

# The Village Voice

# JANUARY

Newsletter For Country Lakes Village II

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## HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION (HOA)

*Theresa Stevens, HOA President*

Happy New Year, Everyone! Here we are in 2026 already. It seems the older I get, the faster time goes. It was a great year, we survived with no hurricane, just like old times. We lost a few residents again last year, some were original residents of this community from 1987, and they will be missed by many. We have a lot of new residents—let's ensure they feel welcome in our friendly community. We had a great meeting in December, with many new faces in attendance. It's encouraging to see our community continue to grow. The members of the HOA board determined that the current board members will continue with their positions for the 2026 year.

All residents received a tax notice that was explained at the meeting. There will be a \$5.43 amount added to the initial 90-Day notice that showed the tax amount due monthly as \$125.70. The new amount of monthly taxes will actually be \$131.13 based on the final tax bill received from Manatee County. There will be a one-time payment due to the office by March 1 of \$65.13. If you have any questions, please contact me, and I will be happy to go over this with you. The renegotiated Blue Stream internet monthly fee will be \$50.00 per month. Those who are currently opt-out residents will begin paying the \$50.00 fee once Blue Stream is live within the entire community. The HOA has been made aware that, per the Florida Statutes 723, the HOA meetings are homeowner meetings. Renters are not homeowners and therefore should not be attending our HOA meetings. The Village Voice has two calendars each month. One for the current month and one for the next month. If you remove these from the newsletter and put them on your refrigerator, you will always know what is happening in the community. Along the right side of the calendar, there is a list of Daily Events. This provides residents with all the events that happen daily in our community. There is also a poster in the Village Voice listing all Social Committee events for the next 6 months. Just by checking the monthly Village Voice, you should always be aware of all the great events offered to all residents of our community.



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### CLVII HOA Board of Directors:

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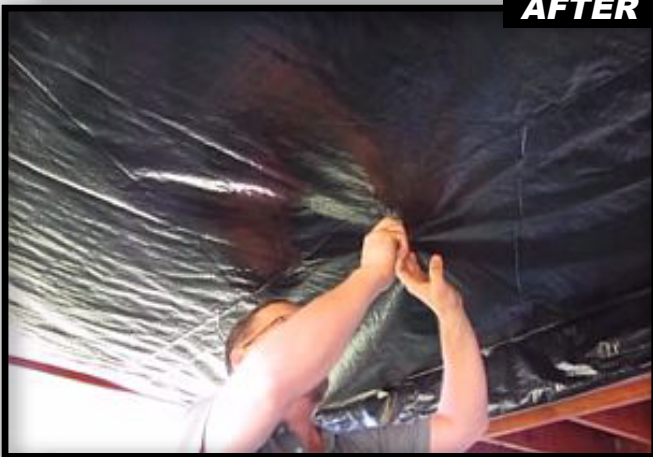
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Craig Taunt will give an update at the January HOA meetings about CPR training, which will be held on February 25th at 3:00 pm. Have a great month, and I will see you all at the January 7th HOA meeting.

God Bless You & God Bless America!

Sincerely, Theresa Stevens - HOA President

## **SOCIAL/FUN COMMITTEE**

*Judy Faries, Chairperson*

Hope everyone had a great Christmas season. The New Year is upon us, and there are a lot of events planned for the entire year. Please be sure to look over the plans for 2026 and see if you would like to host an event. You don't have to be a member of the committee to volunteer to help with any event. We always welcome anyone who would also like to join the committee. We have to start the planning process for 2027. Any suggestions, or if you would like to host an event, please contact the Social Committee with that information. We are always looking for ideas and help to ensure we are providing the best events possible for the community.

For January, we have a couple of events planned. On Saturday, January 17th, we are having a Roaring 20s Dance with Little Big Band providing entertainment. It should be a great time for all. Tickets will be available on December 27th for the dance.

