



## CHATTER

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### Fun Club Chatter

Hello Lake Bonnet Village residents. I hope this was the year you stepped out of your comfort zone as I did mine. I hope you decided to help with one of our many fun club activities that were so successful this year. I would like to extend my thanks to those volunteers who participated and gave it their all. Remember it take a community to make the fun club successful; and we have some truly amazing people who give of themselves to ensure our activities continue to flourish.

Our garage sale was a huge success; special thanks to Linda Cohn and the sales lady of the year Peggy Rowe and crew for bringing in over \$1200. Thank you also to all those who donated the many quality items to be sold for Fun Club profit. Our casino night did great as well. Thank you to the 'behind the scenes' help, the decorators, those who donated prizes and gift cards, those who worked the games and made sandwiches and sweets to sell. We cleared \$820. Special thanks to Olive Garden, Senor Jalapeno, Bob Evans, Watering Hole and Hibachi Buffet for donating and matching gift cards. Please be sure to frequent our sponsors and let them know where you live.

If you haven't taken the time to join us for any of our activities, please don't miss out. You still have this month left and we have many events in store for you. As always, participating is a great way to meet and build friendships with your fellow residents. We host 3 fantastic breakfasts every month: regular or blueberry pancake breakfast, biscuits and gravy breakfast and a French toast breakfast. All served with mouthwatering sausage, fluffy scrambled eggs, fresh squeezed orange juice and hot coffee. Remember to purchase your tickets from your section leaders to save 50 cents, and it helps to determine how many supplies to purchase so everyone may be served. The breakfasts are a real value at just \$3.50. (Bring your plate and utensils.)

Remember also to attend Coffee and Donuts every Tuesday at 8am. There are often speakers providing information on a variety of topics. There is a 50-50 drawing and good fellowship with neighbors.

On March 10<sup>th</sup> we have our Poker run. It takes no skill to win; I won the first year I entered. So come join the fun, the more that enter, the bigger the payouts!

Our general Fun Club meeting will be March 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am. This is an important meeting with the election of officers. A nominating committee was appointed to search for a successor to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President positions. Nominations may also come from the floor; please make sure the individual is willing to run. All residents of LBV may attend and participate in the voting process.

I would also like to send out a BIG thank you to our section leaders, led by Darleen Lamp. This dedicated group of ladies deliver your newsletter every month and sell tickets to our breakfasts and other events. They are of vital importance to our Fun Club and meet once a month to help plan activities for our annual calendar. Please be sure to thank them for their efforts.  
*Jeff Centers, Fun Club President*

### Board of Directors Report

LBV has received the title to 2688 Lake Drive; \$25,000 will buy you a lake front unit, share and shed. See Linda Haven at the office, mornings, Monday through Friday.

Please use the front entrance of the office whenever you may need to speak to the BOD. We suggest you make an appointment if the concern may take more than a conversation. We will be more than happy to help you but using the back entrance has had some transactions interrupted. The back door of the office will be locked in the future. Thank you for understanding.

Way to go!! Even with Irma there were fewer dirty units; we only sent 23 letters out, most were already washed within a few days. Only 8 damaged units are in need of repairs.

Be sure to check at the office before you hire a contractor. LBV requires contractors to be on file with current insurance. This is for your protection. There is a sign at our LBV entrance identifying this info.

We have more RV rentals this year than ever before. This means more exposure, many new people are introduced to LBV.

Renters who have overnight guests must pay \$4/person/per night. Pay Donna (our office manager) at the office. A letter will be sent asking for the amount if not paid prior. Thank you.

Our dumpster overflow can be helped by **breaking down all cardboard boxes before placing them in the dumpster**. Wood, pipes, or anything else should **NOT** be longer than three feet.

You **must** apply for a site change when you want to cut down trees, trim trees, change the foot print of your unit, including concrete, roofing, shed, cart path, outside paint colors, driveway, and canal docks. The forms are in the office and when in doubt see Larry Cable. Two board signatures are needed for approval.

The Highlands County fire department toured the park and explained that the streets **must** be kept open so a fire truck or EMS could pass in the event of an emergency. Please do not leave your car or golf cart in the road while visiting.

Let's review the bank loan from Centennial Bank in Sarasota: the loan is for \$1,050,000 for 25 years, interest rate at 4.5%, monthly payment of \$5,876.13 (old payment was \$6,118). All new share money sold in the first 12 months remain at LBV and no payments on the principal---only interest for the first 9 months of construction.

