



Tidbits

Bonfire 55+ Mobile Home Park Newsletter

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July, 2024

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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:

SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE FOR PARK SECURITY CONCERNS: To be held at 11:00 AM on Friday, June 28th in the Clubhouse. This will be an informational meeting for the current park security issues. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

June 24, 2024

Dear Fellow Shareholders:

Summer is in full swing and I hope you are doing well. Having been gone a month on vacation myself, I want to share some thoughts with all of you now that I am back.

As most of you know, hurricane season started early in Bonfire on May 18th. Susan and Steve Lorch, Judy Longhouse, and Stanley Graham all suffered damage of varying degrees to their property from an unexpected storm that day.

We all owe Dave Niles, Joe Poglioli (maintenance), Candice and Janice (our office administrators), and anyone else who stepped up. A note of thanks for cleaning up and handling the "fall out" from that mess. For those of you who have doubts about the integrity and ability of our leadership and staff and the willingness of residents to "chip in" when needed, I suggest you take a closer look at how things were handled during that event. With hurricane season upon us, I am enclosing the basic rules and protocols in handling storm repairs, and any general updates, you as a shareholder may want to do.

I cannot emphasize enough the importance of following rules that have been in effect for years. If you have any questions, doubts, etc., concerning this, call the office, myself, or any board member. Your Board of Directors do not want to be put in a difficult position because the rules were not followed!

Since the storm on May 18th, there has been an increased desire by some shareholders to have trees removed or trimmed because of the possibility of damage occurring again. Each and every desire must go through the established process before anything can be done. The budget for any tree work in the park has been used up. Tree removal, if approved, will be done at the cost to a shareholder. Any tree trimming, if approved, is usually done and paid for by the park. This is strictly done on a "need first" basis and any more trimming will have to wait until next year. If you as a shareholder want to "pay" for tree trimming, if approved, the Board would allow it.

Any hurricane damage to trees will have to be paid for out of emergency funding. I have asked Dave Niles to overlook the general appearance of the park, especially lawn and weed control. We are looking a little “rough” around the edges right now. Please check with your “lawn person” and see to it that the lawn is being taken care of as it should be. Weeds are also a problem that needs to be addressed. It is a lot easier for you as a shareholder to follow through on this so we do not have to write letters and levy fines.

In conclusion, you have probably heard about the share certificate issue. Following are the steps involved for a share certificate to be issued:

To Shareholders
June 24, 2024

1. At closing, the closing agent has a Proprietary Lease drawn up for the buyer and seller to sign. It has also been signed by the Bonfire President and notarized. You will receive a copy of your closing documents and the office will receive a copy from the closing agent. The Proprietary Lease and Share Certificate go hand in hand.
2. If you are selling, you must take the ORIGINAL certificate to closing. If you cannot find the original, you will be required to sign a “Missing Affidavit” and you will be charged \$150.00 at closing.
IMPORTANT: There are no originals kept in the office. Residents must keep the original secure in their file.
3. At closing, the buyer will be charged \$350.00 to pay attorney Bowen & Schroth for the transfer of your original certificate to the buyer. The closing agent will send your original Share Certificate to Bowen & Schroth with a check for \$350.00. Bowen & Schroth will issue a new share certificate to buyer and will send it to our office for the President and Secretary of the board to sign. Once signed, the original is returned to the attorney for official recording. The attorney then sends the original directly to the buyer. THE ORIGINAL IS NOT KEPT IN THE OFFICE, only a copy. It is the resident’s responsibility to safely keep the original when it is received from the attorney. If you cannot find the original when you sell your property, you will have to sign a Missing Affidavit and pay \$150.00 at closing.
4. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me or another board member.

Sincerely,
David B. Meyer, President
Board of Directors

Note: The next Board Meeting: To be determined

2024 - 2025 Social Club Board

President: Charlene Zeunik

*1st Vice-President: Karen Heid
(Tidbits, Calendar, Directory)*

*2nd Vice-President: Brenda Flint
(Flea Market, Fundraising Meals)*

Secretary: Jamie Anderson

Treasurer: Margaret Willis

1st Director: Connie Leeseberg

(Karaoke, Choir, Entertainment, Spring Fling)

2nd Director : Jill Shank

(Potlucks, Ladies Lunch, Friday Coffee)

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:

When in the Clubhouse, check out the Hurricane Information Bulletin Board. Good information. We are now in hurricane season.

