VILLA VOICE

Reporting the News and Happenings Around the Bobcat Villas

Calendar

Villa Euchre, Thurs., April 1, 7 pm*

Villa Coffee, Sat., April 3, 9 am, Villa Clubhouse & Pool*

Villa Board Mtg, Wed., April 28, 4 pm, Villa Clubhouse

Water Aerobics, Daily, 10 am, Villa Pool

Other events may be scheduled throughout the month. Be sure to check the message boards at each post office station and in the breezeway of the Clubhouse for event notices and sign-up sheets. Items above marked with a (*) require sign-up.



From the March Villa Board Meeting...

The March meeting of the Villa Board took place on Wed., March 24 at 4:00 pm in the Villa Clubhouse.

At the top of the meeting, the Board voted to accept Patti Wells' resignation from the Board as she is moving out of the Villas. The Board then voted to appoint Sue Mason to her unexpired 2-year term. Sue will also assume Patti's position as Secretary/Treasurer.

Welcome our New Arrivals!



Our resident Sandhill Cranes recently unveiled their new addition to their family with the hatching of 2 new babies.

Did you know.....

-Sandhill Cranes are the most abundant of the world's cranes.

-They mate for life and demonstrate a unique mating ritual of throwing back their beaks and emitting a rattling "kar-r-r-o-o" sound.

-The female typically lays 2 eggs and within 8 hours of hatching, the chicks' eyes are open and they can walk and swim.

-Hatchlings stay with their parents for up to 1 year after hatching.

-Their diet is quite varied, consisting of plants, grains, mice, snakes, insects and worms.

-The only way to tell a male from the female is by size. Males weigh up to 14 pounds, the female close to 10.

-Sandhill Cranes rarely attack humans. They have been known to damage windows and screens in a response to seeing their reflection and wanting to protect their territory.

-They're comfortable here in their Bobcat home. Be on the lookout for them walking in the streets in their typical leisurely manner. COMMITTEE REPORTS - Jean Liesmann reported for the Landscape Committee that palm trees will be trimmed in late May and again in October. Our landscape vendor Westcoast will do some re-sodding in various areas in April.

Sue Mason reported that the Social Committee will hold a Villa Coffee on Sat., April 3 at 9:00 am in the Clubhouse and it will be the last organized social event the committee holds this season. She added the group hopes to resume a full schedule of social events beginning in the fall assuming some degree of normal life returns.

OLD BUSINESS - No real movement was reported on the Villas' insurance claim of roof damage. Expected legal actions continue between our insurance company and our roofing company and their attorneys.

NEW BUSINESS - A number of issues relating to our irrigation system continue to arise prompting the Board to seek a meeting with WestCoast to remedy. The issues include pop-ups not popping up, cement donuts are broken or missing and some areas have poor water pressure. Part of the system is working but others aren't. If you notice issues with the irrigation system around your villa, *do not* contact Chris McCluskey or any member of the Board. All are fully aware of the issues and are addressing the problem soon.

Recent and future development along Toledo Blade is causing an increase in road noise that can be heard throughout the community. As fencing would be enormously expensive, the Board is pursuing planting more vegetation in the area west of Lynx Run that runs parallel to Toledo Blade. Thicker, heartier low growing plants such as Saw Palmettos will block much of the noise coming from the street. Chris McCluskey was directed to gather 3 quotes.

OTHER BUSINESS - Chris McCluskey has been directed to get bids for gutter cleaning so they can be cleaned in April before the rainy season begins.

The Board is also dealing with evidence that someone, probably from outside the community, is bringing brush debris in via truck and dumping it in the area west of Lynx Run along Toledo Blade. They will monitor the situation in the hopes of catching the culprit in action.

Limited Social Events Come to an End with Villa Coffee

The last Villa Coffee of the season will take place this Saturday, April 3 beginning at 9:00 am in the Clubhouse. Abbe's famous donuts as well as other treats will be featured along with coffee, regular and decaf, and tea. Let's not forget the opportunity to catch up with friends and neighbors who may have been staying inside out of the abundance of caution over the course of this past year.

Again, there will be sign up sheet in the Breezeway of the Clubhouse for those of you attending. This will ensure enough treats are available for all. And as had been done earlier this year, masks are required except when eating, no more than 4 people should be seated at any table and no gathering in crowds.

With this Coffee, social events organized by the Social Committee will come to an end for the season. Other events have been scarcely attended and a number of our seasonal residents will be leaving for the north throughout the month of April.

We look forward to having more of our residents back in place next fall and to a full schedule of social events that we all have come to enjoy!

Water Aerobics Open to Many or a Few

The daily Water Aerobics activity listed on the calendar and in the newsletter is set up as a comewhen-you-can option for physical activity. Anyone can take the 45 minute class led by Billie Jo from her Wet n Wonderful Celebration CD. Join who ever else shows up each day at 10:00 am to kick, twist, peddle, and stretch in the warm waters of the Villa pool. Beginners can stick close to shallower water or even use the steps. Pool noodles are handy for some of the exercises and you can be as aggressive or not in following Billie Jo's instruction. If you're the only one taking water aerobics, you can access the CD player in the lower right hand basket in the dark brown chest located in the Villa Clubhouse. The CD is always loaded. Give it a try! It's a popular way to get your exercise and is always a lot of fun!

Welcome to These New Residents of the Bobcat Villas

Welcome to the following new owner who joined us recently:

Derek Maxwell, #2173