

# **THE LAKERIDGE GAZETTE** SPRING EDITION

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#### **ACTIVITIES:**

CHAIR YOGA MON, WED, FRI 10:30 AM

SHUFFLEBOARD MON, 9 AM

BIBLE STUDY TUES, 10 AM

- FRITTER BOYS THURS, 9 AM
- MOVIE NIGHT 2ND THURS 7PM

BINGO AND BIRTHDAYS 4 TH THURS, 7 P

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION SAT, 10 AM



<u>APRIL:</u> SATURDAY, APRIL 8 2 - 5 PM ROOTBEER, COKE FLOATS, AND COOKIES "COME AND GO"

THURS, APRIL 27 7PM BIRTHDAY AND BINGO EVERYONE INVITED 7 PM

<u>MAY:</u> SATURDAY, MAY 6 TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED **KENTUCKY DERBY DAY** APPETIZERS, DESSERTS

THURS, MAY 25 7 PM BIRTHDAY AND BINGO

MONDAY, MAY 29 MEMORIAL DAY COOKOUT TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED SHUFFLEBOARD TOURNAMENT, GAMES, POOL TIME

JUNE: SUNDAY, JUNE 11 6 PM POTLUCK - FAVORITE FAMILY DISH

THURS, JUNE 22 7 PM BIRTHDAY AND BINGO EVERYONE INVITED

SAT, JUNE 24 6 PM SUMMER - APPETIZERS AND DESSERTS



LADIES OF LAKERIDGE SCHEDULE:	REMINDER
LADIES OF LAKERIDGE : 6:30 PM TUESDAY, EVERY OTHER WEEK. ALL LADIES ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND! TENTATIVE DATES: APRIL 11, APRIL 25 MAY 9, MAY 23 JUNE 6, JUNE 20.	The Ladies of Lakeridge Collection available for sale Neck heat/cold packs - small \$5 or Large \$10 Embroidered hand towels \$10 each. Contact Muffy: 863/ 258-1367
	NEW OWNERS / RESIDENTS SRING 2023: KELLY KELLY – UNIT 805
APRIL BIRTHDAYS: JUDY DORTON, "MUFFY" ENGLISH, JAMES DEGARMO, ANGIE HEATWOLE, STEVE DORTON, JACKIE LITTRELL, KATHY GOE, BILLY WINDSOR, MICK PEDERSON, GLENN NEWLAND MAY BIRTHDAYS: DENEAL PEDERSON, BILL THOMPSON, JOANNE HARDENBERG, TERRY HARDENBERG, JANEL THIGPEN, JAMES FALCO, ADA MORALES, RAY GOE, CAROLINE RUCKER, BILL HUMPREYS, CAROLYN VELEGOL, HELEN COOK, DONALD CARRADIN, KELLY KELLY JUNE BIRTHDAYS: DAVID VELEGOL, ANN HOSEGOOD, PAT CENTUOLO, CLIFFORD HALL, TERRY DOSSEY, BLANCA SANTIAGO, JITKA CINNIBULK, MELVA MCDERMOTT, MARY LOU JOHNS, JAMES SHUGERTS, NORMA THIGPEN, IDALIA MEDINA, PAUL BELL, KAREN MCCOLLOUGH.	BOARD MEETINGS WORKSHOP APRIL 10 - 6PM REGULAR MEETING APRIL 20 - 2P BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MAY 18 - TBD

#### FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT:

HAPPY SPRING TO ALL YOU WONDERFUL LADIES AND GENTS OUT THERE IN LAKERIDGE LAND!

AS MOST OF YOU ARE AWARE, I AM SERVING AS INTERIM PRESIDENT. RICK HOFFMAN WILL BE ASSUMING THE POSITION AS OUR PRESIDENT SOON. HOWEVER, I WILL REMAIN ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

I NEED TO SAY A FEW WORDS ABOUT THE UPCOMING DREADED ASSESSMENT FOR OUR WINDOWS:

FIRST, I URGE YOU TO ATTEND THE WORKSHOP ON MONDAY, APRIL 10TH, AT 6 PM. ALSO, ATTENDING OUR REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS WILL GIVE YOU A BETTER IDEA OF WHAT WE ARE WORKING WITH.

