



Terra Ceia Manor Newsletter

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NEWS FROM THE CO-OP BOARD

Next B.O.D. Workshop: November 15, 9 a.m.

Next B.O.D. Monthly Meeting: Nov. 20, 9 a.m.

Meetings are open to TCM shareholders only.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – DON FURNACE

Hello TCM Residents: This month has been busy for the Board, with the 2024 budget, HOA raise, and the new storm drain replacement from the corner of 3rd and 2nd streets down to Kim and Debbie Ferguson' then out to the creek. We have also been reviewing areas where we can cut cost, and we have found a few. Thanks to Rhonda and Margie for that. We are still having trouble with owners of comfort and service dogs not putting their dogs on a leash. Manatee county and TCM have a leash law that states "All pets need to be on a leash from the time they leave the house till they get back in". TCM can fine violators \$100.00 a day for not following our rules. You are also not allowed to park your car on the grass or on the street overnight; this also means your guests. You can also be fined \$100.00 a day. And last, we have handed out a lot of small signs to hang in your bathrooms. These are to remind you and your guests not to flush anything but pee, poop, and toilet paper down the toilet. All other products in your wastepaper basket. Doing this will cut down our cost of replacing pumps in the lift station. Thank you and have a safe holiday.

TREASURER'S REPORT – MARGIE HOCHSTETTLER

During October's HOA Board meeting, the Board voted to adopt the proposed 2024 Budget you received in the mail. The budget includes a less than 15% increase to the HOA Maintenance Fee and Betterment and Major Improvement from \$143.00 to \$164.00 starting Jan 1, 2024. The \$21.00 increase will help offset the cost of \$68,000. of the emergency Storm Drain running from 3rd down 2nd to stream. We will still be short by about \$1.11 per house per month. The cost of \$340.00 assessment per house was discussed and did not pass. Discussion of the need for people to STOP flushing anything other than pee, poop and toilet paper in the toilet and the importance to our budget and lift stations. Last Dec, Feb and May we had to replace the pumps, let's hope we don't have to replace any pumps this season at \$7,500. each plus labor.



NEWS FROM THE REC. BOARD

Next Meeting: Monday, November 13, 9 a.m.

Meetings are open to all residents.

ACTIVITIES

The following activities have not yet been resumed for the season: Billiards, Bocce Ball, Bowling, Craft Club, Euchre, Garden Club, Horseshoes, Ladies Golf, Mah Jongg, Pinocle, Shuffleboard, and Wood Carving

BIBLE STUDY – will be on Monday at 9:30 a.m. We will begin the study of Ephesians by Warren Wiersbe on November 6. Please contact Anne Mc Gaha (941-729-2145) for details.

BINGO – is on Monday. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with play starting at 6:00.

BID EUCHRE -- will start Thursday 11/2/23. Play will begin at 6:15. Please try to be there by 6:00.

BRIDGE – will be on Tuesdays at 1 p.m. If you enjoy Bridge (any skill level), please join us for a fun afternoon! Please talk with Harley Lewis for information (574-536-2698).

COFFEE HOUR – is every Saturday at 9:00 a.m. with social time beginning at 8:30 a.m. Join us for a cup of coffee and donut (\$1) and to learn what is going on the following week.

DULCIMER PRACTICE – will be on Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. in the clubhouse. You must be vaccinated to participate. Please contact George Deebel at 260-242-2400 for more information.

GAME NIGHT – will be on Friday at 6:15 p.m.

HAND & FOOT - is played on Thursday at 1 p.m. For additional information, please contact Dorothy Hasket at 941-722-1223.

MEN'S GOLF — is at 9:30 a.m. on Friday at Terra Ceia. Please arrive by 9:00 a.m. Please call Mike Bernard (941-729-5413) if you have questions or need a ride. Look for a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse.

MEN'S POKER – is on Wednesday from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.

SOCIAL HOUR -- is at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday.

