

Voice of The Villas October

NOTES FROM DIANE

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As the temperatures and leaves drop up North, I'm looking forward to seeing our residents return to Cross Creek. Board members Carol Lebel and I are now here, and all Board members are expected to be here by our first meeting on **Friday, Oct. 9, at 1:00 PM in the Garden Room at the Clubhouse.**

I realize our driveways look strange, but the Board decided to have the repair work done when the most people were away. We knew they would look as they are. The next step will be addressed at the Board meeting.

The budget is a work in process so if you have any items that you want discussed, please speak up at the meeting. There will be open discussion time.

The Lee County Board of Health is making us repair or replace the grate in the bottom of the deep end of the pool. They also want us to get a new ladder and put some type of protection on the steps. All of this will necessitate the pool being drained and therefore closed for a few days. All of this expense will be covered by our reserves. We will post when this work is to be done.

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MONDAY NIGHT SOCIAL HOUR

Now that we have residents returning, plus hopefully more moderate temperatures, we can start thinking of having our Monday Night Social Hour at the pool. Starting time is around 4:30 to 5:00. Bring a snack to share and your own beverage (no glass bottles at the pool, please). No set date for the first social hour--just when we get a few people to show up. Daylight savings time ends Nov. 1.

WELCOME BACK POOL PARTY "MIX & MINGLE PARTY" MONDAY, OCT. 26

Social Hour: 4:00 Food Time: 5:00

This will be a combined potluck party with our Oak Hill Loop neighbors as we welcome back our returning Villas I residents, plus an opportunity to become better acquainted with our Oak Hill Loop neighbors. Bring a dish to share, plus your own beverage. There will be sign-up sheets on the bulletin boards. Coffee will be provided. (Please remember no glass bottles at the pool.) Also, bring \$\$\$ for the 50/50 drawing. (Please note the date in the October *Courier* is incorrect. The date was changed to Oct. 26.)

FUTURE SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

The Social Committee, again headed by Rich Ford, has planned lots of activities for this season. A summary of these will be posted soon on the bulletin boards. More detailed information will be provided for each activity in upcoming newsletters. We want to thank Rich Ford for his willingness to take on this responsibility to get us organized for the year, rather than working on a month-to-month basis as has frequently occurred in the past. Members on the Social Committee from Villas I are Helen Obidinski, Roberta Findley, and Doris Wilson. Upcoming events include:

Sat. Nov. 7 - Golf & Pizza Party.

Sign-up sheets will be posted on the bulletin boards later this month. Thanks to Nancy and John Rousseau of Oak Hill Loop for organizing this event.

Thursday, Nov. 19 - Broadway Palms Off Broadway.

Matinee performance of WINTER WONDERETTES. Details later.

AROUND THE CIRCLE

Welcome back to our returning residents. First back were Ray and Betty Burke who spent a month in Vermont. Others who have returned are Carol Lebel, Don Ralph, Diane Rizzo, Evelyn Still, and Mary Massman. Mary returned a few days ago but has already left for a short reunion with her college sorority friends for their annual get-together, this time in Williamsburg, VA. Early in the summer, Hana and Fran Kiley traveled in their motor home to the Outer Banks and surrounding areas, but were here much of the summer. Roberta Findley spent nine weeks in Kentucky with her son and his family. Ruth and Len Konkowski are expected back soon. They spent part of September in Poland. Shirley and Paul Buschman and Linda and Richard Easton will also be returning within the next few days. Additional residents may be rolling in as this newsletter is being distributed. Due to family matters, Bonnie and Bob Engelman will not be returning until November. We also expect Gordon Spelbring to return in November. Kudos to those who survived summer in Florida. With the exception of short travel jaunts for some, those who "weathered" our summer were Verla Beaver, Molly Cleckner, Sherrill Cornett, Sally (Cooper) and Bruce Cohen, Marilyn De Busman, Del Hallstrom, Mary Lou Hodges, Louise Johnson, Loraine Klinko, Marilyn Murray, Helen Obidinski, Sue Rudnicki, Fran Salvatorelli, Marie and Marion Smith, Jane and Ken White, and Doris and John Wilson. Louise Johnson suffered a fall at her home in mid-summer and spent time in Manor Care for rehab. She is currently recuperating at home and has help from a care giver (Sheila) who has encouraged Louise to use the swimming pool.. Louise's phone number has changed. Her new number is 931-3641. Fran Salvatorelli is now confined to a wheelchair in her unit. She enjoys having visitors.

Del Hallstrom returned to Mayo Clinic in Minneapolis for a check-up in July and received a good report. She also visited her daughter in the area. In September Robert Findley had her former minister, his wife and daughter visit for several days. Roberta continues to work at Stein Mart. Undoubt-ably Villas I can claim the best dressed dog walker in Cross Creek, maybe in Lee County.

THEME NIGHTS AT THE CLUBHOUSE

The theme night dinners at the clubhouse have been a big hit the past several months. The next scheduled one is German night, actually three nights, Oct. 15, 16, and 17. For reservations, call the clubhouse, 768-1474. Previous theme nights have been Mexican, Italian, French, Caribbean, and Polish.

Remember you can check news and activities on the Cross Creek website www.crosscreekfl.com

FLU SHOTS

Flu shots will be available at the Clubhouse on **Monday, Oct. 19** (from 9:30 to 11:00 am) and **Monday, Nov. 16** (from 9:30 to 11:00 am).

GENTLE THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY (and some items to fill up this page)

A penny saved is a government oversight.

The real art of conversation is not only to say the right thing at the right time, but also to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment.

Did you ever notice: the Roman numerals for 40 are XL?

The older you get, the tougher it is to lose weight because by then your body and your fat have gotten to be really good friends.

Did you ever notice: When you put the two words "the" and "IRS" together it spells theirs"

FROM YOUR EDITOR

I always appreciate your help in supplying information for the newsletter and *Courier* articles. Deadline for the *Courier* is the 7th of each month. I apologize to anyone whose name I omitted when listing names of those who have returned and those here during the summer.

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