



# Tidbits

## Bonfire 55+ Mobile Home Park Newsletter

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# November, 2023

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### 2022 - 2023 Board of Directors

President: Bobby Wolgan

Vice President: Larry Dennis

Treasurer: Dave Meyer

Secretary: Cheryl Hytinen

Director: Ken Dixon

Clubhouse/Social Club Liaison & Director: Chris Leeseberg

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](mailto: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:

- Reminder:** Agenda Items for Board of Directors' Meeting: Please refer to Bonfire Policy BF003 dated 1/16/2019. A request to the Board must be submitted in writing on the Shareholder Request form (forms in Clubhouse and on line) and turned in by 3:00 p.m. on the Monday of the week preceding the scheduled Board Meeting. Shareholder must be present at the Board Meeting to explain their request and answer any questions. If the Shareholder is not present, the request will be deferred to a future Board Meeting.
- The monthly Maintenance Fee for 2024 is being raised \$15.00 per month, totaling \$150.00 per month effective January 1, 2024. If you prepaid any 2024 fees, you will receive an invoice with the Balance Due.**

**Note: The next Board Meeting: 10:00 AM Monday, November 20 in the Clubhouse.** (This change is due to Thanksgiving holiday and vacations.)

### 2023 - 2024 Social Club Board

President: Charlene Zeunik

1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President: Karen Heid

(Spring Fling, Tidbits, Calendar, Directory)

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President: Karen Winchell

(Flea Market, Fundraising Meals)

Secretary: Jamie Anderson

Treasurer: Karen Gilson

1<sup>st</sup> Director: Shirley Byrd

(Dances, Karaoke, Choir, Entertainment)

2<sup>nd</sup> Director: Jill Shank

(Potlucks, Ladies Lunch, Friday Coffee)

3<sup>rd</sup> Director: Barbara Lambright

(Welcome Packet, Welcome to Bonfire Event)

4<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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:** As outlined below we are getting ready for the new year and are in need of members to step up and help with Social Club positions and committees. As with all things, many hands make light work. If you are looking to meet new people you may consider stepping into a position.

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## Committee and Activity News:

- ✓ There will be new Sign-Up Sheets in the Clubhouse for Men's and Ladies' Luncheons. November luncheons will be held on Wednesday, November 15 at 11:30. Ladies' Luncheon will be held at Applebee's and Men's Luncheon will be at Sky Beach Bar & Grill. Look for Sign-Up Sheets in the Clubhouse.
- ✓ The Social Club is looking for someone who is willing to chair the Social Club Elections for 2024. The Election Chair will be responsible for helping to promote and find individuals wishing to volunteer for Social Club seats. The following seats will be open:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, currently held by Karen Heid who is responsible for the overseeing of the entire Calendar for the Social Club.
  - Secretary, currently held by Jamie Anderson, responsible for all written correspondence from the Social Club as well as agendas and minutes for all meetings.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Director, currently held by Shirley Byrd, responsible for all entertainment throughout the year.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Director, currently held by Barbara Lambright who is responsible for welcoming all new shareholders to the community. She is also responsible for the Welcome Party held in January.
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Director, currently held by Sara Sladen, responsible for the decorating of the Clubhouse for all events.
- ✓ We are looking for individuals to help host the upcoming Thanksgiving and Christmas Potluck Dinners. Please consider volunteering if you will be here for the holidays.

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

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**Beginners Line Dance-** Cathie York is starting Beginners Line Dancing on Thursday, November 2 at 11:00AM.

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**Bingo-** We are looking for more callers for Bingo. You don't need to have experience...we will train. You only have to call 1/2 of the game; plus, callers get a FREE Bingo card. Contact Charlene Zeunik.

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## Bonfire Compound Hours for Donations and/or Needs

**When:** Wednesday of each week 10:00 AM-1:00 PM. The Compound is open during these hours for purchases or donations. Should U have larger items to donate, please contact Karen Winchell...Your donated items are sold at our March Yard Sale and throughout the year...The proceeds from the sales of your donated items go into your Social Club Treasury...We thank you for your donations. Please contact Karen Winchell 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



The date of the Bonfire Christmas Craft Bazaar will **take place on Saturday, November 4 from 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM** in the Clubhouse.

So excited to see all of the projects you have created. Tables to display and sell your homemade items will be available to purchase for \$5.00 each. Those of you that are not participating with homemade crafts, we encourage you to share your favorite baked goods to donate for the bake sale. We will have a light lunch available to purchase (\$6) from 11:00 AM -1:00 PM. Sign-up sheets will be in the Clubhouse for crafters and bake sale donations. We will also be selling the Christmas items that you donated from the Compound. You will be able to set up your table space Friday evening November 3 around 6:00 PM. Come and start your Christmas shopping.

