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Monday

Exercise with Peg 7AM-8AM

Water Aerobics 11AM

WII Bowling 1-3PM

Bingo 5-9 PM

Tuesday

Chair Yoga 9:00 AM

Billiards 1PM

Bid Euchre 1:30

Wednesday

Exercise with Peg 7AM-8AM

Sewbirds 9AM-2 PM

Euchre 9:30 AM -12 PM

Water Aerobics 11AM

BOWLING at AMF Leesburg 12:45

Not your Grandma's Bingo 6:30 PM



Veterans Breakfast

@ clubhouse Nov 11, 9:00AM

Veterans free, others \$5.00

Thursday

Shuffleboard 1PM

Mah Jongg 1 PM

Friday

Exercise with Peg 7AM-8AM

Chair Yoga 9 AM

Water Aerobics 11AM

Grandma's bingo 11 AM

Book Club 2PM (2nd Fri.)

Billiards 1PM-4PM

Sunday

Euchre 10 AM– 12PM

Billiards 1PM-4PM

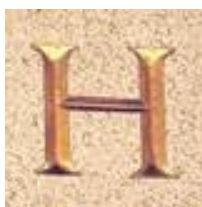
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Managers Corner

Hope Clark, administrative assistance

Welcome back, I'm glad to see everyone has returned home safely. Over the summer we were able to have the canal area of the pond dredged, not that you can tell with all the growth but keep in mind all the calls to Lake County have not gone unnoticed, they are currently treating the water and trying to move the growth with air boats. Hopefully soon the canals will be clear for the boats to move around. Tommy and I are currently working on the 360's we will be getting the paperwork back to you soon. Some of the items we will be looking for are the registration stickers, overgrown bushes and home titles. Just to mention a few things. Thankfully most of our residents had made it through Hurricane Ian, I want to thank all the wonderful residents who walked, drove and collected the debris from Ian. Our community may be smaller, but we always come together with strength in a time of need.



As some of you know Linda Nier (Lakeside Terrace Mgr.) lost her battle with cancer, in Tavares, FL. She was surrounded by close friends and loving family throughout the day, just as she was throughout her life. As her spirit lifts away from this earth she will gaze into the light of paradise and see the familiar faces of those who left before her and there will be happiness all around her. She will be missed by so many Linda and remembered always for your passion for life, your dedication to family, and your compassion for others. Until that day comes when we see you again, be at peace and forever smile in every direction you look.

We will be welcoming our new community manager in November, so be sure to stop by the office to introduce yourself.

Welcome

We welcome all our new residents to Lakeside Terrace. We also welcome back all the seasonable residents. This is the first issue of the seagull newsletter this season. All residents are welcome to contribute to our newsletter, whether it is to announce a new activity or program, provide or update information. Have you always wanted to write, create a short story, poem, or share some artwork, here's your chance. This is our newsletter! Just send to seagull_news@yahoo.com. The front page of the newsletter shows the weekly LST activities which you are welcome to join. You might wish to keep this page handy so you know what's happening each day. (I do, as being retired I can even forget what day it is 😊). New activities or games are always welcome. Please feel free to join in the activities, have some fun and let's get to know each other.

Another communication tool is our Lakeside Terrace Facebook page. This is a private group only to be seen by active residents of LST. Members can invite new residents to the group. You will then receive a message to accept the group. This page is primary to share information important to our group.

There are also many important notices in the clubhouse, and on the outside kiosks near each mailboxes. Again a special welcome to our new residents. Here's hoping you grow to love our park as we do.

George Eakright

Jeff Taylor

Diane & Dennis Walker

Dawn Reed

Linda & Scott Greer

Kim & Donald Bryan

Sarah Webb

17 Lakewood Lane

27 Lake Griffin Dr.

4 Clubhouse Dr.

33 Lake Griffin Dr.

20 Lakeview Dr.

66 Eden Dr.

5 Lake Griffin Dr.



By Robin Sexton, President of HOA

I really miss Halloween, the decorations, the kids trick or treating. Doesn't seem to be real popular here in Florida, maybe it is a Fall thing with the pumpkins and leaves. I do remember way too many Halloween's though were we were walking with the kids in parkas and boots due to the snow. It has been awhile since I posted a newsletter. We have been traveling the last couple of months and due to Internet issues have been kind of out of touch. I want to thank the rest of the Board for continuing on in my absence. Just proof how important a team is.

As we close in on the end of year we need to get our act together as we have the mandatory Annual meeting in January. It is vital that we have as many members as possible to attend because without a quorum very little business can be accomplished. We need a minimum of 72 residences represented.

