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President's Report



First, I want to continue to say thank you to all our residents for the continued efforts to clean up our community after hurricane Ian. The thanks go out to the community at large whether it was a single person picking up screws on the road or a committee/group tackling a larger project. Everyone has helped in some way. The progress being made is simply remarkable. And I look forward to the continued progress in restoring our community.

In the wake of hurricane Ian many violations of our park rules were allowed, appropriately so. As we are now beyond 6 months since the hurricane, it is time we start to tighten back up. We need to get back to following our rules as it pertains to parking, washing homes, weeds, trimming trees/bushes, debris, globe lights,

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Manager's Report



Spring is here. It's a great time to get your home pressure washed before summer arrives or you leave for the season. Also, please make sure you have a caretaker lined up to take care of your weeds and landscaping while you are away.

I will say those hated words.....Hurricane season starts on June 1st. Please make every effort to reduce the amount of rubble around your home, even if you are waiting on a demolition. The demolitions seem to be running behind and the loose rubble around homes is creating a safety hazard, especially when we have high winds.

It's very important that we have a good contact number for anyone leaving the village for the season, please make sure your email and

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etc. The BOD and Manager have started doing rounds of inspections throughout the community. In cases where exterior repairs/replacement homes are needed, we would simply like to understand the plans. Reasonable accommodations will certainly be made for contractors/repairs, but would ask to request from the office if not in line with our rules.

Additionally, our rules need to be self-adhered to. The BOD and our office staff cannot police our entire community. I would implore that all residents and renters familiarize themselves with the rules and adhere to them. Please pay attention to rules related to renters and guests that stay in the home more than 30 days. A guest residing more than 30 days will need BOD approval and a background check. Renters also need a background check and be registered in the office. Additionally, please review your storage yard lease if you have a spot there. Please be sure to only store in your spot what has been identified on the lease. The BOD and management will follow up on all written complaints, but cannot follow-up on Facebook or word of mouth. Written complaints can and should be submitted to the office.

I also need to emphasize the phrase 'that if you see something, say something'. We have had injuries that have occurred due to safety issues within our village. In some cases, the safety issue was known by other residents before the injury, but the concern was not reported to the office. If you see something, please (please) report it to the office. As some of the injuries may have been able to be avoided. This also holds true for issues with our facilities (e.g., pool temperature); please notify the office as well. Facebook posts are not monitored by the office. Posting something on Facebook will not get acted on and could delay the underlying issue getting resolved.

I look forward to the continued restoration of our common areas and individual homes within our village.

Submitted by Bob Jones – President BOD

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

phone numbers are up to date. Email is your source for all information that is released from the office, please keep us informed if your email changes.

A special thank you to the Beautification Crew that is working so hard to both get us back to normal and beautify the Village. In the past six months, you have truly gone above and beyond for Lazy River and it is much appreciated.

Please remember that my door is always open. If you have a complaint about anything in the Village, please give me a call or send me an email, or just stop in to chat. Posting a complaint on Facebook and not telling the office doesn't really accomplish correcting the issue, please bring it to us and we will address it.

I hope everyone has a Happy Easter and if you are leaving for the season, safe travels and we look forward to seeing when you return.

"Practice random kindness and senseless acts of beauty."

*Submitted by - Millie Hubbard –
Community Association Manager*

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

The Current Staff:

Carol Klotz: Editor and Scheduler, 941-525-8805

Direct any questions you may have to the Staff or to Management at 426-4307.

Send articles and correspondence to editorlazyriver@gmail.com by the 12th of every month.

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ACTIVITY LEADERS	
Anniversaries / Birthdays	Joyce Cote
Art Classes	Kip Greener
Lazy River Band	Tom VanMassenhove
Beautification	Roy Auvil
Bible Study	Nancy Penoyer
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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Out of Season: June to September:	
Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 8:00am to 3:00pm; Wed. 8:00am to Noon	

LAZY RIVER ACTIVITIES TEAM	
Team Leaders:	
Janice Boeck: Chair	
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Sunshine Coord	Cheri Case734-755-9558

Realtor's Report

Hello, Lazy River! I'm back after a one-month absence! Only two months on the job, and I already used my mulligan with the monthly newsletter. Oops. Blame it on the fact that the sales in Lazy River are keeping me very busy!



If you've been wondering, the real estate market in Lazy River Village has been hot! Between January 1 and March 9, there have been 9 sales in the park. For comparison, there were 3 sales during the same time frame in 2022. Unfortunately, a number of sellers in 2023 are in a bit of a different situation than last year's sellers on account of Hurricane Ian.

As I begin to implement my real-estate vision for Lazy River, I want to thank you in advance for your patience. There hasn't been any "down" time to do the many housekeeping tasks I still have to tackle (like getting a custom-made sign for the front area where I will be meeting with people to discuss real estate). My goal for asap is to have an Open House plan or schedule. When I first began selling homes in Lazy River in late 2017, Open Houses were held every other week during peak season. Residents often volunteered to sit at Open Houses, which helped the realtor to be flexible to jump into a golf cart to meet with specific buyers who were eager to talk business. Since I'm only one person and sales in Lazy River are hopping, I'll need to come up with a plan to optimize my time in regard to Open Houses. If you would be interested in sitting at some Open Houses for me, give me a call at 941-380-8156 or email me at kirkdevries22@gmail.com.

