



Tidbits

Bonfire 55+ Mobile Home Park Newsletter

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November, 2022

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2022 - 2023 Board of Directors

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The office is not open for walk-ins. 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.

Notes from the Board:

- **Effective January 1, 2023, the maintenance fee will be \$135.00 per month. If your bank automatically sends in your monthly payment, please contact your bank and notify them of the increase. If you have submitted personal checks in advance to the office, you will need to submit a check for \$15.00 each month for the balance due.**

- Please don't feed stray cats in our community as they will reproduce and cause hardships for your neighbors.

- Dept. of Forestry does not allow any open pit or ground burning within 150 ft. of a dwelling. This law covers all of our community, and will be enforced. An out-of-control fire could cause irreparable damage.

- Our 5 year Water Tank inspection did not pass. The County is giving us 1 year to replace. We have a Reserve Account to help fund this project. We have currently lowered the water pressure in the park to keep the tank operating for now.

Note: The next Board Meeting: 10:00 AM, Wednesday, November 16

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

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:

➤ If anyone is interested in volunteering to organize a Thanksgiving Potluck, please contact Charlene Zeunik.

Note: Social Club Membership Meeting is: 10:00 AM, Saturday, November 12, 2022. All are invited.

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)

Aluminum Can Tabs

These tabs are collected and given to the Shriners Club. They turn the tabs into money for the support of The Shriners Hospitals for Children. Lots of info concerning this program is available on line. So, just before the can is tossed into the recycle bin, pull the tab off. When at the Clubhouse, drop the tabs into the large jar located near the door. Contact persons: Rick/Donna Kelley.

Coffee Hour



Friday Coffee Hour

Date: Every Friday from 8:00-9:00 AM

Place: Clubhouse

Cost: \$1.00 for the doughnut

Come down to the Clubhouse every Friday at 8:00 am starting Nov 4. Enjoy free coffee and for just a dollar get yourself a doughnut. Everyone is welcome. This is a fun time to fellowship with your friends and neighbors. Volunteers will be needed to help with the coffee and to pick up doughnuts if you want this social event to continue. Thank you for your help. *Contact: Lee and Robin Seman*

Golfing: Ken Dixon (James Titus at current time until Ken returns to the park) is taking care of the golfing. Please contact them for information and with your questions. Meet at the Clubhouse at 8:30 AM on Thursdays, starting November 3. Tee time is at 9:50 AM.

Home Security

Recently, there have been reports of break-ins and thefts in our park. This is not new, it has been happening for a long time. Bonfire is not a gated community with security guards. So, what can you do to protect your home and your belongings?

- Always lock your doors and windows, even if you intend to be away only a short time.
- When you go out, leave a few lights on and even a television or other noise to make it appear that someone is home.
- Have a special lock installed, or place a cut-off broom/mop handle in the track of sliding glass doors to prevent the door from being opened.
- Install deadbolt locks on all exterior doors.
- Maintain your lawn or have it maintained when away on vacation.
- Store barbecue grills, lawn mowers, four wheelers, bicycles and other valuable items out of sight.
- Even when you are home, make sure sheds and storage buildings are locked and windows covered.
- Make certain all door hinges on exterior doors are on the inside.
- Keep shrubs and trees trimmed, particularly those located close to your home.
- Make sure your home is well-lit on the outside.
- Install security cameras.
- Avoid leaving a spare key under a flower pot, doormat or other area.

Bonfire Village is not in a “bad” area, but all homes are susceptible to crime. Take steps to protect what is yours. Do not *expect* others to do this for you. Keep your eyes open for your neighbors. Remember: *If you SEE something, SAY something!* Call 911 to report what you see, *then* advise someone on the Board of Directors. We have a great community, but it takes everyone doing their part to keep it that way.

<https://www.adamsluka.com/burglary-prevention-tips-for-orlando-and-central-florida-residen.html>

"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>
Bernadette Ford (current resident)	96 Jodi Ave.	Joanne Holland (owner)
Richard & Gail Graham	843 Lock Rd.	Robert Bergstrom

Toys for Tots

As you may have noticed, the collection box has been placed in the Clubhouse (alongside of the Food Bank collection box). There have already been contributions of “new unwrapped” items. Please consider the needs of this program while you are out and about during the coming season. Contact persons: Rick/Donna Kelley.

VETERANS’ DAY/REMEMBRANCE DAY

Please join us to honor our military veterans of Bonfire.

