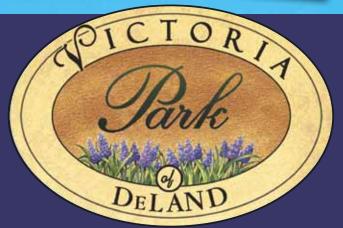
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In the Spotlight

Do you have an interesting story? How about a favorite pet, a great trip, a special award? Email your story in 250 words or less to jflowers@evergreen-lm.com along with a picture and all efforts will be made to publish your news in an upcoming edition of the Picket Fence.

We are looking for resident volunteers to help out our Lifestyle team! If you would like to get involved please contact us at (386) 279-7700.



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Victoria Park Cares

uring the Spring and Fall Community Yard Sale the residents of Victoria Park come together and donate their unsold items to the West Volusia Habitat for Humanity. The following article provided by Linnea Collier, Executive Director for the West Volusia Habitat for Humanity, illustrates the amount of good that comes from your donations.

The items we collect from the Victoria Park Community Yard Sale are brought back to our Habitat ReStore to be cleaned and sold to raise money for our Habitat Mission. Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes for the working poor in our community. We like to say we are a "hand up, not a hand out."

Families are qualified for this program based on their needs. Those that qualify perform up to 200 hours of community service and help build their own home. This program takes up to 24 months to complete, resulting in the families becoming homeowners with an interest free mortgage. These



hard working families who once could not qualify for a conventional mortgage are now homeowners with a foundation for success.

The donations the West Volusia Habitat for Humanity received from the residents of Victoria Park go directly back to help these families. We are thankful to the Victoria Park residents for

allowing us to collect these unwanted items from the Community Yard Sale. With your support the West Volusia Habitat for Humanity helps families build strength, stability, and the independence they need for a better future.

— Article and photo submitted by Linnea Collier, Executive Director for West Volusia Habitat for Humanity

Covenants Corner

y name is Christy Pollock and I am the new Covenants Coordinator for Victoria Park. Many of you may have already met or have spoken to me. I have been out in the community nearly



every day since joining the Evergreen Lifestyles Management team. I look forward to getting to know you all as well as your community.

Living in a homeowner association community such as Victoria Park, comes with certain benefits as well as rules. Our community rules, resident responsibilities, governing documents, architectural review quidelines, as well as other useful information can be found at myvictoriapark. com or at the Community Management office. In my position as the Covenants Coordinator, I work to help promote compliance throughout the community. Residents can help as well by filling out a Confidential Incident/Violation report, when noticing covenants related concerns.

One common violation is when residents do not adhere to the trash and recycle bin schedule. Trash pickup is every Friday and all garbage materials should be placed out at the curb for collection by 6 a.m. but no sooner than 5 p.m.

the prior evening. Please remember your trash and recycle bins must be stored out of view of neighboring properties when not in use or being made available for pickup. Portable basketball hoops must also be properly stored and are not allowed to be left out overnight.

To help show our appreciation for residents that go above and beyond taking care of their property, we will be selecting one homeowner each quarter for our "Community Beautification Award." The recipient of this award will be featured in the Covenants Corner article in The Picket Fence.

- Article and photo submitted by Christy Pollock

Wildlife in Victoria Park — Cuban Tree Frog

n rainy, warm evenings, the sounds of up to a dozen different frogs huge ones from neighbors' toilet bowls! and toads create a natural symphony in our ponds, grassy marshes, and wooded wetlands. All but one of these species is a native Floridian, the other is a relative newcomer from the West Indies. The Cuban Tree Frog has now become firmly established throughout most of our state and in some of the more southern sections. It is so numerous that it has replaced some native frogs. Yet another example of an exotic animal wreaking havoc in Florida.

The Cuban Tree frog grows much larger than any of our native tree frogs. A female's body may be 5 inches long, which is large enough for it to swallow several of our smaller species whole. This is exactly what has been happening. In Victoria Gardens, for example, just in the past 4 years the Cuban Tree Frog has replaced the small green Squirrel Tree Frog as the most common frog found on and inside buildings, as well as hopping across roads on rainy nights. While driving our roads on a rainy night this May, almost every frog I encountered was a Cuban Tree Frog. I have also been called twice to remove

The color of this big-eyed, sticky-toed frog varies greatly from tan to gray, to olive-green, to almost white. Some have a pattern on their backs and sides, while others are solidly colored. Its most identifiable features are the immense toe pads, used to climb trees and the walls of buildings. Like other frogs, the male



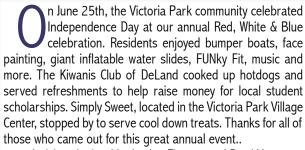
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Cuban Tree Frog possesses its own characteristic calls. This is done not only attract mates into the water, but sometimes also from trees and buildings in response to rainfall. It resembles a snore or the sound made by rubbing a finger over a wet balloon. Listen for its voice on rainy evenings, along with the calls of dozens of other Florida frogs.

