

CHATTER

Issue 194, January 2025...... Amy Evans, Editor

What is the Fun Club? We have many new folks in the park who have asked what the Fun Club at Lake Bonnet Village is. The Fun Club was started in the 1980's, long before our park became a Coop in 2000. Its purpose is to promote and administer social activities of the LBV Co-Op. All shareholders and renters are members of the Fun Club.

We have four elected Executive Board officers: President (Lisa Tran), 1st Vice President (Patty Barkley), 2nd Vice President (Denise Smigliani) and Secretary (Sandy Janssen). The fifth officer, the Treasurer (currently Sandy Gorski, with Intern Treasurer Marie Preisinger) is appointed by the President and approved by the elected officers. The Executive Board meets monthly on the second Monday, November thru March. The General Membership meets monthly on the second Tuesday of the month, with officer elections in March. They approve activities and expenses over \$150 recommended by the Executive Board.

The Fun Club pays for many of the activity and events in the park. These include the printing of the Chatter newsletter, providing live music for the New Years Eve, February and March dances, providing kitchen supplies including paper goods and condiments, providing some of the funds for Christmas & Thanksgiving dinners, State Dinners, Meet & Greet, Ladies Luncheon, the 50th Anniversary Party, and more. To raise the money for these expenses, we sponsor a variety of fundraisers throughout the season. These include all the breakfasts, soup and sandwich lunches and dinners like the Taco Tuesday, & Hot Chicken Salad Dinner. This year we hope the Auction on February 22nd, made possible by donation of items and services of Fun Club members, will be a major source of funding for the season. There are many other contributing events, including rental of tables at Craft Fairs, many of the 50/50's you participate in at Coffee and Donuts and dances, and more.

All our activities and events in the park, including the fund raisers, are hosted and put on by you, and the Fun Club. Every event, from Coffee and Donuts to the annual Meet & Greet, 50th Anniversary Celebration, and Park Auction needs volunteer host(s) and workers to make it happen. This, and all the volunteer work of our Co-op Board and members that volunteer to maintain the park, are key reasons why our service fees and rental rates are so reasonable in comparison to other parks. **WE NEED YOU!** All the Fun Club Activities for the season are posted on the board at Community Hall. Bring a friend or neighbor down and sign up! "Many hands make light work". We all pitch in where we can, and we've become a close and friendly park as we work together.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT:

What is a Cooperative:

A self-governing village owned by shareholders and represented by 9 elected Board of Directors. Every person(s), when becoming a shareholder, must sign a document indicating they have read the rules and agree to obey the rules. A cooperative means members need to cooperate with each other in matters pertaining to the operation of the village. The BOD is required to ensure that rules are respected and followed by shareholders, renters, and visitors to maintain stability. Therefore, we would like to thank you for your cooperation.

Park Projects Completed in 2024:

- 1. Rental house received new flooring and the hurricane damage to the porch is scheduled to be replaced.
- 2. New roof-over on the sign on Hwy 17, the chlorine tank in the shop area and the bulletin board at the mailbox area.
- 3. Door lock on office door replaced Donna will click a button and you enter by pushing the door.
- 4. Water leak and floor repaired in billiard room.
- 5. Rerouted water line between the two wells.
- 6. Share changes resulted in 19 transfers, 9 new shares sold (1 left) and 12 shares changing owners.
- 7. Road repairs and resealing throughout park.
- 8. Camera installed in office lobby to protect packages delivered and also camera installed at Sandy Beach pool.
- 9. Laundry room interior painted.

NOTES:

- 1. Volunteers are in full swing throughout the park. Sure is great to have all this help with park projects.
- 2. Reminder: All overnight guests must be registered at the office when they arrive or in advance.
- 3. Reminder: All maintenance requests for Pat (the maintenance man), must be filled out before he can do the work. Forms are on top of the stand in the office. **DO NOT STOP** Pat while he is working to ask him to do something.
- 4. The updated Veterans Memorial at Glory Park (Cypresswood Drive) was paid for by "Burger Night Power". Thank you for supporting "Burger Night" Beautification Committee

ELECTION REPORT:

The second notice of election will be sent out on 12/23/2024 and will include copies of candidate's resumes, ballot, envelopes, and a proxy to vote on waiving the reserves and the audit. If you do not plan on attending the Shareholders meeting on the fourth Wednesday of January (22nd), this proxy needs to be returned to the office (mailed or in person) before January 22nd. The election will take place at Lake Bonnet Hall on Wednesday, January 22, 2025 at 9:00 AM.

Byron Townsend, President Lake Bonnet Village Co-Op Inc.

