The August Pool party was a lot of fun. Thank you to Lisa Thornton and Jo Holbek for chairing this event. They did a great job. They are chairing another pool party for Sunday September 23 at 4:00 pm. Please bring a dish or food item to share. This time I am putting a sign up sheet in the clubhouse. Please sign up and attend.
It is way too early to start sounding alarms, but the results of an early poll of 605 “likely” Florida voters indicate mobile home owners could incur major financial setbacks in the not-too-distant future.

This November’s Florida ballot will include Amendment 2, which keeps a 10% per year cap in place on increases to commercial real estate taxes. That cap has been in place for ten years. Our homes occupy commercial real estate, and if the cap expires our parks are subject to unrestricted real estate tax increases. Those increases—whether levied by county, municipality, school district or “special district” (e.g. library district) taxing authorities—are legally passed along to us home owners by the owner of the park.

If voters fail to approve the amendment to the state constitution in November, and tax collectors subsequently lose a significant portion of the revenue they have come to depend on, where do you think they will look to make up the difference?

Unfortunately, less than 60% of those 605 likely Florida voters who were polled said they would vote for Amendment 2. 60% is the threshold to achieve passage in November.

Analysts believe the 60% threshold wasn’t reached in the poll because the public is uninformed about the amendment, and because the verbiage of the amendment makes it appear to help primarily “big monied” owners of commercial real estate.

Our challenge as individuals who would be affected by failure of the amendment in November is two-fold. First, we must make sure every mobile home owner who is registered to vote in Florida both understands Amendment 2 and votes for its passage.

Secondly, we must take every opportunity to “spread the word” about how the failure of Amendment 2 would negatively impact Florida’s 828,000 mobile home owners—largely retirees and working-class people who could not afford huge pass-through tax increases.
FOOD PANTRY

Please remember the people in need this summer and place your food contributions in the box on the stage. The food is taken to the Salvation Army right up the street from here and they are in need of food. With seasonal people gone their contributions are less so your donations are appreciated more then ever.

Thank You
Sandy Richardson

COMCAST MEETING

The monthly Comcast meetings that are held at the clubhouse will now be on Wednesday. The next meeting will be September 19 at 1:00 pm.
KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN

All of our seasonal residence are gone for the summer. Kids are out of school and looking for something “fun” to do. It’s not all kids, some are adults. We need to keep our eyes open and watch our neighbors property. Don’t hesitate to call 911 if you see something suspicious.

NOODLES AT THE POOL

The noodles at the pool are used by the residents and guests to enjoy the pool. Some have been purchased and donated by residents. These were not purchased as toys for children visiting. Many have been broken because kids were allowed to play roughly with them. We like to see kids having fun but not destroying our property.

JULIETS -BREAKFAST GROUP

Juliet's is just name for ladies going out to eat, all female residents are welcome. The sign up sheet is on the counter in the club house. This month the breakfast group are going to Anita's Restaurant on September 9. Anita's is located at 441 Tamiami Trail in Nokomis at 9:30. If you need a ride please note that on the sign up sheet. Any question call me at 941-480-0208

COMPUTER CLINIC

IN-SEASON SCHEDULE RESUMES OCTOBER 3rd

While it’s still a little ways off, the BLE Computer Clinic will officially resume its regular weekly schedule beginning the first Wednesday in October.

If you are a new Bay Lake resident you may not know what that means…

Every Wednesday from 1:00 to 3:00 o’clock you can get free support for your laptop computer, electronic tablet, or smartphone. Just bring your device to the clubhouse and Susan Rollison, Herb Van Dyke, Steve Limkemann or I will try to diagnose whatever problems you may be experiencing, fix them, and answer any questions you have. If you’re having problems with a desktop computer or smart TV, or your schedule prevents you from meeting on Wednesday afternoons, we are also available for house calls.

Until the weekly clinic sessions start up again in October, we will continue making house calls to cover all support needs. If you need any help just give one of us a call. We’re all listed in the resident directory.

JULIETS LUNCH BUNCH “SUMMER SCHEDULE”

All women are invited to share lunch together on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 1 pm. Please write your name on the sign up sheet on the counter in the clubhouse. There will be a new sign up sheet at the start of each month. GOOD FOOD AND GOOD FELLOWSHIP!

September 20 Left Coast
Any questions please call Joan Goering or Carol Gilchrist
MEMORIUM

It is with sorrow that we learned of the passing of:
Ron Schinharl
Anne Cashell

The only way that I learn of someone passing is if I know them or someone tells me. So if I have missed someone, I'm sorry. If you hear of someone passing, please let Janice Van Dyke know.

FLU SHOTS
Joan Goering

Flu shots will be given at the clubhouse on November 7, 2018 from 9 to 10 am. Sign up sheets and more information will be available at a later date.
THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

To Susan Adkins, Lisa Thornton, Penny Bucsek, Karol Nickerson, Ivy Smart, Donna Pfeiffer and Toni Summers who helped me clip and snip the seed pods from the crepe myrtle trees by the office and laundromat. When I planted these trees years ago, I said I would maintain them as long as I am physically able. An hour among friends got the task done. We should get another showing of their beautiful magenta blooms this year.

