Prime Timers Sarasota

Enriching social lives of mature gay/bi men

President's Message

By Steve Horowitz



Happy Thanksgiving! The Board of Directors wishes you and yours a wonderful day sharing food, love and friendship with your families of choice.

Do you know the primary purpose of Prime Timers? It's to provide current and future members social opportunities to meet and socialize with other mature (21+) gay and bisexual men. What's our catch phrase? It's *Prime Timers Sarasota*, for the best times of your life! Do you feel that being a participating Prime Timers member enhances your life? If you don't, there are some things you can do to help you feel that way.

One of the Board's goals is to increase volunteerism by members to participate more fully in Prime Timers Sarasota. Research has shown that when people volunteer, they feel greater ownership and belonging compared to those who don't volunteer. We already have volunteer coordinators for events, the book club, theatre club, newsletter, Ecards, Facebook, Northside and Southside Lunches, drivers, a hospital team, and computer help.

We need member ambassadors at potlucks and membership meetings to greet members as they enter and, especially, guests and new members. Make them feel like they belong here. Ambassadors would find a place for the member at a table and introduce him to the current members who are sitting at the table.

The Board would like to increase the number of clubs and offer additional activities as were described in our most recent survey. We need members to step up to coordinate Mexican Train, Uno, other board games, mall walking, bicycling, antique cars, bowling, fishing, and pickleball clubs. Once these clubs are formed, the members from each one can recruit non-members to join them who may eventually become Prime Timers members. As you can see, there are so many ways for you to get involved.

Please contact me (<u>stevehor2004@yahoo.com</u>; 941-993-3561) if any of these opportunities catches your eye. I look forward to hearing from you. See you around!

Steve

November 2025

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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 carpool 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.

November 2025 Calendar of Events

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>November 1</u> @ 5 P.M. Saturday Nite Dinner, Golden Corral, 5525 Cortez Road, Bradenton.

<u>Sunday, November 9</u> @ 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!

Thursday, November 13 @ 1:00 P.M. Northside Lunch at Fork & Hen located at 1990 Main Street (east of US 301) in Sarasota. RSVPs can be sent to Dan Warren at danmichaelwarren@gmail.com no later than 2 P.M. on Wednesday, November 12.

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>November 15</u> @ 3-5 <u>P.M.</u> Annual Picnic and Potluck. South Coquina Beach, North Shelter, Bradenton Beach. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided. Please bring an appetizer, entrée, salad, or dessert along with a serving utensil and the name of the dish.

<u>Sunday, November 16 @ 3:00 – 5:00 P.M.</u> Singles and Solos at the Purple Rhino at the corner of Weber and Beneva. All are welcome. Free raffle.

<u>Tuesday, November 18 @ 10:30 A.M.</u> Cover to Cover Book Club Meeting, will meet at Fruitville Library. We meet once a month and welcome any-and-all members. This month the discussion is on *The House of Lincoln* by Nancy Horan. For additional information contact David Guyet (sandheim@msn.com).

Wednesday, November 19 @ 10:30 A.M. Board Meeting at American House card room, 4340 Bee Ridge 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.

<u>Thursday, November 20 @ 1:00 P.M.</u> Southside Lunch at Evie's Tavern on the Range, 4735 Bee Ridge Road in Sarasota. Please RSVP to Kurt Juedes, chorkymorky@gmail.com, no later than 2 P.M. on Wednesday November 19.

Sunday, November 23 @ 12 noon. *Sarasota Medieval Fair*, Mallaranny Farms, 29847 FL-70, Myakka City. Senior admission is \$27.83. Click on Sarasota Medieval Fair to purchase tickets. Let's try to carpool.

Wednesday, November 26 @ 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? Hamburgers, grilled chicken and vegetarian burgers are available. Choose sides from onion rings, French fries, and potato salad. All for \$8.50. Hint: Get there by 5:30 P.M. to get served sooner.