AT THE END OF THIS UPDATE, I HAVE LISTED THE ADDRESSES AND PHONE NUMBERS OF OUR STATE REPRESENTATIVE AND OUR STATE SENATOR. IF EACH OF YOU WOULD EITHER CALL OR WRITE A LETTER TO THEM EXPLAINING YOUR CONCERNS ABOUT THIS UPCOMING LEGISLATION, IT MAY GO A LONG WAY IN LETTING THEM KNOW YOUR FEELINGS. MEANWHILE, THE BOARD WILL DO ALL WE CAN TO MAKE THIS AS PAINLESS AS POSSIBLE. IF WE ALL STICK TOGETHER, WE WILL GET THROUGH THIS TIME AND BE A STRONGER ASSOCIATION FOR IT.

E PLEURIBUS UNUM! KAREN EVERSDEN, PRESIDENT

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### YOUR SOCIAL COMMITTEE:

THE COMMITTEE CONTINUES TO PLAN VARIED ACTIVITIES FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT.

WE HOPE BY HAVING DIFFERENT TYPES OF FUNCTIONS THAT ONE OR MORE WILL BE INTERESTING FOR YOU TO ATTEND. WE LOVE TO HAVE YOU JOIN US FOR THE FUN AND FELLOWSHIP!

OUR CORE SOCIAL COMMITTEE HAS CHANGED A BIT – JOANIE MCHENRY AND KATHY GOE HAVE "STEPPED ASIDE" FOR THE TIME BEING. WE THANK THEM FOR ALL THEIR EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF LAKERIDGE RESIDENTS. SHIRLEY ROBERTS HAS "STEPPED UP" TO FILL THE VOID. WE HAVE MANY WONDERFUL HELPING HANDS AT THE BIRTHDAYS AND DINNERS. WE ARE SUCCESSFUL BECAUSE OF SO MANY WILLING TO ASSIST US. BE SURE AND THANK THOSE YOU SEE HELPING TO SET UP, SERVE AND CLEAN UP. MANY HANDS MAKE THE JOB EASIER. AS I OFTEN SAY, "TEAMWORK MAKES DREAMWORK".

BINGO CONTINUES TO THRIVE WITH TERRY CALLING AND JOANNE ASSISTING! PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING A PRIZE OR GIFT CERTIFICATE IF YOU ARE ONE OF OUR REGULAR PLAYERS.

POTLUCKS AND EVENTS REQUESTING FOOD – PLEASE MAKE CERTAIN THAT YOU SIGN UP ON THE BULLETIN BOARD ON THE LEFT WALL AS YOU ENTER THE MAIN ROOM. IN ORDER TO SET A PLACE FOR EACH PERSON THAT PLANS TO ATTEND IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE KNOW HOW MANY ARE ATTENDING.

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND, WE WILL MISS YOU! THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND SHOULD NOT BRING FOOD AS WE ALWAYS HAVE PLENTY AND LOWER ATTENDANCE WITH EXTRA FOOD MEANS WASTE AND LEFTOVERS THAT THE COMMITTEE MUST ADDRESS.

TENTATIVE DAY TRIPS WILL BE PLANNED FOR SPRING AND SUMMER. THESE WILL BE POSTED. ANY IDEAS, LET THE COMMITTEE KNOW SO WE MAY RESEARCH. OUR AIM IS SAFE, FUN ADVENTURES WITHOUT A HUGE COST. IF FUEL PRICES LOWER, BUS OPTIONS MAY BECOME MORE REASONABLE AS OUTINGS. WE WILL KEEP YOU POSTED.

CECELIA RICHARDSON 863 662-4855



#### MANAGER'S MISSION:

#### MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE LAKERIDGE TO THE DELIGHT OF ITS MEMBERS, WHILE ADHERING TO THE ASSOCIATION DOCUMENTS AND FLORIDA CONDOMINIUM STATUTES.

