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By: Dan Cary

*Hernando Beach
Property Owners
Association
Newsletter*

**SPECIAL NOTE ~ New HBPOA Membership Meeting place:
Hernando Beach Yacht Club - 4163 Shoal Line Blvd.**

Our next meeting
will be held
**Thursday,
February 2, 2023
at 7:00pm
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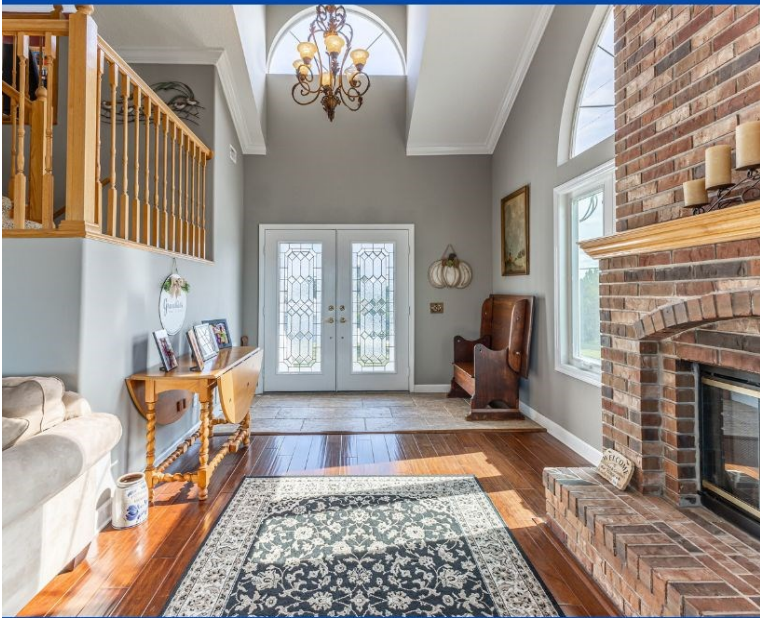
Happy February. This month we get to become hopeless romantics and watch movies like *Sleepless in Seattle* or *50 First Dates*. Yes, February 14 brings the smells of chocolates and cherry blossoms to my memories. February is also a busy month because we have two or three less days than the other months. And remember, in just under 11 months we'll start to enjoy leap year which runs 1 Jan 2024 to 31 Dec 2024. Enough of that, am I dating myself?

In this issue we published the minutes from our first general membership meeting at the Hernando Beach Yacht Club for 2023. Please read them and if you have any questions, forward them to me. I'll be glad to answer them promptly. Lilly Browning was our guest speaker. She is the Florida friendly Landscaping Program Coordinator with the Hernando County Utilities Department in the Water Conservation Department. Her presentation addressed Principle Number 9 – "Protect the Waterfront." Protecting the waterfront has two major parts – the watershed and the aquifer. Part number one is our watershed, the area of land that conveys water from land to the ocean. Here in Hernando Beach, it's our yards and streets. Here on the beach, we must not allow our grass clippings to go into the canals. That's bad because the grass has fertilizer and chemicals on it (can you say, "Red Tide?") and when it decomposes it can cause an oily slick like gasoline. Plus – our canals are places of beauty and sea life, not trash collectors. Part number two is the aquifer. Lilly said that Hernando County has the largest number of freshwater springs in the state. These underground aquifers provide our drinking water and to protect them we must reduce runoff and nitrogen in the soil, which means fertilizing only when necessary and at the correct amount. Same with pesticides so please properly dispose of oil and contaminants.

We are all members of a great community and our Hernando Beach organizations should support each other because with the resulting synergy, we can achieve more and do more for Hernando Beach citizens. Three members of

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our GAC Team attended the Marine Group hosted "Town Hall" at the Coast Guard Facility. The event was well attended and provided an opportunity to have a real discussion with our two new County Commissioners, Brian Hawkins and Jerry Campbell. They each had their own one-hour period to listen to Hernando Beach residents and compliance with the Florida Sunshine law was observed.

