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## Second Vaccination Brings Relief, Yet Caution

February 26 was a day of relief, yet caution for more than 230 BT residents receiving their second dose of the COVID-19 Moderna vaccine. The inoculation event had been delayed by a week due to bad weather in the North causing late delivery of the vaccine.



Those participating in the HOA-sponsored event, greeted each other – still at a distance - with reminders to continue to wear masks and avoid large, populated areas.

One resident stated, “I may have a bit of fever, some aches, and tiredness after this shot, but that way I’ll know the vaccine is working.”

HOA President, Don Kohnke, coordinated efforts with the Polk County Health Department. Pasco County nurses gave the injections, and National Guard members helped the BT volunteers carry out the planned effort.

Beacon Terrace was one of the few 55+ MHPs in Polk County where a clinic was held.

## Annual Bazaar Adjusts for COVID Safety

Like everything else at BT, the Annual Bazaar has undergone some big changes due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. The event has been moved back two weeks from the usual first Saturday of March — now set on the 20th from 8:00-a.m. to 12 noon. Preparation days are Wednesday-Friday the 17-19. BT residents ONLY may shop on Friday 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

The biggest adjustment is that the bazaar will be held outside, rather than in the Clubhouse to allow for safer exposure with the public.

The event will be held on Poinsettia Street, the one that runs perpendicular to the mailbox area. The street will be closed to through traffic from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm on Wednesday and Thursday. Then closed to ALL traffic Friday 8:00 am until Saturday 1:00 pm.

Organizers, led by HOA President Don Kohnke and Bev Furno, will have tables set up in volunteers’ carports and driveways. Bev states, “Workers with golf carts will be allowed all days....so be alert when walking the street.”

Donations may be dropped off across from the USPS mailboxes on Wednesday --Friday mornings. They are not taking any shoes and only men’s “gently used” shirts and shorts. Please drop off any plastic or cloth bags, newspapers or small to medium boxes you might have at Lot #64 by the front steps.

### A BIG “THANK YOU”

*to the Polk County Health Department, Pasco County nurses, and National Guard members who provided the COVID-19 vaccination clinic for Beacon Terrace residents!*

## Dedication of “Janis Lafferty Memorial Nature Trail” Planned

A memorial ceremony dedicating the “Janis Lafferty Memorial Nature Trail” will be held on Wednesday, March 10th at 10 a.m. at the Clubhouse. Janis, who began the gardening and landscaping of the Nature Trail passed away on July 8, of last year.

As part of the celebration, a plaque recognizing Janis’ efforts will be placed at the entrance to the Trail. Her son will be attending the event.

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## FROM OUR H.O.A. LEADERSHIP



### DON KOHNKE

**H.O.A. President**

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As I write this, I open with a wish that I sincerely hope everyone here is enjoying our weather. Most of North America is mired down with bad weather which, to my dismay, has delayed our receiving the second Covid-19 vaccination by one week. **By the time March rolls around, about 80% of the residents currently here will have received both vaccinations. That is great news!**

Let's move forward...

March brings a transition in daylight, weather, and, of course, it brings our largest income producer...our annual Bazaar. Due to the continuing Covid-19 concerns outside of our community, (*boy, am I tired of saying that!*) the event this year will be an **Outdoor Bazaar**. Many of the residents on Poinsettia Street have graciously offered the use of their carports as sale locations. The event is scheduled for March 20<sup>th</sup>. Setup and staging begin Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>.

We can still use some volunteers to help out with staging and selling. There is a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse or you can contact Bew Furno (Lot 64). This will be a new adventure for Beacon Terrace residents and I hope it will be enjoyed by all. Please ask God to be kind to us and keep it dry.

You are all invited to attend the dedication ceremony for the "**Janis Lafferty Memorial Nature Trail**" to be held on March 10<sup>th</sup> at 10 am. Janis' son, Greg, will be attending the ceremony. Anyone who wishes is invited to comment on Janis' talents and dedication to developing the Nature Trail.

We are always seeking residents that will take pride in caring for areas around the community. So far, we have residents that take great pride in such things as landscaping improvements, the Nature Trail, Christmas lighting, and offering their time and skills to keep some of amenities looking great. If you have an area you have interest in, please sign up on the Volunteer Signup sheets located inside the Clubhouse. You can also let me know directly. We have volunteers that will be happy to help you. Thanks!

