

# The Frond

Newsletter of The Palmetto Club

## The President's Treetop View

By *Diane Lessard, President*



As hurricane season winds down, we look back at Helene and Milton. We were fortunate to only have minimal damage. Debris was our main problem. We lost one of our small trees along Shady Place. Some of our roof shingles were blown off causing water to infiltrate the main dining room by the bar. Our caterer, **Bob**, and club steward, **Israel**, repaired the small hole in the roof and cleaned up the interior. We did lose several parties due to the storms making October a dismal month for income.

We have seen a decline in attendance at our meetings. Why? Do we need to make changes? The state of the economy doesn't help. Everyone is feeling the pinch. Hopefully, this shall pass.

GEI Catering server, **Diana Pepin**, has returned to work. Welcome back. We missed you.

If any of you have changes to your information in the directory, please email **Andrea Pair**. She will list any changes in the Frond.

Also, several of you haven't provided an alternate contact as requested. Please send this information to **Theresa Adazzio** and **Cecilia Farrell**.

If you are looking for a place to celebrate Thanksgiving, come to the Palmetto Club. For more information see additional information in this publication.

Remember the Green and Gold fund. Thank you for supporting this wonderful club.

Hope everyone has a wonderful and safe holiday season. In kindness,  
Love, *Diane*

### PALMETTO CLUB MEETINGS — Reservations & Expectations

Meals are \$25.00 (subject to change) unless otherwise specified. Meals must be paid for unless they are 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.



**WELCOME 2025**

Friday, **November 15** | 11:30 am  
 MID-MONTH Meeting  
 Christmas Boutique  
**Toy Drive (see page 5)**  
**Entrée:** Sirloin Beef Tips over Noodles

Thursday, **November 28** | 1:30 pm  
 SPECIAL LUNCHEON (**See Page 4**)  
 Thanksgiving at the Palmetto Club  
**Entrée Choices:** Ham and/or Turkey (all white meat)

Saturday **November 30** | 9:00 am  
 DECORATE THE PALMETTO CLUB FOR THE HOLIDAYS  
**Breakfast** ala Palmetto Club

Friday **December 6,** | 9:30 am  
 FULL BOARD MEETING  
 GENERAL CLUB MEETING | 11:30 am  
 Turie T Small Elementary students to entertain  
**Toy Drive (see page 5) Last Chance!**  
**Entrée:** Shrimp Alfredo

Friday **December 20** | 11:30 am  
 Winterfest Holiday Celebration  
 (See *FROND* Back Cover for Specifics)  
**Entrée:** Prime Rib or  
 Seafood Stuffed White Fish

Friday **January 3** | 9:30 am  
 FULL BOARD MEETING  
 GENERAL CLUB MEETING | 11:30 am  
**Salsa dancing demonstration by Kevin Guerra,** a Salsa and Latin Dance Instructor at the Daytona Salsa Dance Studio.  
**Entrée:** Chicken Marsala

Saturday **January 4** | 9:00 am  
 UNDECORATE THE PALMETTO CLUB  
**Breakfast** ala Palmetto Club

Saturday **January 17** | 5:30 pm – 9:30 pm  
 Speakeasy Fundraiser (**See Flyer**)  
**Entrée:** Buffet

Friday **February 7** | 9:30 am  
 FULL BOARD MEETING  
 GENERAL CLUB MEETING | 11:30 am  
**Artist Vivian Moreau** will teach us how to create Origami  
 Boutique  
**Entrée: Salisbury Steak**

Saturday, February 21 | 2:00 pm  
 Tea at Polly's Tea Room

**PALMETTO CLUB ELECTED OFFICERS**

President . . . . .	Diane Lessard	386.341.0479
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President . . . . .	Theresa Adazzio	386.788.3320
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President . . . . .	Susan Haynes	386.214.6778
3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice President. . . . .	Judy Langston	386.334.9304
Recording Secretary. . . . .	Vivian Moreau	561.309.7097
Corresponding Secretary . . . . .	Donna Reisch	386.257.3457
Treasurer . . . . .	Vicki Teel	386.212.9330
Financial Secretary . . . . .	Cecilia Farrell	386.846.4574
Parliamentarian. . . . .	Janet Potter	386.767.5927

