

# Our Village Voice Newsletter

# Lakewood Village of Punta Gorda HOA, Inc. www.lakewoodvillagehoa.com

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Saturday Nights **Campfire & Cookout** 











#### ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

| President      | Ken Hamlin   |
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| Vice President | Anne Lennon  |
| Secretary      | Gloria Emery |
| Treasurer      | Bob Green    |

#### ASSOCIATION DIRECTORS

| Chris Bennett   | 2021 |
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| Ruth Brooks     | 2019 |
| Gloria Emery    | 2019 |
| Joe Glasgow     | 2019 |
| Bob Green       | 2020 |
| Ken Hamlin      | 2020 |
| Anne Lennon     | 2021 |
| Judy Oliver     | 2020 |
| Cheryl Wellence | 2021 |

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#### **GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Ken Hamlin, 517-605-0022, akhamlin@tc3net.com



October and November have been challenging times for us. We're waiting for the clubhouse to get done and the sale of the park to be completed. It certainly hasn't made for a real smooth start this season. By the time you read this, both of those issues should be taken care of. The Friday morning coffees at the airport have

helped to keep us informed but it still has made it hard for a lot of our members to get informed about what is going on. Supposedly the clubhouse project should be done by the time you read this, and we will have had our Thanksgiving Potluck.

The renovations are looking good. We are just going to have to figure out how they are going to work best for us. Hopefully, by the time you read this, we will have had a meeting with our new owners. We have many questions for them as we start to move forward. Teresa, our office manager, has been very helpful as we try to get answers to a lot of these questions.

By now most of us will have our Christmas lights up and our decorating done for the holiday season. The park always looks so bright and cherry this time of the year. We have lots of activities planned so make sure you join in. If you have some new neighbors, please invite them to come with you to our events so we can all meet them. Not having the clubhouse for Friday coffee has made it hard for our new folks to meet some of our old folks. We also try to get information out with an email blast. We realize that not everyone receives it, but it is the best way we have currently to get association information out to our members. We do need to keep it limited to our association business because we need you to read it. About the only thing outside of business that we will send will be information about a deceased member.

A couple of reminders to everyone also about making sure you ask your neighbor or friend if you can park in their drive and a reminder about not parking on the grass. If you need to park in the clubhouse parking lot, please park in the back row. We have very limited parking and when we have events some of our folks that have physical problems need to drive up. It makes it possible for them to attend our functions.

We are still looking for people to run for the board. There are three seats open every election cycle. If you are interested or know of someone who is, please get their names to us. If you are a member of the homeowner's association you can run for a board position. We will gladly do the training. The election will be at our annual meeting in January.

In closing I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. I would really like to thank the board and all our residents for really making this a great place to live. Without your giving and your help, it would certainly be a different place. Have fun and take care, life is too short not to.

## **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

#### LAKEWOOD VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING October 5, 2018

President Ken Hamlin opened the meeting at 10:35 a.m. by Skype. Officers present: President Ken Hamlin, Vice President Anne Lennon, Treasurer Bob Green, and Secretary Gloria Emery. Directors present: Ruth Brooks, Cheryl Wellence, Joe Glasgow and Chris Bennett. Guests present: Leo Wellence, Cheryl Schrack, Dean Helsom, Jo Hilliker, Joy Markovics, Fran Gaydosh, Alice Hamlin and Rosalyn Green.

#### **MINUTES:**

Motion made to accept the board meeting minutes of September 21, 2018 by Bob Green supported by Chris Bennett. Minutes accepted unanimously.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**:

Motion made to accept the September treasurers report by Gloria Emery supported by Chris Bennett. Treasurer's reports accepted unanimously.

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| Financial report as of Septemb | per 30, 2018:   |
| Cash and bank accounts         | \$26,462        |
| Other Assets                   | 1,347           |
| Fixed Assets                   | <u>4,963</u>    |
| Total Assets                   | <u>\$32,772</u> |
| Liabilities                    | \$ 541          |
| Equity                         | <u>32,231</u>   |
| Total Liabilities & Equity     | <u>\$32,772</u> |
|                                |                 |

#### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Checking into who is responsible to have the propane tank filled for the fire pit.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Correspondence received from Magic by Stuart, Inc. and Tours for You, will be passed on to activities committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None COMMITTEE REPORTS

Liaison: No report

By Laws: No report

Safety/Neighborhood Watch: No report

Building Maintenance: No report

Activities: No report

Website: Will continue using Lycos for our host website company.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Ken will be working with Fred Sawyers to get the rental policy for owners finalized in November when returning to Florida so that they can be submitted to management.

Work continuing on renovation of clubhouse.

The rent negotiating committee will be meeting with the owner and management company today.

Barb Sawyer will be the chairperson of the nominating committee and Chris Bennett will be the board liaison.

After the motion, support and vote at the October 5, 2018 meeting regarding the right to purchase LWV a certified letter was sent to Lutz, Bobo & Telfair, PA in Sarasota waiving our rights to purchase Lakewood Village.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Motion by Ruth Brooks that we enter into a "Retainer and Representation Agreement" with Lee Jay Colling & Associates, attorneys for the remainder of 2018 for a fee of \$225 then decide in December if we should continue for 2019 at a fee of \$450. Supported by Joe Glasgow. Motion accepted unanimously.

