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2022 - 2024 BOARD MEMBER RESUMES

Jose Castillo: I am seeking another 3 year term to be on the Somerset Board to continue serving the community as Grounds Committee Chair. Our community lawn service is one of our key benefits to homeowners in our community as well as our largest expense by far. Thus continuing to keep a focus on community landscaping affairs is the key area I have been supporting the community in my current term and continue to enhance in my next 3 year term. If elected, I will continue to enhance our collaboration with our landscapers, our proposal process for next year's annual service contract and our outreach to homeowners when they have concerns with the lawn service.

Kristina Delia: My husband Frank and I have lived in Somerset Village since November 2005. I am employed with SunTrust Bank, now Truist, for the past 15 years and currently hold a position as an Internal Control Examiner. We volunteered for over five years when the Clubhouse was overseeing Security of the building. I deliver the Chatterbox newsletters, am a member of the C& R Committee and have served on the Somerset Board as a Director since 2009. It is my pleasure to reside in Somerset. I enjoy building and supporting our community and take pride in the place in which we live!

Wendy Lewis: I have lived in Somerset since 1989. I had several years of experience as a graphic designer and art director in the educational publishing field. I am currently a substitute teacher for the Orange County elementary schools. I am the Secretary on the Somerset Village HOA. Additionally, I serve on the Architectural Review Committee.



PRESIDENT'S LETTER

*Submitted by
Judee Coyle*

November's here! So, too, there are holidays and events worth mentioning.

First we have Daylight Saving Time - ends November 7th. The "old" saying - Spring ahead; Fall behind applies here so turn those clocks back an hour on the 7th.

Also in that week is Veteran's Day on November 11th. Let's remember all our veterans who gave their service - and some; their lives - to keep our country free. Our thanks go out to them

always but especially on the eleventh.

Then on the 25th we have Thanksgiving Day. Time for turkey and all the fixings but especially a reminder for all we have to be thankful for. The Somerset Board wishes one and all a Happy Thanksgiving!



**Semi-Annual General
Membership Meeting**
Wednesday,
November 17, 2021 7:00pm



Architectural Review Committee

by Alex Chiaro

November has arrived Somerset! Finally, we have officially made it through the summer. Cooler weather is here, and it is far much easier to do projects outside.

Architectural Review forms are available at the clubhouse as well as our website. When painting, please be sure to come to the office and look at the *approved color book*. Exact colors (with color number) that is to be used for the house, trim and/or driveway must be listed on the form along with the current roof color of the home.

Please remember that if any changes are being made to the outside of your home ARC approval is needed **prior** to beginning your project

The committee meets each third Thursday of the month if required.

Safe and happy Autumn everyone!



From the Treasurer

Liz Norfolk
Treasurer/Web Designer

Dues for 2022 remain the same. Yep, that's right. No increase next year. With everything else going up in price we are happy that Somerset dues remain the same at \$65 a month.

Payments using a personal check or money order, bank check that automatically mails the payment for you, quarterly or annual payments are welcomed.

Whichever method you choose please place your Lot #, on the payment.

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Please include the month(s) that you are paying on the coupon.

If you wish you can cut out the coupon below.

Somerset Dues Payment \$65	
Home owner Name	

Lot #	_____

Building Committee



by Francine McCluskey

Friends and Neighbors - I recently commented that things were quiet at the clubhouse. I thought everything was pretty much done and nothing else would be required for a while. Just like with homes - that opened the door for an issue to walk in. Grace mentioned that it was rather warm in the office. It was warm in the library too. Both office and library are cooled by the same air conditioner. The A/C folks were called, came and made some of their magic. Things felt cooler. Great but the cool dissipated and the warmth came in. The A/C

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Clubhouse Amenities

For your convenience and enjoyment, remember all the great facilities that Somerset of Williamsburg has to offer you.

Pool & Spa 7am-Dusk

Tennis Crts 7am-Dusk

Boccie Crts 7am-Dusk

Shuffleboard 7am-Dusk

Game Room, Library & Ball

Room 7am-10pm

Policies: No children under 16 unless

accompanied by an adult.

