



Alligator mating season begins in April and runs through June.

The Lakes Neighborhood Review

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The Lake of the Woods of Jacaranda, Park Estates,
Lakes of Jacaranda & Grassy Oaks
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*I'm sure you've seen the news about the otter
and know that it tested positive for rabies.
Please be watchful of your pets! Bill Meints*

Thank you to . . .

Bob & Yvonne Cordero for all your efforts throughout the years to get the newsletters out to the Block Captains for delivery. Thank you to all the Block Captains for braving the cold and delivering the news in January and I know will brave the heat this July.

Newsletters. . .

If you're out of town, or out of the country, you can always catch up on the news in our community by going on line to LOWofJ.com and looking under News. The web newsletter is posted the day the hard copy goes to the printer.

Watch for the following. . .

Cooking demonstration with Chef Michel on April 24th. See details for sign up in the LOWofJ *Social* section of this newsletter.

Water Aerobics has been cancelled. See what's taking its place. Look for information in the LOJ Activities section.

Please note that all Community-wide Activities are listed in Section I of each newsletter and are for the entire community to attend no matter where they are held.

Section I – Master Association (LOWofJ)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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| President Joe Beima Vice President Matthew Soldano Treasurer Bill Meints Secretary Beverly Weltzien Director Guy Cusumano Keys-Caldwell Jim Kraut Jim@keys-caldwell.com | Congratulations to the new BOD! Agendas for BOD meetings can be found under www.lowofj.com NOTE: To contact a Board Member go to the LOWofJ.com website, type their title + @lowofj.com. Example: president@lowofj.com |
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| Board Meetings | Location |
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| Tuesday, April 5 th @ 1:00 PM | Clubhouse |
| Tuesday, May 4 th @ 1:00 PM | Clubhouse |
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BOD Messages. . .

BOARD OF DIRECTOR’S MESSAGE

Submitted by: Joe Beima, President

To the Residents of Lake of the Woods of Jacaranda, Park Estates, The Lakes of Jacaranda and Grassy Oaks

Elections. . .

First, I would like to personally acknowledge and thank the candidates who ran for office in recent HOA elections. Volunteering time and energy in the service of the community is paramount to ensuring the best interest of all concerned. I invite all members to participate in future elections and committees as this will ensure a reflection of the core interest of the community.

Secondly, I appreciate everyone who turned out for the election. I’d particularly like to thank the many volunteers who assisted with registration, vote tabulation and oversight. Without their efforts, we could not have realized the rapid unbiased tabulation and election reporting.

Report election outcome:

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| President: | Joe Beima |
| Vice President: | Mathew Soldano |
| Treasurer: | William Meints |
| Secretary: | Beverly Weltzien |
| Director At Large: | Guy Cusumano |

Contact information for Board members can be found in the HOA Directory, on the web at LOWofJ.com, or through Keys-Caldwell.

Parking . . .

Tow-Away Zone signs were posted on the right-hand side of each entrance. These signs allow the HOA to enforce parking according to Florida Statutes and Paragraph 7.12 of the LOWofJ covenants.

“...No parking of vehicles is allowed on unimproved lots, lawns or upon or within the paved roads or streets located within the (HOA) except for commercial service vehicles and trucks during such time as they are actually serving and/or repairing or improving the owner’s residence or lot. There is another exception which is for invitees of the owner or tenant who may park in the street adjacent to the owner’s lot if, and only if, space is not available for parking within the owner’s garage or driveway to the residence, and if and only if, such parking in the street is for a period of less than six consecutive hours and less than eight hours on any one calendar day.”

Parking permits for parking in the Clubhouse and Gazebo parking lots may be obtained from Keys-Caldwell and will be visibly displayed on the driver’s side of the dashboard. **Failure to appropriately park by the above rules will result in vehicles being towed at owner’s expense.**

Lake of the Woods Drive parking: Sarasota County has received our request to review the status of service provider’s and/or visitor’s on-street parking on Lake of the Woods Drive. Councilwoman Staub has expressed an interest in the equitable resolution of this issue. I will keep you advised as the matter moves forward.

