

The Gator Gazette

The Official Newsletter of
Country Lakes Village Residents' Club
aka The "Fun" Club

SEPTEMBER, 2024

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AUGUST

"Home of the Month"

Chosen as the August "Home of the Month" is the home of Mickey McMahon and Penny Mangakis, 1003 Cypress Circle, the house with a swing.

The couple uses statuary and potted plants to create an outdoor oasis. The newly installed pebble landscaping (not shown) cuts down on maintenance.

There's more than a "Home of the Month" happening at this location on Cypress Circle. It's a place for social gatherings which encompasses most of the street and other neighbors. It's a place that touts "Group Therapy" on a sign above the neighborhood swing. Social time is always great therapy.

The swing was a combined effort of Mickey and next door neighbor Randy Taylor, who with his wife Karen have since moved. The large Oak tree was created for a swing but an A-frame worked much better. Since the Taylors were busy updating their home, Mickey did the bulk of the assembly and creatively painted the swing red, white and blue. As a veteran, what other colors could there be? And when Penny shops, she finds things the swing just can't be without like the "Group Therapy" sign above the it.

The swing quickly became a neighborhood hang-out and a restful spot for someone like neighbor Bill Rank who finds it a great place to rest. "His footprints are below the swing," notes Penny, who sometimes finds Bill snoozing there after his morning walk. The neighborhood group, Mickey, Penny, Harold and Penny (and Randy and Karen) began relaxing at the swing, laughing and sharing their day. Others began joining them. According to Penny, a group of neighbors had gathered on their carport during a hurricane scare and shared a potluck dinner. Neighbors Cheryl and Rick Koepke were among them. Cheryl suggested they should invite others to join in a potluck on a monthly basis. The idea became a reality and during cooler weather, the group expands to other neighbors and friends and a social atmosphere is enjoyed. "Weather dominates what we do," said Mickey.

"We watch out for each other and really care about each other," said Patty.

Shown, from left, are: Mickey, Penny, Trish Clem, Harold Perez and Patty Bryant. "It's so relaxing sitting here with a cold drink," said Penny. "Life is good."

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Jennettie Lierman

2024-2025 President

Board Members: Kendal Taylor, V.P. & Treasurer; Martha Ackerman, interim secretary; Donna Coreoran, Historian; Directors: Sandy Gilbertson, Tony Yonak and Jay Henry.

September we will celebrate and attend our Labor Day Picnic, Potluck, Dine Out, a Dance with Kevin Brooks and a few other things.

Our August Dine Out at Captain Brian's Seafood was worth the drive time and the food was DELICIOUS! Thank you to Mike and Jennettie Lierman for hosting

This month Debbie and Sam Vinion have reservations at Rocco Italian Kitchen (f/k/a Fusilly's). Their new location is 515 27th St E, #9-10, in Bradenton. Tickets are available at Lot 238 and Saturday Coffee Hour.

October is still available for someone to host a Dine Out. Contact Steve Littleton or Mike and Jennettie Lierman for all the details.

Virginia Weaver is hosting Ladies Lunch at Waypoint Grille, Wednesday, September 11, 11:30am. You pay for your lunch by CASH only. See Page 8 for all the details.

September's Potluck is Friday, the 6th. Find specifics on Page 6.

The Summer Pool Party was a great success. Gail Doherty hosted. Delicious food, DJ Mike spun the tunes and did the Mermaids entertain us??

Kelvin Sampson is asking for volunteers to drive and pick up donuts at Turner's Donuts for Saturday Coffee Hour. Pick up donuts around 7 a.m. at 902 9th Ave W, Bradenton. Then deliver donuts to CLVII Clubhouse and our Clubhouse. Kelvin and Barb Clymer have set up with Joanne in CLVII that we switch driving every other month. When CLVII picks up donuts they will deliver them to our Clubhouse.

September is CLVI's turn to pick up donuts for the month. The Sign-up sheet for driving is on the same page as you volunteer to make coffee.

Event calendars are posted and the calendar in this newsletter lists the "FUN" activities going on in the community.

That's all for now. Have the best day you can!

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September, 2024



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Terry West
LCAM

Home of the Month Winners! Congratulations go out to the August Home of the Month Winners!

CLV1-#1003 Penny Mangakis & Mickey McMahon & CLV2-#2036 Ann Frazier. Thank you for all your hard work to make your homes the pick of the month. Good luck to the rest of the residents hoping to be chosen in coming months.

Political Signs, banners and/or flags: Per the Rules these items are allowed to be displayed ONLY for NATIONAL elections and may NOT be placed in yard or on home more than 60 days before the national election day. 2024 National election day is November 5, 2024 so no signs may be placed prior to September 6, 2024. No signs, flags or banners are allowed to be displayed where visible for any other local or state elections, only the NATIONAL Presidential election.

Reminder on lamp posts: per the rules and regulations of the park; each home is required to have an operational lamppost that must be illuminated during evening hours (dusk to dawn) and must be operational year around. Please make sure that your lamppost is in compliance.