All guests must be accompanied by a

Somerset Homeowner. No guest of

other guests are permitted.



**Williamsburg
Golf Association**
*Submitted by Santiago
Lopez, WGA President
502-376-2995*

Hello everyone, looking forward to WINTER hahahahaha!

Welcome our new members, Dennis Jones, Mel Speller, Pablo Vazquez, David Virovatz, Jose and Milagros Macero, George Schreiber, Rick Costa, David McCabe, Ken McCrae and Victor Diaz. We are so happy to have all of you and if I accidentally mentioned you twice welcome again. If I forgot to mention you please let me know so I will fire my secretary!

Please be sure to say hello to our new members, remember numbers mean power, especially when negotiating our golf rates.....Seriously I am so excited to have so many new people who love golf and hope they enjoy our group.

Closest to the pin: Bobby Randolph, William Flores, Bill Marcontell, Dave Rosello, Dennis Wolfe, Alan Gary, Hiram Pedraza, Charles Bradley, Dan Pemble, Dan Blaske, Tim Trepczyk, Frank Velez, David Virovatz, Victor Diaz, Erain Ruiz, Joe Porter, Joe Lee, Santiago Lopez, and Donna Marcontell. Special thanks to Charles Bradley for helping manage the league while I was out of town in October for my granddaughter's wedding. Thanks to all for "being nice" to Charles.

Let's have a great winter season. See you all soon.

**Williamsburg Homeowners
Association (WHOA)
Board of Directors**

Dean Gilvin, President
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Jeffrey Young, Treasurer
Liz Norfolk, Secretary

KEEP SAFETY IN MIND WHEN YOU TRAVEL

People are traveling more now that life seems to be returning to normal, but getting on an airplane still presents some risks.

- **Pack and wear masks.** Even with more people vaccinated, masks are still a good idea when flying in an enclosed compartment with recirculating air. Pack plenty and keep them readily accessible in your carry-on bags. Swap them out immediately if they get wet, sticky, or dirty. Don't forget hand sanitizers and wipes.

- **Check documentation requirements.** Double-check your airline's rules for vaccination, testing, quarantining, and other related requirements. Also confirm what's expected at your destination, especially if you're traveling internationally.

- **Eat and drink carefully.** Airlines still require masks during flight unless you're eating or drinking. Pack snacks for specific, scheduled meal breaks to maintain consistent mask use. Fill up your water bottles before the flight and make sure they're sturdy and don't leak.

- **Explore your destination in advance.** Find out what restrictions apply in the city, state, or country you're visiting. Many tourist attractions require reservations to prevent overcrowding, so make arrangements ahead of time. Follow local guidelines for masking and social distancing. Even as life starts returning to pre-pandemic "normal," it's smart to stay safe.



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7 <i>Daylight Savings Ends</i>	8 10am-11am Chair Dance Exercise	9 7pm, GBVC Board Meeting Held virtually and in presence	 10 <i>Office Closed</i> 10am-11am Chair Dance Exercise	 11 9:30am Panera Bread Veterans Day	 12 10am-11am Chair Dance Exercise	13
14	15 10am-11am Chair Dance Exercise	16 7:30pm, General Membership Meeting	 17 <i>Office Closed</i> 10am-11am Chair Dance Exercise	 18 9:30am Panera Bread	 19 10am-11am Chair Dance Exercise	20 4pm Children's Holiday Party
21	22 10am-11am Chair Dance Exercise	23	 24 <i>Office Closed</i> 10am-11am Chair Dance Exercise	 25 9:30am Panera Bread Thanksgiving Day <i>Office Closed</i>	 26 10am-11am Chair Dance Exercise Black Friday	27
28 <i>Hanukkah Begins</i>	29 10am-11am Chair Dance Exercise	30	  			

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7 <i>Daylight Savings Ends</i>	8	9 <i>World Freedom Day</i> 1pm, Valencia Water Meeting	10	11   <i>Veterans Day</i>	12   <i>Office Closed</i>	13
14	15	16	17 6:30pm Budget Meeting 7:30pm General Meeting	18  	19   <i>Office Closed</i>	20
21	22	23	24	25   <i>Thanksgiving Day</i> <i>Office Closed</i>	26   <i>Office Closed</i> <i>Black Friday</i>	27
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MEETINGS

