

HARBOR TOWN LIGHT



December 2025

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi Neighbor!

It's the holiday season here in the Patios.

Lights will be shining brightly (after December 1st please.)

Wherever you are and whatever you celebrate, I wish you the peace and joy of the season.

A big thank you to the Social Committee for decorating the clubhouse and putting together the holiday luncheon.

Before I go, just a quick reminder. The Budget Meeting is scheduled for December 16th at 1pm.

Happy Holidays!

Kelly Boocock, President
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Trash containers should never be in the street.
Please keep this in mind when you bring out your barrels.

GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Hello, Patio's neighbors!

We hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving, and getting excited for the upcoming holidays.

This winter will hit The Patio's greenspaces hard, due to entering the "dry season" from a dry "rainy season". All we ask is to please be patient with us as we navigate through the hurdles ahead of us.

The first week of every month, Sunrise crew trims the hedges. I was informed that if a hedge is flowering or a unique hedge (i.e. pitch apple), the crew will not trim it, **unless a ticket is generated** requesting the hedge/bush to be trimmed.

Last month I posted how to fill out a ticket going directly to the Sunrise Landscape website (Sunriselandscape.com, you may fill out a ticket as a Guest).

Another option is filling out a Work Order/Ticket through our Patios website (Thepatioschestnutcreek.com, go to Committee Work Requests, choose tab to the far right to create a ticket to go directly to Sunrise). Please use this Ticket system to report any problems or requests directly to Sunrise.

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The Grounds Committee monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 9th at 10 AM at the Clubhouse.

The Committee is currently working on additional options to the Red Book Planting Guide.

In December and January, the committee will begin looking at vendors for palm tree trimmings for 2026. Recommendations for companies are greatly appreciated.

Have a wonderful December!

Josephine Florio, Grounds Chair
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Vito Carcioppolo, Steve Cito, Tom Rock-Grounds Committee



ARB – ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

Happy Holidays from the Patios ARB Team!

The Patios ARB will be performing inspections this month and as usual we will be looking at exterior paint conditions and colors, roof conditions, driveway conditions, lamp posts, garage lights, garage doors, front doors. We will also be inspecting side yards for debris left behind from past hurricanes, stacked roof tiles, etc.

The Patios ARB Team wants to thank all the owners who have planned ahead and consulted us regarding their projects to update and remodel.

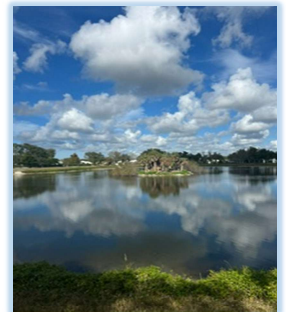
This consultation has made it much easier for ARB volunteers to manage expectations and modify or approve quickly.

Hurricane shutters are permitted only during the period from June 1 through November 30. Only clear polycarbonate panels may stay in place at all times. If shutters are used when away for security, they must be “clear type.”

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LAKES COMMITTEE

The CCMA Lakes Committee will meet every 2nd Wed. of the Month in the Patios Clubhouse from 9 AM to 11 AM for their regular monthly meetings. These meetings are open to Chestnut Creek residents. Since the largest percent of CCMA annual dues go to maintaining the 19 Lakes in CCMA you might want to attend one or two.



Cheers
Jim Bencivenga
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BOOK CLUB NEWS

We are looking forward to our December meeting. We meet at the Clubhouse on the second Thursday of each month at 10:00 AM.



December Book Club
Date: Thursday, December 11th at 10:00 AM
Book: The Wide Wide Sea by Hampton Sides

January Book Club
Date: Thursday, January 8th at 10:00 AM
Book: Brainrush by Richard Bard

If you are interested in joining the group please email me and I will add you to our email distribution. We welcome all new members!

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SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

Happy Holidays All!

We are starting to see the twinkle of lights here in the Patios. Soon we will be driving in to a very festive entrance (kudos to Jerry Valenta for the awesome job – not to mention all the work – that he does for us every year). We don't know about you, but it never fails to make us smile when we see all the lights plus those adorable deer!

We would, again, like to extend a special invitation to all our New Residents to join us at our events. If you have a new neighbor, please reach out and invite them to come with you to an upcoming event. If they haven't signed up for our Patios website, we would be happy to help.



Our website is ThePatiosChestnutCreek.com. There is also a calendar available in the Clubhouse along with the monthly newsletter.

Our Veterans Day Brunch was just lovely as always. It is one of our favorite events where we get to say a big Thank You to all who served. A special shout out to all the ladies who put the brunch together – Yvonne Marquardt, Maribeth Driscoll, Annie Washburn, and Josephine Florio as well as Dennis Moore for the program and music.

Our Social Club committee will be meeting on Mon 12/1 at 9:30 AM at the clubhouse. We will be discussing arrangements for the Dec events as well as planning for Jan/Feb/Mar. Join in and bring us some fresh ideas! This will also be one of the last chances to purchase tickets for our Holiday Luncheon.

Our annual Holiday Breakfast will be held on Thur 12/4 at 9:00 AM at the clubhouse. This event is hosted free of charge by the Social Club and is always a favorite. PLEASE make sure to RSVP so we know how many we are feeding! We cannot stress how important this is. We will also be having our 50/50 raffle (\$1 ticket/8 for \$5). We hope to see everyone in their Holiday finest!

