

# Tidbits

## Bonfire 55+ Mobile Home Park Newsletter

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# November, 2024

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### 2024 - 2025 Board of Directors

President: Dave Meyer

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Treasurer: Chris Leeseberg

Secretary: Dave Niles

Director: Ken Dixon

Director: Tom Eddy

Director: Paul Shortsleeve

### The Office of the President- Dave Meyer

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:

October 21, 2024

Dear Fellow Shareholders:

The park is filling up with returning snowbirds and new shareholders – the Bonfire Board of Directors say: **“Welcome Back!”**

2024 has been quite a year for us. From the installation of the fiber optics project to dealing with Hurricane Milton - we have been very busy.

I want to personally say “thank you” to everyone in the park for helping to clean up and board up the grounds and damaged units. When the chips are down, we all come together.

A special “thank you” goes out to Joe Poglioli, our maintenance manager. He was on top of every situation and went above and beyond the “call of duty” to keep Bonfire operating.

Moving forward, we are looking at a new tree program for 2025 instituted by the state and Lake County. Details to follow in November.

People have been dumping debris in the compound and we are going to enforce the rules prohibiting this. The compound is being cleaned up at our expense; debris and anything unauthorized will be removed.

I remind everyone that yard waste and such is picked up by Lake County on Mondays. No dumping in the compound!

Golf carts are supposed to be parked on a pad or driveway. Too many carports in the park are full of “everything else” and there is no room for golf carts or autos to park in them. Parking in someone else’s driveway without permission (and that permission is to be in writing and filed in the office), is prohibited.

Parking extra vehicles in our guest parking areas is also prohibited. That’s what the compound spaces are for! Read and obey the rules!

The budget for 2025 will be coming up for review in November.

I look forward to greeting all of you when I see you!

Sincerely,

David B. Meyer, President

**Note: The next Board Meeting:** To be determined

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**Residents,**

Please be sure to complete an **Arrival Form** (forms located in the Clubhouse above the desk at the front door) and put in the black mailbox at the office door. **Important annual meeting information will be delivered to you at your home in Bonfire if you are here, or mailed to your permanent address on file.**

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**2024 - 2025 Social Club Board**

President: Charlene Zeunik

1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President: Karen Heid  
(Tidbits, Calendar, Directory)

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President: Brenda Flint  
(Flea Market, Fundraising Meals)

Secretary: Jamie Anderson

Treasurer: Margaret Willis

1<sup>st</sup> Director: Connie Leeseberg  
(Karaoke, Choir, Entertainment, Spring Fling)

2<sup>nd</sup> 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](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.”

**Notes from Social Club President, Charlene Zeunik:**

We have some fun and exciting events planned, so make sure you get the latest information on what is going on in Bonfire!

The Social Club Membership meeting is November 9<sup>th</sup> at 10am. If you are a Bonfire resident or renter, you are a member of the Social Club. We encourage everyone to attend the meeting, find out what is going on, plus it’s a good way to meet other Bonfire residents. Volunteers are so important, without them, we can’t have potlucks, Bingo, yard sales, Karaoke, Community Lunches and so much more. We need volunteers not only to help, but also to spearhead and organize fun events throughout the year. So, please, consider volunteering when and where you can.

\*10:00 AM Wednesday, November 6 Entertainment Committee Meeting

\*11:00 AM Wednesday, November 6 and Wednesday, November 20 Christmas Program Committee Meetings

\*Noon Saturday, November 30 Karaoke Committee Meeting

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

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**Toys for Tots**

The Toys for Tots donation box is now in the Clubhouse. Please donate a NEW UNWRAPPED toy for a needy child. The US Marine Corps representative will collect these donations and distribute appropriately. Donations will be accepted now until the end of November.

Thank you for your help for this worthy cause.

