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Fun Club

Happy Holidays to everyone at Lake Bonnet Village! Welcome back to all of you who arrived in November. Our first events in our new Lake Bonnet Hall have gone great, and we look forward to lots of fun in December as we celebrate Christmas and New Year's Eve. We have a tree lighting (12/8), a cookie sale(12/13), a DJ Dance(12/14), a park Christmas party(12/15), Christmas Dinner and New Year's Eve Dance. See the calendar and Community Hall bulletin board for details on all events. Sign up is requested for several events, especially the Christmas party and Christmas Dinner. We also have a golf cart parade scheduled throughout December, starting on 12/9 and a decorating contest for both homes and golf carts which will be judged on the evening of 12/17. Join us in our holiday celebrations!

All our activities and events are hosted and put together by resident volunteers. **WE NEED YOU!** Volunteer sheets are on the bulletin board at Community Hall. We have a few upcoming events in January-March that still need volunteers. Create a committee with friends and neighbors and plan the event *YOUR* way. Information for past activities is available and board members and past committees will give advice. Start planning now! Events that need people include Casino Night on 1/7/20, and Fun Day 3/17/20.

If you're interested in a new activity or would like to request new equipment for an existing activity, the first step is to present your request to the Executive Fun Club Board. Bring specifics about what you need, costs and how it could get done. If you would like to be added to the agenda contact Maggie Griesemer by 12/6.

Don't forget Coffee & Donuts every Tuesday at 8am in Community Hall. Donna Eads has speakers covering many topics of interest to us here in central Florida. Our December Fun Club meeting is on 12/10 at 8:30am in the Community Hall in conjunction with Coffee and Donuts. Join us.

McCraken Farms will be coming into the park on Thursdays, 1030-noon. Please take advantage of the fresh produce and the convenience of his presence.

Maggie Griesemer, Fun Club President

Board of Directors

Everyday more snowbirds arrive from “Up North” and I would like to extend a “Welcome Home” to all. And to “Thank you” to our full-time residents who were great stewards of our park while the rest of us were away.

We are beginning our 18th season as a resident owned cooperative and are looking forward to a great season for all residents. Becoming familiar with our new clubhouse/shelter should be exciting. Many thanks to our fellow shareholders who supported our efforts to bring a much needed state-of-the-art replacement of the old clubhouse. It was January, 2016 when you voted to build a new clubhouse.

Joanne Hodges is in charge of the kitchens of Lake Bonnet Hall and Community Hall. Please **READ instructions** posted in the kitchen regarding the use and cleanup of utensils and kitchens themselves. Please see Joanne concerning questions about using the kitchens, and needed supplies.

Our park is beautiful and clean, reflecting your caring spirit. As residents return, we hope they can clean their units as soon as possible. Most buyers coming through the office remark on how clean and orderly the park appears. Not all parks look as good as ours. The Board thanks you for doing your part.

No cars are allowed on the stone path between Lake Bonnet Hall and Gergen Street. The path is for golf carts and walking only.

AGAIN the Sebring Fire Department has warned the park that they **CANNOT MANEUVER** their equipment around our park during a fire call if there are vehicles parked in the streets. We **AGAIN** ask that **NO** golf carts, cars, trucks or trailers are left in the street UNATTENDED! Please find somewhere to park so that, in an emergency, help can reach someone in need.

The following are friendly reminders to ALL LBV residents (this includes ALL shareholders and ALL renters):

1. County permits are **REQUIRED** for sheds, construction of roof-overs, and any cement work
2. Park permits are also **REQUIRED** for the above. In addition, park permits are required for deck additions, painting of units and driveways, *TRIMMING and CUTTING* of trees, spreading stones and construction of seawalls on the canal. Speak with Byron Townsend regarding construction of any seawall.
3. All **OVERNIGHT** guests must be signed in at the office.
4. Leave your *YARD LIGHT ON AT NIGHT* for safety reasons.
5. If a malfunctions occurs in either laundry room, fill out the red tag identifying the problem and deliver it to Donna in the office.
6. Following using the *EXERCISE* room within Community Hall, **LOCK** the door when you leave.

The BOD election is on January 20, 2020. There are 3 positions open. If you are interested in running for a position, your resume must be delivered to Linda Haven before 3:00pm, December 13, 2019. Any questions, see Linda Haven.

To bring you up to date on our 2019 park accomplishments please read the November Chatter report that has been posted on the Board of Director’s bulletin board located at the east end of the mailboxes. Check this bulletin board for other BOD notices and park information throughout the year. Many of the accomplishments were completed or supervised by Abe Westbrook, Linda Haven, and Joanne Hodges. Extend a ‘Thank you’ to them would show support to these 3 full-time residents who gave a great deal of time and energy to keep our park running smoothly all summer.