The annual Chili Cook Off schedule has been changed to January 31st. Please think about competing in the Chili contest. There will be a sign-up sheet for anyone wanting to enter either as a contestant or a judge, or contact Judy Faries at 301-904-4585 or email [judy.faries@gmail.com](mailto:judy.faries@gmail.com). We would like to have around six providers of chili. There will be a prize for the winner. I am planning to make a no-meat chili for those who do not eat meat. The Social Committee will be providing things like cheese, sour cream, Fritos, Corn Bread, etc., to go with the chili. Those who would like to

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make corn bread, please let us know. We already have a couple of people who have volunteered to make corn bread. Come one and all. There will be no tickets or attendance signup sheets for this event.

In February, we have 2 events planned. The Valentine's Dance is on February 14th, and the Dueling Sinatras is scheduled for Sunday, February 22nd. Both events should be a lot of fun. Keep an eye out for the posters and dates to get your tickets. This time of year, they go fast, and we do have to limit the numbers due to the building capacity.

I cannot emphasize enough about getting the tickets as soon as possible once available. We also need your tickets requested and picked up as early as possible after the events are open. Once the capacity for the event is reached, the names will go on a wait list. There will be a cutoff date for picking up your tickets, or they will be provided to those next in line on the wait list.

Another procedure the social committee has started is when people who are shut-ins can't attend events where food is provided. A to-go box will be provided to them before seconds are offered. We need help identifying these special residents. If you know of any of your neighbors who are in this position, please let anyone on the social committee or the HOA know so we can make sure they are taken care of as well.

Provided by Judy Faries

## **CLVII SOCIAL/FUN COMMITTEE**

Judy Faries – Chairperson/Financial Manager

Social Committee Members:

Anna Syjud

Joanne Fandey

Barry Kastel

Jacquie Weigand

Lisa Heraghty



# FROM MANAGEMENT

*News from the Manager's Desk*

*Katie Dell, Community Manager*



Happy New Year!

We hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable holiday season. As we start 2026, we look forward to another productive year in Country Lakes Villages. Thank you for your continued support and involvement in making CLV1 and CLV2 such warm and welcoming communities.

## BlueStream Fiber Internet Install

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CLV2: 941-248-3497

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## Tree Trimming

Oaks will be trimmed during the first two weeks of January. An arborist will determine which oaks require trimming and will create the list directly. Residents do not need to contact the office regarding trees — the arborist will handle the assessments independently.

Oaks are trimmed twice per year, and the next trimming will occur later in the year.

Palm trees are also trimmed twice per year. Their next trimming will be scheduled in the coming months.

Residents are responsible for trimming any other trees that are not oaks or the taller palms.

## Pet Courtesy

A reminder to all pet owners: dogs must be leashed at all times. Please pick up after your pets and use the dog park or common areas rather than residents' lawns. Your cooperation helps keep the community clean, pleasant, and safe for everyone.

## A Look Ahead

We honor and remember all residents and their families we have lost in 2025. Missing loved ones is always difficult and I hope you continue to share your memories with me. I have officially hit my 1-year anniversary at CLV and couldn't be happier! I'm excited for another year of supporting one another and growing together as a community.

Katie

## NOTES FROM THE EDITOR:

*Deb Williams*

### LET'S CHANGE THINGS UP A LITTLE IN THE COMING NEW YEAR!!!!!!



I have been the editor of the Village Voice for over a year now and feel very thankful to have been able to bring our little newsletter to our residents. I have, for the most part, stayed with the original concept since I took over. I would like to see us make some changes/additions to the Voice. If you have any articles you would like to see in the coming months, please let me know. I have had a few suggestions, such as a pet-of-the-month article, personal milestones in our community, new homeowner spotlights, resident group activities outside the community, etc. I am open to all suggestions. These could include a one-month article or an ongoing monthly article. Let's make this newsletter our own and offer articles, activities, and milestones we would love to read about.

