

Ripples from the Lake

The Official Newsletter of the Deerfield Lake Homeowners Association



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OCTOBER
HOMEOWNERS
ASSOCIATION MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 6
7:00 PM

A Message from our Homeowners Association President

It seems like just a few weeks ago we said goodbye to Spring and welcomed Summer! Now we have said goodbye to Summer, and Fall has arrived. This Summer has seen the arrival of several new residents. We welcome each of you.

Our Summer here at Deerfield Lake was a busy one for events and parties. We began with a Memorial Day Party, added a July 4th Cookout and said goodbye to Summer with a Labor Day Dinner at the Clubhouse. All were very well attended by residents and guests.

Please check out photographs posted to our website, www.DeerfieldLakeHOA.org

We would be remiss if we did not say thank you to all of our fantastic leaders and volunteers. Without each one's contribution and service, these events would not be possible.

We continue to review our event processes to ensure the best experience for our residents.

We will kick-off our season with a Fall Party on October 31st. We also will once again offer a Thanksgiving Dinner opportunity for our residents. Our Winter season will feature a Christmas Holiday Dinner and Dance on Saturday, December 13th. We will close 2014 with a New Year's Eve Party to ring in 2015.

Lastly we strongly encourage our residents' attendance at the monthly Homeowners Association meetings held the first Monday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Clubhouse. Our October 6th meeting will be preceded by a Meet and Greet with light refreshments served beginning at 6:00 PM.

Anthony Lananna



"Autumn is the mellower season, and what we lose in flowers we more than gain in fruits."

Samuel Butler



DEERFIELD LAKE FALL PARTY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31st
7:00 PM until 10:00 PM



COST: \$5 Residents and Guests
Purchased in Advance

Serving:
Hors D'oeuvres
Desserts
Non-Alcoholic Beverages Provided
(BYO other Beverage)

MUSIC for DANCING

Prizes Awarded for the 3 BEST COSTUMES

Flyer Will Be Distributed With More Details

Reflections by Roselle

Our greatest glory isn't never falling down but in rising up every time we fall--Confucius

Sometimes life surprises us. And not in a good way. For me, this summer's been one of those times. A friend losing her home to foreclosure, another battling depression. An uncle in a nursing home. A neighbor dying suddenly. A young cousin diagnosed with cancer. Struggling to make some sense of it all, I remembered something Margaret Mitchell wrote: "Life in under no obligation to give us what we expect." Count on it.

When the unexpected turns our world upside down, and we're left stunned and shaking our head, it's all too easy to lose faith. And while the particular circumstances of hardship differ from person to person, there's is really only one way we all begin to heal our hearts. HOPE. With hope, we will cope. It's that strong stubborn sense of determination, the one that dwells in the possible, that gives us the inner strength we need to keep on keeping on. After a long battle with cancer, John Wayne, nearing the end of his life, still showed a lot of tough-guy swagger in talking about confronting personal challenges. "Courage," he said, "is being scared to death and saddling up anyway." Talk about true grit.

In the face of heartache, HOPE is that faith-filled reassurance that this too shall pass. That, indeed, there will be light at the end of the tunnel. That eventually we will find shelter from the storm and a softer place to land if we just believe. While we can't wish our problems away, we can make a conscious choice to stay centered in the midst of personal crisis, turning our focus on to what we can control in our lives, on to what nurtures us, comforts us, and inspires us. Hopefulness is the safety net that will catch us when we fall, taking us from darkness into light, and turning our wounds into wisdom. With faith, we come to see that every ending is also a new beginning and that we needn't be afraid of the changes that will take place in our lives, because by dealing with them, we grow in character.

So let us be gentle with ourselves in hard times. Let us plant some hope in our hearts and watch it grow. And, then, when we're back on our feet again, feeling surer and stronger, let us pass the message of hope on to someone who may be standing in the shadow of sadness and sorely needs to see the sun shine again. Let us pay it forward. Because that's what friends are for.

SAFETY NOTICE

- Please Slow Down and Obey Community Speed Limit
- Obey All Stop Signs
- Dusk is coming earlier now that Fall has arrived. Please use lights on all vehicles.
- When walking at night use flashlights or other visible reflection.

