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Picciola Cutoff Terri Ellis 2024



Lake Griffin Drive Terri Ellis 2024



During Hurricane Milton Mary Jane Beckhans & Carol Roberts 2024

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Lakeside Terrace - **TOUR of PARK (DAMAGES)** Oct. 10, 2024
Re: **HURRICANE MILTON**, Oct. 8 - 9, 2024

DAMAGE REPORT to the HOA - Infrastructure Committee from **Rich McFadden**

OVERALL COMMENTS:

Mostly carport, roofing, and roof fascia damage.
Some trees / palms were uprooted.
There's a lot of debris in streets and yards.
Awnings and rainspouts were damaged or destroyed on several homes.

MARINA / BOAT DOCKS / PIER Area:

Overall, boats held fast with wind and rain damage.
One pontoon boat lost its mooring and ended up under the pier walkway.
A cursory inspection of the pier walkway showed no signs of damage.
Tree and plant debris was swept off the walkway.
Homes along the Marina had minor damage overall. Worst damages:
95 Lake Griffin Drive: A tree fell thru their fence and onto their home. Extensive roof damage.
81 Lake Griffin Drive: Their entire carport was blown off. They also have roof damage.
71 Lake Griffin Drive: Carport damage. Roof-flashing was also blown off on one side.

STREET by STREET:

Wintergreen Drive:

Several homes had extensive carport and roof damage.
Others had less extensive damage to carports and roofs.
There are damages to some awnings and rainspouts.
Also more minor damage to trees and shrubs.
Some skirting bricks have been blown out in the park.

Lake Griffin Drive (going uphill):

Tree and shrub damage.
Some debris from Griffwood, the park on our northern property border.
Some roofing and flashing damage.
20 Lake Griffin Drive: Shed roof blown off.
6 Lake Griffin Drive: A front yard tree blew down onto a neighbor's carport.
3 Lake Griffin Drive: Roof, flashing, and awning damage.

Clubhouse Drive:

Several homes had extensive roof and flashing damage.
A couple homes had skirting bricks blown out.
Entrance: A palm tree blew down over a driveway.
The affected residents have cut up and removed that tree.

Terrace Drive / POOL / HOT TUB / SHUFFLEBOARD Area:

No apparent damage to the Pool or the Hot Tub.
The Shuffleboard storage cabinet doors were damaged.
Homes: Minor damage to roofs, carports, and awnings.

Island View - South: A home (Editor: Which one?) had major damage to its roof and flashing.

Eden Drive: 51 Eden Drive: Carport and roof damage.

Driftwood Lane: Some homes have roof, flashing, and tree damage.

Lakewood Lane / Lakeview Drive:

Some homes have carport, roof flashing, and awning damage.
The fence behind the Lakeview mailboxes was blown down.

Storage Compound (for boat trailers, RV's, etc.):

Near the Compound entrance, tree limbs from an adjoining property fell on the damaged white fence.

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Social Club Calendar

November 2024

- Tue. 5th Social Club Meet + Greet 6:30 PM
 Tue. 5th Social Club Meeting 7 PM
 Sat. 9th Veterans' Breakfast 9 AM
Veterans eat free.
 Non-Vets: \$5 Suggested Donation
 Sat. 9th HOA Meeting 10:45 AM
 (Starts after the Veterans' Breakfast)
 Thu. 28th Thanksgiving Dinner (Time TBA)
 Sat. 30th Coffee and Donuts 9 AM
 Afterwards, XMas-Decorate the Clubhouse.
 Free coffee & donut to those who decorate.
 Sat. 30th Social Club Chili Dinner 5 PM

Recurring Activities (Monthly)

- 2nd Fri Book Club Nov. 8, 2 PM
 2nd Sat. HOA Meeting (See Above)
 Tue. Ladies' Lunch Nov. 12, 1 PM
 3rd Fri. Grandma's Bingo + **Wine**
 Nov. 15, 6:30 PM
 3rd Thu. Birthday Party Nov. 21st 5 PM

Recurring Activities (Weekly)

- Sundays = 1 PM Billiards
 6 PM Euchre (Bring \$.50; Prizes)
 Mondays = 7 AM Exercise with Peg
 10 AM Pool Aerobics
 1 PM Wii Bowling
 5 PM Bingo
 Tuesdays = 1 PM Billiards
 2 PM Left, Right, Center
 Wednesdays = 7 AM Exercise with Peg
 10 AM Pool Aerobics
 6:30 PM Not Your Grandma's Bingo
 Thursdays = 1 PM Mah Jongg
 1 PM Shuffleboard
 Fridays = 7 AM Exercise with Peg
 10 AM Pool Aerobics
 1 PM Billiards
 6:30 PM Not Your Grandma's Bingo

LST also has an Online Facebook Calendar:
<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0/r/month/2024/11/1>

Happy Anniversary!