There is a new event that will now be every Thursday at 9:00 am. Sue Riley will be coordinating this event. If you are looking for a way to get moving, connect with your neighbors, and lift each other up? Join us for Walk, Talk, Laugh, and Pray on Thursdays at 9:00 AM beginning January 8, 2026. Weekly, they will meet at the pavilion next



to the dog park for a 30-minute walk at your own pace on neighborhood routes. Afterward, stay for a chance to share conversation, laughter, and prayer with neighbors. Come as you are - walk, connect, and be encouraged!

This sounds like a great new addition to our events calendar, and I am sure Sue is looking forward to seeing many of our neighbors join in.

*Deb Williams, Editor*

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# SUNSHINE CORNER

*Peggy Seiler, Coordinator*



HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!!!!

Since we are a Senior Community, perhaps we should take heed to the words of C.S. Lewis who said, 'You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream'.

When you read this article, our Maysie Aarestad should be back in our community. She had some heart challenges, but Brent tells us that she is doing well. Let's welcome her back when we see her out and about.

Sue Dibble had hip surgery in November and then faced some new challenges with blood clots. She seems to be doing well as we enter this new year.

Mike Malavenda was not well, and the card we gave him was much appreciated.

Kevin Tramutola, from reports received, had a stroke but is well and on the mend. We are so thankful.

Mary Miceli recently had surgery on her leg. She said it left quite a hole in her leg. We pray that Mary heals quickly, and there will be no more issues with any kind of growth on her leg.

We also understand that at the end of this month, January, Patti Orlic will have shoulder surgery.

Our hearts grieved with Mike and Tim Morgan on the loss of their mom. It meant a lot to them that this community cares.

All the above appreciate our love, cards, and concern shown to them. I am sure there are others whom we did not hear about. But do keep Kim and Reese Rickards in your prayers as the past year has been challenging for them, and uncertainties

are there as they go into this new year.

Please also keep Jim Roberts in your prayers, as he had to make the very hard decision of putting Taz into a care facility. We have all seen through the years the amazing care and support Jim has shown his wife. He is a shining example of true love.

As we head into this new year, may we do our best to CARE for one another, even in the smallest of ways.

Email: [mosthighzim@gmail.com](mailto:mosthighzim@gmail.com) or call me. 941-217-9384.

Thank you and Blessings,  
Peggy Seiler,  
2110 Lakeside

## TRAVEL

*Bev Smith, Coordinator*

"FIDDLER ON THE ROOF", January 18th at Broadway Palms Theater in Fort Myers. A full buffet lunch followed by the Broadway performance will make your day a happy one. Bus picks up at CLVI. More information will follow, so watch your travel boards for a sign-up sheet.

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Sign up on your travel board in the clubhouse for any trips.

All this info is on your TRAVEL BOARD. CLV Travel representatives LARRY and BEV SMITH, 607-742-9949, e-mail bevseneca@gmail.com. Our travel agent is Valerie Gill, 941-232-8612, e-mail valatwk@aol.com. We are looking forward to having a fun time with all of you!! Please watch your monthly newsletters and travel boards for updated info.!!

**After 11 wonderful years, Larry and Bev Smith have decided to step down from CLVI & CLVII cruises, bus trips, day trips, and working with a travel agent. Thank you all for your friendships, traveling experiences, and many happy memories!!! Please call or e-mail for further information.**

Bev



### **CLVII UPCOMING SCHEDULED EVENTS**

**Saturday, January 17:** Roaring Twenties Dance, Little Big Band, 7-10 PM, BYOB, 50/50.

**Saturday, January 31:** Chili Cook-Off, 2 PM, BYOB

**Saturday, February 14:** Valentine's Day Dance, KJB Band, 7-10PM, BYOB, 50/50.

**Saturday, February 22:** Dueling Sinatras, 2 PM, BYOB.

**Tuesday, March 17:** St. Patrick's Day, Rye Road Band, 5-6 Dinner, 6-9 Dance, BYOB, 50/50.

**Sunday, April 5:** Easter Brunch, 2 PM, BYOB.

**Saturday, April 18:** Senior Prom, The Fulcos, 7-10 PM, BYOB, 50/50.

**Saturday, May 2:** The Kentucky Derby, Dr. Dave, 7-10 PM, BYOB, 50/50.

**Monday, May 25:** Memorial Day Celebration, 1 PM, BYOB.

**Saturday, June 13:** Taylor & Taylor, 7-10 PM, BYOB, 50/50.

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**Saturday, January 31 at 2 PM.**

