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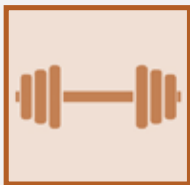
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My farewell letter as President

Mark Hooker



The Annual Meeting was held on February 12, 2024. I would like to thank Judy Keller, George White, and Gerry Barnicle for their time and service on the Board. The following Directors were elected: Grace Naegele, Mary Robertson, and Sandy Augsburg. Congratulations to our new Board Members.

Your Board Officers for the next year are James Hofman, President; Karla Blevins, Vice President; Patricia Mandjack, Secretary; and Charles Battleson, Treasurer. Congratulations to our new Board Officers and Directors.

This month winds down our winter season. Easter is the last Sunday of the month, and many of our winter residents will be leaving for their northern homes before Easter.

Night of Music is this month on the 7th and the 9th. Sponsored by the Stage and Storage Committee, it is their only fund raiser. It is also a good time to see the talents of our residents as they "strut their stuff" for our entertainment. I encourage everyone to attend one of the evening performances and donate as you enter. Your donations fund new equipment and improvements to the audio and video systems used in the clubhouse.

March 19 is Primary Election Day for county, state, and national candidates. The hall will be closed to all activities except voting.

Also on the calendar for March 22^{is} is the annual Sports Mixer sponsored by the Activities Committee. This day is a lot of fun as all residents get a chance to compete in slightly altered versions of a variety of sports, complete with prizes! Entry fee is \$5.00.

After many years of serving on the BOD - Director for 4 years, Secretary for 1 year and President for 9 years, it will be time to retire after this year. I've enjoyed my time on the Board, and I will miss it.

Nancy and I wish everyone a Happy Easter and safe travels wherever you go.



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Tracy Roux, CMCA, AMS

MANAGER

Report



CONGRATULATIONS to the newest Board members elected in February. We welcome Grace Naegele, Mary Robertson and Sandy Augsburg to the Board. I also want to thank Judy Keller, George White and Gerry Barnicle for their years in service to Golf Lakes.

The ANNUAL MEETING takes so many hands to prepare, collect, and count proxies and ballots. Thank you to everyone who pitched in to help in this effort. I was so impressed with the responsiveness of residents to ensure that proxies were turned in and we had no issues meeting quorum. This is huge because often communities struggle to get proxies and ballots back from members. Thank you all for being part of the process.

I also want to thank Fran Spraetz and Patti Hegdal who have volunteered to take over as EDITORS for The Banner. Carolyn Boyle, thank you for keeping things afloat in the interim.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE - As our seasonal residents and fulltime residents alike start to think about the approaching close of the season, please perform a full inspection of your home and property and ensure that everything is in order, especially if you will be returning to your summer home.

Check that your home's exterior is clean, including any awnings/shutters that are generally lowered upon departure. If your home exterior needs painting, apply and arrange for that now in order to complete prior to your departure. Your yard should be free of weeds, beds edged and weed free, yard or exterior decorations should be in good repair, clean and tidy. (Décor must be removed prior to your leaving the park for more than seven (7) days.)

If your roof is dirty, arrange to have it cleaned. Clean any screening, lattice, or vertical surfaces of pollen and dirt. Remember to store portable items out of view from neighbors when not in use. There should be no visible storage of materials such as stones/pavers or items no longer used.

Golf Lakes is a highly desirable community to live in, because of its beauty and well-kept grounds. Also, if you leave for the season, remember you must leave your yard light on. Using an LED bulb will only cost you a couple of dollars for the entire time you're gone. If you have any questions, please contact the office for assistance.

PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS – Remember ALL exterior improvements must be approved prior to the work. Applications are available at the office. Improvements installed without permission may result in fines levied against owners.

CLUBHOUSE KITCHEN – Due to some recent damages sustained in the kitchen to our ice machine, we are finding it necessary to lock the kitchen moving forward. We regret any inconvenience to residents; however, in order to preserve the integrity of the commercial licensing and the recent costs to make repairs due to damages caused by improper use, we feel this step is prudent. Keys will be available and managed by the Chairman of Activities, the Kitchen Manager and the office. If you need to arrange for access, please contact the appropriate person from the above list.

NO SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY – Due to rising costs there will be no pick-up of unwanted items this year. If you have bulk items that need to be disposed, you can call the office and arrange for those to be removed by Arbor Landscape for a fee.

Let's all work together to keep Golf Lakes beautiful.



As I begin my new transition as Editor of the Banner, I'd like to first thank Carolyn Boyle for stepping back in as Editor when CJ vacated and for the time she spent with me showing me the ins & outs of publishing this newsletter. Needless to say, I am intimidated following behind them. With that being said, please bear with me as I muddle through my first few editions. Publishing a newsletter is new to me but I also did not want the Banner to disappear. Let's work together – if you have ideas, suggestions or want to join our team, please send an email to golfcakesbanner@gmail.com.

Fran Spraetz, Editor

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Sports Mixer – It's Time to Have Some Fun

Cover Story

This Year's Annual Sports Mixer will be March 22nd starting at 9:15 A.M. in and around the ClubHouse.

Cost for the event is \$5.00, which includes the breakfast and lunch. Look for the Sports Mixer sign-up sheet posted on Board 2 of the ClubHouse.

This years' schedule is:

9:15 to 10:00 Breakfast & Sign-Up

Coffee & Donuts
Pay your \$5.00 entry fee

10:00 Games begin

(8 different stations can be played in any order)

11:30 Lunch begins

(Sloppy Joes, Chips, Cookies and a drink)

Noon Door prizes & Awards

"Activity" and **"Variety"** are the hallmarks of the annual Sports Mixer. If this is your introduction to this fun-filled day, we want to stress that this is an amateur's chance to shine. The events held are modified activities using our Lawn Bowling and Shuffleboard courts. The golf course and putt-putt challenges favor the novice. Corn hole, Basketball, free eats, and most of all, the Golf Lakes specialty, friendship are all a staple of this annual event.

Organizers stress that luck is usually more advantageous than skill. Even novices can complete the course in approximately 30 minutes. Watching is just as entertaining as participating.



Each participant is given a "Score Card" which is your entry for the Door Prizes and lets you know which events you can look for.



No event at Golf Lakes happens without many volunteers. You can help set-up the hall the day before, supervise a challenge, or assist in clean-up afterwards. Activities Committee chairperson, Terry Keller estimates 80 people will volunteer on this day. There is a sign-up sheet on Board 2 in the Club House.

If you can assist with one of the challenges, there is a "fast pace" provided which skips to the front of the line at each challenge, allowing you to participate as well.



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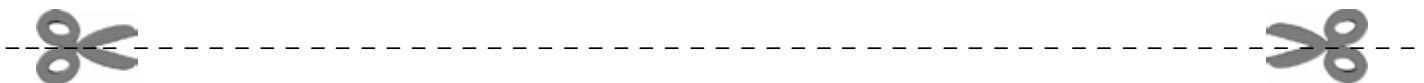
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Birthday Correction/Addition FORM

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Our Community

Resident Updates

March

New Residents

Niver, Mark & Lisa 810-834-5965 810-660-9293	805 49th A Ave E	MI
Peters, William & Linda 616-648-1648	4919 3rd B St E	MI
Redd, Robert 815-674-7960	4915 1st A St E	IL

Moved Away

Begin, Bonnie	4915 1st A St E
Tucker, Ora Fern	5206 7th C St E

Updates/Corrections

Chandler, Lawrence	707 49th A Ave Dr E
Gould, John & Shelley	4906 2nd A St E
Kiekintveld, Scott & Sally	Corrected spelling
Layman, Ron & Peggy Jo	Added Ron
Leishman, William & Betty	4909 6th B St E
Raymond, Donald & Paula	803 49th A Ave Dr E
Tucker, Tim & Rosalie	765-669-1462 765-438-5798

Deaths

Wagner, Shirley	5005 6th D St E	1/26/24
Decilio, Richard	411 49th C Ave E	1/29/24
Hubler, Roberta	705 49th A Ave Dr E	2/5/24
Hoffman, Laurine	804 49th C Ave E	2/8/24

Prepared from information received from the Golf Lakes Office. Any official changes should be directed to the office, not the Banner.

