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#### **President's Report**



I am honored and humbled to have been selected as the new President of the Board of Directors (BOD). I'll start with a little background on myself for those that do not know me. My wife and I own

and will be residing at 110 Lazy River once a new home is ready for us as the prior one was destroyed by hurricane Ian. We are currently staying at 135 Lazy River. We bought in Lazy River in 2018 but we have been visiting Lazy River since 2005, as my in-laws are residents here. I am a resident of Florida and reside in Lazy River 6-8 months each year.

I have been fortunate to have had a great career in the consumer goods industry working for about 32 years for Gillette and Procter & Gamble. My career was in the Finance, Accounting, and Information Technology areas. I was fortunate to have had the pleasure of

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## Manager's Report

Laws, both the American with Disabilities Act and the Fair Housing Act.

Assistance animals are <u>not</u> pets, therefore any pet restrictions or rules do not

apply to assistance animals. Rather, the Association should consider them akin to a hearing aid, wheelchair, or cane. There are two types of assistance animals: Service Animals and Emotional Support Animals.

If the Association enforces against a disabled owner, renter, or guest for violating "pet" restrictions, the Association will likely face a federal and\or Florida administrative disability discrimination claim and a lawsuit by the aggrieved disabled person. From a liability standpoint to the Association, violation of the laws can be substantial.

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#### **Newcomers' "Meet and Greet"**

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Anniversaries / Birthdays	Joyce Cote		
Art Classes	Kip Greener		
Lazy River Band	Tom Van Massenhove		
Beautification	Roy Auvil		
Bible Study	Nancy Penoyar		
Boat Club	Dave Carley		
Bocce - Monday	A.J. (Allen) Gilson		
Bocce - Wednesday	Bob Erickson		
Bowling	Ralph Clay		
Bridge	Lyn Tindall		
Canine Fitness Club	Dean Schantzen		
Cards Pepper	Richard Ciarlo & Marion Kahler		
Pinochle	Lyn Tindall		
Hand & Foot	Mary Dishinger		
Dance Club	Babs Findlay		
Dominoes	Marilyn Griffin		
Fitness-Stretching	Marion Myers		
Golf Men's 18 hole	Frankie Mangio		
Golf-9 hole Men's & Women's	Bob Jones		
Golf-Couples	Sharon Olmstead		
Knitting & Crocheting	Marion Myers		
Library	Heike and Jim Canaday		
LRV Boosters	Dave Carley		
Mahjong	Carol Ann Kosinski		
Nickel Bingo Daytime	Peggy Clay		
Pickleball Club	Bob Stokes, Diane Gempp		
Pinochle	Kip Greener		
Quilting	Jackie Gross		
Red Hat Society	Carolyn Arwood		
Shuffleboard	Gary Cooney		
Stained Glass	Fred Buttery		
Table Tennis	Ginnie Wood		
Tennis Club			
Water Exercise	Lisa Gunnels		
Woodworkers Club	Dick Case		

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#### **President's Report** (continued from page 1)

working in Asia for several years. I have a strong Finance/Accounting and Information Technology background and accustomed to managing large organizations, public speaking and working effectively with individuals from different cultures. I have managed organizations with annual budgets of more than two million as well projects in the multi-millions.

I, as well as the entire BOD, are committed to the future of Lazy River as we continue to rebuild after hurricane Ian. It will be a long process but we will get there. We have already made significant progress, and it shows, thanks to the countless hours of many volunteers. And our activities and entertainment has returned to normal levels!! Despite that, many of us are and continue to wrestle with decisions related to repairing or replacing our homes. And many of us have or are considering leaving Lazy River in the wake of hurricane lan. For those that remain in Lazy River the BOD will work to help protect the investments we have made in our homes and community. Regardless of each family's decision, the BOD will continue to strive to make our community a desirable place to live and recreate in the later stages of our lives.

We need to continue to respect each other's views and engage in dialogue and discussion without emotion entering the equation. The community is already in a somewhat heated discussion as it relates to pets, Service Animals and Emotional Support Animals. In short, the new revelation from the Annual Meeting and my previous email is that Emotional Support Animals may be walked on all roads and common grounds in Lazy River. This is not a Rule & Regulation change by the BOD, but is required to remain legally compliant. Also please note this is not related to the Canine Fitness Club (CFC) request and related non-binding survey. The CFC request is for a rule change to allow all dogs to be walked everywhere and will certainly have further discussion. This change is solely to adhere to Federal Law as it relates to Emotional Support Animals.

I would like to thank Rich Donelson and Theresa Jones for their tireless efforts leading Lazy River through the hurricane recovery. I know firsthand how much time they have put into the work. I would also like to thank Tom VanMassenhove and Linda Deisler for agreeing to another term on the board and Bud Heffley for joining the board as well as Bob Stanko, Dennis Chapple and Cheri Case who remain on the board. Lastly, I would like to thank Millie Hubbard for her continued guidance as our LRV CAM. I look forward to working with all of you to govern Lazy River on everyone's behalf!

Sincerely Bob Jones

#### Realtor's Report

No Report this month.



#### **Beautification Committee**

The Beautification team has been very busy picking up scrap and getting it to the scrapyard. Lazy River is on its way back to beautiful, and we all know that will take some time but, with everyone helping, it will get there!

As always the Beautification crew will be picking up cans Friday mornings at 7:00am. Please remember to put them under or on your mailbox and they will magically disappear!

Submitted by Carol Basch

# Payment of \$50 for Use of Items in the Kitchen

Please note that with immediate effect, anyone or any group using the kitchen items for whatever function (e.g. dishwashing liquid, coffee, tea, sugar etc.) must pay \$50 on booking of the kitchen. This must be paid to the Scheduler at the same time that you make your booking.

You must fill out the "Facility Use Request Form" (obtainable from the wooden box near the notice board in the poolside entrance to the hall).

Submitted by the Activities Team

#### Manager's Report (continued from page 1)

Per our attorney, his law firm has come to find out that the Florida Commission on Human Relations Investigators are encouraging Petitioners to file disability complaints against each director, the manager, and the cooperative so that the penalties may be multiplied for each respondent found to be in violation of federal law. Penalties may be as high as \$108,000 or higher. Third parties who harass disabled humans with assistance animals may be subject to civil rights lawsuits.

The Fair Housing Act makes it unlawful for a housing provider, which includes cooperatives, to refuse to provide reasonable accommodation that a person with a disability may require. Reasonable accommodation is a change, exception, or adjustment to a rule, policy, practice, or service that may be necessary for a person with a disability to have equal opportunity to use and enjoy a dwelling, including public and common use spaces, which may include an accommodation to land use and zoning law, HOA or cooperative rules.

None of this requires a change in our Rules and Regulations in reference to "pets", it merely requires us to follow the laws regarding assistance animals.

In summation, any Assistance Animal may use public and common spaces without regard to our Pet Policy. While I understand that many places in the Village have been no pet sections in the past, we must follow the law as stated above and allow anyone with an assistance animal to walk their animal in any common spaces. This does not negate the Rules and Regulations we have in place regarding cleaning up after your animal, the 6 foot leash rule, dangerous animals, barking, etc. The leash rule is in place to protect both the person walking the animal and other residents who may be injured from a long retractable leash so please use either a 6-foot leash, or hold your retractable extended no more than 6 ft. Thank you for your cooperation.

"Kindness is free – Sprinkle that stuff everywhere"

Submitted by Millie Hubbard – Community Association Manager

#### **Best of Venice Winner for 2022**



**Blair Post, HAS, BC-HIS, ACA**Board Certified Hearing Instrument Sciences American Conference of Audioprosthology

#### **Best of Venice**

I want to say thank you to everyone who voted for us in the Best of Venice

Awards from Venice Gondolier.

