

BSDA Meeting Reminder: Tuesday, November 18th



BONITA SPRINGS DOWNTOWN ALLIANCE NEWSLETTER

DOWNTOWN TALK

President's Message – November Reminder 2025

I have a big ask for you all... on Veterans Day our city was challenged by Ft Myers Beach to see who could collect the most Christmas/Holiday Cards for our deployed troops. Each year a local organization puts on "Ten Thousand for the Troops", and collects cards to send overseas with messages of appreciation inside. Please help us out by getting cards and writing a warm message inside. Then bring them to me, and I will bundle the cards and send them off.

The cards can't have any glitter, personal information, or photos on or in them. You may put your first name and the name of the city if you like. Don't seal them in the envelope, because they all get vetted before they are sent.

We have set up **collection points at: Beach Storage, Bonita Storage Inn, Heaven Scent Florist, For Heavens Shakes, Historical Society's McSwain House, Rooftop at Riverside, Sugarshack Downtown, Bonita City Hall and The Recreation Center.** We know that the other cities are going for 5,000 cards, so I'm hoping we can far surpass that!

If you have any ideas to help, please reach out to me! Any businesses that get their employees involved and collects a large number of cards I will make a list of you, so I can thank everyone when on the radio. I expect them to have me on air periodically to give updates on our progress.



I need all the cards by December 5th, so I can turn them in on the 6th. I will take the bundles of cards as we get them, so we don't overwhelm the system on the deadline. Thank

you in advance, because this is a huge undertaking! I appreciate all your help.

Don't forget that due to Thanksgiving our meeting this month is a week early. It will be on November 18th. We treat this meeting more like a holiday party to mix, mingle and enjoy the food and drinks. Thank you, Rob Wilde, for sponsoring and providing the music. **We will be collecting new unwrapped toys, and non-perishable foods for donation.** So, come out and unwind with us for an hour before we all get lost in the "Holidaze" and the busy season.

REMINDER: This is our last meeting of the year!

Thank you all for supporting our Alliance!

**Tuesday, November 18th, is This Month's
BSDA Meeting at
Shangri-La Springs at 5:30 p.m.**

Annual Grateful & Thankful Evening

We are collecting new and unwrapped toys and non-perishable food items to donate to local charities. Please bring an item to donate!

**Please RSVP for BSDA Meeting's
Contact: lee@shangrilasprings.com**

The Southwest Florida Mini-Tour

March 13 – March 17, 2026

Featuring



&



Them-Uke Boys

"Uke 66" Arrive from Springfield, Missouri. Awarded First Place in "Best Original Song" at the International "Ukulele Contest"



Ukes at the Symphony 2026

March 13 @ 6:30 PM
Sarasota Ukulele Fest
at Sarasota Orchestra
Holley Hall
709 N Tamiami Trail
TICKETS:
AlohaUkulele.simpletix.com



March 14 @ 6:30 PM
Naples Hugs Ukulele
Fest & Concert
Baker Senior Center Naples
6200 Autumn Oaks Lane
TICKETS:
Hugsukeconcert.simpletix.com



March 15 @ 4:00 PM
TBUS Ukulele Fest
Downtown Clearwater
Coachman Park
FREE TICKETS:
TBUSUkufest.simpletix.com
Must register and have tickets for reserved seating. Open seating for beach chairs.

March 16 @ 6-9 PM
Pete and Shorty's
Get Ready for
St. Patrick's Day
2820 Gulf to Bay Blvd,
Clearwater
Free Concert 6-9 PM
Bring your instruments!

