

Prime Timers Sarasota

Enriching social lives of mature gay/bi men



President's Message

August 2024

Hi All,

Are you an August baby? Both my brother and I were born in August. My mother used to say, "November was a busy month." She was right. In my experience, there seems to be more of my friends' birthdays in August than in any other month of the year. Also, I looked at our membership roster. Guess which month has the most birthdays? Yep, it's August!

Matt Leona, Events Coordinator, has some additional jazzy events for us this month. On Thursday, August 8th, from 4:30 - 6:00 P.M. is the Rainbow Connection Social at the Senior Friendship Center. Although it's free, reservations are required from the Rainbow Connection website. There will be a jazz combo this month. On Wednesday, August 21st, from 6:00 – 7:00 P.M. enjoy a Jazz Happy Hour at Selby Library with Barbara Jordan. For additional information, check the Calendar of Events in this newsletter or online on the Google Calendar.

We continue to focus on our care and support efforts. From now on, the newsletter will carry contact information for members who have volunteered to provide local rides. If you need a ride, why pay for an Uber, when you can have a fellow Prime Timer give you a lift? There is also a need for Computer Helpers (including cell phones and tablets). We currently have four volunteers who are willing to assist you. **Please don't be shy to reach out to them.** Do you sit home alone and bored working on your computer all day? Think how happy you can make some of your fellow Prime Timers by helping them to learn how to use their computers or tablets! **So, if you would like to be a Computer Helper, please contact me at stevehor2004@yahoo.com.**

I've been doing my best to notify Tom Peterson when someone needs to receive a *get well, thinking of you, or sympathy* card, but I know that I'm missing a lot of people who could use a card. Once again, I'm asking **EACH OF YOU** to contact me if you are aware of someone who is ill (Covid anyone?), grieving the loss of a loved one, in the hospital, in therapy, recuperating from surgery, feeling lonely, suffering from chronic pain, mourning the loss of a beloved pet, and so on. Our goal is to show support any way we can to all Sarasota Prime Timers in need. Thanks!

See you around!

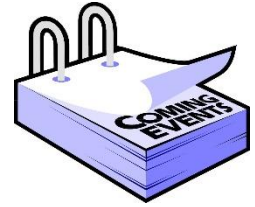
Steve

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Prime Timers Sarasota is a nonpartisan social club for gay, bisexual, transgender or transitioning men over 21. In addition to our Fall Picnic and Holiday Party, each month we offer a potluck supper, two luncheons at area restaurants, a members' meeting with a speaker, home nights with games or movies, and day trips by bus or car pool to unique Florida Sun Coast attractions. Our social events are chosen to fit individual needs, priorities and affordability. Equally important is our commitment to Care and Support, where members assist one another with activities and needs of daily living. If a member is ill, injured or otherwise incapacitated, he can reach out for assistance to members nearby to help him with activities such as shopping, transportation, moral support, or help at home. To find out who is nearby contact any board member.

August Events 2024



Saturday August 3 @ 6:00 P.M. Potluck. Syster Hall, 1st Congregational Church, 1031 South Euclid Ave, Sarasota. Lots of good food and friendship. Plan to come a bit early to enjoy visiting with other members and help set up. (And please hang around a few minutes afterward to help clean up.) MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK! Bring a dish to share (main, side dish, appetizer, dessert. Don't forget to bring a serving utensil and the name of your dish.

Wednesday, August 7 @ 1:00 P.M. Bridge Club. Enjoy playing Bridge? Come join the group that plays every Wednesday. If you want to attend, or if you want more information, contact Bruce Burbage (bruceburbage@yahoo.com).

Wednesday, August 7 @ 6 – 7 PM. Jazz Happy Hour Series at Selby Library, Downtown Sarasota. Synia Carroll. Free admission and refreshments. For reservations, call 941-861-1168. Or sign up at www.sarasotamusicarchive.org Reservations open on July 24,

Thursday, August 8 @ 1:00 P.M. Northside Lunch. Honey Tree Café, 8315 Lockwood Ridge Road, Sarasota. RSVPs can be sent to Dan Warren at danmichaelwarren@gmail.com no later than 2 P.M. on Wednesday.

