518-859-6774 or shapcomp18@me.com for more information.

Red Hattitudes

The Red Hattitudes enjoyed a lunch hosted by Harriet Lau at Dimsum & Seafood Restaurant by the Mall at Millenia to celebrate the Chinese New Year. We were pleased with the food and service. Harriet gave us a lesson about the Chinese New Year and the Year of the Dragon. We learned to say Happy New Year in Chinese and may you be prosperous! (*Gung hei faat choi!*) We also received red envelopes with money as is the Chinese custom for the New Year. Thank you, Harriet, for a wonderful time!



Solivita Singles

We kicked off a busy February with a Super Bowl viewing party in the Ballroom, then a Champagne and Chocolate Sip & Stroll in Historic Cocoa Village, and finally, a lunch at the Fire Restaurant in Winter Haven. Our March highlight was a Taste of Italy in St. Petersburg. On April 17th, we will explore downtown Vero Beach and then go to Waldo's Restaurant and McKee Botanical Gardens. In May, we are off to the beautiful Madeira Beach for a lunch cruise on the Calypso Breeze. Come join us! We have more exciting activities planned in the future. For information, contact Diane Popiak at 401-487-2255 or dgdieff@yahoo.com.



Solivita Friends of Elementary Education Schools (SoFEES)

Thank you to the Solivita Theatre Group attendees for your generous food donations. We added Easter treats to the Easter weekend bags, which put a smile on the kids' faces. **For the month of April, we are collecting canned pasta, carrots and green beans.** We appreciate any donations from the Solivita community. We also accept monetary donations. **Drop-Off Locations:** Moira at 217 Vestrella Drive; Linda at 159 Marabella; Jan at 449 Sorrento Road; Robin at 282 Crystal River; Vrinda at 759 San Raphael. Information: Janet at 734-486-3451 or jkeyu@yahoo.com.



Having fun packing food bags.



New England Club of Solivita

On March 8th, members traveled to Ruth Eckerd Hall in Clearwater. The highlight of the evening was the legendary performance by Paul Anka. It was a night filled with music and nostalgia. On April 4th, members will experience an exciting bus tour to explore thrift and consignment stores in Lakeland. Discover hidden treasures, unique finds, and enjoy the thrill of bargain hunting. The tour will culminate with lunch at The Barn in Lake Alfred. The club's annual Kentucky Derby Party is scheduled for Saturday, May 4th at The Palms. Keep an eye out for reservation information, which will soon be sent to all members.



Solivita Social Club

March kicked off with a great concert featuring the music of Rod Stewart. A few days later, the fun evening with friends and neighbors was followed by a Bee Gees Tribute Band offering a night of music and memories. We're on a roll with more great performers scheduled to entertain our community. Check out show lineups and ticket availability on SSCLUB.YAPSODY.com. Follow us on Facebook @Solivita Social Club for updates and an opportunity to offer suggestions for future shows and recommendations for recipients of charitable donations. Thank you for your continued support. See you at the concerts.



Simply Latin Dancing

One of our most popular dances on May 24th is the SEMI FORMAL Mother's Day dance, and we will be celebrating it with a special dinner, a "Live Band" and a DJ who will get us up from our chairs and onto the dance floor, with their fabulous music. Members can look for our email blast for more details on our ticket prices and other important information. If you're interested, contact Idalia at 863-899-3610, Robinson at 863-427-0317 or Jenny at 860-501-0323 for tickets. Ticket purchase dates will soon be announced with club members getting an early start.



Yoga Club

February's high point happened when our fearless leader, Harry Jenkins, was asked to carry the torch for the Solivita Olympics. He was further honored with a brief but laudatory speech about his accomplishments here. Congratulations, Harry. Pictured below is club member, Karen, demonstrating the Wheel. Join us on Wednesday at 5pm at The Palms.



Tai Chi

The club celebrated the Year of the Dragon with a wonderful Potluck Dinner at The Palms. The Dragon symbolizes power, wealth, and good luck. It is the most popular year in the Chinese Zodiac. It was a wonderful evening, and the food was delicious. *Xie Xie* (thank you) to ALL who made it happen. There were fun games, prizes, and stories of Chinese Dragons, legends, and traditions. The "Tai Chi Cat" was passed onto Auntie Sue in recognition of her dedication to the spirit of Tai Chi. Class members performed a beautiful Tai Chi Dragon FAN form.



Horseshoes Club of Solivita

February was a busy month for us. We continue to grow, and our skill levels are improving. We had several members compete in the Polk County games. We will have results in the next issue. We held our bimonthly tournament on February 24th. The winners were 1st Place - Chip Nash (middle of picture), 2nd Place - Gary Olejarczyk (on the left); and 3rd Place - Bob Doyle (on the right). We held our spring potluck at The Palms, and all had fun and good food. If you want to try horseshoes, come to one of our sessions in Freedom Park (Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday) at 8:30am.



