

Social Newsletter

February 2015

*Click on the link for the
Monthly Calendar of Events.*

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Office Hours

Monday-Wednesday

8:30-1 pm

Community Reminders:

ThePlantationonline.net Website

Haven't registered on ThePlantationOnline.net before? Just click "Register" on the upper-right of the page and enter your HOA account number and name - the site will walk you through the rest from there! Forgot your password? Just click "Login" and then use the forgot password link!



Community Classifieds Web Page

Remember that one of the privileges of being a resident at The Plantation is that you have the opportunity to create your own classified and post it on the community's website. It's easy and quick. Go to the www.theplantationonline.net. After you login select Classifieds on the top right hand corner of the page. Once you are on the page you will be able to create your post.



Grandma's Closet

This is a community listing of baby and children's items such as cribs, strollers, play toys, etc. We all have family who come into town - instead of buying these items, why not help someone in need? If you are willing to share or need items to be shared, please post your items on the Classifieds section



of www.ThePlantationOnline.net in the "Grandma's Closet" category. After you login on the site, click "Classifieds" on the top right hand corner of the page. Once you are on the page you will be able to create your post by clicking the "Create New Ad" link at the top. For the category, be sure to use "Grandma's Closet" and then put in all of the information about the item or items you're willing to give away or loan out. When you want to browse the Grandma's Closet items available, just go to the Classifieds page on ThePlantationOnline.net, and choose "Grandma's Closet" from the Category menu on the top left.

Parking

Please note that parking is only allowed in garages and driveways. When parking in driveway, vehicle must not block pedestrian use of the sidewalk. Overnight parking in the street is prohibited.

Fitness Center Equipment

As a friendly reminder and for the safety of all residents please be sure to put equipment back where it belongs. All fitness equipment should stay in the Fitness Room and it be removed. Thank you for helping us keep the fitness tidy by putting the equipment back after using it.



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Pool

State Law requires all swimmers to take a soap shower before entering and re-entry to the pool and hot tub.

Small children using the pool should wear swim diapers and/or swim pants. It is very important to understand that these are not a substitute for frequent diaper changing and bathroom breaks. It is recommended that swim diapers and swim pants are checked frequently and changed away from the poolside to help stop germs from spreading in the water.



Miromar Outlet Incentive Program

This program at Miromar Outlets will benefit the community. Special cards located in the Lifestyle Director's office can be turned into the Visitor Information Kiosk, Timberland Factory or Godiva Chocolatier to receive a VIP Brochure. The brochure has discounts and offers for the mall's stores. For each card turned into one of the above locations, Miromar will put money into The Plantation account. Every quarter we will receive a Gift Certificate worth the accumulated monies to be used to purchase items for the community or to give as prizes at some of our events. Please pass these out to your family members and friends.



Reservations & Cancellation Policy:

Please be aware of the **deadlines** for each event. Because of the high volume of activities and to ensure efficient tracking purposes, payment is required with reservations for most of the activities. Please be sure to **RSVP in advance** if you'd like to attend an event. Advanced RSVPs are vital in planning for the appropriate amount of food and other supplies. Also, **some events have participant limits**, so we ask that you always call or e-mail to **cancel your reservation** if you can't make it. This way, other residents who may have been turned away can participate. Please note that for theater, sporting events and some other special events as specified, **ALL SALES ARE FINAL**. Cancellations for any reason including medical or family-related reasons for these types of events are subject to forfeiture of the entire cost unless the event ticket or space is re-sold, in which case a refund will be issued. We sincerely appreciate your understanding and consideration and we look forward to seeing you at upcoming events!



Seeking New Tennis Players!

The 2.5 entry level ladies tennis division is looking for players who are brand new or haven't played for awhile to prepare for our team. Take group clinics and lessons with others like you. Contact Barbara Terry for more information at 239-791-8758 or email barbarajterry@me.com.



Social Committee Meeting

Monday, February 2

Time: 10:45 a.m.

Somerset Community Room



Get involved! Do you have any ideas for new events at The Plantation? New members and ideas are welcome. We are always looking for volunteers for the different events.