Sign up sheet located at the clubhouse. You can sign up to bring your favorite chili dish or be a judge. Cornbread and desserts would be appreciated. Please contact Judy Faries with any questions. 301-904-4585.



## FUN FACTS ABOUT JANUARY

Deb Williams, Coordinator

### FUN FACT

1. Named after Janus: January is named after Janus, the Roman God of doors and transitions, symbolizing new beginnings.
2. It is the first month of the year: It is the first month of the Gregorian calendar and was officially recognized as the start of the year in 45 BC with the introduction of the Julian calendar.
3. Cold weather: January is typically the coldest month in the Northern Hemisphere, while it is summer in the Southern Hemisphere.
4. Historical Events: Notable events in January include the introduction of the assembly line by Henry Ford in 1914 and the celebration of Martin Luther King Jr. Day on January 15. On the personal front, January 1 is my famous Granny's New Year's Day pork, sauerkraut,

and mashed potato dinner to ring in the new year with good luck and much love in the coming year.

5. Unique Celebrations: January hosts various celebrations, including New Year's Day and various winter festivals around the world. These facts highlight the significance and characteristics of January as a month of transition and celebration.



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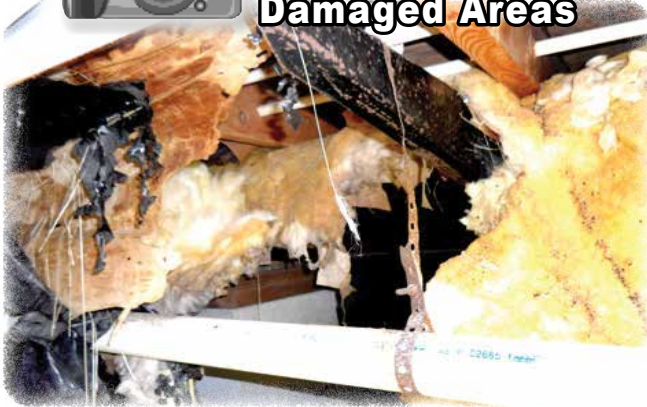
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# January 2026 CLVII Events

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	DAILY EVENTS
				1	2	3	<b>Sunday</b> 1:00 Mahjong  <b>Monday</b> 8:30 Pickleball 8:30 Beginner Pickleball 1:00 Cornhole
4	5	6	HOA Resident Meeting 7PM	8	9	10	<b>Tuesday</b> 8:30 Pickleball 9:30 Water Exercise 10:00 Ping Pong 1:00 Dominoes 4:00 Social Hour/Potluc 7:00 Darts 7:00 Mixed Bridge
11	12	13 Clubhouse Reserved	14	15	16	17  Little Big Band 7-10 PM	<b>Wednesday</b> 8:30 Pickleball 8:30 Beginner Pickleball 9:00 Chicks With Kicks 10:00 Yoga 12:00 Pennies from Heaven/Library 6:00 Left-Right-Center
Hymn Sing 5PM Library  7PM	19	20	21	22	23	24	<b>Thursday</b> 8:30 Pickleball 9:00 Walk, Talk, Pray 9:30 Water Exercise 1:00 Euchre 6:00 Feather Your Nest
25	26	27	28	29	30	31  2 PM	<b>Friday</b> 8:30 Pickleball 8:30 Beginner Pickleball 9:00 Chicks With Kicks 1:00 6-Deck Canasta 7:00 Karaoke
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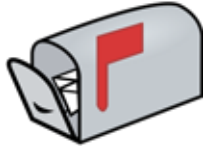
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day Dance 7-10 PM	
15 Hymn Sing 5 PM Library Ice Cream Social 7 PM	16	17	18	19	20	21	
22 Dueling Sinatra's 2 PM	23	24	25	26	27	28	
							