MANAGER'S VALUES: COMMUNICATION, INTEGRITY, TRANSPARENCY, RESPONSIVENESS, ACCOUNTABILITY AND MEMBER INVOLVEMENT.

#### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

I WOULD LIKE TO USE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS ANY CONCERNS YOU MAY HAVE ABOUT THE UPCOMING SPECIAL ASSESSMENT. THE ASSESSMENT WILL FUND RESERVES FOR 2023 TO ACCOMPLISH PROJECTS SCHEDULED FOR 2024, WHICH INCLUDE WINDOW REPLACEMENT, BUILDING PAINTING AND PAVEMENT RESEALING.

THE AMOUNT OF THE ASSESSMENT IS DETERMINED BY THE ESTIMATED COST IN THE RECENT RESERVE STUDIES. THE POOLED RESERVES ARE FUNDED WITH A PORTION OF THE MONTHLY ASSESSMENT,

IN AN ATTEMPT TO KEEP THE MONTHLY ASSESSMENT REASONABLE THERE WILL BE A DEFICIT OF RESERVE FUNDING WHICH MUST BE MADE UP WITH A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT.

THE BOARD WILL HOLD A WORKSHOP MEETING IN APRIL TO DECIDE THE AMOUNT AND DUE DATE OF THE ASSESSMENT. A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT APPROVAL MEETING WILL THEN BE HELD WITH A LIKELY MAY DATE.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, FEEL FREE TO STOP BY THE OFFICE.

RUSS CHAFEE

IF YOU HAVE MAINTENANCE ISSUE OR A SCHEDULED DELIVERY, PLEASE USE THE FORMS LOCATED IN THE KITCHEN AND PLACE IT IN THEE OFFICE DOOR SLOT.

## SAFETY REPORT

WITH THE DELIGHTFUL WARM WEATHER AND SUNSHINE, OUR RESIDENTS AND GUESTS ARE ENJOYING OUR POOL AREA. HOWEVER, IF YOU HEAR THUNDER OR SEE LIGHTNING, PLEASE TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO LEAVE THE POOL AREA AND GO INSIDE!

IN JANUARY 2023, POLK COUNTY SHERIFF GRADY JUDD SHARED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WITH OUR POLK COUNTY RESIDENTS:

RECENTLY, A COMPANY OUT OF FINLAND WHICH SPECIALIZES IN WEATHER AND ENVIRONMENTAL MEASUREMENTS PUBLISHED THEIR ANNUAL REPORT WHICH CONCLUDED THAT FLORIDA IS A HOTBED OF LIGHTNING ACTIVITY.

WHAT MAY COME AS A SURPRISE IS THAT THE FOUR CORNERS OF POLK COUNTY HAVE BEEN NAMED AS THE 2022 LIGHTENING CAPITAL OF THE UNITED STATES. THE FOUR CORNERS ARE WHERE POLK, ORANGE, LAKE AND OSCEOLA COUNTIES MEET.

IN ADDITION, THE STATE OF FLORIDA, ENDED THE YEAR AT THE TOP SPOT FOR TOTAL LIGHTNING DENSITY WITH 285 LIGHTNING STRIKES PER SQUARE MILE, WHICH WAS UP 27% FROM THE YEAR BEFORE.

FLORIDA HAS LED THE NATION IN FATAL LIGHTNING STRIKES TWO YEARS IN A ROW WITH FOUR DEATHS IN 2021, AND THREE DEATHS IN 2020.

REMEMBER THAT LIGHTNING CAN START FIRES BY STRIKING HOMES, FIELDS AND WOODED AREAS. WE 'VE EVEN SEEN SEVERAL INCIDENTS OF VEHICLES BEING STRUCK WHILE TRAVELING DOWN THE HIGHWAY.

WHEN CONDITIONS ARE RIGHT FOR LIGHTNING, GET OUT OF THE WATER! NEVER STAND UNDER TREES OR NEAR THEM AND IMMEDI.

DAVID LANE

