



November 2022 Newsletter



President's Message

Don't you just love this time of year? Finally cooling off. All kinds of holidays. Family. Food. October was a great month for the MVA. We helped Angels Against Abuse help infants and toddlers who are being placed in the foster system - two tables full of diapers and a check for \$5,000. We heard from Leah and Brea about the Facility Dog Program at Johns Hopkins All Childrens Hospital.



Assisting with walking and therapy



Providing support before, during & after an invasive procedure



Providing support before an MRI

The fall MVA golf scramble was a huge success with 9 teams competing for the glory. At the end of the day, the team of Al Shields, Marty Martinez, Brian Martinez and Mike Kelly (guest - ringer?) ended the day in first place. The Fab 4 (pictured above) came in last but won some golf balls for their efforts.

With Thanksgiving and Christmas right around the corner, we are winding down our social calendar for the year. We will have another outing to the Early Bird Dinner Theater on Friday, November 11. Our November social is scheduled for Wednesday, November 2 at Fat Cat, and our final monthly luncheon is set for Wednesday, November 16 at Banquet Masters. Our gala holiday Christmas party is set for Friday, December 2 at Banquet Masters. We are asking members to bring their favorite holiday appetizer to the party. Live music, lots of fun and prizes, dancing and a special visitor should combine for a memorable evening. Doors open at 4.



MVA Member Calendar



Big news - Monthly Socials are moving...

Mark your calendar for **Wednesday, November 2**. Our beloved social leader, Al Shields, has been on the hunt for the past several months for alternative locations for the monthly social. We tried the American Legion, but they are very expensive and cannot accommodate us during the busy season.

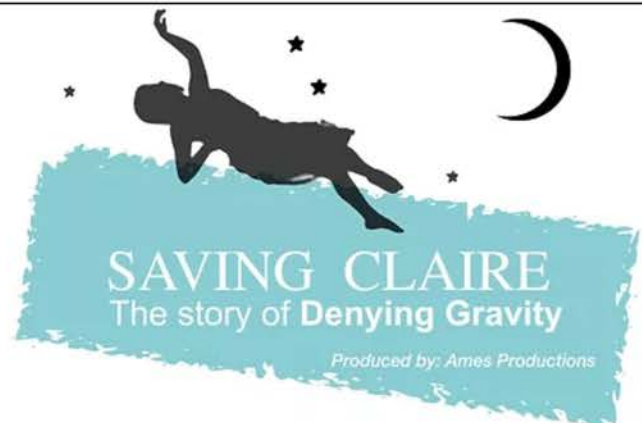
Friday nights were also working against us. Those are very busy nights and it was difficult to find a place that would host us on Friday.

So we settled on the first **Wednesday at Fat Cat's Tavern at 3665 E Bay Dr, Ste 100, Largo, FL 33771**. Gather at 4 on Wednesday, November 2. Fat Cat's is a traditional neighborhood tavern with great food, a full bar and friendly staff.



The November luncheon is the final luncheon of the year, so please plan to attend. This will be a grand Thanksgiving celebration with all the fixin's. Come hungry! As always, we will meet at 11am at Banquet Masters.

Our featured speaker is Ranie Ames who will present "Saving Claire," the story of how Clearwater resident Linda Goldman became a playwright at 70 and wrote "Denying Gravity" – the fall prevention play about a woman, a fall, and the dramatic effect on her life, her family and her friends.



Christmas Party Time!

Friday, December 2 at Banquet Masters - 4-8 pm.

Deck the halls! Please plan to celebrate the holiday season with your MVA peeps. Live music with SoundWavz, a great holiday meal, and a chance to dance the night away! Please bring your favorite holiday appetizer and dress in your best holiday garb.

Prizes and surprises all along the way. This is one party you don't want to miss! Make sure you register:

<https://form.jotform.com/222976253877168>

As always, all the registration forms are available on the minnregs.com website. Feliz Navidad.





MVA Vital Stats



The results are in: The 2023 MVA leadership nomination process is complete and we have a leadership slate for the new year. None of the positions are contested, so we will ask for a show of hands at the November Social and Luncheon to confirm the new leadership.

Here are your MVA leaders for 2023: feel free to reach out to anyone on the list with feedback or ideas.

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Welcome New Members

Martha DiPanfilo
 Pat Seifried
 Doris Kursay
 Cheryl Mc Avoy
 Beverly Whitelay
 Barry Hart
 Sandy & Bill McIntire
 Bart Savino
 Elijah Gilbert
 Cornelius Seay

Recent Deaths

Don Barnhill – 10/6/2022
 John Bailey -10/19/2022)

Documents Available

Official MVA documents are available to any member upon request. Financial statements, Board meeting minutes, and Staff meeting notes are all archived and available back to 2020. Also, any member is welcome to attend any Board or Staff meeting. The schedules are posted on the website calendar. Please make your request for any document to: secretary@minnregs.com



Leah and Brea were the hit of the day at the October luncheon. These two do wonderful things for the children at Johns Hopkins All Childrens Hospital.