I appreciate each of you. Thank you for taking time to vote for us.

Your support and continued encouragement has resulted in us being awarded Best of Venice year over year as both winner and finalist, Reader's Choice year over year, and Small Business of the Year. I have been honored and received so many awards that our wall of awards has expanded onto a second wall.

Twenty-two years ago, when I chose this profession, I was inspired by my mother MaryEllen. She was already wearing hearing aids due to an ear surgery. I focused on helping her hear her best and engage in life. Fifteen Years ago, I opened my office and chose to treat all my clients as if they are family. If she was still with us today, I know she would be celebrating all the people who have been able to engage in their own life with more ease and confidence when hearing.

Every day I hear stories about how hearing

problems have interfered with enjoying life. I've always had one mission, to help everyone who comes to me to hear their best and engage in life.

Thank you for entrusting me with your hearing, I am glad I earned your respect.





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#### **Weekly Schedule of Activities**

#### **March 2023 - Weekly Schedule of Activities**

Day	Time	Activity	Location	Contact	Phone
Mon	8.00AM TO 8.45AM	Stretching Exercises	Fitness Center	Marion Myers	941-426-6260
	8:00AM TO 12:00PM	Tennis	Tennis Courts	Nancy Penoyar	941-451-4939
	9:00AM to 4:00PM	Quilting	Sunrise & Sunset	Jackie Gross	404-578-5060
	9:30AM to 10:30AM	Water Exercise	Pool	Lisa Gunnels	248-807-3363
	10:45AM TO 11:45AM	Water Aerobics	Pool	Karen Aldrich	616-822-3436
	1:00PM to 3:00PM	Band Practice	Stage	Tom Van .M	989-295-5602
	5:00PM TO 8:00PM	Poker	Myakka Room	John Jacobs	518-365-3846
	06:30PM TO 9:00PM	Shuffleboard	Shuffleboard Courts	Gary Cooney	941-257-0269
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Tue	8:00AM to 11:00AM	Pickleball	Court # 1	Diane Gempp	401-447-6916
	9.00AM to 10.00AM	Stretch &Strengthening	Hall	Karen Michaud	860-680-4126
	9:30AM to 12:00PM	Water Color Painting	Sunrise & Sunset	Shirley Coleman	941-979-6668
	9:00AM to 11:00AM	10 Pin Bowling		Ralph Clay	317-402-7401
	10:00AM TO 12:00PM	Shuffleboard	Shuffleboard Courts	Gary Cooney	941-257-0269
	10:00AM to 12:00PM	Jan Campbell Tribute Band	Stage	Tom Van .M	989-295-5602
	11:30AM to 4:00PM	Bridge	Myakka Room	Lyn Tindall	815-751-2935
	1:00PM to 3:00PM	The Other Band Practice	Stage	Tom Van .M	989-295-5602
	1:00PM to 4:00PM	Cornhole Throwing	Bocce Screen Room	Lori Smith	513-509-7166
	1:00PM to 4:00PM	Stained Glass	Arts & Crafts Room	Fred Buttery	269-344-9855
	5:00PM TO 8:00PM	Poker	Myakka Room	John Jacobs	518-365-3846
	6:00pm to 9:00PM	Poker	Myakka Room	Ralph Clay	317-340-7966
	6:00PM to 9:30PM	Bingo	Kitchen & Hall	Joan Rose	860-334-0317

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Wed	8.00AM TO 8.45AM	Stretching Exercises	Fitness Center	Marion Myers	941-426-6260
	8:00AM to 9:00AM	Koffee Klatch	Kitchen & Hall	Jan Boeck	262-989-9826
	8:00AM TO 12:00PM	Tennis	Tennis Courts	Nancy Penoyar	941-451-4939
	9:30AM to 10:30AM	Water Exercise	Pool	Lisa Gunnels	248-807-3363
	10:45AM TO 11:45AM	Water Aerobics	Pool	Karen Aldrich	616-822-3436
	12:00PM TO 2:00PM	Rock Painting	Sunrise/Sunset	Sandy Moore	734-645-6554
	12:30PM TO 3:00PM	Hand & Foot	Myakka Room	Elaine Roberge	774-204-5481
	1.00pm to 3.00pm	Clarinet Music	Bocce Screen Room	Ron Ducham	802-272-1306
	7:00PM to 8:30PM	Table Tennis	Billiard Room	Ginnie Wood	941-423-2184
Thu	8:00AM to 11:00AM	Pickleball	Court # 1	Diane Gempp	401-447-6916
	9.00AM to 10.00AM	Stretch &Strengthening	Hall	Karen Michaud	860-680-4126
	9:00AM to 4:00PM	Quilting	Sunrise & Sunset	Jackie Gross	404-578-5060
	10:00AM to 11:30AM	Bible Study	Myakka Room	Nancy Penoyar	941-451-4939
	10:00AM TO 12:00PM	Shuffleboard	Shuffleboard Courts	Gary Cooney	941-257-0269
	1:00PM TO 4:00PM	Mahjong	Myakka Room	Kip Greener	941-426-7454
	1.00PM to 4.00PM	Daytime Nickle Bingo	Hall	Peggy Clay	317-340-7966
	2:00PM TO 3:30PM	Cribbage	Myakka Room	Jeri Deslauriers	508-410-6542
	6.30PM TO 9:00PPM	Joker	Myakka Room	Debbie Rohlin	814-688-5746
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	8:00AM TO 12:00PM	Tennis	Tennis Courts	Nancy Penoyar	941-451-4939
	9:30AM to 10:30AM	Water Exercises	Pool	Lisa Gunnels	248-807-3363
	10:45AM TO 11:45AM	Water Aerobics	Pool	Karen Aldrich	616-822-3436
	1:00PM to 2:00PM	Line Dancing	Hall	Frankie Mangio	941-426-6261
	1:00PM TO 4:00PM	Knitting/Crocheting	Myakka Room	Marion Myers	941-426-6260
	1:00PM TO 5:00PM	Scrapbook & card making	Myakka Room	Janice Swenor	508-335-4432
	5:00PM to 7:00PM	Pvt Get-together	Bocce Screen Room	Linda Mc Gee	716-640-1705
	6:30PM TO 9:00pm	Dominoes	Hall	Debbie Rohlin	814-688-5746
	7:00PM to 9:00PM	Pinochle	Myakka Room	Kip Greener	941-426-7454
Sat	8:00AM to 11:00AM	Pickleball	Court # 1	Diane Gempp	401-447-6916
	9:45AM to 12.30PM	Ladies Poker	Sunise/Sunset	Rosanne Clark	941-504-6596
	10:00AM TO 1:00PM	Poker	Myakka Room	John Jacobs	518-365-3846
	1.00pm to 3.00pm	Clarinet Music	Bocce Screen Room	Ron Ducham	802-272-1306
	2:00PM to 3:30PM	Table Tennis	Billiard Room	Ginnie Wood	941-423-2184
Sun	9:00AM to 3:00PM	Historical Miniatures	Arts & Crafts Room	Richard Ciarlo	508-579-2622
	2:00PM to 5:00PM	Dominoes	Myakka Room	Marilyn Griffin	941-423-5803
	6.30PM TO 9:00PPM	Joker	Myakka Room	Debbie Rohlin	814-688-5746

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#### **Schedule of Special Events**

