

# The Sea Gull



Lakeside Terrace, 24 Sunrise Lane, Fruitland Park, FL 34731 March 2023  
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## Monday

Exercise with Peg 7 AM - 8 AM  
Water Aerobics 10 AM  
Wii Bowling 1 - 3 PM  
Bingo 5 - 9 PM

## Tuesday

Chair Yoga 9 AM  
Billiards 1 PM

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## Thursday

## Wednesday

Exercise with Peg 7 AM - 8 AM  
Sew Birds 9 AM - 2 PM  
Euchre 9:30 AM - 12 PM  
Water Aerobics 10 AM  
Bowling at AMF Leesburg 12 PM  
Not Your Grandma's Bingo 6:30 PM

Shuffleboard 1 PM  
Mah Jongg 1 PM  
Hand, Knee & Foot 1:30  
Tripoli (pennies) 6 PM

## Friday

Exercise with Peg 7 AM - 8 AM  
Chair Yoga 9 AM  
Water Aerobics 10 AM  
Not Your Grandma's Bingo 11 AM  
Book Club 2 PM (2nd Fri.)  
Billiards 1 PM - 4PM

## Saturday

Coffee Klatch 9 AM  
Meet and socialize over a  
cup of java!

## Sunday

Billiards 1 PM—4 PM  
Euchre 6 PM

## MANAGER'S CORNER

Helen Bobbitt, Community Manager

This has been a great month at Lakeside Terrace. The weather has cooperated, and we are having beautiful days to enjoy being outside. It's great to get to talk to so many of you when we are driving around the community. I want to thank all of you for the great job you are doing on sprucing up your homes. Pressure washing, cleaning up around the house, weeding the flower beds, keeping the grass mowed, and planting flowers is being noticed. The community looks great. We are receiving so many comments from individuals who are visiting the community looking to buy. They have all been very impressed with how clean and inviting Lakeside Terrace is compared to other communities. They are choosing this community to purchase a home in, and that is great news for anyone who has their home on the market.

I want to thank everyone once again for participating in the ice cream sundae party on February 14. This is just the start. As I told you during the party, I want to have activities monthly so that we can come together and enjoy the company of others in the community.

Just an update on the maintenance person. I have selected someone and made an offer. We are just waiting for the paperwork to be completed at corporate and that is something I cannot control. I want to thank everyone for their understanding. I know there are areas that need attention and I will get to them as soon as I can.



I've also been seeking assistance from other parks to handle the major jobs that I cannot do.

The yard of the month went to 29 Lakeview Drive. The Seelye's yard really looks great and we were happy to reward them.

I want to give a huge thank you to Tom and Trish Kedrowski who noticed that many of the solar lights in front of the Clubhouse were not operating, and offered to pick them up for me while they were at Sam's. There was a great deal so I was able to get twenty-five additional lights to replace the ones that were not working and also install some for the areas along the sidewalk that needed extra lighting. I really appreciate them bringing this need to my attention. I will be replacing the broken lights at the end of the pier in the next few weeks. Please do not hesitate to let me know if you see something that needs to be fixed. I love having extra eyes to look out for things that I might not see.

I'm sure that by the time this is published, you'll have been alerted on Facebook that we've been given permission to have a community garden on the small empty lot, site 8 (AKA 15 Lake Griffin Drive). I'm very excited about the idea of everyone who is interested in planting and harvesting vegetables spending time together as a community. I realize that water is going to be an issue, but we'll find a way around that as well. Stay tuned for updates regarding this new project.

Hope to see everyone for St. Patrick's day activities.

Just remember, my door is always open.