Contact Persons: Paul Shortsleeve and Dawn Comins



**"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>
Cooley, Donald and Kimberly	96 Jodi Ave.	Ford, Bernadette

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

**Get Well Cards were sent to:**  
Ronald Kumor, Mel Winchell, Gualter Andrade

**Sympathy Cards were sent to:**  
Renee Licht (Nephew), Al and Faye Sparling (daughter)- for those wishing to send a card, the Sparlings' address is: 636 Carlton St St Catherines Ontario L2M 4Y5

**Thinking About You Cards were sent to:**  
Lloyd Sova, Stephen Goulette

**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.

**????????????????? Health and Safety Committee Programs ??????????????????**

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.

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.

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

**KARAOKE**

**Date:** 7:00 - 10:00 PM Saturdays (1:00 PM- Practice) November 2 and 30

**Details:** If you would like to help plan Karaoke theme nights, attend the next planning meeting: November 30<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon, prior to practice. We are planning a special costume karaoke for the future and would welcome some new faces and ideas.

EVERYONE is WELCOME!



## BONFIRE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PLANNING MEETINGS

**Dates:** 11:00 AM Wednesdays, November 6 and 20

**Details:** This year's Bonfire Christmas Program will take place on Thursday, December 12, at 7pm. If you would like to help plan and/or participate in this program, please attend the planning meetings on Wednesdays, November 6th and 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am in the Clubhouse.

## BONFIRE COMMUNITY LUNCHEONS

**Dates:** 12:00 PM Friday, November 8 and 22

**Sign-Up Deadline:** 3 days before the event

**Cost:** Suggested donation: \$5.00 per person

**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.

**Contact Person:** Gary Poley



## LIVE MUSIC

**Date:** 7:00 - 10:00 PM Saturday, November 9

**Cost:** \$6.00 per person at the door.

**Details:** Music by HWY 94 Band. Bring snacks to share. Coffee and Popcorn will be provided. You may bring a beverage of your choice. There will be a 50/50 drawing.



## VETERAN'S DAY PROGRAM AND LUNCH

**Dates:** 11:00 AM Monday, November 11

**Contact Person:** Margaret Willis

**Details:**

## VETERANS DAY/REMEMBRANCE DAY

The Bonfire annual Veterans Day/Remembrance Day program and lunch will be held on Monday, November 11, 2024 at 11am.

Everything will be provided (food, plates, utensils, etc.)

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



## YARD SALE

**Date:** 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM Saturday, November 16

**Contact Person:** Brenda Flint

**Details:** Yard Sale preparations will be Friday, November 15, 8:00 AM to ? Need folks to help put up the tents and move stuff out of the sheds on Friday. Also, to help customers on Saturday. Please contact Brenda Flint if you can help.

Remember this is one of our biggest sources of revenue to provide activities for you to enjoy, but it won't happen without your help.



## LADIES' LUNCH

**Date:** 11:30 AM Tuesday, November 19

**Contact Person:** Margaret Willis

**Sign-Up Deadline:** Friday, November 15

**Details:** Please meet at Crazy Gators, 402 N Bay St. Eustis

There will be a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse for a count only.

**MEN'S LUNCH**

**Date:** 11:30 AM Tuesday, November 19

**Contact Person:** Rick Kelley

**Sign-Up Deadline:** Friday, November 15

**Details:** Please meet at Saigon Fusion, 16700 US-441, Mt. Dora.  
There will be a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse for a count only.

**SPRING FLING PLANNING MEETING**

**Date:** 12:00 Noon Wednesday, November 20

**Details:**

2025 Spring Fling will be on  
Saturday, March 15.

I know that seems a long way off, but it doesn't happen without a lot of planning and coordination.  
Attend the first planning meeting on Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 12noon in the Clubhouse.

Bring ideas! SEE YOU THERE!



**THANKSGIVING POTLUCK**

**Date:** 2:00 PM Thursday, November 28

**Contact Person:** DeAnna Barnhill

**Details:** **THANKSGIVING DAY POTLUCK**

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2024

2:00 PM

BONFIRE CLUBHOUSE

Join your neighbors to enjoy good food and fellowship and give thanks for our blessings.