As most of you should know the Lot Rent letters went out in September. As expected the increase was substantial. According to everyone's Prospectus rent is increased based on the CPI. Due to inflation and other factors the CPI ended at 8.2 percent. That is the bad news. The good news is the Social Security Benefits will also be increased by a similar amount in 2023. Add in the other price increases we have absorbed over the last year and we are still getting screwed. The HOA is still monitoring the tax bill for changes that can be used to adjust the yearly Pass-Thru Tax bill in January.

We had a pretty light Hurricane season this year and to put it mildly we were very, very, lucky. Hurricane Ian just barely touched us here in the

park. If it had come ashore where it had originally been projected we would have really been hurt. We were lucky. A particular bright spot, in my opinion, was the action of the HOA's Infrastructure Committee. Shortly after the storm cleared they did an inspection of the Park and a cursory inspections of the homes. Fortunately, they found very little damage, none critical. By them doing this checking and reporting, it would have enabled the HOA to get reports out to affected homeowners in a timely manner. I want to thank the members of the Infrastructure Committee for stepping up.

One issue that has been before the Board all year is the need and/or selection of legal counsel to help advise the Board on issues. Particularly, loss of amenities, complaints to DBPR (Department of Business and Professional Regulation's), By-laws, and other issues. The Board's most recent vote was 4-0, not to go forward at this time with obtaining legal counsel. Not the result I was hoping for.



A Board member met with ELS management on recurring issues. This meeting was put into a memorandum and shared last month with HOA Membership. Needless to say, things are moving very slowly or not at all.

Deb Brown, Chairperson of the HOA Nominating Committee has been seeking candidates for Board Positions to be selected in January 2023 at the Annual Meeting. To say it has been a struggle would be gross understatement. To be honest it always is. Over the years that I have been in this Park it seems like people need to be forced, almost at gun point to get involved. I probably don't need to point out that many residents are more the eager to complain

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about things. Anyway, this January we have 4 positions out of 5 that need to have candidates. We currently have 3 nominees. More would be much better.

Will Johnson's current Term ends in January and he has valiantly put his name back in the running for a new Term. Jim Filbert's appointed Term also ends in January and he is stepping down. Joe Feltner for personal reasons is stepping down on November 1 of the this year and his position could be filled by Board Appointment but only until January 2023. At that time it needs to be filled again. Finally effective at the end of the January 2023 Annual meeting I am resigning. So please, please consider putting your name on the list to be considered as a Board Member. All that is needed is for you to have your name on the deed for your residence. That is all that is required for you to be a member of the HOA. If you think things could be just a little bit better, if you see problems in the Park that you think could or should be addressed, please help. We need to have the nominees selected by December 10th 2022. If you even THINK you might be interested please contact any Board member for any questions you may have. Come to the Board meeting on November 8th and watch how much fun we have !! Contact Deb Brown to be put on the list.

Looking forward to Thanksgiving, please get your names on the list as soon as possible at the Club House. It is a lot of work for the volunteers and getting the numbers in as soon as possible is a huge help for them



Wow! This year has passed so quickly, it's hard to believe the holidays are not far off. Christmas stuff is in the stores already. I'm drawn to it like a moth to a flame and the last thing I need is more stuff! But Thanksgiving comes first and Grace Hetherington graciously agreed to chair the LST Thanksgiving Dinner which I'm sure will be lovely.. Social Club is planning Christmas festivities and we are doing a toy drive again this year on December 3. See the Kiosk for more info. This is one of my favorite things. I love playing Santa for children who need to be helped and I'm always inspired by the generosity of our residents. Christmas Caroling in the park will be Dec 7th at 6pm. More info in Dec newsletter.

Welcome back to our northern friends, welcome to new neighbors. We'd love to see you at a Social Club meeting or event!

Deborah Brown, President Social Club

HOA Nominating Committee

Would you like to be involved in your community? Serving on the HOA Board is the perfect opportunity to get involved, familiarize yourself with the community and give back. There are 4 board positions up for election at the January annual meeting. Two positions' terms expire, one is a resignation and another is resignation due to moving. If this sounds like a good fit for you please contact me.

(debbrown19@aim.com)



Better Than Therapy Book Club

Carol Roberts

Into our fifth year, our Better Than Therapy Book Club is preparing to make selections for the 2022-2023 chapter. Since our first meeting, we have grown to include 24 members, both seasonal and permanent residents. When Sue Furry and I initiated our club, we hoped for a close-knit but diverse group of women who could listen, discuss, learn, and support. And that's exactly what we got! We are, as Kim DesRochers says "an eclectic group of women, from all walks of life, spanning multiple generations, who all enjoy a common interest: the love of reading. We learn from what we read and from one another." Generous and honest in sharing our views, insights, and experiences, we gain knowledge, understanding, and empathy that enriches each of us.