In case of an emergency call the office phone number and you will be prompted which number to push to get help.

Motion by Bob Green that we recommend to the

membership at the November 2018 meeting to keep the dues at \$10 per member. Supported by Cheryl Wellence. Motion accepted unanimously.

Motion by Bob Green that we use the proceeds from the business fair to treat the members of the HOA to a Lobster/Steak dinner free of charge. Only members will be allowed to attend the dinner. Supported by Joe Glasgow. Motion accepted unanimously.

Next board meeting November 16, 2018. Meeting Adjourned at 11:25 am. Respectfully submitted, Gloria Emery, Secretary

# HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL REPORT

Bob Green, Treasurer, 517-902-6288, rlrjgreen@gmail.com

The following is condensed information regarding the financial reports for the year-to-date period ending October 31, 2018. If you wish to review the detail reports, they are posted on the bulletin board located in the clubhouse, or you can contact me, and I will email you a copy.

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| Balance Sheet                |                 |  |  |  |
| Assets:                      |                 |  |  |  |
| Cash and Bank Accounts       | \$25,673        |  |  |  |
| Fixed Assets                 | 4,821           |  |  |  |
| Other Assets                 | <u>1,148</u>    |  |  |  |
| Total Assets                 | \$31,642        |  |  |  |
| Liabilities and Equity:      |                 |  |  |  |
| Accounts Payable             | \$ 0            |  |  |  |
| Other Liabilities            | 30              |  |  |  |
| Equity                       | <u>31,612</u>   |  |  |  |
| Total Liabilities and Equity | <u>\$31,642</u> |  |  |  |
| Income Statement             |                 |  |  |  |
| Income:                      |                 |  |  |  |
| Activities and Socials       | \$19,820        |  |  |  |
| Association                  | <u>2,083</u>    |  |  |  |
| Total Income                 | \$21 903        |  |  |  |

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| \$13,938        |
| <u>5,285</u>    |
| <u>\$19,223</u> |
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# **RESIDENT INFORMATION**

Bob Green, Treasurer, 517-902-6288, rlrjgreen@gmail.com

| The following | g are changes to the | resident lists. |
|---------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Lot #         | Names                | Phone #         |
| New Resider   | nts:                 |                 |
| (None report  | ed)                  |                 |
| Changes:      |                      |                 |
| (None report  | ed)                  |                 |

REMEMBER: If you know of new residents who have not been listed in the newsletter or are not on the resident lists, please let me know.

If you need updated resident listings, you can request them by sending me an email. I will email the lists back to you.

# SPECIAL NEWSLETTER DEADLINES

Each year we have special deadlines for newsletter articles f



deadlines for newsletter articles for the January newsletter due to the holidays. This

allows the printer company employees time to spend with their families by not having to work over the Christmas holidays and still get the newsletters printed and delivered on our scheduled times.

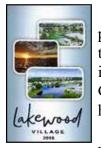
Our deadlines are shown below. It will be appreciated

if you can get your articles to us by the listed dates.

• January newsletter deadline is on Friday, Dec. 7.

This date is early in the month, but I am sure all of you can get your articles written by then. Thank you for your cooperation!!

# LAKEWOOD VILLAGE DIRECTORY



If you participated in having your picture taken, you are entitled to receive the directory app to put on your computer, iPad, Kindle and cell phone. Contact Bob Green at rlrjgreen@gmail.com and ask him to send you the link to the directory.

This app is easy to install and has proven to be very helpful in having your

Lakewood neighbors and friends contact information with you. If you have not requested the app from Bob, we encourage you to do so. You will find it a helpful tool to have.

Precautions were made to verify the directory information was correct. However, mistakes can be made so if you see your information has an error in it, contact Bob Green to have it corrected. The correction can be made to the mobile directory (and appears as soon as the correction is made) but, of course, the correction will not appear in the printed directories until the next printing.





Carry outs available for shut-ins: Call Carl Glass 734-776-2559

# HOMEOWNERS MEMBERSHIP DUES



At the November membership meeting, the annual dues for 2019 was voted to remain at \$10 per person for 2019. This amount needs to be paid for each resident in the household. Dues are

to be paid to Bob Green, Treasurer, lot #198, or Ruth Brooks, Assistant Treasurer, lot #200. *It would be helpful if you could issue a check for your dues.* That gives you and the association a good record of the payment. Your payment can be given directly to Bob or Ruth or put in their inside mail box at the clubhouse.

The \$10 per person is an inexpensive membership. We encourage all residents to join. Please do not confuse the dues with the Florida statue regulations only giving one vote per household at association meetings. The dues are used to help fund the operational costs of the association, such as, insurance, purchases of equipment or furnishings, filing fees required, office supplies, postage, etc. The total dues collected does not cover these costs. The difference is made up with the fees charged to attend the many activities sponsored by the association. The social activities are self-supporting with no monies used from dues.