LIGHTNING DETECTOR WARNINGS

For your information and SAFETY, there are lightning detector warnings provided by Coconut Creek that can be heard in our swimming pool.

- One Long Blast: Lightning Detected 7-15 Miles Away. For your safety please exit the pool.
- Three Short Blasts: All Clear

TRASH REMOVAL REMINDER




Trash Removal Guidelines: Trash Removal days are Monday and Thursday of each week

Bulk Trash is picked up on MONDAY ONLY. Trash should be placed out the morning of the designated pick-up days. No trash should be placed out for pick-up earlier than Sunday evening for Monday pick-up and Wednesday evening for Thursday pick-up.

Committees

Bowling	Maryann Larkin	427-2897
Crafts	Vacant	
Emergency Preparedness	Board Members	
FMO	Jan Klafka	270-5405
Koffee Klatch	Vacant	
Ladies Luncheon	Terry Koffer	425-8179
Ladies of the Lake	Joanie Derosalia	557-1913
Library	Pat Green	481-8580
Men's Breakfast	Art Green	481-8580
Monthly Cards	Maryann Larkin	427-2897
Policies, Procedures & By-Laws	Pat Green	481-8580
Sunshine Lady	Ginny Freestone	531-0950
Water Aerobics	Ellen McDuffee	481-2926
Web/Ripples	Allen Pummill	309-287-8223

Deerfield Lake Association Officers

<p>President Tony Lananna</p>  <p>954-570-8705</p>	<p>Vice President James Overstreet</p>  <p>609-220-7521</p>
<p>Secretary Chris Frasca</p>  <p>954-644-9537</p>	<p>Treasurer Don Potter</p>  <p>954-698-5194</p>

Resident Advertising

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Board Members

<p>Ellen McDuffee</p>  <p>481-2926</p>	<p>Suzanne Overstreet</p>  <p>609-220-6863</p>	<p>Art Green</p>  <p>954-481-8580</p>
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Community Activities

Water Aerobics

Meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10:00 AM.
POOL IS HEATED



Koffee Klatch

Come join us every Tuesday morning at 9:00 AM for coffee, a treat, and good fellowship. We discuss upcoming events and all are encouraged to attend. Come meet your neighbors.



**Bingo
Tuesday
Nights 7 PM**

Summer Bingo - Summary
Darlene Marcusson

An average of 27 people attended bingo each week and, on average, \$347 was given away every week.

What? You say you didn't get any of the \$3,813 that was given away this summer? That's probably because you didn't play. Plan to show up this Tuesday at 6:45 and join us for an evening of fun and prizes. It costs only \$8.00 for a card, which is what you would spend to see a movie. We also have free coffee and cake, which is something you won't get at the movies. Come to the Clubhouse this Tuesday and meet your neighbors and have some fun.

Hand & Foot

Join Us:
Every Monday 1 PM
Every Thursday 7 PM

Ladies Luncheon

Ladies Luncheons are well attended. Come and join in the fun! Watch your calendar for next date.

Sign-Up Sheet in Clubhouse

The Sunshine Lady Report
June - August
Ginny Freestone

Get Well Cards Sent

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| Evelyn Conwell | Joe Davis |
| Phil Garner | Irene Zuchowski |
| Mark Garner | Lil Pendl |
| Marty Gordon | Mrs. Conrad |
| Kevin Mulcahy | Terry Kulp |
| Gert Speiser | Heidi Scourby |
| Glen Nitta | Steve Kessler |
| Roger Goodell | Gloria Shull |

Sympathy Cards Sent to Families Of

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| Cannizzo | Stansbury |
| Hughes | Speiser |
| Linnell | Stefanski |
| Reinhardt | |

Men's Breakfast Club

The Men's Breakfast Club continued through the summer months. Those attending enjoyed the food and conversation. All Men are invited to join us the third Wednesday of each month. We meet at the Clubhouse at 8:30 am and car pool to the destination of the month. A SIGN-UP Sheet is in the clubhouse.