The most repeated topic was the state of our sewers and pumping stations, traffic and speeding enforcement on Shoal Line Blvd., lax code enforcement on storage business properties for semi-tractor trailer parking and no sight barriers per county code. The commissioners listened to concerned citizens about the Preserve and it is refreshing to have new commissioners who are committed to transparency and open communication, even when the points for discussion are not necessarily popular with their audience. That takes political courage and should be applauded. The commissioners mentioned the Nature Coast Aquatic Preserve coming to fruition and the lack of a taxbase to address the condition of roads and parks in the community (no 1/2 cent sales tax). It is unfortunate, but it was said our park funding is usually the first to be cut during the budget discussions with shortages. We must find other sources of funding. It is unfortunate that we lost an opportunity for interested citizens to manage and control where the dollars were spent for our parks – to have a seat at the table.

VP Joan Puls and I attended the Hernando Beach Crime Watch meeting. We picked a good night because Sheriff Al Nienhuis was there to induct the new Crime Watch board. Congratulations to Kelly Reeve – President, Cal Holland – Vice President, Robert Hind – Treasurer (not pictured) and Wendi Johnsen – Secretary.



The Crime Watch mission is an important part of our Hernando Beach community. Please consider joining.

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Thursday January 12th at 10 am I and about 500 other Hernando Beach business owners, residents and others from Hernando County attended the unveiling of the Mermaids for the Hernando County Mermaid Tail Trail. This effort brought together so many parts of the county. Kudos to the Hernando County

Tourism Department, Brooksville Main Street, the Hernando County Fine Arts Council, sponsoring businesses and all the artists who answered the call to paint their own mermaid. Soon you will find six of the mermaids lounging at our local businesses that sponsored them. I have much more to share but we have so much to do in so little time. We have lots of opportunities in the coming months to be a part of something great!

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HBPOA meetings are held the 1st Thursday of every month.
Meetings are held at the HBYC - 4163 Shoal Line Blvd, the doors open at 6:30pm and meetings start at 7pm.

Dues are \$35.00 annually and include the Beachcomber Newsletter mailed to you.
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**HBPOA FEBRUARY SPEAKER
CHRIS LINSBECK**

Chris is currently the Hernando County Community Services Director. This is an administrative position that plans, develops, and manages the Community Services Departments of Hernando County. The Community Services Departments consist of Parks and Recreation, Library Services, Animal Services, Veteran Services, Environmental Sensitive Lands, Waterways, and County Extension. His management responsibilities include planning, directing, and coordinating professional services for all Community Service Departments and programs. Chris is a long-time resident and grew up here in Hernando County. He served for four years in the United States Marine Corps from 1996-2000. After returning home, he attained his Bachelors of Applied Science in Business Administration and Management in 2009. Chris is currently on his 19th year as an employee of Hernando County Board of County Commissioners.

**HBPOA GENERAL MEETING
JANUARY 5, 2023 7:00PM**

Present		
Bill Robert	President	Present
Joan Puls	Vice President	Not Present
Linda Tartaglione	Secretary	Present
Jen Brown	Treasurer	Present
Chuck Greenwell	Director	Present
Scott Fitzgerald	Director	Not Present
James Fournier	Director	Not Present
Denis Polyn	Director	Present
Bobbi Caccamisi	Director	Present

6 Board Members present, we have a quorum.

7:00pm. Call to Order

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Motion to accept amended Agenda (Added Chuck Morton and Aquatic Preserve Presentation), by Denis Polyn. Second Chuck Greenwell.
3. Voted
4. Passed

7:05pm Guest Speaker

Lilly Browning, Florida friendly Landscaping Program Coordinator with the Hernando County Utilities Department in the Water Conservation Department

7:35 Business Meeting

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MEETING**

FEBRUARY 2ND

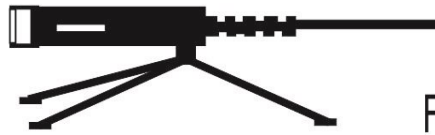
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1. President's comments – Introduced Mr. Ralph Kennedy, Commodore of the Hernando Beach Yacht Club. The Commodore welcomed the HBPOA and he looks forward to building a great working relationship with us and the synergy we can achieve will be beneficial to both organizations.

2. Committee Reports:

A. Treasurer's report by Jen Brown: February Summary Balance – incoming and outgoing funds were sent to the membership. Starting balance: \$15,482.86. Ending balance: \$14,542.47. The Beachcomber deadline for input is Jan. 10th.