The association represents all residents and not just members. Therefore, do your part and join for 2019 and help fund the association operations. And become involved in your association. We are always looking for good people to become board members and to help on activities.

#### **BUSINESS FAIR 2019**

Submitted by Dean Helsom

The 2019 Business Fair has been scheduled for Wednesday, January 23, 2019. The HOA Board of Directors has graciously decided that all profits of the Business Fair will go towards a special steak or lobster dinner for HOA members to be held in February. Please support the Business fair and please join the HOA.

# LADIES NON-DENOMINATIONAL BIBLE STUDY

Submitted by Ruth Brooks, 941-575-9595



This is an open invitation to the ladies of Lakewood Village to join for a Non-Denominational Bible Study. The handbook is entitled "Putting on a Gentle, Quiet Spirit" based on scripture

from 1st Peter. A dear friend of mine, with over 20 years' experience in sharing God's word with women, will be the facilitator.

Where: The study will be held in my home (Lot 200) until we have clubhouse access.

Time: 9:45-10:15 "Getting Settled" with chatter and coffee (optional).

10:15-11:15 Study begins promptly at 10:15 and ends no later than 11:15.

When: Every Monday.

If you would like more information, please give me a call. Remember, it is an open invitation to all. If you can't commit to attending every week you are still welcome to join us when you can. We will have study guides, so you can always follow the lesson even if you can't join us each time.

If you can let me know you are coming that would be helpful, but it is not necessary, you'll still be welcome if you come last minute.

# Hamburger Cookout

First Wednesday of each month December 5 • January 2 February 6 • March 6 April 3 Serving begins at 5:00 Menu consists of Burger ~ Chips ~ Condiments Bring your own drink! \$3.00 per burger

# **PICTURE DIRECTORY**

Submitted by Ruth Brooks

You may recall that our picture directory can be reprinted with updates (at no cost to us) if we have a minimum of 15 new sittings. On Saturday, February 2, 2019 the photographer is scheduled to come to our clubhouse. We are calling out to all new residents, any residents that didn't have their photo taken this past January, or anyone else who would like their photo updated to keep this date in mind.

If you had your picture taken and are happy with the picture currently in the directory it is not necessary to be re-photographed.

There will be more information in a few weeks about making your appointment. For now, maybe you can just pencil in the date on your calendar, that's Saturday, February 2, 2019, and practice your smile!

## NAME TAGS

Submitted by Cheryl Wellence

We are welcoming a lot of new residents in the park. If you need to order a name badge with your name and state or name and Lakewood Village, please see me at lot 149 or call me to order at 561-312-5585. I am always at

Friday coffee. They are \$7.50 per name tag. The money is needed before an order is placed. These are what they look like.



# WITH DEEP SORROW



**Robert M. Hatch**, lot #86, formerly of East Aurora and Colden, died Nov. 10 of agerelated causes at his home in Punta Gorda, Fla., surrounded by four generations of his family. He was 92.

A veteran, educator, mentor, true friend and the lover of a good joke, he will be deeply missed by

all who knew him, especially his family. His was a life well-lived.

Mr. Hatch was born in Portville, N.Y., on May 24, 1926. The middle son of longtime Portville residents Reuben and Hattie Hatch, he played baseball, football and basketball for the Portville High School Panthers and graduated in 1944.

He started classes at Alfred University that fall but joined the United States Army in Buffalo in October 1944. He went overseas following basic training as a member of A Company, 114th infantry, 44th Division, and served in France, Germany and Austria in the U.S. Seventh Army.

For his service, Mr. Hatch earned an Eastern Theater of Operations (ETO) Ribbon with a Campaign Star, an Army of Occupation Ribbon, a Victory Medal, a Good Conduct Medal and his Combat Infantryman Badge.

He was on leave in the United States, prior to the Seventh Army's scheduled participation in the impending invasion of Japan, when the war ended. He was mustered out of the service in 1946 at Fort Sheridan, IL, as a sergeant.

Mr. Hatch returned to Alfred that fall and graduated in 1950 with a degree in history. He earned his MA in education at St. Bonaventure in 1952, and later took



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guidance and administration classes at Canisius College and Syracuse University.

As an Alfred freshman, he reconnected with Betty Jo Champlin, a childhood acquaintance from nearby Ceres, N.Y., in their English civilization class. His childhood friend, Dick Champlin, a cousin of Betty Jo's, encouraged him to "look her up" and take her to the Interfraternity Ball."

The rest is history. They were married in Portville on July 10, 1948, began their life together in veterans' student housing living in a 15-foot trailer with electricity, but no indoor plumbing.

They were in step through the years from that point on. They celebrated their 70th anniversary earlier this year.

They have three sons, Steve (Laurie) of Delray Beach, Fla.; Brooks (Margi) of Corvallis, Ore., and Mark (Jane), of Mahopac, NY.

Mr. Hatch taught and coached at Portville High School for several years before moving to East Aurora for the 1955-56 school year. He taught English and coached junior varsity baseball and basketball and directed the adult education program before becoming an EAHS administrator in 1968.

