

The Grove Fun Time February 2019

Upcoming Events

Valentine's Day Celebration

February 14, 2019

Purchase advance meal tickets for \$7.00 or \$10.00 at the door. Volunteers will be selling tickets at some of the activities or check the bulletin board across from library for sign-up sheet.



Fish Fry – 3:00 – 6:00 pm

Meal served at 4:00

Music by Don Fox.



Menu

Fried White Fish & Hush Puppies

Baked Beans & Coleslaw

Tea and Coffee

Cookies

The Grove Annual Fundraiser (see reports for details)

Arts and Crafts Show scheduled for November 2, 2019

Mark your calendar: Karaoke will be on March 9 @ 5:00

2019 begins with lots of Activities for ALL at the Grove



Wii Bowling

**Wednesday at 1:00 Through
February**

Teams have been chosen, names and colors have been assigned to the 56 people who signed up to play Winter Wii Bowling. We have 14 teams with four players on each team. A number of substitutes signed up to also help out when needed. First game started on January 16th with a bang as Peggy Rhode scored a 269 with nine strikes! Our second game was January 23rd and how exciting it was. Ben Sigman had a great game with a score of 257 and nine strikes just barely beating out his wife, Regina, who earned 246 points with eight strikes. We had two substitutes this week that hadn't played before and both scored at least one strike. We play each Wednesday at 1:00 through February 20th. On February 27th we will have a Wii awards ceremony pot luck dinner for the participants. If you didn't join this time make sure you sign up for the next one later in 2019. Thanks to all who are

participating and making this a fun game. Even if you're not playing come watch.

----BINGO----

Come join us as Cliff and Judy Gjertson host us the second and fourth Tuesday of each month for B-I-N-G-O! Cards are a nickel a piece and you can play as few or as many as you like. We play one bingo per card, two bingos per card and a pattern. The finale is our coverall for bingo. Come join us.



LCR – Left, Right, Center

Game Night at the Clubhouse Third Friday Each Month at 7:00 pm

On January 18th, neighbors gathered to play our monthly dice game of LCR. We had about 50 people playing this night. Leslie Miller stated on Facebook “What a fun time.....a good thing to be tired from laughing too much....or maybe not too much”. It’s a blast for everyone. We have nickel, dime and quarter tables. All you need are three coins, per game, and a beverage of your choosing. Invite a neighbor for an evening of fun.



CROCHET WORKSHOP EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 11:00

The first gathering of the Crochet Workshop took place on Wednesday January 23rd with 20 people in attendance. From beginners to

active Crocheters, this workshop welcomes you. If you want to learn how to Crochet or, need help with a project you are currently working on or want to share ideas we urge you to attend. Attend the workshop on the days that are convenient for you. They are not on a schedule of projects, just there to teach and share the information they have.

Please join them on Wednesday's at 11:00 in the clubhouse. If you need any additional information please call Judy Gjertson, she's listed in the directory.



Arts & Crafts

Our crafters had a fun time being creative decorating pine cone trees. Seashells, beads, ribbon, buttons, hearts, trims and glue were being used to create their masterpieces. Much thought was put into using just the right pieces to create the look they wanted. Our craft classes are the 3rd Monday of the month at 1:00. Sign-up sheets are located in the craft room with a picture of the craft we are making for that month. We have a lot of fun and enjoy learning new techniques.



Ladies's Luncheon

All ladies are invited to attend the monthly luncheon on the second Tuesday of the month. Details and sign-up sheets are posted of the bulletin board across from the library. Explore different restaurants in the area while visiting with friends and neighbors.



Trivia
1st Time 2-way Tie!

We had 4 tables of Trivia. It's the first time we had a 2way tie for 1st place and last place. Table 3 won the 1st place trophy by answering the tie question correctly. Table 1& 2 tied for last place after trying to answer the tie question so they shared the last place trophy. It was a fun evening with lots of discussion, laughter and fun. Join the fun the 1st and 3rd Tuesday's at 6:30.



-----BUNKO-----

Play Bunko twice a month on the second & fourth Monday starting at 6:30 pm. Bring \$3 to play and a snack to share plus your drink of choice. Pictures below are proof that it is ALL fun.

Bunko January 14 Big Winner!!



Bunko January 28 Big Winner!!



GROVE CLASSIFIEDS

For Sale by Grovers

King-size bed, beautiful wood headboard and footboard including mattress and springs. \$199 or best offer. Contact Lorraine 330-204-2888.

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King-size SpringAire Mattress –Like new. Contact Bonnie or Joe Roberts at 901-604-6490 for details & price.

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Services offered by Grovers

Public Notary

Judy Gjertson – 251-424-5907

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Dianne Vinciguerra – 205-369-7097

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Email details to GroveNews19@gmail.com to place ads in the newsletters.

Reports.....

GROVE VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES MEETING

Thursday, January 3, 2019
1:00 pm. The New Clubhouse

Meeting was called to order by Kathy Olewiler with Patty Etheridge and approximately 66 residents present.

Guest speakers – Kathy introduced Lucy Douty and Carol Rausch from the Testing 1, 2, 3 group. This group is affiliated with the Alzheimer's Foundation of America (AFA) and their purpose is to provide free and confidential memory screening and balance testing. They will be at the Grove on Tuesday, January 22 from 9:00 am -12:00 pm. They discussed their services and credentials and encouraged all Grovers to participate. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

Treasurer – Joanne Smith reported a current balance in the Grovers' Fund of \$2,311.88. A detailed list of income and expenses is posted on the bulletin board quarterly. An annual report is available upon request.

Activities –

Happy Hour – 1st Friday of the month at 5:00 pm. A question was asked about having it twice a month. Patty responded that the Clubhouse is available to residents any time they want to have additional get-togethers.

