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FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT By Judy Cowan

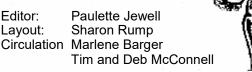
hope that by the time you are reading this column, we will be through the hurricane season. Our community, and beyond our gates, have been hit hard by flooding and one hurricane after another. Our cleanup continues. As much as a hardship this has been, we are fortunate that none of us was harmed. When hiring a contractor, please be aware that there are some who may be unscrupulous. You should not be asked to pay more than a small deposit on work until materials have been delivered to your home. A referral from someone you know who has used the contractor is a good resource. You can always check with the Better Business Bureau to read reviews about the contractor.

At the October 22nd Board meeting we discussed several things that are relevant to emergency circumstances. For example, I reviewed two sections of our existing Rules and Regulations that apply to emergency circumstances. To paraphrase:

- 1. When your home is not occupied (e.g., in the summer), it is your responsibility to have a caretaker watch over your home and do routine weeding, trimming and other maintenance and repair as needed. You are required to inform the Park Office of the caretaker's name and contact information. Any items that may be windblown or become airborne during high winds or hurricanes should be stored inside before leaving for an extended period of time.
- 2. The Association shall not be responsible for loss or damage caused by accident, fire,

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theft, or act of God to any home or personal property left by residents or their guests on the premises.

If you are not at Oakwood Manor during a hurricane or other emergency circumstances, contact your caretaker, not the Office, to get an update on your home. If there is a mandatory evacuation and you choose not to leave your home, you are putting yourself at risk, and you are also putting emergency responders at risk.

An Ad Hoc Rules and Regulations Committee has been set up to review and make revision recommendations to the existing Rules and Regulations. Any recommended changes must be reviewed by our attorney before the Board can approve them. Tony Calvino has agreed to act as liaison from the committee to the Board. Several homeowners have volunteered to be on the committee. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please contact Tony Calvino.

Another item that was discussed and approved by the Board at the October meeting is the Mandatory Evacuation Resolution and *Rule* which was written by our attorney, Kevin Wells. The document is available for you to review on our website. The Mandatory Evacuation Resolution and Rule document will be incorporated into the revised Rules and Regulations. Below are the most relevant points:

- 1. The Board will hold a meeting as soon as possible when there are emergency circumstances.
- 2. The Board declares and orders that the cooperative property and homes must be evacuated within 12 hours after there is an issuance of a mandatory evacuation order bv Sarasota County.
- 3. The Association encourages all occupants to plan now to promptly evacuate the cooperative property and homes and stay

with a friend or relative outside the evacuation level or plan to evacuate to an approved Sarasota County Evacuation Center.

- 4. When a mandatory evacuation order is issued by Sarasota County for your Evacuation Zone, and you do not evacuate, you should be prepared to be without power, water, fire rescue, law enforcement, or emergency medical support until winds and waters subside.
- 5. Association employees have been assigned specific tasks to perform to implement the Association's disaster plan before or immediately following the event for which a state of emergency is declared which may include, but is not limited to, shutting off electricity to the common areas and recreational facilities, water, sewer, security systems or air conditioners, and will NOT be available to assist you with your evacuation or otherwise.
- 6. The Association will not physically remove or force the removal of anyone who refuses to evacuate Oakwood Manor or homes; however, should they fail or refuse to timely evacuate, the Association is immune from liability or injury to persons or property arising from such failure or refusal.

Our *Bylaws* allow the Board to fill a vacancy by appointing a member to the position for the balance of the unexpired director's term of office. Patty Whitmer was appointed to fill the position created by the passing of Chris Turner. The term of office is through January 2026. Please join the Board in welcoming Patty to the position.

There will be three open Board positions for terms beginning in January 2025. They are for three-year terms. If you have any interest in serving on the Board and contributing to the community in this capacity, please read the information included in the packet, 1st Notice of Annual Meeting, which will be mailed or emailed to you on November 19th. Notify the Office by December 9th if you intend to run for one of the open positions. You are encouraged to submit a

TREASURER'S REPORT September 30. 2023 By Frank Dawes



A recap since our last board meeting in April:

April nine real estate closings \$21,552 commissions. Operating profit for month \$35,442.

May operating profit \$11,395. Fixed asset additions \$4,042 maintenance building.

June operating profit \$2,768. Fixed Asset additions \$80,000 maintenance bldg.,\$9,239 A/C Apt. #2.

