



Tidbits

Bonfire 55+ Mobile Home Park Newsletter

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2022 - 2023 Board of Directors

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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:

- Do not feed feral cats in our neighborhood. This will cause huge problems for the community in the future as they reproduce.
- All dogs must be on a leash and controlled by owners. Complaints of a dog chasing golf carts has been reported.
- The Clubhouse had 2 new air conditioners installed and floors buffed and waxed.
- 5 year inspection and cleaning on our water tank will be performed in September. Water supply to homes will not be affected.
- Please welcome Candice back to our office. Dee was filling in during her absence.

Note: The next Board Meeting: Cancelled for September

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:

1. Bingo will re-start Monday, September 5, 2022.
2. Stay tuned for further information on some surprises in the future year.

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

Did You Know.....*History of Orlando*

Submitted by Margaret Willis

DISNEY WORLD CLOSURES

Disney World has had unplanned closures eleven times since opening in 1971.

Below is a list of each closure recorded since Disney World opened:

- Hurricane Elena—early closure 8/31/1985
- Hurricane Floyd – early closure 9/14, partial closure 9/15/1999
- 9/11 attacks-- early closure 9/11/2001
- Hurricane Charlie – early closure 8/13/2004
- Hurricane Francis – 9/4-5/2004
- Hurricane Jeanne –9/26/2004
- Hurricane Wilma- morning closure 10/24/2005
- Hurricane Matthew – early closure on 10/6, all day 10/7/2016
- Hurricane Irma – early closure 9/9, all day 9/10 & 11/2017
- Hurricane Dorian – early closure 9/3/2019
- COVID 19 Pandemic—116 days—3/16/20—7/11/20



Food Bank

Thanks to everyone who has been and will be contributing to this ever present need. The yellow Food Bank box is located just inside the hall at the Clubhouse. The box is checked daily and donated foods (and/or personal toiletry, personal care items) are delivered to the bank or mission at least once a week. If you aren't able to shop but would like to help, please go to any of the following web sites of local food banks to find how to help directly.

lakecares.org

salvationarmyusa.org

leesburgfoodbank.org

Veterans' Day

Calling all veterans! We would like to honor you by posting your military picture on the Clubhouse bulletin board during our annual Veterans' Day event in November.

Dig out that old pic of yourself in uniform and get it to me.....I don't need/want your original. Just take a picture of it and send it to me by email, text, or bring it with you when you return to Bonfire this year.

If you did this last year, no need to repeat, I still have those pictures. But several of you told me your pictures were 'back home'. So I am hoping to allow folks the opportunity to get that picture from their home before travelling.

Thank you for participating and many thanks for your service.

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:

No Get Well Cards were sent.

Sympathy Cards:

Sympathy Card was sent to: Vicky Atherton (passing of Husband Mike)

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.

HURRICANE INFORMATION

Whether you've lived in Florida your whole life or are brand new to the state, it's important to know the terms you will hear during the traditional Atlantic hurricane season, June 1-Nov 30.

A hurricane begins as a cyclone—atmospheric rotation—and as it intensifies with more power and increased wind speeds, it becomes a tropical wave, then a tropical depression, followed by a tropical storm, and eventually, a hurricane. The National Hurricane Center gives the event a name at the Tropical Storm stage.

- Tropical Wave: a trough or cyclonic curvature in the trade-wind easterlies.
- Tropical Depression: when a cyclone's wind speeds reach 38 mph.
- Tropical Storm: winds between 39 mph and 73 mph
- Hurricane: winds of at least 74 mph. Hurricanes are further classified by category.

- Category 1: 74 mph – 95 mph sustained winds
- Category 2: 96 mph – 110 mph sustained winds
- Category 3: 111 mph – 129 mph sustained winds
- Category 4: 130 mph – 156 mph sustained winds
- Category 5: 157 mph or greater



Watch vs Warning:

Watch means conditions are possible within 48 hours.

Warning means conditions are expected within 36 hours.

In any case, you need to be prepared long before any of the above conditions exists.

The July Tidbits featured an article listing items to be in your disaster supply kit.