Maryanna & Richard Foster,
 Buck & Jody Ross, &
 Carolyn & George Thompson.



Social Club News

Martha Grove, President



Happy November from your Social Club!

Hopefully everyone got through Hurricane Milton.

Tue. Nov. 5th is our next Social Club meeting. Our Meet and Greet is at 6:30 PM; the Meeting is at 7:00. Please try to make it. We have a lot of things going on, and you don't want to miss out on anything.

On Sat. Nov. 9th, at 9:00 AM, we'll be serving our Veterans Breakfast. Veterans eat free. For other guests, our suggested Donation is \$5 each.

Thanksgiving Dinner is Thu. Nov. 28th. Thank you to Grace and Pat Hetherington for chairing. Make sure you check kiosks and boards in the Clubhouse as well as Facebook for time updates. Volunteers are requested.

On Sat. Nov. 30th, after Coffee and Donuts, we'll be decorating the Clubhouse for Christmas. If you stay to decorate, your coffee and donut are free. Coffee / etc. starts at 9:00 AM.

Also on Sat. Nov. 30th, at 5:00 PM, we'll have a Chili Dinner. The Social Club will provide chili, crackers, and chopped onions. Please bring anything special that you want with your chili.

The annual Sally Cannon Toys for Kids Christmas party will be on Sat. Dec. 7th. Make sure you watch for all the info on this event; it'll be lots of fun. There will be a golf cart parade, and there will be prizes. Please bring your new unwrapped gift for a child. We'll be serving a pasta dinner. Please bring your favorite Christmas cookies. We will also be showing a Christmas movie.

There will be lots of events in December. Make sure you watch for them all.



Happy Birthday!

Randy Ellis,
 Joe Feltner,
 Steve Lanham,
 Kenny Ratcliff, &
 Mike Schmelzer.





LUNCH WITH MY LADIES

SMILF WINE

Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 1PM

LST Ladies Luncheon :
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<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Emergency Portable Air Conditioner and Heater</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Heating - A/C Unit is housed at: 56 Terrace Drive</p> <p>TO USE, please CONTACT: Randy Ellis 508 - 697 - 8745 Martha Grove 352 - 973 - 9731</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Volunteers</u> who can assist in the pickup and setup of the unit:</p> <p>Rich McFadden 330 - 507 - 3674 Jim Filbert 330 - 207 - 0998</p> <p>(Park Maintenance) Monday - Friday 8 AM - 4 PM</p>
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Welcome & Sunshine Committee

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Our LST Welcome Committee provides new owners and residents an “official” introduction to our park and surrounding communities. We are a close and caring community who offer friendship and camaraderie through our social activities and provide support when needed through our Sunshine Committee. Our goal is to make everyone feel welcome and recognized.

If you have a new neighbor or if you see that a neighbor is ill, hospitalized, or suffering a family emergency, please contact the committee.

A special thank-you goes out to Terri Ellis, who chaired this Committee for the past decade.



Manager's Corner

Malinda Brown, Community Manager

Welcome to Nov.! Let's celebrate the end of Hurricane Season and be thankful for lower temperatures. I want to say I am so deeply thankful that Milton was not worse than it was and that we should ALL call ourselves Blessed. I know there has been some unfortunate damage, but no lives were lost and for that I am grateful. A sincere thanks to all of you who stood together as a community, checked on others, and helped in cleanup. I've heard so many stories of kindness, concern, and helpfulness. You are true heroes. I'm always so proud of the way this community cares for one another. And yet again, you showed up and showed out.

I want to welcome back all the snowbirds. It is so good to see your faces again. We have missed you!

I always love Nov. and Thanksgiving and using the whole month to remain grateful and thankful for what I have. I challenge each one of you to do the same. Just like the storm we just experienced, life is full of storms and challenges. We may have had damage, no power, no water, and no internet. But we were fortunate that the whole park wasn't wiped out by a tornado, or that it wasn't flooded to the point anyone needed rescuing. Thank God everyone is okay!

