

# THE BEACON

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## Celebrating 40 Years of Beacon Terrace



Festive balloons, suspended sparkles, and tables of delicious goodies met the guests of Beacon Terrace's 40th Birthday Bash, hosted by Park Manager Lisa Peardon. The BT community room was filled with guests enjoying the event. Two original residents, (photo left) Liz Buell and Gloria Buehrig, shared early memories of the park. Lisa provided a trivia activity regaling the community's history.

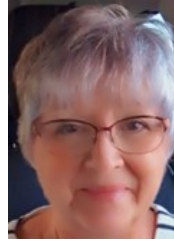
A photo contest commemorating the anniversary will end in April with residents from the park judging the entries. Look for winning photos in the next issue of The Beacon.



## FROM THE H.O.A. PRESIDENT

# Happy Easter! Happy Spring!

Wishing all our northern residents heading back home this month, safe travels. We will miss you! However, we still have lots of fun activities planned for the summer months for all the residents still here. Hard to believe another Winter Season has passed.



**HOA President**  
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I just want to remind everyone to be kind and respectful to your neighbors here in the park. We should always listen to one another and know that no one in this park is perfect. All the positions in this community are volunteer and everyone just does the best they can. If you think there is a better way to accomplish something, please by all means, sign up and volunteer!!

We spend so much time sweating the small stuff, worrying, complaining, gossiping, comparing, wishing, wanting, and waiting for something bigger and better – instead of focusing on the simple blessings that surround us every day. My teacher once told the class – “No one is perfect . . . that is why pencils have erasers.” *Blessed be and safe travels.*

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## **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 dif-



*It's time to get into a  
flip flop state of mind!!*



**Social Activities Chairperson**

**Sherry Defrancisco**

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[sherrydefrancisco02@gmail.com](mailto:sherrydefrancisco02@gmail.com)

As April gets us into a hopping good mood, we are going to kick off April 2nd with a soup supper hosted by Alice Murray (#72). See the sign-up sheet inside the clubhouse for additional information; any other questions please see Alice.

On Friday April 8th at 11 am join us for our ladies' luncheon at Catfish Country. We needed to adjust the day for this month only. See poster for sign-up sheet.



**THE BEACON  
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Join us for a fun afternoon Saturday April 16th for an honest-to-goodness Easter egg hunt. Again look for detailed information on posters inside clubhouse or posted at the mail boxes.

Movie nite April 19th—look for posters. A dance and Grill & Chill block Party are in the works.

We are sad to see our Northern friends head back to their homes for the summer.

Things I will be working on while you are away a fun with friends' Key West surprise. An Amtrack train trip to a fun location, vender fair just in time for winter projects. We will be in touch via email to keep you posted. See you in the fall for all kinds of new fun.

**Thank you Bazaar Volunteers!**

By Cathy McLean

Cheryl Wolosyn and I would like to extend a great big thank you to all the volunteers who put this year's bazaar together. It was very successful because we all worked together as one. We tried a new format and it proved to be a big hit. We brought in \$6,160.00. Congratulations to everyone. A tremendous thank you to all the men who slugged furniture and boxes from the storage yard to the clubhouse. An another tremendous thank you to all the volunteers in the clubhouse and outside under our tents, who transformed a huge pile of boxes and bags into a beautifully displayed areas full of treasures to sell.

A huge thank-you to the auction people who went hoarse convincing patrons to spend their money. We had several new areas this year with our art being displayed in its own room. It was set up beautifully and . The furniture tent was also a big hit. We couldn't have done this without everyone's help. Thank you again.

## Let's Give Our "Go-To" Guy Some BIG Thanks!!

Have you looked around lately at our park? Have you looked closely at how it looks recently? I can tell you I have noticed and I have wanted to acknowledge it for a couple of months. So, now as we celebrate the 40th anniversary of this place we call "Home", let's look around and give a round of applause to someone who is doing daily Acts of Service (more about that next issue in Part II).

He's visible. He's out and about. He is our "GoTo" guy when things need DOing around the community. He can be seen in lots of positions...in the grass on his knees, running on his cart, out at the fence, out at the water, working on our roads and always, always, always being productive.

If you haven't guessed already, I'm referring to Jimmy Gumbs, our resident maintenance man who shares an immaculate place with his wife, Margie, at #234 (See photo at right ->)

I didn't interview Jimmy or even ask his permission to call attention to him this month, probably because I didn't want to chance a refusal before this goes to print.

