

Prime Timers Sarasota

Enriching social lives of mature gay/bi men

President's Message



Happy Thanksgiving Day! Did you know that Plymouth's

(Massachusetts) first Thanksgiving in 1621 began with a few colonists going out *fowling*, possibly for turkeys but more probably for the easier prey of geese and ducks, since they "in one day killed as much as served the company almost a week." Next, 90 or so Wampanoag made a surprise appearance at the settlement's gate, doubtlessly unnerving the 50 or so colonists. Nevertheless, over the next few days the two groups socialized without incident. The Wampanoag contributed venison to the feast, which included the fowl and probably fish, eels, shellfish, stews, vegetables, and beer. Since Plymouth had few buildings and manufactured goods, most people ate outside while sitting on the ground or on barrels with plates on their laps. The men fired guns, ran races, and drank liquor, struggling to speak in broken English and Wampanoag. This was a rather disorderly affair, but it sealed a treaty between the two groups that lasted until King Philip's War (1675–76), in which hundreds of colonists and thousands of Native Americans lost their lives. Less widely known is an earlier Thanksgiving celebration in Virginia in 1619 by English settlers who had just landed at Berkeley Hundred aboard the ship *Margaret*.

Our Annual Business Meeting was held on October 27th where the Board of Directors gave reports covering January through October 2024. Elections were held, but the results weren't stated here as the newsletter was completed prior to the meeting being held. These results will be sent to the membership in an Eblast the following week.

Don't forget that the Annual Picnic scheduled for November 2nd has been postponed until the Spring due to hurricane damage to the park system. More information will be forthcoming. Instead, we will hold a potluck at 6:00 P.M. the same day in the Fellowship Hall at the 1st Congregational church. I hope to see you there.

Please be aware that because of Thanksgiving, the Northside and Southside lunches will be held a week earlier... On November 7th and on November 21st. Please make sure to mark these dates on your calendar. Although Hamburger Night at the Purple Rhino is the Wednesday before Thanksgiving, it still will be held, so plan accordingly.

Matt Leona, Events Coordinator, has another special event for us. On Sunday, November 24th, we will attend the musical, *9 to 5*, at the Venice Theatre. Buy tickets early as this performance will sell out. See the newsletter for the Venice Theatre website.

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.

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Saturday November 2 @ 6:00 P.M. Potluck. Syster Hall, 1st Congregational Church, 1031 South Euclid Ave, Sarasota. Prime Timers of Tampa/St. Pete are invited. 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, November 6 @ 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).

Thursday, November 7 @ 1:00 P.M. (*First Week*) Northside Lunch at Eleni's Pizza Works located at 6711 15th St E. in Sarasota. RSVPs can be sent to Dan Warren at danmichaelwarren@gmail.com no later than 2 P.M. on Wednesday.

Sunday, November 10 @ 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, November 13 @ 10:30 A.M. Board Meeting at Steve Hoffner's home, 5120 Marsh Field Road 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.

Wednesday, November 13 @ 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).

Thursday, November 14 @ 5:00-6:30 P.M. Rainbow Connections Social, Senior Friendship Center, 1888 Brother Geenan Way, Sarasota. Reservation required from Rainbow Connection website **no later than two (2) days before the event.** \$10. [Rainbow Connections | LGBTQ+ Social](#)

Sunday, November 17 @ 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. See you there!

Tuesday, November 19 @ 10:30 A.M. Cover to Cover Book Club Meeting, will meet at the Fruitville Library, Sarasota. We meet once a month and welcome any-and-all members. This month the discussion will be *The First Rule of Ten* by Gay Hendricks and Tinker Lindsay. For additional information contact David Guyet (sandheim@msn.com).

Wednesday, November 20 @ 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).

Thursday, November 21 @ 1:00 P.M. (Third week) Southside Lunch. Chili's Grill and Bar, 4131 S. Tamiami. RSVPs can be sent to Kurt Juedes, chorkymorky@gmail.com no later than 2 P.M. on Wednesday, November 20.

Sunday November 24 @ 2 P.M. The musical, *9 to 5* at the Venice Theatre. Raymond Center, 140 Tampa Ave, West. \$37. Buy tickets early as this performance will sell out. Venicetheatre.org. (No Membership Meeting this month.)

Wednesday, November 27 @ 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, November 27 @ 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.

Don't forget ...

**Your 2025 Membership Dues can start
being paid on November 1, 2024.**

Pay your 2025 dues by clicking HERE.