He moved from East Aurora to Colden in 1974 and retired from EAHS in 1985. He relocated to Punta Gorda in 2001 and enjoyed many years playing golf and tennis and socializing at Lakewood Village until his health began to fail several years ago.

Mr. Hatch loved his role as the proud "Boompa" to grandchildren Elizabeth Fenn (Andy); Katherine Nelson (Craig); Travis Hatch (Jenn); Emily Hatch and Owen Hatch, and to great-grandchildren Sophia Steffen, Nicky Steffen, Fiona Fenn and Sloane Nelson.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and by his brothers Gene and Don.

A passionate baseball fan, he passed his love of the game onto his children. Decades of loyalty to the Chicago Cubs were rewarded in 2016 when they won their first World Series championship in 108 years. His



1994 Father's Day weekend trip to Wrigley Field was a lifetime memory.

He enjoyed skiing, tennis, golf, reading, and was never happier than at reunions of his far-flung family at his Colden home during Reunion Weekend, on Sanibel Island, or in Punta Gorda.

He was a co-founder of the Aurora Arsenals Soccer Club, one of the earliest members of the Woodsprings Swim Club, a Mason, an Elk, and a brother in the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity.

Mr. Hatch belonged to the First Presbyterian Church of Portville, the Baker Memorial Methodist Church in East Aurora, the Colden United Methodist Church.

Service arrangements are undetermined. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in his memory to Charlotte County (Fla.) Meals on Wheels, or to Alfred University.



# **NOMINATION COMMITTEE**

Submitted by Barb Sawyers, Chairperson

January will be election time for three vacancies on the Lakewood Village Homeowners Association Board of Directors. These positions



will be for a three-year term. The election committee is being chaired by Barb Sawyers, lot #183. Other members of the committee are Joan Cromeenes, lot #80, Mary Jean Keck, lot #154 and Dianne Peake, lot #117. If you are interested in running for a board position, please give Barb a call at 941-637-1480, or contact one of the other committee members. To qualify for a board position, you must be a current paid member of the HOA, you can check on your membership card to be sure you are current on your dues.

Once an association member is elected to fill an open board position, they will be required to complete the training certification set forth by the Federation of Manufactured Home Owners (FMO) unless they have already received certification. This is a one-day training session providing important information for new board members.

Now is the time for you to get involved in your HOA.

The following is the job description for directors as stated in our association by-laws.

DUTIES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

1. Shall represent the membership on the Board of Directors and shall attend all duly called and

convened meetings of the Board of Directors and of the membership of the Association unless good cause prevents.

2. Each Director shall serve on at least one (1) Standing committee and will have a voice but no vote on that committee. No Standing Committee shall have more than one (1) Director as a member.

# **MEET THE BOARD CANDIDATES**

In January at the annual meeting, the HOA members will be electing directors to fill three open positions on the board. So, you can become familiar with the candidates running for these positions, we have listed information on these people. If you do not know any of them, be sure to introduce yourself and learn more about them.

#### Joan Bollinger, Lot #203



I have enjoyed living in Lakewood Village for sixteen years and am truly grateful for this lifestyle and all the friends I have made. I feel that it is time to give back to this community and would like to serve on the Homeowners Association Board.

Bob White - my fiancé and best friend - and I have done a lot

of traveling in our motorhome and have been in every state in the country except Alaska and Hawaii. I was born in New York City, raised in New Bedford, Mass. and spent thirty years in the Chicago suburbs before coming to Punta Gorda. I have two great kids - my daughter Bonnie and son Jeffrey - and five wonderful grandchildren.

I have worn many hats over my lifetime and enjoyed each one. I have:

- Worked as a realtor in Libertyville, IL for many years.
- Been a Girl Scout for over 30 years and worked as a professional Girl Scout for 3 yrs.
- Owned Crafthouse Interiors, a window treatment and decorating business.
- Owned Salty Paws in Fisherman's Village for eleven years.
- Served as President of the Fisherman's Merchant Association for three years.
- Served on the Board of Trustees at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Port Charlotte. I currently serve on the Caring and Hospital Committee there.

Here at Lakewood I enjoy singing in the choir, shuffleboard on Mondays, and am on the Decorating Committee. I'm hoping to become more involved by serving on the Board and would like your vote.

#### Ruth Brooks, Lot #200



I have been a full-time member of the Lakewood Village family since 2005. My husband Keith, and I, migrated here from the mid-west, namely Toledo, Ohio and Adrian, Michigan. Before retiring I worked in the business field as well as being a business owner. I enjoy being involved with my church and our

community here at Lakewood Village.