LRVCA Board Meeting
 Monday, November 1
Normally First Monday @ 6:30pm
 Valencia Water Control
 Tuesday, November 9 @ 1:00pm
 Budget Meeting
 Wednesday, November 17 @ 6:30
 Yearly General Meeting
 Wednesday, November 17 @ 7:30

Lawn Service Days
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	1 <i>All Saints Day</i>	2  <i>Election Day</i>	3	4 	5  12:30pm Sunshine Ladies	6
7 <i>Daylight Savings Ends</i>	8 6:30pm, LTVC Board Meeting	9  <i>World Freedom Day</i> Proxy Due	10 7pm Annual Meeting	11  <i>Veterans Day</i>	12  12:30pm Sunshine Ladies	13
14	15	16 	17	18 	19  12:30pm Sunshine Ladies	20
21	22	23 	24	25  <i>Thanksgiving Day</i> Office Closed	26  <i>Black Friday</i> 12:30pm Sunshine Ladies	27
28 <i>Hanukkah Begins</i>	29	30	  			

MEETINGS/ACTIVITIES

LTVC Board Meeting

Monday, November 8 at 6:30pm

Walking Group

Now that it is getting cooler let's start walking again as we did in past years. We can meet (as before) at Lime Tree's parking lot on Saturday morning at 8AM and walk to McDonald's and back. All the clubs can participate in this and it's a great way to start your day.

Sunshine Ladies Lime Tree

By Barbara Lawrence, Sunshine Ladies Coordinator

On behalf of the Sunshine Ladies we wish to thank the people in the community for all of your donations of yarn. You just would be surprised how fast the ladies use it up to give back to our community. We have already made donations to RSVP (Retired & Senior Volunteer Program), Arnold

Palmer Hospital, Give Kids the World and Jewish War Veterans. If you like to come and join us we meet every Friday 12:30-2:30. We have a great time socializing and making beautiful things crocheting, knitting, etc. A Special Thank You to all the Sunshine Ladies. Should you have any questions, please call me at 407-351-3551 or 407-923-0380.

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<i>Daylight Savings Ends</i> 7	8	9 <i>World Freedom Day</i> 10:30am Williamsburg Discussion Group	 10 <i>Office Closed</i> 1pm Dominos	  11 <i>Veterans Day</i> 1pm Crafts	  12	13
14	15	16 7:00pm MVC Board Meeting 10:30am Williamsburg Discussion Group	 17 <i>Office Closed</i> 1pm Dominos	  18 1pm Crafts	  19	20
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<i>Hanukkah Begins</i> 28	29	30 10:30am Williamsburg Discussion Group	  			

Lawn Care

Lawn care every week, weather permitting

Williamsburg Discussion Group Montpelier

We meet weekly on Tuesdays from 10:30am until Noon. Come, listen and learn; bring your best ideas. Meet your charming neighbors and join in the fun.



Kid's Club Montpelier

Kids from all of the communities, up to age 13, are welcome to join Jo Bladykas last Saturday from 10am-12pm for games, crafts and more. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please contact the Montpelier Office at 407-352-0385 if you have any questions.



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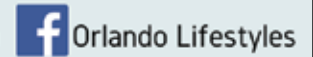
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Williamsburg Market Update September 2021 - October 2021



