

Sunshine Report

October 31, 2026

Cathy Hula, President of the Social Activities Committee, welcomed everyone to coffee.

- **Pledge of Allegiance: Bruce** led the Pledge of Allegiance, which was followed by a moment of silence.
- **Coffee Committee:** Charlie, Bob, Pam, Bruce & Patty prepared coffee today. Thank you!
- **October Birthdays:** Bruce Coursey
- **October Anniversaries:** Randy and Margaret Johnson – 60 years!
- **Chapel**: Jim -
  - Nov 1st – Potluck dinner at the Hacienda. Tickets are $5.00. Doors open at 4:30pm, and food serving begins at 5:00pm.
- **Dances:** Teri Casady
  - Halloween Dance on Saturday Oct 24th was a great success – thanks to all who attended.
  - Nov 14th – Fall Dance. The "Groove Gators" will be performing. Tickets are $10.00 per person.
- **Did You Know:** Dave Casady

  1. Your hands are an extension of your brain, the areas of your brain that control your hands are some of the largest areas. Fine motor skills, playing an instrument, and even buttoning your shirt requires brainpower. When you learn something new with your hand's you're building new neural pathways… that's brain fitness.

  2. Americans love their pizza so much that they consume the equivalent of nearly 100 acres every single day.

  3. St Augustine is America's oldest continuously inhabited European-established city. It was founded in 1565 by Spanish admiral and explorer Pedro Menendez de Aviles.

  4. Hawaii is the only U.S. state that grows coffee commercially on a large scale.

  5. The scent after a rain is called Petrichor. It comes from plant oils released from the dry soil, plus Geosmin, a compound from soil bacteria that get activated by the rain. Humans are wired to love it. Research shows it can promote calm, reduce stress, and lift your mood by influencing brain activity.

  6. Nintendo was founded in Japan in 1889. It originally sold handmade playing cards. It entered the toy business in 1963, and entered the electronic and video market in 1977, where it has established a global dominance in the industry.

  7. Eyeglasses cost around $14 to manufacture but the designer frames sell for up to $600 because one company controls almost the entire eyewear market. The company was formed when Italy's Luxottica (world's largest frame maker) merged with France's Essilor (world's largest lens manufacturer) in 2018.

  8. Printer ink costs less than $1 per cartridge to produce but sells for up to $60, making it literally more expensive than human blood.

  9. The term "Knock on Wood" has been used for centuries because ancient cultures believed spirits lived inside trees and could bring protection or good luck.

  10. Bracken Cave in Texas is home to the world's largest known colony of bats. During summer, more than 15 million Mexican free-tailed bats emerge at dusk in a column that extends for miles. In a single night, the colony consumes hundreds of tons of insects. The nightly event is so massive it can be detected on weather radars.

- **Legacy Harvest Bash**: Legacy will be hosting the 2nd annual Harvest Bash at the Hacienda on Nov 10th from 12pm to 2pm. Come for free food and prizes.
- **HOA:** Norm Runkles – Thanks to all who attended the HOA Members Meeting on Thursday Oct 29th.
- **Bus Trips:** Sydney Runkles
    - Looking into visiting a food pantry in Lealman which is by appointment only. Stay tuned for more information.
    - St. Pete food pantry – trying to plan a trip in November. If interested please add your name to the sign-up sheet.
- **Thanksgiving Dinner**: Juliana & Pam –
    - Thursday, Nov 26th at the Hacienda. $10.00 per person for residents and $15.00 per person for guests. Doors will open at 4pm and serving begins at 5pm. You may come in and set up your table between 10am and noon. Food can be delivered to shut-ins; contact Juliana Spring, Pam Walker or Dave Casady to sign up.
      Looking for volunteers to assist in serving and cleanup.
- **VFW:** Dick Gaffney
    - Bricks are available for sale to place at the VFW memorial at the Corral.
    - Nov 11th is the Memorial Day service. 10:00am at the Corral.
- **Women's Club:** Pam Walker
    - Sunday, Nov 8th – Craft Fair in the Hacienda from 10:00am to 1:00pm. Vendor tables are available for $15.00. Tables are still available – contact Pam Walker.
    - Saturday, Nov 21st – Clothing Swap in the Hacienda from 11:00am to 1:00pm. If you cannot attend and want to donate items one week in advance, contact Joanne at lot 2126.
- **Sunshine Report:** Karen Ray
    - Nov 28th – celebration of life for Bob and Marie Wriggley at the Corral at 1:00pm.
    - Karen's Kids – still asking for cash donations to purchase clothing items for 50 children in our community.
    - Karen shared some jokes with the group.
- **Men's Club: Dave Casady**:
    - Nov 12th - Italian Dinner & Music Bingo. Tickets are $10.00 per person for the dinner and if you want to stay after dinner for music bingo, this is an additional $5.00 per person. Doors open at 4pm and serving will be from 4:30 to 5:30pm.
    - Next Men's Club breakfast will be on December 4th at 9:00am at the Hacienda. Tickets will be priced at $5.00 per person.
    - There were 4 $10 50/50 winners today.

There were 29 people in attendance this morning and baked goods are available for sale.

Summary of Upcoming 2026 Events

For Regular Occurring Events, please consult the Monthly Bulletin

Date / Time	Time	Location	Event	Sponsor	Notes
Sunday, November 1st	5:00pm	Hacienda	Potluck Dinner	Chapel	$5.00 per person. Doors open at 4:30pm
Sunday, November 8th	10am – 1pm	Hacienda	Fall Bazaar	Women's Club	Vendor tables $15.00 each. Contact Pam Walker
Tuesday, November 10th	12pm-2pm	Hacienda	Harvest Bash	Legacy	Come for free food and prizes
Thursday, November 12th	4:30pm	Hacienda	Italian Dinner & Music Bingo	Men's Club	Doors open at 4pm. See details above.
Saturday, November 14th	7 – 10pm	Hacienda	Fall Dance	Dance	$10.00 per ticket
Saturday, November 21st	11:00am	Hacienda	Fall Clothing Swap	Women's Club	
Thursday, November 26th	5:00pm	Hacienda	Thanksgiving Dinner	SAC	Doors open at 4pm. $10 pp for residents; $15pp guests
Thursday December 3rd	10:45am	Suncoast Theater	Christmas Carol	HOA	Matinee performance. Leave Hacienda parking lot by 11:00am
Friday, December 4th	9:00am	Hacienda	Breakfast	Men's Club	Tickets will be $5.00 per person
Saturday, December 19th	7 – 10pm	Hacienda	Holiday Dance	Dance	$10.00 per ticket