Hurricane preparedness: We are still in the midst of hurricane season. Debby threw us for a loop but it could have been much worse. Our drainage, lakes and ditches did a good job in keeping the many inches of rain in 2 days from intruding into homes. Considering the amount of rainfall received and the flooding elsewhere locally, CLV is fortunate. Please remember to secure anything that could become a projectile, for the safety of all.

Gate Update: Any update will be circulated via email & on Facebook. We still have clickers in stock for those that have not gotten one. \$20 check or money order made payable to Country Lakes for the deposit of each clicker.

Parking: There is no overnight parking allowed at the clubhouses or on any street. Steve White Towing has been authorized to patrol the communities at night and tow any violators. Hopefully this will discourage this practice.

Weeds: It's that time of year, and weeds are prolific. Please make sure you make arrangements to have this work done. CLV staff will do some, but I will be hiring a sub as our hands are full staying on top of the park's needs. The last work I had done averaged \$150 per lot depending on the work needed.

Country Lakes Village reserves the right to prune and or manicure any landscape inside CLV WHEN NEEDED at the home owner's expense.

Clubhouse: After many years, we found the pool leak and it has been repaired. We also discovered a leak in the clubhouse at CLV2 and that also has been fixed. Consequently, the pool shower tile at CLV2 was removed and replaced with new larger tile, and is a noticeable improvement. Thankful we didn't have to repair from inside.

Reminder to make sure the office is aware of what address you are getting mail at this time as its Rental Increase Letter mailing time (End of Sept) for new rates effective Jan 1, 2025. We mail to the address we have you at either your Park address if year-round resident or off-site address if you completed the check out form.

"The most waste of all days is one without laughter."

- E.E. Cummings



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Bob Miller, owner of Country Lakes Villages, has an Advisory Board in place, comprised of residents from both parks: CLVI-Sandy Gilbertson, Sue Eckert and Bruce Steltzer; CLVII-Sue Dibble, Laura Reynolds and Bree Borders with Dave Vossberg, Chairperson.


The Advisory Board continues to bring residents' concerns to the attention of the owner and management. We are working with them to create a Google survey which will go out to all residents of both communities. This survey will ask residents if they want the gates closed 24/7 or just overnight. We will try to include the pros and cons of both in the survey. Hopefully this will be coming soon.

Just a reminder that we will have several openings on the board. There is an application form on Page 5. Please consider applying for these openings if you feel you can objectively bring issues and concerns from residents to the Advisory Board.

As of the deadline of this publication, we have not yet met for this month. We will include updates from this month's meeting in next month's Gator Gazette.

Through the Advisory Board, resident issues are facilitated with Terry West, manager. A form has been created so that your concerns can be submitted in writing to any board member. Forms are available in both clubhouses and from any board member. (See Page 27). With Mr. Miller's approval, issues submitted to the board are those which affect more than one household. You are advised to deal individually with Terry West, manager, for personal issues.

The annual review of Rules and Regulations are done with the Resident Advisory Board. Other responsibilities include the revue and approval of social funds, the direction of improvements in the parks, along with other issues that may arise.



Fuel Pump Skimming

Skimming occurs when devices illegally installed on ATMs, point-of-sale (POS) terminals, or fuel pumps capture data or record cardholders' PINs. Criminals use the data to create fake debit or credit cards and then steal from victims' accounts.

Tips When Using a Fuel Pump

- Choose a fuel pump that is **closer to the store** and in direct view of the attendant. These pumps are less likely to be targets for skimmers.
- **Run your debit card as a credit card.** If that's not an option, cover the keypad when you enter your PIN.
- **Consider paying inside** with the attendant, not outside at the pump.

If you think you've been a victim of skimming, contact your financial institution immediately.

Advisory Board Working For You Residents' Link to Management

The Advisory Board has adopted a new rule regarding its directors. Each Advisory Board member may serve two consecutive one-year terms and then cannot serve/reapply for one year after those two terms. This is being done to promote diversity and transparency.

In case you missed the results of the July 16 meeting with Terry published in last month's newsletter, the following topics were addressed:

We would like an update on the gate installation: Chain link fence will be installed up to the gate at all entrances. The gate installation is being handled by MHM.

Are there cameras at the entrances and if so, are they operational? The recent theft of a golf cart from CLVI has heightened everyone's awareness of security: Yes, cameras are operational at all entrances.

We would like a trash receptacle in the area of the large Tiki hut and cornhole court. One will be placed in the Tiki hut area.

We would like the community to be more aware of the benefits of recycling. Can there be a recycling container near the mailboxes. Most of the contents of the trash can are likely paper from junk mail and therefore recyclable: A recycling container will be placed in the mailbox area of both CLVI and CLVII.

Ice machine in CLVI status and do all MHM properties use the same ice machine? If so possibly MHM could have a spare on hand to put in place when any of the community's machines go down. A repair part arrived yesterday (7-15-24) and is in the process of replacement. Upon repair it will be returned to CLVI.

The Advisory Board would like to once again request that the new gates be closed 24/7. The board is working directly with Bob Miller on this, we are in the process of creating a google survey which will contain pros and cons of gates being closed 24/7. This will go out to all residents of both communities when completed.