Birthdays of the Month

1	David Bowersox, Marion Goodie, Evelyn Hight, Paul Taulbee
2	Foster W Lewis
3	Joanne Kloosterhof, Jan Mohr
4	Jim Baker, Rick Capuci, Jim Hofman, James Koschara
5	Sam Leep
6	Ray Begin, Patricia Koschara,
7	Pat Sellers, Gus VanDenBerge
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9	Mary Bird, Rog Grinwis
10	
11	
12	
13	Bill Bierema, Roland Carney, Judy Portinga, Kathy Sellers
14	Ron Gumpfer, Sheila Snape
15	Art Earl, Mary Hoeksema, Al Rupp
16	Jacques Eugene, Mary Jemiolo,
17	Robert Adler
18	
19	Betty Eilers
20	Margaret Ritter, Fred Renton
21	Pam Hodder, Betty Jane Lutz, Lee Stanage,
22	Sharon Kemnitz, Jeanne Kidder, Linda Stannard
23	Marvin Lutz, Sandy Tiell
25	Cele Jackson
26	
27	Gary Hall, Marcia Puckett
29	Billy Gordon, Helen Irwin, Angela Racey, Art Schout
30	Andy Sparks, Pat Watson, Bob Wenzler
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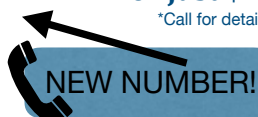
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Golf Lakes Veterans Garden Project Request for Donations

The Beautification Committee is seeking donations for the proposed Veterans Garden Project. The garden will replace the green that is in front of the clubhouse. The benefits include providing a pleasing area to honor our Golf Lakes veterans (names to be displayed in the clubhouse upon project completion), repurposing unused space, providing safe access to the clubhouse from the parking lot and reducing landscape maintenance. The cost of the project is approximately \$80,000.

As of 1/25/24, the Golf Lakes BOD is matching all donations up to \$15,000.

If you would like to make a donation to honor a resident veteran and/or help make improvements to our clubhouse entrance, please write a check to **Golf Lakes Residents Assoc.** and write on the memo line **"Veterans Garden."** Also include the name of the veteran that you wish to honor. Bring your check to the Golf Lakes office.

Please contact Steve Pandiscio with any questions. Thank you for your support!



Submitted by Steve Pandiscio



Music's in the air

Since Under The Palms is now a "Bonafide Committee" ~ We're Celebrating with "MORE MUSIC MARCH!"

Here's the March Line-Up:

3/7 Al Ronek, "A Pirate Over 50"

3/14 Aaron Kelly & Josh Simpson "American Idol" Return

3/21 Koko Ray Combo

3/27 Capt. Kurt w/Special Guests Sonny & Cher, Capt. & Tennille

ALL CONCERTS: 2—4 PM

Join our new Facebook Page: Under The Palms

Submitted by Ron Emser

Welcome to



the Neighborhood

Maudina Romig is a new resident that comes to us originally from Kansas City, Missouri. She moved to Golf Lakes in the Fall and resides at **5114 8th A St. E.** Before retiring, Maudina worked for a large insurance company that serves federal employees. She has one son who is married and he has a 3 month old son. Maudina also has a bonus daughter, (that is what she calls her step daughter) who lives in the Czech Republic and who she enjoys visiting every couple of years. In her spare time she likes live music and is looking forward to "Under the Palms" afternoons. She also is a big treasure/bargain hunter. When asked why she chose Golf Lakes she said that it really was not her intention. She had friends who were encouraging her to buy a condo in their community but she just happened on Golf Lakes one day as she was driving around. She liked what she saw, talked to some residents who were new to the park and very happy to be here and then she just drove away, still intending to buy a condo. However, Maudina said something just kept drawing her back to Golf Lakes. She just felt comfortable in Golf Lakes and felt like this is where she was suppose to be..... And the rest is history. Maudina will be a full time resident when not traveling to see the new grand-baby.

She was visited by Dick and Karla Blevins.

Steve and Donna Ebert purchased their home at **4901 1st A St.** in May 2023. They come to us from Martin, Ohio. Steve pointed out Martin is a small town outside of Toledo with one 3-way stop sign. Donna was an assistant manager/security officer for a local bank for 20 years and retired to pursue her passion of art. Her artwork can be found at several Ohio local stores as well as fulfilling special orders. Steve was a longshoreman for CSX Railroad for 41 years. He is a self made carpenter, woodworker and plays golf. They have two children and 7 grandchildren. They describe their reason for choosing Golf Lakes as being a domino effect. Last season there was a mix-up with their rental housing arrangements and a friend recommended checking out our community. They found a place to rent here and made their purchase before going back to Ohio. As seasonal residents they will be here from "last mow to first mow".

They were visited by Susan & Milton Christy.

Barbara Carpenter is a new, but returning, resident to Golf Lakes. She moved to **5010 8th B St. E** on December 31, 2023. She hails from Sudbury, Ontario which is near Toronto in Nickel Mining country. Before retiring, Barbara and her recently deceased husband were self employed for 59 years as owners and managers of rental properties. They have three children and six grandchildren. Barbara said she was always too busy working to have hobbies but since coming back to Golf Lakes she is quickly making up for that. She loves Bingo and is also playing Euchre and Cribbage as well as learning how to play Shuffleboard. When we asked Barbara why did you come back to Golf Lakes she quickly responded because of the people and well, just everything. Being Canadian, her plan will be to stay here for 4-5 months each year. Welcome back Barbara.

She was visited by Dick and Karla Blevins.

Pam and Jeff Hodder moved to **410 49th B Ave. E** in March of 2022. They come to Golf Lakes from New Heaven, Indiana and plan to be here about 6 months each year. They are both retired, Pam from nursing and Jeff from GM. They have 2 children and 4 grandchildren. When asked about hobbies Pam said until she came to Golf Lakes she did not have much time for hobbies, but now she has found she loves to read, going to the pool for water aerobics and walking. Jeff's hobby is work to most people. He loves remodeling and restoring and fixing things up, which is what they have been doing to their house here pretty much non-stop. Pam and Jeff are also members of the Moose Lodge. When asked how they happened on to Golf Lakes they said they use to vacation quite a bit in Siesta Key and one day they were just driving around and happened to come upon Village on the Greens. They looked around a bit but Golf Lakes kept coming up in conversation so they decided they were so close they might as well check it out. Driving around they were very impressed with how neat and clean everything looked. They loved all the trees and that it was a resident owned park. So they got connected with Lynn and the rest is history.

They were visited by Dick and Karla Blevins.

Welcome to



the Neighborhood

John and Mary Soto come to us from Elburn, Illinois. They are 2nd generation owners, purchasing the home of Mary's parents, Bill and Kathy Bezanson in May 2023 and live at **5122 7th C St.** John retired as an air traffic controller in Aurora, Illinois. Mary describes her former occupation as "assistant manager of home affairs" and was a home school educator. They have 4 children and 9 grandchildren. They belong to Chapel Street Church in Geneva, Illinois as well as FBC Palmetto Church. Mary enjoys knitting, sewing and painting and both enjoy bike riding, camping and pickleball. John and Mary were two of the many new residents that volunteered to work the White Elephant Sale and are already looking forward to next year. They are glad to be owners in Golf Lakes where they visited Mary's parents for many years, connecting with old friends and finding new avenues to explore. They will be seasonal residents.

They were interviewed by Susan & Milton Christy

Paul and Diane Taulbee moved to Golf Lakes in March of 2023 and reside at **801 50th A Ave. E.** They come to us from Alexandria, Kentucky and will be part-time residents. Paul and Linda have 2 children and 4 grandchildren who love to come and visit them here in Florida. Before retiring Paul worked as a metal fabricator for GE and then had a second career as a printer for a large insurance company. Linda worked as the Compliance Officer for a large Federal Credit Union. Paul loves to garden and construct things. Linda is a sewer, crafter and cans all the produce Paul grows in his large garden. They are both very active in the Church of God where Paul puts his building skills to work wherever needed. When asked how they found Golf Lakes it was because they have a cousin here whom they visited and they liked what they saw and decided to buy.

They were visited by Dick and Karla Blevins.

