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Slappy New Year 2020

January Events

1/01	Recovery Brunch
	11AM/ Tickets \$3/\$5

1/09 Ladies' Luncheon

1/11 MEET & GREET 2-4PM, FREE, Door Prizes, Snacks

1/14 HOA Meeting 7PM

1/15 Girls' PJ Party 7PM FREE

- 1/16 <u>Soup Supper</u> 4:30 Happy Hour; 5:30 Eat
- 1/17 Photos due for Contest
- 1/18 Snow Fake Dance FREE! BYOB
- 1/19 <u>SUNDAY SPLASH</u> Pool Party FREE!
- 1/21 Photo Contest Reception 2:30 PM
- 1/22 Social Committee Meeting 10AM
- 1/23 <u>Health Fair</u> 2-4PM ALL WELCOME

Events are at the Clubhouse

LOOK for posters there and in the USPS mail area

BT's Elves Help Distribute Toys for Tots



BT's Elves at Toys for Tots warehouse: (Front) Lori Parnell, Carol Edwards, Sandy Howison. (Back) Doug Howison, Alice Murray, Billie Lindsay, Joyce Primrose, Cheryl Woloshyn.

New HOA Officers and Members Announced

At an emergency meeting of the Board of Directors on December 17, Bonnie Irwin-Pocock and Anne Seifert were unanimously approved to

fill two vacant board positions for the 2020 calendar year.

The 2020 officers were elected at the same meeting:

President - Don Kohnke

Vice President and Chair of Nominating Committee - Sherry DeFrancisco

Secretary - Anne Seifert

Treasurer - Chuck Snavely

Respectively Submitted by Dave Sharpe, 2019 Nominating Chair

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FROM OUR H.O.A. LEADERSHIP



DON KOHNKE
HOA President

SHERRY DEFRANCISCO

Social Activities Chairperson



This is my first letter to the community as your HOA President. I am honored to hold this distinctive position and will strive to give my best possible attention to your needs and concerns. Please feel free to contact me with any community issues you feel require my attention. I would like to thank those who have encouraged me to seek this position and thank you in advance for your support and patience as we move forward.

I would also like to thank the outgoing members of our HOA Board of Directors, Doug Howison, Dave Sharpe, and Alice Murray for their dedication to serving the community over the past years. They will remain a source of knowledge for those who continue on the Board.

The new Board of Director members include Sherry DeFrancisco (Vice President), Chuck Snavely (Treasurer), Anne Seifert (Secretary), Bonnie Pocock (Director), Hiram Chirel (Director), and Mike Olive (Director). Please remember, the Board of Directors works for you.

I am a forward-looking person. We cannot change the past, but only learn from it to improve the future. What has always been done in the past may need to be reviewed to do the best for the future.

Our community continues to evolve with many more residents living here that continue to work in the area. When we came here only four years ago, the resident population was primarily retired with a nearly 50-50 split between seasonal and full-time retirees. Today our population is well over 60% full-time with a much larger group continuing to work. Therefore, the needs of the community may need to evolve. I look forward to receiving feedback from you as to how this evolution could transpire.

I invite all the newer residents, and there are many of you, to attend the Meet & Greet Party being held at the clubhouse on January 11th at 2 PM. Please consider attending.

Also, *PLEASE* update your information for the Resident Directory. This can be essential information for the office and your neighbors in case of an emergency. It can easily be done when you attend the Meet & Greet Party or by contacting Dolly Lengel, Lot 252.

I also ask you to **check your mail slots located in the library**. I encourage you to do so at least once per week. We will be clearing out the old inserts within a few weeks, so please check your slots. You don't want to miss all those Christmas cards, do you?

If you haven't already done so, it's time again to pay your **dues for HOA** (\$15/home), Social Activities (\$5/person), and FMO (\$25). These organizations are important to you and your neighbors. Thank You

The next <u>Home Owners meeting will be held on January 14th at 7 PM</u>. Please attend and get to meet your new Board of Directors. Also, feel free to attend the monthly Board meeting which is held at 3 PM the first Tuesday of each month in the clubhouse.

Please contact me with any issues you may have. Home phone: 863-397-3836. Cell phone: 920-204-4160. Email: grandpadn@gmail.com.

A resolution for 2020 in a world where you can be anything: Be Kind.