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## 2023 – 2024 EXECUTIVE BOARD and APPOINTMENTS

President -----	Diane Lessard
1st Vice President -----	Theresa Adazzio
2nd Vice President -----	Susan Haynes
3rd Vice President -----	Judy Langston
Recording Secretary -----	Vivian Moreau
Corresponding Secretary -----	Donna Reisch
Treasurer -----	TBD
Financial Secretary -----	Cecilia Farrell
Parliamentarian -----	Jan Potter
Cancer Benefit Chair (s) -----	TBD
Chaplain for Meetings -----	Pat Gruner (General) / Marge Hendra (Mid-Month)
Club Photographer -----	Andrea Pair/Pat Mascotti-Abernathy
Decorations for Meetings -----	Terri Marusa (General) / TBD (Mid-Month)
FaceBook -----	Diane Lessard
Share the Pot -----	Janet Vacchiano
FronD -----	Andrea Pair
GEI Catering Liaison -----	Jan Potter
Green & Gold Donations-----	Pam Fieldus
Grounds -----	Diane Lessard
Halifax Humane Society Liaison -----	Nancy Rogers
Halifax Urban Ministries Liaison -----	Judy Langston
Historian / Scrapbooks -----	Andrea Pair
Insurance -----	Vicki Teel
Marketing/Publicity -----	Pat Mascotti-Abernathy
Memorials -----	Andrea Pair
Membership -----	Theresa Adazzio
Presidents Page -----	June Rhodes
Programs -----	Theresa Adazzio
Reservations for Meetings -----	Janet Vacchiano(General) / Judy Langston(Mid-Month)
Rotary Liaison -----	Jan Potter
Scholarships -----	Vicki Teel
Song Leader -----	Terri Marusa
Spring Fling Bingo-----	Judy Langston
Summer Open House -----	Judy Langston
Sunshine -----	Donna Reisch
Ways & Means -----	Millie Hocking
Webmaster Coordinator -----	Greg Schmidt
Yearbook/Directory -----	Liane France
Kitchen Manager -----	Robert Spiering (GEI Catering, Inc.)
Club Steward -----	Israel Taylor

## 2024 – 2025 WINTER BIRTHDAYS

### December

25 Lorraine Lott  
28 Juanita Augustine  
29 Liane France

### January

8 Mandy Pringle  
9 Ruth Snyder  
16 Beverly Muscatello  
23 Kimberly Ecklund  
26 Catherine Bauerle

### February

4 Laura Sandmark  
9 Donna Reisch  
15 Ann Miceli  
16 Diana Pepin  
20 Joanne Bender  
20 Bob Spiering  
21 Gail Wootten  
25 Colleen Taylor

*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!*

## 2024 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 \$30.00 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 21, 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 RECENT EVENTS



Left – Hawaiian Culture Dancers entertain; Dr. Ron Milione educated us about UFOs; Zack Zacharias shared local hauntings with us; and Pam Fieldus and Lynne Milione enjoyed the Halloween Party. Just part of what you missed if you missed the Palmetto Club events.

## 2024 ANNUAL TOY DRIVE



Beginning in September and through early December, the Palmetto Club collects UNWRAPPED toys that will be donated to the Daytona Beach Police Department Domestic Abuse Department.



Toys can be for infants all the way up to teenagers. Ages 0 – 18.

This toy drive is in memory of **Connie Rodriguez** (1921 – 2018), a 30-year Palmetto Club member. Connie served for decades on the Palmetto Club Board; led and was active on many committees. You always knew when Connie was in charge, the activity would be a step up from the norm and enjoyable. It was Connie who insisted we be involved with a Children's Organization at Christmas each year. Connie is the mother of **Cici Brown** who often supports The Palmetto Club in memory of her Mother.

## YEARBOOK CHANGES

Page 20: Decorate the Palmetto Club for the Holidays; 9:00 AM – Breakfast; 10:00 to Decorate

Page 26: Friday, August 1 – Summer Bingo

Page 30: Delete **Deborah Dapolito**

Page 32: **Pam Fieldus**: phone is 702.524.0753; delete the number in the book

Page 33: Delete **Elsa Graham**

## THE PALMETTO CLUB GREEN AND GOLD – GIVE BUTTERFLIES



Don't forget to use the Green & Gold book for remembrances for ANY occasion, be it someone's birthday, anniversary, a "thank you", a Memorial, or whatever. The funds are put to good use by the Club, and it is a donation to a recognized charity and can be deducted on your income tax return, as The Palmetto Club is a 501 C-3 charitable organization. All donations should be sent to The Palmetto Club, 1000 South Beach Street, Daytona Beach, FL 32114 and checks should be made to The Palmetto Club.

