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From the Editor

Of Queens and daguerreotypes

The time is nearing for the Dancing Queen and her drag-along spouse to head south to un-board the house, wash its neglected windows, and—especially—do so before the clubhouse music begins.

It's been the same scenario for eight seasons, but this year is a bit different as we will begin our new journey of living full time at Tri Palm Estates. It's an exciting opportunity for us to establish deeper roots, but it does give us a pinch or two to leave the Pacific Northwest after a lifetime of calling it home.

Preparing for the sale of our Idaho home has been a bit tiresome, and dusting off storage boxes full of mementos and valued family history of photos is tough. Especially for Lyndie whose family has collected albums old enough to include daguerreotypes (a real word, Google it).

Wading through my own domain (the garage) was a chore as well but I took on the challenge of tossing anything I haven't used for five years —or forgot I owned— in preparation for what I hope is our very last yard sale.

I felt fortunate to find a buyer for Lyndie's lawn mower and snow shovel

while I had the good sense to pack my tools; mainly consisting of a hammer, a screwdriver and a sparkplug wrench (you never know when I might need to check the plugs on the golf cart).



ON THE COVER

While we prefer to have residents featured on the cover of Happenings, we just didn't have a choice this month. Have a photo to offer for next month? Send them to me.

Bowlers welcomed to join the league

Submitted by Meg Mott

Hey all you closet bowlers! We have a bowling league right here in Tri Palm Estates and of course it's open to all. This is a fun-loving social group who enjoy some friendly competition with prizes at the end of the season. The league handicap-based consisting of teams of four bowlers, men, and ladies.

Whether you are a seasoned bowler or just starting out, the handicap

scoring system gives everyone a chance to score well and have a great time. We bowl every Wednesday at 1pm at Fantasy Springs Bowling Alley.

The season starts Wednesday, November 5 and runs through the end of March. If you don't want to make that long of a commitment, we always welcome weekly substitute bowlers.

To sign up or if you have any questions, please contact Hank Bigelow hanko54@gmail.com or Meg Mott meg. mott26@gmail.com.



TPUOA seeking input...

Your TPUOA board is seeking feedback and your input on proposed changes to the by-laws governing your TPUOA.

After your review of the printed by-laws, found in your homeowners handbook, should any homeowners have comments to offer a positive change for the full TPUOA to consider, please submit them by close of business, October 7, 2025.

Your comments are welcomed at the TPUOA

office during open business hours or you may utilize the drop-boxes located in the clubhouse and the TPUOA office

...AND CANDIDATES.

It's that time of the year when we begin to get ready for the upcoming election.

Every year the TPUOA board reaches out to the community to see who has an interest in getting involved by running for a board member position.

There are nine seats on the TPUOA board. Every

year three board positions become available as three board members are at the end of their term. These three commitments allow other members of the community to step up and bring forth their ideas, principles, and integrity to the community.

If elected, you will serve a three-year term. Applications for nominations are on our website; TPUOA.net, or stop in the TPUOA office to pick up an application. Please remember, you must be in good standing and in full compliance to run for a board position.

Completed applications must be returned to the TPUOA office no later than the cut-off date of October 15, 2025, by 2pm. Applications received after this date and time will not be honored.

Please feel free to contact the TPUOA office if you have any questions.

Thank you, TPUOA Communications

Please! Watch your speed, and walkers stay alert

Summitted by Mark Jacobson

Welcome Back! Speeding vehicles and reckless drivers continue to be major problems in our community. Please remember that the speed limit is 25 mph. 25 mph is still too fast on some of our roads. Many of our roads and cul-de-sacs have no streetlights, no sidewalks, no stop signs, and no safe area for pedestrians to walk. Pedestrians should always wear bright colors and reflective clothing or vest if walking at night.

Remember, if you see a crime in progress call 911. If

you see something suspicious call the Riverside County Sheriff non-emergency number to report it at (760) 836-1600. You can remain anonymous if you choose to, so don't be afraid to get involved.

We look forward to seeing you during our patrols and appreciate your smiles and waves. We would like to invite you to join Citizens on Patrol so that we can patrol more often. Email us at TriPalmCOP@gmail. com and type information on the subject line if you are interested and want to make a positive difference.



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Shufflers' looking forward to league play

Submitted by Linda May

The shuffleboard club has been quiet this summer. The summer heat is discouraging for people who might want to play on our outdoor courts!

However, sometime in October the weather will cool, and people will be anxious to get back to the game. There are many levels of play available by November. If you like casual, in-club play, Desert Shufflers, friendly competition with other clubs or Hi 10, a more

competitive league, it will be available.

There will be tournaments both locally and further afield for those who enjoy the competition. We are once again hosting the district singles tournament in early December.

