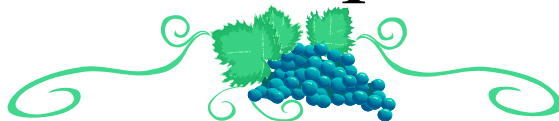


The Grapevine



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Calendar

**Next Board Of Directors'
Meeting Thursday,
May 17, 2012**



JOIN US!!!

in the Administration Building at 1:30 p.m. All unit owners and residents are encouraged to attend all Board meetings.



► Property Maintenance Committee, Thursday, May 3 at 1:30 PM, Administration Building

LWCC Board of Directors
Tuesday April 24 at 9:30

LWCC Executive Board meets
Friday, May 18 at 9:30

The President's Corner

Spring is really here — April showers even (at last) — and the beginning of more work to upgrade and maintain our home community. The painters are working on the last two buildings in this round of re-painting and the roofers have given us two new apartment building roofs. Concrete work and other maintenance is coming.

The Annual Meeting is on my mind. I do hope you have responded to the notice and to the reminders that your building representatives have posted. It is vital that we have a quorum, either in person or by proxy, to do our required business. We have an excellent slate from which to elect three members of the Board of Directors.

The approaching Annual Meeting also always reminds me of the good work so many of our neighbors do for the Mutual. The Building Representatives always help. I am serious when I say they are the “backbone” of the Mutual. Our Social Committee does a great job. Their ideas and their hard work make every social event a true success. Bingo Night was a ball – even though I never got bingo. The next event (after the Social Hour for the Annual Meeting) will be a picnic (with games I am told) to be held June 5. Our apartment lobbies are looking good – and the hard-working Property Maintenance Committee is the group that plans and puts into action the painting and roofing and all such necessary work. Our pretty plantings (some lovely blooming things at this time of year) are the fruits of the work of the Landscape Committee. Thanks to you all.

The Board has done well this year. I am most appreciative of the constructive contributions of each Board member. One change will occur no matter how the election goes, however. Frank Lozupone, who was first elected to the Board in 1994, will end his service on the Board at our Annual Meeting. He has done his duty over the years with distinction. Our meetings won't be the same without him. He has my deepest regards – and thanks.

PEPCO is proposing an Energy Wise Rewards Program that those of us in the master-meter mutuals can participate in. It is being announced in the Leisure World News and PEPCO is having several open meetings to outline and discuss the program. If you are interested, there will be meetings on May 4 (a Friday) at 10 AM, May 15 (a Tuesday) at 2 PM, and May 30 (a Wednesday) at 10 AM in the Ballroom of Clubhouse 1 to inform you of your options. It looks like a good way to both help save some energy and save the participants a little money.

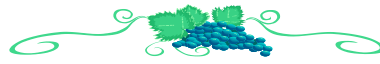
One small “nag” reminder: Montgomery County pet control regulations require that any pet be kept under control when they are out of your housing unit. This includes cats. You must not let your cats run loose. We all know dogs are to be leashed, but we may not realize cats are also to be monitored and controlled by their owners, too.

Happy Spring –

Richard Bambach President, Mutual 14 Board of Directors

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Saturday May 5 Cinco De Mayo

Pet information update

Apologies to Tatum (O'Neill) (Linda and Jim O'Neill's pet) who was inadvertently left out of last month's article!

Sunday May 13 Mother's Day



Personals...

Judy Block (B13-1D) wants to thank all the neighbors and friends who reached out to her and prayed for her during her recent hip replacement!

Happy Birthday



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| 5/03 | Linda Peters | (B17-3G) |
| 5/07 | Sarah Sutton | (B10-2F) |
| 5/14 | Lorena McCord | (B14-3E) |
| 5/29 | Gerry Windham | (B11-2F) |

Please welcome



Catherine Barnwell (B10-3D)

Landscape Committee



We have done our walk-around and most people are taking the time to weed their gardens. We have sent a few reminder letters out, so hopefully everything will look great soon. We are doing a major planting at Forest Edge and Interlachen to cover the electrical box and changing some of the plants at Interlachen and Vantage Hill Rd. We are removing some dead trees in the park and adding some flowering ones.

Saturday May 19



Air Forces Day



Social Committee

If you missed the bingo night, from all comments, you missed a good time. Our next function is our picnic on Vantage Hill Ct. on Tuesday, June 5th. We are going to do something with golf, have games to play, great food and wonderful company. So mark your calendars so we have a great turnout.

Reminders & Vital Info



Boxes should be flattened before leaving them in the trash room.

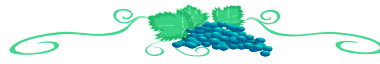
• **Kitchen Drain Test - Check It Out!!!**

All apartment residents should perform the following test of your kitchen drainage **monthly** in order to avert a flood:

- 1) Fill the sink with water up to 1-1/2 "from the top.
- 2) Remove the stopper and let it drain.
- 3) If the water flows out quickly, all is well; your drain has 'passed' the test.
- 4) **BUT**, if the water drains sluggishly, your drain may be clogging up and could cause a flood in your apartment. **REPORT** this at once to our Mutual Assistant so that the drain can be checked and cleaned out by the plumber.

• **4th of July Parade**

It's that time of year again. We need someone to chair our entry into the L.W. July Fourth Parade? Please help us 'wave the flag' by chairing this event. Call Richard Bambach at 301-598-5322 before May 15th, so that we may send in our entry.



• **Energy Conservation**

When you go away for any length of time in **Summer** (not Winter), avoid wasting energy by taking these steps before leaving:

- Turn off your Air Conditioning
- Turn off circuit breaker to the Water Heater
- Unplug the TV set, Stereo, Radio, Toaster, or other unnecessary appliances.

You can conserve energy, even while you are at home.

- Close the front door, behind the storm doors.

• **Foundation Plantings**

Over the years, the Leisure World Community, Mutual 14 and its residents have spent a great deal of money to landscape and beautify the grounds surrounding our homes and apartment buildings. It is the responsibility of the Landscape Committee of Mutual 14 to maintain the trees, shrubs and other plants in the common areas of the Mutual.

Residents of the Plaza Homes and the first floors of the apartment buildings are permitted to plant in an area four feet around their homes. The maintenance of such plantings in the area of four feet by past or present residents is the responsibility of the current residents of the units. This area should be mulched and kept weed-free. If it becomes necessary for the Board to employ a landscaper to remove unsightly weeds, the bill for this will be sent to the resident. You will be notified about this in advance. Shrubs should be clipped so as not to scratch your aluminum siding. Keep them about a foot clear of the wall.

Your cooperation in abiding by the rules will help maintain the beauty of Mutual 14.



Condolences to the families and friends of:
 Lorena McCord (B14-3E) who passed away on March 13
 Father John Stack (B14-3F) who passed away on March 21.

Condolences to Barbara Martin (B14-1A) whose husband Paul passed away on March 30.

Our Condolences to Aleen Phillips (B15-3D) whose husband Harry passed away at Casey House on March 30.

M14 ONLINE: 

www.mutual-14.org

Lots of good information here!

 **Monday May 28 Memorial Day**

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