But, if you agree with me that Jimmy Gumbs is doing a "bang up job" around Beacon Terrace, take a moment when you see him around the park, when you find him out and about, and just give him some Words of Affirmation as you go by. . . Regina Marshall

### WELCOME HOME NEW RESIDENTS

The Welcome Committee is excited to announce our newest residents.



**Ira and Tom Gleason #265**

*Welcome*  
*Home!*

*We're glad*  
*you're here!*



**Richard and Karen Savage #53**

**Ricky & Jane Tucker (124) and Frank & Carmen Soto (23) not pictured.**

*Welcome Committee: Sarah Kaplan, Regina Marshall & Cathy Ann Nicholson*



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## BT Celebrates with Mardi Gras Parade and Low Country Boil



The festive March Mardi Gras Parade—with the winning cart (photo below) and adorned revelers -ended at the Club-house to feast on the annual Low Country Boil, prepared by Linda and Chuck Castor and friends. Cathy McLean baked the King's Cake!





## Rise By Lifting Others *(no hot air required)*

To us, Beacon Terrace means a community full of love and spirit where people embrace each other and don't take life for granted. If people mess up (as we all do from time to time), this is a Community of Second Chances. We believe that hearts are full of good intentions.

We greet each other as we drive by, walk by, or pass on our golf carts. We enjoy happy times spent with friends and welcome new friends. We are not judgmental or malicious. We are kind and considerate and loving. We play hard, and we support each other because sometimes we are the only family we have.

We break bread together, we pray together. And if a neighbor asks for a cup of flour, they are likely to get the entire bag. When we hurt, someone is always there to help dry our tears. We are all different. We have our Ups and Downs because that is life.

We don't spend our time in anger or hate because we are far too full of joy and caring to let that weigh us down. We are so lucky to find true support from each other.

We are friends, we smile, we care, we love, we are kind, WE ARE BEACON TERRACE!!

Let your voice reflect greatness and kindness in all you speak. Blessings!

*Tim & Sherry DeFrancisco*

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### *Message From Ruby:*

So long to the Beacon Terrace community. I want to thank everyone in the park that waves and talks to me about walking. All of this makes my day.

Thank you: to Candie Pocock for all her hard work keeping the bowling teams going; to Sherry DeFrancisco for all the hard work putting the Ladies' Luncheons and special events together; and to Bonnie Irwin Pocock for all the things she tackles on a daily basis.

You should all be PROUD to live in this community--it's such a great place! So long for now.

*Ruby, a.k.a. "The Walker"*

# March Bingo Brings Fun & Winnings



Connie (right)

Kathy (left)



## First Annual Trivia Nite Provides Challenging Fun!

Trivia Master Brad Hodgson (below, left) spared no mercy with the difficulty of questions posed to the six teams in the first annual Trivia Nite. Brad and his co-host/wife, Donna, were well prepared with a game board and varied sets of topical trivia games. The winning team (below) were successful based upon their correct answers which allowed them to throw the giant dice more often and traverse the game board before the other 5 teams.





## April Birthdays

Happy Birthday to—

- 2     **Ann Laundra**
- 7     **Larry Woloshyn**
- 10    **Leon Pocock**
- 14    **Joe Fortin**
- 15    **Lissie Golley**  
      **Bruce Crone**
- 18    **Cecelia Segreto**  
      **Don Mac Avoy**
- 19    **Sandra Duerloo**
- 20    **Duane Wauters**
- 21    **Lyle Woodworth**
- 24    **Joseph Boike**  
      **Lanny Kaine**  
      **Hank Snead**
- 26    **Sue Wilsman**
- 27    **Kim Barras**
- 28    **Elaine Rowe Hudson**  
      **Tim De Francisco**  
      **Lea Marie Lucas-**  
      **Gearheart**
- 29    **Rudy Jenkins**
- 30    **Caroline Kent**

*And many more . . .*



## May Birthdays



Happy Birthday to—

- 1     **Louis Doughty**
- 3     **Marlene Kaine**  
      **Sandy Howison**  
      **Joy Nipper**
- 4     **Gary Lewis**
- 6     **R. Wellington**
- 10    **Susan Vitello**
- 11    **Lois Holiman**
- 13    **Gloria Buehrig**  
      **Candie Pocock**  
      **Anne Seifert**
- 15    **Gary Gott**
- 18    **Gordon Steele**
- 20    **Jim Von Itter**
- 21    **Jonathan Norrix**
- 25    **Bob Haw**  
      **Celso Samson**
- 26    **Dave Woollard**  
      **Lenny Probasco**
- 27    **Robert Laforest**
- 29    **Chuck Snavelly**

*And many more . . .*



## ~ In Loving Memory ~

We honor Beacon Terrace residents who have died this past year.