L. Cobb Construction has 335 calendar days to complete the building. Every day after 335, Cobb pays LBV \$500 per day.

Residents will have to be careful when walking, driving, riding and parking in the area of Driftwood Blvd. Large equipment and trucks will be coming and going as well as worker vehicles. Park your cars/trucks as far as you can off the road, also no parking in the area of Driftwood storage lot until all building is completed.

Next years' storage will be reorganized. Year round rentals will have first consideration over part-time monthly rentals. When the spaces are gone, you will have to look outside the park for space.

We want to thank you for participating in Burger Nights. As you know the profit from these nights go toward 'beautifying' our park. So far this year we have contributed toward new picnic tables and our outdoor Christmas tree. Funds have been saved to do some landscaping around our new clubhouse when it is completed. *Byron Townsend*, President LBV Co-op

### 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Celebration

Join our Honoree's—Denny and Sherry Lawrason and Bruce and DeAnn McIntosh (and any other couples that might be celebrating this milestone) in celebration on March 4<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Contact Teresa Riddle if you are celebrating your 50<sup>th</sup> this year.

### Best of the Rest Dinner

This dinner celebration for the 'best of the rest' (*all Canadian provinces and all states with the exception of Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan*), will be held Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. We hope to see more 'transplanted Floridians' attending. Remember to bring your state-made products for door prizes. This is a potluck, so bring a dish to share and eating utensils and plates. Sign up in the Community Hall.

### Fish Dinner

*I am sending a plea to all fishermen.* I have 240 filets and I need 800 or more filets for the success of our Fish Dinner (Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup> 5pm). Let me know if you will assist. I would appreciate any and all donations. Your donations keep the cost of our dinner low. The cost of the dinner is **\$5.00** and is by **ticket ONLY**. Our menu is cream potatoes, coleslaw, hush puppies, dessert and of course, FISH. *Joanne Hodges*

### Silent Auction

The LBV Silent Auction will be held on Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup> and occurs at the same time as our Fish Dinner at 5pm. Items to be donated for this event may be brought to 2723 E. Cedarwood Dr or 2728 E Elmwood Dr any time after March 1<sup>st</sup>. The last day to donate will be March 14<sup>th</sup>. The chairpersons request that as many donations as possible be complete for the auction presentation. This will eliminate the need to purchase items to create an 'ensemble' presentation. The chairpersons suggest that groups of individuals define a theme and donate items to contribute to that theme. I.e. a theme of "Italian Night" could have items such as spaghetti sauce, noodles, wine, or garlic butter and/or bread. Or a theme of 'Game Night' could have donated board or card games, etc. The item that generated the most money last year was a pie, and we will accept food donations this year. Donations of food should be brought to Linda or Brenda on the day of

the auction. Questions please call Linda at 262-914-9520 or Brenda at 207-671-7461. *Linda Cohn & Brenda Libby*

### Meet and Greet

A planning meeting for the 2019 MEET & GREET will be held on **Wednesday, March 5th at 11:30 a.m.** We will be deciding on the "theme" for the 6th Annual Meet & Greet. All 2018 volunteers and any who would like to participate in 2019 are invited. We are always looking forward to new ideas and ways to improve on this activity! Bring your ideas to make the 2019 event even better. If you are unable to attend the meeting but have some suggestions, please feel free to contact *Peggy or Steve Rowe* at 740-547-6629.

### Holy Land Presentation

On Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 1pm Judy King will give a short presentation on her trip to the Holy Lands—Jordan, Jerusalem and Egypt. Everyone is welcome to attend. *Judy King*

### Poker Run

Join the fun at the Community Hall on Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>. You may buy tickets for the poker run beginning at 10:00 am, and the race will begin at 10:45 am. *Jeff Centers*

### Fun Day

Cart Races are cancelled this year d/t our building construction. As a substitute we hope you participate and enjoy our outdoor games on March 20<sup>th</sup> from 11:30-1pm at the fire pit. There will be games for both singles and duos. Cost to play games will be \$3 for a single and \$5 for a duo. This will provide an admission bracelet for all games. Some examples of our games: water balloon toss, potato bowling, toilet paper toss, ping pong ball blow, bocci ball and more. Play and win tickets that you will then place in a container for a specific prize. A ticket will be drawn from each container at the end of the games. (This process is similar to our Casino Night winnings). Any donations for prizes would be appreciated and can be delivered to 2620 Canal Road by March 18<sup>th</sup>. *Anyone wishing to volunteer to monitor any games please contact Sue Forrester*

### Lakeridge Winery and Vineyard

A day trip for March 23 to the winery in Clermont is being planned. We need 30 people to have a bus for our own park. This is a festival of seafood, arts and crafts, music and entertainment. There is wine tasting as well as other food vendors. Sign-up sheets are posted in the Community Hall. The cost is \$69/person. Questions contact Teresa Riddle.

