

THE GRAPEVINE



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Calendar

JOIN US!!!

We encourage all unit owners and residents to attend Board meetings and Committee meetings.

MEETINGS



Mutual 14 Board

3rd Tuesday,
Dec. 18, 2018
Administration
Building at 9:30 a.m.



Property Maintenance Committee, 1st Thursday,

Dec. 6, at 10 a.m.,
Annapolis Rm, Clubhouse I



Building Rep Committee

December 11th, at 10 a.m.
Annapolis Rm, Clubhouse I

The President's Message

Leisure World is #1!

As stated in 55places.com:

“**55places.com**’s 25 Best Value Active Adult Communities of 2018 list is out and Leisure World® of Maryland rose above the rest to be named the No.1 value community in the country. There are so many reasons as to why it was chosen. ..this gated 55+ community in Silver Spring, Maryland gives its residents the most value for their money.”

Leisure World has identified three vendors to bid on providing bulk rate Internet Service to the community. The final bidders are Hot-wire, Comcast, and Verizon.

Leisure World is working on a new community phone book. Right now you can find a current directory in residents.lwmc.com. The online directory updates in real time (as residents move in or out) and you don't have to wait for the print edition.

The Mutual 14 Board of Directors has appointed Stan Jones as a new member of the Property Maintenance Committee. The Board also approved Maria Cruz as backup Building Rep for Building 11.

Delivery of this issue of The Grapevine is delayed due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Most importantly, we are grateful to all our volunteers who chair and serve on our many committees and the Board. Your service to our community is greatly appreciated and you make a difference. Thank you!

John Radcliffe

301-233-0093



Notes from the Board

Gutters will be cleaned the last week in November.

Dryer vents will be cleaned the second week in December.

A resident reported that items were stolen from her locked storage unit in the carports. Please be safe and make sure your possessions are secure.

Storage room doors and frames are going to be replaced and new locks will be installed on them. Notices will go out before work begins. Any handicap equipment found in the storage rooms will be donated to FISH before the locks get changed.

The drain in front of Building 10 is going to be repaired or replaced soon. This work means digging up part of the road. Cars will have to be moved out of parking spaces. Notice will go out before the work starts so you can have time to move your vehicles.

A new "Who Pays?" list is being developed and reviewed by the Board.

Leisure World Website

If you haven't signed up on the Leisure World Residents' web site, now is a good time to learn how to use it. If you would like to learn how to use the web site, contact our Mutual Assistant for information about a training session. The website is:

residents.lwmc.com



E & R Committee



Two clubs applied for approval: Medical Cannabis Information Group and Friends of India.

The Medical Cannabis club will rely on a number of experts for information about the use of medical cannabis. NOTE: if you wish to register for cannabis, you do NOT have to pay any fees. (There are people out there trying to charge you to register!) The new club can also facilitate a person's application.

The Friends of India is open to all and its purpose is to share and explore the culture of India through music, dance, and philosophical discussions.

Former fitness center has the walls completed and is awaiting work on the floor to ready it for ping pong.

Pickle Ball lines in the Activity Room: we were shown a picture of proposed colors to be painted on the Activity Room floor for use as an indoor Pickle Ball court. Susan Crawford, a committee member and Pickle Ball player, informed us that the players were looking to keep the lines a color compatible with the color of the doors. The committee agreed to let the Pickle Ball club choose the color.



(E&R continued)

If you see a good movie (PG and PG-13 only, please!) you may suggest it to Ray Desir, Assistant Director of E & R. She manages the entertainment schedule.

There will be no December meeting.

Beth Leanza

Emergencies

If you have an emergency:

1. **Call our Mutual Assistant**, Kelly Barton at 301-598-1338 or email her at kbarton@lwmc.com
2. When our Mutual Assistant is not available **Call Physical Properties** 301-598-1500
3. After Hours and Weekend Emergencies **Call the Main Gate** 301-598-1044



Property Maintenance Committee



Doors and Locks: PMC reviewed the proposal from Just Doors and recommends the Board accept the bid.