5-3-21

Marcia Ritchie #203

5-5-21

Lyle Hagerty # 86

5-19-21

Elba Chirel #223

5-28-21

Robert Noble #76

5-30-21

Wade Fahnestock #152

6-7-21

Rosie Hagerty # 86

6-22-21

Paul Pickerill #283

8-4-21

Betty Holiday #214

12-?-21

Kaye Caravaglio #106

1-8-22

Chet Davis #287

1-8-22

Jeanine Lemke #124

1/30/22

Lori Parnell formerly #2

2-23-22

Frank Riley #182

3-14-22

Velma Seitz Formerly #235

3/16/22

Clyde Holiday formerly #214

3/18/22

Ron Cottingham #220

## BEACON TERRACE

### Travel Notes

Bev Furno #64 Cell 810-919-3292

March 13....How great it was to get back on a bus!!! Found it interesting that our last bus trip in Jan. 2020 was to the Early Bird Dinner Theater and finally our first one again in 2022 was to the same place.



Dec. 5-10 Our mini cruise to get in the Christmas spirit on the RC Mariner of the Seas... We have 44 going right now.... only \$100 pp deposit required. I will be making dining table assignments while home this summer. If you haven't already made your table partner preference known please send me an e mail by the first of August.

### 2023

Feb. 17....8 nights on the Jewel of the Seas to the beautiful ABC islands (ARUBA, BONAIRE, CURCAO) \$250 deposit pp required and final payment will be November first. Come and join us.... friends and family always welcome.

Flyers are in clubhouse in front of the travel board. Don't hesitate to call Don or me with questions....

Don at Cooks travel 863-226-4772.

Bev....home 810-629-9702 or 810-919-3292 (cell).

## CARE AND CONCERN COMMITTEE

As co-chairs of the committee, Sarah and I just wanted to remind everyone that the success of reaching out to our fellow residents who are in need of a little cheer, or letting them know we're thinking about them at a time of need, will only be as successful as you make it. If you learn of a fellow resident who would appreciate a little pick me up, or you know of anyone in need and/or who is in a current shut-in situation that could warrant a little "thinking of you" card, please let either of us know. Our contact information is listed here.

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Sueanne Jacobs (#70) [sueannemiller@yahoo.com](mailto:sueannemiller@yahoo.com) (716) 417-5511

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# Six Beacon Terrace Bowling Teams

It's been a great bowling season. There were 6 full teams with lots of fun and laughs.



If we weren't having fun (or our game was off) we laughed it off and found comic relief helped a lot! The picture (left) of Carol Umenstetter and Roland Roberge captures that *(never ever wage a bet with Carol)*!

Cathy McLean has offered to help and I'm ever so grateful for the assistance. Who knows, we may even have more teams and bowlers. See the pictures of our gang on these two pages.

**We'll do it again next year!**





# Finish Fun-Filled Season

by Candie Pocock





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\*Phone: (s) ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

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## BEACON TERRACE ACTIVITIES

With our snowbirds headed north, some seasonal activities may be on hiatus until fall. If you are not certain, contact the activity leader for information.

### Gentle Exercise in the Pool

Join us at 9 AM Mondays, Wednesdays.  
And FRIDAYS in April

**HAPPY HOUR on the Island—5:30 PM every Thursday in April, whether permitting.**

Contact Mary Campbell, 419-571-7833, for more information

The Federation of Manufactured Home Owners (FMO) protects the rights and interests of manufactured/mobile home owners. It is our advocacy group—without it we are at the mercy of city and state agencies.

The more members we have, the greater our voice will be. For \$25.00 a year you can join. Complete the application, on the opposite page, and return to me at Lot #72. BT  
Alice Murray, FMO Representative

