

# The Chronicle



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## The GAVEL

A report from your President  
By Joe DeFelice



Hello good members of the Men's Club of Sun City Center. In July the Men's Club was one of several groups and individuals honored for its donation to the new Veterans memorial being built in front of the Community Hall. It was a very moving experience and I could not be prouder to represent our club. Our membership continues to grow as our new BOGO program seems to be working well. Bring a guest and if they join you get a free lunch. July's luncheon not only included a great speaker informing us on the Firehouse Culture Center in Ruskin and their work, but included information on performances they produce at a very reasonable costs. We were also introduced to Hillsborough county new Sheriff Chad Chronister who spoke briefly of the changes he will be making in the department. Once again the Men's club filled the bus to see an exciting baseball game at the Trop with our Ray's beating the Yankees. Jim Rottman is teasing us about some very new venues the club will be headed to. I cannot thank all of are men who volunteer for the many programs we offer. As a member of the club you can see how the organization makes Sun City Center a better place to live for everyone. Thank You as always Joe DeFelice president.

## AUGUST MENU

Italian Sausage with peppers  
Lasagna with Meat Sauce  
Chef's Choice of Vegetables  
Stupendous Salad Bar  
And, of course,  
Great Desserts



## Can You Answer This Question?

### Who Will Take Care of You When You are Older?

Come to our August 15 meeting and perhaps you will find some answers to the important question posed in the headline. Our speaker is Christopher Hall, marketing director for Freedom Plaza. Chris will explore the care options available to us all as we age and reach the point when our caregivers can no longer give us the care that we need or when living alone at home is no longer an option.

(Be assured that the presentation is not a marketing promotion for Freedom Plaza but an offering of facts and information useful to us all.)

**Note that the deadline for registering for this meeting is early this month.** Because of the fact that the third Wednesday meeting date comes just 15 days into the month, you only have until August 10 to register.

I Promise to take care of you when you're old, but the first time you hit me with your cane... I'll wash your dentures in toilet water.



*Perhaps this is not the answer you want to hear*

To make your reservation for lunch on August 15 send an email to [Mens.Club.Lunch.Reservations@gmail.com](mailto:Mens.Club.Lunch.Reservations@gmail.com) or telephone our office at 633-7091 before 3 p.m. on Friday, August 10

The purpose of The Men's Club of Sun City Center is to provide and promote charitable community service, cultural, social and civic interest, and to cooperate with other clubs and organizations in the best interest of Sun City Center.

### Men’s Club LifeCare Programs

The Men’s Club is committed to improving the health and welfare of our community through sponsorship of LifeCare programs.

#### Health Care Support Groups

Male Call for Prostate Health: Meets the 2nd Monday of the month 2 p.m. Room 3, SCC Community Hall.

Low Vision Support Group: Meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month 1:30 p.m. at Sun Towers.

Hearing Loss Support Group: Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month 10 a.m. at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church. Contact Richard Herring for schedule and information.

Pain Management and Neuropathy: Meets the 2nd Thursday of the month 1:30 p.m. at Sun Towers.

Parkinson’s Support Group: Meets the 3rd Monday of the month except June, July and August at 1:30 p.m. at Sun Towers.

Diabetes Support Group: Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month 2:00 p.m. at Sun Towers.

Man to Man Support Group: Meets weekly in the Marie LeBlanc Room each Wednesday starting at 10:00 a.m. Call Dr. Ken Barringer at 633-8490 or Bill Spedding at 938-3126

Except as noted above, call or contact our Vice President for Health Care Vicente Lopez for information about these groups. Call Vicente at 727-623-1724 or email at: [SSCMensClub.vphealth@gmail.com](mailto:SSCMensClub.vphealth@gmail.com).

#### Lifeline Personal Alert System

We have teamed with Phillips, a leading provider of personal alert systems, to facilitate enrolling seniors in our community with the Phillips Lifeline system. For more information, call our Lifeline Office at 633-7091.

#### Hearing Aid Recycling

The Men’s Club has formed a partnership with Sertoma to facilitate recycling of used hearing aids and distribution of the refurbished hearing aids to need children around the world. Look for our drop boxes at many locations around the community.

### Members:

### Will You BOGO?

It is the Men’s Club’s version of the popular BOGO promotion: Bring a prospective member as a guest to one of our regular meetings and the club buys lunch for him (first time visitors only) . Be sure to invite him to Jon Lehr’s orientation program that starts at 11 a.m. before each meeting. If the guest you have brought joins the club, you’ll earn a free lunch good at any of our regular meetings.