Storage room clean out: a Robo call will go out to remind everyone to remove belongings; posters are up in lobbies and Roger Blacklow will contact movers to remove the discarded property.

PMC recommends the Board contact unit owners whose balconies need repair and enclosures which need to be removed to enlist their cooperation in the project. A licensed engineer has instructed Mutual 14 that this work must be performed to insure the safety of the owners, their guests and the stability of the building.



IN MEMORIAM



Our condolences go out to the family and friends of Yvette Morcos who passed away October 27. She lived in Building 14, 2B with her brother, Tony.

Our condolences go out to the family and friends of Kaye Bennett, 15149 Vantage Hill Road. Kaye passed away November 12.



Please take a few moments to tidy up your gardens. It's time to pull your dead flowers and annuals. Your neighbors appreciate it!

Sharon Moores

301-438-0048



Social Committee



We hope the folks who showed up for the Halloween Party had a good time. We want to apologize to all of you who took the time to dress up in costume. People left early so we didn't have enough participants to hold a contest.

Due to unforeseen circumstances there will not be a Christmas Party.

If anyone would like to come to our events but doesn't drive, we will get you there. If you don't come to our socials, please let us know what would appeal to you.

We'd like to hear from everyone as to some ideas for the social functions of 2019. Remember we would like to charge as little as possible for our get-togethers. You can call or text me at 301-219-1783 or email me at mooresgang@aol.com.

Sharon Moores

301-438-0048



Reminders & Vital Info



Fire Safety

Your smoke detector only alerts you to a possible fire in your unit. It is not connected to Leisure World Security or the Fire Department. Go outside to a fire alarm pull station. There is a pull station on the catwalk at every stairwell. That alerts the fire department and the other residents.

Fire Alarms are monitored by our security company Dynalectric and they will call the Fire Department.

If you hear the Fire Alarm:

- Leave your unit if you are able and close the door behind you. Do not lock it.
- Do not use the elevator.
- Go to the carport or lobby of the building opposite or next door. Don't get in the way of the emergency personnel. Wait for the "all clear".
- If you are unable to leave your unit, stay inside. Unlock your front door. Go into a bedroom and close the door. Wait for emergency personnel to come to you.



Clothes Dryers

We have a responsibility to ourselves and to our neighbors for properly operating and maintaining our dryers. While the Mutual cleans the exhaust lines (vents) every two years, keeping the dryer clean from lint build-up will prevent unnecessary energy use and fire hazard.

Lint screens should be cleaned after every use. Vacuum the lint particles that accumulate around and under the dryer to reduce fire hazard.

Use of fabric softeners has been found to cause a waxy, invisible substance to build up on the lint screen blocking air flow. Occasional washing of the lint screen with soap and water will prevent this.

Test for any excess heat while dryer is running. Alert our Mutual Assistant, Kelly, if you find this to be so. It is also a good idea to make a visual check of the outside exhaust point to assure there is no lint build up there and that the flap is operating freely.

Exterior Water Valves

Exterior water valves (for the garden taps) can be turned **OFF** now. At the interior access panel, close the valve by turning the faucet handle to the right or **clockwise**.

Insurance Deductible

Maryland law requires condominium owners to reimburse the Mutual for their deductible, up to \$5,000.00 if “the cause of any damage to any portion of the condominium originates in their unit” regardless of fault or responsibility. The Board strongly recommends that each owner have an **HO-6 homeowner’s insurance policy** that will reimburse you for this. If you have any questions, please contact your insurance agent.

Going away for the winter

Depending on how long you’re going to be away this winter, avoid wasting energy by taking these steps before leaving:

- Turn the thermostats in all rooms down to 55° or 60°.
- Turn off circuit breaker to the Water Heater.
- Unplug any unnecessary appliances.

Pets

Please pick up after your pets. We know that pets can have accidents. You need to clean up after them especially in the elevator or on carpeting. Please be courteous and keep our mutual clean and safe. Thanks!

On Halloween, four members of Mutual 14 and their dogs dressed up in Halloween costumes and distributed treats to some of our residents. They had a good time visiting and chatting with their neighbors. Did you see these furry trick-or-treaters?