Through the years I have been active on several committees and am currently serving on the HOA Board. I care very much for this community and am passionate about speaking up for the residents. It would be my pleasure to continue to serve on the board if re-elected. **Gloria Emery, Lot #33** 



My name is Gloria Emery and I am running for a position on the LWV board of directors in January. My husband Chuck and I have wintered in Lakewood Village since January 2010. We are from Michigan and have 4 children and 8 grandchildren. In my spare time I love to make anything with fabric, especially have *Continued on page 11* 



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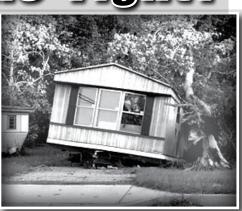
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a passion for quilting. I have been involved in a quilt guild in Michigan for the last twenty plus years meeting every Monday afternoon. My working background consisted of working over 30 years for a certified public accounting firm in Adrian as the firm administrator/office manager. Here at Lakewood Village I have been on the board of directors for the last five years and as secretary for the last 3 years. I have also been involved on the social committee, co-chaired the task of putting a photo directory together and shuffleboard. I would very much like to continue for another term on the board and look for your support.

#### Joe Glasgow, Lot #96



My name is Joe Glasgow. I currently serve as a member of the Board of Directors of Lakewood Village Homeowners Association. I have served on this Board for the last two years. Since my term expires this year, I am asking for your support to re-elect me to the Board.

My wife, Mary, and I have

owned a home in Lakewood Village since 2006. We spend our summer months in Manchester, Ohio, where I own and operate an RV/Mobile Home Park. I have owned and managed my Park since 1978. I know the challenges of operating a Manufactured Home Park and feel that my experience of owning my own Park gives me a lot of knowledge that could be very helpful in serving you as a Board member.

Mary & I love being a part of the Lakewood Village and I look forward to the opportunity to serve on this Board again.

#### Traci Sweet – Lot #56



My name is Dr. Traci Sweet, though to call me Traci is just fine. I have been a resident of Lakewood Village for almost a year in the new home at Lot 56. To address the time directly, yes, I am newer to Lakewood than I assume most people who may also be nominated to run. In addition, I believe it is wise to address any other questions regarding my nomination

upfront: that is simply the type of person that I am. I am younger that most, if not all, other residents of Lakewood Village. To me, that simply means I may just have the greatest interest in the longevity and success of our community as I have the most years ahead of me to benefit from its' ongoing prosperity and development.

I am honored to have had my name considered by

several residents as someone who would be an excellent candidate for the Board. I believe that my high energy, outspoken diplomacy, desire to be fair and truthful, and my willingness to fight the fight on behalf of my fellow residents to see that progress is made, goals are achieved, new ideas are pursued, problems are remedied, and enjoyment and laughter are paramount to our lives are the qualities that have inspired those who know me already to suggest me as a well-qualified candidate. Thank you, I am again honored and humbled.

I am a Psychologist and dually board-certified naturopathic doctor originally from central Massachusetts. I have owned my own business, managed large teams of people as an Executive Director, and led several companies and organizations to growth and success as a CEO and COO. Professionally speaking, I would expect that to be some of what I can offer to Lakewood Village. I have dedicated much of my thirty+ year career to helping people overcome struggles with addiction, improving the general health and well-being of all people particularly with programs developed to support the aging brain and senior population. I am a college professor, I am a nationally known speaker in the areas of motivation, behavior, self-improvement, and leadership.

Personally, I am an artist whose work can be seen on display locally, I am a do-it-yourselfer, and I am unafraid to try anything. I have been told there is nothing I cannot do. I sing, I love to call Bingo, I DJ and entertain, I teach, I play tennis (and pickleball), I am an adventurer, and I live everyday with gratitude. I am a survivor of a serious collision with a drunk driver in 2011; and, I survived a terrible accident shortly after moving to FL. While sitting still in traffic in my mini cooper, I was struck from behind by a commercial box truck leaving me with a traumatic brain injury and a neurological condition. I am considered by physicians to be a "medical miracle" but I only consider myself to be a fighter with a never-give-up attitude. Every day, I try to be a better person than I was the day before. So far, so good.

I am grateful for this opportunity to become part of the larger Lakewood Village family. There is something special about this place. I think that given everything I am personally, everything I have accomplished professionally, and my desire for continuous improvement, I would be a dedicated, fun, strong, mindful and driven advocate for the benefit of Lakewood Village and our residents. I graciously and gratefully ask for your support to ensure that I be elected and able to accomplish what those who have recommended my nomination expect from me.

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#### Cherryl Teller, Lot #72



Cherryl Teller married to Lloyd Teller, lives in lot 72 from Colon, Mich. Have 2 married children and 5 grandchildren.

Retired Registered x-ray Technician and worked in Hospitals and for Orthopedics surgeons both in surgery and in their offices.

Love flowers and raise orchids, love living in Lakewood village and meeting people. Enjoying cooking,

sewing, and the pool.

Attend 1st Methodist church of Punta Gorda. I have served on many church boards, scouts boards (both girl scouts and cub scouts) and committees.

# MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR



Your board of directors and officers want to wish each resident a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year. May all that you wish for come true.

We also want to thank you for the

prayers, thoughts, trust and support you have given to us while guiding this wonderful association.

# WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS

Submitted by Cheryl Schrack

I am our "welcome wagon" for Lakewood Village. I have been asked to visit all our new residents, welcoming them to our community and providing them with information about our Homeowners Association (HOA) and the Federation of Manufactured Home Owners of Florida, Inc. (FMO).