**March 17
6 PM and 8:15 PM**
Ft. Myers
Erin Go Uke Fest
Alliance for the Arts
10091 McGregor Blvd
TICKETS:
Artinlee.org



Thank You, Rob Wilde, Founder of the Ukulele Fest, for Sponsoring and Speaking at This Month's Meeting

[Click to Learn More About Ukulele Fest 2026](#)

Come Explore All That Downtown Has to Offer This Month

Annual Rotary Club Poinsettia Sale

The Rotary Club of Bonita Springs

Orders due by November 20



Rotary



Scan the QR code to place and pay for your order or follow the link below

<https://bonitaspringsrotary.org/>

CHOOSE FROM THESE 8" COLORS:



RED



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Quantity Ordered: Amount: Total:

8" Plants \$22 ea # _____ \$ _____

All Orders Must Be Paid at Time of Order

Rotary Member Taking Order: _____

Customer Name: _____

EMAIL: _____

CHECK # (IF APPLICABLE): _____



POINSETTIAS CAN BE PICKED UP ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH AT:

**10450 Ragsdale Street
Bonita Springs, FL 34135**

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL
Dave Shellenbarger 248-891-9365 or dave.shellenbarger@gmail.com

★★★ SINCE 1989 ★★

November 28 - until sold out!

Christmas Tree ~ AND ~ Poinsettia Sale



TREE TENT HOURS

MON-FRI 4-7:30pm • SAT & SUN 10am - 7:30pm

ALL PROCEEDS SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY

Toy Drive!



Support the children of Bonita Springs

Elementary and Spring Creek
Elementary Schools by donating an unwrapped toy
for children ages 5-12. Drop off at the Rotary Christmas Tree Tent.

PLUS, A SPECIAL CHRISTMAS EVENT ON FRIDAY, DEC. 5TH FROM 5-7PM!

Santa arrives at 6 pm on a Bonita Springs Fire Truck!

Carols will be sung by Spring Creek and Bonita Springs Elementary School Students,
and there will be a bake sale to support our community!

Rotary
Club of Bonita Springs



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New Location
Downtown
Bonita Springs

10450 Ragsdale Street

(Off Old 41, behind For Heaven Shakes Ice Cream)

Premium Fraser and Noble Firs
from 5' to 10' tall!

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Click Here to Explore The Rotary Club of Bonita Springs



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NOVEMBER

EVENTS & ENTERTAINMENT



01 DJ AXEL LATIN NIGHT
9PM - 12AM

07 EVEN KEEL BAND
6PM - 9PM

12 DJ JASON PAUL
6PM - 9PM

15 PHENOMENAL ANIMAL
6PM - 9PM

19 DJ JASON PAUL
6PM - 9PM

22 DJ AXEL LATIN NIGHT
9PM - 12AM

29 PHENOMENAL ANIMAL
6PM - 9PM

02 GABRIEL KEY
5PM - 8PM

08 FLORA
6PM - 9PM

13 ROSS BROWN
5PM - 7PM

15 DJ AXEL LATIN NIGHT
9PM - 12AM

20 ROSS BROWN
5PM - 7PM

23 JOEL FRY BAND
5PM - 8PM

23 DJ AXEL LATIN NIGHT
9PM - 12AM

05 DJ JASON PAUL
6PM - 9PM

08 DJ AXEL LATIN NIGHT
6PM - 9PM

14 THE GROOVE TRAIN
6PM - 9PM

16 AUSTIN JAMES
5PM - 8PM

22 RELENTLESS FIRE
8PM - 9PM

26 DJ JASON PAUL
6PM - 9PM

30 JOEL FRY BAND
5PM - 8PM

8 TWISTED BINGO
WEDNESDAYS AT 7PM

TRIVIA NIGHT
THURSDAYS AT 7PM

COUNTRY SUNDAYS
SUNDAYS AT 5PM

[Click Here to Explore Rooftop at Riverside](#)