Helen Bobbitt



## SOCIAL CLUB

Deb Brown, Social Club President

The year has passed quickly and this is my last article as Social Club President. It was a fairly eventful year with 2 hurricanes, the addition of new neighbors, the loss of some cherished friends, and our activities. We had a presentation on scams for seniors, a flu clinic for residents at the Clubhouse to gauge interest in having such programs, and an emergency fund established for residents in need. Helen advised me that ELS approved the request to increase our holiday dinner budget. The Social Club meeting is Tuesday, March 7, at 7 PM. There will be a report on the community yard sale, a vote to continue the emergency fund or not, and plans for the St. Patrick's Day party, among other things. Attend the meeting, socialize, enjoy cake and coffee afterward! I'd like to thank my Board (Mary Burel, Sue McFadden and Ron Grove) for their help and support. Best wishes to them and new president Martha Grove. On a final note, an organization like ours needs three things to survive and remain vibrant: volunteers, participation, and a show of support from the members

*Our deepest sympathy to  
Debra Ludwig on the loss of  
her son and to Judy Schwartz  
on the loss of her daughter.*



## HOA

Randy Ellis, HOA President

As we make our way through February, the days are getting warmer and longer. That reminds me, Daylight Savings Time will begin on Sunday, March 12th, as we "Spring Ahead." On Friday, February 10th, the HOA held its monthly meeting. The Board approved the nominations of Ron Grove and Joe Feltner to join the Negotiations Committee, and 2nd Vice President Joseph Greene was selected to be the Board Liaison to the Negotiations Committee. The Board is looking to add additional members to this committee.

We also approved the creation of a new Bylaws and Rules Review Committee. This committee is being created to review the Lakeside Terrace rules and bylaws bi-annually. We hope to appoint members to this committee by the beginning of October.

Our pool is looking cleaner every day. It's nice to see that, with the temperatures rising, our pool and hot tub are getting more use. Our new microphones are up and running. Thank you to the maintenance person from Parkwood Oaks for assisting with that project.

The Board is trying to work out our meeting schedule for the rest of 2023. While we have pretty much agreed that meetings will not be held every month, especially during the summer, I think it's important that they be held more frequently during the Fall, Winter, and Spring months. (continued on the next page)

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As currently planned, 1st Vice President Carol Hetherington and I will be meeting with Park Manager Helen Bobbitt on a monthly basis, prior to the each scheduled Board meeting. I feel it's extremely important that we get your input as well. We had 15 residents attend our meeting on February 10th and would like to increase attendance even more. We're your Board, and it works better when all participate. Our next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, March 11th at 10:30 AM, following the Saturday Morning Coffee Klatch. We'd like to hear from you!

As we do our best to get information out to everyone on a timely basis through our Facebook page, kiosks, and email, we're working to increase our email address database. If you haven't filled out an HOA information form, please do so. By having you in our database, important information can be promptly shared with you. The HOA information form also includes your phone numbers and emergency contacts. If anyone has concerns or questions, please feel free to contact me.

HOA President Randy Ellis

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It was nice to see six residents from Lakeside Terrace in attendance at the FMO meeting, February 16th, at Parkwood Oaks. Unfortunately, guest speaker Luann Duncan was unable to attend due to illness. Her topic was to be "Closing Your Winter Home for the Summer." There was some discussion among those present, but I won't get into it here as the Sea Gull addresses this topic annually.

We also discussed proposed bills that are at the committee stage in Tallahassee and have a sponsor: the elimination of the sales tax on the re-sale of a mobile home, and capping the time allowed for a park to approve a new resident to 15 days. These bills would not be possible without out the involvement of the FMO. These are just two examples of what FMO is doing for us.

The next FMO meeting is 12:30 PM, Thursday, March 16th, at The Woodlands at Church Lake, 1124 Heritage Drive, Groveland FL 34736. The guest speaker, John Salvucci, will discuss "Negotiating Rent Increases". I strongly recommend that anyone considering becoming a member of our Negotiating Committee attend this meeting. You don't need to be an FMO member to attend.

Please consider joining FMO, whose purpose is to protect us as Florida mobile home owners. Dues are only \$25 per year or \$65 for three years. If you have any questions or need an application please contact me at **508-697-8745** or email me: **randyellis01@gmail.com**







## SEW BIRDS

Mary Ann Paquette

Sew Birds, we have been having a great year. Kathleen made some table decorations for the Clubhouse. More to come from Sew Birds. We also had a jelly roll race and everyone completed a quilt top. New people who sew are welcome.