You are reminded to **PLEASE** pickup your new Resident Directory, which has been placed in each mail slot in the library. You can't miss the bright orange cover. Please check your information to make sure it is correct and if not, contact Sandy Lander, Lot 60. Corrections and changes will be noted in the Beacon each month.

Assuming nothing changes by the time you see this, **PLEASE** try to be mindful of your neighbors at the pool area. Due to the continuing limitations on use set by ELS and added to the increase in sunshine and those wanting to use the pool, we find time issues for all who wish to use it. March 14<sup>th</sup>, we move our clocks forward, so that will effectively add another hour to useful pool time. Please try to limit your time to no more than two hours until we can get things back to normal. After all, we will be the only ELS community in this area to be into the "herd immunity" stage by the beginning of March.

### *Now for HOA news...*

We are in the process of conducting an annual financial audit being done by Tony Hudson and Sandy Lander. This should be accomplished every year. We will report the results once completed at the next following membership meeting. Thanks Tony and Sandy.

We are also conducting a document audit, which is being done by Dave Carr and Sharman Carney. This is done to insure we have all required documents on file per Chapter 723, the state code for Manufactured Home Communities. This hasn't been done for a while, so we may find more room in our file cabinet as well as being sure we are up to code. We will report the results once completed at the next following membership meeting. Thanks Dave and Sharman.

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### **HOA DISCLAIMER**

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FROM OUR H.O.A.  
LEADERSHIP CONTINUED...

In February we started conducting ELS Property Inspections. This was a process that was conducted many years ago and slowly disappeared over time.

Two groups consisting of one board member and one volunteer resident went around their areas of concern and noted things in need of repair or maintenance. One team inspected the common areas, roads, and outside of ELS buildings. The second team inspected inside the buildings and pool area. The lists were then shared with the manager for her to evaluate.

The Activity Center on the island has been used quite a bit since it was refurbished by the HOA. Please remember to keep it clean. If you use it, please clean it. Don't leave your dirt for the next group. It can't take but a few minutes to clean up your garbage and sweep the floor. Please remember to empty your garbage cans into the city garbage containers on the island. Thank You.

I feel I must conclude this article by once again thanking everyone living here for being so careful during this pandemic. We still have only a handful of people who have contracted the virus out of the 330 or so residents currently here. Some of you have been lucky enough to receive vaccinations outside of the community, plus the nearly 240 residents who received their vaccinations within the community, puts us close to 80% of the residents vaccinated within the community. No other ELS community in the Lakeland area can say this.

Talk to your friends in these other communities and they will tell you how blessed we really are. I still get phone calls from other communities asking me how we were able to accomplish this great feat. You know what I tell them? It's the people who live here. That's what it is! They work together so well that others are amazed. We did this because we could overcome whatever differences we have and work as a team focused on one goal. You should be proud of yourselves!

*May everyday be better than the last and may everyone stay safe and healthy.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Don Kohnke, President, Beacon Terrace Home Owners Association Board of Directors



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# *Appreciate the COVID Clinic?*

## *Join the HOA for Just \$15 Yearly Dues*

**NORM PROVOST**

**BT HOA Treasurer**

**Lot# 75 Cell: 614-309-2605**

Many of you have commented and expressed gratitude for the Covid Clinic arranged by the President, Don Kohnke, with the help of the HOA Board and many volunteers. Given the difficulties of so many folks looking to be vaccinated in Lakeland, it was so convenient and comfortable to simply drive to the club house at an arranged time and be done with it! Everyone in the park was personally invited to participate and the forms needed were delivered to their homes, all at no personal cost!

Also, very recently, we all received the current Directory of all the homes and folks in the park with addresses, phone numbers and email addresses. What a valuable resource at our finger tips. Again, this undertaking was completed through the Board and volunteers.

These two major projects had financial consequences. The Clinic required the printing of all the forms which were distributed twice and a sign of gratitude for all the nurses, National Guard members and others who mixed the vaccine etc. with lunches for them all. The Directories too not only needed to be updated and appropriate information provided but also needed to be printed and collated.

