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TRI PALM ESTATES & COUNTRY CLUB

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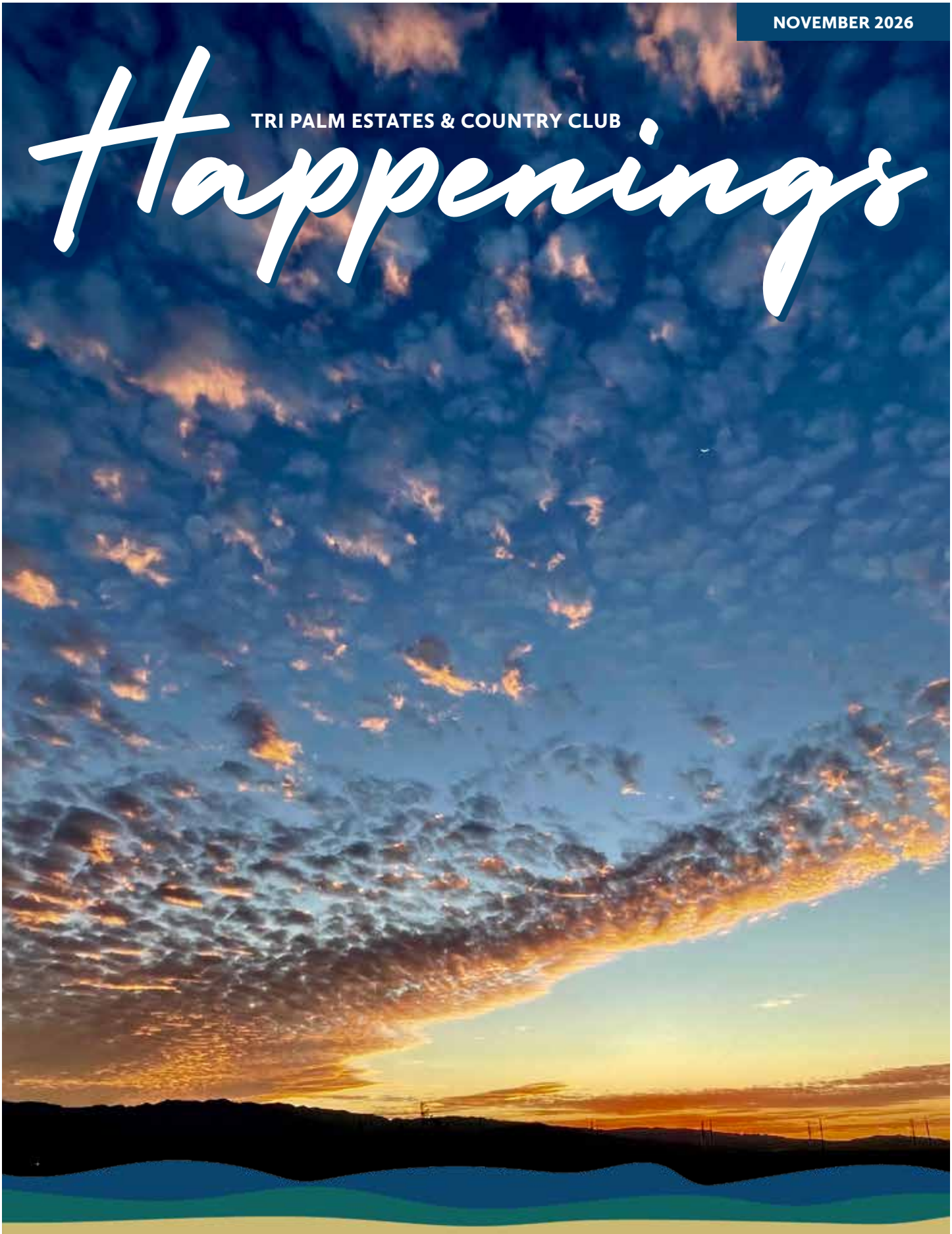

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TPUOA Board Message: 2027 Annual Dues

The TPUOA Board remains committed to protecting and serving our community by maintaining our senior-community certification, preserving community standards, and providing services that enhance life in Tri-Palm.

For many years, the Board has worked to keep dues as affordable as possible, supported by the significant contributions of volunteer residents. However, increasing legal and regulatory requirements, rising operating costs, and needed improvements to office safety and technology now require additional investment.

After careful review, the Board has approved an increase in annual dues to support these needs and improve the quality, consistency, and professionalism of Association services. Effective January 2027, annual dues will increase to **$220**, payable in January 2027.

