



# VILLAGE VOICES

July, 2019

Vacation Village Condominium Association Newsletter

**Approved Board of Directors Meeting Minutes are listed on the Vacation Village Website.**

## Owners Only Website

To view approved meeting minutes, obtain Association documents, and to receive the latest news please log onto:

[Floridavacationvillage.com](http://Floridavacationvillage.com)

Click on: Members

Username: members2017

Password: VVowner10301

## The Passing of a longtime Resident

Frederic Joseph Sinclair– Fred past into glory Saturday May 18, 2019. Fred spent the majority of his life working and raising a family in the Lapeer Area, Michigan. Fred was known for his ability to fix about everything. He loved his family, hunting, fishing and play games of all kinds (especially when he won). A quiet man by nature, Fred was fun loving and had a sense of humor (a very dry humor). The world is a better place because of his kindness, and a kinder place because of his willingness to help a friend or stranger in need, and a more loving world because of his ability to show he cared by his action rather than his words. He will be greatly missed. Full obituary is on Facebook. Written by Michael Sinclair .

## Summer time Safety

### **DROWNING IS THE LEADING CAUSE OF UNINTENTIONAL DEATH IN CHILDREN AGES 1-4**

Swimming is a great recreational sport that can be enjoyed by people of all ages. But it's important to know how to be safe while you're in the water. The American Red Cross offers these important swimming safety tips you should be aware of before you head out to the pool or beach:

- Swim in designated areas supervised by lifeguards. **PLEASE NOTE: Vacation Village does not have any lifeguards and it is swim at your own risk.**
- Always swim with a buddy; do not allow anyone to swim alone.
- Never leave a young child unattended near water and do not trust a child's life to another child; teach children to always ask permission to go near water.  
Have young children or inexperienced swimmers wear around water, but do not rely on life jackets alone.
- Maintain constant supervision.
- Make sure everyone in your family learns to swim well. Enroll in age-appropriate Red Cross water orientation and if you have a pool, secure it with. Many children who drown in home pools were out of sight for less than five minutes and in the care of one or both parents at the time.
- Avoid distractions when supervising children around water.
- If a child is missing, check the water first. Seconds count in preventing death or disability.
- Have appropriate equipment, such as reaching or throwing equipment, a cell phone, life jackets and a first aid kit.
- Know how and when to call 9-1-1 or the local emergency number.
- Protect your skin. Limit the amount of direct sunlight you receive between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. and wear sunscreen with a protection factor of at least 15.
- Drink plenty of water regularly, even if you're not thirsty. Avoid drinks with alcohol or caffeine in them. Enroll in Red Cross courses to learn how to prevent and respond to emergencies.

[The above information is from redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies.](http://redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies)

# Plan Ahead

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## July 2019 festivals in Florida

### **Lake Placid Caladium Festival, July 26-28, 2019, Lake Placid**

A rare small-town festival in the summer, offering arts and crafts, wine tasting, beer garden, food booths, entertainment, car show plus a bus tour of the colorful caladium farms in the area. Florida Rambler story:

## September 2019 festivals in Florida

**Sing Out Loud Music Festival, Weekends, 2019 St. Augustine.** Anchored by Grammy award-winning country music artist Kacey Musgraves, the festival, now in its fourth year, will also feature headliners St. Paul & The Broken Bones, Jenny Lewis, Kurt Vile, Shovels & Rope, The Dirty Dozen Brass Band and more and will take place at various venues around St. Augustine between Sept 6 and 29 .

**Seafood Festival, Sept. 27-29, 2019, Pensacola.** The Pensacola Seafood Festival is held in downtown Pensacola's historic Seville Square and features fresh local seafood from the Gulf of Mexico served tapas-style by 18 food vendors.

## October 2019 festivals in Florida

### **Oktoberfest, Oct. 11-13 and 18-20, 2019, Lantana**

There are Oktoberfest celebrations all around Florida, but this one is celebrating its 46th year and draws more than 35,000 visitors for live music, dancers, food, beer and entertainment.

### **Mount Dora Bicycle Festival, Oct. 3-6, 2019, Mount Dora**

More than 1,000 bicyclists converge and participate in rural rides of varying length. Florida Rambler story on the

### **Cedar Key Seafood Festival, Oct. 19-20, 2019, Cedar Key**

### **Key West Fantasy Fest, Oct. 18-27, 2019, Key West**

This famous and wild festival celebrates its 40th anniversary in 2019. Events culminate in the annual elaborate costume parade.

## November 2019 festivals in Florida

### **Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show, Oct. 30-Nov. 3, 2019, Fort Lauderdale**

From super-yachts to inflatables to exotic cars. Show is in six locations over 3 million square feet of space with shuttles, water taxis, and riverboats connecting it all. Tickets start at \$34.

### **Seminoles' American Indian Arts Celebration, November 1-2, 2019, Clewiston**

The festival offers tradition — fry bread, alligator wrestling and Seminole crafts — but also celebrates the diversity of native cultures with entertainers brought in from other tribes.

### **Micanopy Fall Festival, Nov. 2-3, 2019, Micanopy**

Charming Old Florida town near Gainesville attracts 200 arts and crafts vendors with music under a canopy of live oak trees on a historic main street. Florida Rambler story on

**34th Annual Downtown Gainesville Festival & Art Show, Nov. 16-17, 2019, Gainesville**

The historic downtown streets are filled with live music, performing arts, the works of 240 artists and an array of food, attracting 100,000 attendees.

**Miami Book Fair, Nov. 17-24, 2019, Miami**

More than 450 top-tier authors read and discuss their work at one of the best book fairs in the nation. During Street Fair weekend, Nov. 22-24, more than 250 publishers and booksellers exhibit and sell books, with special features like the antiquarians, who showcase signed first editions, original manuscripts and other collectibles. Live music accompanies the street fair.

**Yankeetown Art and Crafts and Seafood Festival, Nov. 23-24, 2019, (always the weekend before Thanksgiving) Yankeetown**