**Each of these projects were in excess of \$500.00!** As you know there are many other issues every year addressed by the Board but their primary responsibility is to represent all of us to the Corporation which owns the park through the manager on site. So, there are monthly management meetings and of course Board meetings in preparation for our HOA meetings, to say nothing of all the meetings required to prepare ourselves for the many projects that arise.

**Annual membership dues are \$15.00 per home.** As of this date there are 60 members who have paid for 2021. That is a total of \$900.00. The two projects mentioned have already exceeded the dues paid.

If you judge and feel that the work of the Board is important please consider joining the HOA since everyone in the park benefits from the efforts made. You can do this by attending the March meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup> where we will be collecting dues or by writing a check to the HOA and putting it in my box in the club house. A receipt will be placed in your box.

## **Sharman Carney Offers Notary Services—Free for HOA Members**

Sharman Carney will provide Florida Notary Public services for BT residents. She offers no charge for services to Beacon Terrace HOA members (a good incentive for the mere \$15 fee).

Sharman asks that interested residents first contact her by email to set up an appointment. Her email is: jcarney4@tampabay.rr.com

A Florida Notary Public is a state public officer whose function is to: administer oaths, take acknowledgments of deeds and other instruments, attest to or certify photocopies of certain documents, and perform other duties specified by law.

Notaries are authorized by law to perform six basic duties:

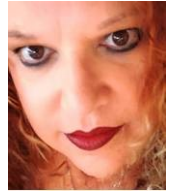
1. Administer oaths or affirmations
2. Take acknowledgements
3. Attest to photocopies of certain documents
4. Solemnize marriages
5. Verify vehicle identification numbers (VINs)
6. Certify the contents of safe deposit boxes

Thoughts are things~  
Please think the good ones !!

**SHERRY DEFRANCISCO**

**Social Activities Chairperson**

**Lot# 215; Cell 614-309-2605**



Hello everybody! I hope you felt the love on Valentine's Day.

Last month we cancelled most of our activities due to a few cases of COVID-19 in the park. We've made it this far and now we can see now the light at the end of the tunnel.

Going forward we are happy to announce some really fun activities for March (see page 7 for more information):

- ◆ Beginning March 6 We will have our fund raising breakfast on the island 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- ◆ On Wednesday March 10th, Please join us for the nature trail dedication
- ◆ On the same day at 2 o'clock please bring your ideas for upcoming events for a social meeting; in the clubhouse
- ◆ On Thursday the 11, look forward to the Ladies Luncheon being held at 1961 in downtown Lakeland. Sign-up in the Clubhouse.
- ◆ We will have movie night on Saturday the 13th beginning at 7:00 p.m. We will feature "Mama Mia".
- ◆ March the 16th we will go day tripping to Pinecraft, an Amish community near Sarasota. Look for the poster to sign up in the clubhouse. This trip will be both fun and educating.
- ◆ On Monday March 22, enjoy a free tie-dye class on the island from 6 to 8:00 p.m. Bring a T-shirt to tie-dye; Everything else will be provided. Last, but not least, "Get your groove on!" and party on the island as we do Woodstock Beacon Terrace-style. Please wear your best sixties garb. Enjoy music from the sixties! A tattoo stand should be interesting!

I want everyone to be able to enjoy our events. If I can help anyone or anyone needs a ride, please do not hesitate to give me a call. Wishing you peace love and rock and roll. As always, Hugs Sherry 614 309 2605.

## **Beacon Terrace Homeowners Association, Inc.**

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

*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 the Beacon Terrace chapter of the Federation of Mobile Home Owners (FMHO) of Florida and 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





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**Welcome all our returning residents.** We are glad to see you all have made a safe return.

I would like to remind everyone that ELS is still enforcing social distancing, mask wearing. Currently, we are still under the capacity limits as well. I appreciate all the cooperation with each of you.

***Sending a BIG thank you all in these tough times, that are seeming to become the new NORMAL.***

Please mark your calendars for the food donation on the third Tuesday of each month @ 9:00am. (See article on page 13). We want to also advise this donation is made possible by Humana Marketpoint. To continue to receive this benefit we need the residents to come to the clubhouse and sit and listen to the presentation that is provided through Humana and then pick up your donation. Delivery is not the intention.

