

Letter from Ed Schreiner, February 2016

President, Fountain Lakes Community Association

Inquiring Minds.....

This is a question that I get most often as I travel around the community:

Question: "What's the story with the back gates? Why are they down so much?"

Answer: There is a very simple answer...."because people keep hitting them!" I believe we are now up to 7 times that someone has hit the outgoing gate at the Williams Road entrance. To me, it defies logic that it's the outgoing side that gets hit, not incoming which is where we had all the trouble with the LiftMaster poles.

It might be helpful to review the thought process that we used when we went to this gate solution. As you know, we had LiftMaster poles back there for years. It got to the point where there was barely a night where someone didn't have a passenger get out of the car and lift the pole to let a car in. It wasn't so bad at first because they were somewhat gentle in lifting the pole and the Monitors learned how to go out and adjust the gears to put things back in place. But, towards the end, the people lifted the poles violently and snapped the shear pins, which required a \$175 dollar service call to repair. When this got to be almost every night, it became untenable. In some cases we were able to discern license plates and go after the drivers but, in many cases, license plates were unreadable or, in some cases, purposely covered.

As we looked at alternative solutions, we were confronted with numerous limiting factors that reduced our alternatives for that entrance. We thought about swing gates like the front but DOT advised us that there was insufficient room

between the entrance and Williams Road to accommodate that style. We looked into single panel sliders but there is insufficient room on either side of the entrance without infringing on homeowners private property on either side. That led us to the collapsible sliders that we currently have.

I have personally timed these sliders and they go from fully closed to fully pen in ten seconds...10 SECONDS! But apparently that is insufficient speed for some of our residents. We have been successful in securing compensation for many of the damages, especially since we put the license plate camera in place. Yes, the economic recovery is important to our finances... but the inconvenience that these crashes cause, to say nothing about the man-hours of time we spend reviewing video and chasing people is frustrating to say the least.

When approaching the rear gates from inside the complex, there is a metal sensor in the ground immediately in front of the speed bump. The gate will not open until it senses a vehicle. It is important to wait until the gate is fully open before

proceeding over the speed bump.

I also get asked less frequently: "Why have gates at all?". The answer to that is that most residents have told us they want the gates because it projects a sense of security. That led us to having the front gates closed during the day and opening on approach. I know that most of us understand that we have the illusion of being a gated community, but I guess sometimes the illusion is a deterrent.

I'm hoping that over time, our residents will get used to the Williams Road gates and we'll have better success with their operation.

Luncheon Tea

Wednesday March 9, 2016 1pm Fountain Lakes Community Center



Everyone welcome!

Each table will be set by a member of the community with their own table settings, flatware and dishes. If you would like to sponsor a table, please let us know. Note: tablecloths, napkins and centerpieces provided.

Murse Humorist: Carol O'Flaherty
Wear you fanciest hat and gloves there will
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Also 50/50 drawing

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Bonita Springs Utilities:(water) 239-992-0711
Florida Power and Light: 239-262-1322
Waste Pro:
Comcast: 239-432-9277
Fountain Lakes Monitors: (non-office hours) ··· 239-470-2299
Fountain Lake Office: 8:30-4:30 M-F 239-495-3555



ATTENTION Your Help Needed!!!

Kathleen Flicek; chairperson of the Membership Services committee will be stepping down at the end of this year due to health concerns. This committee will be broken up into 3 groups under one umbrella.

Sports will all go with Nancy Birch, and she needs a co-chair for the extra work. Every person will continue to be in charge of their individual sport. The social committee does have one person who will co-chair but we need another. We could use some members in their 50's & up.

The Flash has had one year in its new format.
Those of us who have worked on it would like to see it continue. Computer experience helpful.
Please contact: Kathleen Flicek:

bkflicek@netzero.net

or Carol Dickerson: cdickerson111@comcast.net





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Mystery Couple

The first person to identify and email names of this lovely couple to joe@jpavich.com will win a \$25 gift certificate from Publix!

Last months mystery couple Brian and Laura Ross were identified by Howard Shelow and Eddie Wierzbowski.



In Memoriam

Pete Licopantis of Sunrise passed away recently. Pete and his Wife Jean have been residents of Fountain Lakes since 1992. Pete will be missed in Fountain Lakes. You could always count on him for a good story about Greece or a story about his days as a Firefighter.

February 2016	Saturday	9	13 Sat. Scramble 8:45am	20 Patriotic Dinner Dance	8autique Sat Scramble 8:45am	
	Friday	Mates & Dates 6:45am Tennis 8:00am Bocce 1pm	12 Lincoln's Birthday Tennis 8:00am Bocce 1pm	Nates & Dates 8:45am Tennis 8:00am Bocce 1pm	Soutique Set up 26 Bocce 1pm Tennis 8:00am	4 Mates & Dates 8:45am Tennis 8:00am Bocce 1pm
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	Sunday			Happy Valentine's Day	21	58









PATRIOTIC DINNER DANCE

FEBRUARY 20, 2016 AT 6 PM

MUSIC BY JOE TURNER

DRESS IN RED, WHITE, AND BLUE OR YOUR SERVICE UNIFORM.
TICKETS: \$16.00, GO ON SALE FEB 1.
MUST BE PURCHASED BY FEB 15.

CATERED BY FAMOUS DAVE'S
MENU: ROASTED CHICKEN, BEEF BRISKET,
CREAMY POTATO SALAD, WILBER BEANS,
DRUNKEN APPLES, CORNBREAD MUFFINS
AND OF COURSE APPLE PIE.
BRING YOUR BEVERAGE OF CHOICE, COFFEE,
LEMONADE AND ICE WILL BE PROVIDED.