WATER AEROBICS – is every Monday, Wednesday and Friday (weather permitting) at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. If you have questions, please call Bernadette Reihl at 941-729-0696.



UPCOMING EVENTS

2024 TRAVEL CALENDAR – January 16, 2024, ELVIS (play/musical) and buffet lunch at Broadway Palm Dinner Theater. Tickets are limited to 55 people. Cost TBD (pending the bus contract). Please sign up in November.

February 19, 2024, Dolphin sightseeing boat trip and lunch at Columbian Restaurant will be offered. Please sign up in November.

March 19, 2024, Tarpon Springs boat trip to include seeing the sponge divers and lunch. Please sign up in November.

As I receive additional information from Valerie, I will pass it along. Margie (942) 448-0702.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5: The MONTHLY GOLF SCRAMBLE will be held at Pinewood/Ironwood Golf Course in Bradenton. The list of teams and tee times has been posted. Please arrive at the course in plenty of time to be ready to tee off at your listed tee time. Following the scramble, we will have dinner at R J Gators in Bradenton. If you have questions, please call Harley Lewis at 574-536-2698.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9 -- MEN'S LUNCHEON: The Men's November Luncheon will be held at the Lazy Gators restaurant at noon. The location is 102 W. Shell Point Rd., Ruskin, FL. Please respond with a note to Mike Shobe (mshobe237@aol.com or text 419-690-6163) before November 8.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13 – The NOVEMBER REC. BOARD MEETING will be held at 9 a.m. All residents are urged to attend.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15 - The NOVEMBER WORKSHOP FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS will begin at 9 a.m. This Workshop sets the agenda for the upcoming Board Meeting. If you have anything you would like to appear on the agenda, please attend this meeting. All TCM Shareholders are welcome and urged to attend.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20 - The NOVEMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING will begin at 9 a.m. Only TCM Shareholders may attend.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23 -- TCM THANKSGIVING DINNER to be held in the Clubhouse at 1:00 p.m. The Rec Board will provide the meat, and the rest will be potluck. A sign-up sheet (for volunteer helpers and participants) is available on the easel in the back of the clubhouse through Saturday November 18. Please be thinking about your Thanksgiving plans and be sure to sign up by the deadline of November 18, allowing the Rec Board to get an accurate head count and enough time to purchase the meat. Thank you. We are looking forward to celebrating the holiday with you all!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

AUCTION - Make it! Bake it! Sew it! Grow it! - This FUN auction is scheduled for Sunday, January 14, 2024. If you are a crafter, baker, or have a hobby and would like to share the fruits of your labor, we are asking you to make, bake, sew, or grow some items, set them aside, then in January donate them to our auction. This is a super fun event, and we love to see what items are created by our talented residents. The proceeds go to the Rec Board to help support the TCM events; so your donations are greatly appreciated!

ANNUAL BAZAAR – February 10, 2024.

PARK DIRECTORY – UNIT 433 – Dale & Tamara Fennell, 812-797-2917 (D) and 812-327-8562 (T). **UNIT 472** -- Patrick Kerns/Deb Armstrong, 716-870-4559 (D) and 716-531-5116 (P). Please watch this spot throughout the upcoming year for updates to the Directory. If you note these changes in your copy, you will be up to date.

BOCCE BALL – NOW is the time to sign up your team for 2024 winter season Bocce Ball. Last season’s team captains have reported their teams are ready to start on Monday, Jan 8, 2024. Team Roster and schedule will be finalized by Dec 20. Teams consist of 4 people. Knowledge and skill level are not a concern. We are available to teach, and the bocce ball court changes after every rain. Subs are in high demand if you are not able to commit yourself to every Monday and a floating schedule. You may sign up your team or as a sub on the roster at the Clubhouse. Or call Margie and she will place you on a team.

PLEASE NOTE -- The theme for March 2024 will be Hawaiian. The ladies’ luncheon will be a luau, and the dance will be a Hawaiian party. Please have your Hawaiian or tropical apparel ready for a fun-filled March 2024!