We have 277 shares sold, the following is a list of our newest shareholders, welcome

1. Richard & Diane McMullin, 3077 Lake Drive
2. Jay & Gayle Mezza, Canal Road
3. Kenneth & Donnetta Doyle, 2923 Sandy Beach Road
4. Patricia Morris & Michael Humphrey, 2623 S Driftwood
5. Ronald & Phama Rader, 2964 Bristlecone Road
6. Chandler & Patricia Ede, 3011 Lake Drive
7. Nancy Pollock, 2671 S Driftwood
8. Jim & Edna Walters, 2976 Lake Drive
9. Shirley Palmer, 2710 E Oakwood
10. Ward & Debra Votava, 2749 E Cypresswood
11. Mark & Helen Matzke, 2965 Lake Drive
12. Gene & Maureen Tomlinson, 2725 E Cypresswood
13. Joe & Loretta Cox, 2612 Canal Road
14. Larry & Patricia Coy, 2625 Trimble
15. Debra Pasades & Ronnie Peters, 2875 E Elmwood
16. Maria Heaston, 2803 E Elmwood
17. Tom & Jan Knoll, 2611 S Driftwood
18. David & Eileen Gerrits, 2928 Grove Road
19. Samuel & Charloette Carter, 2769 E Elmwood
20. Christopher & Kathy Warblow, 2649 S Redwood Blvd
21. Randy & Rhonda Coleman, 2650 S Driftwood
22. Gary Marr, 3004 Lake Drive

Best wishes for a happy and healthy season, *Byron Townsend*, President, LBV BOD

Facebook

Join us on the Lake Bonnet Village Facebook page; residents, including renters, are eligible to join. Go to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/lakebonnetvillage/> and click on the 'join' button just beneath the photo of Lake Bonnet to be included. You'll get lots of info and updates from LBV residents. Our FB page is hosted by Marie Quick and Linda Turner. *Maggie Griesemer*

Day Shopping Trip

Arrangements are in the works for a shopping day trip to Lake Alfred to visit The Barn Antiques, The Stable Home Décor, The Back Yard Garden Shop, and lunch at the Back Porch Restaurant. The distance to Lake Alfred is about 45 miles and takes approximately 90 minutes. The date is December 5th, transportation will be carpooling, leaving the Community Hall by 9:30am. A sign-up sheet is posted on the CH bulletin board.

Drivers are needed. *Sherry Lawrason*

Golf Cart Parade

Please join in the participation of our golf cart Christmas Parade and House decorating contest. Golf carts and houses are judged and winners announced at the Christmas Dinner. Don't have a cart . . . decorate your BIKE. The parade begins outside the LBV office at 6:30pm on scheduled dates which are December 9th, 12th, 17th, 20th, and the 30th. You do not have to participate for each date, just show up and participate when you are available. Questions on how to 'light up' your golf cart? Contact Don Lorentzen or Norm Raasch. *Sue Hill*

Christmas Cookie Sale

We need **dozens** of cookies, homemade, and also sugar free cookies for our annual sale. Proceeds from the sale go to the Fun Club. Please pull out your easiest, favorite and Best Christmas cookie recipe and bake some for our sale. Bring cookies to the Community Hall by 9am, December 13th. The Sale will begin at 11am and continue until 2pm or until all cookies are sold. *Bev Cable*

Christmas Party

Your committee is busy planning a BIG Christmas party; there will be food, drink, gifts, and music. Sign up is necessary so we know how many to prepare for. Sign up at the Community Hall bulletin board. Mark your calendars for Sunday, December 15th at 6:30pm. Questions, call *Lois Wilson*, 863-382-8630.

Billiards

The Lake Bonnet Billiard Room is in full swing. Monday evening will be reserved for Amateur Poolplayers Association or APA League play. APA welcomes women players to participate on mixed teams. Currently Lake Bonnet has one APA team. A schedule of league play will be posted in the pool room when it becomes available.

Beginning the second week in January and continuing through March, the Senior Billiard League plays. LBV has enough players for 2 possible teams this year. Sign-up on the sheet located in the billiard room if you would like to play. This league is also co-ed and women are encouraged to participate.

Friday's are Ladies Only day at the LBV billiard room. Ladies if you would like basic instruction, ask any pool player and they would be happy to help you. *Chuck Hall*

Lake Bonnet Picture Directory

December dates are full. Sign up for your date and time in January at the Community Hall bulletin board. You are not required to purchase any pictures but will receive a free 8x10 and the directory when all is completed. The directory is a great way for everyone to 'identify' new residents. If you do decide to make a purchase, bring a dry good to your sitting and receive \$5.00 off your purchase. Questions, contact *Sandy Lorentzen*, or *Bev Cable*.