Thursday, August 8 @ 4:30-6:00 Rainbow Connection Social, Senior Friendship Center, 1888 Brother Geenan Way, Sarasota. Jazz combo this week. Free. Reservation required from Rainbow Connection website, [Rainbow Connections | LGBTQ+ Social](#)

Sunday, August 11 @ 3:00 – 5:00 P.M. Prime Timers Second Sunday Social at the Purple Rhino at the corner of Beneva and Webber. Plan to stop by, have a drink, and catch up with friends. Delicious snacks are provided by Rick, our own friendly bartender. Good friends ... good conversation ... good comradery. And a good way to meet some of your fellow Prime Timers in a more intimate setting, See you there!

Wednesday, August 14 @ 10:30 A.M. Board Meeting at Lee Linkous, 4601 Del Sol Blvd, Sarasota. Please e-mail (stevehor2004@yahoo.com) ahead of time if you'd like to attend. Any member is welcome. See your Board in action and share your ideas and concerns for the good of the club.

Sunday, August 18 @ 3:00 – 5:00 P.M. Singles and Solos at the Purple Rhino. All are welcome. It's a good way to meet some of your fellow Prime Timers in a more intimate setting. Members of the Tampa-St. Pete Prime Timers will attend this month. See you there!

Tuesday, August 20 @ 10:30 A.M. Cover to Cover Book Club Meeting will meet at the Oasis Center, 1st Congregational Church, 1031 South Euclid. We meet once a month and welcome any-and-all members. This month the discussion will be *The Poet* by Michael Connelly. For additional information contact David Guyet (sandheim@msn.com).

Wednesday, August 21 @ 1:00 P.M. Bridge Club. Enjoy playing Bridge? Come join the group that plays every Wed. If you want to attend, or if you want more information, contact Bruce Burbage (bruceburbage@yahoo.com).

Wednesday, August 21 @ 6 – 7 PM. Jazz Happy Hour Series at Selby Library, Downtown Sarasota. Musican is Barbara Jordan. Free admission and refreshments. For reservations, call 941-861-1168 or register online at www.sarasotamusicarchive.org. Reservations will open on August 7th.

Thursday, August 22 @ 1:00 P.M. Southside Lunch. Dutch Valley Restaurant, 6721 South Tamiami Trail, Sarasota. RSVPs can be sent to Dan Warren at dannichaelwarren@gmail.com no later than 2 P.M. on Wednesday.

Sunday, August 25 @ 3 P.M. GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING in Syster Hall at 1st Congregational Church at 1031 South Euclid. Presentation by Juan Espino, President of Tamiami Area Nudists. Dinner afterwards at the Yummy House.

Wednesday, August 28 @ 1:00 P.M. Bridge Club. Enjoy playing Bridge? Come join the group that plays every Wed. If you want to attend or, if you want more information, contact Bruce Burbage (bruceburbage@yahoo.com)

Wednesday, August 28 @ 6:00 P.M. Prime Timers Hamburger Night at the Purple Rhino, 2920 S. Beneva (Corner of Webber). You must eat dinner, so why not eat with some of your Prime Timer buddies? **Hint:** Get there by 5:30 P.M. to get served sooner.

UPCOMING

Wednesday, September 4 @ 1:00 P.M. Bridge Club. Enjoy playing Bridge? Come join the group that plays every Wednesday. If you want to attend, or if you want more information, contact Bruce Burbage (bruceburbage@yahoo.com).

Saturday September 7 @ 6:00 P.M. Potluck. Syster Hall, 1st Congregational Church, 1031 South Euclid Ave, Sarasota. Lots of good food and friendship. Plan to come a bit early to enjoy visiting with other members and help set up. (And please hang around a few minutes afterward to help clean up.) MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK! Bring a dish to share (main, side dish, appetizer, dessert. Don't forget to bring a serving utensil and the name of your dish.

NEED A RIDE?



A number of members have indicated on our Care & Support survey that they occasionally need a ride. In the event you needed a driver sometime to take you somewhere locally, feel free to ask any driver for assistance, especially if you personally know him.