#### **March 2023 - Special Events**

Day	Time	Activity	Location	Contact	Phone
Wed					
1st	9:30AM TO 10:30AM	Architectural Meeting	Myakka Room	Jean Swain	941-280-9770
Sat			,		
4th	3.00pm to 5.00pm	Canada Day	Myakka Room	Betty Rumley	941-426-5302
Sat					
4th	9.30am to 9.30pm	Canada Day	Hall & Kitchen	Betty Rumley	941-426-5302
Sun					
5th	10.00AM to 4.00PM	Michigan Day	Hall & Kitchen	Trinie VanderPloeg	269-686-7024
Sun					
5th	4:30PM to 7:00PM	Golf Social	Hall	Betty Rumley	941-257-0184
Mon		Canine Fitness club			
6th	11:00AM TO 12:00PM	Monthly Meeting	Myakka Room	Dean Schantzen	612-220-5726
Mon		Beautification		_	
6th	12.00pm to 3.00pm	Luncheon	Hall & Kitchen	Roy Auvil	309-339-5450
Wed					
8th	9:30AM TO 10:30AM	Architectural Meeting	Myakka Room	Jean Swain	941-280-9770
Wed				_ ,, ,,	
8th	10:00AM to 6:00PM	Boat Club - Dinner Prep	Kitchen	Tom VanM.	989-295-5602
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9th	9:00AM to 11:00PM	Dinner Meeting	Hall & Kitchen	Tom VanM.	989-295-5602
Fri 10th	2.00nm to 6.00nm	"Meet & Greet"	Hall	Lori Smith	513-509-7166
Sat	3.00pm to 6.00pm	Activities - Happy Hour	Пан	LOH SHIRH	313-309-7100
วลเ 11th	8:00AM TO 2:00PM	Pickleball Luncheon	Bocce Screen Room	Diane Gempf	401-447-6916
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11th	8:00AM TO 2:00PM	Pickleball Luncheon	Bocce Screen Room	Diane Gempf	401-447-6916
Sat					
11th	11:00AM TO 2:00PM	Pickleball Luncheon	Pool Screen Room	Diane Gempf	401-447-6916
Sat 11th	4:00PM TO 10:00PM	Annual Horse Race Derby	Tortola Way /Bocce screen room	Dan Foley	941-423-3267
Sat		Prep & Setup			
11th	9.00am to 5.00pm	Midwest Day	Hall & Kitchen	Kip Greener	941-426-7454
Sun		,		Renee	
12th	4.00PM TO 6;00PM	Pvt 95th B/Day Party	Myakka Room	Cousino-Marshke	517-404-0153
Sun		, ,	,		
12th	9.00am to 5.00pm	Midwest Day	Hall & Kitchen	Kip Greener	941-426-7454

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# Schedule of Special Events (continued from page 9)

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Mon					
13th	9;30AM TO 11:00AM	Garden Club Meeting	Myakka Room	Linda Lindsay	765-376-8041
		Couples Golf	Around Bocce		
Mon	5 00DM TO 0 00DM	·	Courts		
13th	5:00PM TO 8:00PM	End of Season Party	End of Season Party	Sharon Olmstead	613-401-3423
Wed	0.45444 TO 00.45444	14 66 141 t I			
15th	8.45AM TO 09.45AM	Koffee Klatch	Hall	Jan Boeck	262-989-9826
Wed					
15th	9:30AM TO 10:30AM	Architectural Meeting	Myakka Room	Jean Swain	941-280-9770
Thu					
16th	9:00AM TO 11:00PM	Boat Club Dinner Meeting	Hall & Kitchen	Tom Van Massenhove	989-295-5602
Fri		Lazy River Boosters			
17th	8:00AM to 10:00PM	St Patrick's Day	Kitchen & Hall	Dave Carley	317-714-9624
Sat		Entertainment	Hall/Myakka Room	,	
18th	2:00PM to 11:00PM	Eric Kearns	Sunrise/Sunset Rms	Vickie Stokes	734-644-1495
Sun					
19th	4:30PM to 7:00PM	Golf Social	Hall	Betty Rumley	941-257-0184
Mon		Shuffleboard/Island			
20th	4.30PM to 6.30PM	Gazebo BBQ & Mtg	Kitchen / Hall	Bev Cooney	941-426-2705
Wed				Wayne	
22nd	9:00AM to	Hot Wire	Myakka Room	Anderson	585-880-1017
Wed		Activities Team			
22nd	10.00AM TO 4.00PM	Events Planning	Hall	Lori Smith	513-509-7166
Wed		Decorating Hall			
22nd	10:00AM to 2:00PM	for Dance	Hall	Babs Findlay	860-372-5498
Thu			Sunrise/Sunset		
23rd	11:00AM to 11:00PM	Dance	Hall	Babs Findlay	860-372-5498
Fri				Trinie Van der	
24th	10:00AM to 10:00PM	LRV Dinner	Hall & Kitchen	Ploeg	269-686-7024
Wed					
29th	9:30AM TO 10:30AM	Architectural Meeting	Myakka Room	Jean Swain	941-280-9770
Wed				Frankie	
29th	3.00pm to 9.00pm	Men's 18 Hole Banquet	Hall	Mangio	941-426-6261
Fri		The Other Band Food			
31st	6.30pm to 9.00pm	Drive Dance Benefit	Hall	Tom VanM.	989-295-5602

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### Birthdays and Anniversaries



#### **MARCH 2023 BIRTHDAYS**

01 Beverly Larson 01 Howard Riefstahl 02 Michael Bosma 02 Draeanne Rivette 03 John Donato 03 Stephen Leverone 05 Heidi Grab 05 Chuck Kamerik 05 Frank Mangio 05 Sam Smith 07 Sylvia Ciarlo 08 Edward Davis 09 Bill Arwood	11 Tom McNulty 11 Betty Rumley 11 Clay Swenor 12 Kathy Shaffer 13 Paul Deischer 14 Gail Adams 14 Carl Jones 14 Marie Mascena 15 Shirley Cousino 15 Fran Kirk 16 Jerry Meneely 16 Jim Walker 17 Patricia Burns	22 Bill McGee 24 Matt Smith 25 Linda Drullinger 27 Norman Dube 27 Michael Kindellan 29 Linn Dalrymple 29 Kip Greener 29 Pat Huffman 29 Ed Szwed 29 Barbara Walker 30 Nathan Chase 30 John Gribben 30 Richard Loos
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05 Chuck Kamerik	14 Marie Mascena	
05 Frank Mangio	15 Shirley Cousino	29 Ed Szwed
05 Sam Smith	15 Fran Kirk	29 Barbara Walker
07 Sylvia Ciarlo	16 Jerry Meneely	
08 Edward Davis	16 Jim Walker	
09 Bill Arwood	17 Patricia Burns	30 Richard Loos
09 James McMahon	18 Sandra Ellis	30 Karen Pridgen
09 Connie Pommenville	18 Jo Faria	30 Carol Wick
09 Kathleen Rumford	18 Sarah Holcomb	31 Allen Gilson
10 Jeri Deslauriers	18 Jim Lyons	31 Bernard Lamancusa
11 Thomas Adams	18 Frank Sykes	31 Jerry Lupien
11 Carol Birch	18 Katie Wegscheid	31 Marie McEnroe
11 Marsha Charest	22 Jan Hopping	

Submitted by Joyce Cote



#### **MARCH 2023 ANNIVERSARIES**

**Note:** If you are not recognized here, it is because I do not have the year you were married.

Please send any corrections or additions to the birthday and anniversary list to Joyce Cote: 941-429-0112 or jaglcote@gmail.com



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#### **WORLD PEACE**

I believe that most people today are interested in finding a way to maintain peace. Peace in our

Lazy River Village, in our State, in the whole USA and beyond throughout the world.