We can really be anything that our hearts desire. Why don't we strive to put virtues on top of our list?

Qualities like charity, honor, and simple kindness have the power to change lives. They lift up those we encounter and are the stepping stones on the path that leads us toward truly having a life worth living.

So please invite your neighbors and new people that you see in our community to events and activities so everyone feels at home at Beacon Terrace.

Lots to look forward to in January:

- * Recovery Breakfast
- * Meet and Greet Party
- * Girls' Pajama Party
- * Annual Soup Supper (get out your recipe book)
- * Snow Fake Dance
- * "Beauty of BT" Photo Contest
- * Social Club meeting (come with ideas); ALL WELCOME!
- * Sunday Splash pool party

As you can see, when the rest of the country slows down, we get busy having even more fun. Remember thoughts are things, think good ones. Happy New Year! Always just a call away,

Sherry, #215 (614-309-2605)

Happy New Year to All!!!!!

Lisa Peardon

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I would like to welcome back those residents that have returned since the last Beacon. I am excited to meet those of you and super excited you have escaped the cold. :-)

LOOKING forward to the new things coming in the New Year! We have lots of things to be thankful for.

Just a reminder that we have the **Natural Beauty of Beacon Terrace** photo contest Jan 21st 2020. Please submit your beautiful photos so that the judges have their work cut out for them. We will have a First, Second, and Third place winner.

Bobby would like to ask everyone if they have any scrap metal to take it to the RV lot and place next to the maintenance shed, in lieu of placing it out for the trash.

NOTE: Rent notices that went out 9/2019 there has been a change.. The Pass Thru Tax proposed amount was \$34.40 per month the new amount is \$33.71 this is a difference of \$0.69.



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I wish everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year!!!!
"Believing you can and you're Halfway there" unknown

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URGENT MESSAGE FROM YOUR HOA:

Stand Up for Your Rights as a Homeowner in a 55+ Park

As 55+ lot renters in a FMHA (park owner's association), we are in danger of losing many of our existing protective rights. The Owners of Mobile Home Plus 55 Parks have filed an anti-homeowner bill (Senate Bill 818) that is currently scheduled for a committee hearing.

What can we lose if this bill passes?

- Higher park fees without negotiation with our HOA
- Potential decrease in park services
- New rules and regulations outside of the prospectus
- Park owners can remove amenities, such as a pool, to add more lots
- Demand multi-year fee increases with no regard to rent comparisons with other parks
- Make it harder to sell your unit by forcing buyers to pay for improvements upfront, such as a new roof, A/C unit, floors
- After a hurricane, park owners can reduce lot size to add more units

What can you do?

- ♦ You can read the explanation of SB818 and use the information to write in opposition to its changes: https://www.flsenate.gov/Session/Bill/2020/818
- ♦ Email, call, or write to let them know that you OPPOSE SB818:
 - 1. Our Florida State Senator Kelli Stargel 2033 East Edgewood Dr., Ste 1, Lakeland, FL 33803 (863) 683-3028 stargel.kelli.web/@flsenste.gov
 - 2. Senate President Bill Galvano, galvano.bill.web@flsenate.gov
 - 3. The bill's author, Senator Ed Hooper, hooper.ed.web@flsenate.gov
 - **4.** Senate Chair of committee who will review the bill: Senator Wilton Simpson, <u>simpson.bill.web@flsenate.gov</u>

Don't let park owners take advantage of seniors on fixed incomes!

"More now than ever" in recent history, your state legislative body, FMO/FMHO (Federation of Manufactured Home Owners of Florida) needs your assistance, states the WATCHDOG, FMO's newsletter.

FMO is the only statewide advocate for your homeowners' rights. Without their advocacy, we will be slowly stripped of our statutory protection. Please join for only \$25 (forms in Clubhouse in corner by bulletin board).

"Worker Bees" Needed for BT Annual Bazaar

Fleurette (Flo) Olive Lot 158, Bazaar Coordinator

The Beacon Terrace Annual Bazaar will be held **March 7, 2020**. Set up will take place in the clubhouse March 4-6. The success of this event is never accomplished by just one person but totally dependent on our resident volunteers. Doug Howison and Sherry De Francisco have already promised to help out as needed, but we will need a lot more worker bees.