M14 ONLINE:
Have questions about the Mutual or questions for the Board? Contact the Mutual by using our e-mail address:

M14@mutual-14.org

Our Web Site: www.mutual-14.org

Mutual 14 is also on the Leisure World Residents' website at:

mutual14.lwmc.com/HomePage/38013

Leisure World Executive Meetings: The LWCC Executive Committee meets Friday, (10 days before the LWCC Board) at 9:30 a.m. in Clubhouse I.

The LWCC Board meets on the last Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in Clubhouse I.

Tune in to Channel 974 to see either the Executive Committee meeting broadcast November 21, 22, 23 OR the LWCC (full) Board of Directors meeting December 3, 5, and 7. All broadcasts at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Power Problems? Please remember that if you have a power outage, DO NOT call Pepco!

Call the Main Gate, 301-598-1044.

The Main Gate reports outages to Pepco. We do not have individual accounts with Pepco. This means Pepco does not have a record of your individual residence if you were to call them.

Light Bulb out in the Hallway?

Call Pat Leanza 301-598-4569

Comcast Issues? Call 1-855-638-2855

Did you know??

The Leisure World Golf Course is 92 acres of land in the middle of the community. Besides being home to a wide variety of birds and small wildlife it has a mystery lake. This lake has a very important function for the region. Our golf course is an Anacostia River watershed. That means it floods on purpose.

The area between Overlook and Turnberry floods. This covers a portion of the 14th, 11th, and 15th holes. It creates a lake with an area of 8,400 square yards - 140 yards long and 60 yards wide to a depth of four feet. This is by far the largest lake on the golf course. It takes about five hours for the lake to drain after the rain stops.

It helps to prevent flooding in other communities. Our golf course is important to Leisure World and the region.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- President:** John Radcliffe
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- Vice President:** Leona O'Reilly
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301-598-0897
- Treasurer:** Bobbie Palmer
301-598-7712
- Director:** Beth Leanza
301-598-4569
- Director:** Roger Blacklow
240-560-7789
- Director:** Rick Kaiser
301-943-0063

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

- Building Rep:** Laura Wiltz
- Budget & Finance:** Richard Bambach
- Landscape:** Sharon Moores
- Property Maintenance:** Leona O'Reilly
- Social:** Sharon Moores
- Architectural Design:**
- (Subcommittee of PMC)** Linda O'Neil



Happy Thanksgiving



Look at all the volunteers and mutual helpers we have! Everything they've done in the past year - large and small has enhanced our homes & our neighborhood.

THANK YOU!

Building Reps:

Beth Leanza
Laura Wiltz
B10 Kathy Viney
B11 Paulina Garner, Elinor Walker, Maria Cruz
B12 Ellen Wilson
B13 Sherry Crisp
B14 Laurie Burdick
B15 Aileen Phillips, Ruth Hunter
B16 Bernice Taylor
B16 Don Pruett
B17 Valentine Liu
B17 Jane Carona
Patio Homes Leona O'Reilly

Property Maintenance Committee:

Pat Leanza [who changes light bulbs in all the common areas]
Harold Crisp
Richard Bambach
Ruth Hunter
Rick Kaiser
Russ Coburn
Linda O'Neil
Barbara Martin
Don Emel

Architectural Design Committee:

Linda O'Neil
Jim O'Neil
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Rick Kaiser
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Arvella Brown

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Carole Lee Simms
Cathy Madden
Geneva Foster
Susan Bambach
Julie Gibbons
Bunny Gold
Laurie Burdick
Kathy Viney
Judy Block
Ellen Wilson
Mary Vaughan

Landscape Committee:

Sharon Moores
Kathy Viney
Jim O'Neil
Ellen Wilson
Gregory Frank

Pet bag replacements: Maria Cruz, Jim O'Neil

Grapevine editors:

Leona O'Reilly, Cathy Madden

Grapevine delivery:

