

The Frond

Newsletter of The Palmetto Club

The President's Treetop View

By Diane Lessard, President

What a crazy summer. The long HOT summer is coming to an end. Fortunately, hurricane season so far has been uneventful. But we had more than our fair share of rain.

On a bright note the kitchen remodel has been moving along. Floor and kitchen equipment should begin installation the week of August 14. (See photos of progress being made).

Once the dining room is empty of the kitchen things we can begin cleaning, having the floor stripped, waxed and buffed, the curtains cleaned and the piano cleaned and tuned. Getting all the ducks in a

row is an unbelievable challenge. Stay tuned for our reopening date. The waitstaff and especially Bob can't wait to get back to work. I think everyone is ready.

We tried to have our summer games. The attendance wasn't good for all the work to arrange them, but we tried.

The yearbook and directory will be ready, hopefully, October. Looking forward to see you at the club. If you haven't paid your dues yet, please send your \$60.00 check made out to the Palmetto Club to the Palmetto Club 1000 S. Beach St. Daytona Beach, FL 32114

As always, remember to be kind to one another.

Love, *Diane*

PALMETTO CLUB MEETINGS — Reservations & Expectations

Except for special events where noted, for each meeting, the following entrée choices (subject to change) are offered: Chicken Salad Plate, or Palmetto Club Salad with Roasted Chicken, in addition to the *entrées* listed in the calendar.

Meals are \$25.00 (subject to change) unless otherwise specified. Meals must be paid for unless canceled forty-eight (48) hours in advance.

Reservations must be made no later than Saturday prior to meetings (unless otherwise specified). Reservations for the General Meetings are made via email invitation or **Janet Vacchiano** 386-767-6334. Reservations for the Mid-Month meetings are made via email invitation or **Judy Langston** 386-334-9304. Special Events will indicate how to make reservations.

2023 FALL PALMETTO CLUB CALENDAR- Overview

Friday, **September 8** | 9:30 am
 FULL BOARD Meeting
 GENERAL CLUB Meeting | 11:30 am
 Colors by Daytona Beach Police Department;
 Memorial Service; New Member Introduction
 Speaker: American Cancer Society Representative
Entrée: Chicken Docoma (glazed sauce with fruit)

Friday, September 22 | 11:30 am
 MID-MONTH Meeting
 Mary Betancourt, author *At Last I Know My Father*
 (See Page 7)
Toy Drive (see page 3)
Entrée: Chicken Stuffed with Artichoke, Spinach
 and Cheese

Monday, September 25 | 5:00 pm –8 :00 pm
 McKenna's Fund Raiser

Friday, **October 6** | 9:30 am
 FULL BOARD MEETING
 GENERAL CLUB MEETING | 11:30 am
 Halifax Hospital Cancer Representative
Toy Drive (see page 3)) – Raffle Basket
Entrée: Shrimp Primavera

Friday, October 20 | 11:30
 MID-MONTH Meeting
 Vendor Fair at the Palmetto Club (see page 4)
Toy Drive (see page 3) – Raffle Basket
Entrée: Shrimp Alfredo

Friday, October 27 | 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm
 Spooky Halloween Party Fun/Fund Raiser
 (See Flyer)
Entrée: Buffet Dinner

Monday, October 30 | 5:00 pm –8 :00 pm
 McKenna's Fund Raiser

Friday **November 3**, | 9:30 am
 FULL BOARD MEETING
 GENERAL CLUB MEETING | 11:30 am
 Tales of the Everglades with Zach Zacharias
Toy Drive (see page 3)) – Raffle Basket
Entrée: Chicken Corden Carbonaro Sauce

Friday, **November 17** | 11:30 am
 MID-MONTH Meeting
 Trivia & Christmas Boutique
Toy Drive (see page 3)
Entrée: Sirloin Beef Tips over Noodles)

Thursday, **November 23** | 1:00 pm
 SPECIAL LUNCHEON
 Thanksgiving at the Palmetto Club
Meal Choices: Ham and/or Turkey (all white meat)

Saturday **November 25** | 8:30 am
 DECORATE THE PALMETTO CLUB FOR THE
 HOLIDAYS
Breakfast ala Palmetto Club

