



Lake Henry Estates Newsletter

FEBRUARY 2024 Editor: Karolina Straw

Thank you Board & Volunteers for Upgrades to our Community



VOLUNTEER

LHE is a Volunteer community. Please look over the enclosed form of volunteer opportunities and turn in your choices to the Office.

For those already on a committee, you also need to complete the form so that we know you want to continue being on the committee. Thank you to those who have already turned in the form.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR NEEDED

We still are in need of a volunteer to be the Newsletter Editor. Karolina is willing to train the person who takes on this role.

LHE provides the volunteer with a laptop and the software necessary to produce the newsletter. If no one steps up soon to volunteer, we will no longer have a newsletter. Thank you!



Thank you to those that share information for our pleasure. Everyone's help is appreciated.
Community Photographer- Herb Kramer

We apologize for any omissions or errors in this edition.

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NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Please have all information submitted by the 20th of each month for the next months publication.

For any submissions, please use this Email: newsletter@lakehenryestates.com



SUNSHINE - Judy Koblentz is our Sunshine Committee Chair. Street Captains, please EMAIL your verified information to Judy at jkoblentz@gmail.com. Residents please continue to contact your Street Captains, as listed below according to assigned house number, with verified information regarding illness or death. As always, we want to ensure correct information is shared with the community. All information must be verified by family members.

STREET CAPTAINS by HOUSE NUMBER

Nancy Brinson: #420 - 433, 543-553, 554 - 557

Diane Tebaldi: #478 - 486

Nancy Karhoff: #498 - 499, 533 - 537, 610 - 646, 661 - 669

Phyllis Hennen: #437 - 444, 511 - 523, 538

Roseann Merschen: #541-542, 686 - 696, 558 - 565, 698 -709

Val Moore: #590 - 607, 647 - 660

Sharon Adler: #445 - 477

Beverly Brooks-Gore: #487 - 497

Cindy Poling: #500 - 510, 524 - 532

Carmen Wilde: #539 - 540, 589, 670 - 683

Jan Coman: #566 - 588, 684 - 685, 697, 710

SUNSHINE

ELAINE WALKER, former resident of Lake Henry Estates, passed away on December 27th. Cards may be sent to her daughter, Judy Martin: 11C Zgonis Dr., South Grafton, MA 01560.

CHUCK DEAN, former resident of LHE, passed away unexpectedly in his sleep on January 6th. Condolences and cards may be sent to his wife, Beverly, at their Texas home: 1003 Oak Hurst Dr., Grapevine, TX 76051.

EVIE MUDROCK, former resident of LHE and mother of resident, JOHN MUDROCK, passed away on January 26th. Condolences may be sent to John at his home, 540 Sweetwater Way East.



YOGA Classes begin
In January through March
In the Ballroom

TUESDAYS - 1:00PM

LADIES PICKELBALL CLINIC

FEBRUARY 3 - 10:30 AM

A Ladies only pickleball clinic will be held on February 3rd at 10:30am. Paddles will be available for playing. Looking forward to seeing everyone.

Questions: Call Debbie Bockelman at 618-751-4880. Please leave a message if Debbie does not answer.

I asked a supermarket employee where they kept the canned peaches. He said, "I'll see," and walked away. I asked another employee where to find the canned peaches and he also said, "I'll see," and walked away. In the end, I gave up and found them myself, in Aisle C.

"Don't be short-tempered with yourself, and you'll be a whole lot nicer to be around with everyone else."
—Mary Tyler Moore

"Old people shouldn't eat health foods. They need all the preservatives they can get." —Robert Orben

Insanity: doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results. —Albert Einstein

"It's paradoxical that the idea of living a long life appeals to everyone, but the idea of getting old doesn't appeal to anyone." —Andy Rooney

"No matter what accomplishments you make, somebody helped you."

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NEW RESIDENTS



Now introducing **CATHY & BILL GRANT** and their dog, **CHOMPER**, to our community. They live at 590 Sweetwater Way and bought their home from the Woods. Cathy & Bill found Lake Henry Estates from a recommendation by Mindy Smith who happens to be a former coworker of Cathy. They are part-time residents and have found all the folks in LHE to be very friendly.