UPCOMING

Saturday, December 6 @ 6 P.M. Prime Timers Holiday Dinner Dance at Peridia Country Club, 4950 Peridia Blvd. East, Bradenton. Tickets are \$42 and can be purchased by clicking on My Meal. The deadline for reservations is November 22nd.

November Birthdays

- 11/9 Wayne Rogers
- 11/10 Carl Duplissis
- 11/11 Kent Noel
- 11/12 Sonny Scroggs
- 11/15 Robert Black
- 11/15 Fred Burkacki
- 11/23 Jim Snopko
- 11/28 Ron Erday
- 11/30 Andy Makowski
- 11/30 Wayne Officer





New Member

Ronald Howland

Event of the Month



<u>Sunday, November 23 @ 12 noon.</u> Sarasota Medieval Fair, Mallaranny Farms, Myakka City. Senior admission is \$27.83. Click on <u>Sarasota Medieval Fair</u> to purchase tickets. See exciting events including jousting, falconry, artisan markets, and food and drink.

Prime Timers Holiday Dinner-Dance

Saturday, December 6, 2024, from 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

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



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Acceptable attire will be from Dress Casual to Formal. Shirts <u>must</u> have a collar. The cost per person is \$42.00. The attendance limit is 72. The deadline to sign up is **November 22**nd. **As of November 15**th, 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 with debit card, Click on:

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

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

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.

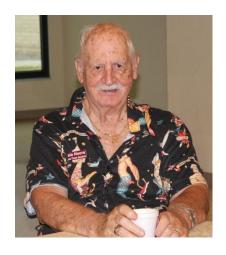


It's that time again! As of November 1st, you can renew your Membership Dues for 2026. Please click on the link below to complete the transaction:

Pay 2026 Prime Timers Dues

Second Sunday Social

















Ideal Classic Cars Event in Venice











Big Cat Habitat

















Lift Assist



Have you or your loved one ever fallen and needed help getting up? *Lift Assist* is a free service for members living in Sarasota County. Staff are trained to quickly and safely lift you back up. They don't provide treatment. Put their phone number in your cell phone contacts NOW! 941-316-1201



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Our Annual Picnic is scheduled for Saturday, November 15th, at South Coquina Beach, the North Shelter, Rt. 789/Gulf Drive, Bradenton Beach. Prime Timers Tampa Bay members have been invited to join us.

Plan to arrive at 3:00 P.M. to enjoy visiting with other members (2:30 P.M. to help set up. And please hang around a few minutes afterward to help clean up.) Food will be available from 3:00 to 5:00 P.M.

Bring a dish to share (main, side dish, appetizer, dessert.) Don't forget to bring a serving utensil and the name of your dish. Grilled hamburgers and buns, pop, paper plates, plastic wear, cups, and napkins will be provided by the Board of Directors.

There is no need to RSVP. Just come with a dish and a smile. We hope to see you there. Please direct your questions to Matt Leona (Bongo44@aol.com).



December 19 to December

24, 2025. Cruise from Tampa on the Norwegian Star to Key West and the Bahamas. Great discounts including free Wi-fi and Open Bar. Click on cruise to register. Prime Timers

Tampa Bay are invited to join us. Let's get a big group together for a fun weekend.



Now you can order your very own Prime Timers Sarasota Name Badge for just \$9.50.

Custom Name Badge

You will be asked how you wish your name to read on the badge. You may use just your first name or your full name on the badge -- whichever you prefer. As we've done in the past with handwritten paper badges at our events, the badges are color coded. Partnered members will receive burgundy badges, while single members will receive blue badges. *Prime Timers Sarasota* will appear on the badge below your name.

<u>Note</u>: Your name badge will be sent directly to the mailing address that we have on file for you as shown in the official Prime Timers Sarasota Member Roster.

Click on this link to order your badge/badges: https://custom-name-badge.cheddarup.com/

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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 <u>due no later than the 20th of</u> <u>each month</u> and should be emailed to <u>Stephen Stanley</u> rather than to <u>primetimerssarasota@gmail.com</u>.

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