

A Few Notes....June, 2009

- 1) **Office has Moved!!** Well, if this summer wasn't busy enough... I was busily painting part of the Office, and we had planned to replace some of the paneling that was warped. Well, when the maintenance guys pulled off the old paneling, not only did we have the Kentucky Derby of ants trying to escape, we noticed a healthy amount of termite damage and...some nice fuzzy mold!!! The wood part of that wall is pretty soft, as is the floor. I can handle bugs, but the mold was another issue entirely. So – We have temporarily relocated the office right next door to 601 Sebring Drive. It's the Black and White trailer on the corner. It will take me a few days to settle in and unpack everything... Isn't moving FUN!?!

The **MAILING ADDRESS FOR THE PARK IS NOT CHANGING!** It is entirely too much of a hassle to change our address. I will be getting the mail from the regular 29 Mimi Street mailbox as usual. The drop box in the parking lot is still available. The drop box near the door of the old office will be relocating to the new office soon.

- 2) **Office Parking** – There is a parking lot just a few steps from the new office. Please DO NOT PARK ON THE STREET IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE. This is a major hazard!!
- 3) **Late Fee Extension** – Due to the emergency move, statements (obviously) went out later than usual. So, the deadline for monthly payments is being extended to July 20. We must receive your payment by July 20, 2009, otherwise late fees will be charged.
- 4) **Zip Code Changing** – As of July 1, 2009, the zip code FOR THE ENTIRE PARK is changing to **33870**. Please be sure to make the change on your automatic payments, and in your address books! Yeah, statements printed before this.
- 5) **Covenants** – The State has approved the Covenants (you know, what we've been working on for almost 2 years)!!! They have been recorded with the County, and are available online.
- 6) **Pool Update** – The official bidding process has begun. We are looking at having the work starting in the middle to end of July. I'll have more details for you after the contractor has been chosen.
- 7) **No Pets at the Pool/No Alcohol** – No pets are allowed inside the pool area. That means anything inside the fence. In addition, pets are not allowed inside the Clubhouse. If you have a service animal (guide dog), be sure they are wearing their approved vest/uniform. And as for alcohol – sorry! It's also not allowed. Or glass containers. We'll have a new sign up when the repairs are complete with the list of no-no's. Please keep in mind – this is determined by the state's code. They even have it drawn on the engineering plans. I know, I know... "What CAN we do there?!"
- 8) **Clubhouse Update** – We have been working on the updates to the Clubhouse as we have rainy days. This project will continue throughout the summer. We do have nice shiny new windows! That should help with the cooling/heating bills, as our old ones weren't very efficient.
- 9) **Lightning Zap!** - Because this is the type of luck that I have, while I was on vacation we had one of our nice summer storms. Unfortunately, this storm came with lightning, and it went straight for the clubhouse. The lightning strike fried parts of the electrical system, so you'll see a nice new meter box/transformer thingy. (Yes, that's the official term). We had to shut the pool down during this repair, because it also took out electricity to the pool shed. As you know, the Health Department frowns on using a commercial pool when you have no pump/filter/chemical dispenser running. It took about a week for the repairs to be complete. But – we're back up and running now. ☺ A slightly shorter vacation than planned, though. ☹
- 10) **Swimming In The Rain** –Especially after the lightning strike at the Clubhouse, I have to say “NO SWIMMING WHILE IT'S RAINING” Officially. Our wonderful electricians have said “be glad no one was swimming when this happened, they probably wouldn't have survived”. So – again... NO SWIMMING DURING RAIN!!! I don't care if you see lightning or not.. I'd much rather you be alive to complain about it.

- 11) **Sad News** – We’ve had a few residents, former residents, and resident’s family members pass away recently. Please keep the following families in your thoughts: Virginia Carpenter, Relda Gillard, George Hartley, Joyce Nevitt’s daughter, Melinda, and Lanell O’Neill. If I have missed someone, please let me know so that I may include it next month.
- 12) **Enclosed Form** – The Sheriff’s Department is doing some disaster planning, and would like to have the summer residents in the park fill out the enclosed form. You’ll have one in your packet if you have a local address. If you didn’t get one, I’ll put it on the website for you to download and print. If you could please return it to the office, I can organize them for the Sheriff, and give them a complete “Francis I” book.
- 13) **Website Update** – I’ll be posting pictures and updates this summer for the projects we have going on. There’s a page for Clubhouse Updates and a page for Pool Updates. Now, keep in mind, these won’t be daily updates. As work progresses I’ll snap a few pictures and update the website accordingly. And, just for giggles, I’m going to put up a few pictures from my vacation. ☺
- 14) **Lost a Puppy??** – Well, if you did, we found her. She’s an adorable little scamp that was running loose for about a week, apparently living under someone’s trailer. We finally were able to catch her, and sucker that I am, she’s now living with me until we find her home. Want to guess just how clean she was? Thanks to the Maintenance Guys for hosing her down BEFORE bringing her to the office. At least she hasn’t been naughty in the house. Yet. Let’s give her some time. ☺ In true Buckeye fashion, I’ve named her Sloopy. ☺ It was either that or “Spastic”, “Always Under Food”, or “Let’s See How Many Times I Can Try And Trip You While You’re Walking”. But those aren’t as nifty as Sloopy, or as easy to say. And for all you Buckeyes out there – you can bet your bottom dollar I get a kick out of calling out “Hang on, Sloopy!” when she gets too far ahead while we’re out walking! I wonder what she’d do if I played the song on the stereo? Hmm. Since she’s currently mystified by her reflection in the glass door, and dogs barking on TV, I think we’ll hold out on that for a while. If you are missing this little girl, please contact me!
- 15) **Party in the Works!!!** For all you Snowbirds, well, you’re going to miss out on this one. Sorry! With all the projects going on this summer, our Year Round Residents are getting the brunt of the effects. The Clubhouse is in process, the Pool is going to be closed (In the SUMMER!!! Let’s all thank the State of Florida for their timing requirements, shall we?) and so on. So, in an effort to thank them for their patience and understanding, we’re going to have a helluva nice cookout/party when we officially reopen then pool. The Clubhouse should be done by then, and I’m thinking... a Hula theme. Yeah, I know, my originality is showing. We’ll think of something good, and as details come together, I’ll be posting them around the park and on the website. I do know that we will need some RSVPs on this, and everyone who does RSVP will get their name put in a jar, and we’ll pull the name of the official Ribbon Cutters!!! If you have any ideas, let me know!!

Have a Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July!

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