Suzanne Demetriades lives at **5018 8th B St. E** with her mom, **Carole Bricker**, and will be a full time resident. She comes to us from Houston, Texas but still has many fond memories of the years she lived in Michigan including her education at the University of Michigan "Go Blue". Suzanne worked for GM for 16 years. She currently works full-time from home as an international training coordinator for a non-profit in corrosion control and also sells Rodan + Fields skincare products in her spare time. She has 1 son who attends Tufts University. Her activities include walking, exercising and lifting weights. Suzanne has been coming to Golf Lakes for 30 years visiting her family including her cousin, Diane Fielbrandt. As a permanent resident, she is looking forward to being here for her mom and the cooler Florida summers compared to Houston.

She was interviewed by Susan & Milton Christy



GOLF LAKES OFFICIAL RESIDENT FACEBOOK PAGE

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Submitted by Janet Eisses

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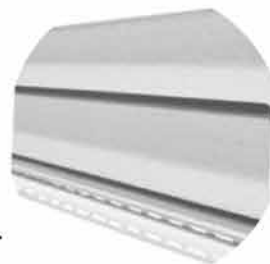
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The Golf Lakes Beautification Committee is taking orders for annuals for the Fall 2024 season.

Order deadline is April 12, 2024. Order your annuals by calling Steve Pandiscio 508-450-5663.

Annuals are \$4.50 each and must be paid for by April 12. Cash or check only. (Make check out to Golf Lakes and add "flowers" in the memo line.) **Bring payment to Steve Pandiscio at 5122 5th A St.**

Orders will be available for pickup **November 1-3** at Steve Pandiscio's home (5122 5th A St).

NOTE: Orders will not be stored beyond November 3rd.

Select from the following annuals:

WAX BEGONIAS: White, Pink, Red

GERANIUMS: Red

SUNPATIENS: White, Purple, Red, Rose Pink

Submitted by Steve Pandiscio

HALL SCHEDULING TIME

(ALL activities / events must be scheduled)

It is time again to fill out the **Hall Scheduling Requests** for the remainder of 2024 and into 2025.

Every Hall activity must be scheduled for the period May 1, 2024 to April 30, 2025.

Starting Feb. 24th, a folder of blank forms and a folder for completed forms will be hung on Board 2 in the Clubhouse. **Both sides of the form must be completed.** It must be signed on the right-hand side of the back.

As a reminder, the Library, Game Room, and Kitchen are not available for scheduling.

Any questions, contact or call Mary Fowler 440-487-8223 or mfowler.43@gmail.com or Terry Keller 269-953-2431 or shadrack4068@yahoo.com. The completed / approved request will be returned by the end of March. Requestors will be responsible for resolving all conflicts.

Submitted by Activities Committee

From Your **Committees**



MONTHLY MEETING NEWS ~

It has been said that "He Who Plants a Tree,
Plants Hope"

Woman's Club will have their monthly meeting on Thursday, March 14 at 2 pm featuring Mike and Pat Mandjack. They will speak to us about their expertise in growing bonsai trees.

All women are invited to come enjoy the friendship of others and learn about this interesting project.

Submitted by Jane Brouwer

ATTENTION NEW RESIDENTS "Welcome to Golf Lakes"

The Activities Committee has a **New Resident Welcome Committee** and we would love to talk to you. The Committee shares information about our Park, provides you with a voucher for a free safety vest, a "New Resident Handbook" and a Pictorial of the residents in the Park. A short interview provides the opportunity for your formal introduction to the Park. At a minimum, the meeting with the Committee results in your introduction in The Banner. A New Resident listing appears most months in The Banner. You would be surprised the number of times our new residents have found folks from their own state or even their city through The Banner introduction. At this time, the Committee is working hard to get caught up with interviews due to the large number of new residents. If you would like an "Official Greeting" to Golf Lakes, sign up on the **New Resident sheet on Board 2** in the Clubhouse or call Terry Keller at 269-953-2431. Arrangements will be made for your official welcome.

Submitted by Terry Keller



TRAVEL TIME WITH BETH

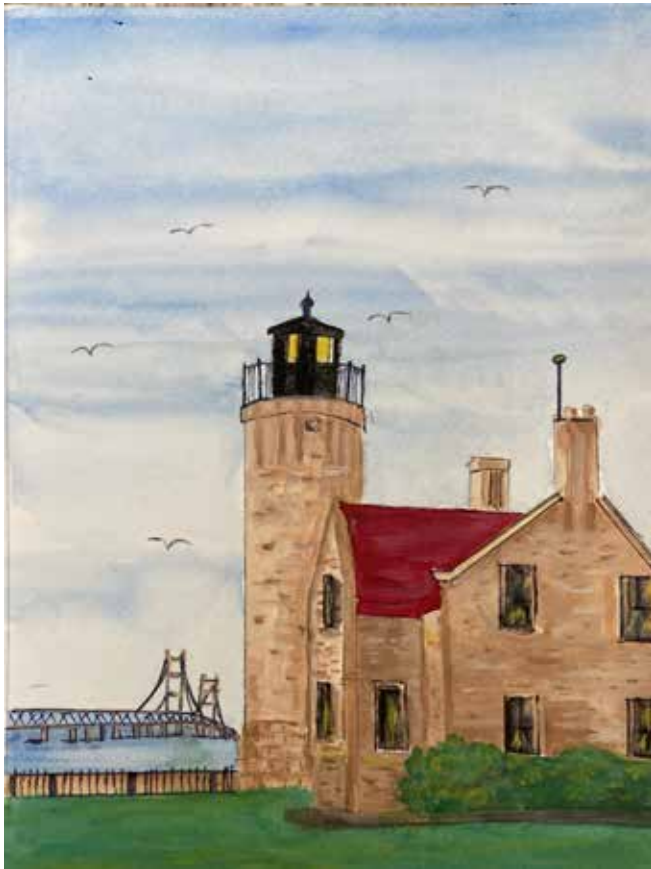
As you are reading this, our Cruise is past and we ALL had a great time.

Our next trip is just days away, March 2nd. We are headed to Clermont, FL to tour Lakeridge Winery, then we head to Yalaha German Bakery for lunch, then our last stop is Plant City for the Strawberry Festival.

Our last trip of the season is April 21st—23rd, where we will be heading to Key West with some stops along the way. The trip is FULL but we do have a waitlist.

THANK-YOU to everyone who has participated.

Submitted by Beth Mueller



watercolor done by Sharon St. John. Do you know where this lighthouse is located?

Submitted by David Harris



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Safety Reminders

Remember Park Speed Limit is **15 mph** for cars and golf carts! Also be extra careful when driving in the early morning and late afternoon because of the sun.

Also, if you see anyone or anything that looks out of place in the Park, call 911 or the Sheriff's Office at 941-747-3011 ext. 2260

Submitted by Bob Mueller

Social Gatherings



Social Hour Invitation

The Activities Committee is confirming the open invitation to Saturday Social Hour starting at 9:00 AM every Saturday in the Clubhouse.

For a nominal fee of \$1.00, you get a seat and coffee. For an additional \$1.00 you get a donut. This is an opportunity to meet new people and catch up on what is going on in the park. In addition, there are special announcements made to keep everyone informed of club or committee activities.

Be sure to arrive a little early, if you have trouble finding a seat, someone will assist you.

Submitted by Terry Keller



Happy St. Patrick's Day!

SOCIAL HOUR SHORT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Based on concerns about the length and content of announcements made during Social Hour, guidelines have been established to make the announcements shorter and more effective. If making an announcement, please adhere to the following for the benefit of all attendees.

1. Announcements should be no longer than 15 to 20 seconds.
2. Announcements are to inform and not to entertain – elaboration is not needed.
3. Be specific – list dates, times, cost & contact person.
4. Clarify what Board contains specific details and/or sign-up sheets.
5. Should be in a format similar to what may appear as Ch732 announcements (short & concise)
6. Announcements are for events and activities sponsored by Golf Lakes ONLY.
7. Announcements should not be made more than 3 weeks ahead of the activity or event.

If you would prefer not to attend Social Hour but have an announcement, you must legibly write it out and have someone else make it for you or drop it off to the Emcee no later than 8:50 AM that morning and the Emcee will make sure someone makes the announcement.