The Social Committee is open to everyone who would like to help. There are always different events and many aspects of these need workers that are willing to help. Each job by itself is not hard, and collectively they add up to great events for the residents.

Interested in being a part of The Plantation Social Committee?

Please contact Colleen Benson colleenbenson@comcast.net.

Donation/Volunteering

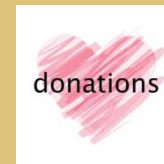


Every month we are going to have a drive for different items.

In February "Share Your Bootie"

Wanted/need: Diapers, undies, Depends for all ages.

Drop off at the community center bin anytime during February!



A+ for your food donation. Keep your non-perishables coming to the bin anytime of the year at the community center. Thank you for your generous and on-going (yes, we collect ALL year long!) support of our food donations here at Plantation!

We have a REQUEST that every time a group or your group meets PLEASE bring canned goods - collect and let's keep our bin filled!



Consider becoming a **Hope Hospice** volunteer.

Do you have a caring heart and time to share? There are many ways

you can help, including: Office Helpers, Patient Transportation & Honor Veterans

All Hope volunteers must complete an orientation session and a full background check. To begin your application, visit hopehcs.org/volunteer or call Bob Sheehan at (239) 482-4673.

The **Michael J. Fox Foundation** is looking for people without Parkinson's to participate in clinical studies including the Parkinson's Progression Markers Initiative (PPMI). The success of PPMI depends on finding more volunteers with and without Parkinson's disease.



Go to: <http://www2.michaeljfox.org> then click on "Get Involved" then click on "PPMI Clinical Study" to learn more.

If you know of any organizations looking for volunteers please contact Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

Mardi Gras Parade

Saturday, February 7

We will meet at Bridgetown at 10 a.m.

The parade will start at 10:30 a.m.



Based on resident feedback, this event has been updated! Please find the new information below. All Plantation residents are invited!

Come and join us on for this fun gathering. Decorate your ride (bike, motorcycle, stroller or golf cart), dress up or just come as you are. We will have a limited number of masks and beads for you to wear. The parade will begin and end at Bridgetown Amenity Center and will last for approximately 30-minutes. After the parade we will socialize at Bridgetown Amenity Center and New Orleans-style food will be available to purchase from the Traveling Tomato (Stevie Tomato's food truck).

We will have prizes for the best decorated ride/costume.

If you are interested in participating in the parade please contact Jerry Krumrie at jkkrum@icloud.com.

Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

Health Living Caravan

Wednesday, February 11

Time: 1-3 p.m.

Somerset Hall Amenity Center



Healthy Living
Caravan

Come and join us for a Health and Wellness Fair! This will be an event where different health vendors will be offering free health screenings.

Please keep in mind that we will be adding more as the event gets closer. Keep an eye out for more information.

Ladies' Luncheon

Thursday, February 12

Time: 12 p.m.

EL Gaucho Inca



El Gaucho Inca has been awarded Best Restaurant, Best Business and Best of the Gulfshore.

The walls of El Gaucho Inca pay tribute to Navarette and Maldonado's heritages. Peruvian tapestries and spotted Argentine cow skins join artisanal pottery and hand-made leather goods - all trucked to the restaurant direct from South America by the owners themselves.

Restaurant Information

4383 Colonial Boulevard

Fort Myers, FL 33966

(239) 274-7204

www.elgauchoinca.com

Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com no later than Monday, February 9.

CPR Training

Friday, February 13, 2015

Time: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Price: \$5 per person

Somerset Community Room

Class is limited to twelve (12) students



The Fort Myers Fire Department will be hosting a CPR certification course. Learn how to provide immediate care in cardiac, breathing and first aid emergencies until advanced medical personnel arrive.

Anyone can learn CPR - and everyone should! Sadly, 70 percent of Americans may feel helpless to act during a cardiac emergency because they either do not know how to administer CPR or their training has significantly lapsed. This alarming statistic could hit close to home, because home is exactly where 88 percent of cardiac arrests occur. Put very simply, the life you save with CPR is most likely to be someone you love.

Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

Everglades Day Safari

Saturday, February 21

Time: 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.



