



Tidbits

Bonfire 55+ Mobile Home Park Newsletter

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2022 - 2023 Board of Directors

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Treasurer: Dave Meyer

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Director: Ken Dixon

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Director: Paul Shortsleeve

The Office of the President- Bobby Wolgan

The office is locked and not open for walk-ins. You can call with questions or make an appointment to meet with office staff. Please communicate to the office staff by phone (352-787-4891), the intercom at the office door, email (bonfiremhp@aol.com), or use the locked black mailbox to the left of the door for your written communications. The box is secure and checked periodically throughout the day. If you need immediate assistance, you may contact any Board Member.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

It is **important** that a **Departure Form** be completed and turned into the office when you leave the park for an extended period of time. Should there be an emergency with your residence, the form gives all your necessary instructions and contact information. The Departure Form is attached to this month's Tidbits (Page 2) and is also available in the Clubhouse on the wall with other forms. You can also retrieve the form on our website. Thank you for your cooperation and stay safe.

Note: The next Board Meeting: no date set at this time

2023 - 2024 Social Club Board

President: Charlene Zeunik

1st Vice-President: Karen Heid

(Spring Fling, Tidbits, Calendar, Directory)

2nd Vice-President: Karen Winchell

(Flea Market, Fundraising Meals)

Secretary: Jamie Anderson

Treasurer: Karen Gilson

1st Director: Shirley Byrd

(Dances, Karaoke, Choir, Entertainment)

2nd Director: Jill Shank

(Potlucks, Ladies Lunch, Friday Coffee)

3rd Director: Barbara Lambright

(Welcome Packet, Welcome to Bonfire Event)

4th Director: Sara Sladen

(Decoration of Park & Clubhouse for Events)

The duties of each of these board members are detailed in the Social Club By-Laws. A copy of these can be found on the Bonfire Website: www.bonfireMHP.com. Login and password are found in the Bonfire Village directory.

"The purpose of this Social Club shall be to promote social activities and friendship among residents of Bonfire Mobile Home Village."

Note from Social Club President, Charlene Zeunik: All is quiet in the neighborhood, not much going on.

Finally getting that much needed rain. Not many activities, but there is Card Bingo on Mondays, Nickel Nickel on Wednesdays and Euchre on Fridays.....all start at 6:00PM. Watch the Social Club Facebook page....maybe some pop-up events.

Planning to have a pool party soon....to celebrate the receipt of the new chairs and the re-opening of the pool.

As that date is unknown right now, keep your eye on the Facebook page. It will certainly be fun!

Everyone keep safe in this summer heat!

Note: Next Social Club Membership Meeting is: 10:00 AM Saturday, November 11, 2023

THIS FORM IS FOR EMERGENCY ONLY INFORMATION

RESIDENT'S INFORMATION
WHEN DEPARTING BONFIRE

Name _____

Address _____

I will be leaving Bonfire on _____

Date

My expected return date is _____

Date

All mail will be addressed to your Bonfire address on file.

You are responsible to have your mail forwarded.

I will forward my mail to my northern address as of _____

Has the water been turned off at your home: Yes _____ No _____

_____ has keys to my home

(Name)

_____ does my lawn maintenance

(Name)

_____ does my weeding

(Name)

Contact _____ in an emergency

(Name)

At _____

(Telephone Number)

Following Section for all Boaters:

Boat Slip # _____ Check any of the following that are appropriate:

_____ I will be taking my boat with me

_____ I will leave my boat in my _____ slip _____ carport _____ at the compound

_____ The following has permission to use my slip while I'm gone

Name Unit #

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION

Bonfire Compound Hours for Donations and/or Needs

When: 1st Wednesday of each month (June-July-August-September) from 10:00 AM – Noon. The Compound is open during these summer hours for purchases or donations. Charlene Zeunik or Robin Semon are in charge of our compound hours and donations through the summer...Please contact them for any of your needs.

Just a reminder: We will NO longer accept the following:

- ✓ Large appliances
- ✓ Books- CDs-DVDs-8 Tracks
- ✓ Golf clubs and golf bags
- ✓ Mattresses and box springs
- ✓ Clothing- Shoes



Details: I hope everyone is busy working on their craft projects to sell at our Christmas Bazaar on November 18 to be held in the Clubhouse. If you don't have a craft to sell, maybe you have a favorite bake goods you could contribute for the sale. We will be selling the Christmas decorations that have been donated to the Compound. I want to give Robin Semon and Charlene Zeunik a great big thank you for managing the Compound in my absence. Enjoy the rest of your summer

Thanks to everyone for your donations...Karen Winchell

IT'S OUR BIRTHDAY!!



On August 4, 1993, the Bonfire Cooperative Association, Inc. bought the property from the park owners, Dr. Ronald and Charlotte Cunning (the Cunning Family Trust). Residents bought shares, thus becoming shareholders.