Date: Friday, November 11, 2022

Time: 11:00 am

Place: In the Clubhouse

After presentation of the flags of the United States and Canada, there will be a short program during which veterans present will be honored by the playing of their military branch’s anthem. After this, there will be a light lunch provided.

Everyone is invited. For any questions please contact Margaret Willis.



Sunshine Report

Please notify DeAnna Barnhill so a Get Well or Sympathy Card can be sent to any of our Bonfire residents.

Get Well Cards:

Get Well Cards were sent to: Janet Schwalbach, Dale Hunt, Dennis Herald, Gerry Graham, Mary Zeunik, Julie Pudenz.

Sympathy Cards:

No Sympathy Cards were sent.

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.

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ATTENTION BONFIRE RESIDENTS!! What health and safety subjects would you like to see covered in the upcoming season?

In the past, we have had speakers address topics including Medicare options, Senior Safety (Lake County Sheriff’s Office), Skin Care and Foot Care. We may be able to repeat these topics or any others you show an interest in.

There is a Sign-up Sheet in the Clubhouse for you to express your interest. You are not committing to anything; we're just trying to gauge resident interest in these or any topics having to do with our health and safety. Thank you for your participation.

NOTE: We will NOT be sponsoring flu shots at the Clubhouse this year. You are encouraged to get your annual shot as you have in the past at your physician's office or any of the many local pharmacies offering this service.

Public Service Announcement from the Bonfire Health Committee

As we get back to our fun Bonfire activities, we would like to remind everyone to be respectful to others. If you do not feel well, please do not attend any activities. Stay home until you are completely well.

Thank you.

NOVEMBER 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.

VETERANS DAY

Date: 11:00 AM, Friday, November 11

Contact Person: Margaret Willis

Details: There will be a short program at the Clubhouse and after this, there will be a light lunch provided.

SOCIAL CLUB MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Date: 10:00 AM, Saturday, November 12

Contact Person: Leslie Decator

Details: All Bonfire residents are encouraged to attend this meeting to participate in discussions that will take place. We will be meeting in the Clubhouse.

KARAOKE

Date: 7:00 PM, Saturday, November 12

Details: Karaoke practice is scheduled for 1:00 PM on Saturday, November 12 in the Clubhouse.

LADIES' LUNCH

Date: 11:30 AM, Tuesday, November 15

Contact Persons: Leslie Decator and Margaret Willis

Sign-Up Deadline: Sunday, November 13; sign-up sheet is in the Clubhouse.

Details: We will be having lunch at Hurricane Dockside Grill 3351 W. Burleigh Blvd., Tavares. Please join us for a time of companionship with your friends and neighbors. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse only for a count.

MEN'S LUNCH

Date: 11:30 AM, Tuesday, November 15

Contact Persons: Sam Decator and Al Willis

Sign-Up Deadline: Sunday, November 13; sign-up sheet is in the Clubhouse.

Details: Lunch will be at Lake Harris Hideaway located at 11912 Lane Park Rd., Tavares. Hope to see you there. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse only for a count.

DANCE

Date: 7:00 PM, Saturday, November 19 with the band: Tommy D

Cost: \$5 at the door; 50/50 drawing, coffee and popcorn.

UPCOMING DECEMBER EVENTS

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

CHRISTMAS KARAOKE

Date: Tuesday, December 13

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

Date: Saturday, December 31

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>
4	James Heid	13	Barbara Kelly	21	Reshella Decker
7	Joann Paige	14	Roy Woodruff	22	Cory Meyer
9	Forest Ruot		Robert Hathaway	23	Susan Lorch
11	Diane Wirtz	18	Steven Lorch		
	Christina Shrout	20	Susan Pierce		

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

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics	2 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Nickel Nickel	3 8:30am Golfing Meet Time at the Clubhouse 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 2:00pm J&J Music 5:45pm Cards/Games	8:00am Coffee Hour 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 2:00pm Jam Session 6:30pm Euchre	5 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics
6 Daylight Saving Time Ends 5:45pm Texas Hold'em	7 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Bingo	8 Election Day 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics	9 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Nickel Nickel	10 8:30am Golfing Meet Time at the Clubhouse 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 2:00pm J&J Music 5:45pm Cards/Games	11 Veterans Day 8:00am Coffee Hour 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 11:00am Veterans Day Event 2:00pm Jam Session 6:30pm Euchre	12 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 10:00am Social Club Membership Mtg.-All are invited to attend 1:00pm Karaoke Practice 7:00pm Karaoke
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