

The Grove Fun Times

OCTOBER 2017

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Welcome to the newsletter. Special contributions by everyone are welcomed. Articles such as "meet your neighbor", new residents, and any suggestions for news items can be submitted to my e-mail at diana5cents@gmail.com. Please put "newsletter" in the subject line.

GROVE ACTIVITIES REPORT

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.

The following items were discussed at the Volunteer Activities Meeting (VAM) concerning some activities. Meeting date is the 1st Tues of the month at 10:00 am.

Morning coffee- is 6 days/week 6:30 – 7:30 AM

The Big Breakfast is having good attendance. They will stop serving at 0830 so be there before that or there might not be anything left. Check the calendar for date and time.

First Friday Happy hour is 5-7. Lots of new folks are showing up. BYO beverage of choice and meet some new neighbors.

Bunko- Contact Bunny or Mary R. Bunko had another successful month with 20 people enjoying an easy game and fun socializing. Don't let the fact you never played Bunko stop you from joining in the fun—all you have to do is roll dice, change chairs occasionally, and enjoy socializing between the rounds (snacks and wine have been great—thank you to all that are signing up to bring a

little treat).



Photo by Bunny of the bunko winners.

Wii Bowling- Kathy O. 10 Teams of 4 were selected to start off the Fall league. Play starts at 3:15 on WED in clubhouse.

Golf group will play the 1st and 3rd Wed in Oct We play at Gulf Links. Tee time is 0900. Green fees are \$20 +tx for 18 w/cart and \$15+tx for 9 holes with cart. Flyer posted. Bring guests. New Grovers can just show up or e-mail diana5cents@gmail.com to get on the e-mail notifications.

Karaoke—Althia F. Karaoke was small because of football, Irma, and other activities. The people who came had an enjoyable time and said they would be back. Next karaoke will be held on Oct 21 because of shrimp fest.

Line dance—Althia F. We had several new people join us. Rose did electric slide, Ms Jody's Thang, wagon wheel, and several more for the first time. She will be refreshing and add a new dance. Men and women are welcome, so come join us. Good exercise and fun.

Yard Sale---Althia F. The sign up sheet for the yard, bake, and craft sale is on the board. Everyone please sign up. The sale is Oct 7 on a Saturday between 7:00-1:00. We will be selling

hot dogs in the clubhouse and on the wiener cart.

Trivia—Bunny. About 23 attended Trivia night on 9-19-17 with the Game Hosts being Mary H and Bunny Z. Game ended with a tie for 3rd place, so that meant all teams placed! Some questions stumped all (What is the world's biggest island?) but others were known by all (What character from Spanish literature had an issue with a windmill?)

still others were interesting (What state was the first to proclaim Christmas as a holiday?). Please come and join the fun—teams change every week and you get a chance to meet others and share ideas. Game Hosts are all assigned from now through the end of the year but the sign-up sheet is in the clubhouse for Game Hosts for 2018—twice a month on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month. The winning team being Mike H, Joe Z, Joyce R, Lorraine C, and Kathy O.

Sock Monkey Project.



Photo credit: Dianna P.

Monkeys for a Mission by Pam Brooks

Thank you to all who attended our first “Sock Monkey Posse”. Great turn out and enthusiasm was overwhelming. Also to all who donated cash or supplies. We delivered our first 20 sock monkeys to Alabama DHR (home for abused women and children).

Starting in OCT we will be meeting in the clubhouse twice a month, the 1st and 4th Thursday, 1:00 pm. Be sure to check the calendar.

Thanks to everyone for their part in helping in this very rewarding venture of providing these little monkeys to troubled children.



Water aerobics – Patricia Loving Will continue thru OCT.



Photo submitted by Dianne P

Bible Study- Jerry Wood is conducting a weekly Bible Study on Thursday. Bring your lunch and Bible for a great time of Study and fellowship. We will be studying the Gospel of John. Please call me at [\(334\) 451-0138](tel:3344510138) or email at jwood4988@gmail.com for information or questions. Look forward to seeing you there.

CARD BOX

The card box is in the clubhouse and available for those who want to leave cards for Grover's, birthdays, thank you, get well wishes, condolences, etc. Please check to see if any cards have been left for you.

Thanks to those who keep the Grove active, they are all volunteers.

Check the calendar for dates and times for events of interest to you.