Mankind has been trying to solve that problem from day one. In the Old Testament, God gave specific rules for His chosen people, the Jews, how to live at peace with one another while obeying God. We don't have to read very far to realize that it was never accomplished completely. Rules or laws, no matter how good they may be, do not change the heart condition. Mark 7:21-23 explains that it is the heart of each individual that rebellion to God comes from. This results in difficulties with one another. We want to be our own god and do not want anyone to tell us what we are to do. Does this sound familiar?

Keeping this in mind, we can see clearly why none of the ideas promoted from anyone really makes a difference to behavior in the long run. If man could live by rules we would not need a savior.

The rules or laws can represent good things. However, we could never be good enough to meet the requirements for forgiveness and salvation from God. Until every knee shall bow at the Name of Jesus Christ, there will be wars between people and between countries. We who do believe the Bible need to reply upon God and His ways and timing to accomplish His will. Then God can use us as we trust Him and hear His instructions. While he is willing that none shall be lost, He also will not force anyone to obey either. We each have a choice every moment of each day what we will do and why. God reads the heart and truly knows our motivation. Do we really love God with all of our being? Does God really have full access to all of our being? Have you taken up your cross and followed Him?

God has made it clear that this earth will not last forever. There will be an end. We just don't know when. So, are you ready?

Have a prayer need? Call or come to the weekly Thursday morning Bible and Prayer time beginning at 10:00am in the Myakka Room.

Respectfully submitted by Nancy Penoyar

#### **Lift Assist**

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#### **Veterans**

Any new Residents who would like to purchase a brick in memory of a

family Veteran, please contact Bob Stanko so that he can order the brick and install it prior to Memorial Day. 153 Lazy River Road, or telephone: 330-240-0406

Submitted by Bob Stanko





A transfer took place on 01/06/2023

Myers, Jr., Paul

212 Lazy River Road

Paul Myers Jr. – (513) 532-9562

Email: Paul Myers Jr. rmtwister2000@yahoo.com

Previous Owner: Paul Myers Sr.

Home State: OH

A transfer took place on 01/06/2023

O'Brien, Karen

135 Bermuda Way

eMail: <u>Karenlobrien33@gmail.com</u>

Previous Owner: Rodney Billett and

Doreen Gravelle

Home State: FL

A transfer took place on 01/31/2023

Bentley, Russell & Janet

203 Martinique Rd.

Email: <u>Jrcrew5251@aol.com</u>

Previous Owner: Ellis Home State: MI

A transfer took place on 01/31/2023 - These folks are already owners.

Holiday, Paul & Brenda

142 Martinique Rd.

Email: <u>Brenda\_holiday@hotmail.com</u>

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Submitted by Nancy Fees



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#### **Bocce Ball**



Hi everyone,

Come and join us for a game.

We play Mondays at 9:00am and Wednesdays at 10:00am after koffee klatch. New players welcome and lessons gladly given. Hope to see you.

Submitted by A.J.Gilson

#### **Cornhole**

We held our 2nd annual fund raiser last month, selling Super Bowl Football Square's. We thank everyone for their support. We plan to purchase score boards and drink holders.

Congratulations to the lucky winners!

1st Quarter \$100 winner Paul Holiday

2nd Quarter \$100 winner Bud Heffley

3rd Quarter \$100 winner Paul Holiday

4th Quarter \$200 winner Sheila Staples

Plan to join us on Tuesday afternoons at 1:00PM. Meet at the Bocce Screen Room. We draw for partners and Paul Headley's team is still winning the Championship games, but there have been some very close challenges. Last four tournaments the winners were Paul Headley and Mike Berg, Paul and Bill Shaffer (however the all girl team - myself and Julie Headley gave them a good challenge). My 4 bagger helped out! Paul and Warren Danford won and in the singles game... Paul was the winner!

Respectfully Submitted by Lori Smith

#### **Bowling (Gutter Gossip)**

As you know, the bowling league was disbanded, so we no longer have our 9:00am time slot on Tuesdays.

Jerry Hudson, the manager, told us that the alley would be open on Tuesdays at 11:00am for leagues and some open bowling.

Bowland has taken on some of the leagues from Treasures. If you choose to bowl, I would recommend calling ahead to see if they have room for open bowling. This is the new number for Bowland: 517-404-5775.

Submitted by Ralph Clay

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#### Golf - Couples League



Our group was thrilled in late January to have three new couples join us to golf on Sunday afternoons at Long Marsh, Rotonda West.

Some are novice golfers, confirming that golfers of all levels of skill can participate and have a very fun time.

Our membership fee of \$10 per person funds the cash prize of \$20.00 given to the team with the lowest score each Sunday. (On the third Sunday of each month, the prize goes to the team with the highest score.) Approximately sixty people have been golfing in our group each Sunday in late January and early February. The format is a scramble, i.e., each person takes their own shot but the foursome plays from the best shot. A drive from each member of the foursome must be used at least once during the game. Our green fee has been increased, as expected, from \$25 for 9 holes to \$30.00.

We continue to meet at our Clubhouse every two weeks after golf for a social time and the dinner chosen and presented by the volunteers for that meal. Although the cost varies with the meal, it is usually \$7 per person for what have proven to be very delectable alternatives to going home and cooking yourself!

Our end-of-season party will be on Monday, March 13th. This year, the 9-hole golfers will join us for a dinner followed by a dance, with door prizes and a 50-50 draw. Members of both groups will pay the same modest price for a ticket, with guests tickets at an increased price also being available for nongolfing significant others. If you are interested in golfing with the Couples group, please e-mail me at sharon.anderson.olmstead@gmail.com.

Submitted by Sharon Olmstead

#### Golf - Men's 18-Hole League



We had our closest to the pin contest that ran for 3 rounds. It was a lot of fun. It looks like it should be an easy shot, until

you get over the ball and then you start thinking...... what are you trying to do.

Some great scores for the last 3 weeks of January and the 1st week of February.

Ralph Clay – 79, Bruce Gustavson – 77, Michael Kapture - 77, T. Norwood - 76, M. Risdale - 77 Richard Drullinger - 78 and Frankie Mangio – 79 - 78 Nice going guys!

Playoffs started on February 13th. Can't wait to see who is doing good. It's been a fun season so far. Hope everyone is enjoying it. I can only speak for myself, but I miss playing at The Palms. It's a challenging layout.

Submitted by Fred Charest and Frank Mangio

# Men's And Women's - 9 Hole Golf

Our 9-hole golf league continues to be in full swing! We play at the Long Marsh Golf Club in Rotonda

every Friday afternoon. Tee times start around 1:00pm and we rotate across the three nines at the course.

This league is non-competitive and welcomes golfers of all abilities. If anyone wishes to join us, please let me know. I can be reached via e-mail (jonesra8@aol.com) or by phone (774-414-3074).

Submitted by Bob Jones

#### **Pickleball**

Due to the hard work of many Lazy River residents, we are able to play Pickleball on court #1. A big thank you goes out to



Merrie Mills, Linda Deisler and Jeannine Dube for their back-breaking work of painting the lines. Jerry Mills and Tom McEnroe who put up the fence, and Lue Duke for filling in all the holes. We had a great crew show up to assemble the nets. The work was done in no time.

Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the country and here at Lazy River we are experiencing the same growth. We have welcomed many new Pickleball players this past month. I have found a few helpful tips I would like to share with our new and seasoned players.

In Pickleball instead of hitting long strokes like in tennis, you will find a short compact swing more effective. Getting your body into ready position after every ball is essential. Most points are won at the kitchen line so it is to your advantage to get to the kitchen line as soon as possible. While standing at the kitchen line it is important to hold your paddle above your waist with the back of the paddle facing the net. This allows you to get balls quickly. Hopefully you will get a chance to practice these tips and improve your game before our tournament on Saturday, March11.