March

Emcees

Introductions

Host/Hostesses

2	Mildred Blankers	Karla Blevins	Dottie Owens, Health Care Workers
9	Mitch Dykstra	Mildred Blankers	Al & Jo Rupp, The Educators
16	Lorna Ulmer	Betty Chiffolo	Bill Blake, Pickleball
23	Ria Buitenhuis	Cele Jackson	Paul Maille, Mens Golfers
30	Judy Keller	Betty Chiffolo	Ed St John, Michigan

Knee Pain?

Arthritis?

- Are your knees **stiff** in the morning?
- Do your knees hurt when going up or down **stairs**?
- Do you take **ibuprofen, aspirin or other medications** for your knee pain?
- Do the activities you enjoy cause **pain** around your knees?



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Thank you for your referrals

We were totally in the dark about Medicare, until we spent time with you! L&B

We are thinking of moving and you helped us to make a plan. L & LG

"The Medicare Guy", we will be referring you to all our Friends. GC&DH

Thanks, Greg, for all your knowledge and patients - JM

After 8+ hours with us you recommended we stay with what we had. Thank You Greg

You made us realize that for us, Medicare Part C was NOT "The Dark Side". J&RH

**We needed Help with My Mom's MA plan.
You made it painless and understandable. ML**

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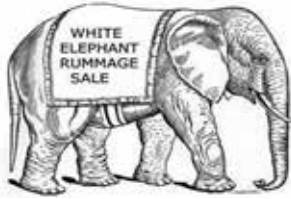


Thank you for dispelling all the rumors. WS

My husband's move to Assisted Living was so stressful. Thank you for all the time you spent Holding My Hand. LH

A Printout of all our drug cost by month... WOW!

Thank you for these testimonials



WOMENS CLUB OF GOLF LAKES.....

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE WRAP-UP

OVERALL RESULTS - 2024

Gross Sales: \$15,548.57

Expenses: \$3,028.26 (includes sales tax)

NET SALES: \$12,520.31

The net sales were accomplished thanks to awesome donations and so many folks volunteering to put this huge community event together successfully. I would be remiss if I did not mention the generosity of those allowing us to store "product" in their sheds. "Where would we store it without their space, I do not know." We fill up that White Elephant Storage Shed pretty quickly. I want to distinguish Lynne Mercier and Pam McFarland in the realty office, and our new Manager, Tracy Roux, for they are instrumental in guiding folks, just moving into the park – or those leaving the park, to donate wonderful things for us to sell, things that we would not necessarily receive otherwise. It is those donations that provide us the incredible volume of quality product we receive each year; and Lenny Goodie loves running around on his Golf Cart picking up all of those things.

In 14 to 15 years the Women of Golf Lakes has netted \$166,755.00 which has, in turn, helped the Bradenton Community charities a great deal; it has surely benefitted Golf Lakes in so many ways. Everywhere you look, you see improvements of our park thanks to our generous Women's Group. Cande Vermeulen is a great "Badge" producer and I don't know what I would do without her terrific organizational skills and those Chairpersons out there. I find it a pleasure to serve the Women of Golf Lakes.

Thank you Golf Lakers for your support and cooperation! You sure do make this project a lot of fun!

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE RAFFLE WINNERS - 2024

Thanks everyone for purchasing Raffle Tickets from us again this year!

And Thanks to all who donate the items for the Raffle. Golf Lakes Realty donated the \$100.00 Walmart Gift Card. The other raffle items, where not indicated, were donated by anonymous folks who are most generous with this raffle thing almost every year!

14K Gold 18" Chain and Pendant – Won by Gail Lawley

One Hundred Dollar Bill – Won by Paula Volland

\$100.00 Gift Card for Walmart – Won by Betty Chiffolo

Gorgeous handmade "Man's Jewelry Box" by Junior Heyboer – Won by Susan Hullet

A Hand Quilted "Bed Runner" compliments of Dianne Bradt – Won by Kathy Clute

Lottery Scratch-off Ticket Tree – Won by Susan Hullett

The Raffle Department this year brought in \$1,526.00....Hallelujah!