Regular Bingo will be suspended until September 2nd. Card Bingo will be on Mondays at 6:00 PM.

Tidbits printing will be suspended until September due to minimal activities. Tidbits will be available on the website. Social Club calendar is on the wall by the door of the Clubhouse. Major activities will also be shown on the marquee.

Note: Next Social Club Membership Meeting: 10:00 AM Saturday, November 9, 2024

Bonfire Compound Hours for Donations and/or Needs

The Compound will not be open regularly for the summer. Please contact Charlene Zeunik or Margaret Willis if you need any assistance.

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



Thanks to everyone for your donations. Brenda Flint

"New Kids on the Block"- The following is a list of the new residents during the past month to Bonfire:

<i>New Owner(s)</i>	<i>Address of New Purchase</i>	<i>Purchased From</i>
Brutsman, Gerald & Helen	667 Misti Dr.	Waldo, Carol
Kumor, Ronald & Clough, Becky	634 Misti Dr.	Faye Hensley estate

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

Get Well Card was sent to:

Ellie Porwitzky

Sympathy Cards were sent to:

Deborah Cross and Family (Father), Paula Romig Family (Paula Romig), Chris and Connie Leeseberg (Chris's Mother)

Health & Safety Committee Report

Current members are Nelson Craig (Chair), Judy Holmgren, Susan Lorch and Sandy Parnaby. If you would like to join the Health and Safety Committee; call or email Nelson Craig for more information.

Melanoma, the Most Serious Skin Cancer

There are four types of skin cancer:

1. Basal cell carcinoma
2. Squamous cell carcinoma
3. Melanoma
4. Nonmelanoma skin cancer

Melanoma is often called the most serious skin cancer because it tends to spread.

Melanoma occurs in cells known as melanocytes, skin cells found in the upper layer of skin. Melanoma occurs when DNA damage from burning or tanning due to UV radiation triggers changes (mutations) in the melanocytes, resulting in uncontrolled cellular growth.

Melanoma is usually curable when detected and treated early. Once melanoma has spread deeper into the skin or other parts of the body, it becomes more difficult to treat and can be deadly. In most cases, the surgeon will cut cancerous tissue from the body by removing malignant moles, the skin surrounding the malignant mole and removing nearby lymph nodes if the cancer has spread. Melanoma does not respond well to chemotherapy and the effects of drug treatments are quite limited.

Melanoma signs include:

1. A large brownish spot with darker speckles
2. A mole that changes in color, size or feel or that bleeds
3. A small lesion with an irregular border and portions that appear red, pink, white, blue or blue-black
4. A painful lesion that itches or burns
5. Dark lesions on your palms, soles, fingertips or toes, or on mucous membranes lining your mouth, nose, vagina or anus

As is true with many cancers, early detection and treatment is key. A regular skin check with a dermatologist is critical as well as self-awareness of any changes in your skin.

<https://www.skincancer.org/skin-cancer-information/melanoma/>

<https://www.aimatmelanoma.org/>

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.

Check Bonfire Social Club Event Group Facebook Page for any spontaneous pop-up events.

JULY 4TH POTLUCK

Date: 2:00 – 4:00 PM Thursday, July 4 **Contact Person:** Margaret Willis & Charlene Zeunik

Details: Celebrate Independence Day with neighbors and friends. We will be serving hot dogs with varied toppings. Please bring a shareable side or dessert and your own plates and cutlery.

Hope to see you all there!



BABY SHOWER

Date: 2:00 – 4:00 PM Saturday, July 6

Sign-Up Deadline: Wednesday, July 3

Details: Brandi Johns (Bryan and Jackie’s daughter and Bob Johns’ granddaughter) is having a baby girl, Astrid Grace. They would like to invite everyone to a baby shower in the Clubhouse. Brandi Johns and Michael Walters are registered at Amazon and Target for Astrid Grace. Please sign up on the sheet in the Clubhouse so they can plan enough food.