I will have the Sign-up sheet at the Pickleball courts. The tournament will take place in the morning, followed by a cookout and award ceremony. The Pickleball club will provide the hamburgers and hotdogs. Participants are asked to bring a side dish or dessert.

Submitted by Diane Gempp

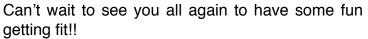




#### **Stretch and Strengthening**

Hi Ladies and Gents!

Please remember to bring water, good sneakers, towel and make sure to eat a lite breakfast or drink a protein shake about 30 mins before class!



Submitted by Karen Michaud

#### **Tennis Between The Lines**



We lost two tennis club members, James Schwandt and Ed Birch. While Ed had not played in a number of years, he thoroughly enjoyed the game.

James was our secretary and Maddie Ducham has agreed to take over this responsibility.

Dues, \$10 can be given to either Trinie Vanderploeg or me.

While our numbers are down there is still a great deal of interest in the game. We have usually been using a round robin style of play which is good for warm up, or for those who are not quite as competitive. Those who would enjoy more play time or more competitive games are encouraged to find a foursome and a time to play. A reminder that tennis can be played at any time whenever the courts are not in use.

Minutes of our formal club meeting on Friday, have been sent out to the membership as well as forwarded to the Pickleball members. The decision reached regarding the official color to be used to repaint the Pickleball lines is to be the closest to the original green color as possible.

No action was taken regarding the possible combining representatives of both clubs in any future discussion that would affect both clubs.

Submitted by Nancy Penoyar, President 941 451 4939

#### **Shuffleboard**

Well, things are pretty much back to normal on the Courts. We have resumed Monday night shuffling as well as the usual Thursday mornings.



This was made possible because our "Resident Engineer" Ted Makowski and John Stadtlander (who owned his own electrical contracting business) got together and installed "80" brand new LED lights (paid for out of the disaster relief fund).

Construction of the destroyed building, enclosed lights and water fountain will be started at a later date.

March will be a busy month as we have our Annual BBQ out at the gazebo and contests will take place during the month to determine this year's Best Female, Best Male and Best Couples.

Its not too late to come out and enjoy the fun.

Submitted by Gary Cooney

#### **Table Tennis**

Have you been over to the Fitness Center to try out your skills in 2 tables, paddles, balls all waiting for you?!!! Try it out, it's a fun game and less strenuous than Pickleball or Tennis...

A group of us go over on Wednesday nights from 6:45PM till 8:00PM to play partners, it's easy, we'll teach you if you want, and have a good time.

We also go on Saturdays from 2:00PM till 3:00PM and if the weather allows, some of us head for the pool for a wonderful cool off. It's all in fun, none of us are Pro's or anything close.

Just a nice way to meet new residents and get a little exercise. Come try it, we'll see you there!!

Submitted by Ginnie Wood

#### **Water Aerobics**



Beginning Monday - 01/09/2023 thru April, I will be teaching water aerobics to music.

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Submitted by Karen Aldrich - 224 Martinique Rd



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# **ECHO** (Everyone Can Help Others)



Echo is a committee of volunteers from our residents who meet monthly to confidentially

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Additionally, we have information, such as, medical and community resources, meals on wheels, home health agencies, companion care, and county resources assistance. Also, our residents have donated used medical equipment for Echo to lend out to other residents, such as wheel chairs, walkers, shower chairs, some canes, and commodes. They are available and stored at the Chair lady's home-Rosemarie Sulzbach.

The Idea of Echo is to offer help to all residents, including renters, creating a culture of neighbor helping neighbor. It is also a way of getting to know your neighbors.

Looking toward to the future, we are in need of volunteers. The volunteers can choose how much time to be available and/or schedule specific days. Contact The Chair with questions or requests for registration forms.

Committee members are: Joyce Cote, Pat Krome, Ellie Marrone, Marion Myers, and Pat Weaver. You can contact them directly or call the Chair lady - Rosemarie Sulzbach at 941-875-3635, who will coordinate the services.

The committee members are listed in the Current Monthly with the individual phone numbers. You can call anyone of us to refer someone who has a need, or email a request for services. We are committed to keeping the information in confidence.

If you are interested in getting involved we will be happy to provide you with a survey form. We also send out survey forms yearly to residents who may want to volunteer.

Welcome.

Submitted by Rosemarie Sulzbach

#### **Bingo**

I am looking for someone to become my Bingo assistant with the thought of taking over Bingo in the future. I am willing to work with you until you are completely comfortable

work with you until you are completely comfortable with all aspects of our Bingo Tuesday evenings.

We changed a couple of games during the month of February, so come see if you like them better than the old games.

We begin selling Bingo cards at 6:10 pm Every Tuesday and ask you to be ready to play by 6:30. Our 'H' bonus card prize has been holding steady at \$84.00.

Hope to see you on Tuesday nights!

Submitted by Joan Rose

#### **Boat Club**

Hello All! As I write this we are in the final preparations for our February 16th

Dinner Meeting (with a Roaring Twenty's theme) and I am both happy and unhappy to report that we have not only sold out but have a waiting list long enough to force us to add three tables (24 more people) up along the side the dance floor. This is a nice problem to have, but we hate not being able to sell a ticket to all our members that want one.

Also at this time, many of you are still reveling in the afterglow of the wonderful Caloosahatchee River Boat tour. Thanks to Mary Berg for putting that great event together. Her next adventure for the club is a bus trip to the Distillery in Tarpon Springs on April 3rd.

We had our board meeting on February 6th and finalized our new Bridge...

Vice Commodore: Mike O'Conner
Rear Commodore: Bernie LaMancusa
Secretary/Membership Chair: Theresa Jones
Treasurer/Acting Secretary: Larry Hicks

Treasurer/Acting Secretary:
Director:
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Social Director:

Larry Hicks
Rich Donelson
Mike Donovan
Bill Shaffer
Mary Berg

Ship Storekeeper: Marsha Charest Immediate Past Commodore: Dave Carley

Thanks to all that volunteered to join and carry on the work and fellowship of this great organization.

We also wish to thank the many volunteers that have tirelessly worked on clearing our waterways. Mike Hammond, John Donato, and others that have pitched in when they can, are providing a tremendous service to not only our boating community but all of our LRV residents. I would urge all our members to pitch in whenever Mike posts and asks for volunteers.

We have a great community here at LRV and the Boat Club continues to be a significant part of it, so I am honored to be your new Commodore.

Respectfully Submitted by Tom VanMassenhove



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#### **Canine Fitness Club**

CFC wants to expand its membership! If you love dogs, you should join up with us. Fees for membership are waived this



year, and we need your new ideas for our future. If we can grow our group, it may benefit us with group discounting for dog related supplies and grooming, behavior training opportunities, etc.

One of our members mentioned a LRV Facebook page that would be similar in structure to the spin-off groups that are currently active for LRV. This FB page would not be "Politicized" in any manner, but light-hearted, informational, and entertaining. The administrator(s) of this group would be from the CFC to help maintain consistency in our standards.

The CFC is looking for someone to fill our Secretary/ Treasurer position. Rusty Shelley was in that position, but is no longer serving it. Our finances are pretty straight-forward, and the other functions such as sending out monthly meeting minutes, updating our membership roster and last but not least, writing this monthly article for the Current. Rusty, we thank you for your past service as you look forward to a new puppy!

The monthly March CFC Meeting will be held on Monday, March 6th in the Clubhouse Myakka Room @ 11 am. See you there!