The results of the Advisory Board meetings are posted on the bulletin boards of both clubhouses in the area marked Advisory Board and will be updated each month.

Submitted by Dave Vossberg, Advisory Chairperson, who is committed to keeping our residents advised of the status of concerns submitted to the Advisory Board.

MOVING FORWARD

By Dave Vossberg
SEPTEMBER, 2024

RESIDENTS' ADVISORY BOARD TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR OPENINGS

The Advisory Board has a new chairperson. Dave Vossberg was appointed by Mr. Miller to replace Cheryl Koepke, who resigned.

The board is currently accepting applications for open board member positions. Four positions need to be filled. The decisions will be made by the board in early November. New board members will assume their duties at the November 12 board meeting.

Below are the questions which need to be answered and submitted to Dave Vossberg by November 1, 2024 to be considered for an open position.

Required answers include the following: (Please number your answers to match the items.)

(1) NAME

(2) FL ADDRESS

(3) EMAIL ADDRESS

(4) PHONE NO

(5) DATE YOU BECAME A RESIDENT OF COUNTRY LAKES

(6) ARE YOU A FULL-TIME RESIDENT? _____ YES _____ NO

(7) STATE WHY YOU WANT TO BE A BOARD MEMBER.

(8) ARE YOU ABLE TO LOOK FORWARD IN THE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS FOR THE BETTERMENT OF OUR PARKS WITH NO PERSONAL AGENDA? PLEASE EXPLAIN.

(9) WOULD YOU BE ABLE TO ABIDE BY A CONSENSUS VOTE REGARDING A TOPIC THAT YOU DISAGREE WITH. IF NOT, PLEASE EXPLAIN. (Consensus Definition: A decision reached from input by each member toward a decision that can be supported by every person in the group. Each member agrees to support and not speak out regarding the decision.

(10) IF YOU ARE A PART-TIME RESIDENT, WOULD YOU STAY ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN COMMUNITY ISSUES WHILE YOU ARE NOT PHYSICALLY PRESENT? HOW WOULD YOU ACHIEVE THIS?

(11) ARE YOU ABLE TO DISCUSS ISSUES AND CONCERNS AND SEPARATE YOUR PERSONAL VIEWS WHEN REACHING A DECISION THAT MAY NOT BE LIKED OR SUPPORTED (BY FRIENDS, MINORITY GROUPS, SOCIAL MEDIA SITES)? PLEASE EXPLAIN.

(12) CAN YOU COMMIT TO KEEPING BOARD DISCUSSIONS WITHIN THE BOARD (NO DISCUSSION OUTSIDE BOARD MEMBERSHIP)?

(13) DO YOU BELIEVE YOU HAVE BEEN A RESIDENT LONG ENOUGH TO BE OBJECTIVE TO ISSUES THAT MAY ARISE? EXPLAIN HOW YOU ARE AN ACTIVE AND INVOLVED RESIDENT.

(14) AS A SMALL GROUP DECISION-MAKING TEAM MEMBER, ARE YOU ABLE AND WILLING TO LISTEN TO ALL OPINIONS AND TO EXPRESS YOUR OPINIONS WITH **PATIENCE** WHEN VARYING VIEWS AND CONCERNS ARE BEING EXPRESSED?



Come, Celebrate With Us!

Labor Day, 2024 Monday, September 2



Social Hour: Noon ★ Lunch: 1 p.m.

CLVI Clubhouse

Menu: Fried Chicken & Sides Bring Your Own Beverages

For Tickets, contact Sandy Gilbertson at Saturday Morning Coffee or 218 Country Lakes Blvd. or call 941-504-0121



Put on Your Dancing Shoes and Join Us

Saturday, September 21

CLVI Clubhouse, 7-10 p.m.

Music by a CLVI Favorite: Kevin Brooks

Bring Your Own Beverage (BYOB) & Snacks

For Tickets See Harold Perez or Patty Bryant at Saturday Morning Coffee, 1010 Cypress Circle or call 813-767-4140

Country Lakes Village Homeowners Association, Inc. (HOA)

Board: Dona Turgeon - President, Cathy Kasch - Vice President, Vicki Conde - Secretary Phyllis Romanelli - Treasurer, Directors: Lynn Turgeon, Art Knight, Tom Frabott

Country Lakes Village I Homeowners Association, Inc. (HOA) - Homeowners Membership Application

Dues: \$10/yr, per lot. Return application with dues to Cathy Kasch, 552 Kapok. Questions? 941-417-7021.

Lot# _____ Street Name _____

First/Last Name: _____

First/Last Name: _____

*Email Addr _____

*It's important to include your email address as this is how we communicate with you

Cell _____ Other _____

(Check one): Permanent _____ Snowbird _____

By submitting this form and paying dues, you consent to become member(s) of the Country Lakes Village Homeowners Association, Inc. (HOA), in accordance with Florida Statutes, Sections 723.075 and 723.078, 723.0615.