### Garage Sale

A special thank you to all of the people who have helped with the garage sale: Jeff Centers for preparing the coffee, Byron Townsend who put up the signs, Doris Rutan for her special funnel cakes, Sherry Lawrason for 'hawking' the cakes, Marge Lechner for selling donuts and coffee.

Thank you to Sherry Duda, Alice Geswein, and Grace Meadows for assisting at the Bake Sale, Thank you also for the ladies who assisted in sorting and pricing the items for the fun club tables. Working with all of you made our job easier. *Linda Cohn and Peggy Rowe*

### Hands of Love

Our weekly meetings in the Community Hall and ladies gathering in some of their homes allowed us to continue our mission to help others. We will meet only once more this season. On March 15<sup>th</sup> 10-12:30 in the Community Hall for our luncheon. Hope everyone will be able to participate. Please contact Tina Stidham (606-316-2347) or Diane Ludwig (219-363-2347) to sign up. Thank you to all that joined us this year. Have a wonderful summer and we hope to see you this fall. *Tina and Diane*

### Thank You

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to ALL in LBV for all the prayers, cards, donations and love and support that you have given to LeRoy and me during this time of adversity in our lives. Many of you have been through this and you have helped in many ways. There are not enough words to express our thanks. We owe you big time. Love, *LeRoy and Joanne*.

Good News!! The sling is gone! Not totally healed yet, but George and I are so grateful to all our LBV friends for their support, aid and food. Thank you to 'Hands of Love' for your care. George especially appreciated the meals, but as a result of my accident his cooking skills have really improved. We love you all. *Sue and George Forrester*.

Thank you for all the prayers, food, cards and visits during Ray's recent hospitalization. Thank you for all the assistance given to Lois. We appreciated it so much. Thank you also to "Hands of Love" for our daily gift bags. *Lois and Ray Wilson*

Thanks to all the committee members and volunteers who made the Indiana Diner such a success! It take a lot of work and lots of people working together to make a memorable evening. *Maxine and Carol*

### Sunshine

A card was sent to the family of Marilyn Eldred extending our sympathies on their loss and wishing them comfort in the days ahead.

Get well cards were sent to Hearlene Adrianson, LeRoy Hodges, Peggy Rowe, George Hunt and Marge Lechner. We are thinking of all of you and hope you will be feeling much better soon. *Eileen Borndal*

### Congratulations

Becky Forbes (2752 E. Elmwood Dr.) received the honor of Non-Military Person of the Year at a Military Ball at the Chateau Elan January, 2018. Becky is involved in many projects that serve the veterans of Highlands County. Thank you Becky. And *Thank You* to all veterans for your service to our country. *Rita Blitz*

Next Board Meeting is March 19<sup>th</sup> at 9am in the Community Hall.

## Special Message to All Residents

At last, our project to build a new clubhouse/shelter has begun. And with that process comes many changes to our daily lives that we must address to keep everyone safe and hopefully sane.

First the BOD would like to acknowledge that we are keenly aware that the noise and traffic will impact all of us, *especially* the people nearest to the site and along Driftwood Blvd. We had hoped that the majority of the disruption would have taken place during this past summer when fewer people were here. We all know how that played out.

Secondly, it is extremely important to be aware when traveling up and down Driftwood Blvd, especially where Driftwood and Oakwood cross. Although it is a four way stop, we can't assume that the big trucks and machines will slow down or stop at the stop signs. ***Please proceed very cautiously through that intersection.*** Also, when entering Driftwood from Elmwood and Cedarwood, you **must** stop and carefully check both ways to be sure you don't tangle with something much bigger than you.

Thirdly, we will all be curious about what is going on at the building site. But we must **refrain from entering the area or attempting to communicate with the workers.** There are insurance requirements that must be followed to maintain everyone's safety. Please keep a safe distance outside of the designated work area.

