



ALWAYS WELCOME TO COME BY THE OFFICE



## **SHELL POINTE MHC**

STELLA LEGGETT MANAGER



**OFFICE HOURS**  
M-W-F 9 AM TO 1 PM  
ALWAYS AVAILABLE FOR  
EMERGENCIES



### **OFFICE CLOSED**

All Day 12/23 through 12/26 and

All Day 12/30 through 1/2/2017



### **Where did the "X" in "Xmas" come from?**

Contrary to what many people think, the "X" is not a way to get away from associating "Christ" with Christmas.

Its origin is religious in nature. The Greek word that gives us the English word "Christ" started with the letter "chi" or "X". The early Christians who spoke Greek used the word to signify "Christ's Mass."

**GREAT TO HAVE  
OUR SNOWBIRDS BACK!!!!**

**CHECK YOUR MAILBOXES IN  
THE CLUBHOUSE FOR THE  
DECEMBER CALENDAR OF  
PARK EVENTS**



### **PLEASE**

**REMEMBER  
NO  
FIREWORKS IN THE PARK  
EVER  
JUST TOO DANGEROUS  
AROUND OUR OLDER UNITS!!**

**FIVE REASONS TO LIST YOUR HOME WITH PARK PLACE HOUSING**

1. **We know your community** . . . your Community Manager is the Park Place Housing Sales Consultant – and is very familiar with your community. Your Community Manager lives in your community and can talk about it as a resident, a manager and a salesperson!
2. **We know the market** . . . Park Place Housing sells homes throughout the West Coast of Florida. We know what homes are selling for and what buyers are willing to pay.
3. **We know home sales** . . . we are in the business of selling homes – it’s an art and a science and we’re good at both! We know how to capture a serious buyer’s interest and how to turn a “looker” into a buyer.
4. **We know people** . . . we know how to talk with “lookers” and serious buyers – and, we know how to tell the difference. We’re skilled in pointing out the features of the homes we sell as well as the benefits of the communities in which they’re located. We know how to find out what buyers are looking for and match them to the home that meets their needs and wants!
5. **We advertise** . . . we feature homes for sale on our web site, in newspaper ads



Happy Holidays!

[www.visittampabay.com/tamp-a-events/holidays/](http://www.visittampabay.com/tamp-a-events/holidays/)

**Winter Village**

11/18-12/24

Curtis Hixon Waterfront Park

**Christmas Town**

11/25-12/31

Busch Gardens

**Christmas in the Wild**

11/25 and 11/26

Lowry Park Zoo)

**Alafia Lighted Boat Parade**

12/3/16

5:00 p.m. at the Williams Park Boat Ramp  
9425 Hwy 41, Riverview



**Peaceful Holiday Thoughts**

*I define joy as a sustained sense of well-being and internal peace, a connection to what matters.* - Oprah Winfrey

*Peace begins with a smile.* - Mother Teresa

*If you cannot find peace with yourself, you will never find it anywhere else.* - Marvin Gaye

**Pearl Harbor Day – December 7<sup>th</sup>**



December 7<sup>th</sup> is designated at **Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day**. It’s a day to commemorate more than 2,000 U.S. citizens who were killed and more than 1,000 who were wounded when the Imperial Japanese Navy and Air Force attacked U.S. armed forces stationed at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. This attack caused the United States to enter into World War II



## FRENCH TOAST LOAF



### INGREDIENTS

- 1 cup (1/2 pint) half-and-half
- 4 eggs
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 4 cups bread cubes (see Tips)

### INSTRUCTIONS

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Coat a 9- by 5- inch loaf pan with cooking spray.
- In a large bowl, combine all ingredients except bread cubes; mix well. Stir in bread cubes and allow to sit for 10 minutes, or until all the liquid has been absorbed.
- Spoon mixture into loaf pan and bake 55 to 60 minutes, or until golden. Remove loaf from pan, slice, and serve.
- Serve with maple syrup

## ABOUT NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS



People are so worried about what they eat between Christmas and the New Year, but they really should be worried about what they eat

between the New Year and Christmas.

~Author Unknown

May all your troubles last as long as your New Year's resolutions.

~Joey Adams

December 22<sup>nd</sup> marks the beginning of winter and the shortest day of the year!

But, to quote a Florida resident:  
*“All we need to know about winter is... it doesn't snow here!”*

### Stay safe for the holidays



#### At Home:

- ✓ Be extra cautious about locking windows and doors when you leave the house.
- ✓ Don't display gifts where they can be seen from a window or doorway.
- ✓ If you go away for any length of time, set an automatic timer for your lights. Have a neighbor watch your house, pick up the mail and newspapers.

#### In The Neighborhood

- ✓ Be extra alert – pay attention to who comes and goes.
- ✓ Volunteer to watch neighbor's homes if they go away and pick up their mail and newspapers.

#### Shopping

- ✓ Pay attention to your surroundings and the people around you. If you see people loitering in parking lots or garages, go the other way.
- ✓ Never park in an unlit lot, no matter how convenient it is.
- ✓ Close your windows and lock the car when you get out. Lock packages in the trunk.
- ✓ Avoid carrying large amounts of cash – use credit cards or checks when possible. But don't carry too many credit cards and make sure you have all the card numbers written down at home.
- ✓ Be careful with your wallet and purse. Keep them where you can see them.

## December 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>It is said if you wear Turquoise – the December birthstone – you'll never be poor!</p> <p><b>CHRISTMAS MEAL ON CHRISTMAS DAY 2 PM</b></p>				<p>1 EUCHRE CARD GAME 7 PM</p>	<p>2 GAMES 7 PM</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>4 National Cookie Day</p> 	<p>5 <b>BINGO</b> 7 PM</p>	<p>6 COFFEE AND DONUTS 8:30 AM</p>	<p>7 HOT DOGS 11:30 AM</p> <p>31 CARDS 7 PM</p> <p>Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day</p>	<p>8 SOUP AND SANDWICH 12 NOON</p> <p>EUCHRE CARD GAME 7 PM</p>	<p>9 GAMES 7 PM</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>11</p>	<p>12 BINGO 7 PM</p>	<p>13 COFFEE AND DONUTS 8:30 AM</p>	<p>14 SHUFFLE BOARD 1 PM</p> <p>31 CARDS 7 PM</p>	<p>15 EUCHRE CARDS 7 PM</p>	<p>16 GAMES 7 PM</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18</p>	<p>19 BINGO 7 PM</p>	<p>20 COFFEE AND DONUTS 8:30 AM</p>	<p>21</p> <p>SHUFFLE BOARD 1 PM</p> <p>31 CARDS 7 PM</p>	<p>22</p> <p>BREAKFAST 9 AM</p> <p>EUCHRE 7PM</p> <p>First Day of Winter</p>	<p>23 <b>GAMES</b> 7 PM</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>25 CHRISTMAS DINNER 2 PM</p> 	<p>26 <b>Office Closed</b></p> <p><b>BINGO</b> 7 PM</p>	<p>27 COFFEE AND DONUTS 8:30 AM</p> <p>SOCIAL CLUB MEETING AFTER</p>	<p>28 HOT DOGS 11:30 AM</p> <p>SHUFFLEBOARD 1 PM</p> <p>31 CARDS 7 PM</p>	<p>29 EUCHRE CARDS 7 PM</p>	<p>30 GAMES 7 PM</p> 	<p>31</p>