Looking forward to seeing you on the courts.

Gary and Noelle Stephens at the National Shuffleboard tournament in Hendersonville North Carolina this past summer.















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Women's Club members looking forward to October events, so sign up quickly

Submitted by **Pam Horton, Secretary**

Snowbirds, welcome back from the Tri Palm Women's Club, we have missed you. Hope that you have had a lovely and fun-filled summer. Activities sure have been jumping in the Women's Club. We've had synchronized swimming in the clubhouse as well as slapstick sports. In August we enjoyed balloon volleyball.

September was a 50's, 60's, and 70's party. The TPWC Rock Band competition and poodle skirts were loads of fun and laughs as well as a walk down memory lane.

As October means Halloween, ideas for costumes are running wild for the judging. If you want to join the fun at the October 16 luncheon, get your reservation in early as the deadline is October 14 using one of the following: Reply to the email invitation, send an email to sandytung06@ outlook.com, call (951) 257-8292 and leave your name and number, or call Margie Tellkamp.

If you find that you cannot come, please cancel your reservation. The doors open at 11:00, the program starts at 11:30, and lunch is served at 12:00. The cost is still \$18.00 for members and \$20.00 for non-members. All ladies are welcome at our luncheons on the third of every month. Better yet



See if you can find your friends in the picture of the participants holding their trophies.

why not join us and take part in all the planning, fun and friends. Dues are still \$15.00 per year from April through March.

See you at the luncheon. (Now where did I put that costume?)

Par 3 men will start out on the big course to start season

Submitted by **Bob Grundy**

The first game of the season for the Par 3 men on the Par 3 is scheduled November 6, although this may change depending on course conditions.

The par 3 Centennial course will be closed at a different time this year, consequently, the men will play on the Millennian

course from November 13 until December 18, but at this writing this could also change.

Please check the bulletin board in the caddy shack for more information about our first general meeting held in the main hall of the clubhouse. New members are always welcome, if you are interested call 760 343 0247, or email Barbara_grundy@yahoo.com

Stay connected, TPMC boasts of all new website

From the desk of **Phil LaPierre**

The season is soon upon us. While the Millennium Course is closed for overseeding, the Par 3 Century course is open. The Millennium opens on Nov. 8 with the first day of league play Thursday, Nov. 13. The Century closes Nov. 12 for overseeding and is scheduled to reopen on Dec. 20.

The first meeting for the Tri Palm's Men's Golf Club will be on Tuesday, Nov. 4th at 4:10 a.m., in the Clubhouse.

Officers will be installed at the meeting. Dues for the year remain at \$70 and are due at that meeting. Remember new members are always welcome. Come to the meeting and sign up. Have fun with us every Thursday.

Thanks to the efforts of member Mark Bennett, we now have a web page. You can access it at *thetpmc. com.* Everything you need to know about the club is there. Registration form, list of the Special Events and Club Officers.



Rackets Up! Come November

Submitted by Linda Mockford

Summer is over and now it's fall and time to think about joining the Tri Palm Pickleball Club. This is a nonprofit club that is organized for social, recreational, and educational purposes. The club's aim is to create an atmosphere that fosters fun, fitness, good play, fair play, and goodwill

amongst the Tri Palm Estates pickleball community.

The cost is only \$20 for the whole 2025/2026 season, approximately November 1 to March 31. Membership is open to current property owners, eligible property renters, or guests of such in the Tri Palm Estates Country Club

Joining our club can be much more than meeting to play pickleball. As well as the organized, structured games we also hold just for fun tournaments and other activities. It's a great way to meet people and get physically active. If you've never tried it, I encourage you to come out. We have volunteers who will help you get started with the basics and answer any questions. Our club will be offering lessons and practice sessions for members

wanting to learn the sport in a positive atmosphere. The first set will be Monday

After afternoons, starting mid-November. We welcome new members and look forward to seeing our returning players.

Our website is www. tripalmpb or you may contact us by email, tripalmpb@ gmail.com

'Cats report winners, readying for new season

Submitted by **Barbara Bonk**

Our group of ladies, the Cactus Cats, play a different format. We play golf one Friday a month during the season on a par 3 course. We host our sister clubs each February and are then invited to play tournaments hosted by these same sister clubs.

Here is a wrap-up of our final springtime play: Winners during March play date include Flight A linksters Jill Anderson, Walley Tecklenburg, Laurie Bayless (low gross) and Linda Owens, Suzanne Douglass, and Heather Bartlett (low net). Flight B winners were Marcie Lyons, Cheryl Fruno, and Karen Morgan (low gross), and Marylynn LaRochelle, Terry Peters, and Lois Koel (low net). Heather Bartlett and Karen Morgan won their respective KP contests.

