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Clubhouse: 941 923-9819

24/7 Emergency Number

for Condo Management:

941 966-6844 (Lighthouse)

Plumbing: Gallo 941 921-4600 (Office)

941-544-5686 (Emergency) *Prior Board member*

approval required for Condo responsibility for Plumbing emergency

Pest Control: Massey 941 955-7378

FPL Outages: (800) 468-8243

smokesignal@laketippecanoe.org

April Activities – mark your calendars!

Mondays 7 pm Euchre

Tuesdays 1 pm Mah Jongg

Wednesdays 7 pm

Mexican Train Dominos

Thursdays 1 pm - Bridge

Thursdays 7 pm Poker (at Joe's)

Dates to note:

April 8 at 6:00 pm

Easter/Spring Dinner Party

April 12: deadline for Bingo reservations

April 15 at 7:00 pm Bingo

April 24 at 4:00 pm Book Group

Clubhouse WIFI:

CBCI-C4A1-2.4 (or -5)

password: autumn6290entry

President's Report

I would like to begin by saying Thank You to Larry Taylor for his time on the Board. We all wish him and Bonnie the best in their new home in Kentucky close to their Family. I would also like to welcome to the Board, **Grace Young** who will take the Secretary position, and Allan will remain Treasurer. Grace is a year around resident and will work with Fred and Jim on sight and myself if needed. We do not have any projects scheduled for summer, just regular Tippy issues.

I can be reached by phone or E-mail and I am a three hour flight in an emergency. Linda and I will be leaving June 1st and will return if not before, mid-September.

I do have a few things I want to cover with the residents.

- There is NO planting of trees or shrubs on common ground without prior Board approval, NO FRUIT TREES.
- No lights installed on outside of buildings without approval.
- The uncovered parking is for visitor parking, if you have two automobiles, you may use one. The visitor parking space can be used by any visitor.
- Mopeds or Motorcycles are not considered an Auto and must be parked **in front** of your Auto in your numbered spot.

If you need repair or have an issue, please go to the Laundry room and fill out a work order. Dean picks up orders every day, he will do his best to get them completed in 14 days or less unless it's a major job.

I have had complaints of walkers without flashlights, don't be a statistic, USE A LIGHT!

You CAN NOT have people occupy your home if you are not in residence, if a visitor stays for over 30 days when you are in residence, they must be vetted.

If you have a problem with your Electric, Cable or Phone it is your responsibility to call FPL, Comcast, or your Phone provider.

If you have an issue with sewer, water, roofs or landscaping, and fallen trees, contact Jim Swindell. Fred Rood will be in charge of buildings including inside water and sewer. Grace will collect keys that are still needed for your Unit, and will be of assistance to Jim and Fred whenever needed.

I will be in charge of the Lake, retention pond, Clubhouse and Pool and will be in contact with Fred, Jim and Grace daily.

If you are traveling, have a safe trip and all of you have a great Summer.

Dale Baller

From the Editor

As I write this, Allan and I have departed Lake Tippecanoe and returned back north to Ottawa, Ontario (Canada). Most of the winter's snow accumulation has been reduced by rain, but everything is still gray. We enjoyed our time here this season, and hope to be back around Thanksgiving. We look forward to seeing our Northern friends, and of course our family, but will miss our Tippy friends.


This is the final Smoke Signal for the season, until October. I apologize for the delay in getting it to you, the Board wanted us to wait until after the April 3 meeting before we published, and that was complicated by our travel arrangements and small annoyances such as our Internet not working when we got home to Ottawa, fixed after over one and a half hours on the line with the utility, luckily the phone worked!

Keep an eye out for monthly emails to inform you about Tippy Activities, these will also be posted on the Bulletin Board in the Clubhouse. We plan to make them like a mini-Smoke Signal, one or two pages at most. For those who only get the hard copy, a printed version will be posted on the bulletin board in the Clubhouse.

There will still be occasional emails when important issues arise. Dale Baller and I decided by to skip publishing during the months of May to September, to keep costs down. The Smoke Signal Box was removed from the Clubhouse this week, if you can't reach us by email, you can call our Sarasota number 941-554-7105 (this will be available at our home in Canada, we will reply to voice mail messages as soon as possible).

Lake Tippecanoe, Sarasota, Florida

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For more information, contact admin@laketippecanoe.org

Welcome to our little piece of Paradise!

During March, we introduced several changes to how Tippy communicates with residents and owners, by migrating to a professional E-mail Service (Mailchimp) and finally starting

our community Web Site, www.laketippecanoe.org along with dedicated email addresses (see the first page sidebar).

I hope to continue to refine the process and welcome feedback and suggestions for the Web Site.

You can find all the Forms used by our Residents, and the legal documents, as well as back issues of the Smoke Signal and other useful information.

We also distributed the 2017 Telephone Directory, both printed to all homes, and electronically to those on the email list. The Directory will be updated as people move in and out, and we will let you know that by email and in the Smoke Signals.

If you are not yet on the email distribution list, but have an email address, please send a request to admin@laketippecanoe.org so we can add you.

Several residents here who do not have an internet connection at home are welcome to bring their laptop computer, tablet, or even smartphone to the Clubhouse, where you can sign on to our Community WIFI free. The details are also on the sidebar on the first page and on the Bulletin Board next to the entrance.

One final note, unfortunately, the spreadsheet I had with birthdays and celebrations somehow got corrupted, and I can no longer access the data. I will attempt to re-create it from my Florida computer once I get back in the late fall. In the meantime, you can email me with the information and I will try to rebuild it. So, in conclusion, happy birthday, happy anniversary to all those celebrating in the next months.