We have good news and bad news. First the bad news. Because South Coquina Beach and Twin Falls Parks will be closed for the foreseeable future, the Board of Directors has decided to postpone the Annual Picnic, scheduled for Saturday, November 2nd, until Spring 2025.

The good news is that we decided to hold a potluck on that same Saturday (November 2nd) at the 1st Congregational UCC Fellowship Hall where we usually meet. (1031 South Euclid Ave, Sarasota.) *The Tampa Bay Chapter has been invited to join us.*

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, the name of your dish, and your Prime Timers name tag.



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Prime Timers Holiday Dinner-Dance
Saturday, December 21, 2024,
from 6:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.

Peridia Golf & Country Club
4950 Peridia Blvd E,
Bradenton 34203

Acceptable attire will be from Dress Casual to Formal. Shirts must have a collar. The cost per person is \$42.00. The attendance limit is 70. The deadline to sign up is ***December 16th.***

As of December 1st, invitations will be opened to ROMEO and Prime Timers Tampa Bay, so sign up ASAP!

To reserve your meal and to pay by credit or debit card, Click on:
Order My Dinner

Or you can mail the form with your check, payable to: *Prime Timers Sarasota* to:

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DIRECTIONS TO PERIDIA GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

From Lockwood Ridge Road/45th St E., turn West onto 53rd Avenue. Entrance to the Club will be on the North side of 53rd Avenue at Peridia Boulevard East. (Watch out for the speed bumps.) Follow it to 4950. The parking lot is opposite the clubhouse.

➡ **Don't Forget that there is NO Membership Meeting in December.**



November Birthdays

11/10 Carl Duplissis
11/11 Kent Noel
11/12 Sonny Scroggs
11/15 Robert Black
11/15 Fred Burkacki
11/23 Jim Snopko

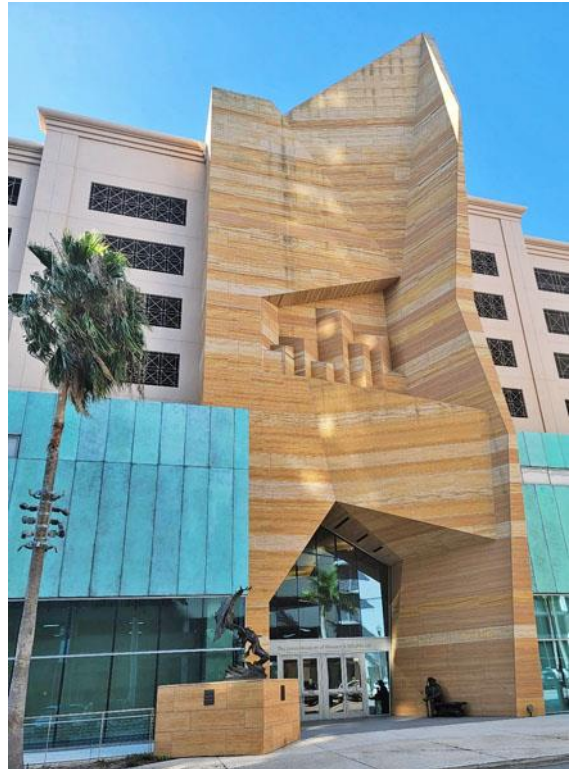


New Members

- Glenn Addis
- Jonathan Winer



James Museum of Western & Wildlife Art





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EVENTS

Events Coordinator: Matt Leona
North Lunch: Dan Warren
South Lunch: Kurt Juedes
Potluck: Michael Stone
Book Club: David Guyet
Singles and Solos: Matt Leona
Theatre Group: Matt Leona
All Faiths Food Bank: Steve Hoffner

MEMBERSHIP

Membership Roster: Steve Horowitz
New Member E-Mail Package: Steve Horowitz
Name Tags: Michael Sloan and Bill Thomas
New Member Breakfast: Steve Horowitz

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Membership Meeting Speakers: Matt Leona
Potluck Supplies: Board of Directors

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PLEASE NOTE: We will be using your personal contact information to send you our newsletters, event information, and chapter notices.

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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Be sure to visit our website at: <http://sarasotaprimetimers.org/>

 ***Interested in joining?*** Click on the website link above. Click on *Membership*. Complete an application for each new member. Below the application is the payment method through Cheddar Up. If you don't pay by credit or debit card, don't forget to send your \$30 check, payable to *Prime Timers Sarasota* to:

Prime Timers Sarasota, P.O. Box 1003, Tallevast, FL, 34270.

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