If you haven't already heard, North Port is officially the second-fastest growing city in the U.S. With a 5.5% population growth, North Port is second only to Cape Coral/Ft. Myers' growth of 6.8%. With the addition of Wellen Park, the area is poised to continue growing for a while. City planners have their work cut out for them to try to balance the growth with the additional needs of the environment, budget, and schools. But as you already know: the traffic is heavier and the restaurants are more crowded, and it doesn't show signs of slowing down. Who can blame anyone for wanting to live under sunny skies almost all-year-round?

Finally, I thought it might be fun to feature one of my favorite area restaurants or maybe a county park for example, in this space each month. The restaurants would be from personal experiences my family and I have really enjoyed and frequent regularly. I'm not paid for any of these recommendations—they are strictly my own personal opinion. But everyone loves good food, and this area is full of great places to eat. First up? Farlow's on the Water, located at 2080 S McCall Road, Englewood. The food is a unique and delicious blend of Southern comfort food and Caribbean fresh flavors. The seafood is always fresh and perfectly prepared. The variety is wildly creative and assures you will want many opportunities to sample all the dishes. Service is impeccable and knowledgeable. And the view is stunning. If you haven't been there, give Farlow's on the Water a try. Reservations can be made by phone or online.

Until next month, be safe and be sure to say hello when you see me around the park!

Respectfully submitted by Kirk De Vries – Realtor

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April 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 11:00AM	Pickleball	Court # 1	Diane Gempp	401-447-6916
	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 Exercises	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 V.Massenhove	989-295-5602
	2:00PM TO 3:30PM	Cribbage	Myakka Room	Jeri Deslauriers	508-410-6542
	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
Tue	8:30AM to 11:30AM	LRV 2025	Myakka Room	Marie Jennerich	705-250-1881
	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	Jan Campbell Tribute Band	Stage	Tom V.Massenhove	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 V.Massenhove	989-295-5602
	1:00PM to 4:00PM	Stained Glass	Arts & Crafts Room	Fred Buttery	269-344-9855
	1:00PM to 4:00PM	Cornhole Throwing	Bocce Screen Room	Lori Smith	513-509-7166
	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
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

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Day	Time	Activity	Location	Contact	Phone
Wed	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
	12:00PM TO 2:00PM	Rock Painting	Sunrise/Sunset	Sandy Moore	734-645-6554
	1.00pm to 3.00pm	Clarinet Music	Bocce Screen Room	Ron Ducham	802-272-1306
	7:00PM to 8:30PM	Ping Pong	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
	6.30PM TO 9:00PPM	Joker	Myakka Room	Debbie Rohlin	814-688-5746
Fri	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
	9:30AM 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 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
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
	1.00pm to 3.00pm	Clarinet Music	Bocce Screen Room	Ron Ducham	802-272-1306
	10:00PM TO 1:00PM	Poker	Myakka Room	John Jacobs	518-365-3846
	2:00PM to 3:30PM	Table Tennis	Billiard Room	Ginnie Wood	941-423-2184

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Day	Time	Activity	Location	Contact	Phone
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

**If you have changed or cancelled any activities,
please contact the scheduler by eMail : editorlazyriver@gmail.com**

April 2023 - Special Events

Day	Time	Activity	Location	Contact	Phone
Mon 3rd	11:00AM TO 12:00PM	Canine Fitness club Monthly Meeting	Myakka Room	Dean Schantzen	612-220-5726
Mon 3rd	2:30PM TO 4:00PM	Boat Club Board Meeting	Sunrise & Sunset Rms	Tom VanMassenhove	989-295-5602
Sat 8th	3.00pm to 5,00pm	Activities Concert in the Park	Green Space by Tennis Court No. 2	Lori Smith	513-509-7166
Sun 9th	3.00pm to 5,00pm	Activities - in case of rain Concert in the Park	Green Space by Tennis Court N0. 2	Lori Smith	513-509-7166
Sun 9th	10:00AM TO 6::00PM	Private Dinner	Sunrise and Sunset rooms	Dolly Ciarlo	508-579-1973
Wed 12th	10:00AM TO 6:00PM	Boat Club - Picnic Prep	Kitchen	Tom VanMassenhove	989-295-5602
Thu 13th	8:00AM TO 3:00PM	Boat Club - Spring Picnic	Hall & Kitchen	Tom VanMassenhove	989-295-5602
Fri 14th	9:00AM to 2:00PM	90th Birthday Anniversary Preparation	Hall & Kitchen	Bill Campbell Dolly Ciarlo	508-579-1973
Sat 15th	4:00PM to 6:00PM	90th Birthday Anniversary Celebration	Hall & Kitchen	Bill Campbell Dolly Ciarlo	508-579-1973
Wed 19th	9.00am to 11.30am	AMC Meeting	Myakka room	Betty Rumley	941-426-5302
Wed 26th	10.00AM TO 4.00PM	Activities Team Events Planning	Hall	Lori Smith	513-509-7166

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The beautification crew continues to be busy picking up scrap from Ian! Yes there has been a lot of scrap and yes beautification has made money off the scrap!