JANUARY ACTIVITIES:

LBV CHRISTMAS DECORATION REMOVAL: Decorations come down January 3rd. Meet by the shed @ 9am; pick up a tote and off you go. We did it in less than two hours last year. Sherry Lawrason

HANDS OF LOVE: Will hold its first meeting of the new year on January 2nd. HOL sews, crafts, knits & crochets

& donates to 10 local organizations. We meet on Thursdays @ 1pm in the CH. January 9th is our Post Holiday Party. A speaker from Hands for Homeless will be here to discuss their organization & mission. Light refreshments will be served. We will meet @ 12:30 that day. We extend an invitation to the ladies of LBV to come join us! – Maureen Tomlinson

LBV SUPERSTARS: An evening of musical entertainment with LBV superstars. January 4th. 7 to 9pm. Karaoke and more! Come and watch the show or possibly join in. For more info call Hosts Gary & Linda Stokes

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COFFEE & DONUTS: January 7th with guest speaker Shannon Swaine, from Harris & Wohl. She will speak on Estate planning and Trust funds. On January 21st, Olga Luepshen, PDM will speak about foot care as we age. Come on out to the Clubhouse enjoy some coffee & donuts, visit with friends & neighbors, sit a spell and hear some interesting topics.

MONDAY MORNING-LADIES BIBLE STUDY: Our first bible class will be January 6, 2025 from 9-10:30am, in the Library. This year we will study the Psalms. Our video will be Lisa Harper - Lyrics of Life. If you have RightNow Media you can watch the videos at home before class. If you do not have the App for RightNow media text me at 260-668-6428 and I will send you the link for the App. (There is no charge). All Ladies are invited to come for a time of learning and fellowship with Jesus.

Secret Sister Reveal Party. - Jan. 20, 2025, 10:15am-11:30. (Right after board meeting) in the Library. This will be a special time for the Ladies Bible class to reveal who their Secret Sister was. We will have some refreshments and the Big Reveal. Bring a small gift for your secret sister and enjoy the fellowship.

LAKE BONNET BLOOD DRIVE: It's that time of year again. The Red Blood Bus will be here again on Thursday, January 9, 2025, 10:30 am – 3 pm, in the circle drive in front of Community Hall (old east hall) There will be a flyer posted at the clubhouses and more information on Facebook.

All donors will receive a \$20 eGift Card, a One Blood long sleeved T-shirt, and a wellness check including blood pressure, pulse, temperature, iron count and cholesterol screening.

DO NOT GO ON LINE TO SIGN UP, (if you do, you can be told someone else has that time, and you will **NOT BE ABLE** to donate blood.) **PLEASE** only use sign up that will be on the bulletin board at CH on December 23rd. There will be another Blood Drive on March 11th, so you will still have a chance to donate. This year the bus will be here on Thursday instead of Wednesday. – Sponsor Donna Eads

FRENCH TOAST BREAKFAST: January 11th, 8am to 9 am, Community Hall. Come and enjoy a breakfast of French Toast, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Coffee & Juice, all for one great cheap price. (watch Facebook for price) Host: Sherry Lawrason

EARLY BIRD DINNER Theatre: January 11th (Saturday). It's a midday show, with the bus leaving at 8am. It states that it's a buffet style meal so I'm sure there is something for everyone. The performance is "Love... or Best Offer"

MICHIGAN DINNER: Tuesday, January 21, 2025. Please bring a bottle of wine that is made in Michigan to be shared at your tables. You are also welcome to bring a gift that is made in Michigan for the gift exchange. **Don't forget your money for the special raffles!** Hosted by Edna Walters and Suzette

HOT CHICKEN SALAD DINNER: Hot Chicken Salad Casserole dinner on January 24th to raise funds for the LBV Fun Club. Please consider being a volunteer to help with meal preparation and/or making a dessert. There will be a sign-up sheet for volunteers and/or dessert makers at the old CH beginning January 1. Teresa Riddle, Chicken Dinner Chair

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OHIO DINNER: Reminder to all Ohioans, our dinner is January 28, 2025 at 5pm. Any door prizes you wish to contribute should be given to Cal & Shirley on or before the dinner. Meat & drinks are provided. Please bring a covered dish to share and your own table service. Help would be appreciated. Contact Shirley McAnally @ 419-466-1669 (leave message).

DANCES:

Let's get this season swinging. There will be 3 Dances in January! at Lake Bonnet Hall (new west hall). Come dance or relax. BYOB & Snacks. PLEASE REMEMBER TO RESPECT THE PARK QUIET HOURS WHEN LEAVING THE DANCES, THAT YOU ARE MINDFUL OF YOUR NEIGHBORS!

