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Fun Club

Hello to all Lake Bonnet Village residents, welcome back to our seasonal residents and a special welcome to our new residents. This will be a unique season as we are down to one clubhouse and Linda Haven with Joanne Hodges' assistance have worked very hard to find accommodations for the events on our calendar. This was no easy task. And there will be compromises throughout the season. Please be understanding with the building progress and the adjustments necessary to continue all the various activities we have happening in our normal season.

We hope everyone is excited and ready for a fun winter season. We encourage everyone's participation. There is ALWAYS a need for volunteers. Don't be shy, there are sign-up sheets posted in the Community Hall for all scheduled events. The sign-up sheets were created to help people identify the events. In creating sign-up sheets, the hope was the involvement was seen as a **group** effort and the **group** would identify the 'point person', and the theme or direction of the event. This would hopefully lessen the feeling of 'I can't do that', when seen as a group process. The success of our functions depends solely on the participation of volunteers.

Due a lack of volunteer participation and the impact of Irma, we will cancel the 2017 Craft fair that was scheduled for November. It will be revisited for the 2018 calendar.

Currently we need volunteers to decorate the village for Christmas; this is scheduled to

begin on November 27th. In addition we need volunteers for the annual tree lighting and Christmas party. Please talk to your friends and neighbors to participate and volunteer.
Jeff Centers, President, LBV Fun Club

Board of Directors Report

Welcome back Northerners to your Southern home. Permanent residents of LBV and Survivors of Irma, THANK YOU for holding down the fort.

Linda Haven and Abe Westbrook have been extremely busy on our behalf this past summer. **Notable achievements:** Adjusted plot map, dealing with Highlands County waste requirements, meeting bank loan demands, communicating with SW Florida Water Management district, meetings with our building contractor, communications with our attorney, meeting with the project engineer, working to gain back the share at 2988 Lake Drive, breaking in a new grass mowing company, plus the day to day responsibilities. WOW! Kudos to Abe and Linda!

Can we ever show enough **gratitude** for the many volunteers who fought back against the ravages of IRMA? There was great valor shown by our residents. Many people left their homes outside of LBV arriving here many days prior to their usual arrival date. Some drove 1600 miles one way to aid their neighbors and bring relief. Many people donated supplies and money as well as their labors. This reflects on values and unselfish commitments of our own. Best of all no one was injured. Thank you to all.

The **first Board meeting** will be November 20, 2017 at 9:00 AM in the Community Hall. The agenda contains: reports, mowing of lawns east of Driftwood, the share at 2988 Lake Drive, approving expenses' during the summer, following adjournment there will be discussion of the new shelter/clubhouse. Remember to mark your calendars. See you there – free coffee/tea.

Last year's accomplishments in the park were: audit for 2016, phase II on water drainage, RV lots improved, pool heater-cooler fixed, docks repaired, sale of property at 2812 E. Cedarwood, park plot map revision, storage rearranged, sewer repairs, shuffle court surface, 18 real estate transfers, mortgage paid with celebration, park appraisal, vote to allow the BOD to seek a loan for a clubhouse replacement and new lot rent-sale signage.

Plot Map—Changes to Prospectus. . . You will be receiving a mailing that need to be inserted into you prospectus. The plot map has changed and we have 344 lots/shares. The original plot map showed 343 lots/shares but the descriptions stated 347.

Space allocations—During this time of construction, the library will be unavailable. It is important that during this time everyone be respectful of others' space needs. You need to request space by calling Linda Haven at (319) 385-7010 or (863) 873-6064. We are working on space for the parties that were held on NYE in the West Clubhouse.

Friendly reminder: due to Irma and the anticipated amount of time to repair LBV, the BOD is asking you to keep your complaints to a minimum. Please write up your concerns, sign your name and date it. We will then discuss your complaint, reach a decision and get back to you.

State Flags—After two years of flying our state flags, several needed to be replaced. Please stop at the office and give $10.00 for your new state flag.

FYI-- The bank that you make your monthly rent/maintenance fees to has changed its name. Stonegate Bank has changed to Centennial Bank and Harbor Community Bank will be changing to Center State Bank.

January Board Election---January 18, 2018 will be the Annual Shareholders meeting. At that time we will elect three board members. Larry Cable, Joanne Hodges and Jerry Winters term are completed. The first mailing will be sent out on 11/22/2017 and if you want to run for the board, you will need to have your resume turned into the office by 12/15/2017 at 3:00 PM.

Byron Townsend, President, Lake Bonnet Village Co-Op, Inc.

Celebration of Life

Please attend the celebration of life for Nancy Marr, who passed away in September. It will be held on November 18th at Bethany Baptist Church, 798 County Road 17A, Avon Park at 1:30 PM. *Gary Marr*

Meet and Greet

Mark your calendar for the LBV's Annual Meet and Greet, Monday, January 15, 2018, 12-2 PM in the Community Hall. The theme is "Building Friendships at Lake Bonnet Village" in recognition of the construction of our clubhouse and the rebuilding our residents have been doing together as a TEAM since Hurricane Irma came our way. Please sign up on the posted notice on the Community Hall bulletin board.