Sign-up sheets will be posted on the bulletin board early in January seeking volunteers to help make this another successful fund raising event. We have several new residents who have moved into our Park over the past year; this is a perfect opportunity for them to get to know other residents by helping out at the bazaar.

<u>POETRY CORNER</u>

By Joy Nipper, Lot 69

"Thoughts"

I love country music, cowboy boots & hats

Big old barns, mountain streams, & sleepy barnyard cats

Blue skies on a crisp, cool day just one of nature's gifts.

Breathing in that country air surely tops the list.

Now, it seems life has become An unforgiving space

Where manners, sense and courtesy

It seems, have been replaced.

So maybe if we'd take the time To slow things down a bit

Perhaps a trip down "memory lane"

Would be a great, big hit!

As in previous years, we are looking for donations for the silent auction to attract bidders for the various items to be displayed on the stage. This table always generates very good revenue; however, we need donations to make this happen. If any of you regularly use the services of some of our local business establishments, it would be helpful if you could approach them to request gift certificates for the silent auction. Golf passes, restaurant certificates, theater tickets, hair dressers, etc, are all excellent sources. Call me directly (937-5331) or email f.olive@bell.net if you have ideas or donations for the silent auction. I can provide a solicitation letter from the HOA if required.

We need many donations for our furniture section, tools, bake table and white elephant table. Space is now rather limited in the storage compound, however, I am told there is still a little room for small items and totes. To arrange for pick up of your donations contact either Jerry Whitman Lot 57, 816-6106 or Leon Pocock Lot 101, 585-738-4024.

Please note: if you are donating bed linens, attach a tag to indicate size, eg, queen or king size, etc. Also to ensure good value, all items, such as clothes, linens, dishes and small appliances should be clean and ready for re-sale.

We can no longer accept mattresses, hide-a-beds or older heavy TVs for obvious reasons. If possible to hold on to your donations until we start the set-up process, that would be ideal. Jerry and Leon will pick up donations that week if you contact them directly to make such arrangements.

More information regarding the 2020 bazaar will appear in the next Beacon. If you have suggestions/ ideas to include new features that could be incorporated into our bazaar, don't hesitate to contact me. In the meantime, be sure to mark your calendars and sign up to volunteer. We need a lot of people to make this another successful event. It's always a lot of fun and don't forget, the money generated from the Bazaar benefits all Beacon Terrace residents.

Show your pride for our community, and let's work together to make this the best bazaar ever!

Don & Jane Kohnke Bring History of Volunteerism

The new president of the Beacon Terrace Home Owners Association, Don Kohnke and his better half, Jane, share a positive attitude about life. Married nearly forty-nine years, they have experienced a lot of traveling for military, career, and recreational reasons, eventually reaching all of the 50 United States.

Originally from Fond Du Lac, WI, the couple grew up around the corner from each other. Although Jane attended parochial school and Don, public school, they began dating after graduation. At age 18, Don enlisted in the Air Force and was stationed in Nebraska, Mississippi, Michigan, Guam, and Thailand. Don and Jane married during Don's third year in the Air Force. Together they moved to Minnesota, California, and Alaska as Don completed his six-year stint in the military. The Air Force gave him training in electronics that would prove helpful in his future callings.

After leaving the military, and with two children, Don and Jane returned to their hometown. Don worked several jobs before taking advantage of the GI Bill and pursuing a college degree in Industrial Engineering. The degree and his experience in the military provided employment in Computer Numerical Control (CNC) and machine repair, Plant Manager at a custom conveyor company, and lastly, as a supervisor and then Project Manager at Sargento Foods.

"I headed the project team that took an idea, developed it, and followed it through to completion," explains Don. He describes his leadership style as a delegator, providing the needed structure to complete tasks. And, he is proactive: "I want to deal with issues before they are problems," Don comments.



As Don and Jane were raising their son and daughter, they served as Boy Scout and Girl Scout (respectively) leaders. Sports also played an important part in their lives. Don served as a high school and college baseball umpire.

Then the couple worked together as recreational softball coaches: Jane was head coach for grades 3 - 5, and Don for 6 - 8. They served as each other's assistant coaches with the two teams, as well.

After retirement, the Kohnke's settled in Lakeland, purchasing a home in Beacon Terrace in 2015 and moving in July 2016. The couple share an interest in BINGO, but from different sides of the game. Don calls the numbers and Jane plays with the group that meets on Mondays in the BT Clubhouse.