Lastly, those who have dealt with large construction projects are aware that there will be times that no one will be working. This could be because they are waiting for a delivery, something has broken down or perhaps they are waiting for an inspector to approve the job so they can move on.

Therefore, we hope all goes well with project and that all of you can keep a positive attitude and keep a vigilant eye out for dangers. Remember that this building will give us much needed room for all of our activities and provide a safe place for residents to go when dangerous weather strikes. Thanks for your patience and understanding. *Byron Townsend*, President

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| Sunday  | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday  |
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|   |  |   |   | 1<br><br>Bingo 7pm   | 2   | 3<br><br>Pancake Brkfst 730-9am<br><br>Golf Tournament<br>Municipal 1pm Shotgun                                     |
| 4<br><br>Church Service 9am<br><br>50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary<br>Celebration 7pm/CH | 5<br><br>Women's Bible Study<br>9:30-11<br>Meet & Greet mtg 11:30<br>Dominoes 6:30pm<br>Bingo 7pm                            | 6<br><br>Coffee & Donuts 8am<br>Spkr: Lampe and Kiefer<br>Hearing Aid Center<br>Best of the Rest<br>Dinner 5pm<br>Card Bingo 6:30pm | 7<br><br>BIG RED BUS—<br>Blood Mobile @ CH<br>1:30-4:30pm<br>Fire Ring 4pm<br>Dominoes 6:30pm | 8<br><br>Beautification Burgers<br>430pm/CH<br><br>Bingo 7pm       | 9<br><br>Choir Practice 9:30 am<br>Holy Land Presentation<br>1pm<br>Dauber Bingo 6:30 pm<br>Dominoes 6:30pm     | 10<br><br>Biscuits&Gravy<br>730-9am<br><br>Poker Run 10am   |
| 11<br><br>Church Service 9am<br><br>Ice Cream Social<br>3-4pm/CH<br>LBV Ringers       | 12<br><br>Women's Bible Study<br>9:30-11<br>Exec Fun Club mtg<br>11am<br>Dominoes 6:30pm<br>Bingo 7pm                        | 13<br><br>Coffee & Donuts 8am<br>Fun Club Mtg<br>830am/CH<br>Potluck 5pm<br>Card Bingo 6:30pm                                       | 14<br><br>Fishing Tournament<br>730-1130am<br>Fire Ring 4pm<br><br>Dominoes 6:30pm            | 15<br><br>Hands of Love<br>Luncheon<br>10-12:30pm<br><br>Bingo 7pm | 16<br><br>Choir Practice 9:30 am<br><br>Fish Dinner and<br>Silent Auction 5pm<br>Dauber Bingo 6:30 pm           | 17<br><br>French Toast Brkfst<br>730-9am<br>Dance— Sock Hop with<br>DJ-Gary Stokes<br>and Elvis Impersonator<br>7pm |
| 18<br><br>Church Service 9am  | 19<br><br>BOD meeting<br>9:00am<br>CH/Shareholders Welcome<br>Women's Bible Study<br>9:30-11<br>Dominoes 6:30pm<br>Bingo 7pm | 20<br><br>Coffee & Donuts 8am<br><br>Fun Day 11:30-1pm<br>Soup and Sandwich<br>11:30-12:45<br>Card Bingo 6:30pm                     | 21<br><br>Widow's Tea<br>2:30pm<br><br>Fire Ring 4pm<br><br>Dominoes 6:30pm                   | 22<br><br>Beautification Burgers<br>430pm/CH<br><br>Bingo 7pm      | 23<br><br>Choir Practice 9:30 am<br>Lakeridge Winery<br>Bus Trip<br>Dauber Bingo 6:30 pm<br><br>Dominoes 6:30pm | 24  |
| 25<br><br>Church Service 9am  | 26<br><br>Women's Bible Study<br>9:30-11<br><br>Dominoes 6:30pm<br><br>Bingo 7pm   | 27<br><br>Coffee & Donuts<br>8am<br>Card Bingo 6:30pm   | 28<br><br>Fire Ring 4pm<br><br>Dominoes 6:30pm  | 29<br><br>Bingo 7pm  | 30<br><br>Choir Practice 9:30 am<br>Dauber Bingo 6:30 pm<br><br>Dominoes 6:30pm                                 | 31  |