Landscape Committee . . .

The Board established a Landscape Committee. I’m pleased to announce than Liz Sharpe has agreed to chair this committee. The following residents have volunteered to be on the committee: Pat Weber, Marie Beima, Patti Matthiessen, Lisa Kirk and Joan Fahey. The committee will oversee the Golden Leaf’s landscape contracts and initially address: South entrance enhancements, remediation of safety issues at the North entrance, and installation of a Florida-friendly planting exhibit at the clubhouse. If you are interested in contributing to this committee, please contact Liz Sharp.

Frost-damaged plants in common areas will not be removed or trimmed until reasonable risk of frost or freeze has passed. We recommend homeowners also refrain from removing or pruning plants until at least mid-March (after the last possible hard chill weather is over) as many may show recovery with the additional warmth.

Safety . . .

Heaving sidewalks are a fact of life in south Florida due to undulating soil and the rapid growth of tree roots. Please be diligent in repairing cracks and heaves in excess of ¼ inch that occur in your sidewalks.

The sidewalks along common grounds of the HOA that adjoin Lake of the Woods Drive belong to the County and are repaired by the County. Heaves in those sidewalks should be brought to the attention of Keys-Caldwell so they can notify the County to effect corrections.

Compliance . . .

Please be aware of your obligations per HOA covenants. Your attention is directed to:

- Painting mail boxes requires non-reflective paint (See the Covenants for specifics.)
- Sidewalks must be cleaned of rust stains, grease and mold
- Roofs must be free of mold and dirt
- Planting beds must be free of weeds

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- Lawns must be free of leaves and debris, neatly mowed and trimmed
- Flags must be displayed in such a manner as to command the respect due the symbol and the valiant men and women who service under her. See HOA guidelines or contact Keys-Caldwell for assistance.

TREASURER’S MESSAGES

Submitted by: Bill Meints, Treasurer

Many homeowners have noticed the new Tow-Away Zone signs recently posted in our community. The towing company put the first set of signs up without any input from the association. We all know the locations were not good. Within 24 hours, they were defaced. We secured new signs and put them up ourselves. You may ask why the Board is using this approach. Some homeowners are parking their vehicles on the street overnight in violation of our covenants. Other homeowners are using the clubhouse parking lot or an empty lot for regular nightly parking. Many owners have inquired why we are allowing these violations and not taking action.

All streets in our community are private roads, except for Lake of the Woods Dr, which is a County-owned road. The Lakes of Jacaranda Clubhouse parking lot and Gazebo have signs posted that they are private parking areas. The Association has made provisions for overnight parking in these two areas under the following specific situations. When you have guests that you cannot accommodate, or your guests have a camper or trailer, a homeowner can request a guest pass so guests can park in one of the two lots. These requests should be directed to our Management Company, Keys-Caldwell, and a pass will be given to be displayed in the front window of the vehicle. This is a temporary pass good for a specific date only.

The Association is not going to tow a vehicle parked overnight for one evening. However if a violation continues and is confirmed, a letter will be sent by the Management Company to the homeowner. If this continues, then a second letter will be sent stating that the Association considers this to be a transient violation and should be corrected immediately. It will also state that if your vehicle is parked overnight in the street, the Clubhouse parking lot or at the Gazebo, the Association has the right to call the towing company to tow said vehicle at the homeowner’s expense.

We hope this will never be necessary. But if the violation continues, the Association now has a system in place to correct these violations.

Thanking you in advance, Bill Meints, Treasurer.

Committee News. . .

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Submitted by: Joe Wojtak

The ARC Committee reviewed and made disposition of seven (7) ARC applications during the January meetings. The ARC Committee reviewed and made disposition of ten (10) ARC applications during the February meetings.

As a reminder, ARC application forms may be acquired on the LOWofJ website or homeowners can pick up the forms at Keys Caldwell. There is a form for driveway work and there is a form for all other work. Please make sure the correct ARC application is used. All applications must be signed and dated by the homeowner.