MVA in the Community



Big Checks

The holiday season is all about giving and we are in the holiday spirit. At the November luncheon, we will be handing out big donation checks to a number of community agencies. Our charter calls for us to support the local community, so make plans to be there when we help improve many lives in the Tampa Bay area.



We are getting some very good feedback from our member satisfaction survey. If you have not filled one out, please do that so we can provide better services in 2023:
<https://form.jotform.com/222785770390059>

It's that time of year to pay your membership dues for 2023. The \$20 fee is likely one of the best investments you can make. We have built the active member list to over 200 members and we want to continue to add new folks to the organization. If you know someone with whom you worked at HI, please let them know why they should join our merry band. Please fill out the membership application so we can ensure we have the correct contact information:
<https://minnregs.com/membership-application/> You can also handle all this in person at our next social or luncheon.



The **fall MVA golf scramble** is in the books. 9 teams of four golfers competed at Lake Seminole Country Club for bragging rights - and a nice meal after the event.

The team of Al Shields, Marty Martinez, Brian Martinez and guest Mike Kelley placed first and received a \$25 giftcard for their efforts.

James Smith won "Closest to the pin," and Dustin Kean had the longest drive.

These golf scrambles are very popular and provide a great opportunity for fellowship on the links. MVA usually sponsors two scrambles per year - one in the spring and one in the fall. The events are open to all MVA members and their guests.





First Friday Social October 7, 2022



The good times continued to roll right into the holidays. What could be better than good friends, good drink, good prizes and good food. What a joy it is to see and hear the conversations all over the room about the old days at Honeywell and what we are doing now - what doctors we are seeing, what medical procedures we have had or are having...good times!



Marilyn Ruga, Deb Dupper, Pat Keegan



Genevieve Urbanski, Larry Harper



Helen Malzahn, Lorraine Wert



Masako & Larry Shannon



Artie Martin, Debbie Welch



*Terry Miller, Martha Dipanfilo, Gerry Sturm,
Gene Ward*



John Voissem, Gayle Smith



Bea Conner, Deb Dupper



Richard & Helen Malzahn



Betty Held & Carl Baum



Jane & Dennis Willis



Debbie Welch, Scott Weber

First Friday Social October 7, 2022



John & Shirley Bowers



Howard Howe, Shirley Murphy



Margaret & Steve Simmons



Tom & Bea Conner



John Schiffgen



Loni Wellington



Al Parisi



Gloria Whitfield



Bob Lovejoy



Faith Kraemer



Glenn Nicholson



Jo Ketring



For all of life's special blessings!



Monthly Luncheon October 19



Diapers, disguises and dogs, Oh my! The October luncheon was a special event. We got to see a whole bunch of folks dress up in their Halloween costumes; we presented Angels Against Abuse a whole raft of diapers and a check for \$5,000 to support their efforts to care for children entering the foster care system; and we heard a very interesting presentation from Leah from John Hopkins All Childrens Hospital and her therapy dog, Brea. We intend to become sponsors of Leah's program with a cash contribution at the November luncheon.



*Dr. Gloria Hill, Sandra Kearney of
Angels Against Abuse*



*Front: Carol Moyer, Jo Ketting, Jane Willis,
Bea Conner, Loni Wellington
Back: Dennis Willis, Steve Jones, John Schiffgen,
Tom Conner, Al Shields*



*Marilyn Urban, William Martin,
Pat Keegan, Marilyn Ruga*



Leah Frohnerath, Brea, Deb Dupper



Thom Dupper, Shirley Murphy



Shirley & John Bowers



Mary Reffelt, Betty Held, Deb Dupper



Donna Cutting, William Martin, Fred Cutting



Jim Acosta, DC Stevenson



Howard Howe, Shirley Murphy



Jan & Bob Friend



Margaret & Steve Simmons



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Mary Reffelt, Paul Kraemer, Deb Dupper



Leah Frohnerath, Brea, Fred Miller



Fred Miller



Gloria Hill



Mary & Richard Reffelt



Betty Held



Steve Jones



John Voissem, Gayle Smith



Leah Frohnerath, Brea



Dennis & Jane Willis



Mary Reffelt, Deb Dupper





Happy November Birthday from MVA!