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## RECENT ACTIVITIES IN THE PARK



*Our Friendsgiving buffet was a great success this year. The food was top-notch and everyone enjoyed their meal. Thanks to the Social Committee for putting on such a great event for our residents.*



*A surprise 70th birthday party was held for Kevin Colby on December 6. Karen managed to keep this surprise under wraps, which is no easy feat in this community. The picture of him shows the look of surprise on his face when he realized everyone was there to celebrate his milestone birthday with him. Happy Birthday, Kevin.*



*Congratulations to Sherry LaPrade for winning the Home of the Month for December. Her home always looks beautiful, and she takes pride in her home and her community.*

*Congratulations*





*Another CLVII Christmas event that proved to be a great success. Our Christmas gift exchange was so much fun this year. Our special Santa, Ron Lorenz, was in his typical Santa form, and his special helper, Linda Weber, was once again his cute sidekick. This is one of the best events of the year, and everyone looks forward to it. Thanks to all who helped our Santa feel special again this year.*



# AROUND THE CORNER

*Lorelei Millet, Coordinator*

Happy New Year, Friends! “We’re not getting older, we’re leveling up, with slightly more creaks in our every ‘what’s up?’ Cheers to more laughter and less to regret, Happy New Year! (Don’t forget to stretch!).” With that, let’s get up and out this year and visit some of the great places our community has to offer. My goal last year was to visit and hike each of the Manatee County Preserves. Well, it was fine until the weather got too hot, so I will continue this year.

**Felts Audubon Preserve** – This property was once used by Otis Felts for grazing cattle. Upon his passing, this 28-acre property was donated to Manatee County Audubon so it would remain undeveloped. The Audubon Society has documented over 194 avian species, including the Great Horned Owl, Pileated Woodpecker, Thrushes, Warblers, Herons, Egrets, and the sought-after Indigo and Painted Buntings. The bird blind provides visitors with an excellent opportunity for close-up viewing and photography of the birds. Winter is the best time for viewing many of the migratory birds in our area. The Felts Audubon Preserve is located at 4600 24th Avenue E., Palmetto. Because it is a bird sanctuary, no pets are allowed.

**Perico Preserve** – Need a place to get away and take a relaxing stroll? Perico Preserve, 11700 Manatee Ave W, Bradenton, is your place. Perico Preserve is a stone’s throw away from Anna Maria Island, but a million miles from all the hustle and bustle. Bird watching is a favorite activity at this preserve, but the easy walkways, boardwalks, and bike trails make it an experience for everyone. With just over a mile of groomed trails, this preserve is great for anyone.