A key area of focus will be compliance and enforcement. Limited resources have made it difficult to address violations consistently, resulting in uneven adherence to age restrictions, property maintenance standards, and other community requirements. Fair and consistent enforcement is essential to protecting our community's appearance, reputation, and long-term appeal.

To strengthen these efforts, TPUOA plans to engage in professional HOA management services for selected functions. This expertise will improve consistency, documentation, follow-through, and regulatory compliance while helping reduce reliance on legal and staff resources.

Our goal is to protect and preserve Tri-Palm for current and future residents. By enforcing community standards fairly and investing in essential operations, we can maintain property values, enhance quality of life, and ensure our community's continued strength.

We will provide additional information and answer questions at the community meeting on **November 14 at 9:00 a.m. in the clubhouse**. All residents and property owners are encouraged to attend.



***On the Cover**: November's Golden Horizon where every sunset is a reminder of life's simple treasures.*

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Animal Control	866-493-7387
Burrtec Waste	760-340-2113
Coachella Valley Water District	760-398-2651
Code Enforcement	760-393-3344
Highway Patrol	760-772-8911 760-772-5300
IID Power or Water Emergency	800-303-7756
Metro K9 Security	877-659-7737
Non-Emergency Sheriff	760-836-3215
Non-Emergency TP Fire Dept.	760-343-3321
Riverside County Flood Control	951-955-1200

Senior Housing Spotlight

Why We Are Requesting Updated Residency and Caregiver Documentation

Kim Ward
Submited

One of the HOA's most important responsibilities is ensuring our community continues to comply with all requirements governing 55+ senior housing communities. To maintain that status and to keep our records accurate, we are currently conducting a comprehensive review and audit of resident files.

During this review, we have discovered that some records are incomplete, outdated, or missing important documentation related to residency, occupancy, and caregiver status. In many cases, paperwork submitted years ago may no longer reflect current living arrangements or meet today's recordkeeping requirements.

As part of this audit, residents may be asked to provide updated information or documentation. These requests may include age-verification records, residency information, caregiver agreements, occupancy forms, lease agreements, or other documents required to verify compliance with community regulations and senior housing laws.

We understand that gathering paperwork can sometimes be inconvenient, and we sincerely appreciate your cooperation. This review is not intended to single out any resident. Instead, it is part of a community-wide effort to ensure our records are complete, accurate, and up to date for everyone.

If you receive a request for updated paperwork, we respectfully ask that you respond promptly and provide the requested information as soon as possible. Your cooperation helps us complete this important project efficiently and avoids the need for follow-up requests.

The Board of Directors and the Senior Housing Committee appreciate your assistance and understanding as we work together to protect and preserve our community for current and future residents. By helping us keep our records up to date, you are contributing to the continued success and integrity of our 55+ community.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.



Palm silhouettes painted against a stunning desert sunset.

Have a great photo of Tri Palm activities, landscaping, neighbors or events?
Please send it to Happenings@TPUOA.com.

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TPUOA Community Reminders

Life-Long Learning in Our Community

Maureen Steinwall
Secretary of the Board

Learning is something we do throughout our lives. It begins when we are very young and continues as we grow, take on new responsibilities, and face new challenges. Learning helps us adapt, improve, and make our lives better.

Think about how a child learns to walk. At first, they crawl because it is the only way they know how to get around. Eventually, they want to move faster and become more independent. They try standing, balancing, and taking steps. They fall many times, but they keep trying. With practice and determination, they learn to walk. No one can do it for them. They succeed because they are willing to keep learning.

The same is true for adults and for HOA communities. Communities change over time. New neighbors move in, new technologies become available, and new challenges arise. To keep our community thriving, we must be willing to learn, adapt, and sometimes do things differently than we have in the past.

Learning often requires change, and change can be uncomfortable. We naturally prefer familiar routines and methods. However, growth happens when we are willing to consider new ideas, listen to different viewpoints, and explore better ways of solving problems. Holding on to old habits can sometimes prevent us from making progress.

It is also important to remember that learning involves mistakes. When volunteers, committee members, or Board members try new approaches, not everything will work perfectly the first time. Mistakes made while making a sincere effort to improve can provide valuable lessons. The key is to learn from those experiences and continue moving forward.

A strong HOA community is built on a willingness to learn, cooperate, and improve. Whether we are learning new skills, understanding our governing documents, participating in community projects, or building better relationships with our neighbors, every experience offers an opportunity for growth.

Learning should never stop. By staying open to new ideas and embracing change, we can continue creating a stronger, more informed, and more connected community for everyone.

