Ripples from the Lake

The Official Newsletter of the Deerfield Lake Homeowners Association



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Monday March 3rd Homeowners Meeting 7PM

March 2014 Homeowners Meeting

Support your Deerfield Lake Homeowners Association by attending the March 2014 meeting on Monday

A Message from our Homeowners Association President

The month of February was an interesting and active month for the Homeowners Association and the residents of Deerfield Lake.

We first want to thank all of our volunteers and leaders for the outstanding Valentines Party. We had a total of 86 people attending. We continue to experience growth in our monthly activities. We encourage each one to utilize your Ripples, our Website, and event flyers as a tool for planning and scheduling your personal calendar.

Other significant new events also kicked off in February including our annual Flea Market and the process to update our Deerfield Lake resident's phone directory.

In closing our month we gathered at the clubhouse to bid farewell, after 3 years to our community manager Tim Kirby as he moves to Arizona and a new assignment. We wish Tim and Judy well and Godspeed as they head west. We look forward to working with his replacement yet to be named.

Anthony Lananna

DEERFIELD LAKE ANNUAL FLEA MARKET SATURDAY, MARCH 8TH!!

The annual Deerfield Lake Flea Market is the biggest fundraiser for our HOA treasury. Last year we brought in almost \$2,000. Please start saving items to donate to the flea market.

- Items can start being dropped off at the Clubhouse starting March 2nd thru the 7th.
- Donations of jewelry or bottles of wine or alcohol are to be dropped off at Maryann Larkin's house, lot A36, NOT the Clubhouse or call Maryann at 954-427-2097.
- At the flea market will also be food and drink for purchase as well as raffles for gift baskets.
- We are in the process of selling raffle tickets.
 Volunteers have been coming around to your homes to sell raffle tickets, please support your HOA by buying a book for \$5. Contact Maryann Larkin if you need tickets.
- Drawing for all raffles will be at the flea market, you do not need to be present to win.
- Raffle Prizes are: 1st-\$250, 2nd-\$150 and 3rd-\$50.
- Volunteers are needed to help set up and "work" the flea market; please call Maryann if you are available to help.

Maryann Larkin – Flea Market Coordinator Lot A36 Phone: 954-427-2897

Deerfield Lake HOA Website

Please visit the new Deerfield Lake HOA Website and check out the pictures from the Valentines Party.

The website can be accessed as follows:

http://deerfieldlakehoa.org

Deerfield Lake Phone Directory Update

Our Deerfield Lake Board is in the process to update and publish a 2014-2015 Phone Directory.

Many residents have already submitted their Directory Update Form. If you wish to be added to the directory or change your information you need to complete this form.

IF YOU HAVE NO CHANGES JUST SUBMIT THE FORM WITH YOUR NAME AND LOT # and X BY THE NO CHANGES BLANK.

For convenience and uniformity the connected form has been developed for the information gathering process. These forms, once completed, should be placed in the secure container on the bar in the clubhouse. If you need assistance please ask one of our Board Members or a Ladies of the Lakes representative.

| | Deerfield Lake Homeowner Association Directory Update Form |
|------------------|---|
| NAME(s): | |
| | |
| Lot# | |
| The following up | odate is requested: (please X the action needed) |
| No Changes | Add/Update My Information |
| Street Address: | |
| Phone Number(| s) |
| EMAIL: | |
| Other | |

By-Laws Committee Update

There will be a vote on two separate amendments to the by-laws at the March $\mathbf{3}^{\rm rd}$ HOA Meeting.

The first vote will be a ballot vote by member request. Please register at the door, by Lot Number to receive a ballot.

This ballot vote concerns:

Article IV. Board of Directors Section III. Elections

> A. Terms of Office (Please review your present by-law concerning Article IV, prior to the meeting)

The second vote will be concerning Article IV., Board of Directors Defined. This amendment simply avoids a misunderstanding, clarifying that all members of the board are directors, but four of the directors are also officers.

This will be a hand vote by all members present.

There will be no further discussion on these two amendments, just a vote.

The meeting starts at 7 pm.