Message from the Pavich's

Welcome back Snowbirds! Looking forward to some Sun and Fun with you this Seละจูดกี!! Joe and Joni

Fountain Lakes Activities - February 2016



Pickleball

Come and join us Mon. at 4:00 pm Wed. at 9:30 am

No previous playing experience necessary.

We have pickleball paddles and balls Just meet at the tennis courts, come ready to play!

Shuffleboard

Golf Schedule

Mates and Dates

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Saturday Scramble

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Everyone in Fountain Lakes is

to the main clubhouse Fridays

Call Casey if you have any

questions: 248-345-1122

Friday Happy Hour

invited to the screen room attached

4-6pm, beginning January 8, 2016.

Bring your beverage of choice &

Shuffleboard has started!

We are looking for new players and/or beginners.

Just show up Wednesdays 8:45am

For any questions, call Dick Birch: (239) 947-3843

February 2016

Linksters

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snack to share.

11th



has started

Saturday March 5 2016 8:45am - 2:00pm Fountain Lakes

A best ball tournament will be held followed by brunch at community center.

Tickets will go on sale at the office for \$5.00 beginning Feb 5 and must be purchased by March 2. Non-golfing spouses will be welcome for the brunch. Contact Nancy or Dick Birch at 239-947-3843 for golf queries

For brunch related queries contact: Carol or Dick Andersen 239-310-4554 Prizes donated by JRC Lawn Maintenance will be awarded.

Golf/Brunch Outing Pool - Double Rack 9 Ball **Tournaments**

Thursdays 4:00-6:30pm

\$1.00 Entry Fee (all fees for prizes) All skill levels welcome, via a handicap system 3:30pm: rules, tips, practice and

demonstrations for new players Tournaments for Fountain Lakes Residents only.

For information: Call Peter: (239) 390-9854

Water Aerobics!!

Tuesdays 11:00 am, at the main pool near the clubhouse. It's FUN and a great workout. Call Casey Monti at 248-345-1122 with any questions or just show up!



February

Saturday, Feb 20th at 6pm Patriotic Dinner Dance with Joe Turner Friday, Feb 27th

Calendar of Events

Boutique

Thursday, Feb 26th Setup for Boutique

March

Wednesday, March 9th, 1pm Luncheon Tea with Carol Flaherty, Humorist Saturday, Mar 12th Garage Sale Saturday, Mar 19th Pool Party

Tuesday, Mar 29th Sports Banquet

April

Saturday, Apr 16th

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

for the FLASH Magazine is the 8th of every month. (For the following month's issue.) Please submit articles to either: Kathleen Flicek:

cdickerson111@comcast.net

Joe Pavich: joe@jpavich.com

Requesting

Ladies have been asking for used Women's magazines in the library. If you have any you are finished with, please bring them to the library for others to enjoy. Thank you

Communitywide Garage Sale Saturday, March 12



If you are interested in participating, pick up your pack at the office beginning Feb. 14. \$2.00 will help defray the cost of advertising.

ATTENTION

The deadline to submit articles and ads

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Put Your Heart Into It

from Estero Fire Rescue

Submitted by Susan Lindenmuth, Public Relations Manager

February is a time for love and there is no better way to celebrate than to love your heart. February is American Heart Month and a time to make sure that you are making heart-healthy choices. Each year, heart disease is responsible for the death of an estimated 630,000 Americans each year but did you know 80% of this is preventable according to the American Heart Association? By making small changes, you can have BIG benefits.

Get moving at least 30 minutes each day and enjoy our beautiful Southwest Florida weather - hit the road for a walk, run or bike ride. Join a walking group or sign up for a 5K fun run. Don't forget your four-legged family members because their heart health is also important....and they make great exercise partners.

Know what you are eating by cooking more at home. It reduces the sodium in your food and preparing a healthy, home cooked meal at home can be a family affair. Looking for something new? Buy a new fruit or vegetable at the store or farmers market that you have never had. Then research how to prepare and cook it. Adventure can be found anywhere.

Don't forget to wear your red on February 5, 2016 for American Heart Association's National Wear Red Day for their Go Red for Women Campaign. This event highlights the special needs that women have when it comes to recognizing heart disease and how to prevent it. Heart disease isn't just for men. According to the American Heart Association, 1 in 3 women will suffer from heart disease, often with different symptoms than men. Want to know more? Visit the AHA website at www.americanheart.org for things that you can do to make a big difference in your health.

Another important part of being your best is learning to recognize the signs and symptoms of heart related illness and be prepared to act if trouble strikes. Estero Fire Rescue operates as a full training center for the American Heart Association and offers many classes in CPR and First Aid. Classes are scheduled monthly at our facility and a full calendar can be found on our website. Have a group of 10 or more? We will come to you. Contact Susan Lindenmuth for pricing and to schedule your class. You can make a difference.

For further information on this or any health and safety topic, visit our Safety Encyclopedia located on our website at www.esterofire.org.

Contact Estero Fire Rescue for any safety need that you may have. Visit our website to learn about our many education programs or call Susan Lindenmuth, Public Relations Manger, at 239-390-8000.

ALL LADIES ARE WELCOME

To The Fountain Lakes Red Hat's, 8th LCR game party and lunch.

March 2, at 10:30am at the Fountain Lakes Club House. Price is \$25.00, LOTS OF DOOR PRIZES Share the wealth, 50/50 will be offered

Bring a food item for the food shelf for a separate raffle. Come for the fun, The tickets will be sold by: Diane

Murtaugh - 22200 Seashore Circle,

239-498-9977. e-mail: murtaughdiane@gmail.com



ART CLASS

Judy Ladd will be offering an art class for Fountain Lakes on Tuesdays from 9-11.

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