Submitted by Sherie Wood



~~~~~ Challenge your mind ~~~~~

| ACROSS |                             |
|--------|-----------------------------|
| 1      | Busy worker in April        |
| 4      | Bro, to sis                 |
| 7      | On the ____ (fleeing)       |
| 10     | Electrical measure          |
| 11     | Fountain odors              |
| 13     | NHL necessity               |
| 14     | Before JFK                  |
| 15     | Intense anger               |
| 16     | Gave breakfast to           |
| 17     | Slow creature               |
| 19     | Dove's home                 |
| 21     | "____ Sharkey"              |
| 22     | Learn in passing (2 wds)    |
| 25     | Burrowing rodents           |
| 29     | Weighty work                |
| 30     | Fruit beverage              |
| 31     | Dog's nose                  |
| 34     | Work weeks end              |
| 35     | Melon skin                  |
| 37     | Goblet for brandy           |
| 39     | Entertain sumptuously       |
| 42     | Genetic initials            |
| 43     | Lyft rival                  |
| 44     | Politician Spiro            |
| 47     | "____ Blue?" (2 words)      |
| 49     | Gumption                    |
| 51     | Week part                   |
| 53     | Broiling ____               |
| 54     | Made believe                |
| 55     | Chicken ____ king (2 words) |
| 56     | Grossed-out exclamations    |
| 57     | ____ Aviv                   |
| 58     | "I have a dream" monogram   |

| DOWN |                                 |
|------|---------------------------------|
| 1    | Fish-stick fish                 |
| 2    | Aadvanced degrees (abbr)        |
| 3    | Prayer close                    |
| 4    | Gloomy                          |
| 5    | Dentists' group (abbr)          |
| 6    | Counterpart                     |
| 7    | Boat's safety adjunct (2 words) |
| 8    | Fighter pilot                   |
| 9    | Club ____ (resort)              |
| 11   | Shoplifts                       |
| 12   | Footwear                        |
| 18   | Disgusted German cry            |
| 20   | Professors' helpers (abbr)      |
| 23   | Dreadful monster                |
| 24   | ____ and square                 |
| 25   | Teri of "Young Frankenstein"    |

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|----|------------------------|
| 26 | "Garfield" character   |
| 27 | Pittsburg team         |
| 28 | Distress signal        |
| 32 | Separate threads       |
| 33 | Slightly colored       |
| 36 | Light touch            |
| 38 | Summer cooler          |
| 40 | Singer Horne           |
| 41 | Ramrod straight        |
| 45 | Red-coated cheese      |
| 46 | Brick ____             |
| 47 | Chimpanzee, e.g.       |
| 48 | Mom, to some           |
| 50 | Delivery course (abbr) |
| 52 | Tibetan ox             |

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# Happening This Month



## ANNUAL FLEA MARKET Friday March 1<sup>st</sup>

The Annual Golf Lakes Flea Market will be held March 1<sup>st</sup> in the North Parking Lot between the hours of 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM.

As a reminder, **NO OVERNIGHT VEHICLE PARKING IS ALLOWED IN THE NORTH LOT THURSDAY NIGHT FEBRUARY 29<sup>th</sup>!**

*Submitted by Terry Keller*

## DANCING FOR DOLLARS

**Event:** Community Benefit Dance - "Spring Fling"

**When:** Saturday, March 2

**Time:** 7 to 10 PM

**Suggested Donation:** \$5 per person

**Bring:** your own Snacks & Beverages (*alcohol allowed*)

**NOTE:** SIGN-UP SHEET IS POSTED ON BULLETIN BOARD #2

It's time to get up and get moving! Come join us for another enjoyable night of music, dance and socializing in the clubhouse. There is dance music for everyone – singles, couples, and groups. Proceeds from the "Spring Fling" will benefit Golf Lakes' Beautification Committee projects to support maintenance of our beautiful community.

*Submitted by Karen Furnari and Rose Patterson*



The March potluck will be held on Wednesday, March 20 in the Clubhouse and is hosted by the Activities Committee.

As with all potlucks, please bring your table service, your favorite dish to pass, a serving utensil as needed, as well as a glass for your beverage. The signup sheets will be on Board 2. Activities provides the drinks and a \$1.00 donation per person is requested.

*Submitted by Terry Keller*



## NIGHT OF MUSIC

March 7 & 9, 2024

Come join the fun because the cast is ready to make sure you understand: "just about anything goes this year". The show is, once again, full of surprises and we have been having the best time getting it ready for you. You don't want to miss it!

Doors open at 6:15 p.m. Vouchers may be obtained at the Office in a couple of weeks – or - Bert and Ria Buitenhuis and Herman and Martha Buitenhuis will have them available during Social Hour the last couple of weeks before the show - or you can get what you need at the door if we are not sold out! Folks ask me: so what is a voucher? It is your ticket to an evening of fun and enjoyment! It is neat to find out what wonderful talent lives here in Golf Lakes. You all come on down! There will be a concession stand too! Donations are appreciated as this is the only fund raiser the Stage and Storage Committee does each year.

*Submitted by Sherie Wood*



## You Are Invited. . .

The Golf Lakes **Harmony Notes** are excited to invite you to our upcoming annual concert and are looking forward to performing for you. Once again, we are delighted to welcome **The Mixed Choir** who will also be presenting their line-up of songs. Both choirs, along with their directors and accompanists, are busy preparing a variety of musical selections for your listening pleasure.

Reserve the date, invite your friends, and join us as our guests for an enjoyable evening of music.

**When: Saturday, March 16, 2024**

**Time: 7:00 PM**

**Where: Golf Lakes Clubhouse**

No ticket is required

(a donation basket will be available at the door)

We look forward to seeing you at the concert!

*Melody in the Air.....Happiness Everywhere*

*Submitted by Mary Hoeksema*

# MARCH

## DAILY ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

### Monday

|                                                        |       |       |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Ladies Exercise                                        | CH    | 8:15  |
| Men's Golf League                                      | GOM   | 8:30  |
| Tai Chi/Qi Gong                                        | N.Lot | 8:30  |
| Women's Monday Golf                                    | GLC   | 9:00  |
| Ceramics                                               | CR    | 9:00  |
| *Water Aerobics                                        | P     | 9:40  |
| *Stretch & Flex                                        | P     | 10:30 |
| Ladies Bridge                                          | FR    | 12:30 |
| Clever Creations                                       | CR    | 1:00  |
| Shuffleboard                                           | SC    | 1:00  |
| Double Pinochle                                        | FR    | 6:15  |
| Feather Your Nest (1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> ) | CR    | 6:30  |

### Tuesday

|                                                |     |       |
|------------------------------------------------|-----|-------|
| Dancing in the Street – 4915 2 <sup>nd</sup> A | FR  | 8:15  |
| Lap Robes                                      | CR  | 8:30  |
| Women's Bible Study                            | CH  | 9:00  |
| Women's Tuesday Golf                           | GLC | 9:00  |
| Ten Pin Bowling – at Bowlero Lanes             | FR  | 9:15  |
| Hand & Foot                                    | FR  | 12:00 |
| iPad Beginner I                                | CH  | 12:30 |
| Mah Jongg                                      | CR  | 1:00  |
| Shuffleboard                                   | SC  | 1:00  |
| iPad Beginner II                               | CH  | 1:30  |
| iPad Intermediate                              | CH  | 2:30  |
| Hand & Foot                                    | BR  | 6:00  |
| Couples Bridge                                 | FR  | 6:30  |
| Shuffleboard Open Play                         | SC  | 6:30  |

### Wednesday

|                                                |       |       |
|------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Breakfast Club @ Fiona's                       | out   | 8:00  |
| Ladies Exercise                                | CH    | 8:15  |
| Tai Chi/Qi Gong                                | N.Lot | 8:30  |
| Ceramics                                       | CR    | 9:00  |
| Zero Impact Exercise                           | CH    | 9:00  |
| Fall Prevention Exercise                       | CH    | 9:30  |
| *Water Aerobics                                | P     | 9:40  |
| *Stretch & Flex                                | P     | 10:30 |
| Women's Bridge                                 | FR    | 12:30 |
| Woodcarving                                    | CR    | 1:00  |
| Shuffleboard                                   | SC    | 1:00  |
| Euchre                                         | FR    | 6:30  |
| Bunco (2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> only) | FR    | 6:30  |

### Thursday

|                                                      |      |       |
|------------------------------------------------------|------|-------|
| Dancing in the Street – 4915 2 <sup>nd</sup> A       | CR   | 8:15  |
| Thursday AM Crafters                                 | CR   | 9:30  |
| Piecemakers Quilt Club                               | CR   | 12:30 |
| Mah Jongg                                            | FR   | 1:00  |
| Shuffleboard                                         | SC   | 1:00  |
| Square Club (2 <sup>nd</sup> Thurs. only)            | BR   | 1:00  |
| Women's Club (1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs. only)           | CH   | 2:00  |
| Under the Palms (1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> ) | CHgr | 2:00  |