Friday **December 1**, | 9:30 am
 FULL BOARD MEETING
 GENERAL CLUB MEETING | 11:30 am
 Turie T Small Elementary students to entertain
Toy Drive (see page 3) Last Chance!
Entrée: Broiled Salmon with Dill Sauce

Friday **December 15** | 11:30 am
 Winterfest
 (See *FROND* Back Cover for Specifics)
Entrée: Prime Rib / White Fish

PALMETTO CLUB ELECTED OFFICERS

President.	Diane Lessard	386.341.0479
1 st Vice President	Theresa Adazzio	386.788.3320
2 nd Vice President	Susan Haynes	386.214.6778
3 rd Vice President.	Judy Langston	386.334.9304
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2022 ANNUAL TOY DRIVE



Beginning in September and through early December, the Palmetto Club will be collecting UNWRAPPED toys that will be donated to the Daytona Beach Police Department Domestic Abuse Department. This toy drive is in memory of **Connie Rodriquez** who always made sure we were supporting the children of need in our community.



2022 – 2023 MEMORIALS

We lost seven wonderful Palmetto Club friends and members (past and present) in our 2022 - 2023 season. Current members who passed are: **Madelyn Beers, Marilyn Casamento, Jennie Palmer, and Elaine (Larry) Wagner.** We also lost past member **Sherry Borsa, Ernie Dyer** and 1989 – 1992 Past President **Midge Lee** (These ladies will be memorialized at our September 8th General Club meeting..



We thought of you with love today.
But that is nothing new.
We thought about you yesterday.
And days before that too.
We think of you in silence.
We remember how you look.
Now all we have is memories.
And your pictures in our book.
Your memory is our keepsake.
With which we'll never part.
God has you in his keeping.
We have you in our heart.

NEW MEMBER

WELCOME: Our newest Palmetto Club member is **Laura Sandmark** – 248.763.0668; 200 Surf Scooter Drive, Daytona Beach, FL 32119; eduk8r@hotmail.com; Birthday: 02/04

PALMETTO BUCKS

Palmetto Bucks will begin in September and run until May with our auction at the last meeting in May. Everyone will get a bag and a buck to start the collection.

Earn a dollar for every time you attend a Palmetto Function, bring in an item for the food bank or for the humane society and tabs for Ronald McDonald house. Bring a guest and get 5 extra bucks. If your guest joins the club, you will get an additional 5 bucks and they will also receive 5 bucks.

Any questions or missing a buck, see **Nancy Robinson** 386.265.0105.

PALMETTO CLUB YEARBOOK

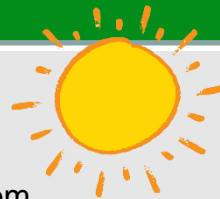
The 2023 – 2024 Palmetto Club Yearbook & Directory will be out in October. Make sure you have paid your dues so that you are included in the yearbook.

OCTOBER 20TH VENDOR FAIR

The Vendor Fair on October 20th will include kiosks for Candles, American Made Apparel and Toys, Mary Kay, Pampered Chef, and Live Laugh and Bid Clothing Auction.

SUNSHINE CHAIR

Please let our Corresponding Secretary Donna Reisch know if you become aware of a member who is ill or having other problems and could use our support and good thoughts, Donna will follow up with a card from the Palmetto Club. Donna's Number is 407.538.8264 or nanadonnasix@yahoo.com.



OCTOBER 6 — GENERAL MEETING



HALIFAX
HEALTH

Halifax Hospital will once again send representatives to The Palmetto Club who can talk to us about breast cancer, colon cancer, and lung cancer.

Remember to bring Toys for the Annual Connie Rodriguez Toy Drive.

TAKING CARE OF OTHERS



When you come to the Palmetto Club, do not forget to bring pet food and or linens for Halifax Humane Society (**Nancy Rogers** Liaison); and also bring people food for Halifax Urban Ministries (**Judy Langston** Liaison).

For the year 2022 – 2023, The Palmetto Club donated 179 pounds of food, \$30, 2 crates along with numerous textiles and toys to the **Halifax Humane Society**.