What does beautification do with the money they earn, you ask, well I'll tell you! It all goes back to the park. Since Ian we have donated \$6,000.00 dollars to the park for disaster relief. Beautification donates to Veterans Island, Activities, Christmas lights, Saint Patrick's Day and to The Current.

We also purchase power tools, batteries and chargers for those tools. Those tools are expensive! They are available for resident use. All you have to do is SIGN OUT the tool with your name and date. IF THE TOOL IS IN GOOD WORKING ORDER, WE EXPECT IT TO BE RETURNED IN WORKING ORDER! IF YOU BREAK IT YOU REPLACE IT! If you don't know how to work the tool, just ask, Roy Auvil, Norm Dube or Mike Kindellan will show you how.

If you need a ladder, they are stored outside the Beautification office, help yourself! But please return the ladder when you are done with it! Others may need a ladder too.



The Beautification Crew works hard for not a lot of cash and it all goes to you, the residents, to help

Lift Assist

Who should you call if you have a **non injury** fall? I have spoken to **LIFT ASSIST** and this is the information they gave me.



This is a free service for **Non-Emergency** falls. You can call the number listed below and Lift Assist will send someone out to help you get up. While you are talking with them they will ask your address, cross street, age, male or female and if you are injured.



Here is their phone number:
Lift Assist 941-316-1201

make this park the beautiful place it is. We also collect your cans, beer and soda and alcoholic beverages in cans on Friday mornings at 7AM! Put them out on or under your Mail box and we will pick them up. We do not take soup cans, veggie cans, tuna fish cans or rolled up aluminum foil! PLEASE, PLEASE, EMPTY YOUR CANS BEFORE YOU PUT THEM OUT, Thanks!

Anyone who would be interested in doing some things in the park to improve it, please, just show up Monday mornings at eight to the maintenance building behind the office and bring a pair of gloves and a sense of humor!



Finally, personally, I'd like to thank all who sent donations, cards and kind letters to me following the death of my lovable, workaholic husband on his death on January 16th. Bruce (Doc), loved beautification and working for the park!

Submitted gratefully by Carol Basch

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Activities Team



Hello, April, hello spring,
hello longer days of daylight!

We've had quite a season mixed with so many activities and work being done in our park. Everyone has been touched in some way by the hurricane and it's going to be a long time with a lot of patience before we return to what we call normal!

We are wishing all of you the best as some of you will be leaving to your other homes and we look forward to seeing you all return.

We're hopeful that we can provide more activities and fun things to do for everyone. We all depend on each other for help, and it's been shown that we have quite a community, a village of helpers and caregivers. We are fortunate.

Respectfully submitted, Jan Boeck

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03	Cherie McWhorter
04	William Crooks
05	Bruce Basch
06	Carlton Duvall
06	Judy Faulhefer
06	Anne Marie Gray
06	Jonathan (JJ) Massey
07	Jack Davis
07	Michael Garrity
07	Richard Mucilli
07	Tom VanMassenhove
08	Peg Duke
08	Glenn Vander Ploeg
09	Bob Bennett
09	Judith Carley
10	Janet Gray
11	Marilyn McDonald
11	Ernie Pommenville
11	Chris Woods
12	Ellen Seehagen
12	Gerald White
13	Ruth Ann Davis
13	Linda O'Connor
15	Jerry Doskos
15	Andrea Goerge
15	Robert Sibley

17	Raymond Racicot
18	Carole Byrne
18	Butch Wells
20	Penny Campbell
20	Jacqui Hill
20	Beth Peterson
21	Diana Sampers
22	Janice Boeck
22	Donald Intonti
22	Joseph Pietro
23	Ed Faria
24	Al Brogley
24	Ray Thompson
25	Wayne Anderson
27	Diana McAllister
28	Dorrine Eckel
30	Cindy Gardner



<i>April 2023 Anniversaries</i>	<i>Years Married</i>
2	Paul and Brenda Holiday
7	Lou and Joan Rose Over 60
7	Thomas and Kathleen Winkelspecht . . . *50*
11	William and Kathleen Jordan Over 60
12	Mark and Debra York
14	David and Nancy Angellis
18	Jim and Barbara Walker Over 50
21	Dennis and Barbara Chapple
21	Michael and Stacey Kapture
23	Ernie and Connie Pommenville . . . Over 60
23	Robert and Laura Reilly
27	Bruce and Margaret Binge
28	Russell and Janet Bentley

Submitted by Joyce Cote

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





GOD'S LOVE

We know that God loves us (John 3:16). In fact He loves the whole world. However, how we understand "love"

becomes a major hurdle. We are born without a knowledge of God. As we learn in Genesis 3:5, we are born with ability to determine what is right (good) and what is wrong (evil). As individuals we are able to make that judgment separate from God and others.