Thanks to everyone for your donations. Karen Winchell

**COFFEE (OR TEA) HOUR- FRIDAYS**



Coffee hour is starting Friday, November 3 at about 8:00AM in the Clubhouse. Hope you will join neighbors in this time for a little socializing which usually includes a few laughs. It is ok to bring some kind of morning sweets to share; beanie-weenie is not considered appropriate. Contact Persons: Donna & Rick Kelley

**VETERANS DAY/REMEMBRANCE DAY**

The Bonfire annual Veterans Day/Remembrance Day program and lunch will be held on Saturday, November 11, 2023 at 11:00 AM in the Clubhouse (immediately following the Social Club Membership Meeting). Everything will be provided (food, plates, utensils, etc.) Please join us to honor all our Bonfire Veterans, past and present.

**Contact Person:** Margaret Willis



**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:**

Get Well Cards were sent to: John and Karen Gilson, DeAnna Barnhill, Leslie Decator, Joyce Worman, Al Licht, Lee and Robin Semon, Gary Poley

**Sympathy Cards:**

Sympathy Cards were sent to: Charlie Cox (wife), Nancy Roberts (mother)

♥♥♥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](mailto:dwein95@aol.com) for more information.

**TWELVE WAYS TO HAVE A HEALTHY HOLIDAY SEASON**

1. **Wash hands often to help prevent the spread of germs.** It's flu season. Wash your hands with soap and clean running water for at least 20 seconds.
2. **Bundle up to stay dry and warm.** Wear appropriate outdoor clothing: light, warm layers, gloves, hats, scarves, and waterproof boots.
3. **Manage stress.** Give yourself a break if you feel stressed out, overwhelmed, and out of control. Some of the best ways to manage stress are to find support, connect socially, and get plenty of sleep.
4. **Don't drink and drive or let others drink and drive.** Whenever anyone drives drunk, they put everyone on the road in danger. Choose not to drink and drive and help others do the same.
5. **Be smoke-free.** Avoid smoking and secondhand smoke. Smokers have greater health risks because of their tobacco use, but nonsmokers also are at risk when exposed to tobacco smoke.
6. **Fasten seat belts while driving or riding in a motor vehicle.** Buckle up every time, no matter how short the trip and encourage passengers to do the same.

7. **Get exams and screenings.** Ask your health care provider what exams you need and when to get them. Update your personal and family history.
8. **Get your vaccinations.** Vaccinations help prevent diseases and save lives. Everyone 6 months and older should get a flu vaccine each year.
9. **Monitor children.** Keep potentially dangerous toys, food, drinks, household items, and other objects out of children's reach. Protect them from drowning, burns, falls, and other potential accidents.
10. **Practice fire safety.** Most residential fires occur during the winter months, so don't leave fireplaces, space heaters, food cooking on stoves, or candles unattended. Have an emergency plan and practice it regularly.
11. **Prepare food safely.** Remember these simple steps: Wash hands and surfaces often, avoid cross-contamination, cook foods to proper temperatures and refrigerate foods promptly.
12. **Eat healthy, stay active.** Eat fruits and vegetables which pack nutrients and help lower the risk for certain diseases. Limit your portion sizes and foods high in fat, salt, and sugar. Also, be active for at least 2½ hours a week.

**Be inspired to stay in the spirit of good health!**

## 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.

### **BONFIRE CHRISTMAS CRAFT BAZAAR**

**Date:** 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM Saturday, November 4

**Contact Person:** Karen Winchell

**Details:** Tables to display and sell your homemade items will be available to purchase for \$5.00 each. Those of you that are not participating with homemade crafts, we encourage you to share your favorite baked goods to donate for the bake sale. We will have a light lunch available to purchase for \$6.00 from 11:00 AM -1:00 PM. Sign-up sheets will be in the Clubhouse for crafters and bake sale donations. We will also be selling the Christmas items that you donated from the Compound. You will be able to set up your table space Friday evening November 3 around 6:00 PM. Come and start your Christmas shopping.

### **SOCIAL CLUB MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

**Date:** 10:00AM Saturday, November 11

**Contact Person:** Charlene Zeunik

**Details:** Meeting will be held in the Clubhouse.

### **VETERANS DAY/REMEMBRANCE DAY**

**Contact Person:** Margaret Willis

**Date:** 11:00AM Saturday, November 11

**Details:** The Bonfire annual Veterans Day/Remembrance Day program and lunch will be held on Saturday, November 11, 2023 at 11:00 AM in the Clubhouse (immediately following the Social Club Membership Meeting). Everything will be provided (food, plates, utensils, etc.)

Please join us to honor all our Bonfire Veterans, past and present.

### **KARAOKE**

**Date:** 7:00 PM Saturday, November 11; **Practice:** 1:00 PM

### **LADIES' LUNCH**

**Date:** 11:30 AM Wednesday, November 15

**Contact Person:** Jamie Anderson

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

**Details:** We are going to Applebee's Grill & Bar; 15351 US-441, Eustis. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse for a count only.