November

LIVE MUSIC LINEUP
SEVEN DAYS A WEEK

MONDAY - FRIDAY AT 7PM // WEEKENDS AT 1PM & 7PM

NOV 1 RED HANNAH 1PM WITH TWO
NOV 1 PURE COUNTRY 7PM
NOV 2 NICK HAMILTON 1PM
NOV 2 SPROUT WITH DUSTIN SMITH 7PM WITH DUSTIN SMITH
NOV 3 MATTY JOLLIE 7PM
NOV 4 HUNTER McDANIEL 7PM
NOV 5 TELEPHONE TAG 7PM
NOV 6 CHASING DENVER 7PM
NOV 7 DALTON AND THE SHERIFFS 7PM
NOV 8 THE LINEUP BAND 1PM
NOV 8 PHENOMENAL ANIMAL 7PM
NOV 9 RUSTIN JAMES 1PM
NOV 9 ETHAN TUCKER 7PM
NOV 10 MOOT BOOXLE 7PM
NOV 11 ERIC WHITENER 7PM WITH DAY
NOV 12 BRANDON SANTINI 7PM
NOV 13 THE YOUNG FABLES 7PM
NOV 14 SANTANA TRIBUTE WITH GENE 7PM
NOV 15 YARN DUO 1PM
NOV 15 JOHN SALLAWAY AND THE 7PM

NOV 16 RUSTY WRIGHT DUO 1PM
NOV 16 JOEY HARKUM 7PM
NOV 17 ANDY MO 7PM
NOV 18 SARA LENGEL 7PM
NOV 19 MATT WALDEN 7PM
NOV 20 BEEBS W/ KAT HALL 7PM
NOV 21 THE DENNIS JONES BAND 7PM
NOV 22 WEST WAVE 1PM
NOV 22 MOONSTONE RIDERS 7PM
NOV 23 BACK COUNTRY BOYS 1PM
NOV 23 NOSTALJAH 7PM
NOV 24 SWEENDOG 7PM
NOV 25 SARA HADEKA DUO 7PM
NOV 26 S.L.G. 7PM
NOV 27 HAPPY THANKSGIVING!
NOV 28 JP SOARS 7PM
NOV 29 THE OUTSIDERZ 1PM
NOV 29 ROCK REPUBLIC WITH DAY 7PM
NOV 30 THE LINEUP BAND 1PM
NOV 30 THE A'FINNITY BAND 7PM

*NATIONALLY TOURING ACTS & SPECIAL EVENTS!

BONITA SPRINGS
SUGARSHACK
Downtown

[Click Here to Explore Sugarshack Downtown](#)

The City of Bonita Springs Presents An Old Fashioned



Holiday in the Park

FREE EVENT!

& Annual Tree Lighting

Tuesday December 2nd
Riverside Park, Bonita Springs

4:30-8:30 pm

Enjoy the sounds of the season!
Showcasing some of the best musical
talent in the area.

* with snow flurries in the park!
And a visit from Santa & Mrs. Claus!

Please leave pets & coolers at home
Bring your lawn chairs or blankets



Artist Cottages and Historical Society will be open!

[Click Here to Explore the City of Bonita Spring's Holiday Events](#)

PARROTS, GATORS, OTTERS OH MY!

A Wild and Wonderful Weekend in Bonita Springs!



[Click Here to Explore The Wonder Gardens](#)

Do You Have an Upcoming Event?

We invite BSDA members to send us an email with the event details and/or a graphic **by the 15th of each month** to be featured in the next month's email.

If you need design help TLC would be happy to assist for a small fee.

The deadline to submit your December events for the newsletter is
Wednesday, November 15th, 2025 at 4 p.m.

Please email emma@trishleonard.com with your event information or any questions you may have regarding the newsletter.

Don't Fall Behind: Submit your Invoice Today!
All membership invoices were sent out by mail, and are due November 30th.

Membership:

BSDA is a community-driven organization that brings together businesses, non-profits, and local residents dedicated to the growth, promotion, and preservation of Old Downtown Bonita Springs, maintaining its unique old Florida charm.

Bonita Springs Downtown Alliance Inc. is organized exclusively as a business league. We are a Florida nonprofit corporation and IRS 501(c)6 organization with Federal tax FEIN ID #81-1385933.

The annual Membership period is from September 30th - October 1st
JOIN OR RENEW AT: <https://bonitadowntownalliance.com/membership/>



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