— Article and photo submitted by John Serrao

Red, White & Blue Celebration





— Article submitted by Justine Flowers and Brad Verman; photos by Lauren Weldon







Cresswind at Victoria Gardens Celebrates Memorial Day



Lictoria Gardens held their annual Memorial Day Event on Monday, May 30. The event was kicked off by a presentation hosted by resident, Fred Ditmar and featured special performances by the VeeGees. This year's theme of the Memorial Day Show was "Forever Remember, Never Forget." Directly following the show, over 200 residents came out to the BBQ hosted on the Clubhouse's event lawn. The Café team served up a menu including pulled pork, chicken and hamburgers. Live entertainment by the group, Tage, played the hits of the 70s and 80s poolside.

— Article and photos submitted by Eva Nicol, Lifestyle Director





Bag Toss Tournament -May 16th



Poolside Entertainment -June 5th & 11th



Kentucky Derby Hats & Horses Party - May 7th



Myles Smith Billiards Tournament -May 2nd



Cinco De Mayo - May 5th







Blend Acappella Show - April 15th



Summer/Fall Calendar of Events

JULY

- 19 I-Drive 360 Day Trip
- 21 Trivia
- 23 Great Gatsby Party



Calendar is subject to change.
Please contact Resident
Services for further
details — 386-785-2700



AUGUST

- 5 Olympic Open Party
- 21 Sundae Social
- 23 Paint Party!

SEPTEMBER

- 8 NFL Kickoff Tailgate Party
- 24 Cruise In Car Show
- 28 Wine Social featuring Canvas & Cabernet Art Show

OCTOBER

- 1 Red Skelton Tribute Show
- 14 Oktoberfest
- 29 Halloween Costume Party



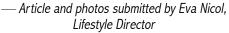




Cresswind at Victoria Gardens Maifest Event



n May 13, Victoria Gardens Clubhouse held their annual Maifest German Wine Tasting. Complete with a May Pole used for traditional European dancing and 5 different varieties of German wines, the event hosted over 160 residents. The event was hosted by Gary Sisco, Victoria Gardens Resident, and his crew, who were responsible for pouring over 800 glasses of wine! And what wine tasting wouldn't be complete without a chicken dance and hula hoop contest?! Directly following the festivities, a German fare was served by the Victoria Gardens Café team featuring, Jager Schnitzel, Sauerbraten & Bratwurst. On October 14, Gary and his crew will be hosting Oktoberfest, a German beer tasting event. It's one you won't want to miss!









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Ladies Night



Walking Taco Night

Summer/Fall Calendar of Events

JULY

- 20 Babysitting Boot Camp
- 21 Ladies Night Summer Garden Stones
- 29 Blue Heron River Tour

AUGUST

- 4 Kids in the Kitchen
- 12 Back to School Bash
- 19 Poker Night
- 25 Ladies Night
- 26 Stetson Concert Trip





SEPTEMBER

- 9 Winter Park Sun Rail Trip
- 23 Parrot Party
- 29 Ladies Night

OCTOBER

- 1 Fall Crafters Fair
- 2 Savannah Georgia Trip
- 8 Kids Fishing Tournament
- 14 Movie Night
- 22 Fall Fest
- 27 Ladies Night

Dates and events subject to change. Please call 386-279-7700 for further details.



Victoria Trails Amenity Center Celebrates Two-Year Anniversary





he Victoria Trails Amenity Center opened on June 14th, 2014 and just celebrated its two-year anniversary. During this time, the field, multipurpose room, picnic pavilion, playground and pool, have been utilized for many great events and activities. The field at the Trails hosted our annual Red, White & Blue Celebration and is also used for movie nights, horseshoes, and a variety of other activities. In the multipurpose room residents have participated in Bunco, Walking Taco Night, Wine Tastings, Ice Cream Socials, education lectures, Ladies Night, Karaoke Night and is rented by Victoria Park residents for private events. Recently a canopy was built to provide much needed shading to the Victoria Trials playground for the kids of the community to enjoy. Many residents simply enjoying just relaxing under the palm trees and taking a quick dip in the pool.

- Article and photos submitted by Brad Verman and Justine Flowers





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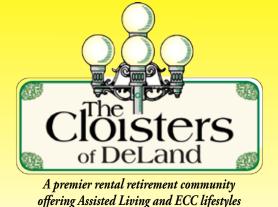
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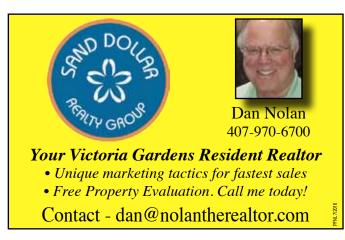


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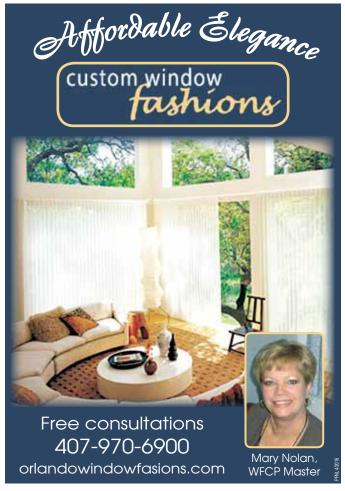
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