PALMETTO CLUB HOLIDAY DECORATING

Each year it is an exciting time as we decorate the Palmetto Club for the Holiday Season. Mark your calendar for the Saturday after Thanksgiving, **November 25th** when we start with breakfast and decorate up to 14 trees and the Palmetto Club clubhouse.

8:30 for Breakfast (Call **Diane Lessard** for a breakfast reservation);

9:00 start for decorating. Coordinators: **Diane Lessard & Millie Hocking**

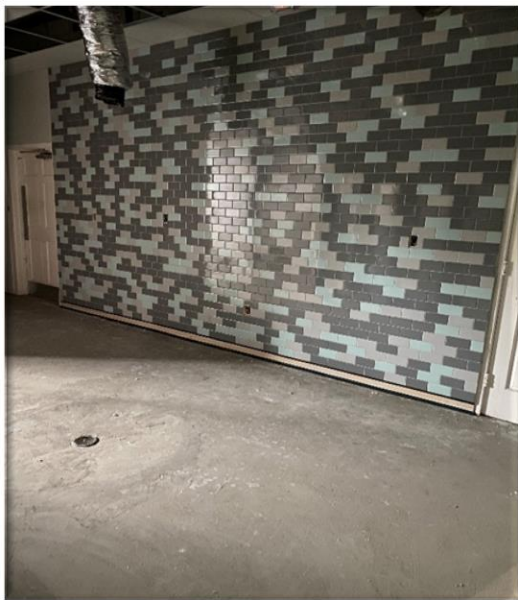


PALMETTO KITCHEN UPDATE

The electrical work has been completed. The gridding for the ceiling and lighting are completed. The walls are painted. The air conditioning for the kitchen has been installed. We are hopeful to get the equipment delivered and installed this week. See attached pictures.



The Ballroom is packed with items from the kitchen. Bob really knows how to get the most out of storage. He is planning to reduce some of the items (a kitchen Estate Sale maybe) and not return them to the kitchen. The picture on the right is the “old” kitchen.



Pictures from the “new” kitchen.

McKenna's
Port Orange, FL

McKenna's Place will donate 10% of the house sales between 5:00pm and 8:00pm to the Palmetto Club. Join us for dinner or get it to go and we get the credit. We will also have a 50/50. What an easy and great way to support the Palmetto Club. McKenna's is located at 3781 S Nova Rd, Port Orange. (In the Center with Bealls and Ross)

We will not have the annual Nursing Home Party this year. On December 1, 2023, we will take cookies across the street to the Beach Street Health and Rehabilitation Center (formerly known as Sandalwood Nursing Home).

FALL BIRTHDAYS

September

8 Liz Pascoe
23 Denise Goins
30 Judith Kara

October

2 Shirley Carpenter
11 Vivian Moreau
12 Jennifer Rivela
15 Liz Samaha
21 Lila Parks
29 Jenna Hall

November

1 Pat Masotti-Abernathy
2 Nancy Robinson
8 Pat Gruner
9 Rebecca Natile
15 Dianne Pickar
17 Theresa Marusa
18 Donna Sprenkle
20 Joan Baber
24 Paulette Wolff
25 Marge Hendra

*Don't count the candles,
but see the light they give.
Don't count your years but
the life you live.*

Happy Birthday.

Cheers to you for another trip around the sun!

THANKSGIVING AT THE PALMETTO CLUB

Once again, we are providing a Thanksgiving Dinner at The Palmetto Club. The luncheon is open to the public. Families and/or your group may request a reserved table.

Ham and/or Turkey (all white meat) Entrée will be provided with all the trimmings. The cost of the meal is \$25.00 per person (subject to change).



Doors open at 1:00 and lunch is served at 1:30 pm..