We all perceive or feel love differently. While a person can love you, but unless you "feel" loved you may not believe it. In the same way how you show your love for another may not be interpreted as love either.

God's love for us is always for our good. We judge even the love of God by how we feel and by visual evidence we assume will be an act of love.

In America we have lost the family dynamics of the loving provisions and protection of a Father, joined

with a Mother's love that teaches us with discipline, correction and as needed punishment. By this we learn to respect and obey these authorities. This in turn teaches what is expected and prepares us for society as adults. Imperfect as this reality is it is suppose to prepare us for our personal relationship with God Almighty and accept His authority and that of our Lord Jesus Christ.

According to Revelation 3:19 God states that if we are children of God, then He will rebuke and chasten all of His children. God sent Jesus as an act of His love to rescue us from eternal death and bondage to sin. God allows many things that appear to us as the opposite of "love", yet for our good. Because God is not confined to time and space as we are in this physical world, He alone can determine the end result of the good He intends. (Remember the story of Joseph, and David)

How we respond to what God allows in our life tests our faith to believe in God's provisions of love and grace in all things. What do we really believe? Is Jesus Christ really the Son of God and are His promises for eternity true? Remember, unlike the promises of land to the Israel Nation, our reward is in Heaven where we will be with our Savior face to face.

Next month's article will be based on our "First Love".

Submitted by Nancy Penoyar



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212 Lazy River Road

Paul Jr. – (513) 532-9562

Email: Paul Jr. rmtwister2000@yahoo.com

Birthday: Paul – 02/21

Previous Owner: Paul Myers Sr.

OH



01/06/2023

O'Brien, Karen

135 Bermuda Way

(215) 932-9599

Email: Karenlobrien33@gmail.com

Birthday: 11/30

Previous Owner: Rodney Billett & Doreen Gravelle

FL

01/31/2023

Bentley, Russell & Janet

203 Martinique Rd.

Russell: (517)281-7832; Janet: (517) 281-8352

Email: Jrcrow5251@aol.com

Birthdays: Russell – 7/21; Janet – 9/16;

Anniversary: 4/28/90

Previous Owner: David & Sandra Ellis

MI

01/31/2023

Holiday, Paul & Brenda

142 Martinique Rd.

Paul: (269) 838-8191; Brenda: (269) 838-8189

Email: Brenda_holiday@hotmail.com

Birthdays: Paul – 5/15; Brenda – 5/6;

Anniversary: 4/2

Previous Owner: Robert & Raquel Hodson

MI

02/15/2023

Sewell, Glenn & Connie

145 Lazy River Road

(502) 803-5674

Email: Gary: swellone@aol.com;

Connie: swelltwo@aol.com

Birthdays: Gary – 6/27; Connie – 11/5;

Anniversary: 12/1966

Previous Owner: Loren & Carole Samuelson

KY

02/15/2023

Scheepers, Francis & Laurie

111 Rarotonga Road

Francis: (613) 913-6108; Laurie: (613) 913-6230

Email: Francis: frank@badgerexcavating.com

Laurie: laurie@badgerexcavating.com

Birthdays: Francis: 7/23; Laurie: 1/69

Anniversary: 6/26/1996

Previous Owner: William & Kathleen Shaffer

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Elmer, Gary & Bonnie

133 Rarotonga Rd.

Gary: (920) 740-4809; Bonnie: (920) 740-1444

Email: Gary: gelmer@mindspring.com

Bonnie: belmer@mindspring.com

Birthdays: Gary – 1/7; Bonnie – 12/8

Anniversary: 9/3/66

Previous Owner: Paul & Constance Rumford

WI

02/23/2023

Davis, James & Theresa

128 Bermuda Way

(732) 496-5705

Email: James: jimdavis@whirlconstruction.net

Birthdays: Jim: 7/18; Theresa: 5/9

Anniversary: 5/12/1984

Previous Owner: Mark Bachetti & Karen Cumberland

FL

02/23/2023

Block, Kristine & Wayne

210 Lazy River Road

Kristine: (269) 370-6013; Wayne: (269) 578-3182

Email: Blocksof6@sbcglobal.net

Birthdays: Kristine: 5/5; Wayne: 9/26

Anniversary: 9/20/1980

Previous Owner: Fred & Joan Buttery.

MI

02/28/2023

Bonifas, Alan & Janet

124 Island Point Road

Alan: (419) 467-2194; Janet: (419) 388-3056

Email: Alan: abonifas33@gmail.com

Janet: jbonifas27@gmail.com

Birthdays: Alan: 5/6; Janet: 5/27

Anniversary: 3/24/1984

Previous Owner: James & Barbara Schwandt

OH

SPORTS

Bocce Ball



Hi, everyone,

Come and join us for a game. We play Mondays at 9:00am and Wednesdays at 10:00am after coffee klatch. New players welcome and lessons gladly given. Hope to see you.