B. Membership Committee by Patty Roberts: we have received eleven new members and renewals and our membership is up to 97 households.

C. Hospitality Committee by Marlies Blackford: Welcome to our new venue, the Hernando Beach Yacht Club. The Third Annual HBPOA Christmas Party was a success and thank you to all who attended and the members who helped make it a success with their preparation and coordination. Our 50/50 has a new twist – first ticket is a drawing from the basket, second is ½ the ticket sales.

D. Landscape Committee by Bill Roberts: Christmas decorations coming down on 6 Jan. WREC linemen reported all the timers were bad and needed replacement (25 total). Spring clean up at the Triangle later in January.

E. GAC report by Chuck Greenwell: we have a number of members on the GAC however we

need three more members to help the advocacy efforts of the HBPOA. The GAC focus for 2023 is to build a better relationship with local government, promote the Public Inquiry Workshop (PIW) process. I want your ideas such as is the trailer ban at the convenience center permanent? Is the Hernando Beach Crime Watch program enough? Do we need a "Street Watch" program?"

8:00pm - New Business

1. HBPOA received a grant from the Hernando Fine Arts Council (HCFAC) for "Hernando Beach Art Community Flags" and Kathy Groves is our lead for this project.
2. HBPOA Annual Audit volunteers to perform this function and report at the February meeting - Barbara Gossett is lead. The volunteers to assist are Bobbi Caccamisi and Kathy Polyn. Thank you!
3. HBPOA Charitable giving opportunities for 2023 open discussion. We selected Ft. Myers Harry Chapin Southwest Florida Food Bank for our Hurricane Ian relief donation voted and approved November 2022. Erin Daly suggested we look at the Hernando County Child Advocacy Group for contributions. There is a big need.
4. HBPOA support for BOCC legislative request for "Hernando Beach Wastewater Resiliency Project". This is a \$4-million-dollar infrastructure investment to Hernando Beach to the benefit of all the residents. Motion to support with a letter to our state legislative representative Jeff Holcomb by Denis Polyn, seconded by Chuck Greenwell, voted all in favor and passed.
5. Chuck Morton spoke about the Aquatic Preserve off the coast of Citrus, Hernando, and Pasco Counties. It is the second largest preserve in

