



EMERALD LAKES COMMUNICATOR

July 1, 2012

DATES TO REMEMBER

WATER EXERCISE: Every Mon-Wed-Fri (except for the 1st Wednesday of a month) at 9:00 am.

- 7/4 **HAPPY 4TH OF JULY**
- 7/8 **Ice Cream Social – 2:00 pm**
- 7/9 **Pizza & Salad – 5:30 pm**
- 7/11 **Ladies Club Meeting – 9:00 am**
- 7/17 **Dee's Lunch Out for Men and Ladies – 11:30 am**
- 7/21 **Bring N'Share – 5:30 pm**
- 7/27 **Tea Party (Hats) – 11:30**
- 7/30-8/4 **Rummage Sale (see details)**

PLEASE GIVE A **BIG THANK YOU TO PHIL AND MARCIA BARTLING** FOR THEIR VOLUNTEERED TIME. THEY HAVE BEEN VERY BUSY SCAPING WALLPAPER OFF THE ATTACHED PORCH OF LOT 23. THIS WAS A HUGE TASK. PHIL HAS ALSO PUT THE STONE SKIRTING AROUND LOT 23 AND HE HAS BEEN MANNING AN OUTSIDE PUMP BETWEEN LOT 108 AND 109, WHEN IT RAINS. AND YOU ALL KNOW HOW MUCH RAIN WE HAVE HAD RECENTLY. **THEIR UNCEASING EFFORTS HAVE BEEN MUCH APPRECIATED.**

SELLING OR RENTING EMERALD LAKES' HOMES

Please remember all potential buyers and/or renters **MUST** come to the office to complete an application for Residency Approval. For those buying (whether a homeowner or shareholder) a credit check and criminal background screening **MUST** be run prior to approval being granted by the Board of Directors. For those that are renting a home from an Emerald Lakes resident (and they do not have previous history of renting before in the park) a background check **MUST** be run prior to approval being granted by the Board of Directors. This also includes anyone who comes to stay with a homeowner or renter longer than 15 consecutive days or 30 calendar days. The fee for a credit and criminal background check is \$50.00 for each applicant payable to Emerald Lakes Co-op, Inc. The fee for a criminal background check is \$25.00 for each applicant payable to Emerald Lakes Co-op, Inc.

In all cases, whether you are an owner or renter, permanent or seasonal resident, it would be greatly appreciated, if you notify the office and leave a phone number to reach you when coming into the park as a new resident, returning to the park in the Spring as a seasonal resident or leaving the park for an extended period of time (weeks or months). This is requested for a variety of reasons, 2 of which are: if we need to shut water off in the park and also in case of an emergency we can contact you.

ATTENTION SHUT-INS

If you are a shut-in and need something done or you need something at the store or to go to the Doctors, please let Anne in office know at 394-5111. There are people in the park that are willing to help you. We just need to know who you are. Also, there is Lake County Connections, which is a state-funded program for transportation throughout Lake County. You can call (352) 742-6580 for more information about this service.

There are a few issues happening when residents or their relatives/friends are using the pool, which we need to call to your attention. It would be greatly appreciated if all residents would make sure that these rules are adhered to:

1. **ALL UMBRELLAS NEED TO BE CLOSED, WHEN NO ONE IS IN THE POOL AREA.** If you have opened an umbrella, please make sure that it is closed when you leave. Also, anyone who is there and notices an umbrella opened, would you be so kind as to close it when you leave. Your extra effort is greatly appreciated. We all know how sudden winds pop up here, and policing our umbrellas can alleviate damage to them.
2. **UNDER FLORIDA LAW, THE ROPE SEPARATING THE LOW SIDE OF THE POOL FROM THE DEEP SIDE NEEDS TO BE IN PLACE AT ALL TIMES.** If for any reason it has been taken down and you notice it, please be sure to put it back. This has been taken down a number of times and not replaced.
3. **ACCORDING TO THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT, INFANTS OR TODDLERS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE POOL UNLESS THEY HAVE ON THE APPROPRIATE DIAPERS TO BE WORN IN POOLS.** If they are not clothed properly and an accident happens, then the pool must be shut down immediately and sanitized.

Notice of Amendment to the Policy for Using the Clubhouse

One of the changes to the policy for using the Clubhouse was mis-stated and has been amended below: Please read corrected policy below:

1. Residents wishing to use the clubhouse for private functions, as well as events being scheduled by the Ladies' or Men's Clubs must do so through Anne in the office so they can be coordinated on the calendar to avoid duplication of bookings.
2. When scheduling private events there is a \$200 refundable deposit needed as well as a \$25.00 rental fee. The deposit will be returned, if the room is left in an acceptable condition.
3. **A resident may reserve the clubhouse no more than two (2) times per calendar year for events in which over 50% of the participants are not residents of the community, or in which the primary beneficiary of the activity is an outside organization that has already scheduled activities in the clubhouse two times within the last calendar year.**
4. Keep in mind that management reserves the right to make the final decision as to whether the use of the clubhouse will be allowed.

