



CHATTER

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Fun Club Infor

The Nominating Committee has presented the following slate of candidates for the Fun Club Board for the 2011/2012 season:

President - Joanne Hodges

1st Vice-President - Holly Breer

Jim McDonald

2nd Vice-President - Pat Harrington

Pat Winters

Secretary - Mary Jane Rettig

The Treasurer position is appointed by the Executive Board. The election will take place at the March 8th general meeting.

Byron Townsend has been providing the ice for all Fun Club functions this year. He has been able to keep a running tally of the actual amount of ice used. You might be surprised to learn how much ice we have used.

We have purchased a second treadmill for the Exercise Room. The treadmill gets a lot of use and many times this has created an extended wait for individuals, therefore, the need for a second one. If you haven't checked out our Exercise Room, we encourage you to do so—we have quite a variety of equipment available for everyone's use.

We will be purchasing a new or refurbished polisher for the shuffleboard pucks as the current one has burnt out. Also, we have six new, large wooden coasters in the kitchen to be used under the large roasters. These will help to preserve the integrity of our tables.

President, Betty Church

Co-Op Update

We are having a change in our cleaning contractor for the Park. If you have something that needs attention or something needs maintenance, please fill out a form at the office and it will be given to our Maintenance Supervisor.

Safety - We have talented people in this Park who will make changes to the West Fish Cleaning Station making it efficient and safer. Thank you! Safety equipment has been installed at the docks (life throw rings and a ladder). Our hope is that they never have to be used.

At one point we had to close the Sandy Beach Pool as we had a problem with bees. This can be attributed to food and drinks within the pool area. Please refrain from food and drinks in these areas.

Park Appreciation Day - Lake Bonnet Village Co-Op will have an Appreciation Day to recognize all our residents. It will be Friday March 4th from 4 PM to 6PM. Come and enjoy pizza and beverages. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!!**

President, Ron Medema

Coffee & Donuts

A nice way to start your day! Tuesdays at 8:30 AM
Our speakers for March are:

March 1st-Florida Weather Proofing

March 8th-Blood Bank 1:30PM-4:00PM

Donations needed/give if you can

March 15th-Dr. Joni Jones/Podiatrist

Dance

Last one of the season-March 19th with Dan Patrick “the ultimate dance musician”. Come and join the fun! Free admission to the dance.

We’ve had a good turn-out for all the dances this season—another way to socialize and be a part of our wonderful Park!

Rita Blitz

Fishing Contest

Here we go again—Wednesday, March 16th - 7:30AM to 11:30AM. Must have a Florida Fishing License or Permit. Legal limits for size for both Bass and Pan Fish. Only LIVE fish to be weighed.

Pick up application at the office. Applications and fee of \$5.00 per boat must be turned in by March 14th to Joanne Hodges.

We will have hot dogs afterwards. It is a fun time to be had by all.

Joanne Hodges

Scheduled Day Bus Trips

Immokalee Casino trip is scheduled for Monday, March 14th. Cost - \$25 In return, Casino will issue a \$30 play coupon and a \$5 food coupon. Pick-up time 8:30 AM in front of office.

Sarasota Kennel Club trip scheduled for Thursday, March 24th. Cost-\$49 includes transportation, entry, lunch, tip sheet and program. Pick-up time TBA.

“Suddenly Seniors” hilarious stage show....better than “Menopause”! Scheduled for Saturday, April 2nd 2 PM in Orlando. Cost - \$69 covers transportation and show. Would stop for supper after show (cost not included). Pick-up time 11:30 AM in front of office.

Make checks payable to “Highlands Charters” for each requested event and give to Joanne Sylvia.

Sign-up sheets posted on bulletin board in the Community Hall.

Joanne Sylvia

Fellowship Church Dinner

To each and everyone who contributed in any way in making the Lake Bonnet Fellowship Church dinner on Sunday, February 6th the huge success that it was, I sincerely thank you. It is this kind of cooperation that makes everything worthwhile.

I would also like to thank you for the many prayers given me during my recent hospital stay. God bless each and everyone of you.

Dorothy Schwartz/Greene

50th Anniversary Celebration Thanks

A huge thank you to Patty Grimes, Tina Stidham and their committee for the wonderful 50th Anniversary Celebration. Many thanks also for the beautiful cards and congratulations from so many of you. Special thanks to Doris Schroeder and Doris Tarantolo for helping with our set-up at the hall. We appreciate you all.

Dick & Carole Maki

Thank you Fun Club for sponsoring the 50th Anniversary Party. The decorations, cake, punch and program were outstanding. Lady Jean’s poem was a delightful addition. Our gifts of the Rose Garden bowl, yellow rose corsage and boutonniere were beautiful. We had a lot of dear friends who worked very hard to create a special night for us and the other couples. We love and appreciate you more than our words can ever convey.

Ray & Nina Lambert

Soup & Sandwich

Thank you for a successful January luncheon. A big thank you to all of our helpers and to everyone who came. Hope everyone had a good time.