Be sure to include your guest’s name when you register for the meeting and check him in when you stop at the registration desk to pay for your lunch.

Will you BOGO, Bring One Guest to Get One Free Lunch?

### Lifeline Update

*Each month we honor volunteers who have given their time to help our Lifeline subscribers by installing and servicing systems and providing training in the use of those systems. This month we honor Floyd Curvin.*



**Subscribers - 604**

**YTD Installer home visits - 531**

**YTD Responder assists - 294**

**YTD Hospital transports - 68**

**Through July 31, 2018**

### Cruise with the Men’s Club Aboard Carnival’s Oasis of the Seas

More than 50 members and guests have now signed up already to be boarding the Royal Caribbean Oasis of the Seas for the Men’s Club Christmas Cruise Contact Sun City Center Travelworld for pricing and additional information. Act now before prices go up further.

# ANNOUNCING A VERY SPECIAL EVENT

# HELLO DOLLY!

**The Award Winning Broadway Revival starring  
Betty Buckley**

**Sunday, December 9 at 2 p.m.**

**Your Men's Club has 50 tickets to this great event and a bus to get us to the Straz Center on time. Tickets are \$120. Contact Jim Rottman or drop off a check at the Men's Club Office on Cherry Hills Drive to reserve a spot.**



CONTACT JIM ROTTMAN AT 634-8122 OR BY EMAIL AT [JROTTMAN@TAMPABAY.RR.COM](mailto:JROTTMAN@TAMPABAY.RR.COM)

# TAKE ME OUT TO THE OLD BALL PARK

**Wednesday, September 12 at 1:10 pm  
Tampa Bay Rays vs. Cleveland Indians**

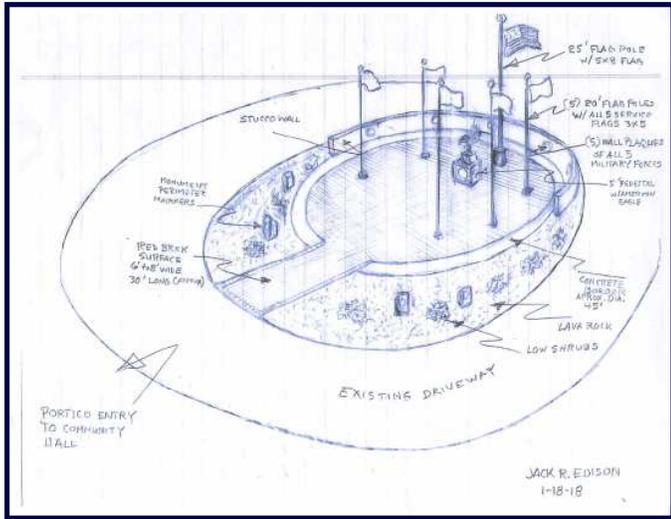
Tickets are again \$32 each and include Press Box Level Seats, bus transportation and a free gift from the Rays, either a seat cushion, a visor or a tote. You can bring a bagged lunch to the game along with a sealed bottle of water if you wish, or the stadium concessionaires will feed you.

This game is another of the Rays' Senior Prom Day events.

Be aware there may be some walking involved in getting to and from the bus to our seats. We expect less confusion than our Yankees outing in July.

See Jim Rottman at our Monthly Meeting or drop off a check at the Men's Club Office to claim a ticket and spot on the bus!





*Georgia Vahue, Executive Director of the Firehouse Cultural Center in Ruskin, was guest speaker at the July luncheon meeting of the Sun City Center Men's Club. Ms. Vahue related the history of the Firehouse Cultural Center, how citizens of South Shore worked to convert the unused firehouse to a centerpiece for cultural events, and how the facility has become utilized by residents of all ages. Pictured are Joe DeFelice, left, President of the SCC Men's Club, Georgia Vahue, and George Bodmer, VP of Programs. Jay Sparkman Photo*



**Vet's Memorial**

Above, an artist's rendering of the layout for the Veteran s Memorial to be erected in from of Community Hall. At left, an impressive eagle similar to the display to be erected at the memorial and funded by your Men's Club.



*Speaking in September:  
Rays' Broadcaster and  
former Major Leaguer  
Orestes Destrade*

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