When submitting an ARC application form, include all necessary information and data as required including – but not limited to the following:

- Re-roofing - color to be used and color of neighbors' roofs on either side
- Re-painting - color to be used and color of neighbors' homes on either side
- Landscaping – description of work to be performed and a sketch of location of new and/or removed plantings on the lot
- Pools and Lanais – description of work to be performed and a sketch of location of the new pool and lanai on the lot
- Solar panels – work to be performed and a sketch of location of panels on roof and location of house on the lot
- Hurricane protection – description of work to be performed and a sketch of location of panels on the house
- Room additions – description of work to be performed and a drawing of addition and sketch of location in reference to lot

Generally, any and all work to be performed to the exterior of the house or anywhere on the homeowner's lot requires an ARC application to be submitted.

Be aware that disposition of all ARC applications is made using the information and data received with the ARC application. If that information or data is incorrect or erroneous, the homeowner will be required to re-submit the ARC application with the corrected information and/or data. The person submitting the plans and specifications may proceed to make improvements or repairs in STRICT conformance with the plan and specifications. Any change will need to go back to the ARC for a new approval.

Review and disposition of the applications will be made at the next ARC meeting after the ARC application is received. ARC meetings are held on the first (1st) and (3rd) third Monday of the month at 10:00 AM in the clubhouse.

Work can commence only after the ARC application is reviewed and approved. In the instance when an ARC application is put into 'pending' status (such as when a Sarasota county permit is required or additional information is needed), work cannot commence until the 'pending' status is cleared and the ARC application is approved by the ARC Committee. If Sarasota County permits are required, it is up to the homeowner to make sure that all permits are acquired and a copy is forwarded to the ARC Committee. The approval process will not begin until all required permits are submitted.

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE (DPP)

Triage. . .

The DPP Thursday meeting featured a Triage training session. Lt. Robert Bennett from the Sarasota Fire Department (SFD) brought his EMT team to our meeting. EMT Eric Zeller, Paramedics John Wedge, and Eric Dohmon answered many questions from the resident group in attendance.

Battalion Chief Jim Wright brought Paramedics Mike Shafer and Mike Wever from Station 22. This group was called away to answer a 911 call while the training session was underway.

We value the attention and response this community receives from the Sarasota Fire Department. Their willingness to come to the clubhouse and give instruction in emergency care shows the dedication and commitment of the county at the community level.

Aquatic/Pool Safety/DPP. . .

In it's ongoing effort to help members of our community be prepared for potential problems, the LOWofJ Disaster Preparedness Committee is hosting an **Aquatics/Pool Safety program** on **April 16 at 2:00 in the Clubhouse**. The program will be presented by Sarasota County Lifeguard Operations and will focus on how to safeguard ourselves and our families and how to react to emergencies around our pools at home and at the Clubhouse or at the beach. At our March meeting Violet Nagy from Sarasota talked to us about subjects that could be covered during the April 16th demonstration. They included injury in the pool, spinal injury and the use of the backboard to remove an injured person. Other safety guidance such as reach and grab and the necessity to have a ring buoy were also suggested. Water safety signs and posted rules, emergency action plan, the use of a whistle are all great safety tips. Ms. Nagy discussed the 30/30 rule which is used by the county in all their public pools meaning when you see lightening, count the time until you hear thunder. If the time is 30 seconds or less, seek shelter, then wait 30 minutes or more after hearing the last thunder before leaving the shelter.

When our grandchildren visit, they are excited to see the pool right outside our door but we need to know how to keep them safe. If we have young children living at home, it's a constant safety issue. If we are home alone with our spouse and find her or him unconscious in the pool, we need to know how to get her or him out? Then what should we do? If a pool does not have a lifeguard; what precautions do we need to take when swimming there? Are there special concerns that we need to be aware of when we visit our local beaches?

These and other questions will be answered at this important community-wide presentation.

Submitted by: Joe Thiel, Chair DPP

LAKES AND WETLANDS

Submitted By: Arthur and Barbara Bradley

February 2010. . .