Emergency storm prep

Flashlights, chargers, storm radios, and other necessities

Ruth Dearden
Disaster Preparedness

Don't wait too long, or you may find survival necessities flying off the shelves during a severe weather event. Stock up on these emergency supplies now. Once the power goes out, it's hard to find a lighter and a candle in the dark. By the time a severe storm hits, power and running water may be in short supply, and certain items will always sell out at every grocery and convenience store. Below, we highlight essential emergency supplies to keep on hand and tips for leaving your home in a hurry.

Gathering Emergency Supplies

As the CDC's Natural Disaster section suggests, take a few steps to gather emergency supplies before severe weather. During a storm, high winds and debris mean you'll likely be without power for days (or even weeks, depending on severity), and flooding may limit driving.

Keep a list of your emergency contacts and personal identification: phone numbers, addresses, and important documents, including medical information, wills, passports, and other identification.

Prepare your emergency supply kit

Locate your nearest shelter, including pet-friendly shelters, hotels, or other places you can go during an evacuation.

Emergency supplies can include, but are not limited to:

Food and water supplies:

1) Bottled water - estimate one gallon per person per day.

2) Nonperishable food for at least 7 days. Canned items and foods that don't need refrigeration, like peanut butter and granola bars, are best.

Disposable utensils:

Tools and other hurricane supplies. Plan to buy some batteries, flashlights, a battery powered radio and lights, phone chargers, lighters, or waterproof fire starters, a generator, waterproof clothing, blankets, and sleeping bags, first aid kits, a fire extinguisher, refilled prescription medications, and extra fuel.

Preparing Your Home

Don't forget to prepare your home and vehicles before a storm. Clear your yard. Store small decor and larger lawn furniture, grills, bikes, and other items safely inside or under shelter.

Emergency storm prep: Flashlights, chargers, storm radios, and other necessities

Fill water containers for drinking and fill sinks and tubs for washing. Monitor carbon monoxide levels in your home. Carbon monoxide can come from furnaces, portable generators (even when they are outside), grills, fireplaces, lanterns, or other appliances.

Fill your car's gas tank, store extra fuel containers safely, and, if possible, move your car into a garage or other sheltered area. Keep an emergency kit in your car.

This is a modification of an online article written by Stephanie Quick on October 8, 2026.

TPUOA Wellness Corner

Healthy days and meaningful moments

Nicholas Novosel III
Director

As we move through life, something profound happens to the way we measure wealth. When we are young, we often think our most valuable currency is money. We spend our days earning it, saving it, investing it, and worrying about it. Success is frequently defined by how much we accumulate.

But aging teaches a different lesson.

As the years pass, money remains important, but it is no longer our most precious asset. Our true currency becomes health and time.

Health becomes currency because it determines what we can do with the life we've built. A healthy body allows us to travel, enjoy family gatherings, pursue hobbies, volunteer, learn, and remain independent. The wealthiest person in the world cannot purchase the ability to fully enjoy a sunset, take a long walk with a loved one, or wake up feeling energetic if their health is gone. Every healthy day becomes a valuable deposit in life's account.

Time becomes currency because we gradually realize it is finite. When we are young, the future seems endless. There is always next year, next decade, another opportunity. As we age, we become more aware that every birthday represents not only another year lived, but one fewer year ahead. Time becomes precious because it cannot be earned back, borrowed, or replenished. We become more careful about how we spend it and with whom we spend it.

This shift changes our priorities. We begin investing less in possessions and more in experiences. We value meaningful conversations over busy schedules. We treasure memories over material things. We understand that an afternoon with grandchildren, lunch with an old friend, or a quiet morning walk may be worth more than any item we could buy.



***Whatever lifts the corners of your mouth, trust that.* — Rumi**

The wisest people recognize that health and time are connected. Good health can give us more quality time, and using our time wisely can improve our health and happiness. Together, they become the currency that determines our quality of life.

The challenge for all of us is to start thinking this way before age forces the lesson upon us. Every healthy choice is an investment. Every meaningful hour is a purchase. Every moment spent with people we love is a dividend paid from a life well lived.

In the end, the richest people are not necessarily those with the largest bank accounts. They are those who have enough health to enjoy their days and enough time spent on what truly matters. When we understand that, we begin to measure wealth differently, and perhaps more wisely.

Because in the second half of life, our greatest wealth is no longer counted in dollars. It is measured in healthy days and meaningful moments.

Shuffleboard: Welcome Back Everyone to the New Season

Linda May
Submitted

After the wind damage done to the courts this summer, we are all looking forward to the new look following the renovations and repairs. Thanks to Jonathan and his team for ensuring this was done before the season began.

Our first meeting will be at 8:00 a.m., Monday November 2 in the clubhouse, followed by our first play of the season.