Submitted by A.J. Gilson

Bowling



As you know, we did not get to bowl this year as a league. The bowling alley was closed due to damage from hurricane Ian. Since then we've had a lot of bowlers leave our community and many have injuries that will prevent them from bowling.

We need to know who will be able to bowl next year so we can plan a league. So please let us know if you plan to bowl next January, February and March. Contact us at: clayralph777@gmail.com. Or call Peggy at: 317-340-7966. Also, don't wait until the last minute to reply. We need to know by July.

We welcome any new bowlers. You don't have to be good, just want to have some fun.

Regards, Ralph Clay

Cornhole Games



Cornhole Tournaments are played every Tuesday at 1:00pm. We meet at the Bocce Screen Room to pick partners by luck of the draw.

Everyone is welcome to join. There is no membership fee or sign ups, just come and have some fun.

We are enjoying the use of our new tables and scoreboards purchased from our fundraiser. We welcomed Mike Berg into the 4 bagger club last month. Congratulations, Mike!

Last month's tournament winners were Bob Jones and Paul Headley, Warren Danford and Paul Headley, Matt Smith and Julie Headley and Julie Headley and Paul Headley won the couple's game.

Congratulations to Julie and Matt for beating our top competitor.

Respectfully Submitted by Lori Smith

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Golf – Couples League

This article had to be submitted by March 11th, two days before our end-of-season party on March 13th. Therefore, I am going to have to predict that it was a great success!



Ninety people will have attended at the L.R.V. Clubhouse for a social hour, a lasagna dinner and dancing to the music of D.J. Steve Viel.

The 9 hole golf group was invited to attend the party, many of whom are also members of our Couples group. Non-golfing significant others of the golfers were also invited to attend.

All golfers won a door prize, of various values, and there was a 50/50 draw. Couples Golf will continue until the end of April on Sunday afternoons at Long Marsh, Rotonda West. Until the last Sunday in March a cash prize of \$20.00 will be 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.

We will have had our final golf social on March 19th at our Clubhouse, a dinner chosen and presented by volunteers from our group. These dinners have been a very successful addition to the fun enjoyed by a member of Couples Golf.

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

Hello Golfers,

Wow, since our last article some of our golfers have shot some amazing golf.

R. Beaudoin - 79; P.Headley - 79; Tom Carter - 77; B. Gustavson – 77; R. Drullinger – 78, 78, 76, 77 – amazine ; M. Risdale – 77; M. Kapture – 77; T. Norwood - 76; F. Mangio - 79, 78, 74 YIPES; B. Wells - 79; Nice going everyone.



The playoffs have just finished and this years'winners are, from "A FLIGHT"

Rick Drullinger had to win by 11 strokes, won by 18. Shot an amazing 75.

Frankie Mangio won "B FLIGHT" had to win by 7 strokes, and won by 8. Shot 80.

The playoffs were a lot of fun. We will continue to play through April. Hope everyone has enjoyed playing in the league this year.

Submitted by Frankie Mangio and Fred Charest

Women's and Men's - 9 Hole Golf

Our 9-hole golf league continues to be in full swing, even as the season winds down! 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.

We will continue to play in April and May as long as we can field two foursomes!

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

SPORTS

Pickleball



March is always the most exciting time on the Pickleball courts. We have had many new participants join us. Our skills have improved which makes for very exciting games. Our Sunday evenings under the lights have been very enjoyable. We can even see the lines, thanks to Merrie Mills, Linda Deisler and Jeannine Dube, who painted the Pickleball lines on court two.

Our annual Pickleball tournament was held Saturday, March 11. Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped make this event a great success. CONGRATULATIONS to Sally Donelson, our 2023 Pickleball champion. Sally is our first female tournament winner. She went undefeated in 6 regular games and 1 Championship game! Not an easy task. The championship game hosted 2 guys, Larry Price and Mike O'Connor against 2 gals, Sally Donelson and Trinie Vander Ploeg. The gals won, resulting in Sally Donelson in first place, Trinie Vander Ploeg in second place and Mike O'Connor in third place. Last years winner, Fred Charest, presented the Big Pickle Award to Sally to care for it until next years tournament.

Our luncheon/banquet was held in the screened rooms. Thanks to all our wonderful chefs and everyone who brought a side dish or dessert to share. Surely no one went home hungry.

Submitted by Mark York and Diane Gempp



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Shuffleboard



Shuffle's season is starting to wind down somewhat with the March BBQ and Year-end Meeting on the 20th out at the gazebo.

In March we also held our Annual Awards for Best Lady (this year Joyce Mullins with her "patented" down on the knee delivery), Best Male (once again to Gerry Cote) he simply gets better as he gets older and Best Couple (to my lovely wife Beverley and I) who are overdue winning after about 10 years!! Congrats to all who participated.