Bill is originally from Massachusetts where he still has permanent residency. Cathy is originally from Rhode Island but has permanent residency in New Hampshire. They both love to camp, meet new people and talk with everyone they have already met. They keep their camper in New Hampshire.

Cathy retired from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts where she did event planning and permitting.

Bill retired from the town of Canton, Massachusetts where he did custodial work and maintenance.

Cathy's birthday is in March and Bill celebrates his in January. Their anniversary is in July and this year they will celebrate 20 years.

Community



HOT DOG AND BAKE SALE FEBRUARY 9-10th

The Annual Garage Sale will be February 9-10th. Bake Goods & Hot Dog Sale will be held on February 10th. Hot Dog Combo will be \$4 or \$2.50 per hot dog. Chips & Pop will be \$1 each.

Hours will be 8am-12pm Friday for residents only; 9am-1pm on Saturday open to the public. Care Center will arrive after 1pm Saturday to collect unwanted items.

2024 POLK SENIOR GAMES

The Games, scheduled for Saturday, February 24 - Saturday, March 9, offer two weeks of 33 Olympic style sports and games for men and women 50 years of age and over. Pre-Registration is required with a deadline of FRIDAY February 9th.

Fees are \$12 for the first event and \$5 for each additional event up to a maximum of \$37. Additional fees apply for team sports and some events. Everyone receives a specially designed T-shirt.

Gold, Silver and Bronze medals are awarded in each event and age division of Archery, Basketball Shooting, Basketball 3 on 3, Billiards, Bocce, Bowling including Team Bowling, Bridge, Chess, Cribbage, Ballroom and Social Dancing, Darts, Euchre, Field Events, Fishing, Golf -18 Hole Singles, Mixed Doubles & Putt & Chip, Horseshoes, Pepper, Pickleball, Punt Pass Kick, 5K Road Race, Scrabble, Senior Smarts, Shooting - Pistol, Rifle, Skeet, Sporting Clays & Trap, Shuffleboard, Softball, Sudoku, Swimming, Table Tennis, Tennis, Track and Walking.

Call or email now to receive an entry booklet in early January for the 2024 Polk Senior Games, 863-533-0055, polkseniorgames50@gmail.com



Deena Wilbur, Executive Director



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February

Ticket sales: Beverly Brooks-Gore 863-397-0784 / BJBrooksNC@tampabay.rr.com
 Diane Tebaldi 863-421-4374 / dtebaldi@tampabay.rr.com

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
1:00pm Shuffleboard	9:00 am Golf (Couples) 9:30 am Water Aerobics 3:00 pm Pickle Ball 6:30 pm Joker GARBAGE PICK-UP BULK=every 4th MONDAY	9:30 am Water Aerobics 1:00 pm Men's Shuffleboard 1:00 pm Cribbage 3:00 pm Pickle Ball 6:00 pm Texas Hold 'Em 6:00 pm Euchre	9:00 am Golf (Ladies) 9:00 am Bocce 9:30 am Water Aerobics 3:00 pm Pickle Ball	9:00 am C 9:30 am V 9:30 am C board 9:30 am C 3:00 pm F
				1 Painting 5:00 pm in Thursday
4	5 1:00 pm Line Dancing ballroom 6:00 pm Munchie Monday in Pub	6 COFFEE TALK 9:00 am  Yoga Ballroom 1:pm	7 Pub Meal 5:30 pm	8 Painting 1 5:00 pm I in the Pub
11 'Souper' Bowl In Pub 5:30 pm	12 1:00 pm Line Dancing ballroom 6:00 pm Munchie Monday in Pub	13 Yoga Ballroom 1:pm	14 	15 Painting 5:00 pm in Thursday
18 Blankets for Cancer in Club House 2:00 to 5:00 pm	19 1:00 pm Line Dancing ballroom 6:00 pm Munchie Monday in Pub	20 Yoga Ballroom 1:pm	21	22 Ladies Blackburn's Painting 1 5:00 pm in
25 Cooking Club—Appetizers 3:00 pm	26 1:00 pm Line Dancing ballroom 6:00 pm Munchie Monday in Pub	27 Yoga Ballroom 1:pm	28	29 Painting 1 5:00 pm in Thursday

Events and Activities are subject to change. Please keep updated by reading the Clubhouse Bulletin board and ch

Community Events

2024



rr.com Please call or text Denise A. 386-848-5442 to report items for the calendar no later than the 15th of each month.

