

Schalamar Creek Mobile Homeowners Member Meeting November 9, 2015

The regular monthly Member Meeting of the HOA was held on Monday, November 9, 2015. It was called to order by President Ron Simmonds at 7:00 pm. Board members attending were: Ron Simmonds, Becky Fleck, Norma Miller, Barb Griffin, Chris Eaton, Bo Bohannan, Sue Carroll, Sue Pooler, Marge Short, and Ginny Reid. Absent: Adrian Verwegen.

Ron welcomed those newly returned for the season and everyone.

Ron Heller spoke about the Senior Helpers program. He stated that there will be a box outside of the Management office door where anyone can put questions on any subject/problem for follow-up. This service is free from Senior Helpers, however, there would be a cost to any further services rendered by others. A website also will be posted in the E-Blast.

Secretary, Norma Miller- The October meeting minutes were accepted as written.

Treasurer, Barb Griffin- Current Assets reflect the following as of November 7, 2015: General Fund- \$22,864.56, Recreation & Maintenance Fund- \$3,200.00, Loan Closet-\$900.75, Legal Fund- \$2,902.00 for a total in the bank of \$29, 868.30. Income from October 1- November 7 included Newsletter advertising of \$455 and Loan Closet income of \$13.00. Monthly expenses totaled \$1,383.59 part of which was our charity donation of \$381.73 to USO and Meals on Wheels.

President's Comments- Blood Drive- November 17, 10:00 – 3:30. All the veterans attending were asked to stand and be recognized. **Diva Show-** December 3- Norma Walker has tickets.

Committees-

Ray Mitchell: **CAP Patrol-** He has applications available for any volunteers.

Identity Theft- The sheriff has a shredding machine available. November 14 they will be at Lowes in Winter Haven, November 21 at Belks Town Center Drive. Note will be posted.

Coffee/Donuts- November 21

Pot Luck- November 19

Crafts- Sandy Slack- The **Craft Show** is this Saturday, November 14 with over 55 tables there. Raffle tickets are also available. Volunteers are needed, especially golf cart pickup people. Bake Sale will also be held. Any donated baked items can be brought to the Ballroom on Friday, 6:30-7:30 pm or Saturday am from 6:30-8:30. Put your name on the item and also any ingredient noted that people might have a problem with such as peanuts.

Enjoyment Book- Sue Pooler will have them available at \$30 each. She also emphasized the importance of joining the HOA. You then have a voice that connects to management as well as receiving all the activities provided by HOA committees.

Membership- Bo Bohannon will be taking memberships through the beginning of the year. A Board member will be available to pay on Monday mornings from 10:00 – 12:00 upstairs and Bo will have a table on Wednesday evenings near the Caddy Shack. \$22 for new members and \$7 for current members.

Activities- Sue Carroll announced the following activities planned:

Pot Luck- November 19, be sure to sign up on the sheet posted for an accurate count.

Carport Sale- November 21- Resident shopping will be on Friday afternoon from 2:00-5:00. Saturday sales will begin at 8:00 – 1:00 pm.

Veterans Dance- November 21. Purchase tickets prior to the dance in the Library on Saturdays from 9:00-1:00 or at the door.

Elvis Show- November 28- Tickets are \$8.00. Can be purchased on Saturday mornings in the Library. Show starts at 7:30 pm.

Christmas Decorating in the Ballroom- December 4 in the morning- All residents are asked to participate.

Tree Lighting- December 5, Saturday- 7:00 pm. Schalamar Singers will perform and refreshments will be provided.

Michael McCraney Concert- December 7, Monday night - A great Christmas performance, refreshments following.

Outdoor Christmas Decorating- Jim Barry- November 19, Thursday morning meet at 9:00 am at Mark Schneider's house, Lot #144, Arlington Park Dr. Everyone is asked to come out to help.

Senior Games- Jim also told us that the Senior Games will begin the last week of February. Five events will be held here at Schalamar this year: 18 hole men's scratch golf, 18 hole women's scratch golf, partners golf, Sudoku, Dancing. Always need help.

Veteran's Events- Stan Kubik is interested in having more recognition and events for our veterans. He would like to collect the names of all the veterans here at Schalamar.

Upcoming events:

Veterans Breakfast- names can still be added for the Veteran's Day Breakfast sponsored by the Lakeland Rotary Clubs.

Cart Check- tire pressure, battery check, wash on Saturday, November 14, 1:00-3:00 at Stan's driveway, 1246 Ashboro. Donations only.

Decathlon- 10 easy events will be part of this veteran's fundraiser. December 12, 1:00- 3:00. \$5 donation. This competition will be for any residents to participate in.

Guest Speaker- Chris Eaton introduced the speaker for the evening, Susan Stone, from **Home Instead Senior Care**. A variety of services is offered by the caregivers, such as, meal preparation, personal care, hospice support, dementia care, light housekeeping, shopping, and many more. There is a charge for these services with 4 levels of care from one to 24 hours per day. Helpers are insured and background screened. Phone number is 863-937-1500. Speakers are also available.

Old Business-

Elections are coming up in January, get your name in soon. Resumes will be taken by Lee Franca for publishing in the December Newsletter by November 15.

Dogs in park- Ron and Ray Mitchell have patched four holes in the fences where outside dogs were getting in.

Bingo has started.

Front Gate issues- Several workers have been let go. If anyone is interested in the guard position, they may need you. Contact Mark for the name of the company.

Concern Forms- Please use them. Fill them out, give them to the HOA, then, they will be given to management.

#408- Why can't cell phones be used to open the front gate? This is the only phone some have.

#180- The pool work is appreciated but, the pool railings are very low and not easily used. This and all other issues will be brought to the attention of the management. Hot tub railing needs attention also.

#408- Concerned about brush pile that has been left in the RV parking lot, should be removed. Grass should also be cut.

#234- More people are walking/jogging on the entrance drives, very dangerous.

#357- Brush growing around the back entrance needs trimming again, blocks vision of street.

#471- Bicycles are not stopping at stop signs in the park. Signs need to be observed by everyone.

New Business-

Horseshoe Pits- Pits have been laid out by Ray Mitchell and Ron, the rain has washed out their markings, so they are hoping to get action on digging pits by workers soon.

#317- Would like a Dog Park in the community. Can a vacant lot with portable fencing be used for this? It was mentioned that neighbors to this might not be happy about it. Management has been approached about this before. One comment was that Auburndale has a great one available near the sports fields north on Berkeley. Also, she would like to see a TV put in the Card Room.

#47- Movie Night- Could this be held once a month? Another comment was that this was tried before with not many coming. A Wii program has been tried also, with little participation. It is still here for use.

#864- Will the weeds along the front entrance road be cut? It is too wet at times to cut in there.

#670- Noted that some residents work during the day. Can some of the volunteer needs such as decorating, be done at night so they can help also?

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Norma Miller, Secretary