Many of our neighboring communities have experienced large fish kills as the cold fronts moved through our area. Blue tilapia is the dominant fish in the lakes in our community and have a tremendous impact as they tend to over populate. They spawn 3 times a year and produce 1,500 to 4,000 eggs per spawn. With little or no predation these fish rapidly over populate our lakes, which contributes to the fish kills when oxygen levels drop. They are also sensitive to cold water and stop feeding when the water temperature drops to 60 degrees and begin dying as the temperature falls below 60 degrees.

Obviously, we don't want to experience fish kills and the resulting smell and mess that goes with it. The Lakes and Wetland Committee continues to work with Hart Harvesting to remove tilapia from our lakes to prevent overpopulation. This is an effective approach and their employees will be visiting our lakes in March. If you see 2 men in a boat netting fish in our lakes be aware the BOD authorizes them.

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Another important item in the prevention of fish kills is to restrict fertilizer from getting in the lakes. Residents should not blow grass clippings into the street gutters or fertilize within a few feet of the lakes. This will restrict nutrients from getting into the water and ultimately reduce the growth and impact of algae when the oxygen level in our lakes drop.

If you have any questions or see any thing wrong with the lakes please contact us by e-mail at suniparadise42@msn.com. Art and Barbara Bradley

Social Activities for all Residents. . .

Thank You to:

Joanne Falvo, LOWofJ Social Director for giving us a great 2009 with the promise of a great 2010. Events for the entire community – no matter where they are held – will appear in this LOWofJ section of the newsletter. If you can attend, please call the person listed as the chairperson for the events and get yourself signed up.

Lecture Series:

Organized by Judie Gollwitzer

Cooking with Chef Michel. . .



Judie Gollwitzer, Lecture Series Chairperson has invited Chef Michel LeBogne to teach us how to prepare two delicious gourmet meals. His first dish will be *Sautéed scallops with caramelized endives, paired with a Chardonnay*. His second dish will be a *Sautéed chicken breast with a reduction of shallots and balsamic vinegar, paired with a Pino Noir*.

Attendance is limited to 40 people. The first 20 people to sign up will sample the scallops and the next 20 will sample the chicken. There will be a small charge for food and beverage, however we won't know the amount until the day of the demonstration. Come to the Clubhouse on Saturday, April 24th. The demonstration begins at 1:00 PM. If anyone wants to help me with setting up and cleaning up, I'd appreciate the help. To sign up call Judie Gollwitzer at 497-6368. Because numbers are limited, I cannot accept group reservations.

Chef and his lovely wife Anne Marie, live right here at the Lakes of Jacaranda. This will be Chef's third cooking demonstration for our enjoyment. Who is Chef Michel you might ask? Chef is the co-founder of the New England Culinary Institute in Montpelier, Vermont. He is a French-trained teaching Chef, born in France, who landed in the United States on May 13th 1964. He has written his memoirs and will have copies available. The following is a quote from his book.

"Five days after leaving France aboard the ocean liner France, we arrived in the United States. The day is etched into my memory as if watching a movie after 40 years. As we passed beneath the Verazzano Bridge at the mouth of the Hudson River, the fog lifted, the sky cleared and we saw the statue of liberty. Having seen it only on postcards the sight took my breath away. The astonishing size and beauty were beyond my expectations or imagination. Like millions of immigrants before us, it was an unforgettable first view of America. I did not know then that the statue of liberty had been a gift to the United States by the Paris-based Union Franco-Americaine. The sculptors were Frederic August Bartholdi and Alexandre Gustave Eiffel the designer of the Eiffel Tower."

Other Possible Lectures. . .

1. **Computer classes:** Classes taught by Bob Valenziano

I am working with Bob to set up a series of five consecutive progressive classes. Dates are TBD.

2. **The Art of Decorating:** Class taught by Barbara O'Brien

Barbara was an interior decorator prior to moving to Florida. She has volunteered to give us some pointers of the art of decorating. Date is TBD.

3. **Life Skills Classes:** Classes taught by Jack Swanton, Certified Master Educator, University of FL Extension

The State of Florida Department of Children and Families is sponsoring three one-hour classes to help adults get reconnected in these life-skilled classes.

