



Lake Forest *at St Lucie West*

NEWSLETTER



FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board would like to welcome back our seasonal residents. We hope you had an enjoyable summer and are looking forward to our great Florida weather during the months ahead.

We have been working tirelessly throughout the summer to insure that Lake Forest at St Lucie West remains the best HOA in Port St Lucie. We are currently looking into replacing the Lake Forest at St Lucie West signs at the north entrance gate.

The entrance way to our club-

house has finally been finished.

The budget meeting for 2012 will be held at the clubhouse on November 17, 2011 at 7:00pm.

Our Board (Jack, Jane, Jim, Maria and Frank) and Howard Da Costa, our Property Manager, are at the clubhouse daily to address questions or concerns of any residents. The office is open daily Monday to Friday from 8:30am to 12:30pm.

The Board of Directors

TREASURERS REPORT

For the Month Ending August 31, 2011

HOA Funds are held in the following accounts:

\$ 134,889.00	in our Gulf Stream Operating Account
\$ 418,679.00	invested in various CD's and CDAR's
\$ 312,440.00	in Reserve Accounts
\$ 230,702.00	is owed to the HOA by residents.

There are sixty-four (64) homes in the community with pending legal action; fifty-two (52) of these are in foreclosure. The HOA and our lawyers are doing everything we can to force the courts and the banks to act more rapidly. As houses have become available, they have sold very quickly.

There have been twenty-five (25) homes sold this year to date in our community, with an additional four (4) sold in September.

The HOA is currently in possession of three (3) homes and collecting just over \$2500.00 per month in rental fee's.

The community continues to be well managed and in a strong financial position.

Regards

Jim Russello, Treasurer

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HAPPY HOUR

Cocktail Party and Fun Evening

SPONSORED BY THE
LAKE FOREST
RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2011 at 7:00pm

HOSTED BY
Brian & Lisa Lemen
294 SW Lake Forest Way
Lake Forest

FOR INFORMATION CALL
871 1572

\$3.00 per person donation. BYOB and an
appetizer. Raffles, 50/50, Treasure Table

*SNACK A LITTLE. LAUGH A LITTLE
MAKE NEW FRIENDS... HELP A WORTHY CAUSE*



All Proceeds Benefit the
American Cancer Society's
Relay For Life!

WATER AEROBICS

Have you thought about exercising but don't want to go to the fitness center or go for a walk when it is too hot outside? Then, how about water aerobics?

The water aerobics class meets every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning at 9:00am at the north pool. The classes are led by Molly Fallon and Nancy Masmela, both Lake Forest residents. Besides exercising, you will have fun, and you'll meet some of your neighbors in the process. Come any of the days mentioned and join the group. There is no obligation to come to every session, but the more you come, the more you will benefit from the exercise. Come join us!!

October



CLUBHOUSE EVENTS

OCTOBER 10th

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 9:00am Water Aerobics 1:00pm Knit & Crochet 7:30pm Mah Jongg	4 1:00pm Poker	5 9:00am Water Aerobics 12:30pm Mah Jongg 7:00pm Poker	6 1:00pm Poker 7:00pm Architectural Com 7:00pm Mah Jongg	7 9:00am Water Aerobics 12:30pm Mah Jongg
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FRUIT TREES AND VEGETABLE GARDENS

Recently, letters have gone out about fruit trees in the community. Complaints have been received that certain homeowners have fruit trees, fruit bearing plants or vegetable gardens. When a complaint is received, the property manager looks at all homes for the violation. If all homes are not looked at for the violation then under the law, it would be considered selective enforcement which is not legal.

At no time has the Architectural Review Committee or the Board of Directors ever approved the above. All work done outside the home must have ARC approval (Article V, Section 1 of the documents). Any plant/tree bearing fruit/vegetables is

considered a Nuisance (Article VIII, Section 6 of the documents).

The nuisance is that RATS are attracted to the area due to a food source. This past year we have had at least one-hundred(100) complaints about RATS getting into homes. Due to the number of RATS this past year, the Board of Health paid a visit to inspect the property to make sure the community meets all legal obligations as to waste storage. No violations were found. Rats will never be eliminated, but can be controlled by removing a food source. So if you have any fruit trees or vegetable gardens, please remove them and do your part to help control the RATS.

The Board of Directors

The Lake Forest Relay For Life Team will again be selling the Enjoyment Book for a cost of \$35.00 per book.