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Membership: New _____ Renewal _____ Received by: _____

Date Dues Received: _____ Amount: _____ Years paid for: _____ Cash _____ Check _____



SUNSHINE REPORT

Jennettie Lierman
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618-303-3501



Bring a little Sunshine to Someone's Day

Obituary:

Colleen Wolfe, Lot 710, passed away on August 16 with family around her. Colleen and Jim were the BEST people to know and have in your life. They were both very active in community activities. They were married for 60+ years and happy 99.999% of their time together. Cards can be sent to c/o Darlene Hummel, 713 Wedgewood, Findlay, OH 45840. Colleen, we will miss you very much. You were a gorgeous, happy, straight-talk lady. She always said it was her job to make people laugh and she did. Her hugs were the very best! Please keep the Wolfe family in your prayers.



Well Wishes to Snowbirds:

Linda Caton, 8462 Chesterfield Dr, Swartz Creek, MI 48473, **Jerry Caton**, 9176 Norbury Dr, Swartz Creek, MI 48473. **Chris Hetrick**, 208 O'Connell St, Fox Lake, WI 53933-0421. **Mike Shaft** 2185 Mitchell Rd, Williamston, MI 48895. **Tony Yonak**, 229 Oaklawn Ave, Woodsfield, OH 43793

Mary Wright, Lot 341. When Michael and Mary returned home to Canada, Mary's dementia took a turn for the worse very quickly. After a family meeting, Mary is going to move closer to her daughter's home in Canada to live in a home that cares for those with dementia. Michael will be living in their home here in CLVI. Please keep Mary, Michael and family in your prayers while they go through these transitions. Mary is a gorgeous, vibrant woman and kept busy with all activities in the park. She also loved a good verbal conversation with you at any time.

Well Wishes in Sunny Florida: **Betty Butler** Lot 714; **Tom Clymer**, Lot 232; **Rebecca Colby** Lot 717; **Donna & Marty Corcoran**, Lot 511; **Faye Couch** Lot 524; **Wayne Doyle** Lot 517; **Greg Kasch** Lot 552; **Mary Ellen Lewis** Lot 507; **Marc Lind** Lot 522; **Bill Pearce** Lot 505; **Bertha & Kelvin Sampson** Lot 321, **Judy Smith** Lot 905; **Carol Wagstaff**, Lot 201.

Gussie Frame, Lot 532, is staying at Heritage Park Rehab. Gussie is in Hospice care now. Another beautiful woman that enjoyed living. Call Bob, 941-729-1882, for updates.

Don Renaldo, Lot 316, was put in Hospice care August 15. Call Betty Sagraves, 941-932-1430, on any updates. Please keep Don, Betty and Buster (dog) in your prayers.

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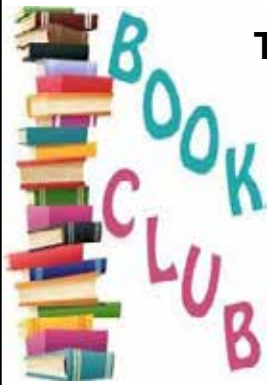
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Upcoming Meetings

6 p.m. HOA Meeting
Tuesday, September 17, 2024



Thursday, September 19
3 p.m. CLVI Library

For Information on the
 New Book check the
 Clubhouse Bulletin Board

Questions?
 Call Sandy Gilbertson,
 941-504-0121



Come, Join Us!
Wednesday, Sept. 11
11:30 a.m.

Waypoint Grille

11000 US 41, Palmetto
 Hosting is Virginia Weaver

Note: The restaurant accepts Cash Only

Sign-up sheet is in Clubhouse Hallway



Ping Pong
CLVI Clubhouse

*If anyone is interested in playing
 Ping Pong in the Clubhouse, please call
 Jennettie Lierman, 618-303-3501*



Pot Luck
Friday, September 6
 CLVI Clubhouse

**Bring your favorite dish or dessert and
 Join Us for a Social Time, 5 p.m.; Eat at 6.**
We Hope to See You There!



Pickleball

Instruction is Available

Weekdays 8:30 a.m.
**at CLVII Pickleball Courts or
 CLVI by Appointment**

*For Further Info, Call Carol Nims, 413-475-4768
 or Gail Doherty, 941-962-0834*

For those who don't have their own equipment, the
 Park's equipment is stored in the cabinet at the shuffle-
 board court. Your Clubhouse key fits the lock.