Full day ecotour of the Everglades. Start this ecotour with a nature walk which is a leisurely stroll into the cypress swamp forest of the Everglades. The 90-minute scenic boat cruise departs from Everglades National Park and navigates through the mangrove estuary known as the 10,000 Islands. Southern lunch will be enjoyed at the Seafood Depot where you'll start with gator nuggets and choose from 5-6 different entrees. The adventure will continue with a wild life drive that ventures into the sawgrass prairies and open savannahs of the "Big Cypress," a 780,000 acre National Preserve in the Everglades. We will be ending with a thrilling one-hour ride on a small airboat deep in the swamps surrounded by alligators and birds.

Best of Game Shows

Thursday, February 26

Time: Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Game starts at 7 p.m.

Price: \$ 10 per person (Light snacks and soft drinks are included.)

Somerset Community Room

Spaces are limited.



Have you always wanted to be on a TV Game Show but you couldn't travel to Hollywood? Game Show Trivolution is bringing the "Best of Game Shows" to Bridgetown and Somerset at the Plantation. Play GST's versions of Wheel of Fortune, Jeopardy, Family Feud and more! You could walk away with the \$500 grand prize or other prizes.

Cancellation Policy» Cancellations for any reason including medical or family-related reasons are subject to forfeiture of the entire cost unless the space is re-sold in which case a refund will be issued.

Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com no later than Monday, February 9. Payment is required at the time of reservation.

All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, February 28

Time: 8:30-10:00 am

Place: Somerset Community Room

Price: \$7.50 Adults

\$ 5.00 Children 10 and under

Somerset Community Room



Includes: Pancakes, sausage, coffee and juice.

Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com no later than Friday, February 20. Payment is required with reservation.

Other Events...

Seminar: "Are You Properly Planned for Your Future?"

Tuesday, February 3

Time: 2 p.m.

Somerset Community Room



Seminar Overview:

- Probate and Tax Avoidance
- Last Will and Testament
- Durable Powers of Attorney
- Health Care Surrogates
- Living Wills
- Protect Your Assets (Home, IRA, etc.)
- Trusts (Testamentary and Living)
- Trusts (Revocable and Irrevocable)
- Gifting Guidelines and Limitations
- Questions and Answers

For more information please [click here](#).

Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

Seminar: "Senior Driving Safety "

Thursday, February 5

Time: 2:00 pm

Somerset Hall Community Room



Learn how aging impacts safe driving skills and how to adjust accordingly for continued mobility and independence in later years.

Lee County Sheriff's Office in partnership with the Safe Mobility for Life Coalition invites you to attend this free presentation of interest to all older adult drivers, caregivers and family members.

[Click here](#) for more information about this seminar.

Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

Get GLAM for Valentine's Day!

Monday, February 9

Time: 3 p.m.

Somerset Community Room

Class size limited to 10 ladies

Shelly Wampler, Independent Beauty Consultant, will teach you how to apply your makeup for a beautiful evening out.

Dazzle with delightful eye looks with new palettes that go from subdued to sultry, taking the guesswork out of eye looks that entice. Learn tips and secrets to applying your makeup.

Makeup products and mirrors provided.



Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

Jewelry Workshop

Tuesday, February 10

Time: 10 a.m.

Price: \$25 Earrings, \$30 bracelets & necklaces



Come and join us! Design and make your own jewelry!

All materials are included.

Please make check payable to Becky Gutschow.

Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

Pen and Ink Watercolor Note Card

Tuesday, February 17

Time: 1-3:30 p.m.

Class Fee: \$30 per student

Bridgetown Community Center



Provided is four (4) special water color notecards with envelopes, use of waterproof pens of different size nibs, water colors in a wide array of hues, use of brushes, pencils and erasers. Students will be provided a variety of card samples as well as instruction in the art of drawing and illustration along with an introduction to painting with watercolors.

Please make check payable to Jenny Licht. Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

Seminar: "CARFiT"

Tuesday, February 17

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Somerset Hall Community Room



Developed by AAA, AARP and the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA) partnership, CarFit's trained professionals take older drivers through a 12-point checklist with their vehicle, recommending minor adjustments that help make their cars "fit" better for comfort and safety. An occupational therapist is also on hand

to provide information to seniors on how to maintain and strengthen driving health. For more information please [click here](#).

Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

Paper Craft Workshop
Thursday, February 19
Time: 1 p.m.
Price: \$10 (Supplies are included)
Bridgetown community room.

Come and join us for some fun as we create unique greeting cards and gifts using various techniques including rubber stamping, embossing, creative folds and more! Great for any occasion.

We will be making a set of three cards. All supplies are included in the \$10 class fee! Please make check payable to Carol Morris.
Sign up now to reserve your spot! See you there!



Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

Tech Class
Friday, February 20
Time: 10 a.m.
Price: \$25 each class
Instructor: Kara Livingston
(A minimum of eight participants is required for this class.)
Somerset Community Room



Explore what you can do on your iPad with your photos. Create slideshows with iPhoto and learn how to edit movies with iMovie.

Please make check payable to Kara Livingston. Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

Glass Etching & Wine Glass Charm Class
Tuesday, February 24
Time: 10 a.m.
Somerset Community Room

Join us and learn how to glass etch. You also have the option of making glass charms or both!

\$30 - set of 4 wine glass charms ONLY

\$20 - glass etching ONLY (Bring your own glassware. 4 wine glasses is strongly

suggested for the first class but any glass item can be etched as long as the glass is smooth)

\$40 - wine glass charms AND glass etching

Pre-registration is required. Please make check payable to Becky Gutschow.



Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

Seminar: "Top Reasons For IRS Audit"

Tuesday, February 24

Time: 2 p.m.

Where: Somerset Community Room

Instructor: Dustin C. Rinaldi, CFP.



These are just a few of the many topics to be discussed:

- * Different types of audits: correspondence, office, field and random audits
- * Eight Popular red flags that give reason for an audit
- * Chances of being audited according to gross income
- * Tips to help prevent an audit
- * Tips that prepare you for an audit

Please [click here](#) for more information.

Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

Exploring Nature Photography

Wednesday, February 25

Time: 3 p.m.

Price: \$25 per person

Somerset Community Room

A minimum of 5 participants is required for this class.



Learn the tricks and tips to make photos that you'll be proud to show! There is probably no more challenging subject for cameras than wildlife. This is why it is so universally popular. Whether it is polar bears or pelicans, orchids or orcas, the quest for the perfect shot is endless.

Please make check payable to Frank Berna. Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

Seminar: "Myths of Medicaid"

Thursday, February 26

Time: 2 p.m.

Somerset Community Room



Join Patrick B. Casey, J.D., CPA, to explore the "Myths of Medicaid". In our society, federal programs such as Medicaid require a well-planned and thoughtful approach to understanding potential benefits and the role they play in your family and your family's future.

Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

Fan Shell and Coral Painting

Saturday, February 28

Time: 1 - 4 p.m.

Class Fee: \$35 per student

Bridgetown Community Center



Provided is four (4) special water color notecards with envelopes, use of waterproof pens of different size nibs, water colors in a wide array of hues, use of brushes, pencils and erasers. Students will be provided a variety of card samples as well as instruction in the art of drawing and illustration along with an introduction to painting with watercolors.

Please make check payable to Jenny Licht. Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

Fused Glass Workshop

Friday, February 27

Time: 10 a.m.

Price: \$25 per piece. Includes all materials

Somerset Community Room



You will be designing and making your own suncatchers or windchimes! Workshops are scheduled for two hours. Glass components are assembled and 'fired' in a kiln to melt or 'fuse' the glass into a single art piece. The instructor will take the pieces, fire them, add any findings if necessary and then deliver them the following week. The Lifestyle Director will contact the participants to pick up their pieces at their convenience.

Please make check payable to Karen Vernon. Please RSVP to Sandra Reynolds at sreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

Event Recap...

Ladies' Luncheon

We had a total of 35 ladies! The restaurant is located on historic McGregor Boulevard, just one mile south of the world famous Edison & Ford Winter Estates, the Edison is a tribute to one of Ft. Myer's most favored past residents. Built on the grounds of a country club it has a beautiful golf view. We were accommodated in one of



the banquet rooms. The popular dish was the chicken pot pie that was delicious and went perfect with the cold weather we had that day.

