

The Grove Fun Time April 2019

Tuesday, April 2nd at 10:00 AM is the Grove Activity Monthly Meeting. This is an important meeting as we will review the reservation process for the clubhouse and vote on the Revenue Disbursement Committee. Please plan to attending.

Spring Beauty in the Grove



OUR BUS IS FULL!
for the scheduled Good Time Tours
Day at **Hard Rock Casino,**
Biloxi, MS

TUESDAY, APRIL 30

BOARDING will begin at 8:15 a.m.
AT THE CLUBHOUSE PARKING LOT
BUS LEAVES AT 8:30 SHARP

Please don't be late!
A small cooler is acceptable.
No large coolers will be allowed.

For a little more gambling fun,
we'll have a \$\$ drawing to be
split between **THREE** people.

When we arrive in Biloxi, you'll get
your card for a \$20 free slot play AND
a voucher for a 1/2 price buffet
at **Hard Rock.**

On the way home, we'll pass
around a "tip jar" for our driver.

Departing Biloxi @ 3:30 pm should
have us back at The Grove around 5:30 PM
Looking forward to this Grove Event!

Thanks ya'll! Barbara Shelton

The Grove CASINO DAY!



Remember, there will be
NO REFUNDS
given for this trip if
you are unable to attend.

Upcoming April Events at the GROVE

Volunteers are needed to host traditional events such as Easter, Memorial Day, 4th of July and other events throughout the year. If interested, contact Kathy O.

Spring has arrived! And with the warmer weather comes pool time! Yay!! The beautiful new pool deck is a great place to gather with friends and neighbors, and to make new friends.

Pool Exercise Classes will resume about the first week of May (weather and pool temperature permitting). Classes are scheduled for Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10:00 a.m. with Patricia Loving and Mary Raymer leading the group. We will work on those stiff arthritic joints and have some aerobic fun, as well. Everyone is welcome.

New Art Gallery at the Grove

Grove artists are invited to show up to three paintings for a two-week period in our Art and Craft room. Three hangers are installed on a single wall for displaying original works of visual art. All mediums, acrylic, watercolor, oil, photography, multimedia, are encouraged. This is a wonderful opportunity to foster the conditions for our local art scene in our mini gallery. This will celebrate and strengthen our community of artists. A message will be shared when we have our first artist ready to display their works.

Wally Wallace will create a list for artists who want to display works. This will be on a

first come, first serve basis. Contact Kathy Olewiler or Wally for more information.

Cat Lover's Club Nancy Yarz wants to start a Cat Lover's Club within the Grove and have the first meeting in the latter part of April. If interested, contact Nancy. 18679 Pondview Dr. 615/476-0895 ndyartz@gmail.com

April's Art class will be handmade greeting cards. Sign-up sheet will be in the craft room. Class is limited to 12. If there is enough interest we will hold a second class.

April 17th Wednesday at 1:00

Deborah Russel, Nurse Practitioner will be here to discuss the different types of Cholesterol, long term effects of elevated Cholesterol and ways to improve your numbers to decrease risk. Signup sheet will be at the clubhouse on Monday March 25th.

April 26th Friday 5:00 Recipe Dinner Club

April will start our new monthly themed recipe dinner club. Your dish should feed a minimum of 12. Bring your own serving utensil. Each month we will have a new theme for the meal. At each event we will vote on the following month's theme. Bring copies of your recipe to share. Bring your own beverage to drink.

There will be a signup sheet every month so we have an idea of how many will be attending for set up purposes.

The signup sheet for this activity will be at the clubhouse on Monday March 25th. The first theme is "Your Favorite Dish".

Grove Yard Sale April 20th

Mary Raymer is the event coordinator for the yard sale. It will be from 7-1 on Saturday April

20th. Hot dog and cart sale from 10-1. Craft and the bake sale are from 7-1.

Signup sheets are on the bulletin board for each part of the sale. If you are interested in participating please sign up early.

Please direct all questions to Mary Raymer at 314-704-4915.

Upcoming April Events outside the GROVE

Pick up the latest copy of **Coast360 Guide – The Beach and Beyond-** in the clubhouse foray.



If you are looking for other local events in the area, pick up a **Mullet Wrapper** at various locations. New weekly issues are distributed on Wednesdays and best of all, it's free!