**September
 Dine-Out**

Rocco Italian Kitchen
 (f/k/a Fusilly's)
 515 27th St., E #9-10,
 Bradenton

Tickets Now Available from Hosts Debbie and
 Sam Vinion, 228-563-0943, Lot 238 and at
 Saturday Morning Coffee

To Host a Dine-Out, contact Steve Littleton,
 816-876-3420 or Mike and Jennettie Lierman,
 618-303-3501

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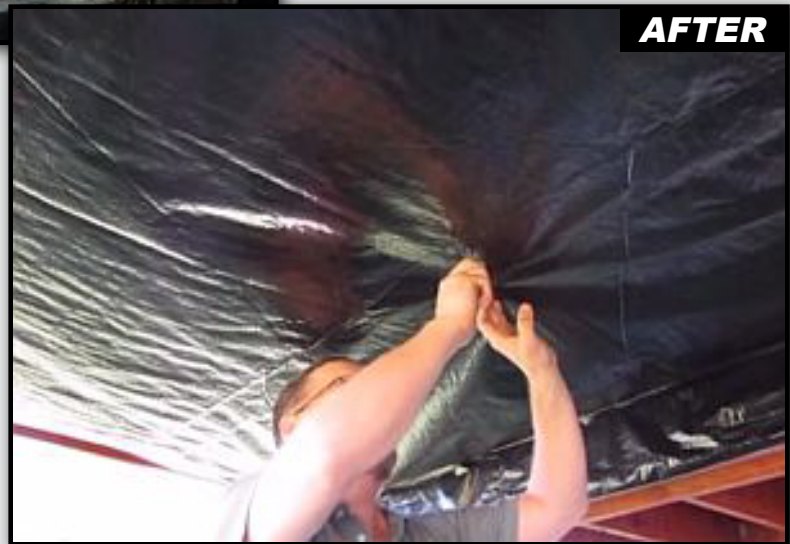
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Day Trips:

December 19 Christmas at BOK TOWER, Lake Wales, where you can walk through many garden trails, tour El Tetiro mansion, enjoy on a beach listening to the singing Carillon Bells every 1/2 hour and there's a restaurant and gift shop. We will be shar-



ing a bus with Tera Ceia and a sign up sheet will be on your travel board in November.

January 31 Buddy Holly Story and his 50's music at Broadway Palms in Ft. Myers. We will have our own full bus.

Other trips being planned: Space Kennedy Center in February and a Calypso Breeze luncheon and Music Day Cruise in March.

Watch your newsletter and Travel Board for more info on upcoming travel.

CLV Representatives: Larry & Bev Smith

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As summer winds down, our Entertainment calendar gets a little busier. We hope you join us for these events in our little slice of Paradise!

>> Come join your CLVI friends for lunch and a short program to celebrate **Labor Day** on Monday, September 2. Social hour will begin at noon. Bring your own beverages (BYOB). Fried chicken and sides will be served at 1 p.m. Tickets will be available from Sandy Gilbertson at Saturday Coffee Hour, at 218 Country Lakes Blvd or at 941-504-0121.

>> On Saturday, September 21, we welcome Kevin Brooks back to CLVI for our **End of Summer Dance**. The dance is from 7-10 p.m with lots of fun to be had with one of our favorite artists. Bring your own beverage (BYOB) along with your dancing shoes! Hosting are Harold Perez and Patty Bryant, 813-767-4140, 1010 Cypress Circle and at Saturday Coffee Hour.

>> **Music Bingo** is back with our singing Music Bingo host, Juanita!! Thursday, October 24, 7-9 p.m. our clubhouse will be filled with music, singing and a little dancing as we play Music Bingo with our friends and neighbors! Bring your own beverages (BYOB). Tickets will be available at the end of September.

>> Get your costumes ready for a Spooktacular **Halloween Dance** on Thursday, October 31 from 7-10 p.m. Join us for an evening of fun and frivolity as we introduce a new band, Aloha Sharks! There will be a Costume Contest with prizes so come prepared! Bring your own beverages (BYOB). Tickets will be available at the end of September from Carol Nims at Saturday Coffee Hour, at 324 Royal Palm or at 413-475-4768.

Remember, guests are welcome to join us at all events. All we require is a \$10 non-refundable ticket and, by the way, don't forget to bring a beverage for your guest (BYOB).

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are always needed to either host or help with food and clean-up after the social events. If you would like to volunteer to help, please call Judy MacInness, 517-231-0388; Sandy Gilbertson, 941-504-0121 or Jennettie Lierman, 618-303-3501

Mike's Walking Count

1, 2, 3...

By Mike Lierman



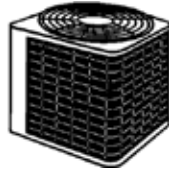
Mike's Count:

The dog days of summer are still with us. Our snowbirds will start their return to Palmetto, then the new season begins. But there are many things/objects to count. Fred and I saw 12 Parrots flying overhead and talking about the day ahead of them. 13 Pigeons resting on the large light pole saying they wished they would have rested on the large light pole by the bird feeders. 35 garden flags, 14 different company pest signs and 17 security signs in plain sight in the front yards. 15 houses for sale.



SAFETY TIP

Have you're A/C checked regularly every 6 months. It can save lives and your home!