By Carol Gilchrist

IMAGINE A WORLD WITHOUT EGGS

Eggs might just be the easiest, cheapest and most versatile way to up your protein intake. Each 85-calorie egg packs a solid 7 grams of the muscle builder. Eggs also boost your health. They’re loaded with amino acids, antioxidants and iron. Don’t just reach for the whites, though: the yolks boast a fat-fighting nutrient called choline.

Just one large egg contains almost a quarter (22%) of your RDA of selenium, a nutrient that helps support your immune system and regulate thyroid hormones. One large egg contains 212mg of cholesterol (not the ‘bad’ cholesterol). Eggs can actually improve your cholesterol profile. Eggs seem to raise HDL (good) cholesterol while increasing the size of LDL particles.

Just one egg contains 15% of RDA of vitamin B2, also called riboflavin. It’s just one of eight B vitamins, which all help the body to convert food into fuel, which in turn is used to produce energy. B-complex vitamins are also necessary for healthy skin, hair, eyes, and liver.

Eggs are brain food. That’s largely because of an essential nutrient called choline. Studies have shown that a lack of choline has been linked to neurological disorders and decreased cognitive function. Shockingly, more than 90% of Americans eat less than the daily recommended amount of choline.

Two antioxidants found in eggs—lutein and zeaxanthin—have powerful effects on your eyes. They reduce the risk of macular degeneration and cataracts. Eggs are one of the few natural sources of Vitamin D, which is important for the health and strength of bones and teeth.

2018 - 2019 SEASON BOOK CLUB

Listed below are the BOOKS DATES, and DISCUSSION LEADERS for next season:

Nov. 14 - "Not Without My Daughter" by Betty Mahmoody
Leader - Jane Van Buskirk

Dec. 12 - "Invisible Thread" by Laura Schroff
Leader - Karen Limkemann

Jan. 9 - "The Letter" by Kathryn Hughes
Leader - Sharon Brewer

Feb. 13 - "Grandma Gatewood's Walk" by Ben Montgomery
Leader - Eleanor Locke

Mar. 13 - "The Boys In The Boat" by Daniel James Brown
Leader - Bonnie Heintz

Apr. 10 - "The Writing On My Forehead" by Nafisa Haji
Leader - 1:00 PM - Library
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**Check Your Cables** If you can’t connect to the Internet, first make sure the cabled connections for your modem or wireless gateway are secure. If you’ve tried all other basic troubleshooting, try unplugging your modem or wireless gateway for a full minute before plugging it back in.

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**Are You Ready for Some Football?**

As preseason football kicks off in the coming weeks, be aware the NFL Network moved from the Digital Starter, Xfinity Instant TV Sports & News, and Starter Latino TV packages across the Comcast footprint in July. NFL Network is instead available as part of the Digital Preferred package and Sports Entertainment Package (SEP).
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Louise LaCasse 09-10
Jerry Oberman 09-10
Helen Baker 09-11
Ginny Grunzweig 09-12
Katie Lueck 09-14
Robert Philbrook 09-14
Karen Limkemann 09-15
Toni Summers 09-15
Jane Hodson 09-24
Art Powell 09-26
Bob Messier 09-27
Mary Samples 09-28
Roscoe Egan 09-30

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Mike & Ginny Grunzweig 09-12
Robert & Kathie Morris 09-19
John & Bessie Petropoulos 09-22
Rod & Jane Van Buskirk 09-23
Burt & Mike Beauchemin 09-25
Leslie & Nancy Harwood 09-25

We do not have everyone’s birthday and/or anniversary month and date. If you had a birthday and/or anniversary in September and we missed listing you or I listed it in the wrong month, please contact Janice at jm.vandyke@comcast.net. If you are a new resident or have a phone book change, please contact Janice.
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This is an incredible story of 19 year old, Fred Barley, who biked six hours in the hot summer sun and slept in a tent just to start college.

Homeless, Fred took a chance, packed his belongings into two duffle bags, and rode a small bike six hours in the Georgia hot sun to try and get to campus before his fellow students in order to secure a job while he attended classes.

Since the dorms hadn’t yet opened, he slept in a tent at night on the campus grounds, thinking it would be a safe location to stay. It wasn’t long before two police officers happened upon Fred.

Once they had a chance to talk with him and hear his story, the officers decided to help Fred out by getting him a hotel room. Soon enough, the story hit the local news and quickly went viral.

A local woman befriended Fred and took him shopping to get new clothes. A stranger sent him a new mountain bike so he wouldn’t have to ride his small bike any longer. The owner of a local pizzeria offered Fred a job. She told the local news, “I created a position for him before he walked in the door… I didn’t know his name. I didn’t know the color of his skin. I didn’t care. I just wanted to help”

Finally, a GoFundMe was set up for Fred and within three weeks, people had given him over $184,000 to help him cover his educational and living expenses—which he’ll need considering he wants to go to Medical School after earning his bachelor’s degree.

But perhaps the best thing Fred got out of this whole ordeal was the friends he made. He said, “Some of the gifts aren’t as important as the friends I’ve made. More important than everything—the clothes, the shoes—the relationships mean so much more to me.”

While most people constantly complain about everything, this kid saw the positive. He took action and against all odds, is making a better life for himself.
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