Submitted by Dean M Schantzen - CFC Chair

#### Cribbage



Cribbage Mondays at 2:00pm in the Myakka Room. Come even if you're new and would like to learn.

Any questions, please call Jeri Deslauriers at 508-410-6542.

#### **Dance Club**

By the time you are reading this our February dance will be a thing of the past!



I hope you were able to attend our Magical Mystery Mardi Gras Party. The decorations were spectacular and for this we owe a big thank you to Andrea and Paul Goerge who loaned us all their personal decorations. Thank you both for your kindness.

We would love to see even more people attending our dances. Everyone has a great time, and we strive to make the music pleasing to all ages! Not an easy task but we do try.

Now on to March. The theme of the March dance is "March Madness" I will leave it up to your imagination as to what it will be about! As usual. Tickets are \$14.00 per person, BYOB/BYOSNACKS.

Respectfully submitted by Babs Findlay - Dance committee

#### **Line Dancing**



We have just finished our first month of the season. It went great..We had some new people, and that's always a good thing.

We featured a dance called "The Canadian Stomp" That went over very well.

We are still looking and hoping to get more guys to show up, that would be nice. Please pass the word. Okay see you at the next class.

We dance every Friday at 1:00PM in the clubhouse, from now un til the end of March.

Submitted by Frankie & Marie Mangio

**Lazy River Boosters** 

February was a good month for the Boosters. We had an organizational meeting where we decided on a Board



structurer with officers. We had a meeting to outline criteria for giving grants and assistance to clubs, organizations and activities in Lazy River.We had a very successful show for the Fabulous Fifties Musical produced by Elaine Wells. She recruited and trained the many musicians who performed in front of their friends and neighbors. Thanks to all who performed and to the support of the audience.

March 17, 2023, will see another production of the St Patrick's Day dinner led by Larry and Elle Price. Please plan to attend what has become a highlight of the winter season in LRV.

The Boosters is planning to have another organizational meeting in early April before many of us will start heading north. The goal of this meeting is to have in place a Board and Officers for the 2023-2024 season. I have enjoyed helping the Boosters during this time of transition and hurricane recovery but only intended to lead the club for this year. Thanks to all those who have volunteered and supported the Boosters this season.

Submitted by Dave Carley



Game is played on Thursdays Screen Room/ Bocce.

Door opens at 12:45pm and the game starts at 1:00pm. Please be set up and ready to play before 1:00pm. Bring \$5.00 in nickels and your own daubers.

Submitted by Peggy Clay

**Red Hat Society** 

The "Lovely Ladies of Lazy River" Red Hatters have been enjoying restaurants and other activities



about twice each month! It's never too late to join us, so if you're interested in meeting new friends, having fun, and forming lifelong relationships with other women, call (or email me) to join the fun! (Queen) Carolyn Arwood. Carolyn72@sbcqlobal. net 440-339-6202 P.S. If you need a red hat, we'll get you one!

Submitted by Carolyn Arwood

**Newcomer's Club** 

We are seeing a lot of progress in LRV since Hurricane lan. Big thank you to Mike Hammond and his crew working diligently on



removing the roofing materials and debris from the canals.

Many blue tarps have been removed and new roofs installed. I'm hoping ours is coming soon.

By the printing of this issue we will most likely see the demolition of damaged homes and possibly new homes being installed.

There have also been a lot of home sales in the Village during the recovery, bringing some new faces to the Village. We welcome you and would like to invite you to a "Meet and Greet" your neighbors Happy Hour on March 10th from 3-6 in the Clubhouse. Bring your own drinks and an appetizer to share.

Respectfully Submitted by Lori Smith

#### **Newcomers' "Meet And Greet"**

Happy belated Valentine's Day, and looking forward to a happy St. Patrick's Day. We have so much to be thankful for here at Lazy River!

Now I'd like to report a very successful "Meet and Greet" to all of our new residents.

On February 9 we gathered at the clubhouse, a group of 35 out of 40 new people. Our "Meet and Greet" coordinators are Joan Rose and Marie Mangio. They did a wonderful job of sending invitations out and asking for their attendance; they were able to convey a very warm welcome, and explaining exactly what we do here at Lazy River.

I myself gave a report on "The Current" and how all the activities are located and who they can contact when they feel like they would like to belong to something.

We enjoyed juice, coffee, and some sweet treats. Everyone was introduced and had a chance to say how they came to live in Lazy River and also what state they are from.

I want to thank everyone who attended, and those that put this function together. We wish you all a very warm welcome from all of us at Lazy River.

(See photo on color page 2)

Submitted Sincerely by Jan Boeck



Don't forget to set your clocks AHEAD 1 hour on Sunday, March 12



# **Woodworking Club** (Come See What We Saw)

It's March and the last month of Winter. It's also the month of the "Wearing of the Green," and last but not least it's time for the **Annual Horse Race Derby**.

This year the race will be held on **Saturday, March 11, 2023**. It will be held outside, weather permitting on **Tortola Way** near the Bocce Ball and Tennis Courts. Food will be cooked in the kitchen and brought outside, weather permitting.

We will be updating our Membership Board in the Wood Shop and removing those who no longer wish to be a member or those who no longer live or own property in the Park.

The electric panel and related work have been completed.

A reminder to shut off the vacuum system when you finish with the equipment you are running: Table Saw, Planer, Router Table, etc.

When the vacuum system is running it removes the saw dust created by the tool you are using. It also removes the conditioned air from the room which then has to be replaced by air from the outside. The air is sucked into the Shop through open doors and loose fitting doors and windows. Remembering to shut off the vacuum system helps prolong the vacuum system's life.

#### This Month's Helpful Hint

Shut off the Vacuum System when done with it.

Submitted by Dan Foley

#### THIS & THAT

#### **Bloodmobile News**

Thank you to all who donated Blood on our last Drive. It was a good turnout and Sun Coast Blood Bank is very pleased to have so



many caring residents from Lazy River.

Our next scheduled Blood Drive is on Thursday, MARCH 23rd from 7:45am till 11:45am. The Bus will be parked at the Clubhouse to make it convenient to all. Be sure to Signup, if possible, on the Bulletin Board at the back of the clubhouse. This helps SunCoast determine personnel and supplies. If you are not sure, or have not signed up, please go to the Bus anyway and they will fit you in.

With such a great need for Blood at the Hospitals all we are asked is to consider this lifesaving cause. This will be the last scheduled time until next Fall but the SunCoast Blood Bank is always in need and has many other place you can donate. Thank you all for trying.

Submitted by Ginnie Wood, Blood Drive Coordinator

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#### The Current Sky - October 2021

Hello again!

Comet C/2022 was a bust like a snow fall prediction in Minnesota! The Comet reached apparent Magnitude 5.4 (human eye can discern maybe 6.0 with very little light pollution), which is tough on a good night with 20-year-old eyes! From one of the state parks it would have been easier with binoculars, but from LRV I could not see it, sweeping with the ten inch "mortar" telescope. Here's the Biz for March eyes – they are all earlyish evening observations. This month gets the "close approach" award.

#### March 1st at Sundown

This evening, we have Jupiter and Venus aligned very closely in the lower western sky. It will be a nice naked eye or binocular event. The two will have an angular separation of  $\approx \frac{1}{2}$  degree in the sky, so both will fit in a telescope's field of view. Since they are in the lower sky, viewing detail on Jupiter will not be optimum, since we are looking through so much wet Florida atmosphere.