Attention, Veterans

We are working to keep a current list of Veterans living in Country Lakes Villages I. In doing so we ask that new residents and current residents who are not on our revised Veterans' roll to call Jay 540-424-1408 or Betty Henry 540-229-2100, Martha Ackerman 740-213-3344 with your service information as soon as possible.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	DAILY EVENTS	
1 A: Don & Jodi Hardgrove 1990	2 Labor Day Picnic Opens at Noon	3 B: Linda Key, Richard Hughes, Vernoon Parsons	4 A: Walter & Penelope Blennis 1993	5 B: Jeff George, Tim Kingston, Noreen Turner, Rich Urbanovsky	6 A: Jim & Doris Rorabacher 1958 5 – Social Hour 6 – Potluck Dinner	7 B: David Gaydosik, Tony Yonak MC – Martha Ackerman	Sunday 1-Bridge Monday 8:30 Pickleball (M-F) CLVII 9 Indoor Exercises (M-F) 9:30 Pool Exercises (M-F) 6:30-Euchre	
8 B: Tina Parsons	9 B: William Layhew 9am Residents' Club Board mtg Library	10 B: Nick White 6pm HOA Board meeting Library	11 11:30 LADIES LUNCH @Waypoint Grille	12 B: Kathryn Hansberger	13 B: Larry Cocke	14 B: Michael Wright A: Gary & Judith Baton 1985 MC – Sandy Gilbertson	Tuesday 9:30-Shuffleboard 1-Dominos	
15 B: Darrell Buckley, Frank Nuttall A: Tom & Barb Clymer 1963	16 B: Vickie Fudge- Enright, Gail Gens	17 6pm HOA General Mtg	18 B: James Stephenson, Alejandro Kratochvile 4:30pm Dine Out Rocco's Italian Kitchens	19 B: Kendal Taylor 3pm Book Club Library	20	21 B: Charles Eckert 7-10pm Dance w/ Kevin Brooks MC – Martha Ackerman	Wednesday 8:30-Pickleball by appt CLVI 12-Bridge 1:30 Ping Pong	
22 B: Cheryl Darrow	23	24 B: Linda Erwin 11:30 GOING TO THE MOVIES	25	26 B: Carolyn Bost, Margaret Garvey, Raymond Hapanowicz A: Thomas & Lorraine Stillitano 1987	27 B: Bev Smith	28 B: Mary Frabott MC – Kendal Taylor	Thursday 10-Line-Dance-Beginners 1-Quilting – Knitting & Crochet Group	
29 B: Sandy Gilbertson	30 A: Richard & Anita Hadcock 1978 9am Residents' Club Board mtg Library						Friday 11 - Zumba	Saturday 8:30-Coffee 9:30-Spite & Malice 1:30-Dominos

FOR CALENDAR CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS, CONTACT JENNETTIE LIERMAN, 618-303-3501,
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OCTOBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	DAILY EVENTS
		1 B: Debi Burns	2 B: Edgar Neal 6:30 Coffee 7 Residents Club Meeting	3 B: Bertha Sampson	4 B: Aba Garrison, Sharon Shaft 5 – Social Hour 6 – Potluck Dinner	5 B: Pat Nadeau MC – Martha Ackerman	Sunday 1–Bridge Monday 8:30 Pickleball (M-F) CLVII 9-Exercises (M-F) 9:30-Pool Exercises (M-F) 6:30-Euche
6 B: Bill Rank, Marilyn Croyla, Valentino Castro	7 A: Ed & Connie Queen, 1964	8 B: Cyndy Terry 6 PM – HOA Board Meeting Library	9 B: Gary Hudson 11:30 LADIES LUNCH – Lazy Ballerina	10	11	12 MC – Jennettie Lierman	
13 B: Bill Dichazi	14	15 B: Cheryl Combs 6 PM - HOA General Meeting	16 B: Jerry Caton, Laura McGee, Howard Peterson 4:30 DINE OUT	17 3pm Book Club Library	18 B: Gary Kessell	19 A: Kendal & Christine Taylor 2002 MC – Jay Henry	Tuesday 9:30-Shuffleboard 1-Dominoes
20	21 B: Nancy Smith	22 B: Daphne Smith	23	24 7-9pm MUSIC BINGO w/Juanita	25 B: MaryAnn Layhew A: Debi & Rory Burns 1969	26 MC – Kendal Taylor	Wednesday 8:30-Pickleball by appt CLVI 12-Bridge 1:30 Ping Pong
27 B: Kelvin Sampson	28 B: Dale Hetrick	29 B: Bob Frame 11:30 GOING TO THE MOVIES	30 B: Sandy Porter, Donna Rupe	31 B: Susan Schieferstein 7-10 HALLOWEEN DANCE with Aloha Sharks			Thursday 10-Line Dance Beginners 1-Quilting—Knitting & Crochet Group
							Friday 11 - Zumba

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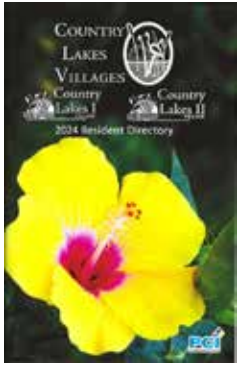
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Changes may include additions or corrections to your phone numbers, please designate home or cell phone numbers and who the Primary user is for the cell phones; northern address, if you are a snowbird; the state you hail from; etc.

Betty is now updating information for the 2025 directory. Deadline is December 31, 2024 for the 2025 directory.