The Big Beautiful Baldwin magazine is user-friendly guide to help residents and visitors experience Baldwin's best. It is available to read it online at https://issuu.com/gulfcoastnews/docs/062018bbb_e_edition

FOLEY – The 15th Annual Gulf Coast Hot Air Balloon Festival presented by Tanger Outlets is set for May 3-4 in Foley, Alabama, and volunteers are needed. For many, the festival brings thoughts of brightly colored balloons gracing the skies, but the event also boasts a variety of other activities. The world-famous Disc-Connected K9's Frisbee Dog Show is a festival favorite, and is back and better than ever. Live music will fill the stage at night, and the kids will be entertained with carnival rides such as The Zipper during the day.

FOLEY Heritage Park Marketplace. Our market days will be Friday, May 17, 24 and 31 and June 7 and 14. Hours for the marketplace will be 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Heritage Park Marketplace provides a beautiful downtown location for offering a variety of arts and crafts, baked goods, handmade soaps, plants and much more.

The marketplace hours will overlap with the Music and a Movie in the Park which begins at 6:00 p.m. We welcome your participation and hope you will enjoy the festivities.

Bama Coast Cruise announces its return to Orange Beach! This car show has proven to be immensely popular with local residents, tourists and serious car enthusiasts. It will showcase the absolute finest in automotive customized, modified and restored vehicles April 26 & 27, 2019. Over 850 vehicles are expected to be at The Wharf in Orange Beach, for the most unique automotive event the Alabama Gulf Coast has ever seen.

Bama Coast Cruisin' will set up on Thursday, April 27, and the show will be open to the public Friday, from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Saturday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

March Events

The Grove Craft Class

The March Craft Class was decorated wine bottles. We had 2 classes with a total of 30 crafty ladies. So fun to watch the creative minds at work. There were seashells, ribbon, flowers, burlap, beads and other misc. items to attach to the wine bottle. The ladies brought their own trinkets to decorate with. We had 2 classes this month due to the number of crafters. Everyone had a great time and took home a very individuality decorated wine bottle. Thanks to all the ladies who decorated wine bottles.



For Sale

Beverly Prokop is asking for \$80 this lovely floral arrangement. Contact Bev as 865-357-9233 or see her at the ice cream social on Sunday afternoons



Snakes

This is the season for snakes to start moving in search of food and a mate. The owners of the land behind the Grove plan to thin out trees and to clean out the underbrush to avoid fires. Once the logging activity starts, all of us need to be prepared to cross paths with a snake. Remember to – LOOK for snakes in yards, flowerbeds, flowerpots around and inside the rim, patios and outside doors and to - BACK away if one is spotted. Snakes cannot hear and have poor eyesight but feel vibrations. Tap the ground and around plants with a stick to scare away before reaching your hand in flowerbeds.

Here is more information from the Alabama State Extension Agency.



AUBURN, Ala. – With warmer weather upon us, snakes and other wildlife are more active. It is not uncommon to run across a nonvenomous snake during the summer months. While venomous snakes are known as the bigger threat, nonvenomous snakes can still pose a health risk to people.

Places Snakes Are Found

As silly as it sounds, the greatest health risk nonvenomous snakes pose to humans is people hurting themselves trying to get away when they are frightened. Knowing

where snakes tend to hang around can help people be alert when in these areas.

“Snakes are most likely to be found in areas that provide cover or shelter for them and their prey,” Armstrong said. “Removing these types of areas from around your house will help reduce, but not eliminate, the possibility of snakes around the home.”

Snakes May Be Aggressive

“Overall, most snakes, regardless of species, are not aggressive. However, any snake, venomous or not, may be aggressive if cornered or picked up,” Armstrong said. “Some species tend to bite more readily than others, but there is great variation even within a species.”

Don't Pick Up Snakes

When a snake comes near a home, a general first reaction is to want to move the snake far away. Armstrong said that this is the main reason people are bitten by nonvenomous snakes.

“Most bites occur when people are handling snakes,” he said. “I recommend leaving them alone if they are not venomous.”

Armstrong wrote a line to remind people about picking up snakes; “some snakes bite, but others don't. It's a chance you shouldn't take. So, in the wild don't pick 'em up and you won't make a big mistake.” As a general rule, Armstrong said that if you are in an area where snakes might be present, closed-toe shoes and long pants are a must. Find more information about snakes at Alabama Extension online.