And speaking of Holiday Finest, we will have a special Holiday Luncheon this month at the Boca Royale Golf and Country Club on Tues 12/9. A noon arrival with a plated lunch served at 12:30 as well as door prizes, music and fun. Tickets are available thru 12/2 by calling Josephine 973-229-6142 or Liz 727-277-4283.

Jimmy B will be hosting 'The Round Table' at the clubhouse on Thurs 12/11 from 2-4 PM. This month's theme centers on Gift Giving, a timely topic. An email will go out with the

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topic and suggested reading before each group . Ideas for new topics are always welcome!

We are hoping to have a Sunday Supper this month, either the 14 th or 21st – keep an eye out for that email. The same goes for TGIF. Being the day after Christmas, we are not yet sure if it will be held although a karaoke version would be fun!

Feedback on these events is helpful, so if you want them let us know! And speaking of Holiday Events, we do have neighbors here in the Patios that don't have family nearby. It means the world when you reach out and invite someone to your Holiday Table plus you get a fresh face and someone new to tell all your stories to!

Looking forward to Jan, we will start out with a bang. The annual Bloody Mary Party on the 1 st is always packed. We will kick that one off at noon. Again, watch for the email as RSVP's will be important – we fill up quick. It's an awesome way to start the New Year with friends.

Jimmy B has been working on securing a date for a field trip to the Ringling in Sarasota for our group. Mondays offer free admission to the art museum and grounds (such a beautiful venue). They have an excellent café on the premises, so Jimmy is trying to make reservations for us. As of now, he believes he has one for Mon 1/5 or possible 1/12. We will send out a notice when we have more info.

We would like to thank everyone who has stepped up to volunteer to make our events happen. Lorraine, Yvonne, Esther, Annie, Jimmy & Joy have become our Breakfast Prep Crew (along with us of course) and they will tell you how much fun it is plus 'many hands make light work'! As mentioned, Vickey and Sue have taken on the monthly Luncheons. We still

need our participants to step up and volunteer to coordinate 1 event– breakfast, TGIF, a holiday dinner. This is actually easy to do, especially when you have a few people involved. We really do hate having to cancel an event but, as much as we enjoy it, we cannot always be the ones running them. Give us a call and ask what's involved.

Your Hard-Working Elves would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to those who have helped us out plus extend our HEARTFELT WISHES to everyone for a warm, wonderful and blessed Holiday!

Your co-chairs,
Liz Moore and Josepine Florio
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LIBRARY NOTES

The library welcomes all residents. Our library is located at the rear on the left side of the Clubhouse. Come in and browse our inventory of books and magazines. Simply select a book you wish to read and when you have finished reading it deposit it in the box labeled "Book Returns" so others may enjoy it too.



We always appreciate book and magazine donations and since our Clubhouse area is limited with little storage space here are guidelines on donations we accept.

Please Donate:

- Books (fiction and non) that have been published within the last 6 years
- Large Print Books
- Health Books
- Current Magazines

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We Do Not Accept:

- Textbooks
- Reference Books (Encyclopedias)
- Travel Books
- Children's Books
- Oversized Books
- Books-on Tape
- Cookbooks

Goodwill usually takes all book offerings if you need to get rid of outdated material.

Our neighbors Holly and Ike Allen at 1227 HT Way are vendors at 3 nearby farmers markets: Tuesdays, at Nathan Benderson Park in Sarasota 9-2; Wednesdays, Phillippi Park in Sarasota 9-1; and Thursdays, in Englewood on Dearborn next to Paradise Realty, 9-1. They offer healthy, all-natural peanut and almond butters, jams, salsas, bbq sauces, and hot sauces. They also sell COLDEST brand water bottles.

Every Tuesday and Thursday at 8.30 AM, come and join neighbors for a fun time playing pickleball.

All skill levels welcome! We love beginners.



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NEWSLETTERS

Newsletters are sent to Patios' residents via email. If you require a paper copy, please let me know. We are working on improving the calendar, soon you will be able to go onto the website and see all upcoming events.

Betsy Legasey, Editor

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December

The Patios of Chestnut Creek

2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 -Social Club 9.30 AM - Bridge 1.15 PM	2	3	4 . Holiday Breakfast RSVP 9 AM	5 -Needlecraft 9.30 AM -Bridge 1.15 PM	6
7	8 - Bridge 1.15 PM	9 -Grounds Committee 10 AM -Holiday Luncheon Boca Royale RSVP	 10 CCMA Lakes Comm. 9 AM	 11 -Book Club 10 AM -Roundtable, 2 PM	12 Bridge 1.15 PM	13
14 Chanukah Begins 	15 - Bridge 1.15 PM	 16 HOA Budget Meeting 1 PM	17	 18	19 -Needlecraft 9.30 AM -Bridge 1.15 PM	20
21 Sunday Supper at the Clubhouse 5 PM	22 -Bridge 1.15 PM	 23	24	25 Xmas Day 	26 Bridge 1.15 PM	27
28	29 -Bridge 1.15 PM	 30	31 New Year's Eve	 If you see this symbol in a calendar day's box, it tells you that there is pickleball at 8:30 AM. Note that the starting time has changed because of the cooler weather.		