With all the changes in management personnel, I am not certain that everyone who has moved in during 2018 has been seen by me. If you are a new (or reasonably new) resident and I haven't welcomed you,



please drop me a note with your name and lot number so I can contact you to set up an appointment. If you know of a new neighbor, please let me know so I can contact them to arrange a time for a meeting.

I am in Lot 145 and can be reached by email at cschrack@hotmail.com or phone 614.571.0862.

# **HAMBURGER COOKOUT**



It is time again for the monthly hamburger cookouts to begin. What an inexpensive dinner out with a glamorous flair. And the burgers are the best!! The price is

only \$3.00 per person - what a deal!

The first cookout will be Wednesday, December 5, at 5:00 P.M. They will be held the first Wednesday of each month through April. The menu is a delicious burger, crunchy chips and many condiments along with the good fellowship of your neighbors and friends. Bring your own beverage.

Hope to see you there.

# **CLUB HOUSE RENOVATION**

Renovation on the clubhouse is nearing completion. The board has been advised it will be available for the Thanksgiving **CONSTRUCTION** Potluck on Thanksgiving Day.

It has been a long summer not having a clubhouse, but will be worth the wait having the new facility.

# VETERANS TRIBUTE



Due to clubhouse renovations not being completed, the Veterans Tribute scheduled for November 12 had to be postponed. The tribute will now take place on Friday, December 7, at our

9:30 coffee hour. Please mark this change on your calendar and plan to attend. It is always a very nice program.

A big *"Thank You for your service"* to all Lakewood veterans.

# FOR SALE ITEMS

It is now possible at no charge for residents that have their house, or other items for sale, to have them listed in the monthly newsletter. Also, the houses for sale can be listed on the HOA website at no cost. Contact Bob Green if you wish to have your home on the Lakewood Village HOA web site.

• Houses for sale: If you want to list your home for sale, contact Bob Green to give him your information. We will run the ad for a period of three months or until sold. If it sells prior to the three months, it is your responsibility to advise Bob to remove from







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the newsletter. If you want it listed longer than three months, let him know prior to the end of the three months.

• Other items for sale: If you have other items to sell, contact Bob with the information. We will run the ad for one month. If you want it listed longer, you will need to let Bob know. Again, when it sells you have the responsibility to advise that it is sold.

#### **Homes for Sale**

Lot #11

SALE

2 Bedrooms 2 Bathrooms Lanai with screens and vinyl windows Open floor plan Completely remodeled New: Tile Carpet

Carpet Ceiling fans Appliances Tie-downs and leveled Skylights Most furniture stays Price: \$64,900

Contact: Doug Swift 239-258-1999

## Lot #13

2 Bedrooms

2 Bathrooms

Open floor plan

Newly decorated kitchen - mosaic back splash Patio

Lanai with windows and screens

Completely furnished

Double carport

New air Ducts

Close to activity center

Price: \$59,000 Contact: Joan Miller

## Lot #36

941-505-0005

2 Bedrooms 2 Baths Total Makeover Turn Key Furnished New: Air Conditioner Appliances Walk-In Master Closet Price: \$56,000 Contact: Lila Voss, 931-881-7198



## Lot #121

2 Bedrooms 2 Baths Lanai with windows and screens Patio Single car port / Double deep Fully furnished Price: \$64,900 Contact: Jeff Stomberg 224-522-9114

## Lot #123

3 Bedrooms (one currently used as an office) 2 Bathrooms Den Patio Lanai with windows and screens Double wide car port Huge shed Partially furnished Price: \$110,500 Contact: Ronald Budnick 636-734-8889

#### Lot #125

941-628-1242

2 Bedrooms 2 Bathrooms Den Patio Lanai with windows and screens Single carport New: Roof Air Conditioner & Ducts Driveway Price: \$75,000 Contact: Sandy Duffin



Lot #164 2 Bedrooms 2 Baths 1 Den / Office Large kitchen – new cabinets, pantry and appliances New: Roof HVAC System with new ductwork Newly installed vapor barrier under home Laminate flooring throughout living area Rain soft water conditioning system with R/O water in kitchen Move-in furnished including new 55" TV Patio Lanai with vinyl windows, screens, new door Single carport Large shed with cork benches Contact: Pat Favero 941-626-8133

## Lot #178

MUST SELL!! 3 bedrooms 2 bathrooms Lanai with windows and screens Open floor plan Some furniture stays Asking \$70,000 Contact: Cheryl Staicoff

# NEWSLETTER AND CALENDAR



REMEMBER: If you have information for the newsletter, send it to Bob and Rosalyn Green at email <u>rlrjgreen@gmail.com</u>. Dates for the calendar are to be sent to Ken and Alice Hamlin at email akhamlin@

tc3net.com. It is requested your submissions be in writing and emailed to us for the newsletter and calendar.

If you are chairing or heading up a function in the park, be sure to send the information to us so it can be included in the calendar and newsletter. Unfortunately, not all residents attend Friday coffee so announcing activities and functions there does not reach all residents. The newsletter reaches all residents.