LOWofJ ONGOING ACTIVITIES

LOWofJ & COMMUNITY-WIDE ACTIVITIES

| WHAT | WHEN | CONTACT |
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| Architectural Review Meetings | 10:00 AM the 1 st and 3 rd Monday of the month | TBD () |
| Bowling | AMF Bowling Alley in Venice 2 days per month | Warren Major 496-8622 Chris Alfonso 497-7280 |
| Disaster Preparedness (Watch for speaker announcements) | First Thursday of every month @ 6:30 PM | Liz Sharpe 492-5638 |

LOWofJ (only) ACTIVITY

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| Women of the Woods (WOW) Are dining out. | 3 rd Thursday @ 6:30 pm | Beverly Johannes 493-8474 |
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WEBMASTER REPORT. . .

February Report, by Bob Valenziano

Overview:

The February statistics showed the expanded exposure of the LOWofJ.com website to all the major search engines had a positive effect. Visitors entering the site through the use of an internet search engine increased by almost 4% in February. This positive effect can be attributed to adjustments made to the protocols late in 2009 after the website was rebuilt.

The statistics show LOWofJ.COM had:

753 Visitors
2,777 Pages Viewed
22,865 Site Hits

Changes, Improvements and Requests:

- 1) New LOJ Clubhouse calendar.
- 2) A total of 14 requests were submitted and processed and all are up to date.

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TOP 20:

To follow are the top 20 most viewed pages for February, 2010.

- 1) News & Announcements
- 2) Board of Directors/ Index (Home Page)
- 3) Board of Directors/Agenda & Meeting Minutes
- 4) Board of Directors/Documents
- 5) Calendar
- 6) Web Mail/RC
- 7) Index Page (Home Page)
- 8) Homeowners Contacts
- 9) Links
- 10) Disaster Plan/News
- 11) Site Search
- 12) Site Map
- 13) Documents BOD/LOWofJ/LOJ Declaration
- 14) Slide Show
- 15) Disaster Plan/Documents Forms and Maps
- 16) Newsletter/Jan Feb 2010
- 17) Calendar/ LOJ Clubhouse
- 18) Disaster Plan/Index (Home Page)
- 19) Documents Main/Annual Election Meeting Notice
- 20) Board of Directors/BOD LOW
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Direct Address / Bookmarks / Email Links:

Pages = 90%

Search Engines = 10%

Most Active Day (by visits):

February 20th

Duration of Visits:

1 hour or more = 1 % of total

30 minutes to 1 hour = 2.4 % of total

15 minutes to 30 minutes = 4 % of total

All others 15 minutes or less = 92.6 % of total

Your comments and suggestions are always welcome.

All statistical data provided by Awstats – Surge Forc

Submitted by: Bob Valenziano, Web Master RJValen@LOWofJ.com

Section II – Park Estates

PARK ESTATES (New) BOD MEMBERS

CONTACT INFORMATION

| | | | |
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| President | John Cullinan | jfcullinan1@verizon.net | Congratulations to the new BOD for 2010. |
| Vice President | Mark Schiefer | schiefer5@netzero.net | |
| Secretary | Les Miller | dlunder@verizon.net | |
| Treasurer | Jan Molin | ejbmolin@msn.com | |
| Director | Bud Weber | budweberoh@yahoo.com | |

Park Estates Homeowners Association Board of Directors - Meeting Schedule 2010

Whenever possible, the Board will attempt to meet at 7:00 pm on the **second Wednesday** of each month except the Annual Meeting. Locations will rotate among the Directors and be announced at the prior meeting.

Board Meetings

Location

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| April 14, 2010 - Wednesday | 530 Waterwood Lane |
| May 12, 2010 - Wednesday | 524 Waterwood Lane |
| June 9, 2010 - Wednesday | To be determined |
| July 14, 2010 - Wednesday | To be determined |

The current Committees and Chairs are as follows:

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|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Architectural Committee | The entire board |
| Decorating Committee | Debbie Loza |
| Directory Committee | Bill & Rita Chamberland |
| Disaster Preparedness Committee | Pat Weber |
| Landscape Committee | Barbara Hockett |
| Maintenance Committee | Mark Schiefer |
| Roads Committee | Bud Weber |
| Social Committee | Jan Beech |
| Welcome/Sunshine Committee | Joan McMahon |

BOD Messages. . .

