

The Grove Fun Times

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Welcome to the newsletter. I hope this monthly periodical will bring the community together for activities and comradery as the Grove expands

CLUBHOUSE ACTIVITIES REPORT

MORNING COFFEE—Bill Groves would like to invite everyone to have a cuppa coffee with your neighbors. Mon-Sat at 6:30 to 8:00 AM. Drop in anytime. If coffee is not your drink bring your favorite tea, juice and muffin, bagel or fruit to enjoy. Spirited conversation and nice way to start the day.

EASTER DINNER

The Grove Easter Dinner was held on April 16th. Attendance was approximately 85 people. The weather was beautiful and allowed a few residents to eat outside. A great meal was enjoyed. The Easter Bonnet/Hat contest was fun. There is a lot of creative people in the Grove. First place went to Jim Bethune and second place went to Althia Fox. After we enjoyed an old-time Easter egg hunt.

OPEN CRAFT will be held on Monday, May 1st and the May Craft class will be one May 22nd. A signup sheet will be posted in the clubhouse. The class will be to paint and assemble a wood pallet sail boat.

BINGO will be held on Tuesday, May 9th and May 23rd at 6:30 p.m.

If you are interested in a Chair Yoga class, there is a sign up sheet for interest in the

clubhouse. The days and times have not been decided. We want to see who is interested. Thanks to Dianne Pawawski for these reports

GOLFERS-- We have several Grovers interested in playing golf at Foley Golf Links twice a month. Tee time is the 1st and 3rd WED of the month at 10:00am. A fun way for the beginner to pro golfers here at the Grove to get together. 1st meeting at Gulf Links was April 19th. Join us for 9 or 18 holes May 3rd and/or the 17th.

YARD SALE ---Morgan drove the food cart and reported selling \$100 from hot dog lunches and baked goods. The bake sale in the clubhouse also did well bringing in over \$100.

TRIVIA.. I am guessing there is a good response for trivia, but no reports about that activity have been forthcoming. The proposed trivia themes are as follows:

May-Mothers

June Fathers

July- Patriotic

POKER- Several Grovers get together every Wed and Sat, noon-3pm. Everyone is welcome to join them.

CARD GAMES- All types of card games are played every night 7-9. Or after regular scheduled activities. Just show up and see what card games are playing.

KAREOKE will be the 3rd Sat of the month during May & June.

BUNKO—Photo from a recent bunko night.



CAMFIRE GATHERINGS. Neighbors got together on April 15 to enjoy the pond view and the campfire.



If you are involved with a regular or even irregular clubhouse or outdoor activity around the Grove, be sure to submit the information to the newsletter. Thanks to those who keep the Grove active, they are all volunteers.

ONGOING EVENTS FROM THE CALENDAR

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

Reminder for submitting Calendar events. 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

A glance at the calendar shows there is something for everyone -here at the Grove. If you have an idea for a new activity, notify

Mary Raymer maryraymer@gmail.com

The Activity Committee meets once/month, check the calendar for date and time. All are welcome to attend, volunteer, and suggest new events.

This is a daily synopsis of Grove Activities

If it's _____ it must be _____.

Sunday- Ice cream social

Monday- Low Impact Aerobics, Chair exercises. Bunko. Open Crafts. Pool exercises

Tues- Aerobics, Ladies Lunch, Men's Lunch. Billiards. Trivia, Bingo

Wed- L.I. Aerobics. Chair exercises. Pool exercises. Poker, Golf

Thur- Men's Breakfast. Aerobics. Dominoes. Ceramics. Polish Poker

Fri- L.I. aerobics. Pool exercises. Chair exercises. 1st Fri Happy Hour Social.

Sat- Poker. Karaoke. Big breakfast 3rd Sat.

CARD BOX

The card box is in the clubhouse and available for those who want to leave cards for Grovers, birthdays, thank you, get well wishes, condolences, etc.

UPCOMING EVENTS & GROVE SPECIAL EVENTS

Pool exercise class. May 1 start date. Classes will be scheduled for Mon-Wed-Fri at 9:00 AM. . Contact Patricia Loving 901-335-5289 or pgloving@gmail.com for more details.