We do have deadlines. Therefore, please submit your information no later than the 17th of each month. NOTE: December and January newsletters have special deadlines. Watch for those dates in the newsletters. Thank you for your help and consideration.

# **SOCIAL COMMITTEE**

Submitted by Alice Marocco

Hello everyone! It's great to see so many of our residents returning. We are looking forward to a fun 2018/2019 season and hope you will join your Social Committee and attend all our events!

We had hoped to have our

traditional Veterans Tribute on November 12th, but because the clubhouse was not finished, we decided to move that to **Friday, December 7th**. We feel this will be a very appropriate day to honor our veterans because it is Pearl Harbor Day. We will have our program as part of our morning coffee. If any of our veterans have memorabilia they would like to share during this time, we invite you to bring it that morning. We will have tables set aside for your displays. Be sure to mark this on your calendar and help us show respect to all our Lakewood veterans.

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The next event will be a **Christmas party on December 12th at 7 pm** with a performance by Charlotte High School's premier singing group, Charisma! We decided to not do golf cart caroling this year, but instead, we will arrange to help any of our shut-ins to attend even if this means bringing them down to the clubhouse in wheelchairs!

We thought it would also give them an opportunity to see our renovated clubhouse. If you, or someone you know, will need assistance in attending, please let Alice Marocco know (518-588-2461 or Lot 204) or any of the Social Committee members. We will have cookies and hot chocolate after the performance. If you would like to bring cookies to share, it would be appreciated. We will put up a sign-up sheet as soon as we can get into the clubhouse.

New Year's Eve 2018, December 31 - 8 pm - 12:30 - Dance with DJ Rick. Anyone who attended last year's New Year's Eve party will recall how much fun it was to have a DJ who could play any song we requested even "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" which was requested by Doug and Betty Elstone! We are looking forward to another great evening with DJ Rick. Please BYOB and a hearty appetizer to share! Tickets will go on sale in early December. Price will be determined after we are in the clubhouse and can see how many tables/chairs we can set up.

#### **Future Events:**

- January 26 Mixer with Barbershop Quartet and Ice Cream Social
- February 10 Spittin' Image Comedy/Song Performance

- March 2 Dance with The Sellouts Musical Duo
  March 20 Singer Kenny Evans
  - April 6 Night at the Horse Races
    - Hope to see all of you at these events!

## **DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

| Lot # | Name              | Date       |
|-------|-------------------|------------|
| 084   | Blossom Williams  | 12/01/1917 |
| 044   | Mark Wise         | 12/01      |
| 088   | Harry Lyman       | 12/03      |
| 013   | Joan Miller       | 12/04      |
| 199   | Joyce Golding     | 12/05      |
| 185   | Patty Hamilton    | 12/05      |
| 028   | Jane Johnson      | 12/05      |
| 024   | Margaret Hamilton | 12/09      |
| 017   | Gerold Schutte    | 12/13      |
| 099   | Dorothy MacDonald | 12/15      |
| 208   | Diane Gill        | 12/17      |
| 161   | Dan Bush          | 12/21      |
| 189   | Patsy Casto       | 12/22      |
| 103   | Larry Roehrenbeck | 12/25      |
| 216   | Bill Leaver       | 12/26      |
| 038   | Sandra Wuest      | 12/28      |
| 096   | Joe Glasgow       | 12/29      |
| 023   | Tim Hull          | 12/29      |
|       |                   |            |



# **DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**



# THINGS TO DO IN PUNTA GORDA

#### **Every Saturday**

Downtown Farmers Market Location: Downtown Punta Gorda, Taylor Street (between W. Olympia Ave. and Herald Ct Time: 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

#### **Every Sunday**

Farmers Market at the History Park 501 Shreve St. Punta Gorda from 9am to 1pm.

# **SUB-FLOOR & FLOORING EXPERTS!**



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#### December 16, 2018

10:00 AM – 3:00 PM Paradise Christmas Fair

Come join us for the day for the Paradise Christmas Fair at Laishley Park in Punta Gorda! Vendors, art, custom crafts, Santa Claus (12-2) food trucks & much more! Laishley Park 100 Nesbit St Punta Gorda

#### New Year's Eve Celebration and Fireworks

December 31, 2018 @ 6:00 PM – January 1, 2019 @ 12:30 AM 1200 W. Retta Esplanade

Punta Gorda

Ring in the New Year at Fishermen's Village! Our family friendly festivities feature fun activities for all ages including live music by DJ Michael White, fun photo booth, glitter tattoos, face painting, hair dazzle, magic shows, balloon creations and more! The celebration begins at 6:00 pm and continues until 12 midnight when the sky will light up with a spectacular fireworks display presented by Fishermen's Village in partnership with Tow Boat U.S. and Keesling Construction. The west dock of Fishermen's Village is the **ONLY LOCATION** to view the fireworks, so come early and enjoy all the festivities!

Free parking, free admission!