I will be completing 360° inspections beginning the second week of March. March 8<sup>th</sup> will begin this process until complete. Be aware that a few items that we will be on the look for are:

- \* Things growing in the gutters
- \* Green Mildew on the outside of the homes
- \* Paint needing to be refreshed
- \* Driveway pressure washed
- \* Weed overgrowth in flower beds
- \* Items clutter around the exterior of the home.
- \* House numbers visible from the roadway.

Please note that this is not a form of targeting anyone this is an annual requirement to keep your community a desirable living environment. If you are not able to meet the expectation, please communicate the issue with me so we can meet a resolution.

The office will be completing file audits. **The emergency contact form that was placed in each mailbox should be returned to the office immediately.**

It is very important that we can contact in case of emergency each resident. So, email and phone numbers should be updated when there is a change. Each file should contain all residence and occupants living in the home along with a background check on all. We should have a Drivers license or Photo ID for all residents and occupants.

Titles to the home should be included in the file. If someone who lives within the home has passed away, the office is required to retain a copy of the death certificate. Please be mindful of this as you may be asked for some of this information and this request is because it is not currently in the file.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Lisa Peardon, Community Manager

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# *March Special Events*

*Sign up on the Clubhouse bulletin board or call Sherry DeFrancisco at 614-309-2605*

## **Saturday, March , 9-10 am- “Grab & Go Breakfast” on the Island**

Breakfast casserole ala Alice! Friends of the Social Activities Committee sponsored: \$6 person; monthly fundraiser for Social Activities Fund.

## **Thursday, March 11, 11 am - “BT Ladies Luncheon”**

1961 restaurant; contact Sherry, social activities director at 614-309-2605 to sign up.

## **Saturday, March 13, 6:30 pm -Drive-In Movie, “Mama Mia”**

Sing along with the cast of Mama Mia as they dance around a small Greek Island while enjoying multiple love stories. You can drive in with your golf cart or bring a folding chair to enjoy free popcorn and a movie under the stars.

## **Tuesday, March 16, 10 am - Day Trippin’ to Pinecraft Village**

Situated in Sarasota, Pinecraft is a small community of approximately 3,000 Amish and Men-



nonites, most from Indiana, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. It serves as a winter vacation spot for these skilled crafters who bring their woodworking and

handcrafts. Sightseeing, good meals, baked goods, shops -Leave Clubhouse parking lot at 10 am and carpool. Contact Sherry, social activities director at 614-309-2605 to sign up or for more information.

## **Monday, March 22, 6-8 pm -Tie-Dying & Hippie Party on the Island**

- ♦ Enjoy a free tie-dye class on the island from 6 to 8:00 p.m. Bring a T-shirt to tie-dye—everything else will be provided.
- ♦ Party Woodstock Beacon Terrace-style. Wear your best sixties garb & enjoy 60’s music. Experience the available designs at the “tattoo”. Get your GROOVE ON!

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# After Covid-19 Vaccinations, Something

**The day has finally come. You've received the second dose of the Moderna Covid-19 vaccine!** Does that mean you're free to go about life as you did before the pandemic once immunity kicks in?

Sorry, there is no immunity passport yet, experts told CNN. There are still safety precautions you need to follow in order to keep you, your loved ones and everyone else safe and protected from the deadly coronavirus.

## **Can I please stop wearing a face mask?**

Let's "face" it: The answer is no. Try to think of a face mask as your new best friend, one that you plan to cherish and appreciate for a good, long time. Five reasons why:

### **1) It's not 100% protection.**

Even the best of the currently available vaccines only offers up to 95% protection when you are fully immunized. That means there is a 5% chance you can catch the coronavirus at any time.

### **2) Everyone's different.**

Some people are going to mount more robust immune responses to both rounds of the Covid-19 vaccination than others. That's one of the key reasons experts are insisting everyone receive the second shot of the vaccine within a key time frame.

*Remember, it can take two to three weeks after you get the second shot before your immunity fully kicks in.*

### **3) A moving target.**

The virus is mutating around the world creating variants that are proving to be more contagious than those the US is currently battling. It is unknown if the vaccinations will be effective on the variants.

### **4) You could be a silent spreader.**

It's still possible that someone could get the vaccine but could still be an asymptomatic carrier. They may not show symptoms, but they have the virus in their nasal passageway so that if they're speaking, breathing, sneezing and so on, they can still transmit it to others.