For those of you new to the park and thinking about activities you might want to do, we welcome you to try shuffleboard. Our courts are just behind the main pool. We meet on Monday, Tuesday, and Friday mornings at 8:30 a.m., and Saturday afternoon at 12:45 p.m. All are welcome. We will even provide players to help you learn the game and the rules. On Sunday, November 15, we will be hosting an Open House from 1:00 to 3:00 PM for anyone who would like to try shuffleboard.

For those who enjoy competition against other clubs, our inter club Hi10 schedule of games will start November 12 and Desert Shufflers starts Wednesday, November 18, the first tournament of the season, the Singles Tournament, will be hosted by our club December 8 – 10.

Our shuffleboard social calendar will also be hosting our Canada vs USA game on Sunday, November 22. It is a fun way to get to know other members of our club.

See you on the courts!

Celebrate with Tri Palm Estates C.O.P. and the Metro K-9 Patrol!

Mel Wilkinson
Submitted

We are proud to recognize the efforts of the Tri Palm Estates C.O.P.s and Metro K-9 Patrol as our community celebrates three consecutive months of lower reported incidents. Their dedication, visibility, and commitment to public safety have helped make Tri Palm Estates a safer and quieter place to live.

While the C.O.P. and Metro K-9 Patrol conduct patrols throughout the community each day at different times, they cannot see everything happening within our neighborhoods. That is where your assistance is needed.

Residents play a vital role in maintaining the safety and quality of life we all enjoy. By staying alert, reporting suspicious activity, and looking out for one another, we can continue working together to keep our community safe, secure, and welcoming.

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department asks that residents help by taking the following actions:

• If you witness a medical emergency that is happening right now, call 9-1-1 immediately.

• If you witness a crime in progress or an immediate threat to life or property, call 9-1-1.

• For non-emergency situations, suspicious activity, or to report a crime that is not in progress, contact the Riverside County Sheriff's non-emergency dispatch line at (760) 836-3215, (951) 776-1099, or toll-free at (800) 950-2444.

• Be a good neighbor by remaining aware of your surroundings and reporting concerns when necessary.

Also, to report a crime in progress, call CRIME-STOPPERS at 1-800-CRIME STOPPERS - 760-341-1261 or 760-341-STOP (cash rewards available).

Thank you to our C.O.P. volunteers, Metro K-9 Patrol, the Riverside County Sheriff's Department, and all residents who contribute to the success of Tri Palm Estates. Your partnership and commitment help make a difference every day.

Remember - Meet Monday, November 9th at 2 p.m. in the library with COP representatives. See you there!!

We want to remind you that when walking at night to wear white clothing and to please carry a flashlight so that you can be seen. This is a precaution to keep all citizens that enjoy the community safe and well lit!

Welcome Back to the 2026/2027 Pickleball Season

Linda
Communications Director

November at Tri Palm Estates is a busy month with many fall activities beginning. The Pickleball Club usually starts around the beginning of the month. The cost of joining is $20 for the season which runs from November - March 31. Members meet to play on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday mornings from 8:00 to 12:00. With a new computer program that the club bought last season, members are able to start playing when they want and play as much or as little as they want on any of the days. 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.

Membership is open to current property owners, eligible property renters, or guest of such in the Tri Palm Estate's Country Club. Joining our club can be much more than meeting to play pickle ball. As well as organized, structured games we also hold just for fun tournaments and other fun activities throughout the season. It's a great way to meet people and get physically active. If you've never tried it, I encourage you to come out. It's actually a lot of fun. The club has loaner paddles and balls, all you need to bring is yourself, good footwear, and something to protect your eyes like sunglasses. 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 about the sport in a positive atmosphere. We welcome new members and look forward to seeing returning members!

Check out our website for up to date information on our start date and other activities. Website address is: www.Tripalmpb.com If you have any questions our Gmail address is: tripalm@gmail.com

We are very fortunate to live in Tri Palm Estates where there are so many options to keep us moving and have fun. Wishing everyone a Happy Thanksgiving!

Do you have a favorite Tri Palm memory or photo from years past? We'd love to hear from you! Send submissions to Happenings@TPUOA.com.

Meet Joan O'Berry: A Pillar of Tri Palm Community Church

Joyce Godier
Submitted

A longtime pillar of Tri Palm Community Church, Joan O'Berry recently retired from the church council after decades of faithful service. Joan remembers the church's beginnings as an offshoot of Church of Joy. When Pastor Rich Dorst invited the congregation to become members, 16 of the 20 people in attendance stood to pledge their allegiance. Joan and her late husband, Dave, were among the original council members.

