



Tidbits

Bonfire 55+ Mobile Home Park Newsletter

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The office will not yet be open for walk ins, due to Covid-19. Anyone can call with questions or make an appointment to meet with office staff. Please communicate to the office staff by phone (352.787.4891), email (bonfiremhp@aol.com), the intercom at the office door or use the black box to the left of the door. If you need immediate assistance, you may contact any Bonfire Board Member. Thank you for keeping all of us safe.

Notes from the Board:

- Houses still selling fast in Bonfire
- First storm of the summer toppled large oak tree in Winton Park. No damage to homes.
- 2 new homes to be delivered to Bonfire this summer.
- Insurance companies leaving Florida could affect you. Please stay on top of this.
- New Housing developments on Radio Road and S.R. 44 going towards 441. Traffic expected to greatly increase.
- Expansion of Storage Compound is planned due to our Spray Field expansion being denied by EPA.
- Please remember to pick up after your dogs. Other parks use DNA samples to determine offenders. We don't want to have to do this.

Note: The next Board Meeting: Cancelled for July

2022 - 2023 Social Club Board

President: Leslie Decator

1st Vice-President: Charlene Zeunik

(Spring Fling, Tidbits, Calendar, Directory)

2nd Vice-President: Russell Porwitzky

(Flea Market, Fundraising Meals)

Secretary: Jamie Anderson

Treasurer: Ramona Richardson

1st Director: Shirley Byrd

(Dances, Karaoke, Choir, Entertainment)

2nd Director: Joyce Walrath

(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."

Notes from Social Club President, Leslie Decator:

Hope everyone is enjoying their summer. Things are pretty quiet around Bonfire. There will be no Bingo on July 4th. Everyone stay safe and keep cool.

Note: The Next Social Club Meeting is: Saturday, November 12, 2022

Did You Know.....History of Bonfire Mobile Home Village

The History of Leesburg

Leesburg is Lake County's oldest city and at one time was the county seat while a part of Sumter County. The city claimed 1857 as its birthday when Leesburg celebrated its centennial in 1957, recognizing the year that the city's namesake, Evander Lee, and his family came to the area.

While Lee became the area's first permanent settler, Thomas Robertson and his 21-year-old son, John Marmaduke Robertson, came to what would become Leesburg in 1843, or likely a year sooner. They lived in what would become the heart of Leesburg for 11 years before Thomas sold out and moved back to Moss Bluff. John later sold his property and founded the nearby community of Whitney.

Evander Lee moved to the area in 1857, a year after his father died. They had moved to Adamsville from Alabama in 1849. Evander Lee brought with him his wife, Susan, and eight children. He purchased the old Thomas Robertson homestead from James Fussell for \$3,300. Several Lee brothers also joined Evander and his brother, Calvin Lee, is credited with giving Leesburg its name. Calvin and Evander had built a log store on Main Street where the public restroom is now located. When Calvin went on a buying trip to New York City and was asked where to ship the merchandise, he reportedly told his suppliers to bill his goods to "Leesburg."

https://www.leesburgflorida.gov/about_leesburg/leesburg_history/index.php

Food Bank

Of course there is a significant reduction in non-perishable food donations during the summer months. But, the need in our community never decreases with the time of the year. The effects of hunger are wide ranging and impact children and seniors throughout the county. Please consider these needs when you shop. 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 still want to help, please go to any of the following web sites of local food banks and donate directly.

lakecares.org

salvationarmyusa.org

leesburgfoodbank.org

Friday Coffee Hour- This social event has been suspended for the summer months. It will resume in the OCT/NOV time frame.



Printed Copies of Tidbits

There will be sign-up sheets at the Clubhouse for those who need a printed copy of the Tidbits or just the calendar only. Please include your address if you **NEED** delivery. Copies will be available 1-2 days after Tidbits are posted online and each copy will have the individual's name written on them. So if you need a copy, make sure to sign up!

If you have questions, please contact Charlene Zeunik or Jamie Anderson.

Sunshine Report

DeAnna Barnhill

Get Well Cards:

Get Well Cards were sent to: Leslie Decator, Karen Heid, Julie Pudenz, Darryl Anderson, George Elder, Dennis Herald, Harry Smith, Mel Winchell, Jim Yonkers, Donna Matheny

Sympathy Cards:

Sympathy Cards were sent to: Robert Carlson (Wife-JoAnn), Dennis Boaz (Wife-Diane), Chris Leeseberg (Father)

Thoughts, Prayers and Love for all of these families!! ♥ Deanna Barnhill

Health Committee Report

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

The purpose of the Bonfire Health & Safety Committee is to provide education and information to ensure the health and safety of all the residents of our community. The Bonfire Health & Safety Committee members for 2021-22 are Faye Hensley, Margaret Willis, Mary Louise Wade, Diane Weinbaum, and Nelson Craig.

Basic Disaster Supplies Kit

Since we are now in the hurricane season, it is a good time to prepare or check on a basic disaster supplies kit.

To assemble your kit, store items in airtight plastic bags and put your entire disaster supplies kit in one or two easy-to-carry containers such as plastic bins or a duffel bag.

A basic emergency supply kit could include the following recommended items:

- Water (one gallon per person per day for several days, for drinking and sanitation)
- Food (at least a several-day supply of non-perishable food)
- Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert
- Flashlight
- First aid kit
- Extra batteries
- Whistle (to signal for help)
- Dust mask (to help filter contaminated air)
- Plastic sheeting and duct tape (to shelter in place)
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties (for personal sanitation)
- Wrench or pliers (to turn off utilities)
- Manual can opener (for food)
- Local maps
- Cell phone with chargers and a backup battery

<https://www.ready.gov/kit>

JULY 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.



4'TH OF JULY POTLUCK

Date: Noon, Monday, July 4

Contact Persons: Donna or Rick Kelley

Sign-Up Deadline: Friday, July 2: sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse

Details: We will be having a Potluck at 12 noon. Ham Steaks on the grill will be provided. Please plan to bring a side dish to share. No desserts will be needed because cake and ice cream will be served after the meal. Please sign up in the Clubhouse. Don't forget your plates and utensils!

LADIES LUNCHEON

Date: 11:30 AM, Tuesday, July 12

Contact Persons: Robin Semon or Donna Kelley

Sign-Up Deadline: Sunday, July 10: sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse

Details: We will be going to The Florida Porch on Main Street in Leesburg on July 12th. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse only for a count. Please make your own arrangements for transportation. We hope to see many of our friends and neighbors gather for lunch together.

MEN'S LUNCHEON

Date: 11:30 AM, Tuesday, July 12

Contact Persons: Lee Semon or Rick Kelley

Sign-Up Deadline: Sunday, July 10; sign-up sheet is in the Clubhouse

Details: Please join us as we meet at The Old Time Diner in Leesburg. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse only for a count. Please make your own arrangements for transportation.

UPCOMING AUGUST EVENTS

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

LADIES & MEN'S LUNCHEON

Date: 11:30 AM, Tuesday, August 16

Contact Persons: Charlene or Bert Zeunik

Details: We will meet at The Dog House located at 201 W. Ruby St. in Tavares.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

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



JULY BIRTHDAYS

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>
4	Bernadette Ford	16	Dick Longhouse	22	Alan Copeland
7	Larry Dennis		Robert Longhouse	24	Maxene Gurdo
10	Charles Bates	18	Janet Schwalbach	26	Sam Decator
13	Karen Logan	20	Donna Matheny	28	Ramona Richardson
15	Deborah Waterman	21	Kathy Dennis		Jerri Penrose
					Darlene Imhoff

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

July 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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