

Harbor Lights Beacon

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Labor ★★★ ★★★ Day



Mind your own bees-ness!

MANAGER'S REPORT

Condo project next door has finally begun. Buildings have been demolished and land leveled for the parking lot. Our 10' fence will remain. Work is completed on the fence for reinforcement and the fence has been painted white. The condo project has installed a white vinyl fence behind ours. There is room behind our maintenance and woodworking buildings if we need repairs etc.

Real Estate update we now have sold 9 homes this season and working on a couple more. Still have 5 great listings as we are doing open houses monthly and showing homes during the week. Contribution is up over \$23,000 + to the Community this year. As of this writing we have sold our last rental lot (104). This will be converted into Real Property. Plan is to construct a new home on the site.

The Board and I will be working on updating share values. Although not really needed anymore it is good to have an up to date figure. Last share value completed was in 2006. A lot has happened since then.

The 2019 hurricane packets are ready for all just stop in the office. Hopefully we won't need them.

The office is looking to keep records updated. Upon your return please stop in the office if you have any changes to your emergency contact information.

Tom Wisdom-Harbor Lights Mgmt.

COVER STORY

WHAT'S THAT BUZZ ABOUT?

August 12th, we discovered a beehive in the water meter box on the south side of the rec hall near the laundry room entrance / exit. It appeared that they had made a "home" inside the cavity of the meter box. The tight fit around the edge of the box lid made for a great entry / exit site for our bee buddies.

While we appreciate the work, honeybees do to pollinate and propagate our fruits, flowers, and vegetables, this was too close to a regular Harbor Lights travel path. We tried to explain our setback requirements, boundary lines, and house rules to the bees but they just flew by and ignored us!

We secured the services of a beekeeper to remove and relocate the hive in what we refer to as a "sting" operation. If you secure the queen, the rest of the bees will follow.

Tom Wisdom is meeting with the beekeeper to coordinate a time to make the move (transfer) of the hive.

For those of you who may not have seen the capture and relocation action going on, that's what the current buzz is all about.

Chris Smith

A Big Thank You

Thanks to June Wadsworth for touching up the old "original" Ceramic Room sign. She has been retouching the sign whenever it needs it – about every two years.

Thanks to Bob Welton for painting three coats of clear protective paint on it.

Thanks to Durk and Sony for taking the sign down and putting it back up.

Carolyn Welton

New to Clubhouse Library

A copy of the original History of Harbor Lights – 1993 by Ruth Harmon Landes (#108) is now in the Clubhouse Library. Read it, enjoy it, learn from it, **BUT DO NOT TAKE** this copy from the Clubhouse. It is there for everyone to enjoy.

Ruth wrote this history because (in her words) “the hardships we endured during Hofmann’s and Keith’s ownership should be recorded for posterity. They turned out to be steppingstones leading up to our genteel RESIDENT OWNED COMMUNITY – HARBOR LIGHTS COOPERATIVE, INC.”

Included in the notebook are letters and many newspaper articles of situations that took place in our park.

Carolyn Welton, historian

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July 25

1 st	Vee Cassada	53
2 nd	June Wadsworth	52
3 rd	Bob Welton	47
4 th	Caroline Huffman	36

August 8

1 st	Carolyn Welton	69
2 nd	Vee Cassada	68
3 rd	Bob Welton	65

August 15

1 st	Carolyn Welton	52
2 nd	Caroline Huffman	51
3 rd	Bob Welton	47
4 th	Vee Cassada	43

Timeline for Harbor Lights

Do you know what year Hatchett Creek was filled in to make “land” for Harbor Lights?

Do you know what year the swimming pool was started?

Do you know how much money the park was purchased for?

Do you know what year the bigger bicycle pad was added between the Clubhouse and Shuffleboard Court?

If you would like to find out the answers to these questions and others, you’ll want to read the Timeline for Harbor Lights now located in the Clubhouse Library. This Timeline was made from information from Beacons from 1956 to February 2016 for a display at Harbor Lights Cooperative Inc.’s 25th Anniversary Party in February 2016. It was compiled by Carolyn Welton and typed by Jan Utley. This will be updated in the future.

This Timeline notebook is **NOT TO BE TAKEN** from the library.

Carolyn Welton, historian



SEPTEMBER 2nd



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Birthdays

- 2 Richard Carling #148
- 4 Ron Forbes #123
Dick Meyers #18
- 6 Clyde Butcher #37
- 8 Ann Morris #91
- 10 Verba Prough #134
- 17 Betty Aldridge #147
Barbara Lawrence #95
- 18 Bill Addy #34
- 23 Jane Dellina #81
- 29 Jerry Young #76
- 30 Wendie Bunnell #128

DIRECTORY CHANGES

DELETE: Sullivan #144

ADD: Lynda Southerland #144

Early OCTOBER

- 6 Mo Hindmarsh #28
- 8 Ruth (Jones) Ambo #44

SEPTEMBER

Anniversaries

- 25 Bill and Diane Eaton #79
- 29 Eli and Marge Marposon #121