Turkey, gravy, rolls, coffee, tea and lemonade will be provided. Bring a side dish or dessert to share and your own tableware, utensils.

There is a \$3 charge for guests.

Please see DeAnna if you can help her with this event.



**UPCOMING DECEMBER EVENTS**

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

**CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**

**Date:** 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM Saturday, December 7

**Details:**

**BONFIRE CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**

Dec 7, 2024 8-2

Bonfire Clubhouse

Calling all volunteers:

We need baked goods to sell.

We also need kitchen help to serve lunch.

CRAFTERS...this is your opportunity to sell your

Christmas crafts and gift items.

Note: this is not the flea market....no 'yard sale' items

Signup sheets will be available later in November.

Contact person: Brenda Flint



**BEACON COLLEGE CHOIR**

**Date:** 6:00 – 6:30 PM Thursday, December 12



**BONFIRE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**

**Date:** 7:00 – 10:00 PM Thursday, December 12

This year’s Bonfire Christmas Program will take place on Thursday, December 12 at 7pm.

**KARAOKE**

**Date:** Saturday, December 14: Practice- 1:00 PM Singing- 7:00 -10:00 PM

**LADIES’ LUNCH**

**Date:** 11:30 AM Thursday, December 19

**Contact Person:** Sara Sladen

**Sign-Up Deadline:** Tuesday, December 17

**Details:** Please meet at Lampu Japanese Steakhouse, Mt. Dora  
There will be a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse for a count only.

**MEN’S LUNCH**

**Date:** 11:30 AM Thursday, December 19

**Contact Person:** To Be Determined

**Sign-Up Deadline:** Tuesday, December 17

**Details:** Location to be determined.  
There will be a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse for a count only.

**CHRISTMAS DINNER POTLUCK**

**Date:** Wednesday, December 25

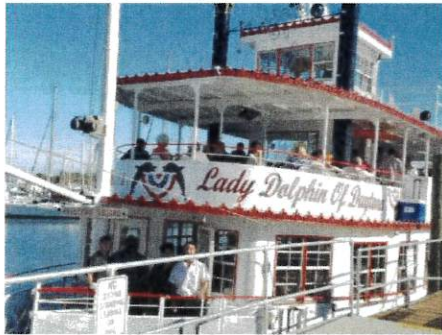
**Details:** Chairperson Needed!

**NEW YEAR’S EVE PARTY**

**Date:** 8:00 PM – 12:30 AM Tuesday, December 31

**Details:** Music by the Occasional Astronauts

**UPCOMING JANUARY EVENT**



**LADY DOLPHIN PADDLEWHEEL BOAT  
ON THE HALIFAX RIVER  
DINE AND CRUISE**

Your Social Club Entertainment Committee has planned an amazing outing.

**Wednesday, January 15, 2025.** Cruise time is **2:30pm**. Bus departure will be 11:00 AM and return time 6:15 PM. *These times are estimates based on travel time and when we need to check in.*

For a special deal of **\$60 per person**, you will travel by motor coach to and from the boat dock. There, you will board the Lady Dolphin Paddlewheel Boat for a **1 1/2 hour** scenic cruise on the beautiful Intracoastal Waterway (Halifax River). Your ticket includes dinner, dessert, unlimited soft drinks, music, sightseeing, and free raffled prizes. Plus, a full bar on board with discounted drinks!

Dinner choices will be made upon boarding. Choose from Shrimp Scampi, Oven Roasted Turkey, Baked Ham, Garlic Shrimp, Spaghetti and Meatballs or Prime Rib. Vegetarian and vegan options are available. Dessert choices are Baby Key Lime Pie, Baby Banana Cream Pie, and Chocolate Chunk Cookie.

For more information, go to the Lady Dolphin website: [www.dineandcruise.com](http://www.dineandcruise.com).

The \$60 fee includes \$38.89 for the cruise (includes 18% tip, 6.5% Tax and \$5 port fee) and \$21.11 towards the bus cost. The Social Club will pick up the balance of the bus cost.

