The Grove Fun Times

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DIRECTORY---Althia Fox

Directory sales have gone well with 153 sold. If you would like one or more please email <u>patty@thefoleygrove.com</u> We need a count to reorder. They are being sold for \$3 each. Thanks to everyone who has bought a directory. Also, thanks to John Stetz for working on this and taking pictures. We work on the directories all year so if you have corrections or missing a picture please contact him or Althia Fox

GROVE ACTIVITIES

Activities organizers---please submit news of your activity so we can get it in the newsletter and tell everyone about all the fun times we have at the Grove. Please check the Calendar for dates and times.

MORNING COFFEE----Bill Groves

This has been a long running tradition here at the Grove. Friends and Neighbors getting together over a cup of coffee to start their day. Currently there are 8 to 10 of us attending on any given morning. We would like to invite all of you to join us. It is a great opportunity for all of us get to know our neighbors that we might not have otherwise.

We have the coffee ready by 6:30 AM and will usually be done by 7:30 AM Monday through Saturday. Do you have to be there by 6:30 every day? Absolutely Not. Just drop in whenever is good for you and as often as it suits you.

We discuss many varied topics from the news of the day, sports, to what is going on in the area and here at The Grove. We try to avoid deep political discussions just to keep everyone calm and happy, but sometimes it may be appropriate to go there too.

There are only a couple of ground rules, we want this to be a positive way to start our day, it is not the time or the place to complain about Grove Management and Ownership. If you are having issues in those areas take it up with the Office. We also don't want to be guilty of spreading rumors. If you don't know something first hand, and are not willing to take ownership of it, it is likely not something we should be talking about.

Come and join us. Meet some new people. Enjoy some good conversations. Start your day with some coffee around folks that are likely very much like you. Who knows, you might enjoy yourself.

Management supplies our coffee, we leave a couple of packs out everyday in case someone has a meeting in the clubhouse and wants to make some coffee. If you are having an event and want to provide coffee, just let me know and I will be sure you have supplies available to you.

Bill Groves

SOCK MONKEYS-----Pam Brooks To all Grover Sock Monkey helpers:

After careful consideration I have decided to discontinue monthly clubhouse Sock Monkey activity effective February 22. We are caught up for the time being and we have decided to take a break. A very sincere thanks to all the Grove volunteers who have helped us - you are greatly appreciated. Angle and I will continue to supply Penelope House as needed with the supplies on hand and if necessary we will start up at the clubhouse at a later date.

Again, thanks to all

BIG BREAKFAST----Bill Groves

The community breakfast was held at the Clubhouse on February 17th. We had 50 Grovers in attendance. The menu consisted of Bacon, Sausage, French Toast, Pancakes, Biscuits and Gravy, Eggs over Corned Beef Hash, Orange, and Apple Juice, plus all the coffee you could drink. The food was good, thanks to some talented cooks. It was a great opportunity for us to visit with old friends and to meet some folks new to our community. The next event of this nature will be held on 3/17 and will either be a breakfast or perhaps a brunch. If anyone is interested in heading up a Brunch event please contact either Bill Groves, Gary Walbridge, or Gene Rhode as soon as possible so we can get it on the March calendar.

Bill Groves

WII Bowling- Althia F



FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY - Althia F

On February 19, the Grove hosted a Flag Retirement Ceremony at the clubhouse . We received about 25 flags to retire from our friends and neighbors. Retired Colonel Fred Steiner, Earl Richardson, Connie O'Brien members of the National Sojourners held the ceremony. World War II Veteran, Mickey Holloran and other Grove residence helped retire the flags and dedicated each flag in honor of someone or group.



MARDI GRAS PARADE AND PARTY---Mary R

Great turnout the Madi Gras at Celebration. Winners of best Golf Cart we're Kate and Nancy. Best dressed was Diane and cutest dog Juliet Blackmon was Fox. Congratulations to you all! The meal was fantastic and there were a lot of smiles and laughter. We feed 70 people. Donations were \$161.00 and expenses were \$188.95.

Thanks to all those who worked so hard to make this a big success.

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LADIES LUNCH---- Mary Raymer

What a great time The Grove Ladies had Tuesday at Vallarta's Mexican Restaurant. Good food, good laughs and great company.





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KARAOKE---Althia F

Karaoke had a small group but had a lot of fun with several uplifting new songs. Killer sang several new songs. Don R sang "if I was a rich man" with a small skit. If you haven't attended please check it out on March 3 @ 6:00.

MEET & GREET ---- Kathy O



We had a great turn out at the meet and greet on Friday February 23rd. We had about 85 residents attend. The new Welcome Team was introduced. Priscilla Bell, Connie Groves, Meleny Cole, Patrica Loving, Gayle McGuire and Patty Wallace are the Welcome Team members with Kathy Olewiler as team coordinator. The team provided sandwiches, salads, tea and coffee. New residents introduced themselves as we went around the room. There was a lot of conversation and sharing. A good time was had by all. A special thank you to Merv Olewiler and Bill Groves for their help with the set up. We all are looking forward to our next meet and greet in our new clubhouse.

PLANNED EVENTS

AEROBICS UPDATE----Maria F

There will not be Tuesday and Thursday am aerobics the last two weeks of March.(20th - 30th) Will be restarting Tuesday am April 3rd.

GROVE GOLF UPDATE the golfers meet at the Gulf Links Golf course on Hwy 59 and CR 12 the 1st and 3rd WED of the month. Tee time is 0930. Play 18 or 9 with cart for a fun outing on the links. We have about 14 golfers in the club now. All skill levels are welcome. Contact Diana at diana5cents@gmail.com.__or just show up at Gulf Links.

LADIES LUNCHEON—Jeanne P

The next month is Little New Orleans. In Orange Beach.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT---Wally Wallace

This information is for community members that deal with the "donut hole". If your prescription medications put you in this situation you can check another option based here in Foley. They do not take insurance but many medications are low cost. Call them for a cost estimate.

This is a compounding pharmacy that keeps cost low and keeps you out of the donut hole.

If you like the price and option to get your medications filled locally have your doctor write a prescription to; PURE LIFE PHARMACY

1502 N. Mckenzie St.

Foley, Al.

Phone# 251-424- 1544



FOR SALE:

Ladies 26" Huffy bicycle 1 year old, hardly used \$75.00, will consider offers Contact Bill Groves 8669 Mangrove Dr 2707632163

Thanks, Bill



FOR SALE: Lefton Collector's Edition Historic American Lighthouses – Biloxi and Pensacola. Lighted – about 11" tall. Asking \$40 for both. If interested, call Patricia Loving (901) 335-5289.

LOOKING FOR owner of a black rack left at my house from when I was in hospital. if it might yours call me. LYNDA WILSON 317-250-8447



FOR SALE-----We have a new Queen Size Frame, Box springs and Mattress for sale. We bought it and decided to get a Day Bed instead and could not return the Set. Your gain our loss \$400.00. We will be back down Feb. 9

Jack and Jo Rensel

8726 Edgewater street

<u>502-572-0315</u>



I will be retiring from the editorship of the Grove Fun Times. It has been my pleasure to bring you news and photos of happenings around the Grove. I am getting more involved with the sea turtles this summer and my other retirement hobbies. A new editor will be announced shortly.