COFFEE HOUR 2023-2024 – Please contact Karen Dierkens 419-460-1860 or (ksdierkens@gmail.com) if anyone is willing to sign up for Coffee Hour.

COFFEE HOUR EMCEES -- Looking for non-professional speakers to Emcee the Coffee Hour for the November thru April season. Experience not required. If you can hold a microphone, you qualify. Actual list will be out starting November 6, or contact Mike Shobe (mshobe237@aol.com or text 419-690-6163) if you have any questions..

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP – If anyone is interested in a grief support group, please contact Karen Dierkens at 419-460-1860.

HORSESHOE CLUB NEWS -- In an effort to attract more players, we are changing the horseshoe time to Thursday at 9:30 a.m. for the next season. Men and women are both welcome, and we have lots of fun. If you are interested, please sign up on the horseshoe sheet already posted on the bulletin board. Play will start early next January. Please contact Jerry Houppert at 315-408-2711 with any questions.

NOTE: Any of you who shop at Gordon's Food Service (GFS), when you check out, please consider telling the cashier you would like the reward points to go towards the account of Terra Ceia Manor Mobile Home Park on Bayshore Rd. in Palmetto FL. Each purchase helps build up rewards in our account, which then provides a nice discount when the Rec Board purchases supplies. Thank you all for considering this donation to our account. Every little bit helps!

NOTE – There will be no Ladies’ Luncheon for November. Nobody signed up to chair it. The December Luncheon will be on the 14th. Bring a gift to exchange. A sign-up sheet will be available in a few weeks.

SHUFFLEBOARD LEAGUE -- will start in January. For those of you who are not here yet, please be sure to get a sub to fill your spot. It is your responsibility to do so. The schedule will be posted in December.

FOOD DRIVE – It is that time of year for TCM to show their love and compassion for our community. We will be doing the food drive from November 6 through November 13. Feel free to drop off your donation from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. in our lanai. The door will be unlocked; just put your bags on the floor. Let’s all give what we can to this greatly needed project. We look forward to the park residents doing our part to feed the hungry. These donations will go to the Bradenton soup kitchen. Many thanks, Preston and Paula.

BINGO – begins on November 6 for the season. Doors open at 5:30 with play beginning at 6 p.m.

THANK YOU – I want to say a great big thank you to everyone! For the calls, visits, food and prayers that showered me and my family during our struggle after Fred’s passing. My heart is swollen with gratitude. Love, Pat Banks

ATTENTION TCM Neighbors! We are in need of a Chairperson for our 2024 Bazaar, which is scheduled for February 10, 2024. TCM has held a Bazaar for several years, and many of our residents come together filling all the volunteer spots, making it happen smoothly. We just need someone to be the head organizer/go to person. We have information on how it was done the past couple years that can be shared with anyone willing to fill this position. If you are willing to chair this event, please let Cathleen Shobe (419-351-7324) know as soon as possible.



LOVE & PRAYERS

Please keep the following residents in your prayers: Barb Saleiro, Unit 147; Dee Freeman, Unit 449.

JUDI AND DAVE RENKENBERGER, UNIT 142 – We would like to express our condolences to the Renkenbergers on the loss of their son on October 5.

FRED BANKS, UNIT 224 -- Our love and sympathy go out to Pat and her family on the passing of Fred on October 18.

TOM AND DOTTIE HANKETT, UNIT 317 – Tom was released from the hospital one day last week following a pneumonia diagnosis. In the meantime, Dottie fell, causing a back injury.

**NEWS FROM RHONDA RITTER AT THE
TCM OFFICE**
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Everyone must have hurricane coverage on their homes. No exceptions!

SOLICITORS: Can take advantage of you. If someone comes to your door trying to sell you a service, *ask them to leave immediately*. Promptly report the incident to the park manager giving a description of the vehicle and the direction it leaves.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: Two days before the end of the month. Contact me at 765-490-0892 or diverdiego@comcast.net

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