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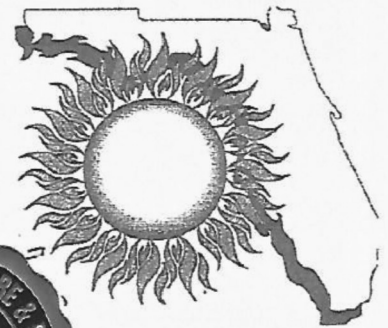
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5	6	7	8 HB Crime Watch Meeting	9	10 Beachcomber Deadline	11
12 Lincoln's Birthday	13	14 Valentine's Day BOCC Meeting 9am	15 Waterways Advisory Committee 6pm	16	17	18
19	20 President's Day US Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting 7pm	21	22	23	24	25
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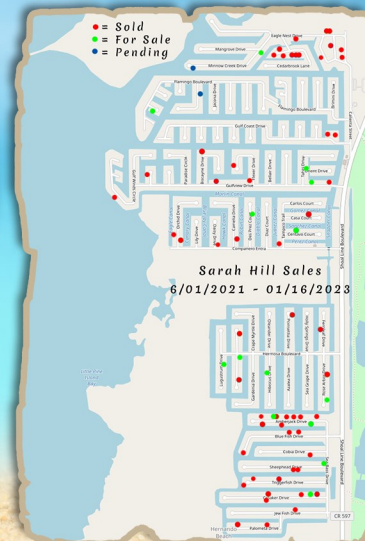
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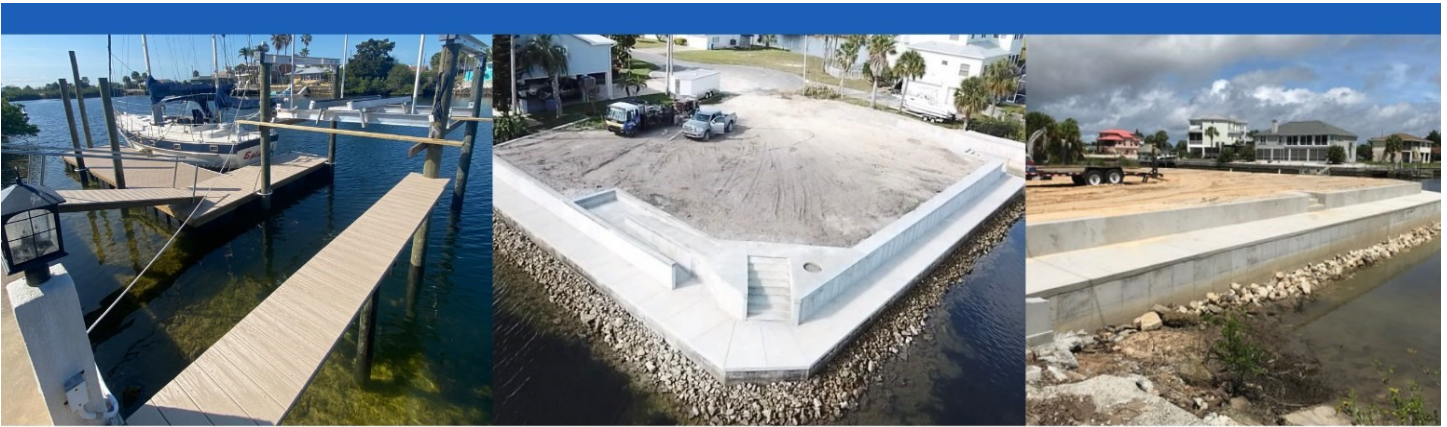
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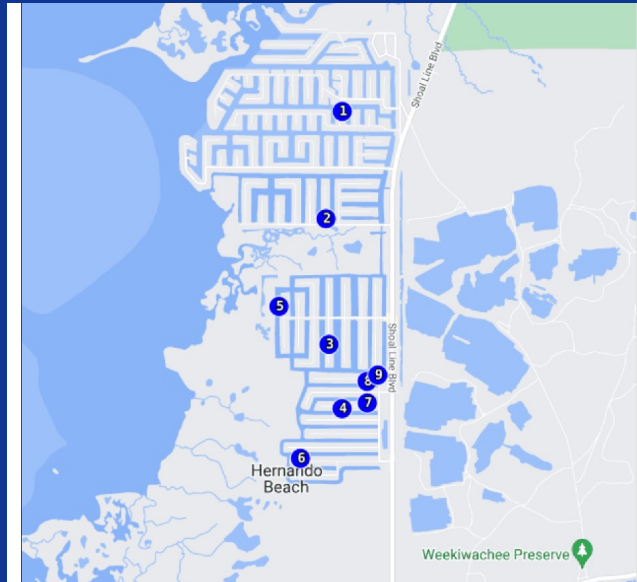
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Florida. Dr. Savana Berry will be giving a presentation on 1/19 at the Weeki Wachee Area Club at 7pm. If you'd like to participate in the potluck dinner please call 352-549-4584.

6. Membership renewal status – provided by membership.
7. Member comments: Diane Greenwell shared: on Sat Jan 7th the first-ever Hernando Beach **Front Porch Art Walk** will be held at the Silver Dolphin from 10am to 2pm. This new event will be every 1st Saturday.

Art in the Park for 2023 is March 11-12. Need volunteers to help set up and take down and help manage the programs. Please call Diane Greenwell to volunteer for a day or an hour. It is rewarding. 304-633-7110.

The Children's Advocacy Center of Hernando County and Warrior 321 present the Mel Greene Foundation's Inaugural Light Up the Night Hernando Anti-Human Trafficking Awareness Event. Join them on January 14, 2023, from 4 pm -7 pm at Hernando Park in Brooksville to learn what human trafficking is and how you can play a vital role in combating it. Admission is free for anti-human trafficking education, hear from survivors, music, food trucks, ending with candle lighting ceremony. Mermaid Trail Dedication at Weeki Wachee Park on Jan 12th at 10 am.

Hernando Beach Town Hall on Jan 9th at 7pm in the Coast Guard facility. Commissioner Campbell and Hawkins will attend and participate in discussions with citizens at two separate times in accordance with the Florida Sunshine Law.