The Monday evening 6:30pm and Thursday morning 10:00a.m. sessions will continue until at least the end of April so come out and join us for a good time, every time.

Submitted by Gary Cooney

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!

Just want to add that I will be leaving April 29 and return Oct 28 hopefully.

So there won't be classes during those times

Submitted by Karen M ichaud

Table Tennis



Nothing to report this month

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Tennis Between The Lines

It seems good to see new faces and more players at "round robin" on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays for tennis.



New players are always welcome. We can get you a racket if you don't have one, and we are willing to spend some time teaching you the game.

As court one becomes available again, we'll be able to provide more competitive players an opportunity to "show their stuff".

Our tennis club president, Nancy Penoyar, sustained a sports injury a couple months ago. We miss you, Nancy, and wish you a speedy recovery.

*Respectfully submitted by
Maddie Ducham, Secretary*

Water Aerobics



Beginning Monday - **01/09/2023 thru April**, I will be teaching water aerobics to music, Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10:45am. Several ladies have already shown an interest! If you have any questions, please call me at 616-822-3436.

Submitted by Karen Aldrich - 224 Martinique Rd

Resident Security Detail

Hello everyone! It has been brought to my attention that some non owners (relatives of owners) were attempting to obtain a key from the office so they could do security.



Security is to be done by owners only. The office will not be handing out keys.

I want to take this time to thank all the volunteers that have been doing security. We appreciate all of the help.

Respectfully submitted by Ann Stark

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ECHO (Everyone Can Help Others)



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

needs of our residents or renters.

The volunteers can make phone calls, visits, and provide assistance with maintenance of property, garden yard work, and minor repairs. Food shopping, make trips for errands, tidy up the house, some cleaning, and provide transportation.

Additionally, we have information, such as, medical and community resources, meals on wheels, home health agencies, companion care, and county resources assistance. Also, our residence 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

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Being a small business owner it is important for us to know how clients find us. Whenever a new client comes into our office we always ask, how did you find us?

During the shutdown due to covid, the majority answered "online" since there weren't any gatherings.

Now that we are able to get together we are getting more referrals from existing clients. They tend to say, 'my neighbor said I wasn't hearing well and should see you.'

My favorite this year came from Betty. When asked, "How did you find us?" she said, "I overheard my friend, Shirley, say she loves her hearing aids". That is a direct quote.

Betty explained that other people complain about their hearing aids, especially when trying to understand conversations in groups. Yet Shirley was in a line dancing class and while talking to another woman said, "I love my hearing aids."

Hearing someone say they love their hearing aids, Betty knew she had to check it out. Betty walked over to Shirley and asked, "who helps with your hearing aids?"

When I heard the story I was thrilled to know how well we had fitted our client Shirley. Knowing that Shirley is able to be social and hear with confidence is our intention.

Our goal is to help clients hear well in groups. To know that we helped Shirley hear well in a dance class and so well that she shared how much she loves her hearing aids is such a great testimony for us.

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CLUB NEWS

Bingo

March has come and gone with many people richer for having played Bingo this month!



Our big season is over for the year but we will continue to play Bingo through the month of April.

I am still looking for someone to help me with the idea of taking over Bingo in the future.

Submitted by Joan Rose



Boat Club

AHOY!



Since the last article we've hosted two Dinner Meetings. On February 16th we had our Roaring 20's bash and on March 9th we had our "Come Sail Away" party. Both events were well attended and great food, fellowship, and entertainment lasted late into the evening.

Our next event is a boat and/or vehicle trip to the Amvets on the Big Slough for fish dinners on March 24th. It is being organized by our Rear Commodore, Bernie LaMancusa, and he has posted sign up sheets in the clubhouse.

Our last event will be our annual picnic on April 13th at the North Jetty pavilion. Tickets are on sale at the KKs at a very reasonable cost of \$3. Hot Dogs, Brats, and Hamburgers with everything else you would expect at a picnic lunch (with the exception of your beverage of choice) will be served up.

The club BOD met Monday, March 6th, and voted to fund the purchase of three new life rings for the Marina as well as investigate the feasibility of installing a kayak launching station.

We also decided on a few changes for our future dinner meetings. First, in an effort to ensure that our members have ample opportunity to purchase tickets before we sell out, sales of tickets to guests will not take place until the week before the event. Second, after discussing the many suggestions we had from our members to solve the problems we've seen with rampant early reserving of tables, we decided to not allow any reserving next season until the doors open at 4:30. At that time you can reserve a maximum of 2 seats but you will need to stay there to keep them. We hope this works out and ask your cooperation in facilitating this change.

Respectfully Submitted by Tom VanMassenhove

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CLUB NEWS

Canine Fitness Club

The Canine Fitness Club publishes in the Current, holds monthly meetings and social hours November through May.



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 can benefit us possibly with group discounting for dog related supplies and grooming, behavior training opportunities, etc. Please contact me @ deanmschantzen@hotmail.com if you are new to this community.

