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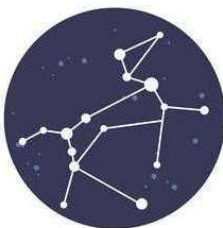
Dog Days of Summer

~ Sharron Porter ~

When the air feels heavy, the sidewalks simmer, and even the shade seems warm, people often say we are in the "dog days of summer." This phrase brings to mind slow afternoons, iced drinks, humming air conditioners, and pets stretched out in the shade. However, the expression is much older—and more interesting—than a simple description of hot weather. The "dog days" do not originally refer to dogs panting in the heat. The name comes from Sirius, the brightest star in Earth's night sky, also known as the Dog Star which is part of the constellation Canis Major, meaning "Greater Dog." Ancient skywatchers noticed that Sirius appeared near the sun during the hottest part of the year, and many believed the star added its own heat to the sun's power.

In ancient Rome, this season was known as "*dies caniculares*" or "days of the dog star." Over time, the phrase moved into English as "dog days," carrying with it a mix of astronomy, folklore, and seasonal observation. Today, the traditional dates of the "dog days" are July 3 through August 11. July and August feel like a stretch of summer with lots of heat, high humidity, and lazy afternoons. Lawns look tired and people seek shade, cold drinks, pools, and any place with a breeze or AC. The season has a rhythm of its own: early errands, midday quiet, and evenings that seem to glow long after sunset.

So the next time someone sighs and says, "These are the dog days of summer," remember the phrase carries thousands of years of human observation. It connects backyard thermometers to ancient constellations, daily discomfort to old stories, and the hottest weeks of summer to a bright star once believed to set the whole season blazing.



CANIS MAJOR



***On the
Breezeway
Returns!***

**at the Largo Golf Course
Friday ~ August 21, 2026
6:00 – 9:00 PM**

**Live Music by *The Smartest Monkeys*
Food Truck: 313 Tacos & Tamales**



**Mark Your Calendar
for the 2026-27 Season
Date, Music, and Food Truck**

09/18 ~ Band TBA ~ *Divinos Tacos*
10/16 ~ Carolyn Street ~ *The Barbacoa Boyz*
11/20 ~ The Guilty Pleasure ~ *Two Grandma's Soul Food*
12/18 ~ The Guilty Pleasure ~ *Wich Press Food Truck*
01/15 ~ The Guilty Pleasure ~ *Divinos Tacos*
02/19 ~ The Guilty Pleasure ~ *The Barbacoa Boyz*
03/19 ~ Band TBA ~ *Lithuanian Food and More*
04/16 ~ The Guilty Pleasure ~ *Wich Press Food Truck*





There are a few projects happening at the Villas de Golf! The Tennis/Pickleball Court is getting the last-minute attention and hopefully will be completed and ready for players within the next month. In the meantime, our stairwells are getting some attention, making them look brand new and safer for all of us!

Here are a just a few pictures. I believe when you see it in person, you will be impressed!



Maintenance Request?

Stairs are getting done, but if you have other maintenance requests, please report problems and concerns via the reporting system. Make sure all information is complete.



If there is an immediate problem, call a Board Member.

Otherwise fill out the form on the Villas de Golf website.

1. Go to www.villasdegolf.net
2. Click on "MAINTENANCE REQUEST"

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Ladies Luncheon

Friday

August 21, 2026

12:30 p.m.

TJ's Italian Café

155 Gulf Blvd

Indian Rocks Beach

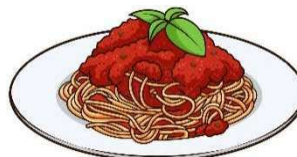


They prefer Cash for large groups.

You can find the menu here:

<https://tjsitaliancafe.com/>

Sign up at the clubhouse!





NEARBY AUGUST EVENTS

Here are a few other nearby events that might interest you. Know about other events or activities? Please feel free to post in our Villas de Golf Members Only Facebook page!

Line Dancing at the Largo Community Center ~ August 7 from 6:00 – 8:00 PM: Enjoy your favorite hits and line dance the night away! No instruction will be given. First Friday of each month. All levels welcome! Cost is \$5.00.

Rock the Rocks is still Rockin' ~ August 8 ~ Indian Rocks Beach Crabby Bills! Live music from 12:00 Noon until 10:00 PM. Music is Free and there is food and drinks available for purchase. There are several local vendors with freebies during the earlier hours.

Ice Cream Social & Games at the Largo Community Center ~ August 13 from 12:30-2:30 PM. This event is for Adults and Seniors. The cost is \$3.00. Bring your friends and your competitive spirit!

Central Park Performing Arts Center ~ August 15 ~ 6:30-9:30 PM at the Tonne Playhouse at 105 Central Park Drive: Regional Tampa Bay jazz artists and a silent auction. Free stadium seating or purchase a table. Go to www.clearwaterjazz.com to reserve your seat.

Largo Evening Market ~ August 22 ~ 5:00 until 9:00 PM at Ulmer Park located at 301 W Bay Drive. The August theme is HIPPIE Theme Market. Dress up and participate in the Hippie Contest at 8:00 PM. There are food trucks, artisans, and local vendors. Also, there is live entertainment.

Largo Community Center Friday FREE Matinee will resume in September. Check them out for various events and activities!!!!!!

Seminole City Center Concert Series ~ No Music in August, but it will return September 4.



Your Editor..... Lost in Paradise

I apologize. There is not much news in these lazy "dog days" of summer.....or maybe, I am just too lazy to find the news. In addition to just being hot and lazy, I've had lots going on in Kentucky and with my mother's condo renovation. I procrastinate. I'm guilty. I'm getting laid back into retirement. I would like people to just send me things that I can copy and paste into a text box and format it. Maybe I need to discover A.I.

I've also been daydreaming about traveling while seeing all our members' posts about their adventures this summer. Alaska seems fun. Minnesota looks hotter than Florida. Haven't heard too much from Wisconsin. I'm sure with the most recent newbies, we will hear more about Kentucky's bluegrass bathing as the website suggests. I have been to a lot of places, but I have never been in Cahoots. Apparently, you can't go alone. You have to be in Cahoots with someone. I've also never been in Cognito, either. I hear no one recognizes you there. I have, however, been in Sane. They don't have an airport; you have to be driven there. I have made several trips there, thanks to my friends and family. I would like to go to Conclusions, but you have to jump and I don't want to break any bones. Hopefully, more will be reported in September!

The Villa de Golf News is published monthly. Sharron Porter is editor and publisher with board approval. Any information or articles for publication should be sent by the 25th of the month to swesleyporter@gmail.com, please.

"Building Captains"

Your Building Captains are our anchors! They are our upline for any questions you may have that are not maintenance related. You can find their contact information in the Villas de Golf Directory.

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August 2026



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				Watch the Facebook Members Only page and your email for the return of Bingo!!		1 Water Exercise 10:00
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				*LCC is Largo Community Center located at 400 Alt Keene Road		