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5111 Tavel St	Lime Tree Village	1,463	\$234,000	2	3	1979	09/20/2021
5518 Memorial Dr	Montpelier Village Ph 1	1,873	\$236,500	3	2	1980	09/21/2021
10324 Galliard Blvd	Green Briar Village	1,070	\$242,500	2	2	1981	10/01/2021
10403 Hidden Ln	Lime Tree Village	1,775	\$256,000	3	2	1978	10/05/2021
4729 Gorden Ln	Green Briar Village	1,268	\$260,000	2	2	1981	09/28/2021
10134 Crown Ct	Lime Tree Village	1,497	\$276,100	2	2	1979	09/23/2021
5809 Donnelly Cir	Deer Creek Village Sec 6	2,044	\$278,510	4	3	1993	09/18/2021
4804 Gifford Blvd	Green Briar Village	2,238	\$284,000	2	2	1981	09/29/2021
5314 Williamsport Dr	Windmill Pointe	1,576	\$310,000	3	2	1980	09/09/2021
10829 William & Mary Ct	Windmill Pointe	1,873	\$320,000	3	2	1980	10/07/2021
5009 Loyola Ln	Lake Ridge Village	1,612	\$320,000	3	2	1982	09/17/2021
11404 Pumpkin Seed Ct	Parkview Pointe Sec 2	1,714	\$350,000	3	2	1989	09/17/2021
5445 Shingle Creek Dr	Waterview Twnhms Sec 2	2,809	\$448,000	3	2	2000	10/08/2021



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November Crossword

ACROSS

- 1. "Smallest particles"
- 6. Prod
- 10. Store
- 14. Language of ancient Rome
- 15. The thin fibrous bark
- 16. Ice cream holder
- 17. Genus of heath
- 18. Eager
- 19. Wreckage
- 20. Embankment
- 22. Press
- 23. Tibetan monk
- 24. Of mountainous areas
- 26. Qualified
- 30. Poetic dusk
- 31. Obtain
- 32. Study hard
- 33. Anagram of "Star"
- 35. Completely
- 39. Stinking nightshade
- 41. Estrogenic hormone
- 43. Decorative jugs
- 44. Attempt
- 46. Behold, in old Rome
- 47. Petroleum
- 49. Record (abbrev.)
- 50. Read superficially
- 51. A type of beauty treatment
- 54. Against
- 56. Quaint outburst
- 57. Envoy
- 63. Docile
- 64. A female domestic
- 65. Blockade
- 66. Not under
- 67. Wings
- 68. Shadow
- 69. Depend
- 70. Transmit
- 71. Banana oil, e.g.



DOWN

- 1. Away from the wind
- 2. Sailors
- 3. Ear-related
- 4. Flexible mineral
- 5. Tangle
- 6. Stuttered
- 7. Ceremony
- 8. Atop
- 9. Shabby
- 10. Sacred Christian writings
- 11. Nymph
- 12. Scallion
- 13. Tubular pasta
- 21. Song of praise
- 25. Not right
- 26. Pang
- 27. Beer
- 28. Alley
- 29. Decorative needlework
- 34. Sang for somebody
- 36. Pass the tongue over
- 37. Hubs
- 38. The original matter (cosmology)
- 40. Largest continent
- 42. Religious splinter groups
- 45. High-spirited horse
- 48. Andean animals
- 51. Stench
- 52. Zاپupe
- 53. Dromedary
- 55. Put out
- 58. Man
- 59. Objectives
- 60. Obligation
- 61. Monster
- 62. Back



November Word Search



afraid
attend

bail
blank
breakfast

caper
catch
cavort

condition
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NOVEMBER



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7 <i>Daylight Savings Ends</i>	8 1:00pm, Book Club	9 <i>World Freedom Day</i>	10	11 🗑️ 1pm . Craft Group <i>Veterans Day</i>	12 ♻️ ♻️	13
14	15	16	17	18 🗑️ 1pm . Craft Group Parkview 7pm Board Zoom Mtg	19 ♻️ ♻️	20
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28 <i>Hanukkah Begins</i>	29	30	  			

BOD Meeting
 Thursday, November 18, 7pm
ARC Meeting
 Thursday, November 4, 6pm



Book Club Discussion Group

On Monday, November 8th at 1:00 pm we will meet to discuss *The Last Green Valley* by Mark Sullivan (historical fiction).



Craft Club Parkview Pointe

Every Thursday at 1:00 pm we gather in the Parkview Pointe Game Room. We socialize. We knit, crochet, embroider, circular loom knitting, etc. We work on our own projects and also items - baby blankets, hats, etc. - to do-

nate to Winnie / Arnold Palmer Hospital (Creations From the Heart). We're happy to share what we know and welcome you to share as well! Join us!



