

Gator Tales

News & Views of Blue Heron Pines Golf Community

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The Presidents Message: Wow!!! What a way to end the season. I have always been told that it is better to be safe than sorry. The combination of media coverage and mass closings have really frightened a lot of people. Yes, this has the potential to be a very serious issue, but remember fear is a real enemy. Fear is our most basic instinct-a key to survival. Fear saves us, but it can also prey on us, stealing the very life it seeks to protect. Let's focus on health and keeping a positive attitude. Be thankful for the times that we have had here together and that we will have again. Let us also be mindful of our neighbors and practice the

precautions that have been put in place.

1. If you are ill, please stay home. Contact your doctor for advice. No need to share. LOL
2. Wash your hands when you get home from someplace that you NEEDED to go.
3. While out, do NOT touch your face.
4. Be respectful of people's space and start practicing "Social Distancing"; fist bumps, smiles and waves are the greeting of the times.

And remember, like everything that has gone before, this too shall pass and with a bit of caution and common sense we can all get through it. Wishing everyone a great summer of fun, adventure and good health.

Walt King

**Next HOA Meeting
October 6, 2020**

Birthdays

3/20 Jean Michalak
4/1 Colin Phelps
 Debbie Schmidt
 Georgina Ralph
4/3 Lynn Babbitt
 Inge German
 Vicky Kessel
4/5 Grace Lucas
4/7 Jack Solgot
 Judy Crawford
 Marie Sutherby
 Sally Wedlick
4/9 Gary Limatainen
4/10 Wayne Carter
 Robert Arendts
4/11 Robert Potorski
4/12 Joe Mailloux
4/13 Steve Basil
 Shelly Pollock
4/16 Linda McMenamin
4/17 Audrea Trumpey
4/18 Kelly Konstantinos
 Renee Firestone
4/20 Liz Black
4/21 Joe Minucci
4/23 Barbara Cox
4/27 Carol Evans
 David Clapper
4/28 Tom Pearson
4/29 Nancy Leitschmidt
 Barbara Stauffenckler



Anniversary

4/1 Mark/Therese Wesaw
4/5 Patrick/Linda Kain
 Bob/Sammi Mischler
4/6 Tom/June Swank
4/7 Dave/Janet Bolyard
4/8 Dave/Barb Stepniak
 Rod/Sharon Moore
 Dave/Janet Clapper
4/11 Steven/Joan Neider
4/13 Bill/Vicky Kessel
4/15 Lou/Marge Royds
 Mark/Karen Belknap
4/16 Bill/Mary Ward
 Dennis/Rose Parente
4/20 Kenneth/Georgina Ralph
 Arthur/Violet McCoy
4/22 Peter/Gail McNaughton
4/27 Mike/Joan Wyman
4/28 Kenneth/Kathleen Gellant



Sympathy:

Get Well

Jae-Ann Carder lot 528
Bob Wigginton lot 365
Kay Pelky lot 446
Tom Breay lot 703

Thank you note:

I would like to thank all my terrific friends and neighbors who cooked, sent or brought flowers, prayed and wished me well while I was hospitalized. It was a comfort to know that we have such a wonderful community.

Claire Oss # 15



BHP DAZZLERS LUNCHEON

The next Dazzler luncheon will be at
LOS MARIACHIS
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April 17, 2020

Call Jean Michalak

By March 31

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There will be no sign up sheet.

If you need a ride call Jean Michalak

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ALL BLUE HERON LADIES ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US

Drivers please let me know if you have room in your car in case someone needs a ride. Also if you can't make it, please take your name off the list or call me.

Thank You!!!

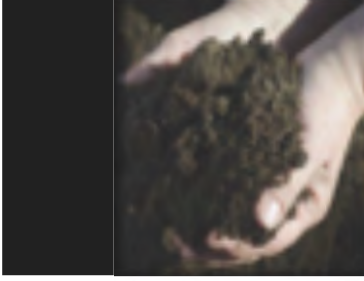
Plan Ahead for a Hurricane

Hurricane season is almost here. Here are some tips to minimize damage to your property and others in the event of a hurricane. Clear your yard of loose objects which become potential airborne missiles in high winds. Place items inside your house or shed, NOT on your lanai. Some examples of things to secure:

- **Lawn Furniture**
- **Potted plants**
- **Gazing Balls**
- **Statues**
- **Bicycles**
- **Trash Cans**
- **Garden Hose(s)**
- **Decorative flags and poles**
- **Any other decorative items**

Anchor objects that cannot be moved inside (no matter how heavy or large). Close all windows and doors. FYI: Taping glass will not prevent breakage. Store documents and valuables in waterproof containers; secure in highest possible spot.

Source Publix – “Are you ready to weather a storm?” Charlotte Country – Disaster Planning Guide



GOT DIRT? BE HAPPY!