### **5) Will immunity last?**

Researchers don't yet know just how long the immunity given by the current vaccines will last. There is a possibility that booster doses may be needed in the months or years to come. That's not uncommon -- adults need tetanus and diphtheria boosters every 10 years. So, until more is known about how long the protection lasts, stay safe and protect others by wearing a mask.

## **When can I hang out with friends and family?**

That depends on everyone's vaccine status, experts say. If friends or other members of your family have also received both doses of a Covid-19 vaccine, the risk is greatly reduced, especially if the visit is outdoors. It's probably pretty safe to see others who were also vaccinated, after everyone gets both doses and waits a few weeks. However, if the visit is indoors, there is going to be some level of risk.

And again, just because you've been vaccinated, that doesn't reduce your responsibility. You should continue to wear a mask and practice social distancing whenever you are around others.

"You wouldn't want to engage in activities where you could potentially acquire the novel coronavirus and then transmit it to others," Dr. Leana Wen said.

That includes seeing other people who are vaccinated, but not wearing a mask — based on what we know now, they could have the virus and pass it onto you, and you could pass it onto the people you live with. An abundance of caution is still a good idea."

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# We Should All Understand

## When can I eat at an indoor restaurant or go to a concert or sporting event?

Indoor restaurants are likely hotspots for Covid-19 transmission. That's partly because no one is wearing a mask while they eat, thus spreading their respiratory droplets around as they socialize.

Other reason? Most restaurants do not have effective filtration equipment on their circulation systems, leaving the air poorly ventilated and a prime breeding ground for virus spread. So even with a second vaccine, you're still taking a chance that you might be exposed and become a silent spreader.

## But won't the typical 6-foot spread between tables or booth partitions do the trick?

The 6-foot spread indoors may not be enough by itself. You must have good ventilation in that establishment. Even a HEPA filter wouldn't be totally effective since most transmission takes place in close contact type of scenarios where you're near someone. The HEPA filter doesn't help with that.

## What about fun things to do, such as concerts and sporting events?

Once vaccinated, an outdoor sporting event or concert is probably safe, if there is good social distancing between households and everyone is wearing masks. Indoor, crowded gatherings are probably still best to avoid even if you're vaccinated.

## Can I travel if I've been vaccinated?

"I want to emphasize that now is not the time to be traveling period, internationally or domestically, it's just not a good time to be traveling," said Dr. Rochelle Walensky, the CDC's new director. And that applies to people who have already been vaccinated, added Dr. Fauci.

"Getting vaccinated does not say now I have a free pass to travel," Fauci said at the CNN global town hall. "Nor does it say that I have a free pass to put aside all of the public health measures that we talk about all the time."

"I mean, if you absolutely have to travel and it's essential, then obviously, one would have to do that. But we don't want people to think because they got vaccinated, then other public health recommendations just don't apply," Fauci said.

(CNN – February 3,2021)

## March Birthdays



- 1 Rita Dugan  
Jane Kohnke
- 2 Debbie Swanson
- 4 Sharman Carney  
Suzanne Zimmer
- 7 Jim Oulman
- 11 Betty Maragos  
Sharon Slee
- 12 Mary Campbell  
Neil McLean
- 13 Shirley Wade  
Carl Pocock
- 14 Joe DuPont  
Jack Townsend
- 15 Laurene Napier
- 16 Dave Carr  
Clyde Holliday
- 18 Danny Fox  
Lee Ann Hayes  
Sam Seifert
- 20 Lyle Hagarty
- 21 Naomi Olson
- 23 Janice Vlach
- 26 Karen Knudson
- 27 Ron Ritchie
- 29 Hiram Chirel  
Alice Murray  
Gerri Mastrangelo
- 30 Carol Umensetter

## Travel Notes

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**Jan. 16, 2022 Our Harmony of the Seas cruise from Port Canaveral. Ports** are Coco Cay private fun, fun island, Antigua and St. Thomas. The main show is Grease.....

If you want more info just put your name on the list in clubhouse and I'll come calling with it. Flyers are hanging.... feel free to take one. Our travel agent, Don Cook will let you make monthly payments without charge...after your down payment. The ship is filling up as people are really ready to cruise!!!

