

The Villager

Happy New Year

BY JIM BELLE

The President's Corner

Hello Everyone and Happy New Year!

It's that time of year once again when the snow birds begin their annual trek to sunny Florida. Hope everyone had a Merry Christmas, Happy Hannukah, and whatever else you may celebrate at this time of year.

For your enjoyment I will bring you up to date on the happenings at Village Brooke (VB). We have begun the process of removing a few of the most troublesome trees in the complex and soon we will be planting replacements. As most of you know, the last 3 hurricanes took down 4 more large trees in front of Building 5 and another two behind Building 6 and 7. Another is being removed by Building 6 as it is too close to the building and its roots are getting under the lanai.

Our office assistant, Ivey, had to leave us so we have hired her replacement and her name is Carol. Please welcome her to the team when you have opportunity. In the interim, Laurel Crum, a former owner in VB, has filled in admirably to take some of the load off Stacey.

We have replaced the 2 security cameras that fell with the tennis court light pole and have installed 2 new ones to cover areas not previously covered. The sidewalk at 3257 that was damaged by the tree falling has been replaced as well. The fence that was damaged when the pole fell will soon be replaced.

Once again, I remind everyone to be respectful and considerate of your neighbors. This is regarding noise, cigarette smoke, and barking support animals. This also applies to frequent visits to the office with no reason other than to take up office time. Our staff is small and there is plenty of work to keep them busy. If you have a complaint or a maintenance issue, put it in writing and drop it off or send an email. The office will respond or start the resolution as soon as possible. And please direct all such matters to the office and not to the maintenance staff. They, too, are quite busy.

As you can tell, we have had quite an eventful year and more to come in 2025. Elections are coming up for 3 seats on the board of directors and I encourage everyone to vote.

Jim Belle,
President, Village Brooke Condominium Association

Our Board

PRESIDENT: JIM BELLE
V. PRESIDENT: ANN FRESCURA
TREASURER: DIANE NAMISH
SECRETARY: TERESA MCCORMACK
DIRECTOR: DOUG SHARKEY
DIRECTOR: DONNA KULESA
DIRECTOR: DELLA MCCONKEY
MANAGER: STACEY KATZ



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Manager's Corner

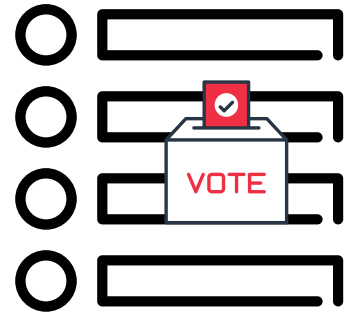
BY STACEY KATZ



Happy New Year to all our residents! January marks the return of our northern friends as many of you come back to enjoy the sunny Florida winter. We're excited to have everyone back and hope you had a wonderful holiday season.

COMMUNITY UPDATES

- The proposed budget for 2025 has to be re-voted on at the January 14th meeting, so please make your payments in the amount of \$421.00 for January and once the budget is voted on we will order the coupon books for the approved amount.
- Mark your calendars! The Annual Meeting will take place on January 14th in the clubhouse at 6:00 p.m. This is an important event, and we encourage all residents to attend in person. Your participation is crucial in shaping the future of our community.
- This year, we will be voting on three new board members, so be sure to submit your election ballot. If you haven't already, please take a moment to complete your ballot and bring it to the office. If you have any questions about the process or need assistance with the proxy and ballot forms, don't hesitate to visit the office or give us a call. We're happy to help ensure your vote is counted.



Sarasota In the Know

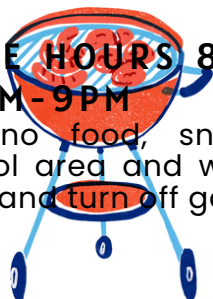
There is so much happening in Sarasota that it's hard to keep up! Here are some fun events in January. Many are free!

- ◆ Sat mornings Farmer's Market from 8-12 Downtown
- ◆ Yoga in The Garden @ Selby Gardens - Every Wed. & Sat.
- ◆ Sarasota Seafood & Music Festival Jan 10th-12th
- ◆ Wine Down Wednesdays @ The Bay - Wednesdays @ 5:00
- ◆ Family Movie Night @ The Bay - Friday, Jan 31st
- ◆ Downton Venice Craft Festival - Jan 25th & 26th

There are far too many events to list, but you can click here (escape-to-sarasota.com) to see them all!

POOL/CLUBHOUSE HOURS 8:30AM-9:00PM
GRILL HOURS 9AM-9PM

Please remember no food, snacks or glass is permitted in the pool area and when using grills to limit time to an hour and turn off gas when done!



SHEDS

Shed payments are due on January 1st. Please bring your check to the office. There are still sheds available for owners. Please come into the office to fill out an application if you wish to rent one.

Let's talk Laundry

If you have issues with the washers and dryers, the fastest way to get results is to follow the directions within the laundry app or call the number on the sign in the laundry room. This will trigger an automatic site visit.

SUNDAY WORSHIP 10-11AM

Everyone is welcome to come to the clubhouse for a Christian worship service that will be streamed on the TV from Emmanuel church in Indiana

Come and be Blessed!