**You MUST sign up by December 1<sup>st</sup> and pay in full by December 1<sup>st</sup>** in order to ensure your spot on this trip. *Signup sheets will be in the Clubhouse and more information will be discussed at the Social Club Membership Meeting on November 9th.*

Any questions, contact Margaret Willis or Charlene Zeunik.

**LIVE ENTERTAINMENT AND OTHER EVENTS TO LOOK FORWARD TO: JANUARY-APRIL 2025**

UPCOMING EVENTS		SEE FUTURE TIDBITS AND FACEBOOK FOR MORE INFORMATION	
DATE	TIME		
JANUARY 4	7-10	KARAOKE	
JANUARY 15	11-6:15	LADY DOLPHIN PADDLEWHEEL CRUISE	CONTACT MARGARET WILLIS OR CHARLENE ZEUNIK
JANUARY 18	10-12	SOCIAL CLUB MEMBERSHIP MEETING	
JANUARY 18	7-10	KARAOKE	
JANUARY 19	2-4	NEWCOMERS' WELCOME PARTY	CONTACT DAWN COMINS
JANUARY 25	5-7	CHICKEN POTLUCK DINNER	CONTACT DON & SHIRLEY BYRD
JANUARY 28	9:30-11	MID-FLA ROC MEETING	CONTACT GEORGE ELDER
JANUARY 28	5-6	COMEDIAN FRANKIE PAUL MORRELL	
FEBRUARY 1	8-2	FLEA MARKET	CONTACT BRENDA FLINT
FEBRUARY 1	7-10	LIVE ENTERTAINMENT	MUSIC BY THE ROUNDABOUTS,
FEBRUARY 8	5-7	SPAGHETTI DINNER	CONTACT CHARLENE ZEUNIK
FEBRUARY 12	9-11	BONFIRE SHAREHOLDERS MEETING	
FEBRUARY 22	7-10	KENTUCKY DAY DANCE	CONTACT SHIRLEY BYRD
MARCH 15	1-6	SPRING FLING	
APRIL 9	12-2	STEAMBOAT PICNIC	CONTACT KAREN VAN MATRE

**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	14	Roy Woodruff	21	Reshella Decker
4	James Heid	14	Robert Hathaway	22	Cory Meyer
11	Diane Wirtz	14	Patricia Thompson	22	Henry Schneider
13	Barbara Kelly	18	Steven Lorch	23	Susan Lorch
		19	Bryan Hills	27	Dona Kline
		20	Susan Pierce		

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

# November 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>3</b> Daylight Saving Time Ends 5:45pm Texas Hold'em	<b>4</b> 9:00am Water Aerobics 2:00-3:30 Girls Night Out 6:00pm Bingo	<b>5 Election Day</b> 9:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes 6:30pm Jam Session	<b>6</b> 8:30am Breakfast Club 9:00am Water Aerobics 10:00am Entertainment Committee Mtg. 11:00am Christmas Program Planning Committee Mtg. 6:00pm Nickel Nickel	<b>7</b> 8:15am Golf 9:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes	<b>8</b> 8:00am Coffee/Tea Time 9:00am Water Aerobics 12:00pm Community Luncheon 6:00pm Euchre	<b>9</b> 9:00am Water Aerobics 10:00am Social Club Membership Meeting 7:00-10:00pm Live Music-HWY 94 Band
<b>10</b> 5:45pm Texas Hold'em	<b>11 Veterans Day</b> 9:00am Water Aerobics 11:00am Veterans Day Program & Lunch 2:00-3:30 Girls Night Out 6:00pm Bingo	<b>12</b> 9:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes 6:30pm Jam Session	<b>13</b> 8:30am Breakfast Club 9:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Nickel Nickel	<b>14</b> 8:15am Golf 9:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Mexican Dominoes	<b>15</b> 8:00am Coffee/Tea Time 8:00am Yard Sale Setup 9:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Euchre	<b>16</b> 8:00am-2:00pm Yard Sale 9:00am Water Aerobics
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