We all go through many, many trials and tribulations throughout our lifetime. To put our eyes on what is most important in life is a game changer. To not take things for granted, complain and be ungrateful, and when we sink into despair and pity, we remember and look to those who are so much less fortunate than us. Sometimes, that's all it takes to remember that we have it so good.

Today, I'm thankful for my position here and every single one of you. God Bless Each and Every One Of you!

Lakeside Terrace HOA

Randy Ellis, President, Lakeside Terrace Homeowners Association Inc.



Greetings from the HOA:

It's Oct. 13. We're only 3 days removed from Hurricane Milton, which left a lot of damage and debris throughout our community. Most of us evacuated the park. Others rode out the storm. The most important thing is that everyone is safe. Milton was the 3rd hurricane we've had to deal with in a short period of time, and certainly the hardest. Hurricane Debbie arrived in early Aug.; Helene caused a lot of problems in the Panhandle, Georgia, and the Carolinas in September. Milton caused other problems as well because of its timing. The annual ELS Fall Cookout has been postponed until Oct. 25th, and our HOA Oct. 12th meeting was canceled as well.

Oct. saw the installation of a new fence around the pool. It looks beautiful, and the 2 main gates are coded and hopefully will keep unwanted guests from coming in.

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OCTOBER
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NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<p>1 PM Billiards 6 PM Euchre (Bring \$.50; Prizes)</p> <p>Daylight Savings Time Ends</p> <p style="text-align: right;">3</p>	<p>7 AM Exercise with Peg 10 AM Pool Aerobics 1 PM Wii Bowling 5 PM Bingo</p> <p style="text-align: right;">4</p>	<p>1 PM Billiards 2 PM Left, Right, Center Social Club Meet + Greet 6:30 PM Social Club Meeting 7 PM</p> <p style="text-align: right;">5</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Election Day - Presidential Election</p>	<p>7 AM Exercise with Peg 10 AM Pool 6:30 PM No Grandma's E</p>
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<p>27 ise Aerobics ot Your Bingo</p>	<p>28 1 PM Mah Jongg 1 PM Shuffleboard Thanksgiving Dinner (Time TBA)</p> <p>Thanksgiving Day</p>	<p>29 7 AM Exercise with Peg 10 AM Pool Aerobics 1 PM Billiards 6:30 PM Not Your Grandma's Bingo</p>	<p>30 9 AM Coffee & Donuts After Coffee: Decorate Clubhouse 5 PM Chili Dinner</p>

I want to add a quick Clubhouse Update. Malinda says that all blueprints have been approved and that the project would be going out to contractors for bidding. She said that contractors would probably be on the property to look over the project before they submitted any bids.

Our next HOA Meeting will be held on Sat. Nov. 9th, immediately following the Veterans' Breakfast. Breakfast will begin at 9 AM. The HOA Meeting will immediately follow, maybe 10:45-ish. This will be our last Sat. morning HOA Meeting for 2024; we'll skip Dec. to not interfere with any events during the Holiday Season. We'll kick off our 2025 HOA meetings with the Annual meeting on Tue., Jan. 14, 2025.

We communicate using Facebook and Email. If you are not on Facebook, and do not have an email address and would like to receive a hard copy of my communications, please get a message to me and I will do the best I can to provide you with such. If you are not receiving emails from the HOA, please contact us so that you can be added to our email list. Any personal information that the HOA receives from a resident is not shared with any outside groups. With your consent, it can be shared with the Social Club and our in-park Directory. There are Resident Information Forms at the Clubhouse for anyone who needs to update their personal information with the HOA. We also have a new Comment/Wish List Slip at the Clubhouse. The HOA also has a locked box at the Clubhouse where anyone can submit these forms or slips.

If anyone has any concerns or questions, please feel free to contact me anytime.

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FMO District 3

Randy Ellis, District 3 FMO President, former FMO Park Representative, & LST HOA President

Greetings from the FMO. On Sept. 30 I met with John Petrella, the District 3 President at that time. John asked if I would take over as FMO President for District 3. I agreed to take the position. Rick Hollenbach (FMO State President) also agreed with this decision.

I was unanimously approved as the new District



3 President in the Oct. 3rd District 3 Reps Meeting. Motions were also approved for the following: Jo-Ann Joslyn - Vice President, Gwen Comstra - Secretary, and Phillip James - Treasurer.

Mr. Petrella served as District 3 President for nearly 26 years. I personally thank him for his time and dedication, and his trust in me as I begin this new task. I want to assure everyone at Lakeside Terrace that this new position will not interfere with my duties as HOA President.