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All Faiths Food Bank

During these lazy crazy hazy days of summer, I thought it might be a good time to delve into some of the makeup of the All Faiths Food Bank. Our local group is hooked up with the nationwide movement to end hunger. Anyone can experience food insecurity, regardless of status in life or ZIP code. We are a part of Feeding America. On the AFFB website there is a full list of partner food banks across the country. It's quite impressive. These local organizations work with farmers, manufacturers, retailers and government agencies to save unwanted food from landfills and move donated grocery items to where it is needed most. Network food banks collect, sort and distribute these donations to local food pantries and meal programs. From there the food is directly distributed to people in their communities. Donations to Feeding America help local food banks and their community partners address hunger and its root causes within their communities. In 2022 Feeding America provided \$244 million to support network members training, refrigeration, transportation and technology investments. Ending hunger will take more than just food. That's why AFFB supports policies that improve food security for all and work to address the root causes of hunger – like health, cost of living, and housing. As you can see our financial generosity covers a broad range of activities to provide a real quality of life for fellow citizens that may be in need a boost to participate in the American Dream of life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness. Send your heartfelt gift to All Faiths Food Bank, 8171 Blaikie Ct., Sarasota, FL 34240-9886. Be sure to note Prime Timers Sarasota on your check. Enjoy these summer days! Mike Moran



Members Who Can Provide Computer Assistance

If you need help with your cell phone, tablet, or computer, feel free to contact any of these members for personalized assistance. *If you would like to have your name added as a Helper, please contact Steve Horowitz (stevehor2004@yahoo.com).*

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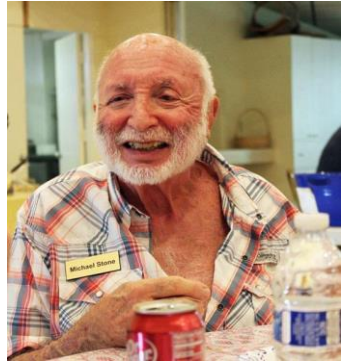
August Birthdays

Bob Marchetti 8/1
John Pelletti 8/1
Roy Burns 8/2
David Starnes 8/6
Warrren Hurst 8/8
Steve Warren 8/9
Michael Moran 8/11
Dan Brown 8/13
Michael Fox 8/13
Julio Agudelo 8/14

Jim Fogle 8/22
Keith Kropp 8/22
Thomas Hackett 8/23
Matt Leona 8/24
Timothy Riddle 8/24
Larry Freeland 8/25
Paul Stockdale 8/26
Stephen Horowitz 8/29
Bill Thomas 8/31



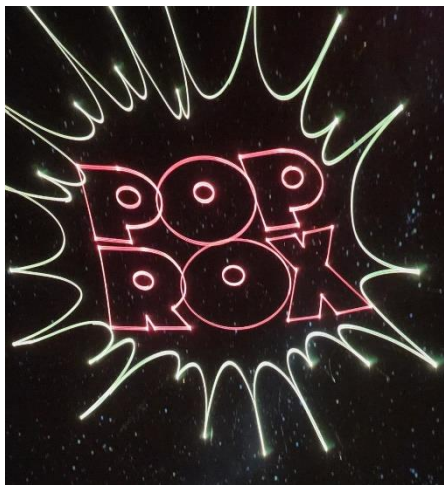
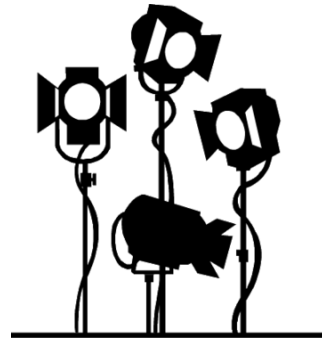
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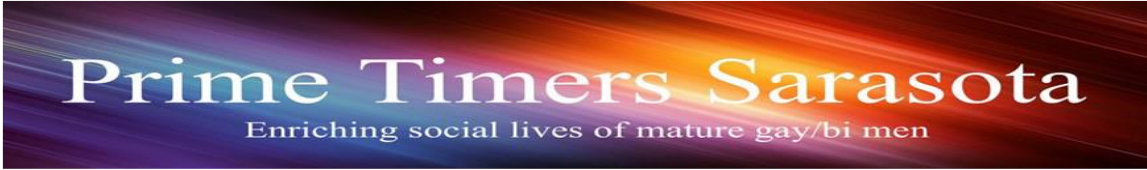


Singles and Solos



DINNER AND LASER LIGHT SHOW





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Articles and letters to the editor are ***due no later than the 20th of each month*** and should be emailed to Stephen Stanley rather than to primetimerssarasota@gmail.com.

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