



CHATTER

Issue 191, April 2024 Amy Evans, Editor

Fun Club

As Byron Townsend, our Co-Op President has said in the past, the Fun Club is the engine for the activities in our park. This is why we need everyone to come to our events and activities. Many of our events raise money to sponsor the dances, holiday dinners, and other activities throughout the park. For these activities to happen, we **NEED** people to host and work at them. There will be sign up sheets for activities posted in the Community Hall to not only Host an event, but to also help work at them. It's a great way to get to know your neighbors in the park.

SEASON 2024-25

A calendar and activity sign-up sheets will be posted for the 2024-25 season shortly in our Community Hall. We have lots of fun activities scheduled next season. Some things you should plan for as you return next year:

- Coffee & Donuts will be every Tuesday at 9am **except** when there's a General Fun Club Meeting.
- 12/13/24 Christmas Cookie Sale – cookies baked & donated by residents are combined onto mixed plates for sale to park residents.
- Theme Dances – Get your costumes ready!
 - **English Invasion – 1/25/2025**
 - **Monster Mash – 3/29/2025**
- 2/8/2025 Valentines Dance, w/ George Durham
- 2/22/2025 LBV Auction – Think about things you may have that are in new or excellent condition that you could donate for auction to raise money for Fun Club activities. Do you have valid gift cards or items that you received as gifts that you don't have use for but someone else at Lake Bonnet might find valuable? Bring them with you when you return for the auction! We're looking for auction items for men or women, so don't forget fishing gear and tools when you think about possible donations.
- 3/4/2025 Spring Craft Show – Do you make crafts you'd like to sell? Get your crafts ready and sign up for a table. Will be open to LBV residents only.
- 3/9/2025 50th Anniversary Party – LBV Residents who will be celebrating their 50th Anniversary in 2024/2025 season will be celebrated this evening.
- 3/14/2025 Variety Show – Have a talent or skit practice up, Teresa Riddle will be looking for you!
- 3/15/2025 Dance w/ Calico

Congratulations to the new Fun Club Executive Board for 2024-25! Looking forward to a great season!

- President: Lisa Tran
- 1st Vice President: Patty Barkley
- 2nd Vice President: Denise Smigliani
- Secretary: Sandy Janssen
- Treasurer: Sandy Gorski

- Treasurer Intern: Maria Preisinger

Please join us on the Lake Bonnet Village Facebook page. Go online to www.facebook.com/groups/lakebonnetvillage and request to join for park news, updates, and pictures. This is a private group for Lake Bonnet Village Residents (owners & renters). Only members can post or view posts.

Board of Directors Report

VOLUNTEERS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

- ❖ Volunteering can have long lasting effects. In 2002, Rita Blitz and Rosie Boyer were members of the Home Owners Assoc. in the park owned by a private family. When the park came up for sale, the Home Owners Assoc. made the effort to purchase the park and, thanks to the volunteer efforts of Rita, Rosie and others in that association, they succeeded. Hence, Lake Bonnet Village 22 years later!!
- ❖ Everyday efforts by people like Larry DeVuyst who is always there to pick up garbage twice a week is appreciated. Also, we see Ron Wiessinger on the tractor day after day improving the physical aspects of the park and then he is in the shop working to maintain the vehicles and organize the shop. Meanwhile his wife, Marcia, is busy keeping the library organized and accessible to all.

Some projects that volunteers have completed for our park this year include the following:

- ❖ Tom Dean and his son made the gate at the end of the entrance to the canal and Chris Warblow and Mike Preisinger helped install it. This gate helps keep out debris from the lake from entering the canal, keeping it cleaner and healthier.
- ❖ Helen Matzke and Tina Stidman worked to get to design and paint two large, beautiful flower pots that are located just East of the mailboxes. Then Helen Matzke repainted the Sandhill Cranes “WELCOME BACK FRIENDS” sign on the fence at the last corner before entering the park.
- ❖ Shan and Trudy Wood worked on improving the display at the northeast corner of Driftwood and Oakwood next to the white fence. It looks so inviting and reflects what our park has to offer. They have also kept the corner at the north end of Redwood welcoming with plantings and decorations throughout the years.
- ❖ Ray and Sandra Hicks along with Pam Chambers have made the outside of the East Laundry/Bath House look much better by improving the base of the wall and repainting the mural on the north end. They also cleaned the yard around the building.
- ❖ And a new resident, Bob Sabo, has voluntarily donated a trailer of his to the park as well as many of his tools to the shop.