Don also started the Cornhole activity scheduled on Wednesdays at 1 PM. Don likes woodworking and making clocks, while Jane follows the TV series, "The Resident" and likes Hallmark movies.

Nearing their 49th anniversary in 2020, Jane credits their strong marriage to good communication. And she adds with a smile, "I married my best friend."

The Kohnke's are AVID Green Bay Packer fans, and serve as team shareholders. The team logo and green colors decorate their home. They also continue their love of football by supporting the Wisconsin Badgers.

As HOA president, Don wants to see the Beacon Terrace Park Rules, written in the 1980's, updated. "Much has changed for the park since then," he notes. "We've gone from high TV antennas to satellite dishes. Also, the park demographics have changed, and our rules need to reflect the issues of our times."

Read more from Don on page 2 in the President's Column.

Vases by Charlene Morris



Ladies' Christmas Luncheon Prize Sponsors: Vases and Palace Pizza

January Birthdays



- 2 Anthony Hudson Bill Keim
- 4 Cindy Probel
- 7 Terry Richardson
- 9 Isobel Johnston
- 10 Kim White Sandy Lewis
- 12 Chuck Castor Frank Riley
- 13 Kern Lindsay
- 14 Jacqueline ProvostJim WernerDave ZimmerBetty Stevens
- 16 Sharon Pingitor
- 18 Sandy Oulman John Reid
- 19 David Bradley
- 22 Roger Slee
- 24 Jeannine Call Helen Impbruglia
- 26 Tom Gumm Robert Noble
- 27 Don SmithBonnie PocockNancy Richardson
- 28 Norm Provost
- 29 Judy Henn Robin Dunn

BEACON TERRACE TRAVEL NOTES

By Bev Furno, Lot 64

Jan. 12/13 Our overnight to Ft. Myers, usually leave the park about 8:30 am. Watch the travel board and mailbox board for sure departure. Room for more people to go.

Jan. 26 Early Bird Dinner theater in Clearwater. 55 going, room for one more. Will post departure time in the usual spots, around 1:30 pm as it is a Sunday matinee.

Feb. 22 Hopefully we are Going to the Dogs at Derby Lanes in St. Pete. She can't confirm the price until after the first of the year. They don't do group rates any more so it might be price prohibitive. Stay tuned.

April 2-4 Cherry Blossom Festival in Macon, GA. Two nights at the Wyndham., 2 hot breakfasts, 2 dinners (Fish & Pig Restaurant on a lake....one of Oprah's favorites and the S & S Cafeteria for home cooking) Step on guided tour of Cherry Blossom Trail and the Hay House. Carriage rides, cherry blossom ice cream, musical entertainment, craft fair and more. Cost is \$389 per person/double. Single supplement is \$136. This is a Small World Tour and we have found them outstanding in the past.

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Jan. 17-24 A cruise on the Harmony of the Seas from Port Canaveral. San Juan, St. Maarten and Coco Cay. (YUMMY FUNNEL CAKES) and days to enjoy this unbelievable ship. Grease is the production Show. Loved the new terminal at Port Canaveral in December- no waiting to walk on the ship and no long lines to walk off at the end. Flyer is hanging with prices.... interior, Central Park or Boardwalk balconies, or ocean view balconies. Remember the early bird usually gets on board credit. Don will be sending all in the park a flyer after Christmas. If you have family or friends you would like him to send flyer to, let him know.

Read It Forward

Grisham's The Guardians is His Best Yet

By Anne Seifert, Beacon Co-Editor



I've been a John Grisham fan since his first book, *A Time to Kill* (1989). Some of my favorite titles of his are *The Whistler* and *A Painted House*.

However, now Grisham's latest, *The Guardians*, has made it to the top of my legal thriller's list. It is an easy read, but the characters are brilliant, the multiple plots are suspenseful, and the realism is vivid. I can see this novel being turned into a TV series. [I might even watch it.]

Without telling you too much, the story involves several cases taken on by a small innocence group (Guardian Ministeries) founded by a lawyer/minister named Cullen Post. He travels the South fighting wrongful convictions and taking cases no one else will touch.