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Amendments Filed. . .

There were two amendments passed at the Annual Meeting by a two-thirds majority vote of the Park Estates Homeowners Association and duly filed with the Sarasota County Clerk's Office. All Park Estates residents should be aware that these changes are now in effect. The Board is publishing them at this time and they will be available shortly on the Lake of the Woods of Jacaranda website under Board Documents – Park Estates.

Changes to the following documents are denoted by bold type and underlining.

**CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENTS
TO THE
DECLARATION OF COVENANTS AND RESTRICTIONS
OF PARK ESTATES**

PARK ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., the address being 560 Park Estates Square, Venice, FL 34293, Sarasota County, by the hands of the undersigned hereby certify that:

The Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions of PARK ESTATES is recorded in O.R. Book 2390, page 331, of the Public Records of Sarasota County, Florida. The following amendments to the Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions is executed by the Board of Directors of THE PARK ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. is permitted by the terms of the Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions.

1. Paragraph 7.05 Landscaping is hereby amended to read as follows:

7.05 **Landscaping.** The OWNER of each LOT containing a UNIT shall be required to install and maintain tasteful landscaping on his LOT, and on the portions of the COMMON AREAS between his LOT and the pavement edge of any abutting road or Lake of the Woods Common Areas. All such landscaping shall be irrigated and maintained by the owner of the LOT in first class condition and appearance and, as reasonably required, mowing, watering, trimming, **edging all paved surfaces and roadside curbs,** fertilizing, and weed, insect, and disease control shall be performed by the OWNER. **OWNER is responsible for removing all grass clippings and debris from sidewalks, driveways and roads.** All landscaped areas shall be primarily sodded with grass, and shall not be paved or covered with gravel or any artificial surface without prior written consent of the ASSOCIATION. All dead and diseased sod, plants, shrubs, or flowers shall be promptly replaced, and excessive weeds, underbrush or unsightly growth shall be promptly removed. No artificial grass, plants, or other artificial vegetation shall be placed or maintained upon the exterior portion of any LOT. **Association approval is required for any changes to existing landscape valued at one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) or more, and for the removal of any trees on the LOT, with the exception of fruit or ornamental trees.**

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1. Paragraph 7.03.01 Leasing and/or Renting use Restriction is hereby amended to read as follows:

7.03.01 **Leasing and/or Renting.** A dwelling unit may not be leased and/or rented for a period of less than one year. No portion of a dwelling unit other than the entire unit may be leased/rented. All tenancies shall be for single-family residences as defined in applicable zoning codes and regulations. A dwelling unit may not be sub-leased or sub-rented. The Board of Directors may waive this restriction upon presentation of special circumstances to the Board.

(a) Homeowners must be current on all dues and assessments owed the Homeowners Association prior to and throughout the lease/rental period.

(b) Homeowners shall provide the Park Estates Homeowners Association Board of Directors a copy of the rental agreement and the names of all tenants and rental agents used by the Homeowner and the terms of the lease of all tenants prior to the tenants' occupancy of the premises.

(c) The Board of Directors of Park Estates shall have the right to revoke a rental lease or to permit a deviation from these restrictions where in the discretion of the Board circumstances exist which justify such action.

(d) Homeowners and their tenants are jointly and severally responsible for compliance with all other provisions contained within the Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions of Park Estates.

(e) Homeowners and their tenants are jointly and severally responsible for damages to common areas resulting from acts of their tenants.

Dig Safe. . .

After the rough winter and several frosts, many residents may be digging out damaged or dead plants in their yards. We had a homeowner recently cut into a neighbor's cable service while attempting to remove some landscaping. The Board asks all to remember that the utilities have easements in front of all of our properties and most cables – especially Verizon and Comcast -- lay just several inches below the surface – many crossing over and under irrigation systems, water drains etc.

