

SPOONBILL NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2026



WELCOME NEW SPOONBILL NEIGHBORS!

We had a busy month meeting many new friends! Please join us in welcoming Ellen and Michael Blasi, Vonda and Jack Leahey, Helen Miller and Linda Sollie to our community.

SPOONBILL EVENTS

Group members will receive invitations for events from the group leaders. You will be able to RSVP in response to that email. If you are interested in a group, please email SpoonbillNeighbors@yahoo.com for information on groups and how to join.

- **American Sign Language Class** - Our Neighbor, Pat Langley, has graciously agreed to lead an ASL (American Sign Language) learning and communicating group. The first meeting will be Wednesday, March 18 at 2:00. No need to bring anything, just your interest in learning a "new" language. If you are interested in learning Sign Language, please contact Meri-Katherine Peed at MKPeed@aol.com for details.
- **Book Club** – A hostess is needed for the next meeting of the Book Club on Tuesday, March 10 at 2:00. **The God of the Woods** by Liz Moore (mystery) will be discussed. The Club is exploring different genres of fiction and non-fiction books for future reads. The discussions are interesting, lively and a great way to meet your neighbors. Please email Louise Nelson at lzn@mindspring.com if you are interested in joining.
- **Dining In** – Dining In is a fun way to enjoy good food and friendship in the comfort of your home. For more information about this group please contact Meri-Kathryn Peed at MKPeed@aol.com.
- **Dining Out with Neighbors** - Thank you Sharon Mirzai for doing a fantastic job organizing our January dinner gathering at the Kingfish Grill. Twelve of us enjoyed delicious food and friendly conversation. Our March Dining Out will take place towards the end of the month. Date, time and location are TBD. Invitations will be sent to all

group members early in March. If you are not already a member of our group, please consider joining! Contact Lisa Stern at sternl2001@aol.com for more information.

- **GoGos 2.0** – The Pink Lady GoGos had another fun-filled Bingo outing at the Elks Lodge in February. We even had two winners; Kathy Salvati and Tish Jolly walked away with some cash in their pockets.

GoGo March events are as follows:

- March 8 Journey Americana - A performance by the St. Augustine Community Chorus at Ancient City Baptist Church. The performance includes songs from multiple genres and decades and uniquely reflects the United States and the people who live here. Each attendee purchases her own \$30 ticket in advance. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to sternl2001@icloud.com and letitiajolly@gmail.com and let us know you have purchased your ticket.
- March 21-22 World Equestrian Center Trip - Penny Jones organized a wonderful outing for the group. On Saturday, we will explore the World Equestrian Center and go to the Grande Liberte Farm in Willison for a live performance featuring magnificent horses and world class riders, dancers, aerialists, and musicians. On Sunday, a visit to the Cedar Lakes Woods and Gardens is planned for an easy walking tour of the gardens. There are just a few tickets remaining. Please contact dpjones02@gmail.com for more information.

Future GoGo events include a sunset boat cruise, a food and wine tasting tour, and a tour of the St. Francis Barracks and Museum. Dates and details will be coming soon. **A big thank you to the GoGos who are coordinating these events and providing fantastic ideas! We couldn't do it without you!!** If you'd like more information about the GoGos, please contact Tish Jolly at letitiajolly@gmail.com.

- **Happy Hour** –The Happy Hour group will meet on Friday, March 20. Anyone interested in signing up for this fun group, please contact Lorri Maloney at lmaloney58@gmail.com.
- **Lunch Bunch** –Lunch Bunch will meet Thursday, March 26 at a restaurant TBD. Interested in joining? Contact Angela Siragusa at staug15@gmail.com.
- **Whiskey Group** – The Whiskey Group will taste bourbons from the Penelope distillery on Thursday, March 19. If anyone is interested in joining this group, contact Mike Blaker at mike.blaker@gmail.com.
- **Wine Lovers** –Wine Lovers will meet Saturday March 28 to taste wines from the Wine region Languedoc Roussillon with food to match. Connect with Mark Turgeon at turgeon.mark@gmail.com for more information or to join this group.
- **Mexican Train**- This month's train will play on Tuesday, March 17. Invites will go out to the group. If interested in joining, please contact Nancy Hill at sunrosefam5@msn.com.

- **Walking Group-** In March we will explore another of the many nature trails in our area. This time it is a 3 mile walk on wide trails at Pellicer Creek Conservation Area, part of St John's River Water Management District. We start the walk at 9:00 on Thursday March 12, taking a circular route on wide trails through areas with feeder creeks that run into Pellicer Creek. Interested in this group? Contact Sue Whittle for more information at sue@whittle.com.
- **Welcome Committee-** Angela Siragusa and Leslie Allegro successfully met two new neighbors and delivered bags to two more. Those they met were very appreciative of the visit. If you would like to be a part of this Welcoming Team please Email Carol Lorenc at chlorenc@comcast.net.



Until next month--
Cheers!!!

Lorraine and Patty

The GoGo's play Bingo!

