

MUTUAL 16 MATTERS



DECEMBER 2024

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FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

For the third year in a row, I got to participate in one of Mutual 16's best groups: "The Smart Cookies."

This year, a new record: twenty-three residents baked at least fifteen varieties of cookies in their individual kitchens. The bakers were: **Jeanette Akhter, Wendy Alvey, Dee Berkholtz, Maria Bishop, Betsy Davis, Maria Dudish, Judite Fernandes, Rhonda Finehout, Janet Gilbride, Shirley Gilmore, Terry Heineman, Kim Irish, Kay Looney, Colleen McCarty, Erin O'Grady, Maureen O'Hara, Helen Pechacek, Sally Plitman, Susan Polydoroff, Joan Safier, Paula Seebode, Patti Strade, and Susan Willcoxon.**

Next, on a cold rainy Wednesday, an assembly line piled cookies onto trays at Janet Gilbride's house – then the decorator/packers made the overflowing trays pretty with bags and tags and ribbons and bows.



Assembly line: **Susan W., Kay, Janet, Maria, Rhonda, Helen, and Paula** (not shown)

The following day (bright and sunny, thank goodness), the transport team – **Marcia Laundy, Betsy Davis, and Paula Seebode** – delivered the bounty to the six fire and rescue stations we regularly see in Mutual 16, the three Leisure World gates, and M16's LW Property Management team. Who's the best mutual? As usual, the answer is Mutual 16.



Glenmont Fire Station Number 18, A-Shift, with **Paula Seebode**

PLANNING MEETING

1:00 PM first Thursday of month
Clubhouse II, Rossmoor Room

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

9:30 AM second Tuesday of month
Clubhouse II, Rossmoor Room & Zoom

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President	Paula Seebode PaulaS330@aol.com	301-944-4759
Vice President	Betsy Davis BetsyTDavis1@gmail.com	240-383-7155
Secretary	Chris Everett Chris@CEverettOnline.com	410-428-7549
Treasurer	Edwin Bradley edsubrad@aol.com	202-641-7455
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	Marcia Laundy malaundy@gmail.com	301-598-3027
	John Looney J.Looney007@comcast.net	240-669-3530

CONTACTS

Communication Distribution	Jean Jones	301-467-3387
Friends of the Park	Paula Seebode	301-944-4759
Helping Hands	Peter Loan & Lenny Sammarco	240-676-6074 301-598-3027
Landscaping	Betsy Davis & Marcia Laundy	240-383-7155 301-598-3027
Maintenance	John Looney	240-669-3530
Newsletter	Chris Everett	410-428-7549
Social	Kay Looney & Diane Rosenfield	240-669-3530 301-996-2549
Sunshine Lady	Melinda Proctor	301-847-9644

SUPPORT

Sr. Property Manager	Nancy Sprinkle NSprinkle@lwmc.com	240-560-5565
Mutual Assistant	Michael Glick MGlick@lwmc.com	301-598-1055
LW Admin		301-598-1000
PPD		301-598-1500
Main Gate (Security)		301-598-1044
Comcast		1-855-638-2855
	willis_gray@comcast.com	

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"SMART COOKIES" SPREADING JOY

Dear Friends — I was blessed to be invited to distribute cookies to six fire stations; Property Management team **Waleska Carcuz**, **Michael Glick**, and **Nancy Sprinkle** at the LW Admin Building; and the security team at the three Leisure World gates.

Kudos to the "Smart Cookies" team including the Mutual 16 bakers. The cookies were gorgeous and included an unbelievable variety – plus each tray of cookies was carefully wrapped and adorned with a bow. We spent most of the day delivering the trays. The response of everyone was incredibly positive. I wish each of you could have witnessed the appreciation and positive comments. I was profoundly touched! I can't imagine anything that would have elicited the responses we witnessed.