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Golf (Men) Water Aerobics Shuffleboard Billiards Club Pickle Ball	9:00 am Bowling 9:30 am Water Aerobics 1:00 pm Men's Shuffleboard 3:00 pm Pickle Ball YARD WASTE PICK-UP COUNTY RECYCLE PICK-UP	9:00 am Bocce 9:30 am Pickle Ball 10:00 am Fun Golf 6:30 pm Joker 6:30 pm Nickels-Group A 7:00 pm Nickels-Group B
10:00 pm Pub Thirsty	2 Stain Glass 1:00 pm	3 Ladies Pickleball Clinic 10:30am
10:00 pm Happy Pizza Party	9 Garage Sale residents 8:00-12:00 Stain Glass 1:00 pm	10 Garage Sale outsiders Bake Sale 9:00 to 1:00 pm
10:00 pm Pub Thirsty	16 9:00 am BOARD MEETING Stain Glass 1:00 pm 6:00 pm Karaoke	17 VALENTINE'S DANCE 7:00 pm
11:30 am Meeting in Eagle Lake 10:00 pm Pub Thirsty	23 Stain Glass 1:00 pm	24
10:00 pm Pub Thirsty		

Birthdays

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| 1 Manley Nipe | 17 John Mudrock |
| 1 Wendy McShea | 17 Diana Cedeno |
| 2 Ann Carpenter | 21 Walt Whorten |
| 2 Jacquelyn Damon | 21 Beverly Heckman |
| 4 Charles Sayles | 21 Jim Kositz |
| 4 Dan Pratt | 22 Jerry Atterson |
| 4 Diane Van Ocker | 22 Don Fournier |
| 4 Patty Shaffer | 22 Ruth Formella |
| 4 Julia Benavides | 23 Jerry Varns |
| 5 Dennis Wierck | 24 John Manly |
| 7 Diane Tebaldi | 24 Cathy Servey |
| 7 Linda Schultz | 24 Brenda Hosler |
| 9 Bill Heffner | 25 Diane Bamum |
| 11 Martha Chalmers | 25 Oscar Chapa |
| 13 Debbie Case | 25 Cindy Williams |
| 14 Mindy Smith | 25 Jeanette Blair |
| 15 Denise Ondreika | 28 Sandy Nelson |
| 16 Jeff Whelan | 29 Dave Ducham |
| 16 David Johnson | |

Anniversary's

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| 1 Tom & Alice Benard | 1964 |
| 3 Curt & Miki Crawford | 1962 |
| 3 Jacob & Lynn Veltheer | 2004 |
| 8 James & Joan Hoffman | 1958 |
| 9 Jerry & Diane Van Ocker | 1962 |
| 14 Manley Nipe & Nancy Benz | 2018 |
| 14 Don & Nancy Ross | 1987 |
| 14 Rod Parkinson & Vicky Matt | 2015 |
| 14 Chip & Nancy Hayward | 1989 |
| 14 Carl & Aixa Criger | 2019 |
| 15 Bob & Mary Godziewski | 1958 |
| 23 Jim & Linda Schultz | 1963 |

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FAMILY OR FRIENDS WITH YOUR REAL
ESTATE NEEDS IN
LAKE HENRY ESTATES

FEBRUARY GREETINGS!!! I hope you had a wonderful New Years! Everyday it seems we are reading whether there is going to be a recession OR not; interest rates have dropped some OR they have gone up; prices of homes have dropped OR they are in-creasing.... What to believe? One almost needs a crystal ball! I can tell you that properties are selling and buyers are buying if properties are priced right. Interest are higher than the 3 & 4% range that we had for so long however they are still reasonable compared to 8%, 9% & higher we saw years ago. Have a Happy Valentine's Day!!!

