

# GOOD Life News

at Royal Palms of Largo

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## Halloween Fun!



Annie, Bob and Julie



A fun party



Hazel and Marilyn



Gwen



Aileen and Betty



June and Clare



A coven

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## Picnic at Sunken Gardens



Bob, Joan, Judy, Hazel and Doris



Dolores, Martha, Irene and Helen



Helen and Judy

## Learning Center Halloween Parade



## Night at the Louvre



Gloria Lisa



Mona Peggy



Katharine and Peter

## Senior Scams

Stay alert for fraud and scams this holiday season. These can come by telephone, mail or computer. Unsuspecting residents have received calls about a “grandchild” that needed money, a computer that was “infected by a virus” and many other situations that were not true. The intent of all of these was to get residents’ hard-earned money. If you’re unsure if a request is legitimate, talk to a family member before agreeing to give any information. Other suggestions include: do not answer calls from telephone numbers you don’t recognize, do not give personal information over the telephone, never give out credit card information or passwords to unknown persons and do not respond to any uninvited communication that indicates that “you’ve won” something.

For up-to-date information on the latest scams, visit AARP’s website ([www.aarp.com](http://www.aarp.com)) and click on the Fraud Watch Network.

## Resident Birthdays

Naomi W., 1st  
Aileen M., 2nd  
Sandy M., 5th  
Jane S., 6th  
Oz O., 10th  
Mary Z., 16th  
Bill O., 17th  
Lois K., 17th  
Stan L., 17th  
Amy B., 20th  
Lisl S., 20th  
Kay O., 27th  
Hazel B., 27th  
Charles B., 27th  
Dorothy H., 29th

## Anniversaries

Clare And June M., 12/27/1941  
John And Enid L., 12/28/2016  
Tom And Margaret H., 12/30/1997

## Music Will Ring at Royal This Month!

Well, actually not only at Royal Palms, but we will enjoy music and the arts all over the Tampa Bay area. We kick the month off in style on Dec.1 as we make a trip to the Palladium in St. Pete to enjoy Tchaikovsky’s “Nutcracker.” Kathy got the information about it, and the response has been astounding. We have a huge group going. When we get back, we can enjoy the talents of Tim and Lotte Bernard — known as the “At Large Band” — at 3 p.m.

On Monday, Dec. 4, our Girl Scouts will entertain us at 7 p.m. Our Royal Players will do a show for the Largo Women’s Club on Tuesday, Dec. 5, at 12:30 p.m. Our Royal Chimers are “hitting the road” this year. On Dec. 6, they are going over to Regal Palms to share their holiday show with the folks next door.

Thursday, Dec. 7, is packed. We go to our next Coffee Concert at the Mahaffey. This one is “Sounds of Celebration.” Tommy Johnson will entertain us with his keyboard skills during dinner, then we will move into the Theater to enjoy our Staff Holiday Show.

We have two trips to the Francis Wilson Playhouse in December. On Saturday, Dec. 9, we go to see “The Fantasticks” — the longest running show ever. On Dec.16, we go to their concert called “Christmas on Broadway.” I think you get the idea — there is a lot going on in December. There is so much, the rest is continued in an article called “The Beat Goes On.”

## “The Beat Goes On”

The following are more special events in December. On Sunday, Dec. 10, at 4 p.m., the St. Ignatius Catholic Church Choir, under the direction of Anne Harman, will sing for us in the Lobby. Then, we have two events on Monday, Dec. 11. At 1:30 p.m., our Royal Players will head over to Regal to “spread a little holiday cheer.” Then at 6:30 p.m., the Florida Suncoast Chorus will perform in the Theater. This is a barbershop chorus featuring our own Dr. Clare M.

Our Royal Palms Players will present their Show, “Christmas Is For Children,” on Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. and at 2 p.m. on Dec. 15. On Thursday, Dec. 14, our friend Joy Katzen-Guthrie will present a Chanukkah Concert at 10 a.m. This will be a first for us. Tuesday, Dec. 19, features two concerts. The Ridgecrest second graders will perform for us at 10:45 a.m. Hold onto your seats for a dynamic concert at 6:30 p.m., the “Sunshine Steel Drums.” Under the direction of our friend, Joe Braccio, this lively concert will feature 8-10 steel drum players. Our Theater will be rockin’!

Wednesday, Dec. 20, at 6:30 p.m., will feature our own Chimers group in their annual Holiday Show. “The Just Us Duo” — Edi Minelli and Richard Shafer — will be here for a concert on Christmas Eve at 3 p.m. This has become a tradition in recent years, and they always do a good job. They really set the tone for our “Night at the Louvre” dinner and party on Nov. 9. Finally, we bid farewell to 2017 with our New Year’s Eve Party with Ron and the Classics.



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## Dealing with Grief and Loss at Holiday Time

On Dec. 6, at 1 p.m., Maureen Connors will present "Dealing with Grief and Loss at Holiday Time." Maureen has a M.A. and a Ph.D. in counseling psychology from the Catholic University of America. She creates and presents programs that integrate spirituality and psychology. Maureen states that holidays can be a source of joy or they can bring on profound grief that is hard to overcome. Her presentation, "Dealing with Grief and Loss at Holiday Time," reviews those emotional and spiritual practices that help you acknowledge your grief but not to stay stuck there so you can truly enjoy the holidays.

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