NEXT MEETINGS:

January 30, 2023 11:00am Board Meeting
February 2, 2023 7:00pm Membership Meeting

8:20pm CLOSING COMMENTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

8:25pm ADJOURN:

Motion: Chuck Greenwell
Second: Denis Polyn
Motion Passed.

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8:30 HBPOA Social - Bar open till 9:15pm

9:30pm - Depart Building

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FRONT PORCH ART WALK

By: Judith Hughes

It was Saturday Morning, the 7th of January and the weather was quite brisk. The sun was shining on The Silver Dolphin as its owner Yann Milcendeau and Hernando County Arts Council member Diane Greenwell began setting up for the inaugural Hernando Beach "Front Porch" Art Walk. "This idea has been percolating for many months," said Diane, "and it finally came to fruition." It was an exciting day. The artists who signed up were anxious to bring their work to our Coastal Community. A few were new to our area and didn't have much exposure to Hernando Beach so this was a wonderful opportunity for them to showcase their art. Some of the attending artists are well known for their work with local residents. Some are muralists and their art can be seen around Hernando Beach on local homes and businesses. There were artists who specialized in resin work, woodworking, glass blowing, fabrics, watercolor, colored pencil, spray paint, and acrylics. Some specialized in abstracts and some really depicted their subject with great detail.

It is said that when one sees an art piece we learn something about ourselves. Are you particularly attracted to watercolor or oil? Maybe you prefer muted tones over strong hues. Are you a fan of modern art or something more of the Renaissance period? Who are you? Think about it the next time you come to the "Front Porch" art show. The artists are more than willing to have a conversation with you about their style.

The "Front Porch" concept will be a monthly project. It is expected that each Hernando Beach business will offer their space at least once during the year. Collaboration between the businesses and the arts makes for a very viable community. You may have noticed in your travels that many small towns encourage the arts. There are towns in Florida that have many murals throughout. We can think of St. Petersburg and Lake Placid for two. Not only is this good for the business community but it is an encouragement for visitors to patronize those businesses.

Our community is so fortunate to have folks who volunteer for worthy projects and this is one of them. We thank everyone who came out on the chilly morning, which turned into a gorgeous Florida day, to support the arts. The Silver Dolphin was so generous with their space and assistance. Yann, the owner, even managed to put up wire, installed screws in his building, and offered any help he could to make this day a success.

We were not without notice... Ms. Karen Mayer, Outreach Coordinator for Congressman Gus Bilirakis, spent a good amount of time with us. The Congressman is very supportive of the arts. Commissioner John Allocco also came to support the event. Thank You...

In closing, mark your calendar for February 4, 2023 beginning at 10:00 AM. Watch social media for details and if you know someone who isn't on social media, invite them to the event.

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JANUARY FISHING REPORT

January is a good month for catching a variety of fish. In-shore and in the backwaters you will find trout holding around the oyster bars and grass flats. Soft plastic flukes in white, and watermelon red are great colors, as is a live shrimp under a popping cork is a sure bet. Redfish are roaming the islands and creeks looking for the hard bottom; mullet, live shrimp or pinfish will do the job.

In slightly deeper waters, the sheepshead are making their move to the grouper rocks and reefs; anywhere from 8 to 35 feet of water will hold sheepshead. Live or dead shrimp on a jig head are my go-to baits. Deeper water will hold big mangrove snappers and hogfish, as well as a red grouper or two.

January is a great month to fish; give me a call and let's have a great day on the water.

– Captain Josh Fritz



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HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Hello Hernando Beach

The celebrations welcoming 2023 are now a memory and many traditional New Year resolutions were made. Some will be lasting and some have already gone "poof" like magic by the time you read this month's Beachcomber. At least our resolutions are thoughtful goals for our lives. We have an exciting announcement! Your HBPOA's Hospitality Committee has expanded. There is untapped talent in our HBPOA and Hospitality is discovering it. We want to welcome all the new committee members. This is the largest team we've had and it's great to have so many hands and minds. Welcome Barb Gossett, Judy Polachek-Palais, Gay Collepriest, Mimi Martin, Becky Dark-Strongbear, and Diane Greenwell. Along with our existing members, Diane Ziemski as chair, Judy Hughes, and Cathy Groves, we have quite a team. Thank you for your interest and stepping right up to help with our successful 2022 Christmas Party.