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| 11-01 Maxine Hildum | 11-15 Martha DiPanfilo | 11-25 Donna Williams |
| 11-01 Robert Hummel | 11-15 Doris Ledford | 11-26 James Dunn |
| 11-01 Jo Wolfe | 11-15 William Rodriques De Miranda | 11-26 David (Dave) Jones |
| 11-02 Doug Bradley | 11-16 Linda Susens | 11-26 Doris Kursay |
| 11-02 Marian Harding | 11-17 Esther Dabruzzo | 11-26 Elsie McConnell |
| 11-02 Jesse Hiatt | 11-17 Bruce DeFelix | 11-26 Terry Miller |
| 11-02 Mary Samsel | 11-17 Helen Olson | 11-26 Richard Osborn |
| 11-03 Ernie Broderick | 11-18 Anne Burson | 11-26 Cathy Talbot |
| 11-03 Robert Cooper | 11-18 Carolyn McDonald | 11-26 Barbara Tibault |
| 11-03 Robin Lewis | 11-18 Elizabeth Morgan | 11-27 Elaine Davis |
| 11-04 Melinda Anderson | 11-18 Dawn (Katie) Perry | 11-27 Robert Guay |
| 11-04 Janice McCreary | 11-18 Michael (Mike) Petryszak | 11-27 Richard (Dick) Hoffman |
| 11-04 Amy Panabaker | 11-18 William Tiller | 11-27 David Hogue |
| 11-05 Steve Bertrand | 11-19 Cindy Buchanan | 11-27 S. McReynolds |
| 11-05 Eleanor (Lynn) Jacobson | 11-19 Clement Johnson | 11-27 Anne Powers |
| 11-06 Carol Cantlay | 11-19 Van Mills | 11-27 Sara Richardson |
| 11-06 William Edwins | 11-20 David Brooks | 11-27 Rick (Rick) Stanley |
| 11-06 Linda Fair | 11-20 Frances Druyor | 11-28 Corinne Arnold |
| 11-07 Frank Blitzler | 11-20 Claire Fennessy | 11-28 Carol Beazley |
| 11-07 Janet Payne | 11-20 George Gessler | 11-28 Patricia Cleary |
| 11-07 Carol Snipes | 11-20 Penny Janowski | 11-28 Patricia Dunn |
| 11-07 Jean Widmeier | 11-20 John Kelley | 11-28 Agnes Matthews |
| 11-08 Evelyn (Kit) Konak | 11-21 Frederick (Fred) Miller | 11-28 Reinhold Matulenko |
| 11-08 Larry Lofing | 11-21 Thelma Robinson | 11-28 Frances Morden |
| 11-08 Phyllis Weidner | 11-21 Patricia Sallet | 11-28 Richard Reffelt |
| 11-09 Robert Chellberg | 11-21 Lee Williams | 11-29 Ralph Burson |
| 11-10 Lester Boss | 11-21 Cecil (Lee) Willis | 11-29 Wayne Huneke |
| 11-11 Carl Branch | 11-22 Dorothy Ade | 11-29 Robert Mossberg |
| 11-11 Donna Cutting | 11-22 Catherine Jensen | 11-29 Jerome Roth |
| 11-11 Jeanette Fossett | 11-22 Erin Kruck | 11-29 Pamela Shively |
| 11-11 Gary Longfellow | 11-22 Joan Kunz | 11-30 Amelia Bradley |
| 11-11 Richard Matthews | 11-22 Naomi Schultz | 11-30 Kristi Brendla |
| 11-11 Bernard Reilly | 11-23 Walter Crosmer | 11-30 Cindy Briest |
| 11-11 Adrienne (Dede) Van Hooser | 11-23 Paula Gray | 11-30 Frank Crump |
| 11-12 Lawrence Daly | 11-23 Helen Prince | 11-30 Mark Loggins |
| 11-12 Jeanette Pozniak | 11-23 Jane Roller | 11-30 Donald Mclendon |
| 11-12 James (Jim) Sparks | 11-23 James Wisler | 11-30 Albert Sigman |
| 11-13 Robyn Cox | 11-24 Juanita Boothroyd | |
| 11-13 Gary Dahlvik | 11-24 William Dougherty | |
| 11-13 David Dibble | 11-24 Frank Kurhayez | |
| 11-13 Marilyn Myers | 11-24 Neil Lafavor | |
| 11-13 Judith Trump | 11-24 Gerhard Mueller | |
| 11-14 Clara Hess | 11-24 Debora (Deb) Perry | |
| 11-14 Mary Palmer | 11-24 Alberta Rozell | |
| 11-14 David Rozell | 11-24 Ansel Shircliffe | |
| 11-14 Frederick Van Swearingen | 11-24 Ann Thompson | |
| 11-15 Marilyn Bull | 11-24 Barbara Willms | |