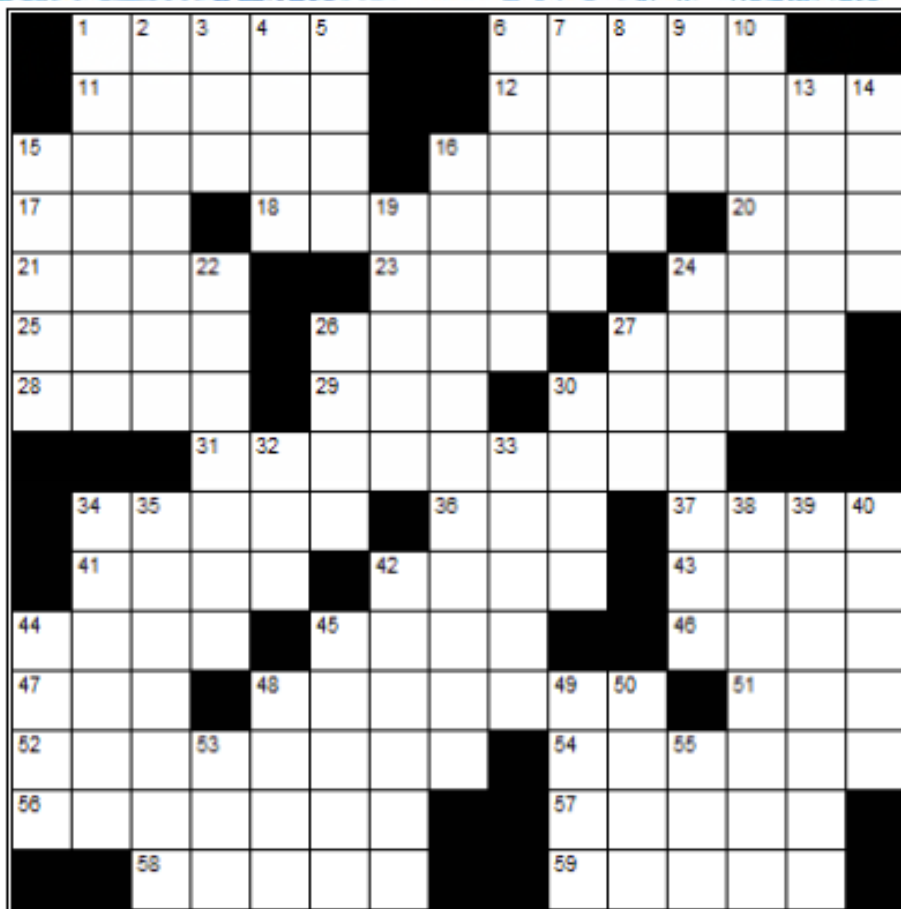
**Conservatory Park** – I just love preserves that are set aside to enjoy nature right in the center of a bustling city! Conservatory Park is that place. Most of the trails are paved, and they have plenty of areas to sit and relax and just listen to the peace and quiet that surrounds you. I saw my first wild owl there. So bring your binoculars and your pet (they are welcome here) and take a leisurely stroll or relax at one of their picnic areas. This is a very well-maintained park with beautiful gardens, clean restrooms and even an observation platform for seeing many, and I mean many, turtles in the pond! Conservatory Park is located at 8027 Conservatory Park Drive, Sarasota. They have a couple of entrances, so pick the one that is best for you.

**Duette Preserve** – For those of you who are more hardy hikers or bikers, you can’t go wrong with a visit to Duette Preserve. With over 21,000 acres, the Preserve is the largest Preserve in Manatee County and is the headwaters of the Manatee River. There is a wide variety of game animals, including the burrowing owl, snowy egret, gopher tortoise, deer, wild hogs, and they have even spotted a Florida panther on one of the trail cameras. The trails are hard-shell surfaced for the most part, which makes it easy for bikers and electric bikes. They do allow vehicles on some trails, but you must get a permit to take your car in the preserve. They offer several tours during the year, and I’ll post on Facebook when I see any coming up. The park has several entrances, so it is best to go to their webpage to see the location you would like to go to. Their address is 2649 Rawls Road, Duette.