### WINTER WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

#### Sunday

12:30 PM Hand & Foot\*

#### Monday

9:00 AM Shuffleboard

Dave Bradley, 401-474-3309

9:00 AM Pool Exercise

Anne Seifert, 419-571-7832

2:00 PM Mahjong

Alice Murray, 863-687-9608

6:00 PM BINGO

Jenny Barnette 863-738-8718

#### Wednesday

9:00 AM Pool Exercise

Anne Seifert, 419-571-7832

Ladies Golf

Linda Castor, 863-687-6068

6:00 PM Mexican Train

#### Thursday

Men's Golf

Walt Swink, 412-691-0075

9:30 AM Line Dancing

Judy Mroczka, 716-397-4075

Ladies Luncheon

11:00 AM 2nd Thursdays

Sherry Defrancisco, 614-309-2605

12:30 PM Hand & Foot\*

1:00 PM Ladies Craft Group\*

Carol Nash 863-337-5167

6:30 PM Shuffleboard

Dave Bradley, 401-474-3309

5:30 PM Happy Hour on the Island

#### Friday

1:00 PM Bridge\*

Mike Lowery, 863-608-1590

Saturday— 8:00 AM Coffee in Clubhouse

\* In Clubhouse



# APRIL 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
					9:00 AM Pool Exercise 1 <sup>PM</sup> Bridge	8:00 <sup>am</sup> Coffee  Soup Supper
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
12:30PM Foot  Hand &	9:00 am <u>Shuffleboard</u> 9:00 AM Pool Exercise 2 <sup>PM</sup> Mahjong <u>BINGO 6PM</u>	7 PM POOL in Clubhouse	9:00 AM Pool Exercise  6PM Mexican Train	9:30 Line Dance  12:30PM Hand & Foot; Crafts	9:00 AM Pool Exercise 11:00 AM Ladies' Luncheon 1 <sup>PM</sup> Bridge	8:00 <sup>am</sup> Coffee
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
12:30PM Foot  Hand &	9:00 am <u>Shuffleboard</u> 9:00 AM Pool Exercise 2 <sup>PM</sup> Mahjong <u>BINGO 6PM</u>	11 AM-HEALTHY SNACKS, POOLSIDE 7PM HOA Members Mtg.	9:00 AM Pool Exercise 11 Social Mtg 6PM Mexican Train	9:30 Line Dance  12:30PM Hand & Foot; Crafts	9:00 AM Pool Exercise 1 <sup>PM</sup> Bridge	8:00 <sup>am</sup> Coffee  <u>EASTER EGG HUNT</u>
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
EASTER!	9:00 am <u>Shuffleboard &amp; Pool Exercise</u>  2 <sup>PM</sup> Mahjong <u>BINGO 6PM</u>	MOVIE NITE	9:00 AM Pool Exercise  6PM Mexican Train	9:30 Line Dance  12:30PM Hand & Foot; Crafts	9:00 AM Pool Exercise 1 <sup>PM</sup> Bridge	8:00 <sup>am</sup> Coffee
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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# MAY 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
12:30PM Hand & Foot	9:00 am Shuffleboard  BINGO 6PM		6PM Mexican Train	12:30PM Hand & Foot; Crafts	1 <sup>PM</sup> Bridge	8:00 <sup>am</sup> Coffee
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
MOTHER'S DAY!  12:30PM Hand & Foot	9:00 am Shuffleboard  BINGO 6PM	AM-HEALTHY SNACKS, POOLSIDE  7PM HOA	11 Social Mtg  6PM Mexican Train	11:00 AM Ladies' Luncheon  12:30PM Hand & Foot; Crafts	1 <sup>PM</sup> Bridge	8:00 <sup>am</sup> Coffee
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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29	30	31				
12:30PM Hand & Foot	9:00 am Shuffleboard  BINGO 6PM					

Reminders:



## The Resident Directory - Update

April 2022

Make the applicable changes in the Numerical, Alphabetical, and E-mail pages in your 2022 directory

Lot 102	Larry & Cheryl Woloshyn	705-522-3632	Change
Lot 272	Joe & Maryann Dupont	863-370-0972	Change
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		<a href="mailto:Ricks65GTO@gmail.com">Ricks65GTO@gmail.com</a>	
	Karen Savage	716-491-0188 NY	Add
		<a href="mailto:kmsavage1@gmail.com">kmsavage1@gmail.com</a>	
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	John Gleason	Cell: 863-840-8169	
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256, 258 - 274

**Zone 4**—Lots 227-229,  
257, 233-242, 275-288

**Zone 5**—Lots 40-56, 61-  
76

**Zone 6**—Lots 1-21, 23-39

**Zone 7**-Lots 129-161

**Zone 8**-Lots 162 - 167,  
188-190, 195-226,  
230-231, 297

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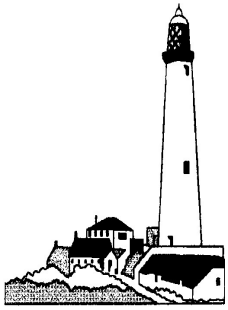
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