| Hand, Foot & Elbow                                   | FR   | 6:00  |
| Cribbage                                             | CH   | 6:30  |

### Friday

|                    |    |       |
|--------------------|----|-------|
| Ladies Exercise    | CH | 8:15  |
| Art Group          | CR | 9:00  |
| *Water Aerobics    | P  | 9:40  |
| *Stretch & Flex    | P  | 10:30 |
| Line Dancing       | CH | 11:45 |
| Hand & Foot        | FR | 12:00 |
| Mah Jongg          | CR | 1:00  |
| Shuffleboard       | SC | 1:00  |
| Social Hour Set-Up | CH | 3:00  |
| Bingo              | CH | 6:00  |

### Saturday

|              |    |      |
|--------------|----|------|
| Social Hour  | CH | 9:00 |
| Banana Grams | FR | 1:00 |
| Shuffleboard | SC | 1:00 |

### Sunday

|                         |         |
|-------------------------|---------|
| No Activities Scheduled | AM      |
| *Vespers                | CH 6:00 |

#### LEGEND

|       |                   |
|-------|-------------------|
| BR    | Board Room        |
| CH    | Clubhouse         |
| S     | Stage             |
| CR    | Craft Room        |
| FR    | Friendship Room   |
| P     | Pool              |
| SC    | Shuffle Courts    |
| GLC   | Golf Lakes Course |
| PC    | Pickleball Court  |
| HC    | Horseshoe Court   |
| GOM   | Greens of Manatee |
| N.Lot | North Parking Lot |
| CHgr  | Clubhouse Grounds |



# Golf Lakes 2024 March

| SUNDAY                                                                                | MONDAY                                               | TUESDAY                     | WEDNESDAY                                                                            | THURSDAY                                                                         | FRIDAY               | SATURDAY                   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
|                                                                                       |                                                      |                             |                                                                                      | <b>1</b>                                                                         | <b>2</b>             |                            |
|                                                                                       |                                                      |                             |                                                                                      |                                                                                  | 8:30A – Flea Market  | 7P – Spring Fling          |
| <b>3</b>                                                                              | <b>4</b>                                             | <b>5</b>                    | <b>6</b>                                                                             | <b>7</b>                                                                         | <b>8</b>             | <b>9</b>                   |
| 6P – Pastor Jankovich                                                                 |                                                      |                             | 8A – Breakfast Club                                                                  | 7P – Night of Music                                                              |                      | 7P – Night of Music        |
| <b>10</b>                                                                             | <b>11</b>                                            | <b>12</b>                   | <b>13</b>                                                                            | <b>14</b>                                                                        | <b>15</b>            | <b>16</b>                  |
| <b>DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS</b><br>-----<br><b>RAMADAM</b><br>(begins at sundown) | <b>NATIONAL NAPPING DAY</b><br>7P -Health/Safety Pgm |                             | 8A – Breakfast Club                                                                  | <b>NATIONAL PI DAY</b><br>8A – BP check<br>9A – BOD Mtg<br>2P – Women's Club Mtg | <b>IDES OF MARCH</b> | 7P – Harmony Notes         |
| 6P – Pastor Maddox                                                                    |                                                      |                             |                                                                                      |                                                                                  |                      |                            |
| <b>17</b>                                                                             | <b>18</b>                                            | <b>19</b>                   | <b>20</b>                                                                            | <b>21</b>                                                                        | <b>22</b>            | <b>23</b>                  |
| <b>ST. PATRICKS DAY</b><br>6P – Pastor Lane                                           |                                                      | <b>PRIMARY ELECTION DAY</b> | 8A – Breakfast Club<br>5P – March Potluck                                            | 1P – Gad-a-bouts                                                                 | 9:15A – Sports Mixer | 5P – A Night at the Movies |
| <b>24</b>                                                                             | <b>25</b>                                            | <b>26</b>                   | <b>27</b>                                                                            | <b>28</b>                                                                        | <b>29</b>            | <b>30</b>                  |
| <b>PALM SUNDAY</b><br>6P – Dr. Kitchens                                               |                                                      |                             | <b>MANATEE APPRECIATION DAY</b><br>8A – Breakfast Club                               | 9A – BOD Mtg                                                                     | <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>   | 9A – Easter Bonnet Parade  |
| <b>31</b>                                                                             |                                                      |                             |  |                                                                                  |                      |                            |
| <b>EASTER SUNDAY</b><br>1P – Easter Potluck<br>6P – TBD                               |                                                      |                             |                                                                                      |                                                                                  |                      |                            |

# Also Happening This Month



## A Night at the Movies

**WHEN:** Saturday, March 23

**WHERE:** GL Clubhouse

**TIME:** Come for a hotdog at 5 pm and stay for a movie (*to be announced later*) beginning at 6:30 pm.

*Sponsored by the Woman's Club*



**Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 AM**

## **EASTER BONNET PARADE**

It's time again for our annual Easter Bonnet Parade. The date is March 30th during Social Hour. Get your hat ready and join in the fun (men are also allowed to wear an Easter hat). From glamorously glitzy to fabulously funny, everyone is welcome to participate. Just decorate your bonnet, hat, or whatever and prepare to strut your stuff during Social Hour.

*Submitted by Terry Keller*



The **Annual Sports Mixer** will be held on **Friday March 22<sup>nd</sup>** in the Clubhouse. **Breakfast and registration starts at 9:15 and the games begin at 10:00am.** The cost is \$5.00 for breakfast and lunch. Coffee / donut will be served in the morning and sloppy joes, chips and drinks for lunch.

For those that have never participated in one of these fun filled events, be assured that you need to have NO SKILL what-so-ever to participate.

"**Sports Mixer**" is truly an appropriate title. The events held are modified activities similar to Lawn Bowling, Shuffling, Corn Hole, Basketball and Putt-putt golf. Luck is usually more important than skill! Door prizes awarded after lunch. If you would like to volunteer to help, there will also be a volunteer signup sheet on Board 2. Approximately 80 volunteers are needed for this event. Time required is about 30 minutes and a "fast pass" is provided for the events.

Please sign up in the Clubhouse on Board 2



**Sunday March 31<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00 PM**

## **EASTER DINNER/POTLUCK**

Bring a dish of your favorite food to pass as well as your table service, a serving spoon, and a cup or glass.

The Activities Committee will provide Ham, coffee, ice tea or lemonade and water. A \$2.00 donation is requested at each activity when the ham is provided.

**Please signup on bulletin board #2.** The signup helps to determine how much ham to order.

*Submitted by Terry Keller*

# LEARNING



## iPad Classes

iPad classes will Continue to meet on Tuesdays through March 26. There are 2 beginner classes and an intermediate class. Classes meet in the Clubhouse.

**Beginner 1** (12:30 PM) - know almost nothing about your iPad; not sure what to do with it; not confident using it; have used it a little; although you have attended class before you still feel you need reinforcement in the very basics.

**Beginner 2** (1:30 PM) - have taken the class before; are familiar with basics such as email, messages; can play some games etc. (not all these are necessary, we will review them); are getting some confidence but still unsure a lot of the time.

**Intermediate** (2:30 PM) - feeling quite confident; not afraid to try some new things on your own; have taken the class and ready to move more rapidly with less re-teaching.

There will be a sign-up sheet on bulletin board #1. Call Linda 860-227-5958 with questions.

*Submitted by Linda Stannard*