# Snowbirds Jackie and Ron Provost

By Regina Marshall Lot 122

Hopefully by the time we are living out our 6th, 7th, or 8th decade, we are able to identify what actually makes for a good relationship. And I can tell you it came to me LOUDly and CLEARly this month as I met my Beacon Terrace neighbors who have it Down...and it ain't the Godiva chocolates on Valentine's Day!

No, it is something much less tangible yet so much more significant. If you'd like to see it in real life, check out a pair of snowbirds on my street...Jackie and Ron Provost. They're approaching number 5-0!

Yes, their golden anniversary is mere months away. So, I asked them about their life together, including their 2 grown daughters and 4 grandchildren who enrich life at their Rhode Island home.

They met on a blind date, and so it began.

Jackie and Ron tell of card games with family, line dancing and a couple of Caribbean cruises with family. But it wasn't all just good times. Ron is a Vietnam Nam vet. [Thank you for your service, Ron.] Jackie took a break to be a stay-at-home mom to give time to their family and their daughters' lives show the fruit of that effort. She then went back to school to pursue a career in respiratory therapy.



*Ron and Jackie have enjoyed their '61 Vette throughout their life together. Their whole family joins them (above).*

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Jackie is quick to joke about Ron "not being able to hold a job", though in reality, Ron was with the SAME company for 4 decades! 41 years!

Their lovely home has garage space for a couple of Vettes ('61, '89, '95, '05). Hydrangeas dot the manicured yard that is part of Ron's "Honey-do" List in North Situate, Rhode Island. But we all know, keeping homes and driving classic cars is not what makes for a rich life with great relationships.

Have you thought what might be the key to this couple's long-running success? Did I mention they both volunteer at their church? Ron, as a Eucharistic minister and Jackie, as a lector at their Catholic Church in the north. Here in Lake-land, they join hands at Resurrection, just south of us.

But what tickled me was hearing Jackie and Ron talk about having passes to Disney for fun in the winter season. Are you seeing something here that tells the tale of this successful relationship?

Here's a snapshot: Date Night after almost 5 decades! Date Nights at Disney? (Yep, that'll do it. But after 5 decades? That tells you what's at work here, making this relationship solid. I boiled it down to one word and you may give it another handle, but let's see...



# ~ Lovebirds for nearly 50 Years

41 years with one employer, 40+ years enjoying one car company, 50 years in one marriage, and you identify a pattern that spells out COMMITMENT.

A large dollop of commitment over a 50-year period, and Voila! There you have it! A successful relationship...propped up by regular date nights, outings with family and now, winters in Florida, with Ron's 2 brothers who happen to live in this very park.

Yep, Ron and Jackie have figured it out...if you see them around next fall, make sure to congratulate them on their 50th. It's a result of their mastery of this great character trait. It's called Commitment! And If you, like me, can boast a few 35-40-year relationships, friendships, I'm thinking you might be using a generous dollop of that in life. Amen?



(L) Ron and grandson in '05 Vette.

(R) Jackie and Ron at Disney on a date.



## THE RESIDENT DIRECTORY - UPDATE

Changes/corrections are listed below. Be sure to make the applicable changes in the Numerical, Alphabetical, and E-mail pages in your 2021 Directory

- In the alphabetical listing in the directory for **Vlach**, please amend **Janet** to **Janice**.

If you have any changes or any new E-mail, addresses, during the year, please be sure I get them.

*E-mail: [landersandy3737@gmail.com](mailto:landersandy3737@gmail.com)*

*Call or text me at 863-660-6835, or put it in my mailbox # 60 in the library room.*

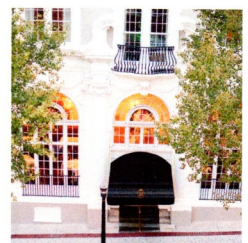


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# **The Barn**

**By Joy Nipper**

**It seems I wax nostalgic, whenever I see a barn  
There's just something about the structure  
That inside, makes me feel warm  
I love its red exterior, its silo standing tall  
It represents a time for me, imbedded in my soul  
Many a cheerful day was spent playing in the barn  
Swinging from the hayloft rope, spinning our own "yarns"  
We used imagination to decide what we would play  
Hours of enjoyment we had most every day  
Then one day we moved away, never to return  
Life went on, the years rolled by, but one thing I have  
learned  
No matter where life took me, I would often "see" the farm  
And visions of my childhood, spent playing in the barn.**

## BEACON TERRACE ACTIVITIES



Don Kohnke Lot #13 (863-397-3836)

### HEAR YE! HEAR YE! Evening Bingo Continues!

Evening Bingo continues on March 8<sup>th</sup> after a few weeks off due to Covid-19 concerns. Prior to our brief hiatus, we had seen an increase in players, but there's always room for more. Only residents are permitted to play and social distancing rules and mask usage remain mandatory for the time being. This may change soon due to the number of residents who have been vaccinated.