Finally, the Board wishes to give our gratitude and thanks to the multitude of volunteers who truly made this park an outstanding success in so many ways. We recognize your value and hope you do the same for yourself.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ Remember, all Rv's are required to be tied down and skirted by their owners after six months unless they re-removed from the park for at least 24 hours once a year.
- ❖ No use of the pool **AFTER DARK**. Remember to also make sure your guests follow these rules.
- ❖ This summer, the park will be upgrading our streets with resealing and repairs.
- ❖ Glory Park, which is located on the West side of the park on Cypresswood where the flag pole is, will be upgraded into a full Veteran's Memorial. This is a Beautification Committee project and will include flags from each branch of the military.

- ❖ Each year the board researches other parks for their rental and share prices. We compare our prices before deciding what we need to charge. We have not increased the monthly fee of \$130 for the last
- ❖ 10 years. And for the coming year, beginning next January, we will again **NOT INCREASE** this amount. However, we will be increasing the full-time rents \$30 a month, which will bring their amount to \$525 a month. Remember, these full-time renters do not pay the \$130 a month maintenance fee that share holders pay. Nor do they have to pay property taxes on the lot they rent which is paid by the Co-Op.
- ❖ If you are a shareholder who is not aware of what a “Lady Bird Document” is, you would be wise to stop at the office for that information. It could affect the sale of your share/unit if you die without a will or trust. Every year we witness heirs and families who are left to dispose of a shareholders property go through very difficult times to close out your property.

Again, we are beginning to see friends pack up and head out to their other homes for the summer. We wish all who will be traveling a safe and enjoyable trip back “home” and a wonderful summer/fall. Speaking for all of our Board Members, we are proud to have voluntarily served you and hope to see y’all back here next season.

HAPPY TRAILS TO YOU, UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN

Officers:

Byron Townsend, President
 Larry Cable, Vice President
 Linda Haven, Secretary/Treasurer

Directors:

Melvin Bezinque	Calvin McAnally
Jeff Centers	Matt Skjonsby
Sue Hill	Sharon Warblow

Lake Bonnet Village BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Lake Bonnet Village Co-Op, Inc.

CHATTER:

As the new Chatter Editor, I would like remind you that I will be keeping everyone informed of the deadline for the November Chatter on the LBV Facebook page, so please be aware of that. If you have an item that you would like published for November, please send them to me via email at gevans1@stny.rr.com , before **October 20th**, that way I will be able to have everything completed and ready for distribution by November 1. If you are not going to be here for November and/or December and would like to have the Chatter mailed to your northern address, please leave a “**self addressed envelope**” in my white mailbox and I’ll be sure that you receive it. – Amy Evans, Editor

LBV 14th ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

LBV 14th Annual Golf Outing was held on Saturday, March 2nd. I want to thank the 56 players who played in the LBV Golf Outing. A special thanks to Judy King and food committee, Cindy Graves and Kim Coe for 50/50, pictures, Larry Cable scoring and Gary Stokes mics. We were blessed with a good day at golf.