Calendar – (Dolly K.) The deadline is the 23rd of the month.

Newsletter – (Pat Weaver) The deadline is the 24th of the month. Pat again asked that articles and pictures be emailed to her at grovenews19@gmail.com.

Art with Wally – A new watercolor painting class begins on Thursday, January 17.

Wii Bowling – (Connie Mc) A new season begins Wednesday, January 9 (choosing teams) with 54 people (14 teams) and several substitutes ready to play.

LRC (Left, Right, Center) – (Connie Mc) Third Friday each month beginning January 18. Bring nickels, dimes and quarters to play. This is a dice game that is fun and easy to learn. All are invited.

Exercise – (Dianne P.) Chair exercise continues at 9:00 am on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. The class is now doing a walking program after each chair exercise class. (Maria F.) Aerobics class is at 8:30 am on Tuesday and Thursday.

Trivia – (various hosts) 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 6:30 pm. Bunny Z. and Kathy O. will host on January 15. Volunteers are needed to host the rest of 2019. A sign-up sheet is being posted.

Bingo – Still being played on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 6:30 pm.

Ice Cream Social – (Martin P.) Every Sunday at 6:30 pm with special Birthday Cake on the first Sunday each month.

Ladies Lunch – (Mary R.) Tuesday, January 8, lunch will be at the Groovy Goat at OWA. About 26 ladies have signed up so far and calls will be made to remind everyone. We will leave the Clubhouse at 11:00 am. Next month we expect to go to Acme Oyster House.

Men's Breakfast and Lunch – (Rod C.) Lunch will be at Tacky Jacks on Tuesday, January 8. Breakfast location not yet decided for January 17. There will be an extra breakfast this month – January 31. A notice will be sent out.

Bunko – (Mary R.) 2nd and 4th Mondays at 6:30 pm. Averaging 24-28 people on the 2nd Monday and 12-20 players on the 4th Monday.

Crafts – (Kathy O./Dianne P.) 1st Monday is Open Crafts. Craft Projects Class is the 3rd Monday at 1:00. A sign-up sheet will be posted.

Game Night/Dominoes/Polish Poker – Game night is Monday and Wednesday at 7:00 pm. Dominoes is played every Thursday at 7:00

pm. Polish Poker is played on the 4th Thursday at 6:00 pm.

Bible Study – (Jerry W.) Resumes Thursday, January 10 at 10:00 am. Attendance is averaging 22 people (with room for 100 more).

UPCOMING

Welcome Team – Kathy O. introduced members of the Welcome Team: Gayle Sutton, Leader; Meleny Cole, Connie Groves, and Patricia Loving. They visit new residents with welcome packets, answer questions, and discuss Grove activities.

Meet and Greet – A pizza party with salad is planned for Monday, January 21, at 4:00 pm. This a free event (courtesy of The Grove) and a great opportunity to meet new residents. PLEASE SIGN UP if you will attend.

Single Mingle – A get-together for single Grovers will be held on January 25 from 6 :00 – 8:00 pm. A sign-up sheet will be posted.

Computer Club – (John Stetz) 2nd and 4th Fridays at 1:00 pm to discuss and learn more about computer usage. John will do a review of his previous computer classes on Friday, January 11 at 1:00 pm in the Library.

Silent Auction – (Shar C.) There will be a Silent Auction at the Clubhouse from 2:00-4:00 pm on Saturday, January 12, to raise money for the Grovers Fund. A flyer has been posted on the bulletin board with details. Residents are asked to donate items to sell.

Crochet Workshop – (Judy G.) There will be a meeting Wednesday, January 23 at 11:30 am for anyone who is interested in crocheting. (No knitters). We will learn together, share what we know, and just help each other as we enjoy the art of crocheting.

ABC's of Medicare – There will be a seminar presented by David Middleton (a medical insurance broker) on Tuesday, January 29, at 10:30 am to talk about the changes in

Medicare and to answer questions. This is informational only, not a sales presentation.

Fish Fry – (Bill G.) A Fish Fry is being planned for 3:00 pm on February 14. Meal tickets are \$7.00 if purchased in advance and \$10.00 at the door. A sign-up sheet and a flyer are posted on the bulletin board. Volunteers will follow up to sell tickets at various functions in the clubhouse, or you may contact any of the volunteers listed on the flyer to buy your ticket.

Bridge and/or Mahjong – Mary Daniel asked if there was interest in these games. She will post a sign-up sheet to determine if there is enough interest to pursue a game schedule.

USO Event – Althia gave a follow-up report on the funds raised at the USO Event in November. A Navy vet who lives in Robertsdale was given \$400 toward his electric bill, a \$100 gift card for Walmart, and some cash. There is still \$429 left to give either to him or to another vet in need. A vote was taken and it was decided to give it to an Army vet who lives in Silverhill. (These funds are not included in the Grovers Fund report.)

Clubhouse TV – Cable has now been installed in the Clubhouse. Clemson vs. Alabama on January 7, 2019.

Use of Grovers' Fund and Clubhouse Events – Discussion was held about using money from the Grovers' Fund. There was particular concern about some costs for Dirty Santa, Christmas Dinner, and New Year's Eve party. There seemed to be a consensus that large events, particularly with music (a band or DJ) need more advance planning in order to book the entertainment and raise the money to pay for it, such as, with advance ticket sales. Therefore, it was decided not to pursue a Winter Wonderland dance on January 26; there is not enough time to do so. We should be planning a Spring Fling dance instead.

Patty expressed concern about the Clubhouse not being used to its fullest potential. She stated that management could rent it to outside groups and the income would be given to the