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## Upcoming Programs and Presentations

At Golf Lakes Clubhouse

**Mon. March 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 PM**

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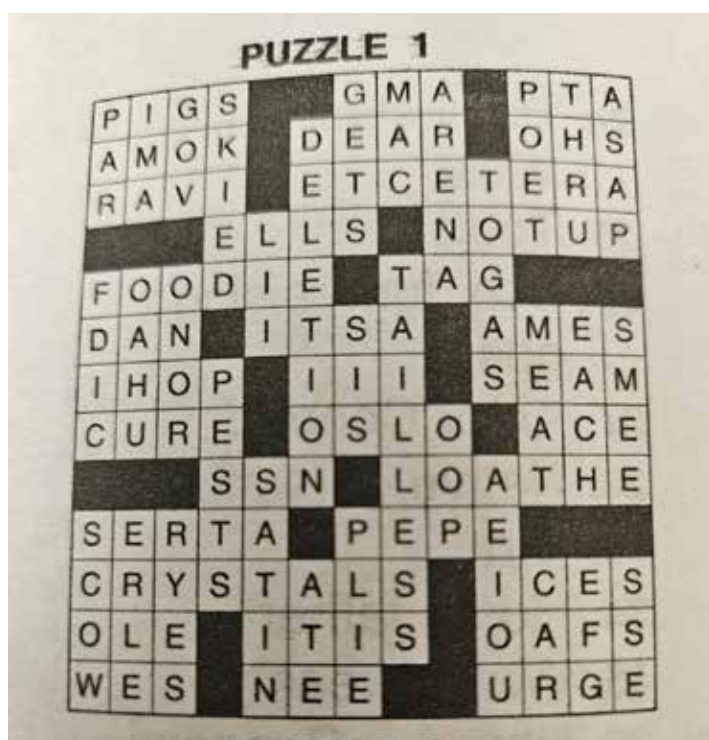
**Mon. April 15<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 PM**

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Moving in to the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the official golf season, it is clear mother nature has her seasons mixed up. The Bradenton area was suffering from a severe drought. Through the first few months of this year, things seemed to be reversed. Our golfers have had to suffer with below average temps, rainy days and numerous days when the course had to be closed. As we move into March and April, we are confident everyone will get the weather we all deserve. League play will run through March and April and we expect a strong finish to the first quarter. As a reminder. If you want to keep track of what's happening at the course, check out the *Greens of Manatee Golf Club Facebook* page.

**As a reminder-** The Greens of Manatee is open for everyone, not just the golfer in the family. The Golf Lakes golf course gate opens at 6:00am for you early risers. Stop in for a great breakfast and later for a wonderful lunch without having to face the crazy Bradenton traffic

**For the Golfers of any skill level-** There are 2 Scrambles per month which are the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month. The scrambles are open to golfers of every skill level and are a lot of fun. Teams are selected by rank to balance out the handicaps, as much as possible. Stop over to the Golf Course Clubhouse and sign up for a great Saturday morning of fun. Any questions give the course a call at 941-755-8888.

A special note, once the course is closed and the overflow gate is shut, it is against the law to drive on the sidewalk between the buildings to get to Cortez Road. The course has experienced problems in the past and we ask for your understanding and support.

*Submitted by Terry Keller - President, Greens of Manatee Golf Course*



**Ladies On The**  
**Greens of Manatee**

**When:** 7:30 am Every Tuesday  
**Where:** Greens of Manatee Golf Course  
**Cost:** \$2.00 Entry Fee  
 League has Weekly Pay-offs  
**Contact:** Maria Baumann @ 941-251-5315

New residents interested in playing on an 18-hole golf course are cordially invited to play on Tuesday mornings at the Greens of Manatee Golf Course, located just north of Golf Lakes Park.

We meet at 7:30am to form teams with a handicap format. Our Tee time is at 7:45am.

*Submitted by Maria Baumann*

## A Blessing for the Golfer

May morning's scent be green and sweet  
 when you answer ancient call.

May your grip be gently firm  
 and your eyes stay on the ball.

May all your drives find fairways  
 and may they travel far.

May irons find a place to land  
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May your wedge float high then softly drop.

May your chips caress the slope.

May your putts locate that perfect break  
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## March News

### News Around The Court

As the weather has been cool and windy, the players continue persevering every day with their fellow pickleball friends.

### Special Activities

Our first special event held was the Beginner/Intermediate Drill session, and our second event was the Advanced Scramble with the winners from each pool playing for court supremacy. The next event in this series will be the Beginner/Intermediate Scramble.

### Tournaments and More

Our Advanced Scramble Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> was won by Steve Ausburger and Jackie Barto, and runner-up's were Janis Hogan and Glenn Spraeztz.

Our **first ever** Beginner/Intermediate Scramble Feb 9<sup>th</sup> was won by Christian Cliché and Becki Kuse, runner-ups were Karon Bell and Bob Ridgeway. Not only were there great games, but laughter, and comradery abounded inside and outside the courts.

### Leagues

The Men's Beginner/Intermediate on Tuesday, and the Women's on Wednesday continue for the remainder of the season.

Please be sure to check out our website at [www.GL-PC.org](http://www.GL-PC.org) for all the latest pickleball information.

*Submitted by: Kevin Hogan*



## GOLF LAKES LADIES GOLF 2024

GL Women's Golf Leagues are well on their way! Women golfers have reported chip-ins, birdies, pars and raising the level of the lakes! (laughing) Fun games are planned monthly, e.g., closest to the pin, longest drive, best poker hand, etc. Each golfer pays a quarter and the team with the best score gets the money!



The Monday and Tuesday women golfers are going to participate in the Sports Mixer on Friday, March 22. An obstacle course will be set up on the putting green in front of the clubhouse. Come and try your luck!

Our golf leagues season comes to an end on March 18 & 19. The Golf Leagues Annual meeting and awards will be on Monday March 18 at 9:00. Scrambles will follow. The Golf Banquet for both Monday and Tuesday leagues will be on March 25 at 12:30, restaurant TBA.

It's not too late to join. We hope you will consider starting your week playing golf here in Golf Lakes with us. Meet by the Golf Board in the North parking lot at 9 a.m. on Mondays and/or Tuesdays. .

### Monday Winter League

**Date:** January 8<sup>th</sup> till end of Season

**Time:** 9:00am

**Where:** Golf Lakes Chip & Putt Course

**Cost:** \$7.00 p/person

### Tuesday Winter League

**Date:** January 9<sup>th</sup> till end of Season

**Time:** 9:00am

**Where:** Golf Lakes Chip & Putt Course

**Cost:** no up front cost

We hope you will consider joining us for a fun season of golf at Golf Lakes!

*Submitted by Sandy Tiell, 419-277-1571*



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# Things to Do and Ways to Enjoy Yourself



**When:** 6:30 pm Start / Arrive @ 6:15  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday's  
**Where:** Friendship Room in Clubhouse  
**Cost:** \$1.00 Entry Fee  
Prizes awarded each evening

Join us for an evening of fun playing BUNCO - a dice game everyone can play, requiring NO skill whatsoever! Bring \$1 (which is fully refunded in prizes), arrive about 6:15 pm in the Friendship Room on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. We look forward to seeing you!

*For info call Grace Naegele at 614-314-1101*

## Feather Your Nest

**When:** 6:00 pm 1st & 3rd Monday's  
\* New time due to Communication Meetings  
**Where:** Craft Room in Clubhouse  
**Cost:** \$ 1.00 per Card  
\$ 5.00 for Six Cards

Feather Your Nest is similar to Bingo but played with poker cards and it is fast-paced and a lot of fun. Winnings are distributed from the pot.

Contact Duane and Kathy Frederick (860-458-9225) with any questions.

*Submitted by Duane Frederick*

## Double Pinochle



**When:** 6:15  
pm Monday's  
**Where:** Friendship Room  
**Cost:** \$0.25 Cents

Come join us on Monday nights at 6:15pm. If you can play single pinochle you will enjoy double pinochle even more. Hope to see you there !

Mike & Jane Vanderbilt 708-672-8902

## Euchre



**When:** 6:45 pm Wednesdays  
**Where:** Friendship Room  
**Cost:** \$0.25 Cents  
7 Games of 8 Hands

Open to all, you do not have to bring a partner we will find one for you!



**When:** 6:30 pm Fridays  
**Where:** Clubhouse  
**Cost:** \$ As Much as You Want

Last call for sales is 6:15. Bingo is open to all residents and their friends outside of the park so please pass the word.

*Submitted by Bill Oravec*

## Bananagrams

**1:00 pm | Saturdays**  
**Friendship Room**



Banagrams is a tabletop word game where lettered tiles are used to spell words. The name is derived from the claim that it's the "anagram game that will drive you bananas!"

*Submitted by Eleanor Love*



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## Year - Round **Indoor Games**



### Ladies Bridge

**12:30 pm | Mondays**  
**Friendship Room**

The Golf Lakes Ladies' Bridge group meets every Monday at 12:30 PM in the Friendship Room for a good hand of Bridge as well as camaraderie. All lady residents are welcomed to join in the game. For more information, contact Mary Swed.

*Submitted by Mary Swed*



### Cribbage

**6:15 pm | Thursdays**  
**Clubhouse**

If you have never played Cribbage in the past or it's been awhile, this may be a good time for you to join us and either learn or brush up on your skills. Everyone is Welcome. For Questions please contact Bette Buzzell at 508-688-2686.

*Submitted by Bette Buzzell*



### Hand, Foot & Elbow

**6:00 pm | Tuesdays**  
**Board Room**

**12:00 pm | Tues. & Fri.**  
**Friendship Room**

**6:00 pm | Thursdays**  
**Friendship Room**

Hand Foot and Elbow is a fun card game for anyone and easy to learn. All are Welcome !

*Contact Anneliese Heathfield*



### Mah Jongg

**1:00 pm | Tuesdays**  
**Club House**

**1:00 pm | Thursdays**  
**Friendship Room**

Mah Jongg is an age old Chinese game of tiles. If you are a card player or just love games this is one for you. If you come to any of our game times you can get an idea of how it is played. We welcome men and women.

*Contact Jan Ballard*

### **UPDATE TO GAME SCORES**

Since the Banner is published almost a month in advance, the committee has decided that ALL game/card scores would be better placed on the Golf Lakes Official Resident Facebook For Events And Recommendations page since by the time the banner is published, this information is almost 2 months old.

Thank you for your support:)

Submitted by The Banner Committee





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## Year - Round **Arts & Crafts**



### Lap Robes

**8:30 am - 10:00 am | Tuesdays | Craft Room**

We have a group at Golf Lakes who cut, sew, iron, and assemble donated fabrics, sheets and yarn into lap robes delivered monthly by the Women's Club to seven (7) area nursing homes. Donations of fabric scraps, used sheets and yarn are always appreciated. New members are welcome as your time permits even if only for an hour after Bible study or if you prefer to take pieces home to be assembled.