BONFIRE COMMUNITY LUNCHEON

Date: 12:00 PM Friday, July 19
Sign-Up Deadline: 3 days before the event
Cost: Suggested donation: \$5.00 per person

Contact Person: Gary Poley

Details: Bring your own silverware and plates. Take-outs and delivery will be available. Our hope is that if residents know of shut-in Bonfire residents, that they would be willing to deliver meals to them. There is a Sign-Up Sheet in the Clubhouse and you will need to specify delivery when signing up. You must be present by 12noon to participate. Menu to be announced later. Contact Gary Poley for any questions you may have. Reminder: there will be a 50/50 drawing. We will need Volunteers to help serve.



KARAOKE

Date: 7:00-10:00 PM Saturday, July 20- Karaoke; (1:00 PM- Practice)
Details: You don't have to sing, just come and enjoy the fun.



LADIES' LUNCH

Date: 11:30 AM Tuesday, July 23
Sign-Up Deadline: Sunday, July 21; sign-up sheet is in the Clubhouse.



Contact Persons: Charlene Zeunik

Details: Please meet at Ellen's Café, 712 W Main St, Leesburg. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse for a count only.

MEN'S LUNCH

Date: 11:30 AM Tuesday, July 23
Sign-Up Deadline: Sunday, July 21; sign-up sheet is in the Clubhouse.

Contact Person: Bert Zeunik

Details: Please meet at Frogger's, 4931 Lake Park Ct, Mt. Dora. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse for a count only.



KARAOKE

Date: 7:00-10:00 PM Saturday, July 27- Karaoke; (1:00 PM- Practice)
Details: You don't have to sing, just come and enjoy the fun.



UPCOMING AUGUST EVENTS

Check Bonfire Social Club Event Group Facebook Page for any spontaneous pop-up events.

BONFIRE COMMUNITY LUNCHEON

Dates: 12:00 PM Friday, August 2, August 16, August 30
Sign-Up Deadline: 3 days before the event
Cost: Suggested donation: \$5.00 per person

Contact Person: Gary Poley

Details: Bring your own silverware and plates. Take-outs and delivery will be available. Our hope is that if residents know of shut-in Bonfire residents, that they would be willing to deliver meals to them. There is a Sign-Up Sheet in the Clubhouse and you will need to specify delivery when signing up. You must be present by 12noon to participate. Menu to be announced later. Contact Gary Poley for any questions you may have. Reminder: there will be a 50/50 drawing. We will need Volunteers to help serve.

KARAOKE

Date: 7:00-10:00 PM Saturdays Karaoke (1:00 PM- Practice)

Possible Dates: August 10 and 24

Details: You don't have to sing, just come and enjoy the fun.

LADIES' LUNCH

Date: 11:30 AM Thursday, August 22

Details: Location: Mason Jar Restaurant

Contact Persons: Leslie Decator

MEN'S LUNCH

Date: 11:30 AM Thursday, August 22

Details: Location: To Be Determined

Contact Persons: Sam Decator

JULY BIRTHDAYS



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

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>
4	Bernadette Ford	15	Deborah Waterman	22	Alan Copeland
7	Larry Dennis	16	Dick Longhouse	26	Sam Decator
10	Charles Bates	18	Janet Schwalbach	28	Ramona Richardson
13	Karen Logan	20	Donna Matheny	28	Darlene Imhoff
14	Anne-Marie Morse	21	Kathy Dennis	30	Elaine Hartman

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

July 2024

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 9:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Card Bingo	2 9:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes 6:30pm Jam Session	3 8:30am Breakfast Club- Highway 441 Diner 9:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Nickel Nickel	4 Independence Day 9:00am Water Aerobics 2:00-4:00pm Potluck 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes	5 8:00am Coffee/Tea Time 9:00am Water Aerobics 6:30pm Euchre	6 9:00am Water Aerobics 2:00-4:00pm Baby Shower
7	8 9:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Card Bingo	9 9:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes 6:30pm Jam Session	10 8:30am Breakfast Club- Highway 441 Diner 9:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Nickel Nickel	11 9:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes	12 8:00am Coffee/Tea Time 9:00am Water Aerobics 6:30pm Euchre	13 9:00am Water Aerobics
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