Winners during April's Ivey Ranch tournament were Elayne MacDonald (low gross, flight A), Jill Orllandini (third net, flight A), Linda Owens (second gross, Flight B), Mary Lynn LaRochelle (first gross, flight C), and Cheryl Fruno (second gross, Flight C). Elayne MacDonald also won KP for her flight.

Information and play date signups are posted in the Caddy Shack.

Hand & Foot cards Mondays, Fridays

The Hand and Foot Club is meeting to play cards every Monday and Thursday, 6pm to approximately 6:45pm in the clubhouse library room and all are welcome Anyone interested in playing can just show up at 5:45pm. This fun card game can be learned the first time that you attend as it is easy to learn. There is no cost to playing. For additional information, please contact Vickie, (909) 576-2751, or Linda at (818) 812-0646.

JFF ladies look forward to season

Hello JFF Tuesday afternoon golfers! We hope you all had a great summer and are looking forward to a wonderful winter in Tri Palm Estates.

Our ladies group plays a Tuesday afternoon shotgun which is open to all Tri Palm Estates homeowners, we also welcome paid green fee renters and visitors. We occasionally play some fun golf games or skills competitions. We are out to enjoy ourselves and have some fun but still understand there are still golf rules to be followed!

As soon as we know when the Millenium course will be open, we will let you know and put the sign-up sheets in the caddy shack.

Any questions or if you know someone who would like to join us, email justforfungolf23@gmail.com.

Safe Travels Everyone!! Laureen and Bonnie



TP Dog Park members will gather on the 19th

Submitted by **Duke Graham**

Greetings from the Tri-Palm Dog Club and welcome back to all the snowbirds and their pups.

The dog park has made a few changes and additions over the summer: First, the entryway to the park is now through the main dog park gate—a big safety improvement that's now in place. The maintenance folks now enter through the other field making the park more secure for people and dogs alike.

We also added three large



Several improvements have been made this summer to the dog park including a new gate system and a few boulders added for aesthetics and maybe to jump on and around.

boulders to the park, and we hope to spruce things up this season by planting a few additional trees. Our little dog park continues to thrive—we now have over

50 members! People come, people go, but the feedback is clear: folks really enjoy our space.

Upcoming is our weekly Sunday meetings each at 3:00 p.m. in the clubhouse library, starting October 19. Membership dues are due now for the upcoming season.

Looking Ahead, we're planning to host a few yappy hours in the coming months, your Happenings magazine and Nextdoor posts will dates and details.

Here's to another great season at the dog park!





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Social Council gets underway with November events

Submitted by **Judy Kreuger, President**

Tri Palms Social Council hopes everyone enjoyed a great summer. We look forward to seeing everyone return for the winter season to Tri Palm. We are sure that those of you who went to cooler places for the summer

will have many stories to share with your friends and neighbors of your summer exploits, trips and gatherings.

FYI your Social Council will not be sponsoring any activities in October, but November will have plenty, including the Social Council meeting, November 22, 10 a.m. in the clubhouse.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend as we do appreciate input in planning activities and events for the forthcoming winter season.

The first social activity slated for the year is the Thanksgiving Dinner Dance, November 22. The Hostesses for this event are Linda Owen and Patti Vandewall and music will be supplied by the ever-popular Woody and his band.

Upcoming Sactivities also include the tree and hall decorating scheduled for November 20 and the popular golf cart parade on December 8.

Owners advised to pre-plan improvements

As a property owner we encourage members to improve the outside of their home i.e.: painting, landscaping, fencing, the roof, etc. But first you must fill out an Architectural Application, available at the HOA office or online, detailing the work to be done. The application will

be reviewed to determine if it meets the current criteria and requirements. On approval you will receive a permit to place in a front window. Failure to follow the rules and regulations will incur a fine of up to \$500.00, plus a weekly fine of \$100.00 until the property is in compliance.





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Par 3 Ladies slated to start November 4

Submitted by **Barbara Grundy**

The first game of the season for the Par 3 ladies is November 4. I will book some tee times for the last Tuesday of October. It will be a social game with no payouts, please make sure you sign up for this game and check the bulletin board in the caddy shack for more information about our first general meeting to be held in the main hall of the clubhouse.

We will play in a 9-hole

scramble format on the Regulation course starting November 11 until December 16 and will be join the Tri Palm Women club at 8:00 a.m. You must sign up for these games. The game is nine holes, but you are welcome to play 18, or as many holes as you like. The winners are picked by a random draw, so no pressure, just a lot of fun.

New members are always welcome so check the bulletin board for contact numbers.



The big winners of the year's special tournaments include Karen Morgan, Barb Grundy, Paula Copple and Gail Aslin, and Margo Coke received a nice bouquet of flowers as she is retiring from her secretarial position.



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