1st Flight – 1st place Larry Cable, Ron Harris, Steve Cohn, Dave Carlino 62

2nd Greg Warblow team 68, 3rd Bud Hill team 68, 4th Bob King team 68

2nd Flight – 1st place Ken Brindle, Kenneth Brindle, John Romano, Tammy Brindle 69

2nd Craig Autra team 71, 3rd Ellen Hill team 72, 4th Jim Bredahl team 72, 5th – Jesse Hathaway team 72

3rd Flight – 1st place Dave Wisely, John Wisely, Gary Stokes, Linda Stokes, 73

2nd Billy Kelley team 73, 3rd Cindy Hathaway team 73, 4th Mark Matzke team 77, 5th Richard Moorehead team 81

CP's - #5 Jean Haakensen, #7 John Stutsman, #10 Ken Brindle, #12 Ellen Hill

All teams won money. Backup from hole 18 on ties. Start your strategy now and form your team for next year. Hope you had fun with the format. Vickie Starbuck, Cindy Hathaway, Jean Haakensen

LAKE BONNET RINGERS

On March 7, 2024, the Lake Bonnet horseshoe team, The Ringers secured the 2024 Championship of the Heartland Horseshoe League with a record of 8 wins and 1 loss. The team would like to thank everyone who encouraged and supported us this season. We hope to repeat next year.

BLOOD DRIVE

Lake Bonnet Blood Drive on March 5th was a great success. We had 19 folks donate blood. Outstanding job volunteers! One Blood responded with an email that this blood drive resulted in:

- 18 procedures – each procedure can save up to three lives so that means 54 patients could benefit from this lifesaving efforts of blood donors at Lake Bonnet Village.
- The blood donated at our blood drive will likely be transfused into a patient within 48 to 72 hours. The turnaround is that fast and is that constant.

ALL VOLUNTEERS: you all did a great job of coming out and supporting our blood drive. This was the best year we had since I became the park Representative in 2018. Out of two drives, this year we had 35 volunteers donate blood.

We also had a few folks go to the Blood One Facility on highway 27 to donate. Our list was full, but they wanted to donate. Thank you all so much for supporting our park's Blood Drive.

Next year's Blood One Bus will be here on **January 8, 2025** and again **March 5, 2025**. Thanks again volunteers. GREAT JOB! Donna Eads, Chairperson

PANAMA CANAL CRUISE

There are a few LBV residents that are going on a Panama Canal Cruise February 4-16, 2025. This is a 12 day cruise with stop in Aruba, Curaçao, Cartagena, partial transit through the Panama Canal, Cristobal, Limón, Costa Rica and Grand Cayman. If you would like to join your fellow LBV residents on this cruise, feel free to contact me, Marie Preisinger, for more details via email (mepreisinger@gmail.com) or phone (715-613-2853).

WATER AEROBICS

Ladies come out and enjoy some fun with your LBV ladies for Water Aerobics, Monday- Friday 9:30 – 10:30 at Sandy Beach Pool. Karen Martin - Host

BEST OF THE REST 2025

To **ALL** LBV residents that are not from OH, MI, or Indiana since they have their own dinner. The **BEST OF THE REST** is scheduled for Sunday, March 2, 2025. We are having a different party this year. You will not need to bring a gift to exchange. Just bring your knowledge about the State or Province you live in to share, and plan to have fun! Hosted by Sandy Lorentzen and Deb Votava

MICHIGAN DINNER

To **ALL** Michiganders, for next year's state dinner, please bring a bottle of wine that is made in Michigan to be shared at your tables. You are also welcome to bring a gift that is made in Michigan for the gift exchange. Hosted by Edna Walters and Suzette

APRIL 2024 Lake Bonnet Activities Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Ladies Bible Study 9-10:30a Women's Shuffle 9:30a Hand & Foot 1:30p Dominoes 6:30p Bingo 7p	Men's Shuffle – 10a Texas Hold-Em 6-8p Dominoes – 6:30p Card Bingo – 6:30	Quilting Group- 9-12n Women's Shuffle 9:30a Produce Cart 11a 65 – 12:30p Euchre- 6:30p	Men's Shuffle – 9:30a Hands of Love – 1p Mahjong- 1p Dominoes- 6:30p Bingo- 6:30p	Bocce Ball 9a Choir Practice CH 9a Art Class CH 10-12 Dauber Bingo CH 6:30	Texas Hold-Em – Pool Rm 6-8p
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