Republican Club

Our March 20th, the club meeting's keynote speaker was Adianis Morales, a Republican candidate for Florida's District 9 in the U.S. House of Representatives. Pastor Morales originally hails from Puerto Rico and has resided in Florida for the past 18 years. Also attending and speaking were candidates for the Polk County School Board, the Polk County Commission, and the Florida House of Representatives. Upcoming activities include a trip to see Frank Lloyd Wright architecture in Lakeland on April 15th and Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre on June 12th. Contact Carol Parlin at 609-287-2012 for more information on these day trips.



Citizen's Assisted Patrol (CAP)

CAP was honored to participate in the 2024 Solivita Olympics Ceremony and events. Special thanks to all our members who helped with the parades and cycling events (*pictured below*). Congratulations to Ana Quiles who just completed her training with the Sheriff's Department. Last year, our volunteers donated 5,303 patrol hours, saving the county about \$240,000 from the budget for Deputy patrols. Citizen's Assisted Patrol is part of the Crime Prevention Section of the Sheriff's Department. It operates as the eyes and ears as well as a visual deterrent of crime. The mission is to "Observe and Report."



Stonegate Couples Golf

Pictured are Lois and George DeBell practicing their putting skills before a recent Saturday morning couples' event. This event is changed every week with full handicaps being used. An entry fee of \$5 per couple is charged each week to award the winners that day. Get to know other Solivita golfers, have fun playing on Saturdays in an organized event to keep your body moving. For more information, contact Wayne Uren at 324-307-4700.



Shalom Club

We had a busy month in March. We began the month with our Progressive Dinner with members being assigned to different host homes and then meeting at The Palms for dessert. We had a gathering of our new members on March 17th so they could meet the Board and hear more about our club. On March 25th, we had our Hot Dog & Movie Night that was free to paid up members. On March 27th, the club had a bus trip to Solomon's Castle in Ona, Florida. We look forward to our Second Night Passover Seder on April 23rd.



Solivita Democratic Club (SDC)

Our next meeting in the Ballroom on Wednesday, April 10th starting at 7pm will feature Florida House District 42 Representative Anna Eskamani. Serving in the Florida House since 2018, Rep. Eskamani is the current Democratic Ranking Member on the Ways and Means committee. As in years past, we look forward to her informative review of the annual Legislative Session. Prior to the meeting will be the last opportunity to buy tickets for Game Day at The Palms happening on Sunday, April 14th. See the *Community Events* section in this month's **Reflections** for details. Stay informed, get involved, join us! Visit SolivitaDemocrats.org.



The February meeting featured Lori Edwards, Polk Co. Supervisor of Elections and Valentine's candies for members.

Solivita Softball for Women - The Diamonds



Welcome to our newest members, Pam Kerrey and Tracy Barnes! Want to join The Diamonds? Come to our practice on Mondays at 2:30pm. We'd like to recognize those who help make us sparkle. This month, we want to honor Bill Jackson - coach and umpire.



Solivita Softball Club

Congratulations Team 1 on winning this year's February 2nd softball tournament. Team 1 Manager Garlod (Will) Williams and his team went 3-1 in the two-day tournament and then beat the undefeated Team 5 in the final game 12-10 to take the title. The final game was truly a nail biter with Will's team taking a commanding lead throughout the game only to see a huge comeback by Earl Key's Team 5. A big thank you to Community Watch Solutions for sponsoring this year's event. Thank you to the umpires, scorekeepers and announcers for their time and effort. Solivita Softball plays games five days a week.



Oldies But Goodies Club

The Irish were smiling on DJ Irwin for his selection of tunes at our March Dance. During our Thursday, April 18th Dance, we will be stepping to the music from the '50s through the '80s spun by Mr. Breeze. Bring your snacks; a cash bar will be available. For tickets, call Rosalie at 863-496-5290 or Bob at 863-427-9114. Members: \$5. Non-Members: \$10. The next dance is Thursday, May 16th.



Solivita Older Bikers (SOBs)

The Solivita Older Bikers participated in the annual Mardi Gras Parade. We continue to have scheduled weekly rides on Tuesday and Thursday. Solivita residents are encouraged to contact any of our members to participate in our rides.



Illinois Club

We had our largest turnout yet with our big Super Bowl viewing party at Mosaics. Thanks to all for your participation and all the wonderful appetizers and desserts you brought. It was an extremely enjoyable and fun evening! More good times ahead for us. Our next event is the annual picnic on April 10th. Upcoming tentative events will be on May 16th and June 26th. More details to follow. Keep an eye on your emails for more upcoming 2024 events and get more information at illinoisclub2019@gmail.com.



QiGong Club of Solivita

Student of the Month: Kathy Michaud

"I had never heard of QiGong prior to moving to Solivita. After researching, it seemed like something that would help

me recover from recent injuries. After taking my first few classes, I not only enjoyed it, but the people as well. In just a few months, I've noticed an increase in flexibility and focus and a decrease in pain and anxiety. I would highly recommend QiGong to anyone seeking to improve their health and overall wellbeing."