700 MIRROR TERR. #508WOW! WHAT GORGEOUS DIRECT LAKEFRONT VIEWS! Enjoy a relaxed lifestyle and gorgeous views from this 1BR/1BA LAKEFRONT condo located in SPRING LAKE TOWERS, a 55 PLUS condo complex with boat slips and fishing pier on Spring Lake in Winter Haven, Florida! Spring Lake is part of the Winter Haven CHAIN of LAKES. The unit is light and bright and has an entry foyer, 8 x 10 kitchen and 12 x 23 dining/living room and bonus space. The spacious master bedroom is 11 X 15 & has a walk-in closet. The windows have been updated. This condo complex is well maintained and offers the following amenities: assigned covered parking; visitor parking; exercise area; recreation room w/kitchen; library; laundry facility; & social activities if you wish to participate. Boat slips available for a reasonable fee on a first-come, first-served basis. The monthly condo fee includes cable TV, internet, water, sewer, trash removal, use of the complex amenities, reserves, maintenance of the common grounds, building exterior, roof and building insurance (except for each units interior & furnishings). Northgate Shopping Plaza is adjacent with Publix grocery store, hair salon, outlet, etc. Medical facilities, places of worship, restaurants, parks, bus line and downtown Winter Haven are nearby. NO PETS AND NO SMOKING. \$124,900.00

SALES/SALES PENDING/LEASES

686 PARADISE POINT.....SOLD

677 SWEETWATER WAY E....SOLD



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COFFEE TALK

FEBRUARY 6TH @ 9:00 AM

Speaker from the Circle B Ranch!
50/50 raffle, birthday & anniversary
monthly drawings.

Bring your change for fundraiser!

Come enjoy coffee and donuts with
your neighbors!

NEWSBRIEFS FOR NEWCOMERS Newsbriefs is the main communication venue for residents of Lake Henry Estates, with Loretta Kramer as the Administrator. It is a component of the Lake Henry Estates website and can be accessed through the following address: www.lakehenryestates.com/news/

The Newsbriefs website is actually updated daily or whenever Loretta receives new information, however, for your convenience, an email update reminder is sent every Wednesday and Sunday. The email reminder includes a link to the Newsbriefs website. So that you are included in Loretta's Newsbriefs Update Email Google Group, please send your email address to: kramer.loretta@gmail.com

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LHE SOCIAL EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY 2024

LADIES' PICKELBALL CLINIC - FEBRUARY 3rd 10:30AM

Paddles will be available for playing. Looking forward to seeing everyone.

Questions: Call Debbie Bockelman at 618-751-4880.

COFFEE TALK FEBRUARY 6th @ 9:00AM

Speaker from the Circle B Ranch;

50/50 Raffle, Birthday & Anniversary monthly drawings, bring change for cancer fundraiser.

LHE GARAGE SALE - FEBRUARY 9th @8AM-12PM; FEBRUARY 10th @9AM-1PM for PUBLIC BAKE SALE, & HOT DOG SALE FEBRUARY 10th @9AM-1PM

Pat Dey in charge of Bake Sale; Jeanne Whitt in charge of Hot Dog Sale; Pete Nelson in charge of traffic control. Care Center will arrive to pick up unwanted items curbside after 1PM.

VALENTINE'S DANCE FEBRUARY 17th @ 7:00PM

The Dukes will provide the music. Ticket price is \$10 and bring snacks for your table.

Pat Dey will chair this event.

BLANKETS FOR LOCAL CANCER CENTERS FEBRUARY 18 2PM-5PM

Looking for volunteers to cut & tie fleece to make blankets for patients receiving chemotherapy at the Bond Clinic and Hope Center (Advent Health). Please join us in the Ballroom or make one at home. All fabric will be provided. Please bring scissors for cutting material. Plan on approximately two hours per blanket. Instructions will be given, if needed. Sign up in the Clubhouse or Call Nancy Brinson 863-353-1318.

FEBRUARY LADIES LUNCHEON Thursday FEBRUARY 22 11:30AM

Blackburns BBQ, 169 5th St., Eagle Lake, FL Sign Up in Clubhouse Meet at the Restaurant

For February there will be an exception to the luncheon taking place on the fourth Tuesday of the month due to the restaurant not being open on Tuesdays.