## MEMBERSHIP NEEDS

Please keep Palmetto Club members **Stevie Graham, Janet Vacchiano,** and **Terri Marusa** in your good thoughts.

Stevie's husband fell and broke his hip; Janet has experienced a mini-stroke; and Terri is serving as a caretaker for her husband Ed.

Give Thanks for all the things (good and challenging) in your life.

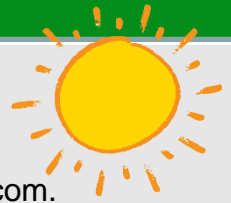


## NEW MEMBER – WELCOME

**Louise Jarrett** – Louise's Information is in our Yearbook. See Picture below.

## 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 386.257.3457 or manadonnasix@yahoo.com.



## 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** our Liaison delivered 12 pounds of pet food in November); and bring people food for Halifax Urban Ministries (**Judy Langston** Liaison).



## PALMETTO CLUB FACES



**Louise Jarrett**

**Pat Abernathy**

**Marge Hendra**

**Judy Langston**

**Janet Vacchiano**

## PALMETTO CLUB HOLIDAY DECORATING

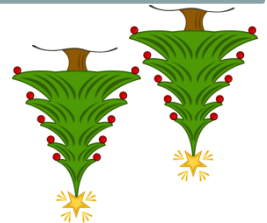
Each year it is an exciting time as we decorate the Palmetto Club for the Holiday Season. Mark your calendar for the Saturday after Thanksgiving, **November 30<sup>th</sup>** when we start with breakfast and decorate up to 14 trees and the Palmetto Club clubhouse. 9:00 for Breakfast (Call **Diane Lessard** for a breakfast reservation); 10:00 start for decorating. Coordinators: **Diane Lessard & Millie Hocking**

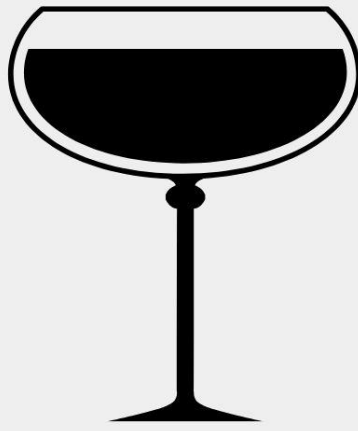


## UNDECORATE THE PALMETTO CLUB – what goes up must come down!

Saturday January 4, 9:00 AM

**Helpers:** It's always fun to decorate the clubhouse in anticipation of the holiday season. But it seems like a chore to take them down! However, we always have a nice time together lovingly packing everything away for the following year. We are asking all able-bodied members to please participate – many hands make light work!





# Palmetto Club's *Speakeasy*

**Friday, January 17, 2025  
5:30 to 9:30 p.m.**

**Donation of \$40 includes buffet, music, dancing, and  
TOO MUCH FUN!**

**"Dress for the Great Gatsby Contest"**

**RSVP by Friday, January 10**

**Call: 404-626-6658**

*1000 South Beach Street, Daytona Beach*

**Benefiting the Palmetto Club and local Volusia Charities**

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1000 South Beach Street  
Daytona Beach, Florida 32114  
386-253-6163

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



## *Holiday Winterfest Party*

*Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup> • Doors Open 11:30 AM  
Lunch 12:30 • Donation \$35.00*

**Save the Date!** Plan to attend our Annual Holiday Winterfest Party, hosted by President **Diane Lessard** and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President **Theresa Adazio** as we gather to celebrate the holiday season. This is your party, Dates and/or guests are welcomed but you do not have to have a “date”.

50/50 Raffle and a Holiday Themed Raffle Basket

Entertainment by Pianist **Jared Morvant**

*Please make your reservation by November 24<sup>th</sup> Via email invitation or to **Theresa Adazio** 386-788-33320*

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