At the Social Club Meeting on Oct. 1st, I asked if anyone would volunteer to take over my in-park position as FMO Park Representative. I want to thank Greg VanOcker for stepping up and taking this position.

You do not have to be an FMO member to attend meetings; come to a meeting and check out the FMO. Upcoming FMO (Federation of Manufactured Home Owners of Florida) Meetings:

Nov. 21, 2024

Water Oak Country Club Estates
216 Magnolia Drive, Lady Lake, FL 32159
Topic: Setting Up a Neighborhood Watch
(Walter Wolf)

Jan. 16, 2025

Lake Griffin Harbor
33399 Water View Lane, Leesburg, FL 34788
Topic: Update on Ashley House
(Retired Army/Navy Veteran Kathryn Wilgus)

Feb. 20, 2025

Grand Island Resort
13318 Sea Breeze Lane, Grand Island, FL 32735
Topic: Growth In Lake County
(County Commissioner Leslie Campione)

March 20, 2025

Woodlands at Church Lake
1124 Heritage Drive, Groveland, FL 34736

Please Note: Guest Speakers could be subject to change.

Again, please consider joining **FMO**, whose purpose is to **Protect us as Florida Mobile Homeowners**. Dues are only \$30 per year or \$75 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

Thank You, Randy Ellis

Wrong Choice

Rich McFadden



I walked up to the door as instructed. There was no door knob or handle. There was no doorbell or buzzer. So I knocked on the door and announced, "I'm here!"

The door opened, but no one was standing there. I stepped through the doorway into a dimly lit room. Only a small table, with a cup and saucer and one chair, was visible. A pleasant voice said, "Please be seated." I sat down and questioned, "Why am I here?" The voice said, "You're going to have a cup of coffee. Please make your choice- Starbucks, Dunkin', or Folgers."

"But I don't want a cup of coffee." The voice said more sternly, "Please make your choice." I said, "All right- Starbucks."

There was a pause. Then the voice said, "You have made the wrong choice; please exit the room." I said, "I'll make another choice." The voice said, "You only get one choice. Please exit the room."

I walked to the door, and it opened by itself. I stepped through the doorway- and stepped into

my own kitchen! A sleepy voice said, "Is the coffee on yet?" Now it was my turn. I said, "What's your choice? Starbucks, Dunkin' or Folgers?"

Her voice said, "No, dear, Maxwell House. It's the only choice."

I guess I'm all coffee'd out!



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Ron Buyarski

[Editor's Note: This is an abridged version of Ron's online Obituary. The full obit can be viewed at www.prokowall.com.]



Ronald Francis "Ron" Buyarski, 74, left this world for a better place on Oct. 8, 2024, surrounded at home, in the loving arms of his wife of 51 years, Doris, and his entire family. Ron was born Nov. 19, 1949 in Green Bay, WI. He came into this world as a birthday gift to his own mother and would eventually share his birthday with his own granddaughter Lily. Ron grew up on the family farm in the town of Eaton where he quickly learned the fundamental values of working hard and playing harder.

Ron's life of service started after High School, when he enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps, and in 1968 was deployed to Vietnam. During his 1st tour, he was wounded in battle. He recovered and voluntarily chose to return for a 2nd tour. Ultimately, he was awarded two purple hearts and the Navy Commendation Medal with Combat "V" for his meritorious service to our country.

Following an honorable discharge as a Sergeant E5 from the Corps, Ron started his journey of becoming a devoted family man. He married Doris Dorner on May 26, 1973, and moved back to the farmlands in Eaton. He worked for Fort Howard Paper Mill for 11 years, before eventually building his farm into a thriving dairy operation. It was here where he taught his children the importance of hard work and instilled in them living an honorable life with a moral code. While farming, he also worked as a dairy plant field representative for Pott's Cheese and eventually for Dairy Farmers of America. Ron was respected by all in the industry and his visits to fellow farmers were enjoyed until his retirement in 2012.



Ron set a high bar with his work ethic and set an equally high bar in his love for recreation. After selling the farm they purchased a lake home in Goodman, Wisc. in 1999. Here they enjoyed lake living and entertaining friends and family members for 23 years. The memories that were made here for all his children and grandchildren will be cherished forever. They returned to the Green Bay area in 2022 to be closer to family and to Ron's roots. In

retirement, he and Doris learned the beauty of escaping the Wisc. winters to take up temporary residence in Fruitland Park FL near many family members and new friends.