Around the Corner!  
Safe travels,  
Lorelei Millet



# JANUARY CROSSWORD



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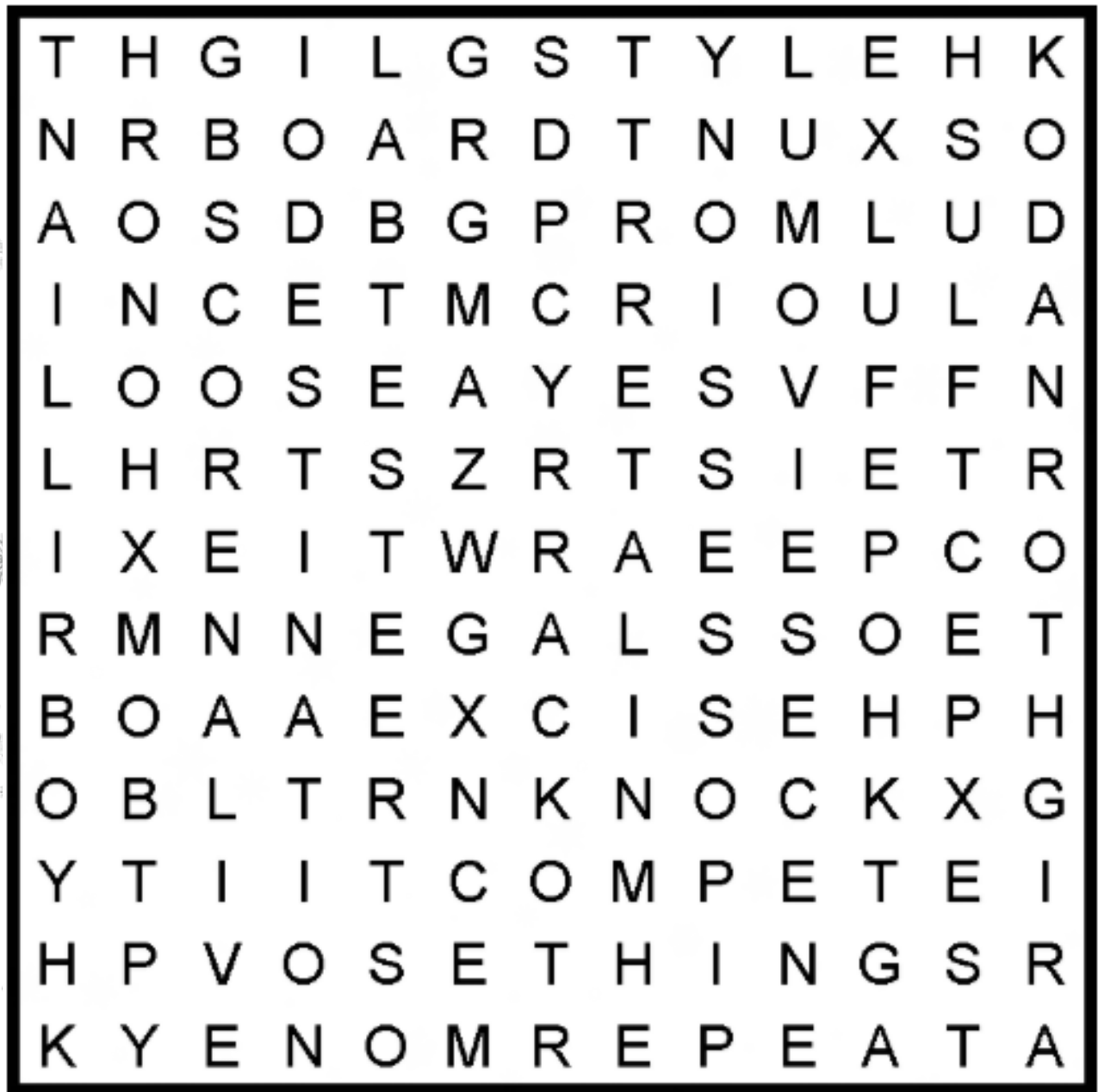
1. Spring month
6. Failures
11. Pursue
12. Take up the cause
15. Barroom fights
16. Harvesting
17. Snake-like fish
18. Wide part of a river
20. Sprocket
21. Chutzpah
23. Picnic insects
24. Broadcasts
25. Chills and fever
26. Workshop gripper
27. Fair attraction
28. Bird home
29. Type of tree
30. Harps
31. Amounts per unit size
34. Underway
36. One plus one
37. Make well
41. Scattered seed
42. Not fat
43. Inactive
44. Blackball
45. Tibia
46. Tube
47. Term of endearment
48. Deny
51. Distant
52. Making menu requests
54. A plan of action
56. Abounding
57. Genus of heath
58. Leases
59. Where clouds are