July operating loss \$2,194. Large expenses all purpose room \$10,850 and roof repairs \$3,449.

August operating profit \$6,082. Fixed asset additions \$116,009 maintenance bldg.

September operating profit \$16,758. Year to date operating profit \$84,976. Month end cash balances operating \$201,503 and reserve funds \$541,796.

A final note we received Wind Insurance (which we have been unable to get the last few years) costing \$39,000. We have been accruing for a \$50,000 policy, so we will be adjusting our accrual which will reduce our insurance expense for the year.

Candidate Information Statement form by December 16th. This form allows you to provide information about yourself that members can consider when voting at the January Annual Meeting.

As always, I encourage you to use the *Comments Form* when you want to be in communication with me, another Board member or staff. The *Comments Forms* are shared with the entire Board and appropriate staff. Whatever action is taken is recorded on the form and sent to you and the Board.

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Shuffle Club News For November By Vicki Gregory

I It's with a heavy heart that I write this article. By now most of you in Oakwood Manor have heard the sad news of Bob Cooter's passing. Bob was an absolute legend in the world of Shuffleboard. He was inducted into the Ohio Shuffleboard Hall of Fame years ago.

Bob achieved prominence as a Firefighter in Dayton as well. As I mentioned in a previous article, Bob had struggled with his health for the last 3 years which deteriorated enough to force him to sell his beloved home on Sycamore Terrace last year and leave Oakwood Manor to return to his hometown in Dayton-Kettering, Ohio.

Many of our shuffle club players were encouraged by Bob to embrace the game of Shuffleboard throughout the years, most still participate up at the courts today. Bob always instructing the traveling team at team practice days on Monday mornings to make sure we were executing the "right" shot and always explaining why that shot should be taken. He was, at times, a tough old guy if you choose the wrong shot and you could hear him raising his voice even over at the pool!

There will always be an empty seat cushion at the courts as we continue to progress in our shuffleboard game. BOOK CLUB By Gretchen McTavish



he Oakwood Manor Book Club will meet on Friday, November 15 at 1 PM in the club house. This meeting will be primarily a time to get organized for the coming months and to discuss books we have been enjoying. We will also be discussing Kristin Hannah's latest novel, The Women, published this year. This is quite an engrossing book set during the Vietnam Conflict, focusing on the experiences of the American military nurses. Many of us recall the years of the war as highly formative and significant but have little knowledge about the women serving on the front lines. Unfortunately, the library does not have this available in a book club bag and there is a waiting list for the copies they do have, but I am hoping that some will have read it.

Attending the book club is a great way to meet others and engage in conversation about our reading. We meet on the third Friday of each month for one hour. Books are selected from the Sarasota Public Library's book club bags list and are distributed and recollected each month. The group has been relatively small and is open to all. We aim to keep the conversation focused on the book, its characters, ideas, conflicts, and contributions. Please contact Gretchen McTavish at 610.812.9169 if you have questions.

Rest in peace, Bob. 🗖



NEW RESIDENTS

Carl & Waneta Johnson 3217 Bayberry Terr 765-210-1842 765-513-1134

MANAGER'S CORNER Bill Walsh CMCA, AMS

Good Day Oakwood Homeowners, Here's an update on what's happening in the Park:

MAINTENANCE BUILDING UPDATE:

All progress in on hold until FPL connects the power to the building.

ASSOCIATION ISSUES:

- a. The 2024 Hurricane season has affected Oakwood Manor in a major way. Tropical Storm Debby with 17" of rain caused lots of flooding throughout the park. The pond and drainage canals filled to the brim and the bank of the east canal was breached and water flowed onto Oakwood Blvd E and surrounded several homes. Hurricane Milton did a lot of damage to the park. I was able to get a tree company the next day to open up all the roads. They returned to cut up the fallen trees around the property. They will return again when time allows to remove the rest of the brush.
- b. The Association lost about a dozen trees to the storm. Also lost is half of the bocce court roof, the gazebo and some minor damage on the clubhouse roof. Several hundred feet of perimeter fencing, perimeter lighting and mailbox poles will need replacing. Please allow time for this to be accomplished. It will be weeks if not months for all this to be fixed. Please be patient.
- c. PLEASE OBSERVE ALL STOP SIGNS AND THE 20 MPH SPEED LIMIT IN THE PARK. WITH ALL THE DEBRIS CLOSE TO THE ROAD, VISABILITY IS DIMINISHED AND BICYCLES AND PE-DESTRIANS ARE IN DANGER.
- d. I was able to have the pool opened 5 days after the storm. The Hot Tub has

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY Come out from 5pm to 6 pm

November 13, 2023

Bring a snack to share and whatever drink you like.