We are fortunate to have Leesburg Library at our doorstep where we can source a wide variety of book club kits for our use. Each kit provides twelve copies of a selected title, which, this chapter, we will begin to share via partnering between members. Although our numbers restrict us to the convenience of the kits, our reading lists remain quite diversified. With a basic blend of fiction and nonfiction, we have read biography and memoir—like Michelle Obama's *Becoming* and *Unbroken*, a biography of Louis Zamperini—or historical fiction like *Half Broke Horses* by Jeannette Walls and *Before We Were Yours* by Lisa Wingate. Straight up nonfiction choices were Pulitzer winner *Devil in the Grove* and *Prairie Fires*, a biography of Laura Ingalls Wilder. Some of us like nonfiction, some of us Just-Do-Not; some of us read to the end, some don't finish, some never start; it doesn't matter!

All agree with Martha Grove: "We always have fun; even if you don't read the book, you're not shamed," in fact you are embraced.

Fiction remains a favorite—all types of fiction. Mysteries, Thrillers, and Detective series are popular. We tried *The Thursday Night Murder Club*, Lisa Jackson's *Willing to Die*, and *Seduction: A Novel of Suspense*. Trade fiction is a staple—for us and the library. We've read JoJo Moyes' *Giver of Stars*, Celeste Ng's *Little Fires Everywhere*, Maeve Binchy's *A Week in Winter*, Jodi Picoult's *Small Great Things*, and coming up is Delia Owens' *Where the Crawdads Sing*.

We meet on the second Friday of every month, year round, at 2:00 pm in the Clubhouse. Recommendations by Deb Brown and Sue McFadden, say our informal group is "a great way to meet your neighbors that like to read and be social" and, of course, share "wine and good snacks." And as Sue Furry comments, the success of our group is due to **"wonderful neighbors having great conversations regarding books and authors and our personal feelings!"**

We are always seeking new members with their unique perspectives, opinions, and reading preferences. All are welcome to drop in to our monthly meetings or contact Carol Roberts (409 2844) Sue McFadden (352 874 1318) or Karen Keenan (352 365 2854.)



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November Birthdays

Swirling autumn leaves of orange, red and gold, November has a beauty that's easy to behold. A birthday wish for you of happiness and more, may your days be full of what you're thankful for. November birthday wishes go out to: Ron Buyarski, Randy Ellis, Joe Feltner, Jody Graham, Steve Lanham, David Murphy, Kenny Ratcliff, Mike Schmelzer, and Paul Valentino.

November Anniversaries

November anniversary wishes to: Phil & Millie Banfill; Richard & Maryanna Foster; Deborah and Bob McDermott, Buck & Judy Ross, and George & Carolyn Thompson. May your anniversary be as bright as the memories you have collected and as warm as the love you've discovered together.

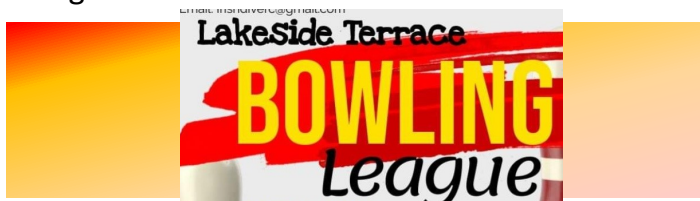
Ladies of Leisure

By Karen Keenan

The Ladies of Leisure lunches are scheduled on the third Thursday of the month October through May. All ladies of the community are invited to attend. It is an opportunity to have a leisurely lunch, get to know each other and enjoy good food and conversation. The lunches are scheduled at a different area restaurant each month and feature a variety of cuisine options. The October lunch, held at Perkin's had a very low attendance. With many of our winter residents now returning I am



hopeful that attendance will improve. The November lunch is scheduled for Tuesday November 15th at 1pm and Salsa Mexican Restaurant 2270 Vindale Rd., Travares (former location of Angelo's). Further information will be posted. Ladies: plan to join us and bring a neighbor.