The 2nd planning meeting is scheduled for January 2, 2018 at 10:30 AM in the Community Hall. Please bring your donated door prizes. If you are unable to attend, please contact Peggy Rowe at 740- 547-6629 or nutmeged@zoominternet.net. Contact Peggy if you have suggestions or need to be updated on plans for this event and/or wish to be involved.

Volunteer Opportunities

With the 'retirement' of Eileen Borndal and Helen Walden, we are seeking volunteers to coordinate the Garage and Bake Sale. It is scheduled for January 20, 2018 8-1100 AM. It is open to the public and is one of our very important money making projects. Without our money making events many of the fun activities we participate in at LBV could not be held. *Teresa Riddle, 1st Vice President, Fun Club*

Birthday Celebration

Come join Doris Tarantolo in celebrating 100 years of life. The open house party will be in the Community Hall on November 4, 2017 from 2-4 PM. No gifts please but cards are welcome.

Bingo, Bingo, Bingo

Begins Monday, November 6th at 7 PM in the Community Hall. We will use the same system as last year. Prize money depends on how many play. Cost is $4.00 for 16 games. We are looking for callers. Contact *Ron Medema* at 269-369-9555.

FYI for 'Best of the Rest' Dinner

The Best of the Rest Dinner is scheduled for Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at 5 PM. It is a potluck and is for everyone in LBV who is not a resident of Indiana, Michigan, or Ohio. Though you may have moved to Florida and declared residency here, we encourage you to attend either gathering (your prior home state or Best of the Rest representing Florida). For door prizes, *each* person attending is requested to bring an article from your home state that is MADE in your HOME STATE. If you buy it say, in Kentucky, yet it is made in China it IS NOT made in your home state. If you are a Floridian and attend, please bring something made in Florida. It is interesting to see all the things made in different states, so be creative. *Teresa Riddle*, 1st *Vice President, Fun Club*

Day Trip to Kennedy Space Center

Bus Trip scheduled for February 22, 2018 at $129 per person. Sign-up sheet on the Community hall bulletin Board. *Teresa Riddle*, 1st *Vice President, Fun Club*

Irma Fund

LBV people are very generous people. An Irma Fund was set up for anyone who wished to contribute to help with the needs of LBV during and after the storm. As of 10/24/17, a total of $6355.00 was donated. Picnic tables were purchased to replace the many wooden tables destroyed in the storm. The bill was split with the Beautification group. 20 Lifetime tables were purchased with $2000. A few things are being considered for the remaining funds. As soon as that is decided I will let you know. I want to thank each and every one of you who so generously gave to repair our treasured piece of paradise. *Marie Quick*

Burger Nights

Burgers for purchase will begin on November 9th and November 30th at 4:30 PM.

Church Services

Church services will begin November 5th at 9 AM. Choir services will begin later in the season.

All activities listed will take place in the Community Hall:

PLEASE check with your chair or contact person as to the starting date. What is on the calendar is what the editor knows at this time.

Monday: Bible Study 9-1100 AM

Bingo 7 PM

Tuesday: Coffee and Donuts 8:00 AM

Crafts 10:30-12:30 PM

Card Bingo 6:30 PM

Wednesday: Bible Study 9-10:30 AM

'65' 12:30 PM

Euchre 6:30 PM

Thursday: Hands of Love 9-12 PM

Pokeno 12:30 PM

Bingo 7PM

Friday: Dauber Bingo 6:30 PM

Choir Practice 9-10 AM (date to start will be announced)

Dominoes will be played in the *exercise room* at 6:30 PM , M, W, Th and F.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4 **Pancake Brkfst 730-9am** Birthday Party for Doris Tarantolo 2-4pm
5 **Weekly Church Services Begins today 9am**	6 Bingo 7pm	7 **Coffee & Donuts** 8am—Spkr: Saf-Kleen Card Bingo 6:30pm	8	9 **Beautification Burgers 430pm/CH** Bingo 7pm	10	11 **Biscuits&Gravy 730-9am**
12 **Ice Cream Social** 3-4pm/CH LBV Ringers $2.50	13 **Exec Fun Club mtg** 11/WCH Bingo 7pm	14 **Coffee & Donuts** 8am **Fun Club mtg** 830am/CH **Potluck** 5pm Card Bingo 6:30pm	15	16 Bingo 7pm	17	18 Celebration of Life For Nancy Marr 1:30pm at Bethany Baptist Church, Lake Wales
19	20 **BOD meeting 9:00am CH/Shareholders Welcome** **Free coffee/tea** Bingo 7pm	21 **Coffee & Donuts** 8am Card Bingo 6:30pm	22	23 **Thanksgiving dinner** 1pm, bring a dish to pass, plate and utensils Bingo 7pm	24	25 **French Toast Brkfst 7:30-9am**
26	27 Bingo 7pm **Christmas decorating begins**	28 **Coffee & Donuts** 8am Card Bingo 6:30pm	29	30 **Beautification Burgers 430pm/CH** Bingo 7pm		