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Books will be available soon so **PRE-ORDER** yours Now!

Barbara Monge
(772)871-1572

Pamela Milazzo
(772) 878-8068

The Enjoyment Book makes a great Holiday Gift for a Friend or Neighbor!

KNITTING AND CROCHETING

After being "on vacation" for the summer our dedicated group reconvened Monday the 26th! We had a truly great time with our "show and tell" of all of the projects that we had made this summer! It was both exciting and fun to see what great projects everyone had undertaken.

We meet every Monday to knit or crochet, to share patterns and ideas. (We'd love to have more of our friends and neighbors from Lake Forest join us!)

Among my own summer projects was a sweater jacket that I had made while summering at Moosehead lake

in Maine's northern wilderness. I think several of the ladies expressed interest in making one of their own. (Having survived a lot of mis-stitches myself, I will be walking them through and helping them avoid my misknits!)

So please join us whether you are an experienced knitter, or just starting out, or a person who prefers to crochet. We have a lot of fun together and will welcome your participation. Who knows? We may also be able to help!!

Theresa Plourde
772 879 4706

A Plateful of Hope

The Lake Forest Relay for Life Team actively raises funds year round for the St Lucie Chapter of the American Cancer Society; Our fundraising activities help to keep various American Cancer Society programs available for residents of St Lucie County. Programs such as "Look Good Feel Good", "Man to Man", "Road to Recovery" and many others are vital to families and individuals affected by this disease.

Along with the **Young & Young at Heart Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Team**, family, friends and neighbors, we are working on a very special cookbook. We hope to honor the memory of loved ones we have lost to cancer and to honor those who have survived by sharing their favorite recipes and our memories of them.

We are calling this special tribute "A Plateful of Hope", which will be a beautiful, padded 3 ring-binder of 250 recipes *with its own stand*, tabbed sections and a selection of other special features; a collection of recipes that anyone would be proud to include in their collections or purchase a gift for someone special.

We are shooting for completion in December with a February to March 2012 sale date. At a modest \$18.00 per book, they make **Wonderful Holiday Gifts!** We will be taking advanced orders.

Why not participate in our project and share your favorite recipe in honor or memory of a loved one. Why not shared our finished tribute with someone you love?

Anyone interested in participating, or placing an advanced order, should contact either Pamela Milazzo @ 878-8068 Barbara Monge @ 871-1572 or Michelle Marcantonio @ 528-7012



SAVE THE DATE

THE LAKE FOREST RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM
WILL BE HOSTING A SPAGHETTI DINNER!
ALL PROCEEDS TO
BENEFIT THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY



WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 12TH
AT THE LAKE FOREST CLUB HOUSE

5:00pm to 7:00pm

PLEASE SEE KIOSKS FOR MORE INFORMATION

FROM THE COP COORDINATOR

I would like to thank all Lake Forest Citizens Observation Patrol (COP) members for their dedication in patrolling our community.

For those unfamiliar with the COP program, we have thirty-six of our residents who have signed up to patrol our community. We have our own Sheriff's COP vehicle, and team members take turns patrolling the community at various times. It is a valuable program which benefits Lake Forest. While on patrol, the COP team members observe activity and report any suspicious goings on by calling 911.

COP members check homes of people on vacation those who are seasonal, or check unoccupied homes. They make contact with elderly residents and inform individuals of functions as may be delegated by the sheriff's office for the community.

The COP team meets every two months on the second Thursday of the month at the clubhouse. Deputy Glenn Hoffman speaks at the meetings and informs team members of what is happening in the county.

In August, the COP team sponsored Crime Prevention Night at the clubhouse.

If you would like more information on being a part of the COP team, please contact me, Gladys Fuentes, at 344 9199. I will be more than happy to give you all the information.

Please help us continue to protect Lake Forest by being a COP observer. Only you can be the eyes and ears of the community.

Gladys Fuentes, COP Coordinator



FOR THE LADIES

Are you bored? Need a little relaxing time? I have the answer!

Come join us at the clubhouse on Wednesday and Friday afternoons or Monday or Thursday evenings to play a great game... "Mah Jongg." Come sit and watch. If you would like to learn, we will teach you. And while you're learning, you can play. It's a lot of fun for a few hours.

Adele Gallo

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Articles for the November Newsletter are due
Wednesday, October 26th

Send articles to Frank Gomes at: fbgomes@comcast.net