B10 Jackie Butler
B11 Paulina Garner
B12 Ellen Wilson
B13 Dorothy Taylor
B13 Sherry Crisp
B14 Joanne Riggles
B15 Ruth Hunter
B16 Ann Clark, Don Pruett
B17 Valentine Liu
Patio Homes Ed & Linda Andrews
LW News delivery: Mary Vaughan

M14 website: Kathy Viney

M14 LWMC website: David Cox

Robo-call listings: Kelly Barton

Board of Directors:

John Radcliffe, President
Leona O'Reilly, Vice President
Laura Wiltz, Secretary
Bobbie Palmer, Treasurer
Rick Kaiser, Director
Beth Leanza, Director
Roger Blacklow, Director

Former Board of Directors

Linda O'Neil
Barbara Martin
Jim Moores

Budget & Finance

Richard Bambach, Kathy Viney

LW Advisory Committees:

Beth Leanza and Arthur Hooker: E&R
Don Pruitt: Emergency
Don Pruitt: Security and Transportation
Jim Moores: Restaurant
Joan Reynolds: Golf and Greens
Laurie Burdick: Tennis
Kathy Viney: Insurance
Harold Crisp: Physical Property



Recycling Info for Montgomery County

YES!

Glass Bottles and Jars

Soft drink, beer, juice, and wine bottles, spaghetti sauce, mayonnaise, and pickle jars.

Remove lids from bottle/jars before placing them in the recycling container.

Plastic Bottles, Containers and Lids

Plastic bottles, containers, jars, tubs, lids, caps, pails, buckets, flowerpots and durable reusable containers (e.g., Tupperware and Rubbermaid-type containers).

#1 PET packaging including clamshells, trays, lids, domes, deli containers, cups caps, and lids.

Aluminum & Bi-Metal Cans and Foil Product

Empty non-hazardous empty aerosol cans, (cooking spray, deodorant, hair spray, and shaving cream aerosol cans).

Aluminum cans and foil products (soft drink and beer cans, aluminum foil, and foil cookware such as pie plates, lasagna pans, and foil TV dinner trays)

Bi-metal (steel/tin) cans and lids (juice, sardine, soup, vegetable and pet food cans).

Lids are recyclable. Please secure lid inside can if possible.

Please empty and rinse all containers and foil products. Labels are okay.

Mixed Paper

Coated paper items such as milk/juice cartons, drink boxes, frozen food boxes, ice cream containers, empty beverage cups.

Newspapers and inserts

Magazines and catalogs

Cardboard boxes **flattened**

Paperboard, such as cereal boxes, (remove liner) paper towel and toilet tissue rolls, snack food and toothpaste boxes.

Unwanted mail, (including envelopes with plastic windows)

Shredded paper (in paper bag)

Office/Computer paper

Construction paper

All other clean, dry paper

Use a paper bag or box for easy mixed paper storage in your home.

Hard/soft cover books and telephone books

NO!

Glass

No broken glass or mirror or window glass

No drinking glasses, cups, plates, or cookware

No ceramics or light bulbs

No household metal items such as pots, pans, or furniture. Recycle these items separately as scrap metal.

Plastic

No plastic wrap; No plastic bags (recycle at the grocery store).

No packing material such as Styrofoam /polystyrene

No packaging from small electronics and toys, or jewel cases from CDs

No microwavable trays

No plastic utensils, bowls, or plates

No plastic toys, kiddie pool

No plastic flower tray packs (marked #6)

No other large plastic items

Aluminum / Metal

No automotive parts

No automotive product containers (such as motor oil, antifreeze, or brake fluid)

No pesticide containers

Mixed Paper

No plastic wrap or bags

(Plastic bags can be recycled at most local grocery stores.)

No carbon paper

No food-contaminated paper, such as pizza boxes, or take-out containers

No paper contaminated with paint, chemicals, or kitty litter

No foil gift-wrap,

No paper towels, napkins, or tissues

Scrap Metal

Do not place scrap metal in trash or commingled materials recycling containers

No vehicle or automotive parts, including engine blocks

No paint cans

No oxygen or propane tanks or other containers under pressure

Scrap metal (like pots and pans) may be brought to Transfer Stations – do not put scrap metal with mixed recyclables.