Contract Bridge

Contract Bridge begins December 3rd, Tuesday in the Community Hall. New to the game or an experienced player, please join us. Ms. Jean Elliot has consented to be our sponsor and teacher. The activity will meet weekly but not the 24th or 31 of December. *Lenne Orona*

Fire Pit

The fire pit has been moved behind Lake Bonnet Hall. Bring your hot dogs, hamburgers, and cook over the open wood fire on the lake. And *THEN* enjoy fresh, and free Kettle popped popcorn. 4-6pm every Wednesday beginning December 4th. Master Kettle Popper, *Jim MacDonald*

NY's Eve Dance. . . . 8-12am, casual dress. Lora Patton is our entertainment. Bring your snacks/dish to pass around and your drinks. 50/50 drawing, \$1.00/ticket. Please sign up to set up and clean up. Tickets from your section leader. *Donna Eads*

LBV Widows by Jean Elliot

The LBV widows have a new name.

Wacky Ol' Widows help keep us sane.

In this crazy world we need some WOW's every day.

To inspire us to live, laugh, and love along the way.

We don't meet to complain, cry or mope;

But if needed, our phones are not on remote.

The WOW's have a bonding, we are sharing,

And we want you to know we are loving and caring.

We don't know the plans in God's mind,

But we do know He loves those left behind.

All LBV widows, feel free to join whenever you choose.

Try it you might like it, you have nothing to lose.

WOW's (Wacky Ol' Widows)

We will go to the Jacaranda for lunch at 11:30am, 12/11/19. Carpooling from the Community Hall at 11am. Bring a small gift not over \$5.00 for our game. Hosted by Judy Berlin, 863-382-0152. Call Judy if you wish to participate. *Marie Quick*

LBV Women's Shuffle

Women's Monday Shuffle starts January 6, 2020 and continues through March 30, 9:30am with temperatures at 58 and above. We will be practicing the month of December starting the 2nd. All are welcome regardless of experience or knowledge of the game. We need players and subs. Please come and join the fun. Questions, *Shirley McAnally*.

Michigan Dinner

Reminder to all Michigan snowbirds and former Michigan residents: the Michigan dinner is set for January 21st at 5pm in Lake Bonnet Hall. More information will follow in the January Chatter. *Pat Lantagne and Sherry Lawrason*

Ohio Dinner

To all Ohioans both snowbirds and former Ohio residents now living in LBV, our Ohio Dinner is scheduled for January 28th at 5pm in LBH. Any door prizes should be brought to LBH the day of the dinner between noon and 3pm. Bring a covered dish or two to share. Chicken, and drinks (coffee and iced tea) will be provided. Planning committee is scheduled for January 6th at 1pm in LBH. All who would like to help with planning are invited to attend. Questions, call *Bob Lower*, 614-519-6357.

Sunshine Report

Many Get Well and Sympathy cards have been sent to our residents. Our residents have endured strokes, knee surgeries and replacements, heart issues, back, cataract and kidney surgeries, and accidents/loss of fingers. We have lost several residents and some residents have lost family members. In all cases we offer prayers for healing, strength and patience for recuperation and our sincere sympathy and prayers.

I appreciate everyone who contacted me with names of those sick, facing surgery or the loss of loved ones. Without that knowledge I could not do this work. I will begin adding individual names in January, 2020.

Teresa Riddle

Thank you

Thank everyone for their prayers, cards and phone calls for Lee this summer. Lake Bonnet has GREAT people. Thanks also for all the 80th birthday wishes. *Lee and Doris Rutan*

The family of Bob Noyes wants to thank the LBV family for all the get well wishes and prayers that were sent to us during Bob's health issue and hospital stay. Special thanks to Joanne Sylvia, and Pattie and Kenny Kelly. We appreciated your kind offers of help. Bob has made tremendous progress. *Noyes Family*

God created this world and all its inhabitants out of His perfect love. Please know my brothers and I appreciate all the love that you shared with both our parents, and for the last 10 years with our mom. Our family has been greatly blessed by your prayers, cards and kind words. We will have a Celebration of Life Saturday, February 8th, 2020, 1-4pm at LBH. Please come and share the memories, food and most importantly the love. Thank you all, *Joyce Gardner's family*

Chatter

It is important to have all information correct and complete when placing it in print. To that end, *PLEASE* sign any article or, information you wish placed in the newsletter. Include a phone number if I need to clarify the information I need the contact info. I need all info for the January Chatter by 12/17 to get to and from the printer in a timely manner. *Linda Cohn*