*Contact: Donna Gastier*



### Handmade Blessings

**9:30 am - 11 am | Thursdays | Craft Room**

These crafters spend their time 'spinning yarn' into hats, blankets, mittens, and other crocheted and knitted items for babies, children and seniors. They love what they do and invite others to join them in their endeavors. Even if you don't crochet or knit, bring a craft with you and spend time with the group!

*Contact: Kim Dolnick 941.216.4440*



### Piecemakers Quilt Club

**12:30 pm - | Thursdays | Craft Room**

If you've always quilted or if you would like to try, join us ! We usually work on our own quilts and we volunteer to give lessons on different techniques to the group. We go out to lunch every few weeks and shop for fabrics together. We have loads of fun!

*Contact: Marcelle Jackson*



### Art Group

**9 am - 12 pm | Fridays | Craft Room**

All Inspiring Artists Welcome ! This group has previously shared photos of their works which have appeared on the back cover of The Banner.

*Contact : David Harris*

## Golf Lakes Women's Club Crafters



**If you have no cards to play and you are stymied as to what to do with your hands all season**, we are seeking ladies (and even men) who are interested in being handy by using donated yarns or linens. There is always a need in nursing homes for these items – **Bibs, Caps/Hats, Walker Bags, Shawls, Slippers, Scarfs, and Kleenex Holders**. We'll give you patterns or directions as well as yarn or linens !

If you can help us by making items this season, it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact me immediately if you can help during the season.

*Barb Wenzler, Outreach Chair*

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## Let's Create **Something Special**



### Ceramics

**9 am - 12 am | Mon. & Wed. | Craft Room**

The Ceramics group is open to everyone in the park. There is a **\$10 per year fee**, which covers paints and some supplies. Everyone must furnish his or her own piece to paint. We have two kilns available for group use.

*Contact: Barbara Ford*



### Clever Creations

**1 pm - 3 pm | Mondays | Craft Room**

Signup sheets and a description of the weekly class project is posted in the craft room. Class sizes are limited to 20 people and are first come basis. Sign-up early !

*Contact: Karen Furnari*



### Woodcarving

**1 pm - 3 pm | Wednesdays | Craft Room**

Everyone is welcome to attend these classes and no prior experience is necessary. We will assist beginners with their projects and enjoy all types of carving.



### Square Club

**2 pm - 3 pm | 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday | Board Room**

We extend an invitation to all Masons to come and enjoy a short time of Fellowship.

*Submitted by Bill Gordon*



### Quilting Ladies

**5 pm - 8:30 pm | Tuesday | Craft Room**

All are welcome. If you enjoy quilting or would like to learn come on down for an evening of fun.

*Submitted by Ginny DeSantis*





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## Food and Friendship

### Breakfast Club

**When:** 8:00 am Wednesday's  
**Where:** Fiona's Family Restaurant  
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**Bring:** Wear your Name Tag  
**RSVP:** Just show up and Grab a Seat.  
 No Reservations or Sign ups  
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Call Leland or Norma VerHelst  
 641-780-4256 with any questions.

### GAD-ABOUTS Luncheon

**When:** 1:00 pm, March 21st  
**Where:** Eleni's Pizza Works  
 6711 15th St E., Sarasota  
**Bring:** Wear your Name Tag  
**RSVP:** Sign-up Sheet Bulletin Board #4.  
 Be sure to print your name and  
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Call Gloria Slowiak at 941-527-5881  
 with any questions.

### LINE DANCING



**When:** 12:00 - 2:30 pm Fridays  
**Where:** Main Hall of Clubhouse

Line dancing continues on Fridays from 11:45-2:30 in March.

Due to clubhouse events for the park there will be no classes on March 8 or March 22.

Though the class has been going since mid December, you can still come and give it a try.

Join this fun group for mental and physical exercise. Use your new steps during the monthly dances.

*Submitted by Bonnie Frye*



Plans are still being worked out for the March Supper Club. Stay tuned and watch the Golf Lakes Friendly Resident Facebook for more information



# Strength **and Fitness**

## Zero Impact Motion Class

**9 - 9:30 am | Wednesdays  
Clubhouse**



## Fall Prevention Exercises

**9:30 - 10 am | Wednesdays  
Clubhouse**



The goal of these classes is to increase range of motion of all movable joints in the body and increase stability in order to avoid falls. Dr. Jim is looking forward to having you in class.

*Submitted by Dr. James Gallo*

**Bring a Mat, Pillow and Water**

## Water Aerobics



**9:40 - 10:20 am  
Mon. / Wed. / Fri.  
Pool**

This half-hour program with gentle routines, uses every joint and muscle in a number of ways that help promote ease of motion and increased strength.



*Actual Residents Shown*

## Dancing in the Street

**8:30 am - 9:30 am | Tues. & Thurs.  
4915 2<sup>nd</sup> A Street**

Come join us on Tues. and Thurs. mornings for some fun and exercise. We've taken dancing to another level with rock and roll music. Class starts at 8:30am and last approximately an hour. Anyone is welcome including beginners or even those with two left feet.

**Bring a Towel and Water**

*Submitted by Karen Furnari*



## Health **TIP**

## Blood Pressure Check



**8:00 - 9:30 am  
2nd Thursday of the Month  
Friendship Room**

Anyone wanting to have their Blood Pressure checked can come. Please call Phyllis Wendt at 812-453-6363 if you have any questions.

*Submitted by Phyllis Wendt*

## Ladies Exercises

**8:15 - 8:45 am | Mon / Wed / Fri  
In Clubhouse**

All Ladies are invited to this exercise class who want to keep mobile.

**Bring a Mat, 3# or 5# Weight, and Water**







## Volunteer **and Service**



The Golf Lakes Women's Club is now collecting items for donation to the local Head Start program. We are in the process of determining where and when these items may be donated.

All items should be separated and placed in the appropriate cabinet in Storage Room B. **PLEASE DO NOT JUST LEAVE ITEMS IN BAGS IN THE ROOM!**

The following items will be collected:

- Cardboard Paper Towel Rolls (not toilet paper!)
- Clean Egg Cartons (Styrofoam or cardboard)
- Empty Kleenex Boxes, flattened
- Large Detergent Bottle Lids/Caps (not bottles)
- Plastic Berry Baskets
- Plastic Square Food Containers (not Styrofoam!)
- Fronts only of Greeting Cards
- Oatmeal/Chip Containers with Lids
- Candy/Cookie Tins

We will also be collecting yarn and used linens (for the fabric) to use for nursing home projects. Please see the article next to this one if you can help make items. Yarn and linens may also be left in Storage Room B.

*Submitted by Barb Wenzler, Outreach Chair*

### LAP ROBES

We have a group at Golf Lakes who cut, sew, iron, and assemble donated fabrics, sheets and yarn into lap robes delivered monthly by the Women's Club to seven (7) area nursing homes.

Donations of fabric scraps, used sheets and yarn are always appreciated. New members are welcome as your time permits on **Tuesdays at 8:30 AM in the Craft Room**. If you prefer, you may take pieces home to be assembled. Call Donna for more information.

*Submitted by Donna Gastier*



### NEED SOMETHING FUN & REWARDING TO DO??

The Banner is looking for a few good people to help put this publication together. Are you a writer, photographer, information collector—then send me a note @ [golfakesbanner@gmail.com](mailto:golfakesbanner@gmail.com) and I will get in touch with you to discuss the position.

*Submitted by Fran Spratz*

**"Here's to March:**

**a month of embracing change and stepping outside  
your comfort zone!"**

# Feed **Your Soul**

## Vespers

Welcome March - symbolically March represents new growth bringing spring. Growth can take place in us also which is an exciting blessing! Looking forward to seeing you in March. Vespers is **Sunday evening in the Clubhouse from 6 to 7 p.m.**

Our March schedule:

- 3/3 Pastor Jankovich
- 3/10 Pastor Maddox
- 3/17 Pastor Lane
- 3/24 Dr. Kitchens - Palm Sunday
- 3/31 Easter Sunday - to be announced

Submitted by Carol Montgomery

*I really enjoy going to Vespers on Sunday night because it gives me another time to worship my Lord and Savior. In addition I get to talk to individuals I don't ordinarily see during the week. I look at these people as "my Sunday night family". They mean a lot to me.*

*Ann Buyze*



## Women's BIBLE Study

Come join us for a wonderful Bible Study. Kristi McLelland will lead us through seven video sessions of Jesus and Women in the First-Century and Now.

**When:** 9:00 am Every Tuesday

**Where:** Golf Lakes Clubhouse

Kristi will transport us back to Jesus's first century world. We will be stepping into the footsteps of the women who came face-to-face with the Living God. Watch as Jesus also speaks to us as His valued daughters. We will start our 1st session on Tuesday, January 16 at 9:00 am in the Clubhouse. Come for one or all seven classes. We would love to have you join us.

Nancy DeBoer 616-260-4542  
Ruby Van Egsten



## Harmony Notes

Harmony Notes is a group of ladies who love to sing! We sign all genres of music from pop to Broadway hits, to sacred hymns. We practice once a week for 1.5 to 2 hours, then perform several times during the season at Social Hour and Vespers. Our season culminates with a concert in March here at Golf Lakes.

*Submitted by Terri Vinovich*



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## PICKLEBALL NEWS

Golf Lakers, **Kurt and Jackie Barto**, recently participated in the Bradenton Bash PB Tourney at GT Bray.

They battled some very good opponents (plus cold weather and strong winds!) and ended up winning their division!

**Congratulations to you both!**

*Submitted by Nola Frey*



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