FlyBye Red Hatters

The FlyBye Red Hatters changed things up this season. A Progressive Dinner was our first ever. Hors d'oeuvres were gobbled up at the home of Barb Claerbout and then we were off to our main course at Sheila Rochefort's home. The third stop was concluded with delicious desserts at the home of Jane Adams. This time significant others were included and were able to eat while watching the NFL playoff games. The great food, conversations and entertainment were enjoyed by EVERYONE! "Game Day" included alligator gazing and lunch at Linda Vinkemulder's.



Green Thumbs Club

Our program on Ikebana was presented by Danny Sexton, Master Florist Designer and Owner of Kissimmee Florist.

Ikebana is a uniquely Japanese art form that involves arranging flowers thoughtfully and beautifully. It values simplicity, balance, and respect for nature and is based on three main points that symbolize heaven (Shin), earth (Sol), and humanity (Tai). Throughout history, Ikebana has grown from a religious activity to a respected art form. Danny created beautiful flower arrangements as he explained the symbolic triad of Ikebana. These beautiful arrangements were given away as door prizes (pictured right with Danny). For club information, contact Retha Sellers at 863-427-3317.



SOLIVITA FISHING CLUB Solivita Fishing Club (SFC)

Thanks to the many friends of the Solivita Fishing Club! You showed your love by picking our Mardi Gras food table for our “Famous Brats Combo” and although we did not sell out this year it was our pleasure to once again serve our community with the best food deal in the Mardi Gras food court! This year, the club was back in the parade featuring Gene Burch and his one-of-a-kind “Dragon Float.” Another way we serve you is through our AmBASSador mentoring program to equip members and neighbors to fish our ponds in a safe and compliant manner.



Model Railroad Club of Solivita

The Model Railroad Club of Solivita continues to improve our displays and will be showcasing our modular display at The Palms from April 21st to the 23rd. Come by and see what we have added to our display with your family and friends. We will be open to the public starting on Sunday the 21st from 1pm-4pm, Monday the 22nd from 10am-4pm, and Tuesday the 23rd from 9am-12pm. Members will be happy to show you the details of our operations and the landscaping that we have added to our displays to make them as life-like as possible.



Solivita Board Gamers

The Solivita Board Gamers Club is a new club whose mission is to have fun learning and playing various board games and card games. We meet on the second and fourth Friday starting at 9am in the Mediterranean Skyline Caspian Room. If Friday morning is inconvenient, the club will also try to arrange opportunities to play games by appointment in the lobby of The Palms. We have access to more than 100 games. Please join us and bring a game you would like to play. For more information, contact Paul Hakken at 407-401-4081 or phakken@gmail.com.



PALS (Pets Are Loved in Solivita)

March 2nd was the PALS Memorial Dedication Ceremony with a lot of tears, as tags were placed honoring Baylor and pets that have gone to the “Rainbow Bridge.” Special thanks to Celese and DJ Irwin for taking this event “over the rainbow.” The March 23rd Barkfest was exciting and “pawsome.” Upcoming Dances are the April 6th Flamingo Fun and May 4th Star Wars. “May the fourth be with you.” Remember there is always a Humane Society donation wagon at the dances. Membership is always free. Join to get information on events; email PALSofSolivita@icloud.com.



Water Volleyball Club

Our club had a great time hosting the Olympics and we awarded close to 50 medals to our participants! We look forward to our upcoming potluck dinners and participating in more Solivita events.



Neighborhood Captains Program

The Neighborhood Captains Program fosters a sense of community within each neighborhood helping residents become a neighbor and build friendships. Each neighborhood is unique with its own Captain to facilitate communications and plan events. Learn more on SolivitaHOA.com > HOA (top menu) > Scroll down to Neighborhood Captains icon. Captains may send in articles and photos to CaptainProgram.Solivita@gmail.com. The content must be about an event, activity or other neighborhood program and will be limited to 100 words.

Capri Neighborhood

The “Hawaiian Aloha” was well attended in January where attendees feasted on delicious food with an “island flare” and had fun with Marilyn, who led challenging word games. Hawaiian music played, while island decorations created a tropical atmosphere. In February, “Dessert Before Dinner” brought out a number of neighbors for a scrumptious array of desserts from the best cooks in the neighborhood. Laughs and community bonding abounded despite the gloomy weather. In March, Rick McKelvey will discuss and display pictures that have been taken throughout the Solivita community. Woods surround Capri on three sides. We are lucky to see various wild animals visiting our neighborhood.



Valencia South Neighborhood

When winter was in full swing, Valencia South was busy with events! We held a potluck holiday dinner at The Palms in December, a birthday celebration for all of us in January, and a Margaritaland Murder Mystery in February! All events were well attended, and we all had a lot of laughs! Our event for March was a “Top Chef” competition featuring chili, soups, stews, breads, and desserts. If anyone from Valencia South wants to join in on the fun, email your captain Janet Martin at valenciasouth.solivita@gmail.com.



Portofino East Neighborhood

On Friday, February 9th, Portofino East residents and their guests shared a night of fun and friendship playing music bingo at The Palms Amenity Center. We asked everyone who filled their cards to stand for a celebratory picture. Their faces tell the story of a wonderful time had by all. To those who could not attend the event, we hope to see you smiling and laughing at our next fun filled gathering. Thanks to all who came together.