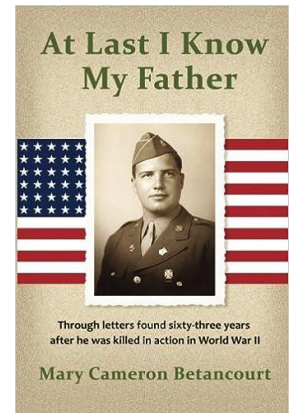
Reservations are required no later than Thursday November 16, 2023. No Exceptions. For reservations: **Diane Lessard** 386-341-0479. Checks should be made out to The Palmetto Club and sent to The Palmetto Club 1000 S. Beach Street Daytona Beach, FL 32114

PALMETTO CLUB THINGS YOU MAY NOT KNOW ABOUT

- ❖ The **FROND** (newsletter) is published quarterly. If you get the FROND via email, you will not get a hard copy sent via the USPS unless you specifically ask for one.
- ❖ The Palmetto Club **FISCAL YEAR** runs from May 1 until April 30; therefore, dues are due in May.
- ❖ All Palmetto Club members get a **Directory / Yearbook** that contains the calendar for the year, historical information about the Palmetto Club, a membership list with contact information, along with a place to add new members that come in after the Directory is published. The Directory comes out in the Fall. A 2nd Directory is \$6.00.
- ❖ We continue to collect the **pop tops** found on soda drinks, soups and other cans, cat food, etc. They are collected here and taken to the Ronald McDonald House.
- ❖ You may pay your fees (dues, lunches, donations, etc) by **Credit Card**. There is a **convenience fee of \$1.00 (subject to change)**.
- ❖ The annual **CANCER BENEFIT** is scheduled for March 16, 2024.



At Last I Know My Father Mary Cameron Betancourt



This book is a rare and touching tribute by a daughter to the father she never had the privilege of knowing. That is, until Mary Cameron Betancourt came into possession of letters written between her father, Gerard Cameron, and his wife Frances from the time they met, through his service in World War II where he was sadly killed in battle. Then, at last, Mary knew her father through his words—a wonderfully warm and loving man with an abiding devotion to his wife, his baby daughter, and his country.

*The letters and commentary by the author offers readers a unique perspective of mid-twentieth century life in America, the soldiers of World War II who fought gallantly in foreign lands to defend freedom and democracy, and the families on the home front who supported them and prayed for their return. *At Last I Know My Father* is a compelling story that is nostalgic, poignant, heartrending—yet also sweet and tremendously moving. In addition, it is a chronicle of the rapid maturing by circumstance of two lovestruck, twenty-year-olds. Readers will be absorbed by this very personal and tender account of one couple's journey through the war years.*



The Daytona Beach Pilot Club Bingo
September 29th.
At The Palmetto Club
1000 South Beach Street

A donation of \$30.00 is requested.
Donation includes Lunch +3 BINGO Cards per game

Entrée: Chicken Parmesan

The doors will open at 10 am and Bingo will start at
10:30 am.

Extra Cards Available for Sale
All prizes worth \$25.00 or more

Come and enjoy a day of Bingo and fellowship.



Reservation: Call Diane Lessard 386.341.0479

The Palmetto Club is getting SPOOKY for Halloween
OCTOBER 27, 2023



Call your friends, relatives, and neighbors for a delightful dinner to celebrate Halloween and reserve your own 'ghostly' table.

A Halloween inspired dinner will be provided by GEI Catering & Events.

The donation for your meal and all the fun is \$40 per person. Hilarious 'Halloween Happenings' will begin with cocktail hour at 5:00 p.m. followed by dinner, and continued to 'dark-thirty' at 9:00 p.m. We're requesting you dress in your best Halloween look to win the special prize that even 'Bettlejuice' would love!



Reservations made by calling 386.341.0479 or 404.626.6658
NO later than Friday, October 20.

All checks made out to The Palmetto Club for \$40 per person & sent to Palmetto Club, 1000 South Beach Street, Daytona Beach, Florida 32114



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Holiday Winterfest Party

Friday, December 15th 11:30 AM • Donations \$30.00

Save the Date! Plan to attend our Annual Holiday Winterfest Party, hosted by President **Diane Lessard** and 1st Vice President **Theresa Adazzio** as we gather together to celebrate the holiday season. This is your party, Dates are welcomed but you do not have to have a "date".

We will have a Share the Pot and
a Holiday Themed raffle basket

Entertainment by the Firecrackers Quartet

*Please make your reservation by November 24th to :
Via email invitation or **Theresa Adazzio** 386-788-3320.*

Entrees: Prime Rib or Seafood Stuffed White Fish (only choices).