Joan remained on the council until her resignation last April. During her years of service, she held the position of secretary, carefully recording the minutes of council meetings. She also faithfully provided flowers to brighten the church sanctuary.

Joan's life has been anything but ordinary. She and Dave raised five children while dividing their time between Homer, Alaska, in the summer and Anchorage in the winter. After their children were grown, they purchased land and built a cabin on an Alaskan peninsula. They also bought a home in Cathedral City, California, spending summers in Alaska and winters in Southern California. They eventually settled in Tri Palm Estates, where Joan has lived for 28 years. Sadly, Dave passed away from COVID-19 in early 2021.

Now 92, Joan continues to embrace life with remarkable energy. She regularly enjoys golf and plays on two bowling teams. A licensed pilot, she has experienced adventures most of us only read about. She has fished and hunted and has even killed, skinned, prepared, and eaten bear, caribou, and moose. Her family knows the rule: If you kill it, you must prepare it and eat it!

A Bear at the Back Door

One of Joan's more recent Alaskan adventures involved an unexpected visitor. A bear peered through her back-door window, bringing the two face-to-face. Joan keeps a shotgun by the door but has second thoughts. If she shot the bear, she would have to clean and eat it! Instead, she grabbed a pan and a large spoon, opened the door, and began banging them together to frighten the animal away. Her family, arriving by boat along the shore, witnessed the entire performance!

The Unsinkable Joan

Joan's courage was tested again last year when a family boating trip took a frightening turn. The boat carrying Joan, her son, his wife, and two grandchildren capsized in the frigid Alaskan waters. There was just one problem: Joan doesn't swim!

Before being thrown into the deep blue water, she managed to send out an SOS.



Joan's Big Fish.

As the family prayed for help, they felt the Lord's hand upon them. After 45 minutes in the cold water, they were rescued and taken to the hospital for hypothermia. Joan was the only one kept overnight for observation. Her remarkable survival earned her the fitting nickname, the "Unsinkable Joan O'Berry."

Still Making Memories

Joan's adventures continue. This past summer, she caught a halibut so large that it was longer than her 6-foot-plus grandson! The family kept what they could use and took the remainder to a cannery to be frozen for future meals.

Joan O'Berry is a wonderful example of a life filled with faith, family, service, and adventure. Tri Palm Community Church is grateful for her many years of dedication and looks forward to seeing what adventures this extraordinary 92-year-old will take on next!


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TP Women's Club: Welcome Back!

Pam Horton
Secretary



Our October racehorses, and one is a little shy.

Ladies,

Welcome back everyone, it is nice to see you! Hope you had a great summer; it was hot here but now it is cooler.

Did you hear the thunder of hooves again? Well, the October luncheon once again had horse racing. The crowds cheered the horses as they circled the clubhouse until the first horse crossed the finish line. Then a picnic style box lunch was enjoyed by all.

December will be a fun, filled month! First, the Holiday Bazaar on December fifth where you can do some more Christmas shopping. Did you forget anyone? There will be a chef's style breakfast available for $7.00.

Secondly, on December seventh there will be the annual Golf Cart Parade which looks to be spectacular this year. The Marine Corp will arrive at 6 P.M. to pick up all the boxes filled to overflowing, with unwrapped toys for Toys for Tots.

Third, hopefully all of the TPE clubs will line up the walls of the clubhouse with information about their clubs, what they do and how to join, a band and possibly a burger bar. So, keep your eyes open on your email for more updates. If we do not have your email address, please see a Women's Club member or the TPE office to get the email address added to the list.

The November Women's Club luncheon on November nineteenth (19) is still in the planning stages. So, what will it be? Oh gee, we will just have to wait and see.

Make reservations early for the November luncheon. Please use one of the choices below.

• Reply to the email invitation,

• Sign up in the lobby.

If you find that you cannot come, please cancel your reservation so that someone else can attend. The doors open at 11:00 and lunch is served at 12:00.

All ladies are welcome at our luncheons on the third Thursday of every month.

Better yet, why not join us and participate in all of the fun, we know that the ladies of the Women's Club are very creative. Dues are still $15.00 per year April thru March. If you have not renewed your membership, you can do so at the November luncheon.

See you there.

Tri Palms Winter Bowling League

Meg Mott
Submitted

Hey all you closet bowlers! We have a bowling league right here in Tri Palm Estates and it's for EVERYONE! This is a fun-loving social group who enjoys some friendly competition with prizes at the end of the season. It is a handicap-based league consisting of teams of 4 bowlers (boys and girls). 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 1:00 p.m. @ Fantasy Springs Bowling Alley. This season starts Wednesday, November 4th 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: Meg Mott, meg.mott26@gmail.com.