Shelley Shusterman

Grounds

The three foot areas are looking great. Thanks to all the people that have put time and efforts into their three foot areas. The lawn crew has been raking leaves and cleaning up the grounds.

The pool area has been power washed and sealed. We have new plants and bushes at both entrances. Thanks to April Eklund and Brenda Fijalkowski for design and planting. Looks great. We have done away with all our fruit trees due to age and fruit rat problems. Fruit trees of any kind are no longer allowed. The entire fence line around Tippy has been trimmed and cleaned up.

John T Hoffman

Security

We have walkers and bikers in the complex. Before dawn and after dusk please use a flashlight or other lighting for your safety. Light clothing helps drivers see you. Drivers should be on the look out and drive carefully on our roads for the safety of everyone.

This is tax season and scams are on-going. The IRS will not call you and demand money, hang up. If you do not know a caller, or they ask for personal information, hung up. Be smart and do not become a victim. Stay safe!

John T Hoffman

Social Committee

Happy Spring,

Hope everyone is enjoying these beautiful days before it gets too hot.

Our March Social was great. We had a great turnout and as usual, a lot of good food.



Our next get together will be an **Easter/Spring potluck on Saturday April 8 at 6 pm**. There will be no charge - just bring a dish.

We are working on our end of the year picnic on May 7. There will be more info in May email announcement.

If anyone has an idea or knows if someone they would like to have for entertainment, please let us know.

Call Pati at 941-706-3580 or Catherine at 941-234-7047 by April 3 with what you will be bringing for the April potluck.

Brenda Fijalkowski

Pawnee Trail Circle of Flowers

Spring is near so we are replacing some flowers. We also had to replace the lighting under the flag. Thanks to Bob Landry and Sharon Hewitt, Tim and Darlene White and all who donated to keep up the garden. Tim is our new garden helper. I am still in remission and doing good, fingers crossed!

Jim Sysko



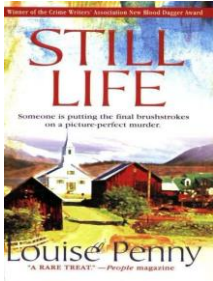


Bingo will be held at the Clubhouse on **Saturday, April 15th at 7:00PM**. Please remit money and make reservations by calling Dorothy Steen at 922-2601 by Wednesday April 12th. This determines how many are coming and how much

to make for refreshments.

Darrel & Nancy Stevens

Book Group



On Monday March 27 we reviewed “The Storied Life of A J Fikry” and confirmed the final selection before fall, “Still Life” by Louise Penny. Other choices after that are subject to group decision at the next meeting which will be **April 24 at 4:00 pm** in the Clubhouse. Happy reading.

Clubhouse Library

Due to limited space, the Clubhouse Library can accommodate Novels and Biographies only, and in limited numbers (perhaps one or two donations at a time).

Other kinds of books are really not in demand, Goodwill will gladly take them.

All books should be left on the “Return Books” shelf or in the basket provided.

Thanks for your cooperation.

Dorothy Steen

Orientation Committee Update

Please join me in welcoming the newest residents to Lake Tippecanoe.

Mike and Susan Adams (Owners)
Unit 173
4578 Shoshone Trail
941-955-2510

Marge Jeffers

Iridescent Mid-altitude Clouds

On March 30, the people enjoying the pool at Tippecanoe observed what appeared to be a rainbow in the wispy clouds overhead. No one had ever seen anything like it. The colors were even more vivid looking through polarized sunglasses.

Here is a photo of a similar one, unfortunately the collected cell phone cameras weren't able to do it justice. It was most amusing watching six or seven Tippy friends squinting at their cellphones while trying to capture this beautiful phenomenon!

Cloud iridescence is the occurrence of colors in a cloud similar to those seen in oil films on puddles, located in the general vicinity of the sun or moon. It is a fairly common phenomenon, most often observed in altocumulus, cirrocumulus and cirrus clouds. The colors are usually pastel, but can be very vivid. When occurring near the sun, the effect can be difficult to spot as it is drowned in the sun's glare. This may be overcome by blocking the sun with one's hand or hiding it behind a tree or building.



If parts of clouds contain small water droplets or ice crystals of similar size, their cumulative effect is seen as colors. The cloud must be optically thin, so that most rays encounter only a single droplet. Iridescence is therefore mostly seen at cloud edges or in semi-transparent clouds, while newly forming clouds produce the brightest and most colorful iridescence.

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See next page for our ads:

Services

Notary Services offered to Lake Tippecanoe residents. Call MaryLou, 922-0273

Cat Sitting: I will kitty sit your special cat, while on vacation or when needed, by day or longer. 941-923-9784. Leave your phone number and name for kitty sitting, or email me at Harrineg367@aol.com referencing Kitty sitting in the Subject. I charge \$10.00 a day and go into your home to feed and clean the kitties (also, have lived in Tippy for 17 years and will give references). Thanks, Betty Harrington

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Or call her for a free phone consult at [561-644-3904](tel:561-644-3904). All information is confidential.

Available: Elderly Companionship, Transportation, Overseeing Residence while gone, etc...I Live at Tippecanoe as resident. References Available...Please Call "Bandit" (Joyce Outlaw) at 941-951-0691 or email verblbandt@aol.com Thank You.

For Sale

47 inch LG LED/HD TV for sale. \$250. Ruth 941-228-6842

Wanted

Wanted: quiet, loving and stable home for affectionate mature cat in excellent health. Health records, supplies, toys, litter box, carrying case included. Call 921-1512.

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