## Library Materials

Karen Keenan

Library Materials (books, puzzles, games and DVD's) are located in bookcases behind the door in the Billiard Room. Access to the materials is not available when billiard playing is in progress. Due to limited space, donations are not accepted at this time. Borrowed materials may be returned or a replacement item may be donated.



## MAH JONGG

Karen Keenan

Anyone wishing to learn more about the game of Mah Jongg can join us at 1 PM each Thursday in the Clubhouse. The game is no more complicated than many card games and is an enjoyable way to spend a couple of hours. We invite all residents to come, observe, and understand more about this game.



## March Birthdays

Happy March birthdays to : **Rich Aniol, Don Boyd, Bob Covell, Shirley Cruse, Lori Dashiell, Sue Furry, Carol Hetherington, Jim Holthus, George Kelley, Kathy Kowalski, Rick Kinser, Cheryl Miller, Ann Reeves, Buck Ross, Kelly Veilleux, and Nancy Vollmer.**

Make the most of your special day and let those around you show how much they cherish and love you. You deserve it!



May your mornings bring you joy, and your evenings bring peace. May your troubles grow few and your blessings increase. Happy anniversary to: Bob & Eva Graham; Grace & Pat Hetherington; Phillip & Pamela Smith; Dennis & Diane Walker.

## Coffee Klatch

Kathleen Smales



Want to meet people and find out what's going on in the community ? Come for coffee and donuts on Saturday mornings at 9:00 AM in the Clubhouse.

On Feb. 4th, the donuts were donated by Cherie Sexton in memory of her mother, Shirley Hassom.

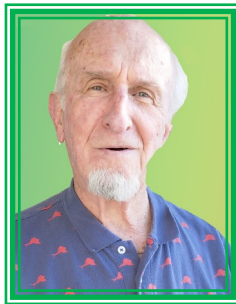
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Darlene Stodola

**Robert (Ken) Copenhaver** is now owner of 75 Lake Griffin Drive. He comes to Florida to see his children and do some fishing. Ken calls his home here his "Fish Camp." He likes catching Crappie and having fish fries. He does have a boat here in our marina.

Ken is originally from Washington D.C. but has spent most of his life in Virginia Beach and is active in his HOA. He has been



working for the same company, Virginia Building Supplies, for over 35 years.

Ken's children all live nearby in Florida. He has 2 daughters and 2 sons, including: Jean, Julie, Paul, and Matthew. Ken enjoys the time he gets to spend with them for a few weeks each year. He is planning to come down to Florida for longer stays in the near future.

Ken says he has great neighbors with Randy and Terry Ellis and Buck and Jody Ross. Having a home right on Lake Griffin for fishing is perfect for him. Welcome to Lakeside Ken.

Ken's phone number is 757-449-4238.



The new owners of 27 Driftwood Lane are **Todd** and **Tammy Alcorn** of Ottawa Lake, Michigan. Todd's home town is Toledo, Ohio and

Tammy's home town is Lambertville, Michigan.

That's near the Michigan/Ohio border.

The Alcorns have a 22-year-old daughter, Kacey, and 3 dogs back in Michigan.

They're here at LST only when they have vacations from their jobs in Michigan. Todd is an independent handyman/carpenter and Tammy works for an inground pool company. Todd has been totally remodeling their Florida home with new floors, trim, painting, etc.

Todd's hobby is cooking. He built a commercial kitchen to attach to his barn on their Michigan property. They can host large parties of friends and family where Todd does all the cooking.

Tammy enjoys thrift shopping and finding treasures on the computer shopping sites and at local thrift shops. She's found most of her furniture for their Florida home that way. Tammy also enjoys being an organizer and she loves to drive. She would be happy to be a shuttle driver to the airports.

The Alcorns found Lakeside Terrace on-line. They then came to Florida and checked other parks. One of their prerequisites was finding a friendly park. They also really enjoy the pool at Lakeside Terrace.

Todd's phone number is 419-944-0232 and Tammy's is 419-297-4669. Please welcome Todd and Tammy.