Hand & Foot Card Club

Edward Linse
Submitted

The popular card game "Hand & Foot Cards" is again on the docket starting in November 2026. The game will be starting every Monday from 5:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. and every Thursday from 5:55 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the library room. This fun game is quite easy to learn, and all are welcome to play. For additional information please call (760) 880-8872 or (909) 576-2751.

Social Council: Boos, Grooves & Grateful Gatherings!

Linda Madrid
Social Council

Welcome back!

Our community Halloween party on October 31st was such a fun night, filled with creepy spooktacular displays. We ate & shuffled our feet to the best of "Indio band".

Mark your calendars for November 5th social meeting and November 21st Thanksgiving dinner, look forward to seeing you all!

Tri Palms Women's Golf Club Set to Host Guys & Dolls Golf Tournament

Micki Goodman
Submitted

Are you ready to play some golf? Please come out and meet with us on our opening day on November 10th. We are actively looking for any ladies that would like to join us. If you are not sure this is the right fit for you, come join us as a guest. Just call any officer or member and let them know so we can get you signed up.

Guys & Dolls will be held on November 20th. This is a six-person scramble and open to all Residents of Tri Palm Estates. The cost is $25.00 per person, and sign-up sheets will be available in the golf shop. This is a fun way to get together and meet new friends. Lunch is included in the price and will be right after golf.

Construction is getting wrapped up on the information boards in the caddie shack (photo attached) so please take a moment to take a look. Membership forms and lots of other information can be found there, but if you have any other questions, please feel free to call any of the board members.

Desert League begins again in November. It is usually held on the second Tuesday of the month and is a great way to meet lots of other ladies in the desert and play some new courses. Info is also on the boards in the caddy shack. Call Micki Goodman for any questions you need answered (206) 240-2250.



Par 3 Ladies: Nothing but a Good Tee Time!

Karen Morgan
Submitted

Welcome back Snowbirds and residents of Thousand Palms for another exciting and fun season of golf on the Century Course. New members are always welcome! This is a great way to meet and make new friends in Tri Palm.

Our membership contact is Lois Koel at kruizers@hotmail.com. You can also reach out to Karen Morgan at daklmorgan@gmail.com. We encourage all levels of golfers. We have some members who play 9 holes and others who play 18 holes each Tuesday morning.

If all goes well, our first game should be November 3rd, the start time is 8:30 a.m.

Watch the signup sheet on our bulletin board in the Caddyshack.

Our first general meeting will be Tuesday, November 10 at 1:30 p.m. In the main hall of the clubhouse, all are welcome to attend.

We are a fun group of women of all ages! Come out and give us a try. We look forward to another Fantastic Season of Golf! Take Care, dust off your clubs, and remember to do your stretching!

Why do golf courses in the Coachella Valley plant new grass each year?

The Turf Nerd
Mike Lavelle Ph.D.

Golf courses in the Coachella Valley plant new grass because Bermuda grass stops growing in cool weather. Without new grass, the courses would turn brown from late fall through early spring. Bermuda grass grows well during the desert's hot summers. But when nighttime temperatures drop into the 60s, it stops growing and loses its green color. To keep courses green in winter, workers plant a cool-season grass, usually perennial ryegrass.

October is usually the best month to plant this new grass. Many winter visitors arrive in early November and expect the courses to be ready. By October, the soil starts to cool as evening temperatures fall into the 70s. Annual ryegrass grows best when the soil is 50–65 degrees F and the nighttime air is 60–75 degrees. Planting too early or too late can waste a lot of money.

Planting new grass is expensive. An average fairway needs 400–500 pounds of seed, along with workers and equipment. The seed alone can cost $6,000–$10,000 per hole, depending on the type and mix of annual ryegrass. The new seed also needs small amounts of water several times a day to help it grow.

When you play golf this winter, remember the workers who help keep the course green, beautiful, and ready to play.

Just For Fun Golf

Brenda Dreissigacker
Submitted

The Just For Fun season will be opening for players of all levels in early November, once the course is open. We are a group of ladies that just want to have fun while playing a game of golf! Come one, come all, no handicaps required, just sign up at the clubhouse for our Tuesday afternoon game followed by friendship and fellowship at the clubhouse! Once all the snowbirds start to arrive, our season will be busy, and we look forward to welcoming you all!

Big Season Planned for TPMGC

Phil LaPierre
Submitted

Golf season is here. The Century Course is open, and the Millenium course will open on November 9th. Both courses have been overseeded, carts maybe paths only for a couple of weeks.