The main case that takes place in the small north Florida town of Seabrook and a young black man, named Quincy who was framed, convicted, and sent to prison for life. For twenty-two years he wasted away in prison with no lawyer or advocate. Then he wrote a letter to Guardian Ministries. With Quincy's case, Post gets far more than he bargained for. Powerful, ruthless people do not want Quincy exonerated. They killed one lawyer twenty-two years ago, and they will kill another one without a second thought. Read it to find out more . . .

IRWIN PONDERS:

WAKE UP!

By Irwin Lengel, Lot 252

Have you ever thought about a different way to wake up in the morning besides a loud ringing from an alarm clock? Some people say they are able to identify with others by the songs we hear in our heads. Why wouldn't that be true when we first wake as well? I read somewhere that this one individual woke to a song by Neil Sedaka. The song was "Breaking Up Is Hard To Do!" See the correlationreplace the word 'Breaking' with the word 'Waking' and you have: "Waking Up Is Hard To Do!" Let's face it, the older I get the harder it becomes to wake up and get this old body moving. If I wanted to go back in time, I could wake to a song by K.C. & The Sunshine Boys entitled ("Shake, Shake, Shake") Shake Your Booty meaning ("Wake, Wake, Wake") Wake your booty! But I'm too old to be shaking my booty that early in the morning.

Seeing that I am writing this piece from my son's place which is in the frozen north (temperature outside as I am writing this is 11 degrees), some might tend to think that it (sleeping in) might have something to do with living so far north in December. I mean, let's face it – at this latitude, the sun, when it does grace us with its presence isn't up until 7:30 am or 8:00 am, and it goes down before 5:30 pm. So when that alarm goes off (on days that I even set it), the room is in total darkness. And from my point of view, my early morning thinking says: "Hey mind, it's still dark in the room, why that must mean it is still the middle of the night – it can't be time to get up yet!"

Now I'm not one to have a couple of quarts of coffee as soon as I wake, although I do enjoy that first cup – and to read some of my past articles and Facebook quips, some might even think I run on Dunkin'. But for me to down several cups of coffee first thing in the morning just to wake up – well that would be a "no-no" and the reason for that is definitely fodder for another "Irwin Ponders" column somewhere down the road. Besides, were I to down more than one cup of of coffee while still trying to decide if I am awake enough to function properly, I know that somewhere in the far recesses of my brain that I had better not be asleep when all that fluid hits my bladder.



What I need, in addition to that first cup of coffee, is a walk in the brisk morning air to rouse me to a full state of consciousness. That is, assuming upon my return, I do not see my son's dog, Bosley, curled up asleep somewhere in the corner of the room. Listening to him snoring might send me a subliminal message that I should curl up next to him and fall asleep with a rawhide chew in my mouth.

But I digress, back to the thought of needing to wake up so I can get on with my day. Yet another song might just run amok in my mind and for those that know us, you would probably say that if there were any song Irwin would wake up to it would be Waylon Jennings song: "On The Road Again!"

Let's step back a moment. The question pops into my head, why, at our age, do we even need an alarm clock or "wake-up" call? It's not that we don't go to bed at a reasonable hour. I have never understood how people can still be alert first thing in the morning when staying up to watch and listen to Johnny Carson or Jay Leno (oops, there is my age showing again)nowadays it would be Jimmy Kimmel, Jimmy Fallon, and/or Seth Myers.

Fortunately my biological clock is still set right although while we still tend to go to bed between 9 and 10 o'clock every night, somewhere deep inside me there seems to be a little gnome type individual flashing a lantern with the numbers 12:00, 12:00, 12:00 blinking continuously. To me that little guy is saying why are you going to bed so early, it isn't midnight yet. You could get by with just 6 hours of sleep a night. Then again, Dolly would confirm that I'm not set right – but then one would have to ask – is she referring to my state of consciousness or my state of mind.

Who knows though, my problem could also be dietary. In view of all the advertisements about what to eat and what not to eat, fact is we all try to eat healthy so that we might live long and prosper.....there goes that old mind of mine, wandering off in yet another dimension – see, I told you I wasn't awake yet. Where were we....oh, eating....maybe I just need to eat more foods that supply us with energy boosts.

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IRWIN PONDER\$, continued

WAKE UP!

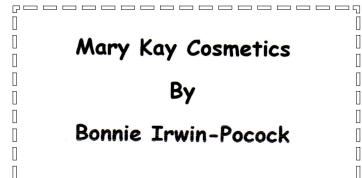
Let's face it - when one thinks of eating healthy, how much of a jolt can a tomato and lettuce sandwich give us? Healthy eating, right! My thought is that we should be adding Red Bull or other such energy boosting drinks to every meal. Bring on the dark chocolate!