Each session contains three jackpots, two Odd/Even and one Lucky Number Jackpot. These provide three possible jackpot prizes creating excitement and interest. Everyone still has a great time.

If you have interest in playing, but have challenges getting there, please feel free to call me and I will arrange transportation.

Bingo is played every Monday evening starting March 8<sup>th</sup> in the Clubhouse. Bingo cards are available for purchase from 5:15pm to 5:45pm with games starting at 6pm. The session typically lasts until about 8 pm.

Please feel free to bring your own goodies and refreshments of your choice and enjoy the session. The more you play, the more we pay! You could be a winner! See you there!

### Humana Marketpoint Offers Advice, Food Box

Humana Marketpoint is still donating food boxes to Beacon Terrace residents. To continue to receive this benefit, residents must come to the clubhouse and listen to the presentation provided by Humana, then pick up your donation.



**The boxes are delivered on the third Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. in the Clubhouse.** Jennifer Mullins briefly shares information about Humana and then her staff distributes the boxes. Contents include fresh fruits and vegetables, milk, eggs, and meat.

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### BT Bowling Teams Still Need Substitutes

Bowling is off to a great, although bumpy, start. Currently, we have 7 teams; a little over half our usual numbers. Not everyone has returned yet but the fun outweighs any sense of concern over our low numbers.

We could use some substitute bowlers, if you'd like to try it out and not have to commit to being there every week. You may decide that you like it!

The staff are doing their best during the challenges they're working through. Because of our fewer numbers, there are less staff. That being said please be patient, especially when you encounter a glitch that might be a frustration amid the fun.

*Thanks for joining us! Candie & Carol*

### Call Mike to Schedule Bridge Time for Wednesday or Friday

Due to the COVID-19 virus we have made some changes to where and when we play organized bridge in Beacon Terrace. The first change of notice is when we will play. Wednesday's and Fridays are our new days for playing. We also have a new start time. 12:00 noon is when we begin playing now so that we may complete our games a little earlier.

Another change for this year is location. We will be playing all of our games in the refurbished building on the island. Because we are anticipating a player pool of seven people this winter, we will have to rotate who can play on a Wednesday or Friday. **This will be accomplished by calling leaving a message or emailing Mike Lowery at least two days prior to you wanting to play. This is necessary so that I can coordinate the players.**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	1 <sup>PM</sup> Mahjong <b>6:00<sup>PM</sup></b> <b>BINGO</b>	2 <sup>PM</sup> <u>HOA Board Meeting</u> 6:30 <sup>PM</sup> <u>EUCHRE</u>	8:30AM Line Dancing 12 <sup>PM</sup> Bridge 6PM Mexican	1 <sup>PM</sup> Hand & Foot Cards 1PM Crafts <b>6:30pm</b> <u>Shuffleboard</u>	12 <sup>PM</sup> Bridge	8 <sup>am</sup> Coffee 9-10 <sup>am</sup> Grab & Go Breakfast on Island-YUM!
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1 <sup>PM</sup> Hand & Foot Cards <b>SUPER BOWL PARTY 6PM</b>	8:30am <u>Shuffleboard</u> 1 <sup>PM</sup> Mahjong <b>6:00<sup>PM</sup></b> <b>BINGO</b>	6:00 PM <u>HOA Membership Meeting</u>	8:30AM Line Dancing 12 <sup>PM</sup> Bridge 6PM Mexican Train	11 <sup>AM</sup> <u>Ladies Luncheon</u> 1 <sup>PM</sup> Hand-Foot Crafts 1 <sup>PM</sup> Crafts <b>6:30pm</b> <u>Shuffleboard</u>	12 <sup>PM</sup> Bridge	8:00 <sup>am</sup> Coffee <b>6:30 PM</b> <u>Movie Nite</u> "Mama Mia"
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
<u>Daylight Savings Time</u> <u>Springs Forward</u> 1 <sup>PM</sup> Hand & Foot Cards	8:30am <u>Shuffleboard</u> 1 <sup>PM</sup> Mahjong <b>6:00<sup>PM</sup></b> <b>BINGO</b>	10 am <u>All Day Trip to Pinecraft</u> 6:30 <sup>PM</sup> <u>EUCHRE</u>	8:30AM Line Dancing 12 <sup>PM</sup> Bridge 6PM Mexican Train	1 <sup>PM</sup> Hand & Foot Cards 1PM Crafts <b>6:30pm</b> <u>Shuffleboard</u>	12 <sup>PM</sup> Bridge	8:00AM—12:00 PM <u>Annual BAZAAR</u>
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## BEACON TERRACE ACTIVITIES