We now have a Facebook Page, “Dogs of Lazy River and Beyond” created as a Private Group. To become a member, you need to be a shareholder in Lazy River Village, support our dog community and own, have previously owned or plan to own a dog within our community. We plan to have this Page live no later than the middle of April. We will start by sending out invitations to the page with our current membership list. Once up and running, you should be able to request membership within the normal Facebook mechanisms.

The CFC is looking for someone to fill our Secretary/Treasurer position. Our finances are pretty straightforward, 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.

For April, the monthly CFC Meeting will be held on Monday, April 3rd in the Clubhouse Myakka Room at 11:00am. The monthly CFC Social Hour will be at Sunset Marina Park starting at 4:00pm. See you there!

*Submitted by Dean M Schantzen -
Club Chair - CFC*

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.

Submitted by Jeri Deslauriers

Dance Club

By the time this edition of the Current goes to print the dance club will be over for the year of 2023.



It has been a successful year in that all the folks that bought tickets, both single and seasonal, had a wonderful time. We had a great line up of musicians which kept everyone on the floor all the time.

We were blessed to be able to get decorations for all the dances. The Mardi Gras dance owes a great debt of gratitude to Andrea and Paul Goerge who loaned us all their decorations.

The March dance for 2023 has not yet happened as I write this article but we also have to thank in advance Mike and Ann Donovan for getting a donation of decorations, for which we are very grateful.

We would love to see more people attending our dances, bands have to be paid, and in the most part, decorations have to be bought! So of course, the more the merrier.

We realized there are many more dances popping up this year, albeit as part of other functions, however we remain the Lazy River Dance Club!!

Come join us for the 2024 season. WE WILL BE HAVING A NEW YEARS EVE PARTY AGAIN.

Submitted by Babs Findlay - Dance committee.

CLUB NEWS

Lazy River Boosters



As you read this April Current, the Boosters Club reports a very busy and productive season. First, we now have a written document that gives structure to the Boosters club. There are four officers, five Board members and written procedures for the club's operation. Second, we have had two very successful events – the Fabulous 50's Musical and the always popular St. Patrick's Day Dinner. Due to the good nature and generosity of LRV residents, the Boosters has raised over four thousand dollars to distribute to those events, clubs and activities that have requested funds.

In this month of April, the Boosters Club will elect Board members and officers for the 2023 – 2024 season at LRV. This will allow those people to plan over the summer for next season's activities. Each season the club gives away all the funds raised with the exception of five hundred dollars to seed next season's events.

Each resident of Lazy River Village is a member of the Boosters Club. We are especially reaching out to the newer residents to get involved in our activities. Everyone has some talent to contribute to the Village. Our meetings are announced on the Lazy River Village Family Facebook page and in the weekly email Blast from the office. Please come and enjoy the experience of helping the community in which you live.

*Submitted by Dave Carley
115 Lazy River Road*



Red Hat Society

Nothing to report this month

Line Dancing

Hello, Line and Couples Dancers,

Well, it's hard to believe that another dance season has come and gone. We had very good attendance and we had a lot of fun.



I had a very difficult time from last June to December. It was a tough stretch for me. I thought my dancing days and golf days were over. By some miracle I was able to bounce back and I took a chance and decided to give the dancing a try. Luckily it all worked out.

I hope everyone enjoyed the class. It was a lot of fun. Stay safe, see you around the campus.

Submitted by Frankie and Marie Mangio



Daytime

Game is played on **Thursdays Screen Room/ Bocce.**

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Submitted by Peggy Clay



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“Possibly Women”

At Koffee Klatch the other day a thank you went out to those who helped clean up the park after Hurricane Ian. “We would like to thank all those men and possibly women who worked on the clean up.”



I would like to take a moment and state that indeed women **were** cleaning the park. We did this side by side with the men. It is not a question but a fact! We moved scrap metal off the street, cleaned yards, drove up and down the streets picking up nails. We worked on the fences, removed styrofoam and cleaned the water ways.

For someone to make a comment like this about women is insulting to all of us who did have our boots on the ground and worked tirelessly day after day to clean this park. It is about time that the women in the park got some recognition of all the work they do and have done. I would like to take a moment and thank all those women who did what needed to be done to get Lazy River back. You know who you are. There are too many for me to list. I want you to know you are all my hero! You deserve a parade, a pat on the back and recognition of what you did for this park. I want you to know how proud I am of you and appreciate all the work you did. I am proud to be part of a community that works together **WOMEN AND MEN** to get things done.

Submitted by Theresa Jones



“Happy Birthday” Surprise



Sunday, February 19 was a very special day for **Bob Guyot and his wife Toddy**. Many village residents and the pickleball club surprised him for his 90th birthday.

He received a “choral” birthday wish from many friends, numerous cards, and Facebook wishes, a lovely birthday balloon bouquet and tasty cookie treats.

He promised us that he will be back on the pickleball court very soon.