Special Announcement- Jim & Carolyn Poole invite you to join them in celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary. May 6, 4-6 pm at the clubhouse. Congratulations!!!!

Golf- meet up to play golf the 1st and 3rd Wed of the month. Tee time is 09:00 at Gulf Links GC? All skill levels are welcome. Grove Golfers have a special rate of \$20 for 18 cart or \$12 for 9 with cart. Fun outing on the links with your neighbors. Gulf Links GC also offers 6 and 12 packs, and a range membership. Contact Diana diana5cents@gmail.com if interested.

MEMORIAL DAY PICNIC- Picnic with rollers & sliders (hot dogs and burgers) will be held on the 29th. Bring a side dish to share if you can. There will be music starting at 2:00 pm and serving the food at 3:00pm. There will be a sign-up sheet in the clubhouse for those bringing something to share.

LOCAL EVENTS OF INTEREST

May 3- Hazard Preparedness Expo. Foley Civic Center. 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

May 5-6 Hot Air Balloon Festival. Foley www.GulfCoastBalloonFestival.com

Color Dash 5K Run. Race starts at 7:00 am

May 13-14, Art in the Park. Foley Heritage Park

May 19-21—Beware. Hangout Music festival in Gulf Shores. Heavy traffic at the beach, roads closed.

May 19- Music and Movie in Foley Heritage Park 6-9 pm every Friday during the summer. Check Foley events <http://visitfoley.com/play/events/>

May 27- Ft Morgan, Memorial Day Tribute. Reenactments of Life at the Ft.

NEW BORDWALK at the State Park. Beautiful walk/bike ride across Lake Shelby. Best accessed from the park across from the SP Pier.

NEW GROVERS & DIRECTORY UPDATES

Welcome to our new neighbors. Please let us know who you are. All residents who need to update the directory before 2018, please let me know and it will be updated in the newsletter.

DIAN G KAISER 8739 Edgewater. Dian moved here from Foley on Feb 24. She enjoys reading, volunteering at the hospital and works at Frances Holk-Jones State Farm Ins. She is also very active in her church. She has a small dog, Lucy, and the security, friendly people and areas to walk here at the grove.

LARRY & TERESA WATTWOOD live at 8527 Carriage Way. They moved here from Gulf Shores. They are retired after being a controller in the automobile business. Hobbies are gardening. And have 1 child and 2 grandchildren.

HERB & ANNE BRUMBACH moved here in Jan after 7 yrs of RVing. They are from NY state and like to kayak, bicycle and needle point.

BEVERLY & MARTIN PROKOP- found the Grove on the way to the beach from TN. Beverly was in furniture sales and wants to get involved in the Grove activities. They have 2 dogs, Murphy and Molly.

DIRECTORY UPDATE- Becky Letcher is listed as Betty in the directory. So that's Dick and Becky Letcher.

PLEASE WELCOME new residents

Rowland Lot 94	Eaton Lot 200
Francis Lot 295	Howard Lot 195
Shafer Lot 67	Prokop Lot 216
Strotman Lot 101	

We look forward to meeting you on the trails or at a clubhouse event.

FROM THE OFFICE

Please remember that pets must be kept on a leash while walking in the Grove. There is a Dog Park by the pond for dogs to run free and for their people to sit in the shade.

New cooking grills are by the pool.

The water temp in the pool is +/- 80 deg.

SHARE THE BEACH

Share the Beach is a sea turtle conservation program. All 43 miles of AL beach are covered by volunteers. Volunteers find, protect, record details, and help the little turtles get to their ocean home. Grovers who have volunteered to help the sea turtles are: Patricia Loving, Dave & Darlene Steele, Morgan Coombs, Pat & Wally Wallace, Jack & Lois Schmidt and Diana Nichols.

CLASSIFIEDS

SERVICES-

Pest Control- Angie's Pest Control 251-504-3003

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

Items will run until asked to be removed.

FUN STUFF

Where in the Grove? Have fun exploring and if you have a mystery item send me a photo.



New Clubhouse Under Construction



Pouring cement at sunrise



Cement floor



Framing the clubhouse

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.