## DOWN

1. Land
2. Male genitalia
3. Uncooked
4. Small island
5. Not more
6. Arrive past due
7. Utilizers
8. Neuter
9. 2000 pounds
10. Kill oneself intentionally
13. Breathes noisily while sleeping
14. They come from hens
15. Started
16. Gun repairing
19. Dogs wag these
22. Anticlimax
24. Blimp
26. Opening
27. Deli loaf
30. King of the jungle
32. Anagram of "One"
33. They can be fraternal or identical
34. On land
35. One who establishes
38. Building
39. Mammals like camels
40. Apprehensive
42. Objects
44. Fired a projectile
45. Holy person
48. Smile
49. Gorillas
50. English royal house
53. An uncle
55. Fifty-two in Roman numerals



# January Word Search



alive  
board  
brilliant  
carry  
casino  
compete  
destination

drive  
empty  
excise  
expect  
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Coordinator: Linda Weber 618-977-2705

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Coordinator: Jim Roberts 410-465-0159

**Chicks with Kicks** – Wed & Fri 9:00 a.m.

Coordinator: Susie Taunt 989-329-2097

**Yoga** – Wed 10 a.m.

Coordinator: Jennifer Berglund 716-471-4599

**Pennies from Heaven** - Wednesday 12:00 p.m.

Coordinator: Sue Garcia 906-280-2890

**Left-Right-Center** – Wednesday 6:00 p.m.

Coordinator: Theresa Stevens 941-807-1165

**Water Aerobics** - Tues, Thu, Sat 9:30 a.m.

Coordinator: Joann Dodge 941-224-7106

**Dominoes** – Tuesday 1 p.m.

Coordinator: Jim Roberts 410-465-0159

**Potluck & Social Hour** - Tuesday 4 p.m.

BYOB and munchies plus a dish to share.

**Darts** - Tuesday 7 p.m.

Coordinator: Walter Hull 614-578-6562

**Walk, Talk, Laugh, and Pray** – Thursday, 9 a.m.

Coordinator: Sue Riley 724-866-8473

**Feather Your Nest** – Thursday 6 p.m.

Coordinator: Kevin Karcher 609-929-2211

**Canasta** - Friday 1 p.m.

Coordinator: TBD

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2026

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Year

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

*If you need to change or add your email, birthday, or anniversary, do not hesitate to contact Deb Williams at 941-304-7756 and leave a message. Make sure you leave your name and lot number when you do.*

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Jan 1 Roger Krauss  
Jan 4 Maysie Aarestad  
Jan 5 Joy Woodbeck  
Jan 7 John Ferguson  
Jan 8 Patricia Petrey  
Jan 9 Judy McCauley  
Jan 9 Nikki Sempsey  
Jan 10 Mary Pinter  
Jan 10 Angelo Yoho  
Jan 13 Michelle Brunone  
Jan 13 Donna Pfluke  
Jan 16 John Johnson  
Jan 18 Lynne Rowland  
Jan 19 Dick Quint  
Jan 19 Van VanVleet  
Jan 20 Jerry Stram  
Jan 20 Anna Syjud  
Jan 20 Sherry Williams  
Jan 21 Sally Nachbar  
Jan 22 Jim Roberts  
Jan 23 Dennis Schaar  
Jan 23 Valerie Kirchhoff  
Jan 23 Lisa Heraghty  
Jan 25 Linda Werner  
Jan 25 John "Mike" Duff  
Jan 25 Jim Stickner  
Jan 25 Joanna Brasher  
Jan 26 Mike Morgan  
Jan 26 Chet Syjud  
Jan 26 Kathy Voelkl  
Jan 26 Jacquie Weigand  
Jan 27 Linda Shedrow  
Jan 27 Dave Underwood  
Jan 31 JoAnn Dodge  
Jan 31 Linda Weber  
Jan 31 Lynda Glaser



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Jan 4 Jerry & Janet Stram 68 Years  
Jan 13 Donald & Lois Stannard 61 Years  
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