- ☐ January 10 Mr D 7-10p
- ☐ January 18 Music by Randy Sullen 7-10p
- ☐ January 25 DJ Gary 6:30 ? **THEME BACK TO THE HOP & ENGLISH INVASION.** From Elvis to the Beatles. All 50's & 60's music!

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

LBV FELLOWSHIP CHURCH DINNER: will be held on Sunday, February 2 @ 1pm. Meat & drinks will be furnished. Please bring a dish/dessert to share and your own table service. This is **OPEN TO EVERYONE** within the park.

Savannah! February 2nd, 3rd and 4th (Sunday-Tuesday). The trip includes transportation, hotel, continental breakfast and Historic trolley tour.

BEST OF THE REST 2025: To **ALL** LBV residents that are not from OH, MI, or Indiana since they have their own dinner. The **BEST OF THE REST** is scheduled for Sunday, March 2, 2025. We are having a different party this year. **You will not need to bring a gift to exchange**. Just bring your knowledge about the State or Province you live and a photo of home away from Lake Bonnet to share, and plan to have fun! Hosted by Sandy Lorentzen and Deb Votava.

Ready, set, **ACTION!** I will be searching for participants and helpers for the March 14, 2025 Variety Show of LBV, starting in January.

If you or someone you know would be interested in having a fun time being funny, reach out to me! Also, if anyone has any ideas of skits or any type of entertainment, contact me. We will also be having two different show times, on the same day. More info to come – Teresa Riddle, Variety Show Chair

MISCELLANEOUS:

2025 PANAMA CANAL CRUISE – There are a few LBV residents that are going on a Panama Canal Cruise February 4-16, 2025. This is a 12-day cruise with stops in Aruba, Curacao, Cartegena, Partial transit through the Panama Canal, Cristobal, Limon Costa Rica and Grand Cayman. **At the time there are only Oceanview & Interior rooms available.** If you would like to join your fellow LBV residents on this cruise, feel free to contact me, Marie Preisinger, for more details via email at (mepreisinger@gmail.com)

JANUARY 2025 Lake Bonnet Activities Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Fellowship Church 9a Cornhole @ Bristlecone Tree Grove - 3p Samba 1p LBHAR	Ladies Bible Study 9- 10:30a LBHAR Women's Shuffle 9:30a Hand & Foot 1:30p Dominoes 6:30p LBH Bingo 7p CH	Men's Shuffle – 10a Texas Hold-Em 6-8p POOL RM Dominoes – 6:30p LBH Card Bingo – 6:30p CH	Quilting Group- 9-12n LBHAR Women's Shuffle 9:30a Produce Cart 11a 65 – 12:30p CH Euchre- 6:30p CH	Men's Shuffle – 9:30a Chair Fitness – 9-10a LBH Hands of Love – 1p Mahjong- 1p LBH AR Pegs & Jokers - 6:30p LBH Bingo- 7p CH	Bocce Ball 9a Choir Practice CH 9a Art Class CH 10-12 Dauber Bingo CH 6:30p	Texas Hold-Em – Pool Rm 6-8p
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			Fire Ring 4:30p	Burger Nite – 4:30p LBH	Remove LBV Holiday Décor 9a	Pancake Brkfst – CH 8-9a LBV Superstars – 7-9:30p - LBH
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Line Dance Lessons – 1:30p - LBH		Coffee & Donuts – 9a Speaker- Shannon Nash 1 st Poker Run – CH 2-4p	1 st Fishing Tournament 7:30 – 11:30a	Blood Drive 10:30 – 3p CH Circle	Dance – Mr D – 7-9:30p	French Toast Brkfst – CH – 8-9a Early Bird Dinner Theater – Bus @ 8am
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Line Dance Lessons — 1:30p - LBH	Fun Club Ex Board Mtg. – LBH 11a	Fun Club General Mtg. – CH 9a Potluck – LBH 5p	Wine Tasting – 1 p CH Fire Ring – 4:30p	Burger Nite – 4:30 p LBH	Park Clean-up Day 9-3	Bonnet Brunch – CH 9:30 – 10:30a Dance w/ music by Randy Sullen – LBH 710p
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Line Dance Lessons — 1:30p - LBH Ice Cream Social — CH 3-4p	Co-op Mtg – LBH – 9a	Coffee & Donuts – CH 9a Speaker – Olga Luepshen, PDM Michigan Dinner – 5p - LBH	Shareholders Mtg – 9a LBH	Meet & Greet – 12 N - LBH	Hot Chicken Dinner – 5p - LBH	Dance – DJ Gary – 6:30 - 10 Theme – BACK TO THE HOP & ENGLISH INVASION
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Line Dance Lessons – 1:30p - LBH		Ohio Dinner – 5p - LBH	Soup & Sandwich – 11a - LBH	Burger Nite – 4:30 p LBH		