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## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Hi Neighbor!

You'll get used to all of my correspondence starting with a hearty "Hi Neighbor!". I'm hoping to use this space as my way to communicate directly with the community. Just know that I'm interested in your thoughts on life in the Patios. The best way to get ahold of me is via email using <u>kellyboocock83@gmail.com</u>. You may also see me walking the neighborhood with my dog Sully. Please feel free to say hi.

If you missed the annual meeting, here's the HOA Board of Directors for 2024.

President Kelly Boocock Vice President/ Secretary Sue Scott Treasurer John Powers Member at Large Bill Weaver

We'll appoint committee chairs at the March meeting. I hope to see you there!

Kelly Boocock, President The Patios of Chestnut Creek HOA kellyboocock83@gmail.com



### ARB – ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

The Patios Architectural Review Board is pleased to announce that Jo'Ann Aabel is joining us on the ARB Committee. We are 6 strong now!

Hilary A. Kathy M. Jessica K. Mary Lou S. Jo'Ann A. Beth M.

Thank you for volunteering Jo'Ann! I am so thankful for my fun group of volunteers and you are all a joy to work with!

Several of us attended the Chestnut Creek Masters Board Meeting in January. We learned more about the function of the water retention ponds and supporting the wildlife in CC.

The ARB has begun reviewing new exterior paint options for the white tile roof homes. We are fortunate to have Robert and Kelly selecting and updating these options. Once approved by the ARB, we will provide new color samples with paint codes/formulas in the clubhouse. We are hoping to make these available by mid March. If you remove these samples, please return them to the clubhouse samples and sample folders.

As always, if you need to make a request for any architectural projects, please do so on the Patios Website. (We do not use or see any requests on Keys Caldwell). You can also email your requests to: <u>Bameade2000@gmail.com</u>

Thank you from the ARB team

The ARB Team Bameade2000@gmail.com

### SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

Well, February was a busy, fun month. As Cochairs, we so appreciated everyone's patience as we learned the ropes, especially with the emails. Still working on that Button! Lol.

Our community's support for our events was phenomenal – you all rock! We saw a turnout of 40 for breakfast and 50 for the Annual Board Meeting followed by a Mardis Gras themed Meet 'n Greet. Super Sunday had just



under 20 diehard fans cheering for their team (or square!). Game Night finally saw some action with Scattergories being a fun group game, and TGIF is always a great turnout and a nice winddown to end our month. Many thanks to our volunteers that made these events possible.

March is going to come in like a Lion with a couple fun additions to our calendar. We'll kick off the month with our Social Club meeting at 9:3 on Mon 3/4. Since y'all are members whether you like it or not, we'd love your input.



New to Game Night on 3/5 is a return to Bingo! Josephine will be your caller and prizes will be awarded, so come and join us at the clubhouse 7-9pm.

Breakfast is on Thursday 3/7 at 9:00 with a new addition or two on the menu. Coffee and catching up with our neighbors (plus yummy food) are always such a great way to start our month!

Another something new for March will be, by request, our 'Sunday Supper' on 3/10 @ 5pm. We thought we would start with an international theme to reflect our neighborhood, so bring your favorite regional specialty and a hearty appetite. I don't know what I like better – Greek, Cuban, Italian, Mexican, French – but I do know I will try them all! An email with deets will be sent, so keep your eyes peeled for that one. We hope all ages will attend because what could be better than winding down the weekend with our Patio's family!

Our monthly luncheon is back after taking Vday off. Shamrock Café will be our destination on Wed 3/13 at 12:30. Be sure to get your reservation in.

For our event night this month, we are going to have our own version of an Irish Ceili in celebration of St Patrick's Day, Sun 3/17. Come join in at the clubhouse



and raise your voices in song, share your favorite Irish jokes, and maybe even twinkle those toes to a jig! The fun starts at 5pm with our usual Bring Your Fav Bev and an App to share.

We will be moving TGIF to 3/22 so as not to conflict with Good Friday. Come on down at 5:30 and enjoy an hour or so with your neighbors. To end the month, we have had a request to hold an Easter Dinner, Sun 3/31. Let us know if this is something you would like. We will be posting a sign-up sheet on the clubhouse bulletin board. As always, our events only happen when we have volunteers.

We still need hosts for Apr/May breakfasts, Mar/Apr/May TGIF, and our Game Nights. It's as simple as setting up, picking the theme, and making sure all is cleaned & locked up. We usually have several willing volunteers to help, they just need a Fearless Leader! It's actually a lot of fun & laughter plus you make new friends.

Remember, Be The Neighbor You Want To Have and make our Patios the place everyone wishes they could live in!

Your Cool Co-Chairs,

Liz Moore and Josepine Florio ccharbortownsocialclub@gmail.com

#### STORMWATER RETENTION PONDS Patios Edition

Beginning next January 2025 Lake 11, (Tennis Court Lake), will undergo the long-awaited remediation. The project will entail dredging the lake and stabilizing the eroded bank utilizing the dredged material on top of a fabric underlayment called Geoweb, and recovered with replacement sod.

Members of our community have held several joint planning meetings with Lakes Committee members to address the erosion damage to the area next to our tennis court from rain runoff over the years. This runoff has significantly undercut the tennis court playing surface along the edge near the gate entrance on the eastern (lakeside) edge, and 4 areas along the line of shrubbery down through the common area to the lake.