This is your chance to meet and greet your neighbors.

Information- Bette Lou 941-955-7102

had some issues and will be up and heating as soon as possible.

- e. I am still working on getting a few proposals for repairs to the women's shower. As soon as they come in a decision will be made the work will commence.
- f. The door to the kitchen has been left open several times in the past few months. The committees that use the kitchen PLEASE make sure all is locked up before you leave.
- g. There are many breaks on the irrigation system. It will be a while for repairs to be made before the system can be turned on.
- h. The replacement of mailbox posts will be done as soon as possible. Please have patience, as there are many posts to be done.
- i. We will have a new pest control company servicing the clubhouse beginning in November. NatureZone will offer residents a reduced rate for treating individual homes. Stop by the office to get further information





Show Committee News

Mark your calendar for upcoming shows!

- Friday, January 10: Everly Set
- [•] Saturday, January 25: Boy Band Evolution
- ^o Saturday, March 22: Vintage Vinyl

The show committee, which started long ago with volunteers scouting out professional talent to entertain at OM, continues the task of finding quality performances for your enjoyment. After searching far and wide, we think we have found some of the best shows.

You will notice that ticket prices have gone up by a small amount. We know you will understand that costs have gone up over the years. Many acts drive long distances to bring their talents to all of us. The costs need to cover travel expenses, time for setting up and breaking down stage equipment, plus a healthy dinner to fuel the performers.

We are hoping that the Fun-in-the-Sun Squad will add these dates to their calendar of events. These shows provide an opportunity to meet fellow members of the OM community and have a wonderful night out.

Tickets for reserved seats will be available 2-3 weeks before each show date. $p_{\rm ex}$

MICEKTEERS By Sharon Rump



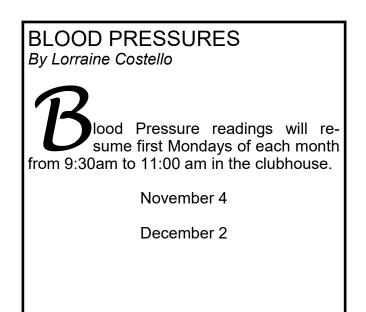
he October meeting of the Micekteers was

canceled so the program that was planned will be covered in November.

We will look at some programs available on mobile devices that can be very helpful. Focus at this meeting will be a program called Photo Vault and is available on both IPhones and Androids.

Photo Vault is a program that allows you to take a photo of important documents/ information and put it in a secure place. After doing that, you simply delete it from your system and it is stored in a very safe and protected location. It is a free program and easy to download and set up.

We will also touch on some of the updates and upgrades to programs you might already have that have fixes or maybe additional features included. Bring your questions and suggestions and we can all learn together.



VETS (LUB SPAGHETTI DINNER SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2024 4:30 pm - doors open 5:00 pm - program 6:00 pm - dinner





SALAD, SPAGHETTI (VEG AND MEAT) AND DESSERT LEMONADE AND WATER

TICKETS ON SALE BEGINNING OCTOBER 26

TOY DRIVE BY Kerri Knapp

$\mathcal{O}_{ m akwood}$ Manor will be having our annual

Toys for Tots toy drive on December 7th. The collection will happen during Breakfast Club. If you are unable to attend or do not normally attend Breakfast Club, you may contact Kerri Knapp at 269-615-2180 to schedule a pickup of your donation.

You can start shopping the deals now to prepare for the toy drive. They have a desperate need for bikes, helmets, baby to 2 years old and items for 8-17 year olds. I was told that they have an abundance of toys for 3 year olds to 7 year olds.

Please stop by the office to pick up a list of the **most needed** items. A printed list will also be available at Saturday morning breakfast club.

Let's give this event our best Oakwood Manor effort.