PARK CONCERNS, SUGGESTIONS OR MAINTENANCE ISSUES

Just a reminder: If anyone has any concerns or suggestions or knows of any maintenance needs in general please complete a **Resident Input Form** and give to Anne in the office. They can be obtained inside the clubhouse in the tray under the Board of Directors bulletin board. (They are in the same tray as the architectural application forms.). All issues will be given to the Board of Directors immediately and addressed.

FOOD DRIVE

Collections of food continue for our holiday food drive. If you would like to donate any can goods or non-perishable items, it would be appreciated. Boxes will be located in the clubhouse in the porch area for this purpose.

MEMORIAL FUND REMINDER

Give a living tribute in memory of a loved one. A gift of any size will be used with other gifts to make a significant contribution to purchasing something that will enhance the Emerald Lakes Park. Ask the office for a Memorial Fund Brochure or pick one up at the reception table in the Clubhouse.

NEW RESIDENTS

Lot 206 – Bradley and Mary Ward have arrived and are here to stay fulltime. Their phone numbers are (941) 628-8482 and (941) 628-6712.

I know we will all do our best to make them feel at home and make them aware of all of our activities. Let them know where they can pick up a newsletter and calendar and invite them to coffee and doughnuts on Tuesdays.

INSURANCE FOR YOUR HOMES

Anne has a list of area agents who deal with insurance for manufactured homes. If anyone is interested in obtaining a copy of this list, please see her in the office.

LADIES' CLUB

Below is the complete list of Ladies' Club activities for July. Please check the bulletin boards in the clubhouse and outside for changes. Also please check for sign-up sheets, as we will need head counts.

July 8th – Ice Cream Social 2:00 pm

July 9th - Pizza and Salad 5:30 p.m. Please sign up so we will know how many pizzas to order. Cost is \$4.00 per person.

July 11th – Ladies' Club Meeting 9:00 a.m.

July 17th - Dee's Tuesday Lunch Out for Men and Ladies – Beef O'Brady's. Watch for announcement and sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Meet at the clubhouse at 11:30 am.

July 21st – Bring 'N Share 5:30 p.m. Please see the sign-up sheet.

July 27th – Tea Party (Hats) at 11:30 a.m.

July 30th – August 4th – RUMMAGE SALE

July 30th – August 2nd – Pricing and Set-up

August 2nd – Sale for Residents 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

August 3rd – August 4th – Sale for Non-Residents 8 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The Ladies Club will continue to meet during the summer months. New ideas for activities are always welcome. Please feel free to bring them up at the meetings or call Barbara at (352) 536-6833. Also if you are a shut-in or know of someone who is interested in coming, please let us know.

Remember to check the bulletin boards frequently for information and sign-up sheets for activities. It is important that if you want to be included in any event, you must remember to sign up so we can have a head count of who is attending.

I hope everyone has a Happy 4th of July and we will see you on the 11th at 9:00 for the Ladies' Club meeting

Your President, Barbara McGinnis

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Billiards continue to be held **every Monday** night at **6:30 p.m.**

Bible Study will not meet on July 3rd this month, but will continue on **Tuesday, July 10th at 10:30 a.m.** in the library. **Great Fellowship - All are invited.** We will start our new study on Spiritual Warfare. If you are interested in joining the group, please let Dee Peters know and she will order a study guide for you.

Bingo is held every **Tuesday** night at **7:00 p.m.**

Chair Exercise every Tuesday and Thursday in Clubhouse has been cancelled until further notice. Look for a notice when this will resume.

Coffee & Donuts every **Tuesday** at **9:00 a.m.**

Crafts will not meet during the summer months. Keep working on projects at home.

Dominos continue to be held on every **Thursday and Friday** at **6:30 p.m.**

Pinochle will be held at **6:30 pm** on **Thursday nights from now on.** Come on down; **we need players.**

Poker and Ladies Cards continue to be held on **Wednesdays** at **6:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.**

Texas Hold'Em will continue in the **Library** every **Saturday** at **6:30 p.m.**

Water Exercise continues to be held every **Monday, Wednesday (with the exception of the 1st Wednesday of every month) and Friday** mornings at **9:00 a.m.**

*It is not
how old you are
but
how you are old*

Marie Dressler