No ballots will be accepted after 7:30 pm.

Sincerely,
Deerfield Lake Homeowners Association
By-Laws Committee



St. Patrick's Day Party Saturday March 15th



Dinner 6:00 PM

- Corned Beef and Cabbage With Vegetables
- Soft Drinks, Coffee and Water
 - Dessert

Music and Dancing Until 10:00 pm

Tickets \$15 Sales End Monday March 10th

For Tickets and Reservations

See Linda Schubert

Lot# U-04 Ph. # 954-798-6760

Community Breakfast Saturday March 29th 8:00am – 10:00am

Stuffed French Toast
Sausage
Fruit
Coffee and Juice

Thank You Chef Art and Your Team

Committees

| _ | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|--|--|
| Bowling | Maryann Larkin | 427-2897 | | |
| Crafts | Gert Speiser | 570-1154 | | |
| Emergency Preparedness Board Members | | | | |
| FMO | Jan Klafka | 270-5405 | | |
| Koffee Klatch | Vacant | | | |
| Ladies Luncheon | Terry Koffer | 425-8179 | | |
| Ladies of the Lake | Joanie Derosalia | 954-557-1913 | | |
| 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 | Jenny Freestone | 531-0950 | | |
| Water Aerobics | Ellen McDuffee | 481-2926 | | |
| Web/Ripples | Allen Pummill | 309-287-8223 | | |
| Welcome Lady | Darlene Marcusson | 363-4509 | | |

The Sunshine Lady Report By Ginny Freestone

Get Well Cards Sent

Sympathy Cards sent to

- **Gert Speiser**
- **Doris Taylor**
- Bette Hoare'

the families of:

- **Mari Brown**
- **Manarina Family**

Deerfield Lake Association Officers

President **Tony Lananna**



954-570-8705

Vice President James Overstreet



609-220-7521

Secretary **Chris Frasca**



954-644-9537

Treasurer Don Potter



954-698-5194

Board Members

Ellen McDuffee



481-2926

Suzanne **Overstreet**



609-220-6863

Art Green



954-481-8580

Welcome Lady Report January-February By Darlene Marcusson



- Almir DosSantos #A29
- Dorothy Gans #E6
- Carmen & Gregorio Rayme #O41
- **Stephen Daughtery & Debbie** Kopp #N17
- Cesar Almeida #A23
- Donnie & Bonnie Watts #K8
- Eduardo Ladoano #P06

- David & Abby Levine #S04
- **Barry & Caroline** Nelson #S11
- David & Gloria Williams #S13
- **Edgar & Martha** Horn #O43
- Rene Hardy & Michelle Romance #D05
- Rachel Main #G06

We welcome all of you to Deerfield Lake. We encourage your participation and involvement in the many activities and events available.

Valentines Party Volunteer Team



To all of the residents of Deerfield Lake I bid you a fond "see you later" as we head to Arizona. Thank you for 3 years and the wonderful party.

Tim Kirby



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 9:00am for coffee, a treat, and good fellow-ship. We discuss upcoming events and all are encouraged to attend. Come meet your neighbors.

Hand & Foot

Join Us: Every Monday 1pm Every Thurs. 7PM

Ladies Luncheon

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

Sign-Up Sheets in Clubhouse

Men's Breakfast Club

We had a good turnout for January. We had 12 men and we went to the Country Kitchen in Coral Springs. In February we went to the Lemon Tree here in Coconut Creek.

The March Men's Breakfast will be Wednesday March 19th.

A sign-up sheet will be in the clubhouse. We meet at the clubhouse at 8:30 AM



Bingo

Tuesday Nights 7pm \$ 8.00

January Report

151 people played (an average of 37 1/2 people each week; that half person was hard to handle!!!) \$1725 was given out altogether with jackpots averaging \$170



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FOR SALE

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Must Sell \$300 Contact: Jerry: Lot# U-5



Ladies of the Lake Social Committee Update contributed by Joanie DeRosalia

Love was in the air at our magical Valentine Dance held a few weeks ago. 86 people attended and the dance floor was packed as we all enjoyed the music of Peter DeJesse. As guests entered into the beautifully decorated club house, every lady received a delicate pink rose thanks to a generous gift from Tony and Monique Lananna. Allen Pummill took many pictures which are posted on our new website, www.deerfieldlakehoa.org. Check it out.

