



Tidbits

Bonfire 55+ Mobile Home Park Newsletter

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January, 2021

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2020 Board of Directors

President: Bobby Wolgan Vice President: Harry Smith Treasurer: Larry Dennis
Secretary: Paul Shortsleeve Director (Assistant Secretary): Mike Micallef Director: Dave Meyer
Director: Bill Richardson

The Office of the President- Bobby Wolgan

Bonfire Office closed for Covid-19. Please communicate to office staff by phone (352.787.4891), email (bonfiremhp@aol.com) or use the black box to the left of the door. Thank you for keeping all of us safe. The Clubhouse is closed to events until further notice.

Note: The next Board Meeting in January: is cancelled at this time until further notice.

Shareholders Meeting: Scheduled for Saturday, March 27 at 9:00 AM, under the tent and social distancing.

2020 Social Club Board

President: Leslie Decator	1 st Director: Shirley Byrd (Dances, Karaoke, Choir, Entertainment)
1 st Vice-President: Robin Semon (Spring Fling, Tidbits, Calendar, Directory)	2 nd Director: DeAnna Barnhill (Potlucks, Ladies Lunch, Friday Coffee)
2 nd Vice-President: Russell Porwitzky (Flea Market, Fundraising Meals)	3 rd Director: Joyce Worman (Welcome Packet, Welcome to Bonfire Event)
Secretary: Margaret Willis	4th Director: Karen Van Matre (Decoration of Park & Clubhouse for Events)
Treasurer: Ramona Richardson	

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 next scheduled Social Club Membership Meeting: ~~Saturday, November 14, 2020 at 10:00 AM~~ CANCELLED until further notice.

Note: With the Clubhouse being closed indefinitely, the dances have been cancelled for the remainder of the winter season.

General Items That You May Need:

If you are in need of any general items for your mobile home, consider contacting Ruth Klatt (her phone number is in the Directory). She will be able to set up a time with you to take a look at what is available in the Social Club Sheds in the Compound. There are many, many nice items that are just waiting for a new home! There are many household and miscellaneous items. The list is endless. Please contact Ruth and you may be surprised by what is available.

Special shopping times: Through the month of January; Bonfire residents can shop in the compound on each Wednesday from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

The sales for December were very successful and thank you to all those who stopped.

Food Bank

Thanks to everyone who has been and will be contributing to this ever increasing need. The yellow Food Bank box is located just inside the Hall at the Clubhouse. It is checked daily and donated foods are delivered to the

bank at least once a week. If you don't shop and want to help; please go to any of the following web sites of local food banks to see how to donate directly.

- lakecares.org
- salvationarmyusa.org
- leesburgfoodbank.org

Submitted by Donna and Rick Kelley

Toys for Tots

Bonfire people filled the box again for this year's program. The need is usually large but we all know how 2020 has changed our perspective. There are so many young people who are in need of hope in this season. The Marines and those who work so hard to provide a view of hope are very happy to say, "THANK YOU"!

Submitted by Donna and Rick Kelley

Sunshine Report

Brenda Mayfield

Get Well Cards:

No Get Well Cards were sent out.

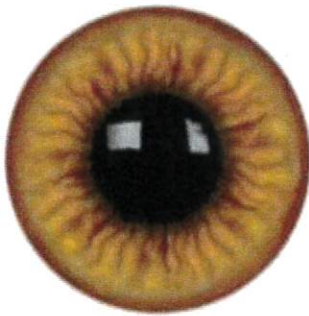
Sympathy Cards:

No Sympathy cards were sent out.

Health Committee Report

Information courtesy of Bonfire Health & Safety Committee, submitted by Margaret Willis

Keep your eye out



for signs of glaucoma

January is National Glaucoma Awareness Month, an important time to spread the word about this sight-stealing disease. Currently, more than 3 million people in the United States have glaucoma. The National Eye Institute projects this number will reach 4.2 million by 2030, a 58 percent increase.

Glaucoma is called "the sneak thief of sight" since there are no symptoms and once vision is lost, it's permanent. As much as 40% of vision can be lost without a person noticing. Glaucoma is the leading cause of irreversible blindness. Over 3 million Americans, and over 60 million people worldwide, have glaucoma. Experts estimate that half of them don't know they have it. Combined with our aging population, we can see an epidemic of blindness looming if we don't raise awareness about the importance of regular eye examinations to preserve vision. The World Health Organization estimates that 4.5 million people worldwide are blind due to glaucoma.

Glaucoma is a group of eye diseases that gradually steal sight without warning. Although the most common forms primarily affect the middle-aged and the elderly, glaucoma can affect people of all ages.

Vision loss is caused by damage to the optic nerve. This nerve acts like an electric cable with over a million wires. It is responsible for carrying images from the eye to the brain. There is no cure for glaucoma—yet.

However, medication or surgery can slow or prevent further vision loss. The appropriate treatment depends upon the type of glaucoma among other factors. Early detection is vital to stopping the progress of the disease.

The best way to protect your sight from glaucoma is to get a comprehensive eye examination. Then, if you have glaucoma, treatment can begin immediately. It is important to have your eyes examined regularly. You should get a baseline eye screening at age 40. Early signs of eye disease and changes in vision may start to occur at this age. Your eye doctor will tell you how often to have follow-up exams based on the results of this screening. If you have high risk factors for glaucoma; diabetes, high blood pressure, or a family history of glaucoma, you should see an eye doctor now to determine how often to have eye exams.

<https://www.glaucoma.org/news/glaucoma-awareness-month.php>

*****Lake County Allowing 65 and Older Residents to Register for COVID-19 Vaccine*****

The Florida Department of Health in Lake County said that they will start to offer COVID-19 vaccines to healthcare workers and those 65 and older starting Wednesday. They said that they will distribute the vaccine at the following locations between Wednesday, December 30th, and Saturday, January 2nd:

- 2525 Oakley Seaver Dr., Clermont, FL 34711, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- 9501 US-441, Leesburg, FL 34788, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- There is no fee for the vaccine and appointments are necessary, they added. You can register by calling (352) 742-4830 Monday- Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Identification is required.

JANUARY 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.

No events have been planned for January.



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

BIRTHDAY LIST:

Details: Bonfire Birthday Celebration- 3:00 PM Wednesday, January 20, 2021

Our birthday parade will leave the Clubhouse at 3:00 PM on Wednesday, January 20, 2021. If conditions allow, we will follow up with a sweet treat poolside. Join us in the parade or watch from your home as we pass by. Enjoy, celebrate, but stay safe!

Happy birthday wishes to all those celebrating in January!

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>
4	Kenneth Kunze	14	Linda Brisbois	20	Doyle Grenoble
4	Robert Pierce	14	Thomas Boyle	20	Lynn Harlan
6	Eric Schwalbach	17	Joyce Walrath	23	Gloria Skeen
7	Kathy Beauchamp	17	Robert Wolgan	23	Mona Le Watkins
7	Lee Semon	18	Marvin Lambright	29	Charles "Eddie" Kelly
8	Susie Collins	18	Georgia Fields	30	Ken Williams
11	James Winkler	19	Rick Kelley	31	Deatra Moss

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

January 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 New Year's Day 7:30am Coffee Hour at the Gazebo 7:00am Golfing Group meet at Clubhouse 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics	2 9:00 & 10:00am Noodles
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