### Line Dancing

Starts Wednesdays at 8:30AM in March in the Clubhouse

### Shuffleboard

Thursday evening Shuffleboard under-the-lights is up and running. Come out and join us; 6:30 to about 8:00. Monday mornings have been wet so far so no games yet. Better times are coming, so if you are an up-and-at-'em type consider playing from 8:30 to about 10:00. Contact Dave Bradley for more information at 401-474-3309; fllakeside156@gmail.com.

### Mahjong

This tile-based game is the newest game addition to BT's weekly schedule. Meet new and experienced players on Mondays at 1 PM in the Clubhouse. Mahjong is a game of skill, strategy, and calculation, and it involves a degree of chance. Call Martha Pascale (Lot 42) for more information about playing or learning the game.

### Euchre

Tuesdays at 6:30 pm, for inexperienced and experienced! The card game is a trick taking game with a trump. Each player plays one card, the highest card of the suit led wins the trick, unless someone has played a card of the trump suit.

### Mexican Train

At 6 pm on Wednesdays. Mexican train is a game played with number dominoes. Novices are invited.

*More information is available on the bulletin boards near the mail-boxes and in the Clubhouse or contact Sherry DeFrancisco, Social Activities Director, at 614-309-2605. Please remember to wear a mask in the Clubhouse.*

### Sunday

1:00 PM **Hand & Foot\***

### Monday

8:30am **Shuffleboard**, Dave Bradley, 401-474-3309

1:00 PM **Mahjong\***

6:00 PM **Bingo\***, Don Kohnke, 863-397-3836

### Tuesday

6:30 PM **EUCHRE**, Sherry DeFrancisco, 614-309-2605

### Wednesday

8:30 AM **LINE DANCING\***, Sharman Carney, 863-688-5202

12:00 PM **Bridge\***, Mike Lowery, 863-688-6526

**Ladies Golf**, Linda Castor, 863-687-6068

6:00 PM **Mexican Train**, Sherry DeFrancisco, 614-309-2605

### Thursday

**Men's Golf**, Walt Swink, 412-691-0075

11:00 AM 2nd Thursdays, **Ladies Luncheon**, Sherry DeFrancisco, 614-309-2605

1:00 PM **Hand & Foot\***

6:30 PM **Shuffleboard**, Dave Bradley, 401-474-3309

### Friday

12:00 PM **Bridge\***, Mike Lowery, 863-688-6526

### Saturday

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Janis Lafferty #186

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Judy Fraser #227

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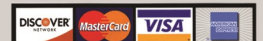
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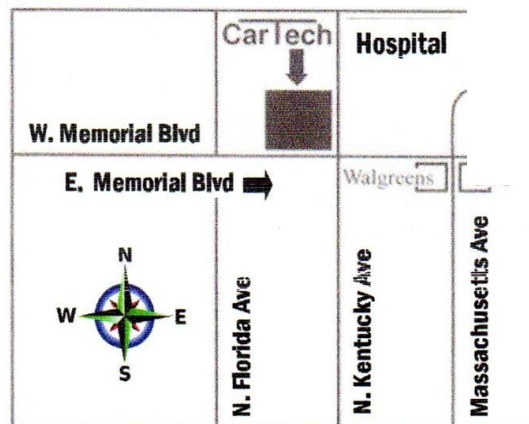
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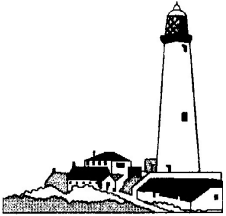
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