A special thank you to our helpers and to those who donated delicious food. All of it was so good.

Thanks to Jim & Helen, Billie, Steve & Pat, Boots & Tina, Larry & Bev and to Don (great dish washer)!

It was a fun day!

Joe & Alice Geswein

Folks In The News

The Fun Club's Secretary, Mary Jane Rettig was born in Syracuse, NY in April 1940. Her dad was a superintendent at the Post Office and mom a homemaker. She has two sisters and received her education at the St. Lucy's Academy in Syracuse. She started her working career at the New York Telephone Co. in Syracuse and retired there after 35 years.

Her first marriage was to Bernard Hoalcraft. They had three boys losing one son at age 22. Bernard passed away in '92.

She met Paul and they were married in '98. Paul was then a widower with one daughter. They share four grandchildren.

While working, Mary Jane attended classes at the State University of New York and earned an associate's degree in creative writing. The New York Telephone Co. paid her tuition. She also had an interest and studied art—took first place in a contest.

Mary Jane has written one book entitled "We To I" and is in the process of writing another. Both books cover memoirs of her life, family to the computer age. She is very proud of her Italian background and heritage as well as being raised in a loving happy home. Although her first book has not been published yet, she hopes it will be sometime in the future.

Paul and Mary Jane found Lake Bonnet Village on the internet—they wanted something in the middle of the State as they had family on both coasts. Arriving in 2002 on the RV section then bought their present home on Oakwood in 2003.

As everyone says, we are one happy family here at LBV.

Jean Elliott/Joanne Sylvia

Sunday Showcase

I want to say thank-you to all of your participation in making the Sunday Showcases this winter season a big success. We have had good crowds. The Playoff Party and Superbowl Party were great fun. The night that we had the "Mature Wedding Game" show was a great time. Billy Kelly with his staff of Pat Kelly, Richard and Linda Hook did a great job in making it a success. The couples of Ralph & Susanne Scharff, Jim & Susan Frasier, Jess & Cindy Hathaway, Don & Sharon Seymour, Larry & Carol Pierson and Mike & Holly Breer were great contestants. Thank you again for all of your help.

Joanne Hodges

Sunshine Report

The month of February we sent get well cards to Wally Trevor, Dorothy Hixon Chapman, Sharon Schweinhagen, Paul Blitz, Bonnie Mezza, Dorothy Greene, Dolores Duck and Cindy Hathaway. Warm wishes and healing thoughts are being sent your way. Sympathy cards were sent to Joyce Gardner on the death of her husband, Russ; Joe Thorne on the death of his wife, Ginny; Jim & Helen Walden on the death of their son and Nancy Trevor on the death of her husband, Wally. Our thoughts are with you at this sad time.

Eileen Borndal

Notes of Thanks

Thank you to all the residents of Lake Bonnet for the cards, calls and words of encouragement after my surgery. You are indeed "special" and I am so blessed to know all of you.

Ilene Hunt

To all the special folks in Lake Bonnet Village—you have shown Karl and I the true meaning of "love thy neighbor". Everybody has been so giving of his or her time and talents, we thank you. For all your thoughts and prayers, we thank you. For the caring you have shown each time you ask how we are doing, we thank you. For the loving hands that left a basket of gifts at our door and opened one each day as instructed. It was the highlight of our day and Karl saved the last one to open on his birthday, we thank you. Our hearts are full of hope and joy because of all of you. I know God is

well pleased with His children here in our Florida home.
Karl & Pat Harrington

There are no words to let everyone at Lake Bonnet know how much they touched my heart at the “Celebrating Russ’s Life” on Wednesday, February 16th. Thank you so much for all the goodies brought in and the love you brought with it.

Russ and I had 27 wonderful years here and I will continue to enjoy every minute of every day as long as I am here.

God bless all of you.

Love, Joyce Gardner

Thank you all for your prayers and thoughtfulness during my stay in the Florida Hospital and as I continue to recover at home. The get well cards and hospital visits were appreciated very much!

Bryce (Buzz) Bailey

New Directories

These have been printed and distributed. We have found a few mistakes that were missed by the typist and proof readers. Our apologies to you. Please make these changes:

Greg Harbaugh-BD is November 23

Cal & Shirley McAnally address is
2904 Grove Road

Terry & Linda Myers address is
3004 Bristlecone Road

Linda Haven

Due to the death of Wally Trevor knowing many residents would like the address for cards etc., please take note:

51101 62nd Street

Hartford, MI 49057

Joanne Sylvia

A Few Reminders

Its nearly time to begin preparing to return North for a lot of us. Those wishing to receive copies of the

“Chatter” need to furnish me with self-addressed stamped envelopes for the months you are away from Lake Bonnet. Don’t forget, the “Chatter” is available on our <http://www.lakebonnetvillage.com>

Also, news items need to be submitted by the dates indicated below:

April issue by March 20th

May issue by April 20th

June/July by June 20th

Aug/Sept by August 20th

October by September 20th

Please keep in mind all news items presented must have a signature, otherwise, they will not be included in our newsletters.

