

THE GRAPEVINE



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The next Board meeting for Mutual 14/Forest Glade will be **April 18 at 2:00 p.m.** in the Administration Building Sullivan Room and by Zoom.

For details email a request to: m14@mutual-14.org

The Zoom meeting ID is **847 2085 0351**. The Password is: **672727**. If you would like to join by phone the number is: 301-715-8592

The President's Message

In a few days, owners will receive the official notice for our Annual Meeting where we report on the State of the Mutual and elect members to the Board. It will be held on **Thursday, April 27th in the Montgomery Room of Clubhouse I, with owner registration starting at 2:30 and the meeting promptly at 3:00.** Tenants cannot vote but are invited to attend. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

Included with that notice will be the ballot to a) elect two Directors to join the Board and b) vote on a Bylaw amendment prohibiting smoking in the common areas *and* inside units (with current smokers grandfathered). The last time this amendment came up for a vote, it failed. Many owners said they didn't want the Board telling residents what they could and couldn't do inside their units. I would argue that we often tell residents to turn down their televisions and music, and to turn off their bathroom exhaust fans, because the noise disturbs their neighbors. Cigarette smoke also disturbs neighbors, and is more obnoxious and hazardous to some residents than noise. The current Board believes this amendment will ultimately benefit residents' health, reduce a potential fire hazard, and improve the appeal of our properties to buyers. We urge owners to **vote "yes"**.

Renovations large and small: **Never, never, never start a repair or renovation project without checking with the Board President or with our Property Manager!!!** Better to know before you start than to have your project stopped in the middle because you didn't ask about permits, insurance, licenses, or ABMs. We currently have two projects stopped for just that reason. Ignorance is not an excuse. It's a unit owner's responsibility to read our Bylaws and our Rules and to use professional, licensed tradesmen.

JOIN US!

We encourage all residents to attend Board and Committee Meetings.



Building Rep Committee:

Meetings are held quarterly in the Potomac Rm., Clubhouse I. Next meeting is May 9 at 3:00 p.m.

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Our Mutual Assistant is Danesca Pineda

301-598-1316 or

dpineda@lwmc.com



News headlines you may have missed:

- Underwear bandit caught. Admits brief crime spree.
- Police car loses wheels to thief. Cops are working tirelessly to nab suspect.
- Man injured in bizarre Peek-A-Boo accident still in ICU.
- A perfectionist walked into a bar. Apparently, it wasn't set high enough.

Kathy Viney, President

Call or text 301-598-2691

Kathy is available for Mutual 14 business Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (and on weekends for emergencies only, please).

Notes From The Board

The Board discussed a privacy complaint regarding those Ring doorbells. First of all, our Bylaws don't allow anyone to "install or attach" anything to the outside of our buildings (apartment or plaza home) without permission from the Board. Cameras may not point and record into someone else's home. The Board agreed to develop some Rules on placement and range of this new technology, but meanwhile, please be considerate of your neighbors' privacy.

We regularly tell residents to get stuff off their balconies or close their blinds, because we don't want to see that stuff. Now we're getting complaints about stuff outside apartment front doors. *That is not your property!* Boxes, filing cabinets, grocery carts, dollies, hand-trucks, and large pieces of furniture must go. The Board has the authority to fine owners for violation of our Rules, and we intend to do a better job of enforcing that one. **Please remove your STUFF from our public spaces!**

In the past few months, it has become evident that our "green sheets" are not up-to-date, especially regarding the contact information for next-of-kin. The majority of us are singletons. It would help the police, Leisure World Security, and Mutual 14 if we had that information immediately after a health emergency or death, instead of having to do searches online or through public records. Talk to your Building Rep and update your information if necessary. We don't share that information with anyone other than Leisure World Administration and County authorities.

We finally got all the compliance signs up, thanks to Julie Gibbons (Bldg. 15-2A). If you see any of them falling off the 2nd or 3rd floor storage room doors, please let her know. We had some difficulty getting the mounting adhesive to stick to the paint.



IN MEMORIAM



Our Deepest Sympathies go out to the family and friends of Laurie Burdick (B14, 1-E) who passed away Saturday, March 4. Laurie was a resident owner since 2014.



Welcome to Our New Residents...



Forest Glade/Mutual 14 extends a warm welcome to:

Lori Hecox – Bldg. 13-1F

Unit Status Report as of March 13, 2023

Units for Sale/Rent/Sold

Settling soon 15111 Glade Dr. B12-2D @ \$186,000

<u>Occupancy:</u>	<u>Feb</u>	<u>Mar</u>
OWNER OCCUPIED	147	144
UNOCCUPIED	11	13
RENTALS	35	36
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TOTAL UNITS	193	193
 Delinquencies > 60 days	 3	 2



STOP!

Many of our Mutual 14 drivers are NOT stopping at stop signs! The intersection of Glade Drive and Vantage Hill Road has had at least one accident and several near misses. Please STOP when you are driving out of Glade Drive.

The rules of the road say drivers are to STOP before a crosswalk, check for pedestrians, proceed slowly to the point where you can see oncoming traffic, then pull out onto the road.

NON-EMERGENCY service calls:

If you or a neighbor needs help getting up after a fall (and it's not a medical emergency), or if the elevator is out and you need assistance getting up or down the stairs, *LW Security cannot help you*. But you can call the number below and tell the dispatcher what service you need.

Montgomery County Public Safety Communications
Dial 301-279-8000, press '1'



M14 ONLINE  **M14 ONLINE**

Have questions about the Mutual or questions for the Board? Want to submit an ABM? Email 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

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.

Leisure World Executive Meetings: The LWCC Executive Committee was scheduled to meet Friday, March. 17, at 1:30 p.m. See Leisure World News to access recording.

The LWCC Board of Directors will meet on Tuesday, Mar. 28, at 9:30 a.m. in Clubhouse I and via Zoom. See Leisure World News for access info to the meeting.

From the Leisure World News: "Executive Committee and Board of Directors meetings are recorded and available to view live or after the meeting at (residents.lwmc.com) >Governance > LWCC Executive Committee and Board Meeting Recordings. Governance meetings open to all unless legally closed."



Happy Birthday!

Happy April Birthday to Kathy Viney (2), Ellen Wilson (4), Myriam Sanchez (18), Pearl A. White (20).

If you would like to share your birthday, please email us at: grapevinem14@gmail.com



Light Bulb out in the Hallway?

Call Pat Leanza 301-598-4569

Comcast Issues? Call 1-855-638-2855

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Kathy Viney
301-598-2691

Vice President: Jim O'Neil
301-438-3232

Secretary: Carol Ames
240-970-5105

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301-822-4686

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301-598-2131

Director: Walter Faggett
202-403-4039

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COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Building Rep: Carol Ames

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Landscape: Jim O'Neil

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