A remediation plan has been agreed upon which will entail placing a permeable fabric barrier along the court edge and cementing it in place to stabilize the area. A system of 4 catch basins and buried drainpipes along the outside edge of the shrubbery line covered by permeable fabric and river rock secured with plastic edging will then channel water directly into the lake.

The labor for this project will be done by volunteer members of the Patios Clubhouse committee and 3 members of the Lakes Committee who have also volunteered their help. The joint work effort will save the Patios an estimated \$4,000.00 in labor costs.

Preparation work has already begun with a work crew of volunteers recently cutting and trimming the shrubbery adjacent to the tennis court. It's a big project and if you wish to volunteer to help please contact Raymond DeVincent or me.

Jerry Valenta Patios Lake Advocate 941-492-6345



## **IRRIGATION**

If anyone has a question or concern about their irrigation, please fill out a work order and place it in the black mailbox which is located on the right side of the front doors of the clubhouse.

Victor has agreed to water the new shrubs in front of the clubhouse until they are well-established.

Pat Larson 941-400-2178 Pat22Larson@aol.com



## **GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

We are close to saying goodbye to the chilly weather as March is almost here, although it's been nice for working in our gardens and walking around the neighborhood.

The clubhouse landscape renovation project has just been completed. The new plantings are in all along the front areas and also a section by the shuffle board court. The grounds committee gave our ideas to Tim, from West Coast and he designed it accordingly. The project was needed as the shrubs were old and needed to be replaced. We hope that you will enjoy the new look especially when the red ixora shrubs start blooming.

This month we will be walking the neighborhood checking to see where sod is needed. The grounds committee makes the decision on where it should go.

We will also be doing plant replacements this month.

Reminder: Large branches should be cut up and bundled for easy pickup. All yardwaste/containers/bags should be placed at the curb at 5 pm the night before trash pickup. No plastic bags.

It makes the streets look unsightly and takes away the beauty of our community to leave your yard waste out all week. Please put your trash barrels away as soon as possible after trash pickup. It's a rule and your neighbors will thank you.

Reminder: when making changes in your gardens you must have written approval from Grounds BEFORE you start your project. Check your Redbook for what's allowed.

We are here to help and guide you and answer your questions wherever we can.

Enjoy your gardens 👒 🐖

Enjoy our beautiful Patios community



Mary Davis Chair, Grounds Committee <u>mjadavis@gmail.com</u> 203-725-6788





### **BOOK CLUB NEWS**

#### March Book Club

Date: Thursday, March 18th at 10:00 am. Book: Closer Than You Know, by Brad Parks

#### April Book Club

Date: Thursday, April 11th at 10:00 am. Book: Breathing Lessons, by Ann Tyler

#### May Book Club

Date: Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. Book: The Gentleman in Moscow, by Amor Towles (This is a long book and you might want to get started early!)

ALL ARE WELCOME! If you want to be on the Book Club email distribution list please contact Joanne Yeterian at jveterian@comcast.net



Ducks in a row at circle pond

## YOGA AT THE CLUBHOUSE

Barbara Toufar started teaching a Hatha Yoga Class in February on Wednesdays beginning at 9 am and ending at 10 am. All residents are welcome to attend. Please arrive early so that you can sign in and help move the tables and chairs to accommodate the class. In addition, we need to return the tables to their original places after class.

Barbara has this to say about the class: Hatha Yoga is a practice of bending, stretching, toning our bodies, and quieting our minds in a health conscious environment. It is a continuing practice of discovering yourself and recognizing and accepting limitations.

If you arrive after the class has started at 9 am, you will need to return the following week so as not to interrupt the flow of the class.

I look forward to seeing you in class.

Namaste, Barbara



#### **NEWSLETTERS**

Newsletters are sent to Patios' residents via email. Paperless is more cost effective, helps the environment and reduces clutter in your home and on driveways. However, if you wish to receive the newsletter via home delivery, email your request to Barbara Toufar toufarbj@gmail.com. Also, a few paper copies are available in the clubhouse.

Betsy Legasey, Editor Bleg50@gmail.com

#### 2023 HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION (HOA)

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March

# Patios of Chestnut Creek

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 -Needlecraft 9.30 AM -Bridge 1.15 PM	2
3	4 -Social Club Mtg 9.30 AM -Bridge 1.15 PM	5 -Pickleball 8.30 AM -Water Aerobics 9.30 AM -Bingo/Game Night 7 PM	6 -Yoga 9 AM -Mah Jongg 1 PM	7 Breakfast at Clubhouse 9 AM	8 Bridge 1.15 PM	9
10 Daylight Savings -Sunday Supper 5 PM	11 -Bridge 1.15 PM	12 -Pickleball 8.30 AM -Water Aerobics 9.30 AM	13 -Yoga 9 AM -Luncheon at Samrock Café, 12.30 PM	<sup>14</sup> Book Club 10 AM	15 -Needlecraft 9.30 AM -Bridge 1.15 PM	16
17 St. Pats Irish Ceili 5 PM	18 -Bridge 1.15 PM	19 -Pickleball 8.30 AM -Water Aerobics 9.30 AM	20 -Yoga 9 AM -Mah Jongg 1 PM	21	22 -Bridge 1.15 PM TGIF 5.30 PM	23
24	25 -Bridge 1.15 PM	26 -Pickleball 8.30 AM -Water Aerobics 9.30 AM	27 -Yoga 9 AM -Mah Jongg 1 PM	28	29 -Bridge 1.15 PM	30
31 Easter Dinner Details to follow						