

# SUNBURST LAKE 'N GOLF ESTATES

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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR HOA PRESIDENT

Welcome back to those who have recently returned. Sadly, our Canadian friends may not be back this year because of the virus. As for the park, we will continue restrictions on gatherings until things settle down. We plan to hold the November Board Meeting (weather permitting) at the pavilion on Thursday, November 12 at 9:00am. The board will decide at that time if a November General Membership Meeting is necessary and if a December board meeting will be held.

We are exploring options for safely conducting the annual meeting to comply with gathering restrictions and still meet quorum requirements. There are some proposed changes to bylaws/covenants, budget approval, and board member elections that need to be addressed and voted on. More to follow on this issue.



However, speaking of board elections, unless you are new to the planet, you are probably aware that we have a national election coming up. Because of the virus some states

have recently modified their election procedures. In some cases, ballots are being provided to every entry on the voter registration list, including folks that don't live in the state any more, cats that have died, dogs that have run off, and people who once were residents of the state, but have relocated to the local cemetery. All these ballots (valid and not so valid) once returned must be collected and processed. Because of the volume of mailed ballots, some may turn up in dumpsters and ditches mistakenly construed as ballot collection points. To be sure everything gets properly recorded, each party has hired a battalion of lawyers in almost every state. It is likely that we may not know the actual results on election night. Regardless of not knowing who actually won, expect a number of peaceful demonstrations to break out. These peaceful protests will likely include peaceful rioting, peaceful looting and peaceful arson. There may even be a few peaceful shootings as well. Most protesters will be properly



masked, but social distancing, not so much. Best advice is to stay home, pop some popcorn and watch an old movie. You have to watch an old movie because there aren't any new ones. If that doesn't appeal to you, consumption of an adult beverage is always an option.

## **Restrictions to Remember...**

Where do we go from here on gathering restrictions, clubhouse activities, pool use, etc.? To keep clubhouse activities limited and comply with virus gathering restrictions, we are limiting use of the clubhouse to the pool room only. No more than eight people at any given time, either for shooting pool or playing cards. Please don't change the AC thermostats or run the large clubhouse ACs. If issues continue with AC operation, we may have to completely close the clubhouse. Use of the outdoor pool and spa remain limited to owners only, no guests allowed.

Returning owners are to quarantine for 14 days. If you have company visiting, you are urged to self-quarantine for 14 days from the date the guests depart. If you are not feeling well, please be considerate of your fellow park members and stay away from activities, such as Tuesday morning coffee. We have several physically compromised people in this park that may be more vulnerable to a covid infection.

No one likes these restrictions, but no one wants to be responsible for the illness of a neighbor either. Please understand that we will open things up as soon as we can.



**HAPPY  
THANKSGIVING!**



**NEW NEIGHBORS**

Until it is safe to gather in large groups we will post our new neighbors names. If I missed anyone it is not intentional, please let me know. Thank you to Frances Clemons and Gord

and Helen Martin for keeping up on all the changes.

**Welcome to the neighborhood to:**

- Carol Long on Westchester
- Modesto and Georgina Rosario on Princeton
- Jay Hargis on Princeton
- Bruce and Polly Jeanty on S. Lake Henry
- Jennifer Atkinson on Kensington
- Dale and Sally Porter on Kensington
- Tim and Pam Meinert on Kensington
- Robert and Janna Estep on Kensington
- Ellie Vecchione on Canterbury
- Nassar and Samar AbuAita on Canterbury
- Joe and Annette Collier on Canterbury
- Gary Creager on Canterbury

**DIRECTORY INFORMATION**

We in the North are preparing for the coming cold weather. Due to Covid we are unable to travel to Florida and therefore, updating the Directory will be done differently this year. Please submit changes and updates by email to [lake-n-golf@hotmail.com](mailto:lake-n-golf@hotmail.com) or drop off to Frances Clemons at 6820 Lake Henry Dr., by Dec 20th. Thank you and stay safe everyone. We'll miss all.

**Gord and Helen Martin**

**VETERAN'S DAY GREEN LIGHT BULBS**

If you are a veteran and have lived in Lake 'n Golf Estates the last couple of years you may already have a green bulb for your yard light. If you are a veteran and need a green bulb I would like to present you with one to signify your service to our country. The green bulbs shine through the month of November. Call me at 315-573-9799 or stop by 6638 Princeton to pick up your green bulb. Thank you for your service.