Ron is survived by his loving wife Doris; his four children, nine grandchildren, and five siblings; his in-laws, including Jean Cherovsky; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a son-in-law, his parents-in-law, and an infant sister-in-law; and five brothers-in-law, including Paul Cherovsky.

Ron's family would like to express their sincere appreciation to his nurses Jean, Leah, and Tiffany from Compassus Hospice for providing excellent care and comfort for Ron and his family. Ron's fun demeanor and trustworthy nature will be dearly missed by his family and by all who knew him. A private family memorial will be held at a later date in respect of Ron's wishes. Online condolences may be given at www.prokowall.com. Semper Fi.



Turning Pages

Donna Johnson

The novel "Still Alice" by Lisa Genova tells the story of 50-year-old college neuro-psychology professor Alice's gradual descent into early-onset Alzheimer's. Alice's sub-specialty of linguistics contrasts ironically with her ever-decreasing ability to communicate.



Genova is a neuroscientist. Prior to writing this novel, she did extensive research and had interviews with caregivers and people suffering from memory difficulties. She accurately portrays Dementia in general and Alzheimer's in particular. What makes Genova's book outstanding is her portrayal of the main character's early-onset Alzheimer's as seen through Alice's eyes, thoughts, and perceptions. The book's 3rd-person narration presents other implied viewpoints/reality-checks via the words and behavior of Alice's husband, children, and others.

"Still Alice" was published in 2007. Two of Alice's memory meds are still in use. There is no cure yet for Alzheimer's. I recommend this novel; but I found reading it to be an uncomfortable experience. The tight focus on Alice's internal mental and emotional landscape means we spend most of the book inside

of Alice's head. And the inside of Alice's head is often a heartbreaking, poignant, sad, and scary place to be.

Each chapter is titled with a month from 2003 thru 2005. Alice's initially mild memory problems slowly worsen as time passes. Anyone who has experienced watching a loved one slide into Dementia- or sees echoes of their own memory slipping more than they'd like- will recognize certain common indicators.

Alzheimer's is the largest subset in the general category of Dementia. It's not unusual for Alzheimer's patients to have a pattern of memory loss where they'll have more trouble retaining recent memories, but may initially do better or fine with older memories.

Memory loss may be the 1st thing many people think of in Alzheimer's. Other symptoms can or may include confusion, disorientation to person/place/time, difficulty following directions or learning new things, poor decision-making, irrational thinking, delusions, paranoia, hallucinations, sleep disturbances, and being unable to recognize people

they know.

Communication difficulties may include Aphasia and repetitiveness. Personalities may, or may not, change. Behavioral problems can include wandering, getting lost in familiar places, agitation, hostility, aggression, and impairment of the ability to do basic tasks and self-care.

At all stages of this disease, personal relationships are often affected. Genova evokes sympathy for both Alice and for her care-giver family. Anyone who's interested in memory issues will find this novel to be insightful and informative.

The next meeting of the Better Than Therapy Book Club is on Fri. Nov. 8, in the Clubhouse, at 2:00 PM. We'll be discussing Jodi Picoult's novel "Wish You Were Here." Our club meets on the 2nd Fri. of each month, year round. New members are always welcome! Contact Carol Roberts at 937 - 409 - 2844.



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Just Another Dog

Jeanne Sullivan

There was always a dog or two living with us. It started very simply. My husband and I bought a house with a big yard. I had a little dog when we married, but at this time we were dogless.

One of my sisters called me and asked me if we would take a puppy. Seems he was running all over the neighborhood where he lived. We had the perfect yard all fenced in. We liked puppies and said OK. The only problem we had with him was his love of running free.

Every morning he would run out the door. He always came back within 30 to 45 minutes, usually with some kid's toy that had been left outside. Otherwise, he was a good dog. When I worked in the yard, he stayed with me all the time. He loved the grandkids and they loved to play with him, especially at the lake. He would run down the dock and jump in the water with them. He was just a dog, no special breed, but we all loved him.

One day Bill said he was going to go see a guy who worked for him. His dog had just had puppies. I said make it a female. He gave me a knowing smile and returned with a little pup with some kind of skin disease. No problem, they gave us the meds from the vet and all I had to do was bathe her once a day. The people who had her were going to take her to a shelter because they had trouble house breaking her. Bill brought her home instead. It was just another dog. She would be a good playmate for the other dog.

Over the years, we were blessed with at least a dozen dogs, two at a time. That's not counting the four or so that were dropped off in our neighborhood. We found forever homes for them all.