🗑️ **Lawn Service** 🗑️ **Garbage** ♻️ **Recycling** ♻️ **Yard Waste**

SOMERSET

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	1 10:00am Pool/MainRoom Exercises Pool/indoors All Saints Day 10am, C&R Meeting	2 Lawn Service 10:00am Pool/MainRoom Exercises Pool/indoors Election Day	3 Lawn Service 10:00am Pool/MainRoom Exercises Pool/indoors	4 10:00am Pool/MainRoom Exercises Pool/indoors	5 10:00am Pool/MainRoom Exercises Pool/indoors	6
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MEETINGS

C&R Committee Mtg
 Monday, November 1, 10am
Board of Directors Meeting
 Monday, November 8, 7pm
ARC Meeting (If needed)
 Thursday, November 18, 6pm
General Membership Meeting
 Wednesday, November 17, 7pm

LAWN SERVICE

Lawn Service -Every other Tues-
 days & Wednesdays - Watch for
 schedule changes due to the end
 of the summer growing season.



SOMERSET VILLAGE MAIN ROOM RENTALS

Somerset Village is NOT taking
 any reservations at this time.



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	1 <i>All Saints Day</i> 10-11am Pool Exercises	2 <i>Election Day</i>	3	4 	5 <i>Office Closed</i> 10-11am Chair Exercises	6
7 <i>Daylight Savings Ends</i>	8 10-11am Chair Exercises	9 <i>World Freedom Day</i> 6:30pm, WGVC Board Meeting	10	11 <i>Veterans Day</i>	12 <i>Office Closed</i> 10-11am Chair Exercises	13
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MEETINGS

Board Meeting
 Tuesday, November 9, 6:30pm

**ORANGE COUNTY
 SHERIFF'S
 NON-EMERGENCY
 407-836-HELP**



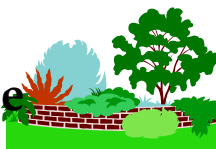
Please volunteer your time & talents to make your club, home and your community sparkle. Volunteer on the board, a committee or for clubhouse clean-up.

Lawn Service Garbage Recycling Yard Waste

BUILDING... CONTINUED

folks quickly came back and did different magical things, after all it is the season for magic with Halloween just about here. Still a problem so the evil ones were still at work. Turns out we needed to replace the unit that cools the office and library. Done and a happy ending has been achieved.

Grounds Committee



by Jose Castillo

The Grounds Committee would like to remind all residents that with cooler temperatures, the community lawn service will be reducing their service to every other week due to less lawn growth. The committee also encourages all residents to inspect their sprinklers and consider fortifying them with cement landscaping rings to prevent damage to the system from passing lawnmowers as the HOA or Community Landscapers are liable for any damage to a sprinkler system that is not properly in the ground and protected.

Covenants & Restrictions Committee



by Judee Coyle

Thank you to all homeowners striving to keep home and property in good order!

Two reminders - if you have a "garden flag" (the small ones we

see by mailboxes, etc.) these are fine as long as they are not on lawns - this impedes the lawn mowers. Please keep them by mailboxes or in flower beds where they will not obstruct weed whackers or lawn mowers.

Final reminder - The Orange County recommendation concerning use of water, especially when pressure washing driveways, has been lifted. So those homeowners who refrained from cleaning driveways and walkways during the "no water" period - feel free to clean away. Thanks for your cooperation.

HOLIDAY LIGHT/ DECORATION CONTEST!!!

The annual Somerset Village Holiday Light and Decoration Contest will be held once again this year.

The judges will be visiting your home during the week of December 20th and making their decisions.

First Place: \$100.00

Second Place: \$75.00

Third Place: \$50.00

Let's all get out there and show our holiday spirit and wonderful decorating skills!!! It may be YOU who are among the winners!

Annual **clubhouse holiday decorating** will once again be held on **Saturday, December 4th at 10:00a.m.**

Refreshments will be served....Please come to the clubhouse to join in on the holiday fun.