Okay, I have rambled on enough and need to get back to what started this article – identifying with songs we hear in our heads and what they do for us. Personally, as I am now another year older, I am the first to recognize that I don't seem to need as much sleep anymore. With that thought in mind and wanting to wake up feeling refreshed and ready for the day, I've decided that my new wake up song that works for me is: Willie Nelson's "I Woke Up Still Not Dead Again Today!"

Until next time!

Ladies' Christmas Luncheon Prize Sponsors: Mary Kay Cosmetics, Inspirations by Margrita, Fred's, and Domino's Pizza





Welcome Wagon



Lea Lucas Lot 241 Judy King Lot 174 Ann Snavely Lot 56

For 2019 we have had 34 families move into our community, four of which were changing residence within the park.

We have visited all but three of the new families. Lets make all of our new residents feel welcome!

We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



DOMINO'S PIZZA



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Health Fair News!

The Beacon Terrace Health Fair will be in the Clubhouse on Thursday, January 23, 2020 from 2-4 PM.

There are many new vendors participating this year, supplying residents with lots of information regarding your health.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Pay Your HOA and **Social Activity Dues**

It's that time of year to pay your annual dues for the BT Home Owners Association and Social Activities.

The HOA dues are \$15 per household, paid to Chuck Snavely (Lot 56), Board Treasurer.

Social Activity dues are \$5 per person and paid to Elaine Hudson, Lot 145. These dues save residents \$2 per social event. If you attend three events, you are ahead!

Ladies' Christmas Luncheon Prize Sponsors: Traditions Unlimited, Harry's, and **Bungalow Boutique**



will always remember!

Northern Reflections

"Home for the Holidays" Not All Merry & Bright

by Donna Hodgson

We have traveled North to spend the Christmas Season with family and friends. I had forgotten to bring a coat with me when I travelled to Florida in September so once out of the airport, I was quickly reminded that you cannot get away with an extra layer in Canada. A coat is required!!

I keep having to tell myself that soon we will return to Florida and not have to deal with scraping the ice off the windshield - especially since I have misplaced my ice scraper and a credit card doesn't do the trick. Sliding into intersections as my car fails to make traction on the ice and getting brain freeze walking from the shopping mall to the car is also making me pine for Florida. The vehicle we left in Florida has an automatic car start which is very handy on cold days as are the heated seats. Neither of these features are on the car I am driving in Ontario.

There are of course some positives to being in Canada in the winter. Flannel sheets and pajamas - oh so comfy. Having a fire in the fireplace. Seeing my grandchildren daily. Okay.... That is it, that is all the positives I can come up with. Mind you Christmas decorations do not look right under a palm tree so seeing snowmen outside is nice and a fresh layer of snow constantly to reflect the lights. I will stay inside.

See you soon!





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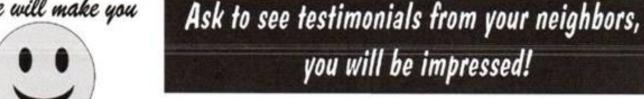
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Christmas Golf Cart Parade Lights Up BT Park



The Beacon Terrace Christmas Golf Cart Parade on December 18th featured a reindeer (Frenchie") chauffeured by her owner, Tim DeFrancisco (L).

The long line of well-lit carts circled the park, and riders were treated with sugary delights and drinks by revelers along the way.

A pizza party in the clubhouse was attended by paraders and bystanders afterwards.





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January 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			11:00 AM <u>RECOVERY</u> <u>BRUNCH</u>	9 AM Walking Exercise 1 PM Hand & Foot Cards 1 PM Crafting	8:30 AM Beginner's Line Dance	8 AM Coffee
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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Ladies' Christmas Luncheon Brings Cheer & Goodwill

By Ann Snavely

On December 19, 2019 we had our Christmas Luncheon at The Club at Eaglebrooke with 69 women attending. We enjoyed shopping with Bungalow Boutique and Paparazzi Jewelry.

The food was outstanding and our models were beautiful in their outfits from Bungalow Boutique. Judy King provided us with a great Christmas carol sing-a-long and everyone left with a door prize!