We lost several dogs due to age or illness. There was no time to mourn the loss of each one. There was always another dog needing a home. Many came with stories of abuse or neglect. We could only afford to give the proper care to two at a time. They were just dogs.

The last dog we adopted was a puppy. I insisted I wanted no more puppies; I was tired of the care involved. However, as soon as he was placed in my arms, I knew I needed to take care of him. His owner was being evicted and could not take the puppy to their new home. They left the puppy behind when they moved. There were traces of food and water, but according to the neighbors they

moved two weeks ago.

He is the only dog I have left. I am too old to adopt another. There are so many that need a forever home but they are just dogs. This last one named Murphy was named by my husband just before he died. I have had him about 8 years. We lost his companion three years ago. I know he misses having another dog around. But he is ok because she was just another dog.

I will be sad if I lose him because he has been my companion since my husband died. He senses my moods and will come jump in my lap and give me kisses. I know he is not just another dog. He is my dog, just like all the others had been.



**Happy
Thanksgiving!**



**From
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Episode 4

The *REAL* Residents of Lakeside Terrace

The LST residents are finally *All In at the Dog House!* And they are just in time for a full season of walks, runs, play dates, treats, scratches, belly rubs, cart rides, and more. To watch their season '24-'25 antics, just step outside your door.

Still to come, so stay tuned:

Episode 5: The Finale, The Cat House—at Last, planned for December



It's a double ruff for Rusty, the redheaded pom.



Toby has responsibly volunteered for clean up.



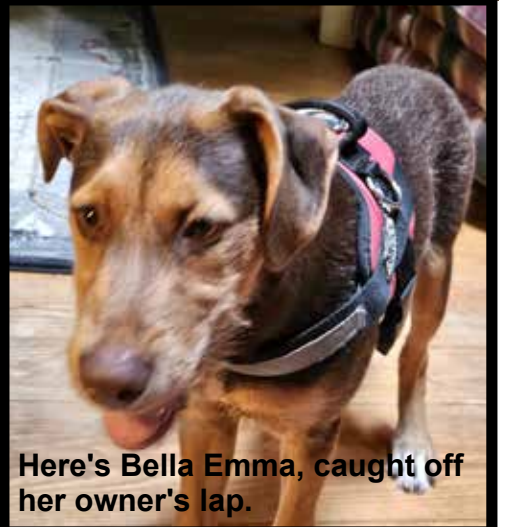
Lola looks ready to cha cha!



Maggie's soulful gaze inspires all the residents.



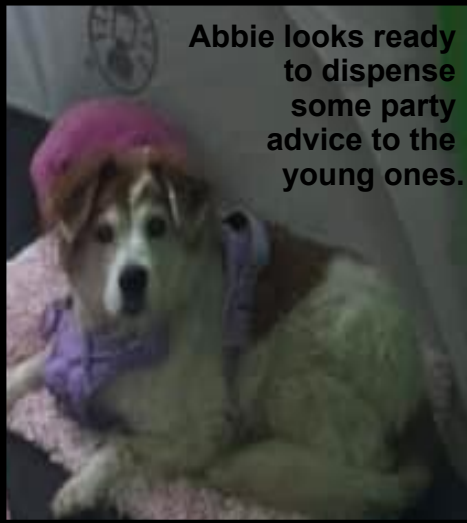
Bella's ready for some fun, too.



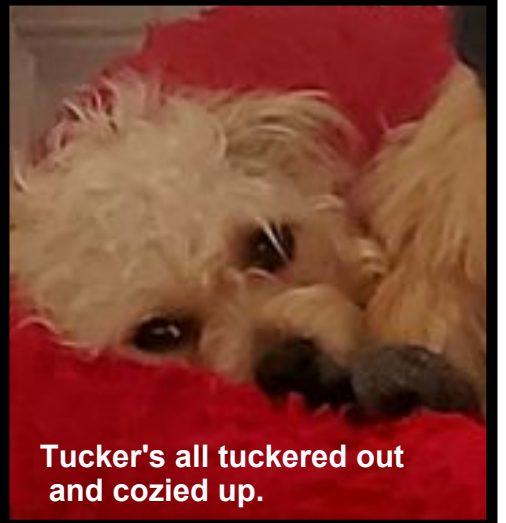
Here's Bella Emma, caught off her owner's lap.



Baby Bodie is seldom without his bro, Tucker.



Abbie looks ready to dispense some party advice to the young ones.



Tucker's all tucked out and cozied up.

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