#### March 7th

A full "Worm" Moon tonight. Viewing in a telescope, especially moderate size, really needs some eyepiece filters to cut down the light somewhat. Hmm. Let's do some comparisons – with a human eye lens being  $\approx$  7 mm in diameter and our 250 mm diameter (ten inch) "mortar" telescope compared for light gathering power, then when you go through the math, it just boils down to the square of the

two diameter's dividend, or  $(7)_2$ . So that size telescope can gather and focus 1275 times more light on our eye rods/cones than the human eye lens can. Wow! That is why you can almost feel that light pressure when your pupils are dilated. Not painful, but...

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#### THIS & THAT

#### The Current Sky (continued from page 26)

March 22nd at Sundown on

Our first Planetary/Moon close approach of the month: Moon & Jupiter. The angular separation will be less than ½ degree. Can fit in one telescopic low power field of view. Catch this at sundown if possible.

March 24th at Sundown on, exact time later Our second Planetary/Moon close approach of the month: Moon & Venus. The angular separation will be around 1/10 degree – very close. Can fit in one telescopic field of view. Catch this at sundown if possible.

#### March 28th at Sundown on

Our third and last Planetary/Moon close approach of the month: Moon & Mars. The angular separation will be around 2-1/4 degrees – close-ish. Too much separation to catch in one telescopic field of view. Catch this at sundown if possible.

Please email me at <a href="mailto:telescopeguy1955@gmail.com">telescopeguy1955@gmail.com</a> or text me at 612-220-5726 if you have any questions or if there is interest for a viewing.

Till next time, Clear Skies and Good Health!

Telescope Guy Submitted by Dean Schantzen

#### Quilting

During the month of January, a group of Lazy River ladies have made quilted Table Toppers, with instructions from Wanda Milankov. Beautiful workmanship.

(See photo on color page 35)

Submitted by Jackie Gross

# LRV Communications Committee HOW DO WE COMMUNICATE IN LAZY RIVER? LET US COUNT THE WAYS!

- The Current newsletter monthly (Sept-April), combined (May/June and July/Aug) hard copy at office and clubhouse and digital version on LRV web site (deadline for articles to editor is the 12th of the month prior to publication)
- 2. Manager's emails/ updates (sign up with office to receive via email)
  - a. Hello Friday News- weekly news blast (deadline is Wed 10 am)
  - b. Tuesday happenings activities (deadline is Monday noon)
  - c. Manager's meeting (TBA by manager)
- 3. TV HOA channel (expected Spring 2023) shows upcoming events, list events via office
- Lazy River Village website <a href="https://lazyrivervillage.org">https://lazyrivervillage.org</a> (give email to office to get access)
- 5. Board of Directors meetings in clubhouse October April. Workshop 1st Wed of month at 9am after Koffee Klatch (KK), Board meeting on 2nd Wed of month at 9 am after KK, annual meeting and Board elections in Feb (date TBD) a- Communications from your LRV Board (email)
- Lazy River directory lists shareholders names, phone numbers and emails along with rules and regulations and other important phone numbers. (hard copy available at office. Digital copy on LRV website)
- 7. LRV activities outdoor bulletin board by main clubhouse entry lists upcoming activities/events
- 8. Suggestion boxes for your ideas to Board (located in clubhouse entrances)
- 9. Bulletin boards in back entry hallway to clubhouse (organized by clubs, Village business and activities, upcoming meetings and agendas and residents postings, i.e. sales, rentals)

  Dated 2/4/23 INFORMAL
- 10. Koffee Klatch aka KK in clubhouse October-April every Wed at 8 am -announcements, tickets for sale, meet your neighbors, coffee and donuts \$2 donation.

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#### THIS & THAT

#### **LRV Commnications Committee**

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- 11. Rock mail announcements (paper notice placed under "rock" by your entry, sign up with office to receive)
- 12. Sandwich board signs at front lake entrance (announces special events/ activities for week)
- 13. Facebook pages:

Lazy River Family <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/561582970993155">https://www.facebook.com/groups/561582970993155</a> (news posted by residents)

Lazy River Sales <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/3049152241794091">https://www.facebook.com/groups/3049152241794091</a> (items posted for sale by residents)

LRV newcomers, residents and renters <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/473839597388484">https://www.facebook.com/groups/473839597388484</a> (info for residents less than 3 years)

The Lazy River Village boat club <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/1489173824648637">https://www.facebook.com/groups/1489173824648637</a> (must be member of boat club) -

- LRV Meeting Place Group <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/1353412598187834">https://www.facebook.com/groups/1353412598187834</a> (share ideas, shareholder only)
- 14. There's all the various activities and informal groups in the Village like the pool in the afternoon (also known as noodling), street meetings and neighborly gatherings!

NOTE: Please let the communications committee chair - Peggy Duke, know of any additions or corrections to this list Dated 2/4/2023

Submitted by Peggy Duke



#### Lazy River Village Dinner

Lazy River Pot Luck Dinners were always fun and favorite events. Times have changed. This year the committee decided to try a new approach.



For \$8.00 per person we would get a full meal, dessert and live entertainment. What a great deal! The meal was meat loaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, rolls, mixed veggies and cooked apple slices. The meatloaf was very special—nice flavor but not too spicy. The key in a good meatloaf is to have it cooked through and yet keep it moist and flavorful. This was outstanding! When the servers were asked who made the meatloaf, the answer was, "We all did." The proof of the quality was that the leftovers quickly sold out for \$4.00 per package. The desserts were a combination of cheesecake and brownies, prepared by our own volunteers. Later in the evening servers came by to offer a second helping of dessert, which were greatly appreciated.

The volunteers helped with the setup of the tables, food preparation, all the cooking, serving over 130 people, and cleanup. When the M.C., Ginny Wood, asked all the workers to come out, they said, "No," they were too busy, but we did give Trinie Vander Pleog a big hand for all of them. It is really special to see what a group of volunteers can do to make a nice evening for the rest of us.

After dinner, the three-person band played 70's and 80's music.

There was an extra unplanned entertainment, when 15 or 20 good-looking and athletic Lazy River dancers provided a spontaneous and enthusiastic dance recital. They were great!

All in all, it was a fun evening for all of us, and a bargain to boot. Thanks to all the volunteers!

Submitted by the Lazy River Village Gastronome

#### THIS & THAT

#### **Architectural Review Committee**

Recently the Board established an Architectural Review Committee consisting of Lauria Avon, Gail Adams, Clay Swenor, Cherie McWhorter, Jan Boeck, Linda O'Connor, Warren Danford, Carolyn Arwood and Jean Swain with Dennis Chappel as our Board Liaison. The Committee meets every Wednesday following Koffee Klatch except on the Wednesdays of a Board Meeting.

The Committee has confirmed with the Board that our priorities are to establish guidelines for such matters as:

- · Color of the exterior of homes;
- The placement of flower boxes and or skirting and materials to be used;
- · Carports and their possible enclosure;
- · Sheds;
- Identifying important Sarasota County rules that are applicable to any alterations;
- · The role of neighbors in alteration requests; and
- Use of storage bids such as "rubber made" style containers.

In addition, the Committee is to review any alteration requests and new development as it relates to the rules and regulations and the guidelines and make recommendations to the Board before approval is granted.

To date the Committee has come to a consensus on Flower boxes, Sheds, Car Ports, Exterior building color and the role of neighbors.

Regarding color, the Committee has determined that a Floridian color pallet best suits Lazy River and is what has been the traditional look of our community. In trying to quantify and develop guidelines on color it was determined that the best approach was to identify the color's Reflective Light Value. As all colors have an assigned Reflective Light Value it was possible to find what Reflective Light Value was within the color range of our community. Any color with a Light Reflective Value (LRV) of 75 or greater was found to be very acceptable no matter what color desired. Those colors with a LRV less than 75 varied

depending on the specific color and the Committee felt those colors would need to be assessed prior to any approval for alterations. Features such as shutters and doors were considered as personal choice matters and should not be subject to any required approvals.