**MEN'S LUNCH****Date:** 11:30 AM Wednesday, November 15**Contact Person:** Rick Kelley**Sign-Up Deadline:** Monday, November 13; sign-up sheet is in the Clubhouse.**Details:** Please join us at the Ski Beach Bar and Grill on Wednesday, November 15. Meet in the restaurant at 11:30 AM. This restaurant is located in Leesburg's Venetian Gardens Park on Lake Harris. The Park is on SR44 (Dixie Ave.) in town. We look forward to seeing you there. For GPS the restaurant's actual address is: Sky Beach Bar and Grill 21 Dozier Cir. Leesburg, FL 34748. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse for a count only.**OCALA HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW****Date:** 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM Saturday, November 18, 2023**Contact Person:** Charlene Zeunik**Sign-Up Deadline:** Thursday, November 16; sign-up sheet will be in the Clubhouse**Details:** The Craft Show will be held at the World Equestrian Center in Ocala. There will be over 300 vendors. Parking is free! We are organizing a group interested in going. Tickets are on sale now online: [Ocala Holiday Craft Show Tickets](#) or can be bought at the door. Price is \$7 or \$6 for those of us who are 60+. We can do our Christmas shopping and have fun too!

There will be a sign-up sheet posted and we will need drivers willing to take those who don't have transportation.

**DANCE****Date:** 7:00 – 10:00 PM Saturday, November 18**Contact Person:** Charlene Zeunik**Cost:** \$6.00 per person at the door**Details:** Snakeyeyz will be the band playing. There will be a 50/50 drawing. Coffee and popcorn will be provided; BYOB.

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**UPCOMING DECEMBER/JANUARY EVENTS**


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**CHRISTMAS PROGRAM****Date:** To be announced later**Contact Person:** Bill Richardson**Details:** To be announced later.**CHRISTMAS DAY POTLUCK****Date:** Monday, December 25**Details:** To be announced later. Anyone willing to help, please contact Charlene Zeunik.**DANCE- NEW YEAR'S EVE****Date:** 8:30 PM – 12:00 AM Sunday, December 31**Contact Person:** Charlene Zeunik**Details:** Bassville Park Band will be playing. Ticket price and details will be announced later.**COMEDIAN/SINGER- JACOB HUNT****Date:** 3:00 PM – 7:30 PM Tuesday, January 9**Details:** Comedian/singer with a meal before his performance.**CHICKEN POTLUCK****Date:** Wednesday, January 24

**NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**



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

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

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

# November 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b> 8:30am Breakfast Club-Highway 441 Diner 10:00am-1:00pm Compound Open for Drop Off/Sales 6:00pm Nickel Nickel	<b>2</b> 11:00am Beginners Line Dancing 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes	<b>3</b> 8:00am Coffee/Tea Time 6:00pm Euchre	<b>4</b> 8:00am-2:00pm Christmas Craft Bazaar
<b>5</b> Daylight Saving Time Ends	<b>6</b> 2:00pm Ladies Harmony 6:00pm Bingo	<b>7</b> Election Day 10:00-11:30am Bible Class Clubhouse/Gary Winters 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes	<b>8</b> 8:30am Breakfast Club-Highway 441 Diner 10:00am-1:00pm Compound Open for Drop Off/Sales 6:00pm Nickel Nickel	<b>9</b> 11:00am Beginners Line Dancing 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes	<b>10</b> 8:00am Coffee/Tea Time 6:00pm Euchre	<b>11</b> Veterans Day 10:00am Social Club Membership Meeting 11:00am Veterans/Day Remembrance Day 1:00pm Karaoke Practice 7:00pm Karaoke
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 2:00pm Ladies Harmony 6:00pm Bingo	<b>14</b> 10:00-11:30am Bible Class Clubhouse/Gary Winters 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes	<b>15</b> 8:30am Breakfast Club-Highway 441 Diner 10:00am-1:00pm Compound Open for Drop Off/Sales 11:30am Ladies' Lunch- Applebee's, Eustis 11:30am Men's Lunch- Ski Beach Bar and Grill, Leesburg 6:00pm Nickel Nickel	<b>16</b> 10:00am Social Club Bylaws Com. Mtg. 11:00am Beginners Line Dancing 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes	<b>17</b> 8:00am Coffee/Tea Time 6:00pm Euchre	<b>18</b> 9:00am-5:00pm Ocala Holiday Craft Fair 7:00-10:00pm Dance- Band will be Ssnakeyez
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 10:00am Board of Directors Mtg. 2:00pm Ladies Harmony 6:00pm Bingo	<b>21</b> 10:00-11:30am Bible Class Clubhouse/Gary Winters 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes	<b>22</b> 8:30am Breakfast Club-Highway 441 Diner 10:00am-1:00pm Compound Open for Drop Off/Sales 6:00pm Nickel Nickel	<b>23</b> Thanksgiving Day 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes	<b>24</b> 8:00am Coffee/Tea Time 6:00pm Euchre	<b>25</b> 11:00am-4:00pm Umatilla Craft Bazaar and Market
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 2:00pm Ladies Harmony 6:00pm Bingo	<b>28</b> 10:00-11:30am Bible Class Clubhouse/Gary Winters 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes	<b>29</b> 8:30am Breakfast Club-Highway 441 Diner 10:00am-1:00pm Compound Open for Drop Off/Sales 6:00pm Nickel Nickel	<b>30</b> 11:00am Beginners Line Dancing 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes		