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“And I’m proud to be an American, where at least I know I’m free. And I won’t forget the men who died, who gave that right to me...”

~Lee
Greenwood

GREETINGS FROM EDGEWATER!

Monthly Meeting:

The next Board of Managers meeting will be Sunday, May 15, 2011 at 9:00am in the Lakeside Lounge.

Nominating Committee:

Thanks to the Nominating Committee for their efforts in getting the candidates for the June election. We currently have seven candidates for the three expiring terms. Watch your mailbox for election materials!

Annual Meeting and Election:

In accordance with the by-laws, the Annual Meeting and Election will be held on Sunday, June 12, at 4pm in the Lakeside Lounge. All homeowners are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Some Warm Weather Reminders:

- Now that lawn care has begun for the season, please make sure the front end of your vehicle is clear of the grass so our maintenance staff has room to mow.
- The warm weather will soon bring seasonal residents and visitors to Edgewater. A couple of things to keep in mind as our population here increases:
- Only one vehicle per unit is allowed to be parked directly in front of the building. Additional vehicles must park in the overflow areas off to the side or on gravel.

Please follow the rules in the laundry rooms:

- Leave at least one washer and one dryer open as a courtesy for others who need to use them
- Do not leave laundry unattended for long periods of time. We’ve had instances where people leave and don’t come back until long after the cycle has finished. Unattended laundry that is finished the cycle may be removed by the next person who needs the machine.
- Please make sure the lights are out and door tightly closed when you’re finished.

**INFORMAL NOTES FROM THE MOST RECENT SOCIAL and RECREATION MEETING BELOW.
TAKE NOTE OF THE UPCOMING ACTIVITIES!!**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm. Alice Parks read the minutes of the last meeting and Sylvia Colbey reported that we have a current cash fund of \$647.76, thanks to a generous donation from Norm and Marilyn Gollnitz (L2).

The Soup & Chili Pot Luck is scheduled for Sunday, May 15th. Social Hour begins at 4pm, with dinner immediately after. Bring your own beverage for this event and a dish to pass. Some of the dishes, to date, include Chili, Bread and Crackers, homemade Cream of Mushroom Soup, Cheese and Crackers, and desserts. Email Janet or call 326-2449 if you have any questions. Everyone is invited to attend.

Current goals of activities for the season were discussed. An email blast will be sent out to homeowners for any special requests, such as, water aerobics and line dance classes, games and tournaments in horse shoes, badminton or volleyball, and other ideas from all homeowners.

The committee is gearing up for the Craft and Rummage Sale on July 22nd & 23rd. A steering committee was formed for each area of the Sale. It is as follows:

Craft Sale: Alice Parks

Rummage Sale: Sylvia Colbey, Jean Stebell, and Judy Cash

Bake Sale: Betty Wilson

Beverages and Hot Dogs: Connie Connell

Promotion, Advertising and Raffles: Janet Greene

Summertime Happy Hour has been moved to Thursday nights and will begin once fair weather arrives. Watch for notices.

The Summer Bash will be held on Sunday, August 7th, 2011 from 4-8pm. Homeowner, Paul Kriedeman and his band, The Roadrunners, won the vote, overwhelmingly, to perform for us at this event. More information will follow as plans progress.

The 2011-2012 Wish List was discussed and voted upon with the following approved results:

- Purchase a reasonably priced croquet set
- Talk to the board about painting the pool building floor
- Purchase an additional metal table for the pool area
- Restore the hiking path at Edgewater. Create benches and a picnic area
- Talk to board about purchasing additional tables and chairs for the pool building
- Paint metal tables and chairs as well as the small tables around the pool area
- Plan another beach clean up
- Purchase a bingo game
- Purchase and outdoor clock for the pool area
- Search area sales for needed kitchen utensils, etc
- Create a picnic spot past the waste water treatment plant

Joanie Morton has volunteered to maintain the bulletin boards this year and will acquire the key from Ruth Pettit, who did it last year.

A few other topics were discussed but nothing determined at this time.

The next meeting will be Monday, May 23rd in the lounge at 6:30pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm

**SPRING HAS SPRUNG...
AND IT'S ALMOST GARDENING TIME!!**

If you would like to reserve a spot in the Edgewater Community Garden, please contact Sylvia Colbey at 326.3732.

We'll also need volunteers to plant the annuals around the Edgewater grounds. We typically do it sometime the week before Memorial Day. If you are interested in helping out with this beautification project, please contact the office at 326.2186.



Thank you!!

Why Shop at the Farmers Market?

Our community is fortunate to have a local farmers market. If you haven't shopped there before, consider the many advantages of patronizing our local merchants.

Farmers markets have gained popularity in the last few years as more and more consumers have come to enjoy the very fresh, locally grown produce, baked goods, eggs, dairy products, poultry and meats they offer. Farmers markets provide other benefits as well—to shoppers and local economies, as well as to the environment. Locally grown produce requires less fossil fuel to transport, which reduces pollution and noise, and less packaging—thus, less trash—than what is found in most supermarkets. And more often than not, farmers markets offer organically grown or pesticide-free produce, which is better for the environment as well as better for consumers' health.

Farmers markets also stimulate local economies by providing a secure place for small-scale local producers to sell their products, and a regular cash flow to local farmers. And when local farmers and producers prosper, they are better able to support other types of local businesses. Some retailers adjacent to farmers markets have seen an increase in their own sales by as much as 30 percent on market days.

Another advantage to having a farmers market in our community is the social interaction between urban and rural residents, as well as between neighbors. A source of “information and inspiration on how to prepare fresh ingredients,” farmers markets can help consumers better understand nutrition and the value of fresh food.

The number of farmers markets in the United States has grown to more than 6,000 and has increased by 16 percent since 2009, according to the National Farmers Market Directory. More than 20,000 farmers participate in farmers markets throughout the country. Most U.S. farmers markets are located in California, New York, Illinois, Michigan and Iowa, but the numbers are on the rise in other states, such as Missouri, Minnesota, Idaho, Michigan and Indiana.

To find farmers markets other than our own and specific products that are available by season and by state, visit the National Resources Defense Council's (NRDC) website at <http://www.simplesteps.org/eat-local>