Submitted by Anonymous person



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The Current Sky – APRIL 2023

Hello again!

We have several evening views for you to take a look at this month:

April 10th at Sundown

A small cluster stars, named the Pleiades, is visible with the eye at dusk very close to planet Venus, within 4.5 degrees of each other. This same night, planet Mercury is lower towards the horizon, having its most favorable apparition for 2023. You should have 45 minutes or so to view Mercury prior to its setting. A great place to view this will be one of the Gulf beaches for an unobstructed view.

April 14th at 9:00pm

Planet Mars will be very close to a fairly bright naked eye star Mebsuta in the Constellation Gemini. Mars will approach Mebsuta within nine minutes. Binoculars will be useful to see the red planet and this star. Don't miss this, Mars won't be as close to this star again until 2055. See Figure 1 for sky location.

April 23rd within 30 minutes of Sunset

A young crescent Moon is one of my favorites, and tonight it will be

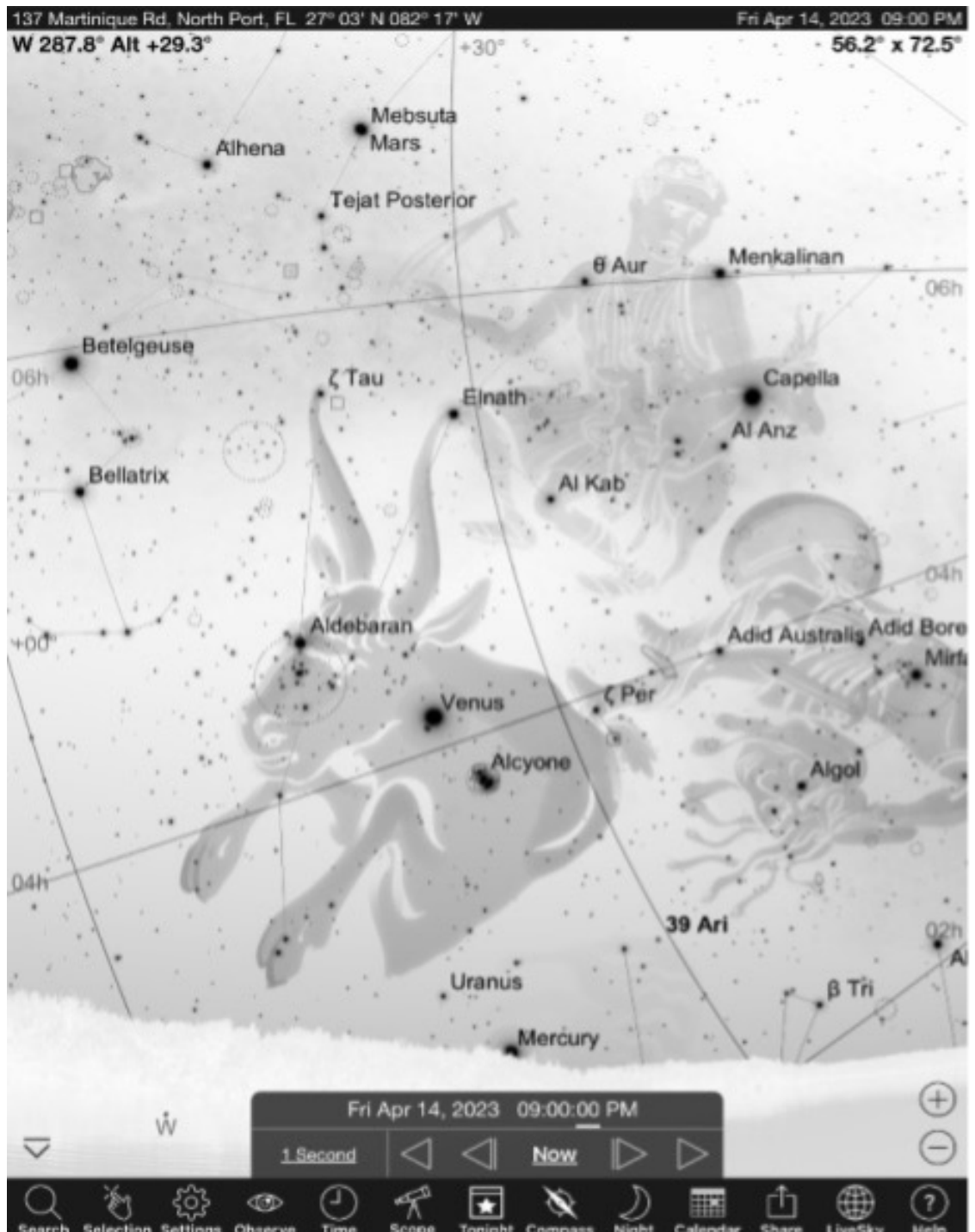
joined nearby with Venus. You will find Venus about 5 degrees lower left of the Moon.

Please email me at telescopeguy1955@gmail.com 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!

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