The October breakfast will be Wednesday, October 15th.

Welcome Lady Report
June-August
Darlene Marcusson

Welcome our new residents:

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| Joseph Zenchak L-10
4521 NW 68th St 954-415-8923 | Daniel & Ivette Marron L-09
4531 NW 68th St
954-881-4806 |
| Dean Batsford & Patricia Stadler K-4
4530 NW 68th Pl 786-556-9227 | Richard & Lucienne Lynch K-6
4550 NW 68th Pl |
| Maria DeSouza N-20
6931 NW 45th Terr | |

**COOKIES 'N' CLASSICS
BOOK CLUB**

Betty Smith's moving novel, "A Tree Grows In Brooklyn," is a beautifully written slice of family life and a nostalgic trip back in time to New York in the early 1900s. Read this classic novel, then join Roselle on Wednesday, October 29th at 1:30 PM for cookies, conversation, and a lively book discussion. Space is limited, so please sign-up in advance at the Clubhouse. No walk-ins please.



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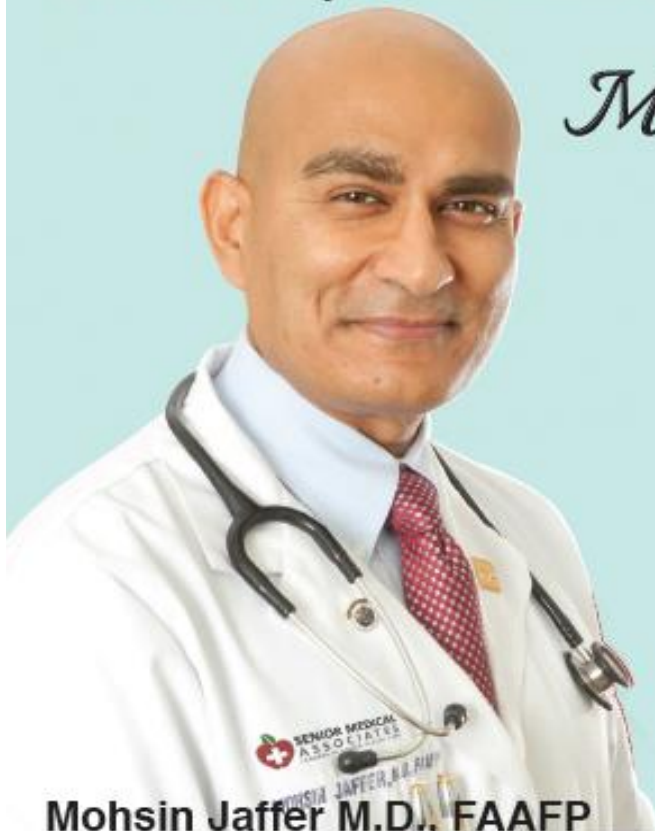
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Refinements to Homeowners Association Event Sign-Up and Attendance

The recent Labor Day event was great, but we also uncovered some flaws which we would like to try to address.

To ensure adequate food we asked people to sign-up in the Clubhouse during the weeks preceding the event. This was communicated in the event flyer delivered to all residents, posted on our Clubhouse bulletin boards as well as on our Deerfield Lake HOA Website. This was necessary to get a more accurate estimate of the food we would need to order. We also attempted to communicate that only people who had signed-up for the event in advance, would be admitted. For the most part this worked well. Unfortunately, there were a few of people, who did not sign-up but wanted to attend. We hated to do this, but they were turned away. Additionally we had 18 people that had signed-up, and for whom food was ordered and prepared for, that never attended. This resulted in us having some surplus food at the end. Those who plan and organize these events take pride in trying their best to make these events enjoyable for everyone. We also must work within our event budget and strive to make our events as cost efficient as possible. We do not like having to turn residents away if they forgot to sign-up. We all forget to do something now and then. In an attempt to avert problems at future events, we would like to implement the following guidelines:

- Continue to require the pre-registration or sign-up for all residents who wish to attend, including the names of any guests.
- If you or your guest(s) are unable to attend the event, please let one of the event coordinators know so we can update the attendee count as soon as possible.
- Residents who wish to attend but did not pre-register will be allowed in, as space permits, one hour after the event starts.
- We will continue to monitor the attendance at these events in accordance with the legal Clubhouse capacity of 145.
- We believe these refinements will provide our residents and our volunteers an improved event experience in the future.