Thanks, Joanne Sylvia

Thoughts To Remember

One of life’s greatest mysteries is how a 2 pound box of candy can make a person gain 5 pounds.

Middle age is when broadness of the mind and narrowness of the waist change places.

Habits are cobwebs at first, cables at last.

You can go anywhere if you build a road.

You know its going to be a rough day when you wake up looking like your driver’s license picture.

Old age is like a car—paint can conceal the exterior, but the lines reveal the age.

Gratitude is always the right attitude.

The best gifts are tied with heartstrings....yours.

You are who you choose to be.

Love reduces friction to a fraction.



Lake Bonnet Village Calendar of Events

March 2011



Joyfulness keeps the heart and face young. A good laugh makes us better friends with ourselves and everybody around us.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Card Bingo every Wednesday @ 6:30 P.M.</p> <p>FIRE RING each Wednesday @ 4:00 P. M.</p> <p>Euchre each Wednesday @ 6:45 P.M.</p> <p>Texas holdum every Tuesday @ 5:45 P.M. in the exercise room.</p>		<p>1</p> <p>8:30 AM Coffee & Donuts</p> <p>10:00 AM Crafts</p> <p>5:00 PM Best of the Rest Dinner</p>	<p>2</p> <p>9:00 AM Quilting</p> <p>1:00 PM Bridge</p> <p>2:00 PM Line Dancing</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9:00 AM -12:00 PM Hands of Love</p> <p>7:00 PM Bingo</p>	<p>4</p> <p>10:15 AM Bicycle Club</p> <p>4:00 PM -6:00 PM Park Appreciation Day</p>	<p>5</p> <p>7:30 AM -9:00 AM Pancake Breakfast</p> <p>Golf Tournament</p>
<p>6</p> <p>9:15 AM Church</p> <p>7:00 PM Variety Show</p>	<p>7</p> <p>11:00 AM Fun Club Ex Board Meeting</p> <p>7:00 PM Bingo</p>	<p>8</p> <p>8:30 AM Coffee & Donuts then Fun Club Meets @ 9:00</p> <p>10:00 AM Crafts</p> <p>1:30 PM -4:00 PM Blood Bank</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9:00 AM Quilting</p> <p>1:00 PM Bridge</p> <p>2:00 PM Line Dancing</p>	<p>10</p> <p>9:00 AM -12:00 PM Hands of Love</p> <p>7:00 PM Bingo</p>	<p>11</p> <p>10:15 AM Bicycle Club</p> <p>1:00 PM Millie's games</p>	<p>12</p> <p>7:30 AM -9:00 AM Biscuits & Gravy Breakfast</p>
<p>13</p> <p>9:15 AM Church</p> <p>4:00 PM -5:00 PM Ice Cream Social</p> <p>Daylight Savings Time Begins</p>	<p>14</p> <p>7:00 PM Bingo</p>	<p>15</p> <p>8:30 AM Coffee & Donuts</p> <p>10:00 AM Crafts</p> <p>11:30 AM -12:30 PM Soup & Sandwich</p>	<p>16</p> <p>7:00 AM -11:00 AM Fishing Derby</p> <p>9:00 AM Quilting</p> <p>1:00 PM Bridge</p> <p>2:00 PM Line Dancing</p>	<p>17</p> <p>9:00 AM -12:00 PM Hands of Love</p> <p>7:00 PM Bingo</p> <p>St. Patrick's Day</p>	<p>18</p> <p>10:15 AM Bicycle Club</p>	<p>19</p> <p>7:30 AM -9:00 AM French Toast Breakfast</p> <p>7:00 PM -10:00 PM Dance to Don Patrick "The Ultimate Dance Musician"</p>
<p>20</p> <p>9:15 AM Church</p>	<p>21</p> <p>9:00 AM Co-Op Board Meeting</p> <p>7:00 PM Bingo</p>	<p>22</p> <p>8:30 AM Coffee & Donuts</p> <p>10:00 AM Crafts</p> <p>5:00 PM Pot Luck</p>	<p>23</p> <p>9:00 AM Quilting</p> <p>1:00 PM Bridge</p>	<p>24</p> <p>9:00 AM -12:00 PM Hands of Love</p> <p>7:00 PM Bingo</p>	<p>25</p> <p>10:15 AM Bicycle Club</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27</p> <p>9:15 AM Church</p>	<p>28</p> <p>7:00 PM Bingo</p>	<p>29</p> <p>8:30 AM Coffee & Donuts</p> <p>10:00 AM Crafts</p>	<p>30</p> <p>9:00 AM Quilting</p> <p>1:00 PM Bridge</p>	<p>31</p> <p>9:00 AM -12:00 PM Hands of Love</p> <p>7:00 PM Bingo</p>	<p>Activities boxed are conducted in the West Club house.</p> <p>All others are conducted in the Community Hall.</p> <p>Cloud 9 Hand and Foot @12:30 P.M. each Wednesday</p> <p>Bible Study @9:00 A.M. every Wednesday.</p>	