The Committee will be developing guidelines which will be presented to the Board for their consideration with the hope that there is greater consistency in the alteration approval process.

Respectfully Submitted by Jean Swain, Chair - Architectural Review Committee

#### **COMING EVENTS**



March 18, 2023: Erik Kearns "Voices of Legends" Frankie Valley, Willy Nelson, Louie Armstrong, Johnny Cash, and many more

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Submitted by Vickie Stokes

#### **COMING EVENTS**

#### St. Patrick's Day Parade Honorees

#### **Grand Marshalls Roy Auvil and Rich Donelson**



The parade committee wishes to honor and thank all the people who did everything they could to bring Lazy River Village back to a place we all can enjoy. We are dedicating the 2023 parade to all of you who worked so hard. We have asked Rich Donelson and Roy Auvil to be the Grand

Marshalls, to represent all of you workers.

On September 28 and 29, Hurricane Ian left the Village a disaster. Roy Auvil and four others stayed in the pool room of the fitness center; thirty-six others stayed in the clubhouse. Others who had left the village had trouble returning because the roads were closed and traffic lights were not working. The most important thing was that there were no deaths or serious injuries.

The next day words cannot describe the devastation. The first thing our residents saw was that the solid wall at the tennis court was flattened. Some homes were completely destroyed and many had major damage. There was no power or water. Roy had to take buckets of water to flush toilets. Aluminum roofs were torn off and scattered, blowing Styrofoam was all over the village and the roads were all flooded and blocked. Rich said that everything was a priority. He had volunteers move huge amounts of Styrofoam into the tennis court. The able-bodied men and women put tarps on roofs—this was a major concern. Rich said, "We have to deal with this like eating an elephant-- a bite at a time."

The storage yard was a major disaster and a security problem. Matt Smith organized a large group of workers; they bought a hole digger to replace all the posts that were destroyed. They saved as much material as they could. The savings were over \$20,000! Note: The LRV insurance only covers the buildings.

There was a major problem with all the waste. Sarasota County refused to pick up the waste, claiming we were not eligible. Rich contacted channel 8 and held a news conference, which brought the issue to the governor's attention. As a result, Sarasota County contacted Rich and they reached an agreement to remove the waste—another big cost savings for us.

There was outside help with food and water. The power and water service was intermittent and communication was a major issue. While all the volunteers were a valuable resource, many of the Canadian residents came down soon after the hurricane and worked side-by-side in the cleanup. They will have another challenge, because by Federal law they can only stay here 180 days. They may be forced to leave before their homes are completely repaired.

It was not possible to cover all the work of the many volunteers, so we are asking them to bring their cell phones to the party after the parade (free green beer) and share their stories and pictures with us. A short comment from one of the workers, "At the end of the day I was tired, but it was worth it, even with cold showers and warm beer." Some residents who were not able to do the heavy work contributed in other ways, such as moving Styrofoam, picking up nails and screws or donating money. The gratitude of Lazy River residents to their many neighbors and friends who helped to restore our village is immeasurable. There are too many to mention here, but we all know who they are.

The St. Patrick's Day Parade will be on March 17, starting at 1:00 p.m.

Submitted by the Parade Committee

#### IN MEMORIAM

We would like to remember Joe Ogden, who was a big supporter of the parade, and Jim Schwandt, who organized and led the parade. They are missed.

#### **COMING EVENTS**



#### **COMING EVENTS**

#### Michigan Day

Hey, all you folks with Michigan roots.

Come gather on March 5 for great food, fun and fellowship. Our theme this year is Michigan Products.

The gathering is a great way to celebrate new and old friendships.

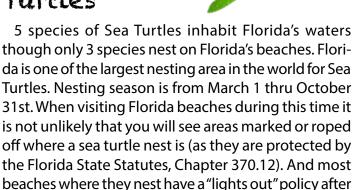
Mark your calendars for March 5 from 1PM -3PM in the clubhouse. Tickets will be on sale at Koffee Klatch.

We'd love some new committee members.

Submitted by Trinie Vander Ploeg 269-686-7024.

#### Florida Sea Turtles

toward the lights.



Sea turtles can lay several nests in one season, in each nest laying approximately 100 eggs. The female covers the eggs with sand and then leaves the eggs to incubate for 2 months. The temperature of the nest actually determines the sex of the turtles. When the eggs hatch, the hatchlings race toward the water. A very small percentage of the hatchlings ever survive and live to adulthood. The females who do always return to nest on the same beach where they hatched.

a specified time to prevent the sea turtles from going

# 2023 Lazy River 90 + Birthday Honorees Celebration



We are pleased to announce the carrying on of the tradition of the Lazy River Community coming together to Celebrate our very special 90th plus Birthday Honorees.

This year's theme is "Honoring the Legacy of Lazy River". The Program will be highlighted with clips, pictures, and videos of unforgettable past gatherings, shows, events, and countless priceless Lazy River memories to celebrate our 90 + Honorees.

Mark your calendar April 15th, 2:00pm – 5:00pm at the Lazy River Clubhouse. Tickets available at \$10.

Dinner will be served. You can also enter the raffle for a chance to go home BLESSED AND RICH.

Submitted by Bill Campbell (Jan Campbell's son)



#### MARCH CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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#### Across

- 1. Hi-tech tome
- 6. Against the current
- 14. From around here
- 15. Makes ill
- 17. Clear the chalkboard
- 18. Heading for
- 19. Air out
- 21. Third-largest Hawaiian island
- 22. Mary Tyler Moore co-star
- 23. Visual
- 25. Tacit approval
- 26. This, to Tomás
- 28. Zippo
- 29. Little, to poet Burns
- 30. Soda brand since 1931
- 32. Bill's partner in adventure
- 33. Hive material
- 34. Musical Cole
- 37. Make (oneself) beloved
- 38. D.C. time setting
- 41. "Swan Lake" role

- 43. Lost traction
- 45. Unrefined
- 46. Needle partner
- 47. Attack
- 49. Disaster-relief org.
- 50. Unable to hear
- 52. Hearty pub meal
- 55. James, for one
- 56. Intimate chat
- 57. "Nevada Smith," e.g.
- 58. Hated
- 59. Pats dry

#### **Down**

- 1. High dice results
- 2. Ennui
- 3. Ottawan's anthem
- 4. Hops kilns
- 5. Mozart's "Eine \_\_\_\_ Nachtmusik"
- 6. Dug up, as an artifact
- 7. Gasp for air
- 8. Positive
- 9. General \_\_\_\_'s Chicken
- 10. Corned beef and sauerkraut sand.
- 11. Have dinner in a restaurant
- 12. Gorged oneself
- 13. Polluting gas
- 16. Went bad, as milk
- 20. Made smaller
- 23. Certain Canadian
- 24. Wheedle
- 27. Desert rest stops
- 31. Took a pill
- 33. Test model
- 34. Unsuitable
- 35. Clung
- 36. White ant
- 38. Argentine writer \_\_\_\_ Sábato
- 39. Statistical compilation
- 40. Pairs for the price of one
- 42. Cups, saucers, etc.
- 44. Colorful application
- 48. Utopian
- 50. "Let it stand," to an editor
- 51. Head, to Henri
- 53. Possess, to Burns
- 54. Aves.

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#### Quilting

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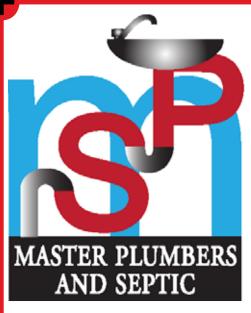
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