Kerri Knapp Knapp.kerri47@gmail.com



FOOD DRIVE By Kerri Knapp

 \mathcal{O}_{akwood} Manor annual food drive for All

Faith's Food Bank of Sarasota is scheduled for November 16th during Saturday morning breakfast club. If you are unable to attend or do not normally attend breakfast club, you may either drop off your donations on Friday, November 10th in the community hall or you can contact Kerri Knapp at 269-615-2180 for a pickup of your donation.

Please stop by the office to pick up the list of most needed items. The printed list will also be available at Saturday morning breakfast.

Prepare now and purchase the BOGO items at Publix and Winn Dixie. If the BOGO are not on the most requested list, but a food item that your grandkids would eat, then most other households would benefit from it also.

Keep in mind that canned food items need to be with pull tabs for opening. Food items can be other than the printed list, but all need to be current within the expiration dates, nothing outdated, also no dented cans.

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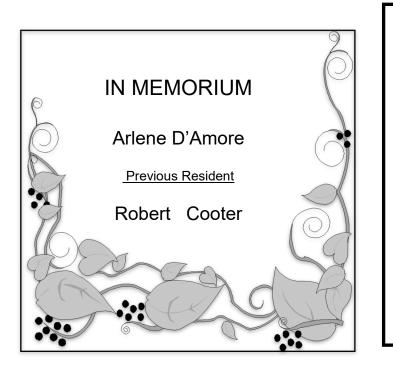
HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We would like to wish all of our residents a very Happy Birthday and we are listing the November birthdays here so you can send best wishes to your friends and neighbors on their special day. If there are any errors or omissions please let the office know so our records can be updated. If you do not wish your birthday to be listed, please notify Sharon Rump and she will make sure your name is not published.

Carol	Mickevicius	Nov 1	Tom	McQuilter	Nov 12	Duane	Mill
Ted	Miller	Nov 1	Gregory	Tieche	Nov 12	Melinda	Kor
Henry	Yoder	Nov 3	Clint	Kounk	Nov 13	Mary	Wa
Chuck	Purdy	Nov 3	Lori	Reimann	Nov 13	Judy	Nev
Scott	Summers	Nov 3	Pamela	Keough	Nov 13	Barry	Baty
Patricia A	Tufman	Nov 3	Lorraine	Landis	Nov 14	Connie	Nic
John	Poggione	Nov 4	Joanne	Frey	Nov 14	Timothy	Jurc
Gretchen	McTavish	Nov 4	Barbara	Bennett	Nov 14	Kirk	Stol
Kirk	Samples	Nov 4	Jeff	Murphy	Nov 14	Don	Fles
Kay	Beyer	Nov 6	Diane	Steury	Nov 15	John	Mig
Doreen	Hershberger	Nov 6	Jackie	Calvino	Nov 16	C.J.	Yod
Margaret	Steury	Nov 7	Daniel	Gendron	Nov 17	Bruce	Maı
Shirley	Rychener	Nov 7	Tom	Cutting	Nov 17	David	Bow
David	Tushar	Nov 7	Maria	Kirkwood	Nov 18	Kim	Mat
Carol	Kern	Nov 7	Jean	Yoder	Nov 18	Heather	Hill
Carol	Salzinger	Nov 7	Cinda	Bird	Nov 18	Shirley	Ker
John	Kurtz	Nov 8	Teresa	Green	Nov 18	Sandy	Dur
Richard	Raimbeau	Nov 8	Regina	Winkler	Nov 18	Diane	Kna
Cecil	Harry	Nov 8	Mary	Weber	Nov 19	Alice	DeI
Jody	Steury	Nov 8	Linda	Linthicum	Nov 19	Karen	Smi
Jahcolyn	Neiman	Nov 9	Terry	Funk	Nov 20	Eddie	Noc
Kevin	Troyer	Nov 9	Paula	LeVance	Nov 20	Jim	Bail
James	Bowers	Nov 9	Mary	Kukainis	Nov 21	, Mark	Hag
Normand	Bontrager	Nov 10	Percy	Hill	Nov 21	L	
Susan	Gerow	Nov 10	Jerry	Miller	Nov 21		
Lorraine	Borntrager	Nov 11	Terry	Wheaton	Nov 21		
Nadine	Blair	Nov 11	David	Jones	Nov 22		Ĭ
Sara	Frey	Nov 12	Dannie	Mast	Nov 22		
Allen	Stutzman	Nov 12	Jerry	Buscher	Nov 23		~ 6
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