THE HISTORY OF VETERANS DAY

November 11, or what has come to be known as Veterans Day, was originally set as a U.S. legal holiday to honor Armistice Day - the end of World War I, which officially took place on November 11, 1918. In legislature that was passed in 1938, November 11 was "dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be hereafter celebrated and known as 'Armistice Day.' As such, this new legal holiday honored World War I veterans.

In 1954, after having been through both World War II and the Korean War, the 83rd U.S. Congress, at the urging of the veterans service organizations, amended the Act of 1938 by striking out the word "Armistice" and inserting the word "Veterans." With the approval of this legislation on June 1, 1954, November 11 became a day to honor American veterans of all wars.

In 1968, the Uniforms Holiday Bill ensured three-day weekends for Federal employees by celebrating four national holidays on Mondays: Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Veterans Day, and Columbus Day. Under this bill, Veterans Day was moved to the last Monday of October. Many states did not agree with this decision and continued to celebrate the holiday on its original date. The first Veterans Day under the new law was observed with much confusion on October 25, 1971.

Finally on September 20, 1975, President Gerald R. Ford signed a law which returned the annual observance of Veterans Day to its

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**...VETERANS DAY
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original date of November 11, beginning in 1978. Since then, the Veterans Day holiday has been observed on November 11.

**THE FIRST
THANKSGIVING**

by Allison Brown


In the fall of 1621, the Pilgrims began a three day feast to celebrate one year at Plymouth and a bountiful harvest. The Wampanoag Indians, along with their King, joined in the celebration. For three days they feasted, hunted, and enjoyed games together. This was considered the first Thanksgiving in America.

The first Thanksgiving would not have been like Thanksgiving today. The Pilgrims and Indians had plenty of venison and wild game (turkey, goose, duck), seafood, vegetables (including pumpkins and beans), wheat flour, Indian corn, and spices such as leeks, olive oil, and currants. Even so, there was no pumpkin pie, no sweet potatoes, no mashed potatoes, no ham, corn on the cob, cranberry sauce, or any casserole dishes that have become so popular. More than likely, the main food would have been meats.

Pilgrims also ate differently. They ate dinner early, and when they did eat, they ate whatever was placed in front of them. They did not eat in courses, they ate as they felt. If they wanted desert first, they ate desert. If they wanted meat, they ate meat. The only eating utensils were forks, spoons, and hands. The Pilgrims and Indians enjoyed playing games, racing, and show-

ing off other skills in gaming events. The Indians demonstrated their expertise in shooting a bow and arrow. The Pilgrims demonstrated their musket skills.

This three day event, has become known as America's first Thanksgiving, and even though the food and games have changed; the meaning of the day has not.




**SINCERE
SYMPATHY**

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Eugene "Bud" Gross who passed away in New York at the age of 93.

LAWN SERVICE

Every other Tuesday & Wednesday in November; weather permitting.

BEST WISHES FOR A SPEEDY RECOVERY... 

Get Well Wishes are extended to anyone that is under the weather.

**WELCOME
NEW
HOMEOWNER**

Zillow Homes Property Trust
of Scenic View Lane

**PEOPLE OF
SOMERSET**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you are celebrating a birthday or anniversary and we haven't mentioned it, please let the office know and we will be happy to include it in the Chatterbox.

Best wishes to all of you celebrating a special day!

November Birthdays

Randall Sisulak	2
Brad Ward	16
Bob Wagner	18
Ann Alexander	18
Mirabella Schweck	29

Anniversary Greetings

Joe & Joann Henry	11
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GARBAGE COLLECTION DAYS

THURSDAYS  **GARBAGE ONLY (GREEN LID)**

 **FRIDAYS RECYCLING (BLUE LID) & YARD WASTE (IN YOUR OWN CONTAINERS, BAGS OR BUNDLES)**

LARGE ITEMS MAY NOW BE PLACED OUT FOR COLLECTION ON FRIDAYS, NO CALL IS NECESSARY.

 **Check out page 9 of the Williamsburg Times for Somerset's calendar page.**