Questions: Call Rhoda Rice

COOKBOOK CLUB February 25th - Pub 3PM Theme is: Appetizers

Please text me or email if you're planning on coming. It's very helpful to have some idea on how many people are coming. Hoping to see some new faces! Contact Judy Koblentz

REMEMBER - NO SAVING TABLES UNTIL 1PM DAY OF EVENT!

SAVE THE DATE

Coffee Talk - March 5th 9am

St. Patrick's Day Dance - March 9th

Come and enjoy the music with Lake Henry's own, Jim and Mandy. Joan Grover will be the chair for this event. Ticket price is \$10; Bring snacks for your table.

Spring Poker Run - Sunday March 24th

A lunch will follow the event in the Pub. Patty Shaffer and Kris Bomgarden will treat you to Sloppy Joes, Pasta Salad, Chips and a Dessert. Joann will serve as chairperson for this event.

Ladies' Luncheon - March 26th 11:30am

Easter Dinner Buffet March 31st @ 1:00PM

The Social Committee will once again be hosting the Easter Buffet. Ham will be provided. Regina Mitchell will serve as chairperson for this meal. Bring your own table service and a dish to share. Sign up in Clubhouse.

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SOCIAL ACTIVITIES SURVEY

The Social Committee strives to provide activities and entertainment that are appealing to the residents of our community. Since the dynamics of our community has changed over the past few years, we would like your input to help us choose events that you find enjoyable and would like to attend.

The Social Committee is self-funded. While the Board will provide upfront money to allow us to pay deposits for entertainers, all our events and activities must be paid for by the fees collected. Throughout the year, the committee also provides the potlucks, meals for the veterans at our Veterans Day event, all the monthly table decorations and Christmas decorations for the clubhouse to name a few of our additional projects.

We would appreciate it if you would complete the below survey to help us know the type of activities that would be to your liking.

What events in the past would you like to continue? _____

Would you like the monthly potlucks to continue? YES NO NO PREFERENCE

How many dances would you like from October to April? _____

What type of dances do you prefer? DJ live entertainment no preference

How many entertainers (excluding dances) would you like to see per year? _____

Do you want a meal to be included at entertainment events?

YES NO SOMETIMES

What is a fair ticket price for a dance? _____ For good entertainment? _____

Please list any suggestions for entertainers you have seen or heard about through friends that we may consider for LHE _____

Please list any other events you would like to have at LHE _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE BOX IN THE CLUBHOUSE LOBBY BY SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2024

Thank you for your input!!

LHE Social Committee

Please return to the Office or email to office@lakehenrystates.com

Contact
me for
more info

2024 Committee Volunteer List		NAME	Contact me for more info
1	Architectural		
2	Assistant Secretary		
3	Assistant Treasurer		
4	Audit Committee		
5	AV Operations		
6	Billiards		
7	Birthday & Anniversary card delivery		
8	Bocce Courts		
9	Budget		
10	Clubhouse Calendar		
11	Clubhouse Maintenance		
12	Community Event Calendar		
13	Compliance		
14	Compound / RV Storage		
15	Craft Room		
16	Disaster Preparedness and Recovery		
17	Dog Committee		
18	Drama / Music		
19	Election		
20	Exercise Room		
21	Garage Sale		
22	Gates		
23	Golf		
24	Governance (Bylaws & D.O.R.)		
25	Information Distribution		
26	Kitchen Activities		
27	Library		
28	Maintenance		
29	Memorial Committee		
30	Meter Readers		
31	News Letter Editor		
32	News Updates		
33	Nominations		
34	Pool/ Hot Tub		
35	Pub		
36	Safety Audit/ training		
37	Security Cameras & Alarms		
38	Shuffle Board courts		
39	Social Activities - chair events		
40	Social Activities - helper for events		
41	Spraying Contract & Weed Control		
42	Sunshine		
43	Tennis Courts - Pickleball/Tennis		
44	Website Committee		
45	Welcome (New Owners)		
46	Wood shop		