STATE LAW MANDATES WHEN DIGGING AROUND YOUR HOMES YOU NEED TO CALL 1-800-432-4770 AT LEAST 48 HOURS BEFORE YOU DIG. YOU COULD FACE LARGE FINES AND REPAIR COSTS SHOULD YOU FAIL TO DO THIS AND DAMAGE A UTILITY. THERE IS NO COST INVOLVED FOR THIS SERVICE.

Submitted by: John Cullinan, President Park Estates

Section III – The Lakes of Jacaranda (LOJ)

LOJ BOARD OF DIRECTORS – Contact them through the www.lowofj.com website

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| President Joe Beima Director Matthew Soldano Treasurer Bill Meints Secretary Beverly Weltzien Director Guy Cusumano Keys-Caldwell Jim Kraut Jim@keys-caldwell.com | Congratulations to the New BOD. Agendas for BOD meetings can be found under www.lowofj.com in the Board of Directors section. NOTE: To contact a Board Member go to the LOWofJ.com website, type their title + @LOWofJ.com. Example: president@lowofj.com |
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BOD Messages. . .

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Submitted by: Joe Beima, LOJ President

Nothing to report for LOJ at this time.

Social Activities. . .


New Social Director. . .

LOJ has a new Social Director. Please come to the next mixer and meet Barbara O’Brien. I know the community will be as supportive to Barbara as you have been to Bill and me. Thank you one and all for your faithful service. Bill and I have had a lot of very positive experiences over the past three years. We’ve made many new friends and have lots of fond memories. We’ve offered to help Barbara by leading an evening of Trivia now and then.

Bridge Anyone?

Is anyone out there interested in playing bridge? If so please contact Barbara O’Brien at 408-7238. We could play either once a month or twice a month.

Friday Night Mixers or Game Night. . . 7:00 PM

 **March:** Let’s play **Mexican Train (Dominos)**. We played Trivia in January and February. People seem to like game nights. If you have a game to bring, please do. We may not need it, but if we do we’ll be prepared. John and Sharon Zimmerman will be your hosts. See you at **7:00 PM on March 12th**. As always BYOB and a hors d’oeuvre to share.



April: How about a potluck supper on April 9th? BYOB as always. If you can help me set up or clean up, I'd really appreciate the help, just give me a call to let me know. Thanks, Barbara O'Brien 408-7238.



May: Come try your luck at 50's Trivia. Your host and hostess for the evening will be Bill and Judie Gollwitzer. As always BYOB and a hors d'oeuvre to share.

NEW...

Poolside Chats...



Joanne Falvo is canceling the water aerobics and starting the Poolside Chats. Bring a chair and your noodle to the pool on May 3rd at 10:00 AM and socialize with your neighbors while floating in our community pool. If you have house guests, feel free to bring them along.



Book Club – Submitted by Kay Davis

| Date | Book Title | Author | Leader |
|-------------|---|---------------------------------|----------------|
| April 1 | The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society | MaryAnn Shaffer & Annie Barrows | Kay Davis |
| May 1 | Book Club hosts the Lakes of Jacaranda Coffee | | |
| May 6 | A Walk on the Beach | Joan Anderson | Barbara Miller |

*******AT A GLANCE ONGOING ACTIVITIES*******

Some of the Activities below are seasonal. Contact the leaders for information on activities.

LOJ ACTIVITIES @ CLUBHOUSE

| WHAT | WHEN | CONTACT |
|--|---|---|
| Book Club | 1 st Thursday @ 10 am | Kay Davis 493-3720 |
| Friday Night Mixer or Game Night – Hosts needed for 2010! | 2 nd Friday @ 7 pm (unless noted) | Barbara O'Brien 408-7238 |
| LOJ Women's Coffee | 1 st Wednesday @ 10 am | Liz Sharpe 492-5638 |
| Mah Jongg | 1 st Monday of each month @ 7 pm | Judie Gollwitzer 497-6368 |
| Men's Cards | Wednesday's 6:30 – 10: 30 pm | Rich Krepela 493-3339 |
| Sewing | Tuesdays @ 10 am | Betty Gloudeman 492-3686 |
| NEW: Poolside Chats | Replacing Water Aerobics. Begins May 3 rd at 10:00 AM. | Joanne Falvo 497-0715 |
| NEW: Yoga-lates (Stretch & Tone) <i>(Fun and less intimidating!)</i> | Every Tuesday & Saturday 9:00 to 10:00 AM @ the clubhouse | Instructor: Felicia Scherrer To sign up e-mail Felicia at scherrerrr@yahoo.com |