LST has a bowling league, not the same as Wii bowling in the clubhouse. We are in the middle of our Fall session but for those interested in joining our winter session; please contact **Douglas Irish (Doug) via Facebook or directly @ 512-993-7842**. Winter session will begin 1/4/23 and run for 12 weeks. Recruit neighbors or even friends who may not live in the park. Each session is 12 weeks long bowling on Wednesdays at noon. Three games per week at \$14.10 for each bowler. Our teams are made up of three persons now with the intent of making four player teams with more participants. You also get 2 free games each week to practice. This is a fun and friendly activity open to those interested. Feel free to contact me with any further questions or drop by the AMF Leesburg Lanes to see us in action. **Doug Irish: 512-993-7842**

Lakeside Terrace 2022 phone books were distributed last spring. If you did not receive a copy give me a call or message me at 262-501-1351. Our plan this year is to add a page with the new residents. It would be great if new residents would call or message me with their address, phone number, and e-mail. (phone number &/or e-mail optional). All new residents since last April should have received their phone book from Hope. If you did not receive one, see Hope for your copy.

Barb Stodola 262-501-1351



The Elves Will Be Arriving Soon!

Just heard from Santa and he's sending his elves down to deliver Christmas cards this year.

For all our new residents and a reminder to those who have been here - we have an inner park delivery system. If you put your Christmas cards to your friends and neighbors (in LST) in the white mailbox in the clubhouse, the Elf Squad will deliver them.

Please include the name and address so we can get them delivered to the correct home. It would be a big help if you have a clip or basket at your front door for the elves to put them in.

The Elf Squad could use some helpers sorting mail and would appreciate hearing from you, if you're able to help, please contact

Elf Peg (352-314-2477) before December 1st, 2022.



Deliveries start
on
**December
1st**

Peg Aniol, Elf

Meet your Neighbor

Darlene Stodola

Scott and Linda Greer are the new owners of 20 Lakeview Drive. They moved here in July after buying the home from Linda's aunt, Carole Kolbe. They have two sweet small dogs, Georgia and Callie who are littermates. Linda has two adult sons who still live in California. Scott is originally from Georgia and spent 28 years in the Air Force. When he was stationed in San Diego he met Linda in 2005. They married in 2006. Linda is from California and taught High School Math for 28 years there. They also brought Linda's mom to Florida and she is living in an assisted living home nearby.

One of the things they really like about Lakeside Terrace is the friendly helpful people who pitched in right away to get them settled here. They also like the design of the park and the lake and being 90 miles in either direction from the oceans. Scott enjoys golf, fishing, Nascar, and football. His favorite team is the Georgia Bull Dogs who are undefeated. Linda enjoys arts and crafts including sewing and she also enjoys water aerobics.



They both have April birthdays. Their phone number is 916-541-7305 and email is lgreer22@hotmail.com. Please welcome the Greers to LST.

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In Loving Memory

As a seasonable resident the most difficult part of putting together the November issue of the Seagull is remembering our friends and neighbors who have passed during the summer. This year is no different. Most notable is the loss of our manager, **Linda Nier** who passed away Sunday, July 10, 2022. Linda had been ill most of last year with Cancer. I was able to meet her at the clubhouse in April, giving her a hug and hoping she would be back soon. So was surprised of hearing of her death. Our sympathy to Linda's children Shawn, Diane and Ryan and their families & friends.



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Our sympathy also extend to the families and friends of Mark Hanson, of 6 Lake Griffin who passed in April, Cheryl Lynne Bradford, of 2 Clubhouse Dr, and Marty Craft, of 65 Eden and former residents: Virginia Welch, Connie Miller, & Dennis Little.

Cheryl "Cherie" Lynne Bradford passed away peacefully at home as she slept in her favorite chair, June 3, 2022. She was a loving soul with a heart of gold. In her later years, she had a rough life with poor health and was in constant pain.



Even to her last day, she was spreading love and making people feel special. She was loved beyond measure and will be sorely missed."

Martin "Marty" Leroy Craft, Born 8-5-1938 fell asleep in Jesus 7-27-2022. He married the love of his life, Kathleen (Atkins) Craft in 1958. Marty and Kathy have four children; Debbie Craft, Kelly (& Raymond) Veilleux, Gary Tom Craft (deceased, 2006), Kimberly (& Donald) Bryan, and three grand-children; Daniel Craft, Jessica Bryan, Brittini (& Michael) Brown. Marty was a hard working "jack of all trades" starting in mechanics with his father at the age of 15. He also worked as a bricklayer, truck driver, construction foreman, and charter bus driver. Most of his career he owned his own business in truck and heavy equipment repair. He will always be remembered for his love of music and his beautiful singing which he offered as his worship through the years.



Virginia Ruth WELCH, (Sparks) age 94, passed away Monday, September 5, 2022, at her residence. She is survived by her 2 children, James (Shirley) Welch and Cathy Loranger. Virginia was a longtime LST resident along with her son & daughter-in-law Jim & Shirley. Virginia enjoyed crafting of all kinds, doing puzzles and playing bingo.



Connie Miller



Dennis Little, 75, of Largo, Florida passed away on October 28, 2022





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