REMEMBER WHEN - A BLAST FROM THE PAST 2nd Wednesday of each Month at 1 PM

Come take a trip down memory lane, back to a time when Frank Sinatra had all the girls swooning, Milton Berle ruled the airwaves, Elvis was all shook up, when father really did know best, Elizabeth Taylor graced the silver screen, and hula hoops, saddle shoes and transistor radios were all the rage.

Join us on the second Wednesday of the month at 1:00 PM for "Remember When," a fun-filled nostalgic afternoon of trivia tidbits and shared memories, celebrating the catchy tunes, classic TV, film stars and fads of the 40s, 50s, 60s and 70s.
Sign-up in advance at the Clubhouse, please. Come out and join the fun!

EXERCISE and WORKOUT THURSDAYS AT 9:00 AM at the CLUBHOUSE

Do you want to drop a few pounds, get more exercise or just want a chance to socialize with some fun people?

Come and join with fellow residents in a weekly workout activity. Enjoy exercising to workout DVDs in the Clubhouse.

CALLING ALL BOWLERS

Our new league starts on October 16, 2014. Anyone can bowl open bowling at our Margate Brunswick Bowling alley at 2:30 PM every Thursday.

If you are interested in bowling with us, please call Maryann at 954-427-2897

Follow us on our website:

www.DeerfieldLakeHOA.org

FMO UPDATE

(Federation of Manufactured Home Owners of Florida)

ATTENTION! All FMO (Federation of Manufactured Home Owners of Florida) members and potential members--Effective Nov. 1, 2014, dues will go up to \$25.00 for one year and \$65.00 for a three-year membership. If you send in your renewal BEFORE Nov. 1, 2014, you can extend your current membership at the old rate of \$22.00 for the one-year or \$55.00 for a three-year membership.

Remember--without the FMO, there would be no Florida Mobile Home Act (FL Statute 723) which gives some protection to owners of homes on rented land. In addition to the bi-monthly FMO News magazine, your membership dues pay for an attorney to provide answers to members' concerns, a lobbyist in Tallahassee who helps with improvements to Statute 723 and helps to stop changes that would negatively impact our lifestyle. Our dues also support the membership headquarters and a few paid office staff.

The first District 12 meeting of the season will be held here in our Clubhouse on Wed., Oct. 8. Free coffee and donuts beginning at 9:30 AM--Meeting begins at 10:00 AM. A 50/50 drawing will also be held.

ALL residents are invited. Want to know more about the FMO? Come and talk to me. Also, find out what is happening in other communities in the area.

Jan Klafka 954-270-5405



AMERICA'S MOMS FOR SOLDIERS

America's Moms For Soldiers sends monthly care packages to Soldiers, Marines and Airmen serving in Iraq and Afghanistan who receive little or no mail from home. Many of the servicemen and women we support are assigned to Forward Operating Bases or Outposts where they do not have access to basic items such as snacks, hygiene supplies, and personal health articles as well as a variety of treats. We work directly with Chaplains and Commanders to coordinate our efforts to provide support to those who do not receive care packages from home.

There will be a box in the Clubhouse for your donations. There are also flyers in the Clubhouse that provide specific details on the supplies that are needed.

If you have any questions, please call Ginger (954-854-4754) between 1 PM and 6 PM
Thank You for Your Support

<http://www.americasmomsforsoldiers.com>

FREE SMOKE DETECTOR PROGRAM

There is a program sponsored by the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) to provide and install smoke detectors for homes in Coconut Creek that do not have operable smoke detectors. These will be provided to residents free of charge. CERT volunteers will provide the necessary installation.

The CERT Team will be coming to Deerfield Lake. To receive this service, please sign up as soon as possible in the office.