Some people fighting their depression take Prozac; others just get dirty! Yep—soil microbes have been found to have similar effects on the brain—without the side effects and chemical dependency potential.

Natural remedies have been around for centuries, including cures for almost any physical ailment as well as mental and emotional afflictions. The ancient healers might have known something worked, but not how it worked. Modern scientists are discovering more and more remedies that were previously unknown in many medicinal plants and yet, still a part of the natural life cycle. Soil microbes and human health now have a positive link that's found to be verifiable.

Mycobacterium vaccae, bacteria found in many soils may stimulate serotonin production, which makes you relaxed and happier. It has been found to mirror the effect on human neurons that drugs like Prozac provide. Lack of serotonin has been linked to depression, anxiety, obsessive compulsive disorder, and bipolar problems. The bacterium in soil has no adverse health effects.

Gardeners tell you their landscape is their happy place and the act of gardening is a stress reducer and mood lifter. Antidepressant microbes in soil cause cytokine levels to rise, which results in higher levels of serotonin. Gardeners inhale the soil's bacteria, have topical contact with it, and may get it into their bloodstream if they encounter a cut or scratch. These microbacteria antidepressant microbes are also being investigated for improving cognitive function, Crohn's disease, and even rheumatoid arthritis.

So whether you have an acre or some flower pots, get out and play in the dirt---have fun, improve your mood, and your life!

Respectfully submitted by sharon breay

Here are the final results of the Pool League. I suggest that we put the winner as "CoronaVirus 2020" instead of any one team. Looking forward to next year 2021.. Yeah!!!!

Walt

INDIVIDUAL SUMMARY		wins	8 balls	scratch	absent
1	Hank Jensen	34	22	2	
2	Tom Lemke	34	20		
3	Leo Zehnder	32	20	2	
4	Larry Niemann	31	14	1	
5	Gene Robinson	31	10	2	
6	Larry Roberts	30	16	2	
7	Kelly Konstatinos	30	15	1	
8	Walt King	27	13	1	
9	Earl Ehmke	29	16	3	
10	Richard Brinkman	26	10	1	
11	Al Zellerkraut	24	7		
12	Charlie Kalil	24	6	1	1
13	John Welcome	24	4	1	
14	Dan Hanks	23	15	3	3
15	Ron Sixt	23	8	2	
16	Jeff Pollack	22	12	1	2
17	Ed Vidota	22	8	1	2
18	Dave Egger	22	6	1	2
19	Tom Breay	21	11	4	
20	Bob Blakslee	21	8	1	
21	Jim Cartier	21	8	3	
22	Lou Royds	21	6	1	
23	Ken Kent	21	5		1
24	Tom Pearson	20	12		2
25	Ed Gudgel	20	11	2	2
26	John Kratz	20	10	1	3
27	Tim McPhillips	20	8	1	1
28	Doug Weir	19	10	2	
29	Ron Atkinson	19	9	1	2
30	Tom Swank	19	8	2	2
31	Bob Longabard	19	2	2	
32	Ed Scowden	16	7	1	4
33	Keith Dobbs	16	5	2	1
34	Mike Voisine	15	7	1	3
35	Vinnie Zito	14	9	2	3
36	Don Weichel	14	6	4	1
37	Ken Ralph	13	6		2
38	Jimmie Lubonski	12	6		6
39	Carl Allen	12	5	1	1
40	Tom Franz	10	4	1	6

After 10th Week

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MONDAYS

7am Men's Scramble/ Doug Howe 941-661-2238
8:00 am Walking DVD Exercise, just show up
10 am Water Aerobics/ Swimming Pool/Just show up
1-4 pm Mah Jongg/Game Room Jan Crail 941-575-2935
7 pm Bingo
7 pm Texas Hold Em'/Game Room

TUESDAYS

7:30am Ladies 9 Hole Golf/ C.Harroun 941-575-2138/Darlene Ditmore
941-833-3353
8:00 am Men's 18 Hole Golf (Off Site) Leo Zehnder 248-421-4774
8:30 am Ladies 18-Hole Golf/ Donna Cononico 941-639-3752/ Sally Sullivan
941-505-8710
12:45 pm Ladies 9-Hole Golf / Pat Lonergan 941-637-4820/ Janet Bolyard
260-417-6003
12:45 pm Revenge/Clubhse Main Area/Suz Krause 586-764-3674
1:00 Quilting/Craft Room/

WEDNESDAYS

7:15 am Golf /Ron Jessop 941-639-1378
8:00 am. Walking DVD Exercise Just show up
10 am Water Aerobics/Swimming Pool/Just show up
11 am Ceramics/Arts & Crafts Room/Just show up
5:45 pm Revenge/Clubhse/Suz Krause 586-764-3674
7 pm Men's Pool League/Games Room/ Tom Bray 303-503-8170 (Jan-Mar)
7 pm Pool Tournament/Game Room (April-Dec)