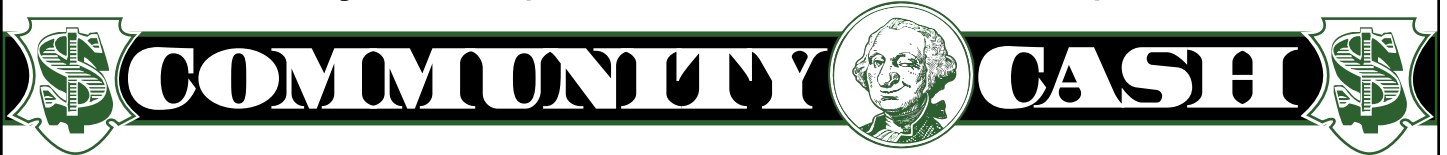
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The Pink Flamingos have been very busy these last couple of months. From left, **Brett Loggains** celebrated his birthday with a visit from the flock; and a milestone birthday was celebrated by **Gary Lewis**. Celebrating their anniversary with a visit from the birds were **Jack and Patty Milhoan**. These flamingos enjoy bringing smiles to those celebrating their special days! If you would like to surprise someone with a visit from the pretty Pink Flamingos, contact Barb Clymer, 419-966-0097. All donations go to Feeding Empty Little Tummies and the Dogs, (Southeastern Guide Dogs).

SCAM ALERT



consumer.ftc.gov/articles

Family Scams

Scammers are good at **pretending to be someone that they're not**. They try to trick you into thinking **a loved one is in trouble**.

Once the scammer makes you think they're your grandson and in trouble, they pressure you to quickly send them money. **But it's all a scam.**

Your family member was never in trouble.

- The scammer will say it's **urgent** and that you're the only one who can help.
- The scammer might tell you it's **important to keep it secret**. They don't want you talking to other family members and friends and realizing it's a scam.
- The scammers will **play with your emotions**. They're counting on you to act quickly to help your family or friend. And they're counting on you to pay without stopping to check out whether there's really an emergency. If you get a call like this, you can be sure this is a scam.

Slow down. Verify.



Example of a Family Emergency Scam Call

Hi Grandpa, it's me.



Sebastian? Is that you?



Yes, it's me, Sebastian. Grandpa, I'm in trouble, and I need money for bail.

What happened?

Please don't tell Mom or Dad. I'll get in so much trouble.

Please help me!

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Celebrating her 94th birthday with family and a flock of Pink Flamingos was this pretty lady, **Wilma Seleska**.



Jennettie Lierman celebrated a Happy Birthday with husband Mike and sister Linda (shown right).

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These lovely ladies celebrated birthdays with visits from the flock of Pink Flamingos. From left are: **Donna Corcoran** and **Patty Milhoan**. Hope you enjoyed your special days!

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Two volunteers are needed each week. Sign-up sheet is in the Clubhouse bulletin board. Contact Kelvin Sampson, 202-345-8642 for information or to volunteer.



Pool Exercise

Each weekday morning at 9:30 a.m. when it's 60 degrees or more, Sandy Porter leads the ladies (and sometimes a gentleman or two) in pool exercises recorded by former leader Micky Jorgensen. Stretching and toning exercises always leave you feeling ready to face the new day.

There is a lot of light conversation (much of the time focusing on food and restaurants) and laughter when ladies (and gentlemen) get together, so the 45-minute routine goes fast. Pool exercise is always easier on the muscles than gym exercise.

If you aren't open to morning exercise, you can always join those who enjoy an afternoon in the sun. The pool is heated and there's a hot tub for you to relax and massage those tired muscles.



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Calendar Listings of Birthdays & Anniversaries

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If you wish to have your anniversary listed, please send it via same means listed above.

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- > Loves running wild in the dog park.
- > Respects you more when you take care of me.



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Romance Scams

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Romance scams occur when a criminal adopts a fake online identity to gain a victim's affection and trust. The scammer then uses the illusion of a romantic or close relationship to manipulate and/or steal from the victim.

The scammer's intention is to establish a relationship as quickly as possible, endear himself to the victim, and gain trust. Scammers may propose marriage and make plans to meet in person, but that will never happen. Eventually, they will ask for money.

If someone you meet online needs your bank account information to deposit money, they are most likely using your account to carry out other theft and fraud schemes.

Tips for Avoiding Romance Scams:

- **Be careful what you post** and make public online. Scammers can use details shared on social media and dating sites to better understand and target you.
- **Research the person's photo and profile** using online searches to see if the **image, name, or details have been used elsewhere.**
- Go slowly and ask lots of questions.
- Beware if the individual **seems too perfect** or quickly asks you to leave a dating service or social media site to communicate directly.
- Beware if the individual attempts to isolate you from friends and family or requests inappropriate photos or financial information that could later be used to extort you.
- Beware if the individual **promises to meet in person** but then **always comes up with an excuse why he or she can't.** If you haven't met the person after a few months, for whatever reason, you have good reason to be suspicious.
- **Never send money to anyone you have only communicated with online or by phone.**

Report Imposter Scams Online to the Federal Trade Commission



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As the "Season" continues, the Entertainment and Food Committees are in need of Volunteers to host and help with the many upcoming events planned for the coming months. Volunteers are Needed!