January 9, 2020 we will be going to Ruby Tuesdays on S. Florida Avenue by the Dollar Tree. See you there!



Time to Register for the 2020 POLK SENIOR GAMES

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Gold, silver, and bronze medals are awarded in each event by age group. Polk County residency is not required. Registration begins January 8th and entries must be received by February 14th. All participants receive a senior games T-shirt and are invited to a free health fair and closing ceremony at the RP Funding Center to celebrate with family and friends.



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Beacon Terrace Activities

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Don Kohnke, Walt Swink

By now we have welcomed most all of our seasonal friends and neighbors back to sunny Beacon Terrace. We hope you all had a great holiday season.

Bingo remains popular with many of our neighbors and others locally. Attendance has risen to nearly 40 people playing each week, so come early to get the best seats. Socializing prior to starting the session is encouraged with the majority of the players joining in.

Each session contains an Odd/Even Jackpot, which provides a new hefty jackpot prize creating a lot of excitement and interest. Everyone has a great time, so gather your friends and join us.

Bingo is played every Monday evening in the Community Center. Bingo cards are available for purchase from 5:00pm to 6:15pm with games starting at 6:30. The games typically last until about 9 pm. Ice cream (Drumsticks, Klondike Bars, etc.) are offered for donation during the intermission. We appreciate those who have, and continue to provided cookies, cakes, candies, and snacks to the group every night. Please feel free to bring your own goodies and refreshments of your choice and enjoy the evening.

Bowling

Carol Umensetter Lot 181

Last reminder!! Bowling starts January 7 at 9:30 AM. We can still use a few new bowlers. It's just for 3 months and is loads of fun.

Corn Hole

Don Kohnke #13

(grandpadn@gmail.com)



Corn Hole continues to be scheduled for Wednesdays at 1pm at the Clubhouse. We have seen attendance challenged recently due to other activities, cruises and other holiday events.

Corn Hole can be played by anyone no matter your age or any physical challenges you may have. It's a great way to get some exercise and socialize.

We typically play the games inside, but playing outside is always an option. A little breeze sure makes the game more interesting.

I would like to thank all those who have helped out since my shoulder surgery. It is really appreciated.

Thanks again for considering joining in the fun. Please feel free to watch (or join) the group at any time.

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BT Activities

Ladies' Golf

Marlene Kaine, Lot 206

I am the contact person for Wednesday ladies golf.

We play at SanLand Golf Course and then go for lunch. It is a fun league and you don't have to be an expert golfer and we look forward to seeing you.

Mah-Jong Begins on Mondays

Bring your Mahjong boards to the Clubhouse on Mondays at 9:00 AM starting in January. Nancy Feligno and Martha Pascal will help you learn the Asian board game.

Call Nancy at 315-945-5679 if you have questions.

"Walking Together" Indoor Exercise

Join the dozen or more BT residents who are walking every Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9 to 10 AM in the Clubhouse. The group walks to the gentle exercise routines in Leslie Sansome's Walking DVDs.

For more information, contact Suzette Giles at 863-430-1851. Or just stop by on Tuesday or Thursday morning!

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Weekly Activities

Sunday

1:00 PM Hand & Foot*

Monday

Men's Golf, Dave Sharpe, 863-937-8546

8:30 AM **Shuffleboard***, Dave Bradley, 863-937-3227

9:00 AM Mah-Jong*, Nancy Feligno, 315-945-5679

1 PM **Bridge***, Mike Lowery, 863-688-6526

5:30 PM **Bingo***, Don Kohnke, 863-397-3836

Tuesday

9:00 AM Walking Together Exercise*, Suzette Giles, 863-430-1851

9:30 AM Bowling, Carol Umensetter, 502-296-4658

Wednesday

8:30 AM Line Dancing*, Dolly Lengel, 863-608-1369

9:30 AM Ladies Golf, Marlene Kaine, 905-937-8223

4:30 PM Social Hour*

6:00 PM Mexican Train*

Thursday

Men's Golf, Lyle Hagarty, 863-682-1038

9:00 AM Walking Together Exercise*, Suzette Giles, 863-430-1851

1:00 PM Cards- Hand and Foot*

1:00 PM Crafts*, Carol Nash, 863-337-5167

1:00 PM 2nd Thursdays, **Ladies Luncheon**, Sharon Smith, 863-337-4545, Ann Snavely 863-644-4627