The Tri Palms Men's Golf Club will hold their kickoff meeting on November 3rd in the Clubhouse at 10:00 AM. The Club has many special events planned for what should be an exciting season. Dues will be collected and CERTS paid for last year begins at 9:30 AM. Raffle tickets go on sale at the same time.

Officers for the year will be installed to open the meeting. Those being installed include President Carlos Monroy; Vice-President Allen Ward; Secretary Mark Bennett; Treasure Barrie Smith; Tournament Director Mike Stauf; Assistant Tournament Adrian Leon; Par Three Director Don Morgan; Greens Director Roy Mixer; Membership Director Richard Wachal; Rules Director Mike Morrissey; and Handicap Director Phil LaPierre.

Thursday play begins on November 12th. Morning players should show up at the parking lot at 7:00 AM with play beginning at 7:30. Afternoon players meet at 11:30 AM with play beginning at 12 noon. If you want in the Closest to the pin contest sign up Allen Ward prior to play for $5.00. Signup sheets will be at the meeting or in the Caddy Shack, you must sign up by 9:00 AM on Monday.

Keep up to date with everything going on with TPMGC by visiting our website thetpmc.com. Remember new members are always welcome, join us on November 3rd.

Welcome Back, Snowbirds!

Terry Peters
Submitted

Welcome back, snowbirds! The Cactus Cats are excited to welcome everyone to the 2026–2027 golf season!

Our first game will be held on Friday, November 13th, on the Century Course. Join us at 8:00 a.m. to socialize, reconnect with returning members, and meet new friends before our 8:30 a.m. shotgun starts. It's a wonderful opportunity to enjoy a round of golf, make new friends, and spend time with a fun group of ladies.

We warmly welcome newcomers to come out and join us! Our home games are held on the third Friday of each month, with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start.

Be sure to check out the Caddy Shack bulletin board for updates, upcoming games, and other important information.

For more information, please contact Karen Morgan at daklmorgan@gmail.com.

Away Play & Inter-Club Events

In addition to our home games, the Cactus Cats participate in monthly away-play events at sister clubs. These inter-club events bring together ladies from golf clubs throughout the local area for a day of friendly competition, fun, and camaraderie.

Away events are open to any lady golfer who has a GHIN handicap and is a member of a Par 3 or regulation golf club. Events typically begin with a morning welcome and wrap up with a luncheon, prizes, and plenty of time to socialize.

A complete schedule, along with sign-up sheets for away games, will be posted in the Caddy Shack. New members are always welcome, and we hope you'll join us for a wonderful season of golf, friendship, and fun!

Mark Your Calendar — Membership Meeting

Please note this schedule update: Our Membership Meeting has been rescheduled for Friday, December 18th, at 1:00 p.m. in the Event Hall.

This is a great opportunity to learn more about the season, meet fellow members, and get involved in all that the Cactus Cats have planned for 2026–2027.

We look forward to seeing you on the course!

Attended a fun Tri Palm event recently? Share your photos with us at Happenings@TPUOA.com for possible publication.

TP Dog Club: Welcome Back, Snowbirds!

Duke Graham
Submitted

Welcome back to all our snowbirds! With cooler weather approaching and our seasonal residents returning to Tri-Palms Estates, it's time to look forward to another great season at the Tri-Palms Dog Club.

We have some good news to share about the dog park! One of our ongoing



improvements includes extending the wooden fencing to make the park even better for our members and their four-legged friends. We're also happy to report that all of our newly planted trees survived the summer heat! It's wonderful to see our park continuing to grow and take shape.

Looking ahead, the dog park will close for reseeding in mid-November. This temporary closure will give the grass a chance to recover and grow, helping keep the park in good condition for everyone. As a result, our first Yappy Hour of the season will likely take place in December. We'll share more details as the date gets closer, so stay tuned!

A Change in Leadership

As many of you know,



Duke will soon be moving to Canada. With this transition, Lois Hickman will serve as interim president of the Tri-Palms Dog Club. We thank Duke for his dedication and contributions to the club and look forward to Lois helping guide us into the new season.

Future meeting dates will be announced soon.

Here's a wonderful season filled with happy dogs, good friends, and continued improvements to our favorite gathering place. Welcome back, snowbirds — we look forward to seeing you at the park!

Welcome Back Tennis Players - Let's Hit the Courts!

Julie Phillion
Submitted
Email @ johnjulie@shaw.ca

Well, whether you're escaping the frozen tundra or just love the Palm Spring vibe, we have golf, tennis, pickle ball, shuffle, cards and of course great music at the Club House!

Tennis is a big part of Palm Springs, and I am saying hello to all of the tennis players at sunny Tri Palm Estates. Another season is just around the corner! I'm the new tennis organizer who is replacing Brad Pollock's duties. He did a fabulous job, and we all appreciated his great skill, kindness, and patience with all the levels of play. We had fun and exercised at the same time!