Hospitality isn't the only place in HBPOA to find folks with hidden talent. Many of our members are retired and have had varied career experiences. Why not offer your expertise to HBPOA. We plan events so if there is an event planner in our midst why not let us know. We might need someone who has landscaping experience as we are in charge of The Triangle and Hernando Beach entrance. We need assistance each holiday season to put up our lights along Shoal Line Boulevard and at the Triangle. Do you have expertise in web design? Are you a writer?

The Beachcomber always needs articles of interest. These are just a few areas in which you can get involved. Do you have experience writing grants for scholarships? What we don't use we lose so why not keep your career knowledge current and offer it to this organization.

By the way, here are a few February facts:

- 1) Chinese Zodiac - Year of the Rabbit - (The sign of Rabbit is a symbol of longevity, peace, and prosperity)
- 2) February 2 - Groundhog Day (Will there be six more weeks of winter?)
- 3) February 8 - This Writer's Birthday (It is said age is but a number)
- 4) February 12 - Lincoln's Birthday and SUPER BOWL (Who would Lincoln route for?)
- 5) February 14 - Valentine's Day (If you have someone significant in your life..don't forget today)
- 6) February 20 - Presidents Day (Washington's Birthday celebrated since the 1790s)
- 7) February 23 - Mardi Gras (Marks the close of the pre-Lenten season)

We look forward to a very productive 2023 at HBPOA and we are anxious to greet you at our next meeting which is now held at the Hernando Beach Yacht Club on the first Thursday of each month.

Until March.....

Judith Hughes

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Future HBPOA Meeting Dates

February 2, 2023
March 2, 2023
April 6, 2023
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2	Thu	12:53P	2.0	11:08	2.6	7:22	-0.5	6:44	1.2	7:19	6:12	☉
3	Fri	1:22P	2.1	11:56	2.7	8:02	-0.6	7:34	1.1	7:18	6:13	☉
4	Sat			1:49	2.2	8:35	-0.6	8:15	0.9	7:17	6:14	☉
5	Sun	12:38	2.8	2:14	2.3	9:05	-0.6	8:52	0.8	7:17	6:15	☉
6	Mon	1:15	2.8	2:38	2.3	9:33	-0.5	9:26	0.6	7:16	6:15	☉
7	Tue	1:51	2.8	3:00	2.4	10:00	-0.4	10:00	0.5	7:15	6:16	☉
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9	Thu	3:04	2.6	3:44	2.5	10:55	-0.2	11:13	0.3	7:14	6:18	☉
10	Fri	3:45	2.5	4:10	2.6	11:23	0.0	11:54	0.2	7:13	6:18	☉
11	Sat	4:32	2.3	4:41	2.7	11:54	0.3			7:12	6:19	☉
12	Sun	5:28	2.0	5:17	2.7	12:42	0.1	12:28	0.6	7:12	6:20	☉
13	Mon	6:43	1.8	6:02	2.7	1:43	0.0	1:10	0.9	7:11	6:21	☾
14	Tue	8:35	1.6	7:04	2.7	3:02	0.0	2:13	1.2	7:10	6:22	☾
15	Wed	10:26	1.8	8:23	2.8	4:29	-0.2	3:50	1.4	7:09	6:22	☾
16	Thu	11:43	2.0	9:42	2.9	5:46	-0.5	5:16	1.4	7:08	6:23	☾
17	Fri	12:32P	2.2	10:52	3.1	6:51	-0.8	6:27	1.2	7:07	6:24	☾
18	Sat	1:10P	2.3	11:55	3.3	7:45	-1.0	7:26	0.9	7:06	6:25	☾
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23	Thu	3:21	2.9	3:37	2.7	10:59	0.0	11:22	-0.2	7:02	6:28	☾
24	Fri	4:11	2.6	4:06	2.8	11:29	0.3			7:01	6:29	☾
25	Sat	5:03	2.2	4:38	2.8	12:10	-0.2	11:58A	0.7	7:00	6:30	☾
26	Sun	6:00	1.9	5:13	2.8	1:02	-0.1	12:28	0.9	6:59	6:30	☾
27	Mon	7:17	1.6	5:58	2.6	2:02	0.1	1:01	1.2	6:58	6:31	☾
28	Tue	9:13	1.6	7:00	2.5	3:22	0.1	1:59	1.4	6:57	6:32	☾

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