Dolly would like to have changes and updates to the calendar submitted in writing to her. The deadline for submitting is one week before the end of the month. E-mail Dollykriner@gmail.com or text 251-716-2978



UPCOMING EVENTS

Halloween Party is Tues, OCT 31. Contact Kathy O. Will be in front of the Clubhouse. Costume contest, fun games, music, fireside chats and fun for all.



LABOR DAY PICNIC

A great time and good food and fun was had by all who attended.



A USO Party is scheduled for Veterans Day Nov 11. 3-7 pm with the meal at 4 pm. See Althia Fox to volunteer. Food, music, and fun.

As part of the USO party, Diana N is putting together a Veteran Appreciation Display of all the Grover Vets. (men and women) A form for vets to fill out is available. I'd like all vets to participate. Contact me for a form, or tell me of a veteran and I'll get them a form. Need it ASAP.



Ideas were presented for:

There are sign-up sheets posted for most activities and also an IDEA sheet for people to suggest an activity. If you suggest an activity please sign up as the leader. Check the month for the event if it is a one-time thing. Other ideas that were suggested are:

Ladies night out -Mary R

Super Bowl Party 2018—Kathy O

Genealogy Family History – Dianne P

Grove 2018 Calendar

RECYCLE TEAM NEWS

Soda and beer aluminum cans are the only cans that they are recycling at this time. The recycle bin is located between the clubhouse and pool. The recycle team checks often to empty the bin and take to recycling. Proceeds will go to benefit the Grove residents.



Let Patty in the office know your e-mail addr for the newsletter so you can get all the news and calendar. Come to the social activity meetings to learn about all the activities and events and suggest new ones.

FRIENDS AT THE GROVE

Those with access to Facebook can search and find "Friends at the Grove". Simply LIKE the page to be accepted. We post news of the residents and reminders about events. Dianne Pawlawski set this up and it has become very useful.



From Bird regarding the new trash pickup schedule. To all Grove residents make sure your trash is out by 6:30AM Monday for pickup. You may put the trash out Sunday evening, so you won't miss the pickup.

FYI, the picking up of the trash container is automated so the trash can must be positioned near the curb with the opening of the lid facing the street. Everything must be in the container with the lid closed. Help your neighbor with this and also pass it on to returning snowbirds and new residents.

Welcome to these new residents:

Where are you? I would like to see the new resident column grow. Please submit your info to my newsletter mailbox. Or E-mail me with your info. Diana5cents@gmail.com Put 'newsletter' in the subj line.



Submit news of your activities and new residents in the mailbox on the carport at 8844 Edgewater. Newsletter deadline 24th of each month. Human interest stories about Grove residents are welcomed.

HINTS, TIPS, QUESTIONS AND COMMON COURTESY

From Shardell C--DON'T TRASH ME. Along with nail polish and paint, polish remover is considered household hazardous waste (HHW), so don't pour it down the drain. If you haven't used up a bottle in about two years, get rid of it at an HHW facility. To find one, go to earth911.com.

Question from Beverly P—where are your favorite places to eat in OB/GS and Foley? She's new to area would like recommendations.



Dog messes continue to be reported to the office. Patty has asked that dog owners be reminded to pick up after their dog. Reports of messes on the bike/walking trail. No one wants to have this on their golf cart, shoes or bike tires and bring it home to their driveway. Long handle pooper scoopers are available at pet stores to make picking up easy.



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Notary Public- Judy Gjertson. Call or E-mail for an appointment. 865-250-7916 or judygiz@gmail.com. 8832 Edgewater St. (lot 26)



DRYWALL FINISHING & INTERIOR PAINTING. Smooth finished drywall seams or a fresh coat of paint. Smooth out those strips on your walls. Call Wally W at 603-562-5953 for an estimate. Wally is a Grove resident and lives on Castle Dr.



ENTERTAINMENT---The musical, *Little Shop of Horrors*, featuring 'Grover' Don Roberts as Mr. Mushnik (the flower shop owner) opens 10/12 at South Baldwin Community Theater in Gulf Shores and runs through 10/22. For more info or to purchase tickets go to their website at sbct.biz. Tickets go on sale Monday 10/2 at 10:00am.

Items will run until asked to be removed. The Classifieds are for residents to advertise services, sales, swap, help etc.



The big picture.