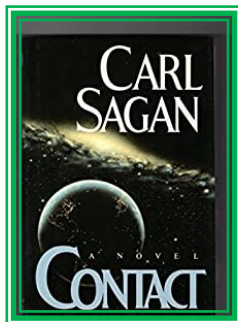



## Turning Pages

Linda Greer



The January Book Club selection was *Contact*, a science fiction novel by Carl Sagan, an award winning astrophysicist. It ranked No. 7 on the 1985 U.S. best seller list. The book was a tough read, full of a great deal of technical/mathematical language and intricate details on the search for extraterrestrial intelligence (SETI) programs.



The main character of Sagan's novel is Ellie Arroway, a woman struggling in a male dominated field. Her character and life experiences resonated with many of the readers. SETI provides the plot of the book and begins as a search for radio transmissions using high power radio telescopes. The Argus project led by Dr. Arroway discovers a message hidden in a transmission of prime numbers from the star system Vega. Further study and decoding of *The Message* require cooperation from other astronomical agencies and countries around the world. *The Message* leads the scientific and political world in a new direction, exploring the concepts of worldwide cooperation, scientific v. religious beliefs, and a wide variety of ethical questions. Once decoded, *The Message* reveals the designs for a time travel machine with seating for up to five passengers. These instructions lead to many more questions and challenges: What

does the machine do? Who should go in the machine? Who will pay for it? Who should build it? Should it be built? Will the machine be the end of our planet? Throughout the novel, religious fundamentalists, scientists, and government leaders' values and egos collide. Sagan's novel includes rich dialogue about the source of *The Message* and its implications, arguments over whether to build it, and who would be on the multinational team chosen to make the trip. Throughout the story, Sagan intertwines complex mathematics with fiction, and through the knots in his story come hints of deep questions about the meaning of religion and spirituality, humanity, and social consciousness. As a mathematics major, I loved how the author blended science/math concepts with the often divergent religious/faith beliefs. The ending of the book gripped my soul as the author challenges the reader to explore the circle of life, with circles embedded in circles. No matter where you are from, the circumference of a circle divided by the diameter of the same circle will always be approximately 3.14159. A more detailed summary can be found at <http://academic.depauw.edu/>

May your home always  
be too small to hold  
all your friends.



Irish Blessing



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## Ladies of Leisure

Karen Keenan

Thirty-five ladies of the community met for the monthly luncheon on February 21st at the Fish Camp restaurant in Lake Eustis. This is one of the largest groups that have attended our luncheons. There were pros and cons about the food and service as, unfortunately, some of meal choices were not prepared well. Others food choices were excellent and much enjoyed. It was exciting to see so many smiling faces having great conversation. Attending were: Sharon Maralia, Brenda



Burleigh, Martha Grove, Joanne Speas, Ann Reeves, Jane Belanger, Elyse Coffey, Carol Roberts, Shirley Smith, Jean Cherovsky, Marge Bresinski, June Hoffert, Kathy Walden, Linda Greer, Barb Stodola and guest, her sister Nancy, Sue Greenwood, Donna Johnson, Doris Buyarski, Jen Barstow, Carolyn Thompson, Debbie Boyd, Dorothy Burton, Jeanne Sullivan, Sue McFadden, Mary Burel, Deb Ludwig, Darlene Stodola, Mavis Larmay, Sandi Serdar, Sherry Shaw, Marla Holmes, Linda Wolosyn, Cheryl Simms and Karen Keenan.

Watch for information about the Tue. March 21st luncheon at Vincent's Italian Restaurant, 5914 N. Orange Blossom Trail, Mount Dora.



## The Lake County Ladies Chorus

Darlene Stodola



The Lake County Ladies Chorus is performing here at LST in our clubhouse on Friday April 14<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 PM. This is the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary year of this group's existence. The concert will include songs from Swing/Jazz, 50-60's Rock, Musicals, and Broadway.

One our residents, Darlene Stodola, has been singing with this group for several years and will be a featured soloist.

There will be dessert and coffee served after the concert. There is no admission fee. Donations are always welcome. Mark your calendars for a very entertaining show.



March



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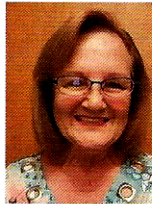
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