Therefore, on August 4th is Bonfire's 30th birthday of being owned by the shareholders. Good reason to have a party!

To celebrate, join us for cake and ice cream in the Clubhouse on Friday, August 4, 2023 at 2:00pm. We will socialize and, if you have them, share your memories of the old days.

NEW POOL CHAIRS ARE HERE!

The pool chairs have arrived.
They are very sturdy and
thanks to Charlene for
choosing such great colors.



Sunshine Report

Please notify Rosa Sherwood via text so a Get Well or Sympathy Card can be sent to any of our Bonfire residents.

Get Well Cards:

No Get Well Cards were sent.

Sympathy Cards:

Sympathy Card sent to: Sara Zimmer (husband- Wendall; former Bonfire resident; brother-in-law to JD Lawson)

♥♥♥ Please contact Rosa Sherwood via text with your requests of cards to be mailed out.

Health & Safety Committee Report

Current members are Diane Weinbaum (Chairman), Brandon Michaels and Nelson Craig. If you would like to join the Health and Safety Committee; you can join our meetings which are usually held every two weeks on Fridays at 1:00 PM during Fall through Spring and once a month on Fridays during the Summer. Call or email dwein95@aol.com for more information.

LEARN ABOUT SENIOR SCAMS

The scammer will convince the victim that a family member is in need. This need can range from a car accident and help with a medical bill to a kidnapping and ransom scenario. They may even hack into your family member's social media to send messages posing as your grandchildren.

There are many other ways we can fall victim to a scam. But, how can we avoid being scammed?

The best way to avoid being scammed is to be aware of them. Whenever you are contacted by a party you are unfamiliar with, do your due diligence and make sure the person you are talking to is the person they say they are. Here are some tips to help you avoid these senior scams:

- Block unwanted calls and text messages.
- NEVER give out personal information over the phone or email in response to a request for it.
- Resist the pressure to act immediately (especially in regards to a prize or medical bill).
- Never pay someone with a gift card, real businesses don't get paid this way.
- Stop and talk to someone you trust about what happened.
- REPORT SCAMS TO THE FTC.

We have all worked too hard for our retirement savings to allow someone to take it from us. Stay alert!

AUGUST EVENTS

It is important to sign up for activities in advance as it helps the committee members to better plan for the programming and obtain the supplies that are needed to have a successful activity.

Check Bonfire Friends and/or Bonfire Social Club Event Group pages on Facebook for any spontaneous pop-up events.

BONFIRE'S 30'TH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Date: 2:00 PM Friday, August 4

Contact Person: Margaret Willis

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KARAOKE

Date: 7:00 PM Saturday, August 12; **Practice:** 1:00 PM

LADIES' LUNCH

Date: 11:30 AM Wednesday, August 16

Contact Person: Donna Kelley

Sign-Up Deadline: Monday, August 14; sign-up sheet is in the Clubhouse.

Details: We are going to the Yummy House in Altamonte Springs (478 E Altamonte Dr. #102) on Rt. 436. It is my favorite Chinese restaurant. It is very near the Altamonte Mall so if anyone wants to visit the Mall this would be an excellent chance. There are many other stores on the way and back. Carpooling is recommended. I have room for 5 additional people in my car and there are others willing to drive. Check with anyone who has signed up. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse only for a count.

MEN'S LUNCH

Date: 11:30 AM Wednesday, August 16

Contact Persons: Rick Kelley

Sign-Up Deadline: Monday, August 14; sign-up sheet is in the Clubhouse.

Details: We will be gathering at the New Haystax (2744 W. Old US Hwy. 441 Mt. Dora) near the new Mount Dora Post Office. Please make your own arrangements for transportation. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse only for a count.

UPCOMING SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Check Bonfire Friends and/or Bonfire Social Club Event Group pages on Facebook for any spontaneous pop-up events.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday wishes to all those celebrating a birthday in August!

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>
6	Dale Hunt	12	Steve Shampang	26	Boyd Waddell
8	J.D. Lawson	13	Karl Decker		Charlie Cox
	John Munroe	16	Ron Wirtz	29	Scott Siegel
9	Dona Bafia	18	George Elder	30	Gregory Pierce
	Norman Riggs		Gail Graham		
10	Cheryl James	19	Marlene Ulloa		
11	Nancy Sage	23	Stephen Goulette		
	Shirley Byrd		Terrie Cervellera		

Please notify Renee Licht via email (rtlicht@sbcglobal.net) if you would like your name added or removed from this Birthday List.

August 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes	2 8:30am Breakfast Club-Highway 441Diner 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 10:00am-Noon Compound Open for Drop Off/Sales 6:00pm Nickel Nickel	3 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 11:00am Beginners Line Dancing 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes	4 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 2:00pm Bonfire 30 th Birthday Party 6:00pm Euchre	5
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