# **GET WELL WISHES**

The following residents need your prayers and support as they are recovering from illnesses, surgeries, health issues or just need some uplifting in their life. Give



or send them a get well wish to let them know you are thinking of them.

| Name              | <u>Lot #</u>              |
|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Bob Elliott       | 19 (Health issues)        |
| Dolores Wilkinson | 66 (Health issues)        |
| Barbara Purtell   | 79 (Currently in rehab)   |
| Doug Elstone      | 108 (Health)              |
| Joy Markovics     | 140 (Lung cancer/surgery) |
| Judy Oliver       | 179 (Hip Surgery)         |
| Rosalyn Green     | 198 (Cancer treatment)    |
| Keith Brooks      | 200 (Fall)                |
| Tim Sauter        | 221 (Kidney/Dialysis)     |
|                   |                           |

Anyone else who may be experiencing health issues that we are not aware of.

If you know of any resident that is ill or in the hospital, or anyone that has passed away, please let Cheryl Wellence, lot #149, 561-312-5585, know so we can get a

card out to them. Cheryl handles the get-well cards for Lakewood HOA. Please help in getting the names to her so our ill and passed residents family and friends know we are a caring and concerned community.

## **A LITTLE HUMOR**

#### Last Trip to the Grocery Store

Yesterday I was at my local food store buying a large bag of Purina dog chow for my loyal pet, Jake, the Wonder Dog, and was in the check-out line when a woman behind me asked if I had a dog. What did she think I had, an Elephant?

So, because I am retired and have little to do, on impulse I told her no, I didn't have a dog, I was starting the Purina diet again. I added that I probably shouldn't, because I ended up in the hospital last time, but that I had lost 50 pounds before I awakened in an intensive care ward with tubes coming out of most of my orifices and IV's in both arms.

I told her it was essentially a perfect diet and that the way it works is to load your pants pockets with Purina Nuggets and simply eat one or two every time you feel hungry. The food is nutritionally complete, so it works well, and I was going to try it again. (I must mention here that practically everyone in line was enthralled with my story.

Horrified, she asked me if I ended up in intensive care, because the dog food poisoned me. I told her no, I stopped to pee on a fire hydrant and a car hit me. I thought the guy behind her was going to have a heart attack he was laughing so hard.

Food Store won't let me shop there anymore!! Better watch out what you ask retired people. They have all the time in the world to think of crazy things to say.

#### Shampoo

**DO NOT** wash your hair in the shower!! It's so good to finally get a health warning that is useful!!! It involves the shampoo when it runs down your body when you shower with it. Warning to us all!!!

I don't know WHY I didn't figure this out sooner! I use shampoo in the shower! When I wash my hair, the shampoo runs down my whole body, and printed very clearly on the shampoo label is this warning: "FOR EXTRA BODY AND VOLUME."

No wonder I have been gaining weight!

Well! I got rid of that shampoo and I am going to start showering with Dawn Dish Washing Soap. Its label reads: "DISSOLVES FAT THAT IS OTHERWISE DIFFICULT TO REMOVE."

Problem solved! If I don't answer the phone, I'll be in the shower!

| TRASH       PICKUP       Every Friday for       Trash, | FRIDAY SATURDAY | 1<br>8:00 Pancake Breakfast   | 7<br>9:30am Coffee with a<br>Tribute to our<br>Lakewood veteran's<br>JANUARY<br>NEWSLETTER<br>DEADLINE       | office 15  | office 22<br>urd meets  | office 29   |
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| LAKEWOOD   | TUESDAY         | 9-10am Pool Exercise<br>Every Day<br>Weather Permitting   | <b>4</b><br>9:00 Shuffle board<br>7:00 Bingo   | 11<br>9:00 Shuffle board<br>7:00 Bingo   | 18<br>9:00 Shuffle board<br>7:00 Bingo  | 25<br>CHRISTMAS DAY<br>2:00 CHRISTMAS<br>POTLUCK  |
| LA   | MONDAY          | CLUB HOUSE IS<br>LOCKED 4PM FRIDAY<br>TIL 8AM MONDAY.<br>BRING YOUR<br>CLUBHOUSE KEY TO<br>GET INSIDE AND TO<br>USE RESTROOM AT<br>POOL. (BE SURE THE<br>DOOR IS LOCKED<br>WHEN YOU LEAVE). | <b>3</b><br>9:00 Shuffle board<br>9:45 Ladies Bible study<br>1 pm Bridge                                     | 10<br>9:00 Shuffle board<br>9:45 Ladies Bible study                                    | 17<br>9:00 Shuffle board<br>9:45 Ladies Bible study<br>1 pm Bridge  | 24/31<br>9:00 Shuffle board<br>9:45 Ladies Bible study<br>1 pm Bridge<br>31 NEWS YEARS          |
| ***  | SUNDAY          | CHARLOTTE<br>NON<br>EMERGENCY<br>NUMBER<br>941 639 0013   | <b>2</b><br>1:30 Sailing   | <b>9</b><br>1:30 Sailing   | 16<br>1:30 Sailing<br>7:00 CHRISTMAS<br>CONCERT   | <b>23/30</b><br>1:30 Sailing  |

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