Click here to [view](#) the pictures.

Flashy Car Tailgate and Chili Cook-off

This was a great event! We had 45 cars participating in the car cruise. A special thank you to **Jerry Krumrie** for organizing this. A total of eight teams competed for the Best Chili contest. The winners, with a total of 30 votes, were **Windy City Chili's**. Congratulations to **Gary and Colleen Benson**, they get to have the Hottest Chef hat for a year!



Click on the links to view the [pictures](#) and [video](#)! Thanks to **Ronald Wolf** for the amazing video.

Happy Hour at the Club

Plantation Golf & Country Club

We will continue having our Friday night Happy Hour in February. Happy Hour specials from 5-7 p.m. and A la carte menu from 5-8 p.m. with entertainment: 6:30-9:30 p.m.



February 6 - TBA

February 13 - Extreme Bingo

February 20 - The Color of Sound

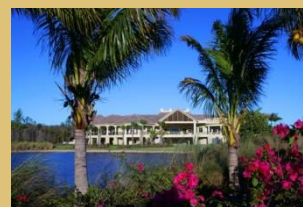
February 27 - Ron Rutz

More Club Events...

A La Carte Dinning

February 3

Join us for a night of Chef Kevin's fabulous cuisine. Reservations will be accepted between 6-8 p.m.



Asian Night

Wednesday, February 4

Come and enjoy our new theme night buffet. Reservations will be accepted from 6-8 p.m.

Sunday Brunch at the Great House

Sunday, February 8

Reservations will be taken from 10 a.m.- 2 p.m.

Pasta Night

Wednesday, February 11 & 25

The sauté pans will be sizzling with pasta and your selection of ingredients. Reservations will be accepted from 6 - 8 p.m. This is always a sellout so make your reservations early.

A La Carte Dinning

February 3 & 17

Join us for a night of Chef Kevin's fabulous cuisine. Reservations will be accepted between 6-8 p.m.

Sweetheart's Dance
Saturday, February 14

Join us for a romantic dinner with your sweetie and then the night will continued with dancing.

Wayne L. Musical Entertainer
Wednesday, February 18

Don't miss Wayne's first time at the Plantation. It will be a night of fine dining and wonderful entertainment.

Club Hours of Operation:

Lunch will be served from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Light Fare Menu and Bar 3:30-6 p.m.

Contact Angi Eberhard for more details: (239) 561- 8650 ext. 3617 or fandb@plantationgolfcc.com.

Community Room
Policies, Reminders & Reservations

If you would like to reserve the Community Room for a private gathering, contact the Lifestyle Director's office to see if the date you are looking for is available. **It is recommended to follow the 15 day reservation policy in order to ensure a guaranteed date.**



It is very important to follow the Rules and Regulations regarding the community room at the time of your event.

\$500 refundable security deposit is required at the time of your reservation. Deposit will be returned upon reasonable clean up of your event.

Residents and designees are required to make reservations in advance for all activities and special events for the Community Room. All other areas of the Amenity Center are not available for reservations. These areas may not be reserved by sectioning off or pulling furniture together to create private areas.

Somerset Hall Community Room has been reserved for private parties on:

Saturday, February 7 from 1- 7 p.m.

Sunday, February 8 from 1- 5 p.m.

Thursday, February 19 from 11-3 p.m.

Saturday, February 21 from 11-9 p.m.

The room will be unavailable for general use during this time.

For reservations or questions, please call (239) 225-1480 or email atsreynolds@hamptongolfclubs.com.

Amenities Center Hours of Operation

Pool Hours

Dawn to Dusk

Fitness Center Hours

5:00 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Amenities Center Hours

6 a.m. to 9 p.m.



Plantation Contact Information

Lifestyle Director: (239) 225-1480

Somerset Gatehouse: (239) 225-7221

Bridgetown Gatehouse: (239) 768-3459

Plantation Clubhouse: (239) 561-8650

Evergreen Lifestyles Mgmt: (877) 221-6919