THURSDAYS

9:00 am Couples Golf /Rick Schram 941-505-0646
3:30 p.m. Zumba/Clubhouse Main Area/Just show up
6 pm Nickel/Nickel/Craft Room/ Just show up.
6:35 pm Euchre/Game Room/Rick Schram 941-505-0646
7:00pm Men's Pool League/Games Room/Tom Bray 303-503-8170 (Jan- Mar)

FRIDAYS

7:15 am Men's Golf /Ron Jessop 941-639-1378
8:00 am Walking DVD Exercise, just show up
10 am Water Aerobics/Swimming Pool/Just show up
9:30 am Bocce Ball/Behind Clubhouse/Just show up

SATURDAYS

9:30 am Horseshoes/Behind Clubhouse - Just show up R Moore 607-765-1091
9 am Coffee, donuts & bagels (Bul. Bd. sign-up list)
10 am Shuffleboard/Behind Clubhouse - Just show up
1:00 pm Bean Bag Baseball/Behind Clubhouse – Carl & Cheryl Festa
315-651-7728
6:30 pm Pinochle/Clubhouse Main/ Rm/M Brietzke 941-249-3962

EVERY OTHER SUNDAY

9-Hole Scramble Golf/Doug Howe 941-661-2238

SUNDAYS

6:15 pm Dominoes, Arts-Crf Rm/Just show up
7 pm open Pool /Game Room/ just show up

**TO RESERVE AN AREA FOR AN ACTIVITY IN ANY OF THE CLUBHOUSE ROOMS,
PLEASE CONTACT MAUREEN HEGER 732-259-0596
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HOA MEETINGS

The HOA Board meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month and the **HOA Membership Meetings** are on the 1st **Tuesday** of each month during the month of October through April beginning at 7:00 PM. The February Membership meeting is the Annual meeting at which Board Member elections are held. The meeting agenda is posted on the bulletin board 48 hours prior to the meeting. All HOA members are encouraged to attend the Board meetings. If you have an issue or concern, please contact a Board member prior to the meeting to have that item added to the agenda or sign in before the meeting. You will have 3 minutes to speak about that item during the meeting. (This is the "Sunshine Law" as defined under Florida Statute 723.078.) In addition, at the end of each meeting there will be an opportunity to ask questions or present items for discussion

HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION

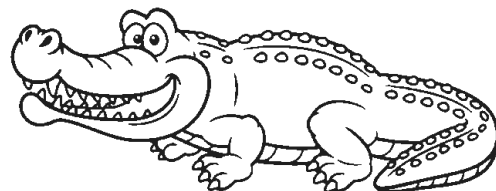
(HOA) Membership in the Home Owners Association is not mandatory, however, the Board represents the home owners of Blue Heron Pines as a group and provides a united voice for the home owners. They work as a liaison between BHP Owners/ Management and the residents. The cost is \$20 per year (Jan 1-Dec 31). This entitles the home owner to one vote per household for election of Board Members and any issues that need to be voted on. This money also pays for holiday events, kitchen supplies for Saturday Coffee and various activities, Legal fund, decorations for the Clubhouse, copying costs, reduced price on tickets for HOA events and more. Renters are also encouraged to join the HOA. Although they cannot vote, they are welcome to participate in all of the Blue Heron Pines activities and events as a member. You can purchase your Membership at monthly meetings or from Jae-Ann Carder #528

HEALTH & WELFARE Sunshine COMMITTEE:

Cathy Richardson #555 502-321-5229 lcrich3@att.net

has volunteered for this committee. She will gather information from other residents about who is ill or hospitalized, has a family member with a serious illness, or has passed away. If you have any news about a neighbor, please let Cathy know.

WILDLIFE: Warm spring weather means it's time to brush up on tips for living with alligators and other wild critters. **It is very important that you DO NOT feed any of the wildlife** in and around our park. **From the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission website: "In Florida, it is ILLEGAL to feed manatees, sandhill cranes, bears, raccoons, foxes, and alligators."** We need to do our part by making sure we are not providing **any** food for **any** animals (including birds and **ducks**). If you have a fruit tree, make sure you pick up fallen fruit. Above all, if you see an alligator, **just leave it alone!** The same is true of the coyotes people have seen out and about at night. If you leave them alone, they will do the same.



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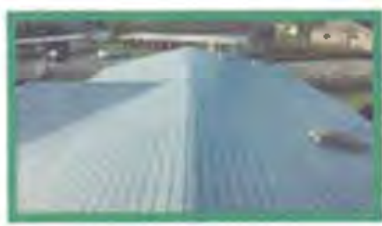


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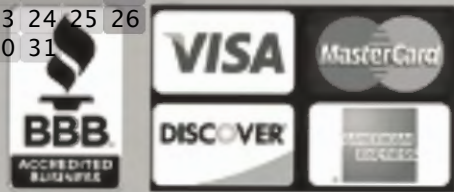
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