5:30 PM, Third Thursdays, Potluck Dinner*

Friday:

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"E-mail dollyll@aol.com or call or text me at 863-608-1369, or put it in my mailbox # 252 in the library room. Please be sure I get all your information up to date, as soon as possible because I am working on entering all the information for the 2020 Directory, especially all the wonderful New Residents that have joined us this year. I need your Directory information papers ASAP! Thanks, and keep on smiling. Dolly

REMINDERS:

JAN. 11 2020 2pm to 4pm

MEET & GREET OUR NEW RESIDENTS

LINE DANCING WED. 8:30 –9:30 AM. BEGINNERS FRI. 8:30-9:30 A.M.

DIRECTORI

THE RESIDENT DIRECTORY - UPDATE JANUARY 2020

Dolly Lengel –Editor Lot 252 Ph: (863) 608-1369 dollyll@aol.com

Changes/corrections are listed below. Be sure to make the applicable changes in both the "Numerical" and "Alphabetical" and "E-mail listings in your 2019 Directory

Lot Name

175 <u>FERGERSON, MARILYN</u> <u>DELETE</u>

COOPER,CLARK & DONNA & FRIEDA SCHUMAKER

PHONE # 863-644-2318 "E" MAIL cladonnapt@gmail.com CLARK "B"DAY NOV. 6 DONNA"B"DAY JUNE 25

ADD

FRIEDA "B"DAY FEB.29

100 **PROVOST, BOB & JANET** NEW PHONE # 863-213-4525

211 <u>BILLS, DAVID & PAM</u> <u>DELETE</u>

MC LEAN, NEIL & CATHY ADD

NEIL—CELL PHONE 437-925-2602 "B"DAY AUGUST 3

"E"MAIL nwm1960@gmail.com

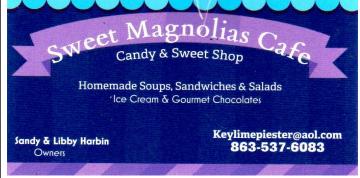
CATHY -CELL PHONE 416-464-0361 "B" DAY MARCH 12

"E"MAIL mcleancathy60@gmail.com

246 KNUDSON, KAREN "B"DAY MARCH 26 CORRECT

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12-7-19 Ray Miller #1

This column lists our friends who have died this past year. The list is active on a 12 month rotating basis.

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Billie Lindsay Lot 194

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Schedules

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Flower/Lawn Watering

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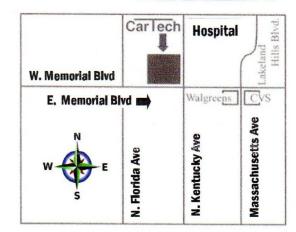
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LOCATION

Location of Beacon Terrace Community



CALENDAR

Current Activities calendar of Beacon Terrace Community



Thanks for visiting our website today. There's a lot of information on this website, and we hope that it will help answer questions that you may have about our Home Owners Association (HOA) and our Beacon Terrace Community. Although this web site is mainly designed for the information of our homeowners, visitors world wide will find it informative. If you are looking to purchase a home for full time occuancy or if you are thinking of becoming a seasonable resident you will find no better and more active Manufactured Home Community than Beacon Terrace to call home. If you have additional questions about specific amenities or activities please click on one of the Menu items or feel free to contact us.



Beacon Terrace Homeowners, Inc. Mission Statement

MISSION: To promote, provide and encourage healthy, beneficial and enjoyable living conditions for the benefit of all residents.

OBJECTIVES:

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES—Promote social activities, bingo, dinners, games, educational events and general good fellowship for all residents.

SUPPORT GROUPS—Cooperate and support Beacon Terrace chapter of the Federation of Mobile Home Owners (FMO) of Florida and the Lakeland Inter Park Council (LIC) for the benefit of all residents.

PARK FACILITIES—Promote and encourage the proper care of all facilities in the Park by all residents.

RULES and REGULATIONS—Establish reasonable rules and or regulations for all activities in the best interest of all residents and such rules are not to conflict with those of the Park management.

PROBLEM RESOLUTION—Promote cooperation between residents and park management where differences arise and seek agreed resolution. Represent residents to seek proper resolution.

Approved by HOA Board of Directors February 2013



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