Section IV – Grassy Oaks II

GRASSY OAKS II BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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| President | John Pestana | Congratulations to the new Grassy Oaks II Board of Directors |
| Vice President | Gordon Heidelberg | |
| Treasurer | Anne Hoffman | |
| Secretary | Sharon Blick | |
| Director of Lawn Maintenance: | Tony Pigoncelli | |

GRASSY OAKS II - MAINTENANCE FREE HOME OWNERS' ASSOCIATION

Submitted by: John Pestana, President & Sharon Blick, Secretary

We had 2 new board officers elected at the annual BOD meeting on Jan. 21st at the clubhouse. They ran unopposed as we had 2 resignations from directors when their term expired. Anne Hoffman is now the new treasurer and Tony Pigoncelli is the director of lawn maintenance. We want to give a heartfelt "thank you" to the 2 former officers, Peter Cocolla who served as treasurer and Woody Lynch who was our lawn maintenance director for the past 5 years. Their dedication and superb job is greatly appreciated.

Section V – Grassy Oaks III

GRASSY OAKS III BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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| President | Dave Sampson | Congratulations to the new Grassy Oaks III Board of Directors |
| Vice President | Ace Wuerdemann | |
| Secretary | Ace Wuerdemann | |
| Treasurer | Herman Protze | |

GRASSY OAKS III RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Submitted by: Dave Sampson, President

Thanks to our Outgoing Officers. . .

At the annual meeting of the Grassy Oaks III HOA the following residents were elected: David Sampson, President, Ace Wuerdemann, Vice President and Secretary, and Herman Protze as treasurer and financial officer.

The members attending the annual meeting expressed thanks to the outgoing officers. Thanks to Joe Wojtak who served as President, Rich Krepela who served as Vice President and Janice Trudel who served as Treasurer. Their volunteer work did much to get the association started and help maintain the curb appeal of Lakescene home fronts.

Section VI – General Information

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY – Typos or Updates

Murphy, Dick/**Jane**, 747 Fringed Orchid Trail, **497-4602**, Lot #J606
Jane and phone number were added.

Lucchese, Bob/Marilyn, 552 Silk Oak Drive, **375-8683**, Lot #W8
Telephone number was added.

Bowman, Daniel C./Susan F., 554 Laurel Cherry Lane, Cell phones: (Dan) 920-268-9010, (Susan) 920-277-3995, Lot #J181

New residents. The previous owners were Tony/Beverly DelGigante.

Rankin, D. Wayne, 513 Lake of the woods Drive, **496-4565**, Lot #J118.

His name was spelled wrong and we've added a telephone number.

If you have any corrections, updates or deletions to the current Telephone Directory, please call or write to Judie Gollwitzer at wjgollwitzer@comcast.net or 497-6368. Thank you.

Recipe. . .

Are you tired of this cold weather? Are you tired of heavy soups and stews? Well here's a great recipe from my Weight Watcher's Cookbook.

Thai-Style Shrimp Salad Pitas - Serves 4

¼ cup reduced-fat mayonnaise
¼ cup lime juice
¼ cup chopped fresh cilantro (or more if you love cilantro like I do)
1 Tablespoon Thai fish sauce (I use Tiparos)
¼ teaspoon black pepper
1 pound cooked medium shrimp – chopped
½ small green bell pepper – chopped
½ small red onion – chopped
4 (7 inch) whole-wheat pitas
4 green leaf lettuce leaves

Stir together the mayonnaise, lime juice, cilantro, fish sauce and black pepper in a large bowl. Add the shrimp, bell pepper and onion to the mayonnaise mixture and toss to coat.

Cut off the top third of each pita and discard. Line each pita with a lettuce leaf and fill evenly with the shrimp salad.

Point Value is 7.