Jim Fagner

**LADIES AND GENTS**



We would like to welcome our snowbirds' home; it has been a long crazy summer with lots of changes due to the Covid-19 pandemic and unfortunately things are still changing. The clubhouse has been closed since March and will remain closed until our HOA board feels it is safe to re-open it again. With that in

mind we have cancelled ALL activities; There will be no Holiday potlucks or monthly potlucks, our Halloween party has been cancelled as well as the Christmas and New year's eve Parties. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause some of you but we are looking out for EVERYONE'S best interest. We have been very fortunate that no one here in our community has come down with Covid and we pray that it remains that way.

**Submitted by, Robbin Rogers, Secretary**

**HOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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**SAVE THE DATE**

Ladies and Gents Board of Directors will meet on November 17 with a General Meeting on the 24<sup>th</sup> at the pavilion. We will have items on our agenda on 11-24 that will need voted on, please plan to attend.

**Barry Heimbuch, Treasurer**

**LAKE 'N GOLF PET POLICY**

**Where are we on the issue of emotional support animals and service dogs?**

**March 12, 2020:** During the General Membership Meeting we addressed changes to Covenant #10 and decided to vote on proposed changes during the January 2021 Annual Meeting. The Addendum to Covenant #10 reads as follows:

“In accordance with the Fair Housing Act, an exception to policy may be granted by the Board of Directors for validated assistance animals. A request for exception to Covenant #10 requires the owner to



provide reliable documentation of a disability and the related need for an assistance animal. The HOA will review the documents provided and if necessary, seek legal review to confirm the need for a service animal.

If an exception to policy is granted, the animal must always be under the control of the owner with a leash no longer than six feet. All droppings must be picked up immediately, and the animal cannot exhibit any aggressive action or prolonged barking. The owner is fully responsible for any damage to the grounds.

Should the Covenant Committee observe or receive verified reports of a violation of any of the above, an immediate fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25) for each incident will be charged. Notification of the fine will be by certified mail. The owner has fourteen (14) days to appear before a committee of at least three (3) members, appointed by the board, to challenge the fine. Although the fine will be imposed immediately, it will not be collected until the fourteen (14) days have elapsed or if the reviewing committee has dismissed the charges.

Visitors with pets are requested to house their pets outside of the park during their visit. Failure to do so will result in a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25) per day, per animal, charged to the owner hosting the animal.

Owners who rent are required to ensure any renter with an assistance animal has obtained an HOA exception to policy before arriving. A fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25) per day will be charged until such an exception is granted."

**March 13, 2020:** A letter was provided to all residents outlining the documentation required to validate the need for an emotional support animal.

**What's new?** On June 23, 2020 Florida Senate Bill 1084 was approved and specified a fine of five hundred dollars (\$500) and sixty (60) days in jail for falsifying the need of an emotional support animal.

**What's next?** It is likely that because of the virus, the November 2020 General Membership Meeting will not take place. However, some form of an Annual Meeting in January 2021 will take place. If the Addendum to Covenant # 10 is approved during the January 2021 Annual Meeting, documentation requesting an exception to policy will be due on January 15, 2021. **Note: The Annual Meeting will be held on January 14, 2021.** The packages will be reviewed

for completeness and returned if all requested documentation is not provided. Residents will have until February 1, 2021 to provide any missing documentation.

The board will meet on February 4, 2021 to approve or disapprove each request. Animal owners will be notified by certified mail of the board decision between February 8-10, 2021 and given fourteen (14) days to appeal. If needed, the appeal board will meet February 24-26, 2021.

Fines will be imposed on March 1, 2021 for owners with denied requests who still have their animals and for owners with pets who failed to ask for an exception to policy.

**Any previous approval for any type of assistance animal is null and void.** Every owner housing any support animal or pet will need to submit an exception to policy.

### **Palm Krest Christmas**

Welcome back neighbors. It's good to see you returning safe and well. What a challenging year this has been. We are so fortunate to be able to travel and spend time with family & friends.



As you know, this has not been the case for less fortunate folks living in facilities such as Palm Krest. They have been confined to their rooms with no activities, visitors or congregate dining. The good news reported to me by the administrator is there have been no coronavirus cases. Just recently they began allowing visitors in by appointment. We will not be going inside as we usually do to host their Christmas party. But, we do want the residents to know we continue to care for them. I'm sure during this pandemic they have often felt forgotten.

The Ladies & Gents will continue to support the pizza party by delivery. I will be collecting donations from our community members through November for their gift items. Each resident will receive a gift bag with much needed personal items along with a nice Christmas card from Lake & Golf Estates. Remaining funds will go to purchase bags of assorted fruits & snacks. The residents look forward to receiving our gifts and the pizza luncheon. They truly appreciate our faithfulness year after year. May we that are so blessed, share some joy and blessings towards others during this difficult holiday season. May God bless us all!

**Dale Moore**