More information can be found at <https://www.hurricanestrong.org/>

Reference:

https://www.fox35orlando.com/news/hurricane-season-in-florida-whats-difference-between-tropical-storm-tropical-depression-and-hurricane?utm_campaign=trueAnthem_manual&utm_medium=trueAnthem&utm_source=facebook&fs=e&s=cl&fbclid=IwAR2zVyoXkZp7SbJVtUAIwcEHVzqdV86NYS4wMZqTJZcLylKt2JYSdUiRNyQ

SEPTEMBER 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.



LADIES & MEN'S LUNCHEON

Date: 11:30 AM, Tuesday, September 13

Contacts: Leslie & Sam Decator

Sign-Up Deadline: Sunday, September 11; sign-up sheet is in the Clubhouse.

Details: We will be meeting at The Crazy Gator, Eustis. 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 as we gather for lunch together.

B ON FIRE to DEFEAT ALS

ALS Walk, Ride or Golf Cart Around Bonfire

Tuesday, September 27, 2022 at 9:00 AM - meet at the Clubhouse

Ice Cream Social to follow immediately in the Clubhouse (suggested donation is \$3 per bowl). Money received will be added to the money raised through the Walk.

Contact Person: Karen VanMatre

Please join us on Tuesday, September 27 as we walk/bike/golf cart around Bonfire MHP to raise awareness and money for ALS. Last year we raised almost \$400 for the ALS Foundation. I know that a lot of residents are still up North at this time but I encourage those that are here in Bonfire to join us !! I would like to take the money that we raise and present it to Alicia Groce (Walt & Debbie Andrade's daughter who has ALS) at her walk October 22 in Memphis TN. Not only are we walking for her but for Bonfire resident Mike Micallef who passed away from ALS this year, Pat Carpenter's cousin Ben, Marcia Thorpe's brother, my ex-husband, Jeff, and so many other friends that I have met over the years that are affected by this disease.

ALS (Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis) is a progressive, fatal neuromuscular disease that slowly robs the body of its ability to walk, speak, swallow and breathe. The life expectancy of a person with ALS averages 2 to 5 years from the time of diagnosis. ALS can strike anyone and presently there is no known cause or cure. I'm walking to change the statistics. To bring help and hope to those living with the disease. To ensure that NO ONE ever hears the words "you have ALS" and know that it is a death sentence. The past two years have brought incredible advancements in ALS research, expanded access to care for people living with ALS and enabled legislation that impacts the quality of life of people with ALS and their families. But we can't stop now. The key to a cure begins with US. Please consider walking with me or donating to the ALS foundation. Money

raised helps them discover treatments and hopefully a cure for ALS. It also helps serve, advocate for and empower people affected by ALS to live their lives to the fullest. If you would like to donate, please click on one of the 2 sites below, send a check to my personal address or bring it with you on the day of the walk. With your help we WILL be able to make a difference in so many people's lives.

Team page: <https://donate.fl.als.org/BONFIRE>

My Personal page: <https://donate.fl.als.org/KarenVanMatre>

UPCOMING OCTOBER EVENTS

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

KARAOKE STARTS

Date: Saturday, October 15

LADIES' LUNCHEON

Date: 11:00 AM, Tuesday, October 18

Details: Mark your calendars. Detailed information will be included in the October Tidbits.

FIRST DANCE OF THE SEASON

Date: Saturday, October 29

Details: Halloween dance with Snakeyez

MISCELLANEOUS: Dinner and a movie (Halloween comedy)
Halloween costume contest with prizes!

More details to come!

This will be a fun time, so be thinking of a Halloween costume and plan to attend the festivities.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>
1	LaVerne Crissman	11	Patricia Beauchamp	21	Faye Sparling
2	Pat Bristol	12	David Meyer		Brenda Henderson
3	Margaret Willis	13	Rosalinde Blanton	25	John Leddy
6	Edie Waddell	14	Richard Searles	29	Frank Ballard
	Nancy Roberts	18	Donna Kelley	30	William White
	James Titus		Bryan Johns		Stan Graham
10	Gerry Graham	20	Joy Woodruff		
	Russell Porwitzky				

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

September 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics	2 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 6:30pm Euchre	3 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics
4	5 Labor Day 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Bingo	6 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics	7 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Nickel Nickel	8 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics	9 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 6:30pm Euchre	10 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics
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25	26 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Bingo	27 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 9:00am ALS Walk around Bonfire & Ice Cream Social	28 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 6:00pm Nickel Nickel	29 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics	30 9:00 & 10:00am Water Aerobics 6:30pm Euchre	