Courts are reserved Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8-12;00 noon for tennis play and the cost is only $15 for the season and includes tennis balls for play. My name is Julie; cell phone number is 250-532-0925.

There's a lot of fun awaiting, looking forward to seeing old and new members soon. Come and try it out, I'm sure you will enjoy it as much as I do. See you on the courts!





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1 **Pickleball**, 8a-12p. **Water Exercise**, 9a.	2 **Shuffleboard**, Meeting & Play, 8:00a. **Tennis**, 8a-12p. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **Needle Craft**, 10-noon, Lib. **Line Dance**, 3-4p, Hall. **Hand & Foot Cards**, 5:30-9p.	3 **Pickleball**, 8a-12p. **Shuffleboard**, Play, 8:30a. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **TPMGC Gen. Meeting**, 10a. **Poker - Dealer Choice**, 1p, Library. **Bingo**, 6p. **Bunco Group**, 6-9p, Lib.	4 **Tennis**, 8a-12p. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **Bowling**, 1p, Fantasy Springs. **Mexican Train Dominoes**, 1p Library. **Stained Glass**, 3p Arts & Crafts Room.	5 **Pickleball**, 8a-12p. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **Mah Jong**, 1-3p, Library. **Social Council Meeting**, 10a **Creative Space Workshop**, 1p, Craft Room. **Hand & Foot Cards**, 5:55-9p.	6 **Tennis**, 8a-12p. **Shuffleboard**, Play, 8:30a. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **Stained Glass**, 3p Arts & Crafts Room.	7 **Pickleball**, 8a-12p. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **Shuffleboard**, Play, 12:45p.
8 **Pickleball**, 8a-12p. **Water Exercise**, 9a.	9 **Tennis**, 8a-12p. **Shuffleboard**, Play, 8:30a. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **Needle Craft**, 10-noon, Lib. **C.O.P. Meeting**, 2p, Lib. **Line Dance**, 3-4p, Hall. **Hand & Foot Cards**, 5:30-9p.	10 **Pickleball**, 8a-12p. **Shuffleboard**, Play, 8:30a. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **Poker - Dealer Choice**, 1p, Library. **Par 3 Ladies Gen. Meeting**, 1:30p Hall. Bingo, 6p.	11 **TPUOA Open Meeting**, 8a. **Tennis**, 8a-12p. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **Bowling**, 1p, Fantasy Springs. **Mexican Train Dominoes**, 1p Library. **Stained Glass**, 3p Arts & Crafts Room	12 **TPMGC**, Play 7a & 11:30a. **Pickleball**, 8a-12p. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **Creative Space Workshop**, 1p, Craft Room. **Mah Jong**, 1-3p, Library. **Hand & Foot Cards**, 5:55-9p.	13 **Tennis**, 8a-12p. **Cactus Cats Membership Meeting**, 1p, Hall. **Shuffleboard**, Play, 8:30a. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **Stained Glass**, 3p Arts & Crafts Room.	14 **Pickleball**, 8a-12p. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **TPUOA General Meeting**, 9a. **Shuffleboard**, Play, 12:45p.
15 **Pickleball**, 8a-12p. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **Shuffleboard Open House**, 1-3p, Shuffle Court.	16 **Tennis**, 8a-12p. **Shuffleboard**, Play, 8:30a. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **Needle Craft**, 10-noon, Lib. **Line Dance**, 3-4p, Hall. **Hand & Foot Cards**, 5:30-9p.	17 **Pickleball**, 8a-12p. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **Poker - Dealer Choice**, 1p Library. **Bingo**, 6p.	18 **Tennis**, 8a-12p. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **Bowling**, 1p, Fantasy Springs. **Mexican Train Dominoes**, 1p Library. **Stained Glass**, 3p Arts & Crafts Room. **Meet the Board**, 4p Clubhouse Library.	19 **Pickleball**, 8a-12p. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **TPWC Luncheon**, 11a-12p (Reservation needed). **Creative Space Workshop**, 1p, Craft Room. **Mah Jong**, 1-3p, Library. **Hand & Foot Cards**, 5:55-9p.	20 **Cactus Cats**, Play, 8a. **Tennis**, 8a-12p. **Shuffleboard**, Play, 8:30a. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **Stained Glass**, 3p Arts & Crafts Room.	21 **Pickleball**, 8a-12p. **Water Exercise**, 9a. **Shuffleboard**, Play, 12:45p. **Thanksgiving Dinner Dance with Woody & the Retros**
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