We also want to thank those who were so gracious to quickly plan and organize a farewell party for our Park Manager Tim Kirby at the clubhouse. Thank you Dick, Gail, Barb, Monique, Bob, George, Leslie, Debbie and others that contributed to the wonderful send off for Tim and Judy.

March events include A St. Patrick's Day Party on March 15, the Annual Deerfield Lake Flea Market on March 8 and a Community Breakfast on March 29. These are all Saturday Dates. Please volunteer, we need you. Thanks, Joanie

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REFLECTIONS By Roselle Manarina

"Less is more" --Robert Browning

It's time again for that annual tidying-up tradition known as spring cleaning. Relax, I'm not advocating anything involving a lot of elbow grease and scrubbing. Rather something more along the lines of eliminating the excess and non-essentials--books we won't ever re-read, clothes that no longer fit our style or shape, that certain something you couldn't live without now gathering dust under the bed, and all those accumulated piles of papers that seem to multiply like rabbits.

Woody Allen said the art of being happy is appreciating what we have not what we don't have. But just how much is too much? When every nook, cranny and corner of the home is crammed with this, that and everything under the sun, it's probably time to attack the clutter.

Ever wonder where it all comes from? I have a theory. It's not so much that we're all chronic shopaholics, but rather we buy things, forget where we put them, then go out and buy some more. Which explains the eight boxes of Christmas cards in the back of my desk drawer? And don't even get me started on the kitchen pantry, where I recently discovered not one but two crockpots, three corkscrews, four cans of baking powder, five sets of measuring spoons, and a dozen Tupperware containers with not a single lid in sight. The only thing missing was a partridge in a pear tree.

To be honest, the older I get the more I realize I can get by with a lot less, and which is why I have learned to seriously control my weakness for buying books, crafts, and Christmas decorations. If not, I'd need a second home just to house it all. And so, this past week, on a mission to de-clutter, I scaled back room by room, closet by closet, drawer by drawer, getting back to basics by deciding, item by item, what to stash and what to trash. When it comes to our 'stuff,' we could probably all benefit by being a little more selective about what we take in and take on in our homes. If it's ugly, has outlived its usefulness, takes up to much space, and has no real sentimental value, give yourself some more room to breathe--toss it, donate it, pass it on to someone in need. The more I cleared away, the more clearheaded I actually felt. With less to distract me and less to keep track of, I found more time and energy to enjoy my leisure as well as more actual room in my living space. You might want to give it a try. By ditching the disarray and restoring a sense of order to your home, with a place for everything and everything in its place, you just might find yourself living a more transformed life. Small changes really do make a big difference. Now, more than ever I'm convinced that there really is something to this whole concept of spring cleaning. But I still don't do windows.

FMO Update by Jan Klafka

We had a good turn-out for the Feb. 12 FMO District Meeting held in our Clubhouse--thanks to everyone who came! My apologies for the absence of our featured speaker--he was unable to attend because of a family emergency. We did get to meet the new FMO State Board President, John Salvucci, and FMO State Board Director-at-Large, Jerry Durham. They both shared a lot of information.

The next FMO District Meeting will again be held HERE at our clubhouse (Coral Cay is unable to host it this month). The Homestead Declaration will be discussed. Filing a Declaration of Homestead protects a manufactured home (on leased land) from forced sale to pay the claims of creditors including Medicaid. Come and learn about this important provision of Florida Law. If you want to file a Declaration of Homestead, FMO has created sample forms for this. (Forms will be available at the meeting.) The FMO website has questions and answers about the Declaration of Homestead in the Legalese section.

The March 12 FMO District Meeting will be here, at the Deerfield Lake Clubhouse. ALL RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME. Free coffee and donuts at 9:30, the meeting begins at 10:00. Hope to see you there!

Jan Klafka- 954-270-5405 (cell)

954-429-9561 (home)