Entertainment news is always posted in the Gator Gazette. Watch for Volunteer Opportunities under that header.

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Hosting an event is a good way to meet other residents in our park and it's pretty easy. Here are the main duties of a Host:

1. Collect the money, keep a list of those purchasing tickets and distribute tickets for the event. The tickets are printed and provided to you by the Committee sponsoring the event.
2. Set up tables in the clubhouse for the event and clean up after the event. We have volunteers who are happy to help.
3. Confirm the band or caterer and give them the payment.

Volunteers Needed Please look at the list of upcoming events and let us know which event you would be willing to host! Contact Judy MacInness 517-231-0388 for Entertainment events and Christine Taylor, 231-838-3733 or Sandy Gilbertson, 941-504-0121, for Food events.



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To schedule a pink flamingo visit, call either Barb Clymer at 419-966-0097 or Betty Henry at 540-229-2100 (Oct.-May).

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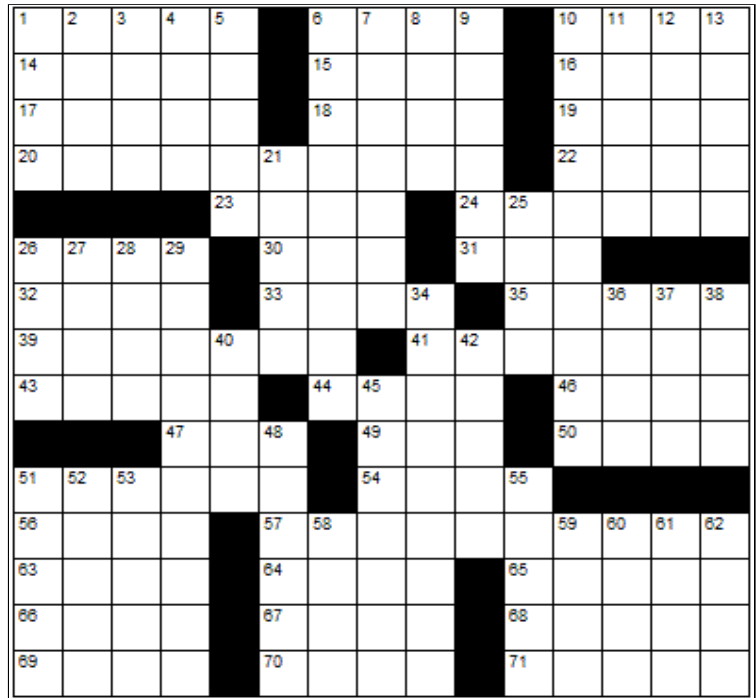
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September Crossword

ACROSS

- 1. Stairs
- 6. Golfer's cry
- 10. A heavy open wagon
- 14. Path around a star
- 15. Nights before
- 16. Notion
- 17. Sorceress
- 18. Uncluttered
- 19. Oodles
- 20. Kingfisher
- 22. Gorillas
- 23. Small casks
- 24. Tortoise
- 26. Completed
- 30. Form of "to be"
- 31. Before, in poetry
- 32. Anger
- 33. Hoard
- 35. Inventory
- 39. Last car of a train
- 41. Applause
- 43. Ready for anything
- 44. Flightless bird
- 46. Prefix meaning "Within"
- 47. Band booking
- 49. Mesh
- 50. Misrepresent
- 51. Whitener
- 54. "Darn!"
- 56. Amount leant
- 57. Enthusiasm
- 63. Against
- 64. Story
- 65. Fine-tune
- 66. In Europe, they're "Zeds"
- 67. Yanks 68. Depart
- 69. Sea eagle
- 70. Lyric poems
- 71. Made a mistake



DOWN

- 1. Punch
- 2. Threesome
- 3. River in Spain
- 4. Choose
- 5. Hearty entree
- 6. Greek clover
- 7. Supervise
- 8. Backside
- 9. Property
- 10. Slangily called "cancer sticks"
- 11. Embrace
- 12. Insurrectionist
- 13. Thigh armor
- 21. Birds' bills
- 25. Celestial bear
- 26. Whale
- 27. Medicine bottle
- 28. River to the North Sea
- 29. Regroup (Br. sp.)
- 34. Impotent
- 36. Pig sound
- 37. Cypher
- 38. Comprehend
- 40. Ear-related
- 42. Critical
- 45. Coddle
- 48. Depressed urban area
- 51. Fire
- 52. Hermit
- 53. Consumed
- 55. What a book is called
- 58. Data transfer unit
- 59. Pitcher
- 60. Close
- 61. A hollow in a mountain
- 62. Managed with difficulty



Resident Input to Advisory Board

Board Member _____

Name _____ Phone # _____ Date _____

Item of Concern _____

Suggested Solution by Person Named Above _____

Action Taken by Board Member _____ Date _____

Items to be submitted to the Board are those which affect more than one household.

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