I am so proud of our mutual. Kindness is what this world needs and Paula, Betsy and I were able to spread your kindness to others today. I hope I keep the love I got from every recipient, and that you can feel the joy we spread. We're part of Mutual 16, a very special place to live. I'm proud of all of us.

Thank you!

MARCIA LAUNDY



Connecticut Avenue Gate with **Betsy Davis** and **Marcia Laundy**
Kensington Volunteer Fire Station 5, A-Shift with **Marcia** and **Betsy**



MILESTONES

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Key Bidinger December 06
3427 St. Leonards Court

Chris Everett December 10
3302 Solomons Court

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Mary (Jean) Schaible January 05
15520 Prince Frederick Way

Don Phillips January 10
3306 Solomons Court

Lynne Griffin January 22
3303 Solomons Court

IN MEMORIAM

Virginia Rehbehn
December 16, 2024
15559 Prince Frederick Way

DECEMBER SCRAMBLE

Rearrange letters on each line to form a word, then use the circled letters on each line to form the BONUS WORD.

Created by **JANET GILBRIDE**

D N I W E

○ □ □ □ □

C E H N I

□ ○ □ □ □

O R N E T

○ □ ○ □ □

R D M E E U

□ □ □ □ ○ □

L W R G O E

□ □ □ □ ○ □

BONUS WORD

CLUE: WALKING IN A
----- WONDERLAND

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See next month's Word Scramble for answers

NOVEMBER ANSWERS

EBAMR
AMBER

ELALBT
BALLET

STIAV
VISTA

EBRLGI
GERBIL

AANIM
MANIA

BONUS WORD

CLUE: IN AUTUMN WE SEE FALLING

LEAVES

MUTUAL 16 HOLIDAY POTLUCK



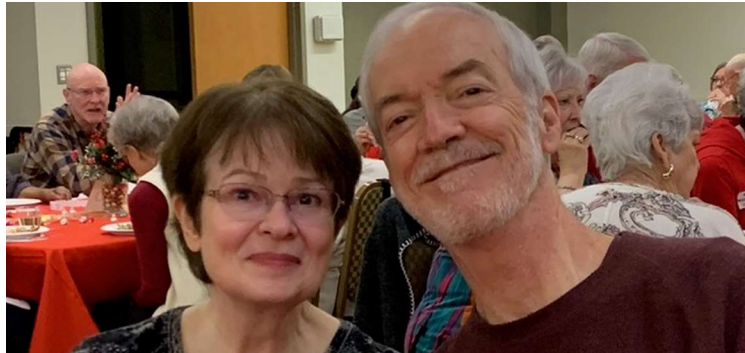
CAROLYN CAPONITI, PAULA SEEBODE, MELINDA PROCTOR



VAL & MARC KELLOGG



ALEX AND THOMASEENA COX



SUSAN & ROB WILLCOXON



DIANE & JIM ROSENFELD



PETER & CEOLA LOAN



MR. & MRS. CLAUS AKA FRANCINE & JOE JOYNER



RHONDA FINEHOUT, KARLA AND JANET GILBRIDE



PIGEON BATZ, DOROTHY SIMCOX, SHIRLEY GILMORE



STAN McCRAY AND KATHY FLANDERS, WINNER 50/50 DRAWING

MUTUAL 16 HOLIDAY POTLUCK



JEAN SCHAIBLE, DICK LAWLOR, SALLY PLITMAN



JOAN ALLSTON, GAYLE ALLEN, DOUG ALLSTON



WENDY & STONY ALVEY



BARBIE AND JULIE REPETA



PATTI & BOB STRADE



JOE & ARLENE HALPIN



HELEN & BOB PECHACEK



DEBBIE GIBSON, DEE BERKHOLTZ, JULES GREER



STEVE & KIM IRISH, BETSY DAVIS



GERRY VELTHAUS, BILL HEINEMAN

MUTUAL 16 HOLIDAY POTLUCK



MAUREEN MAYER-SANGSTER, EILEEN PRYOR



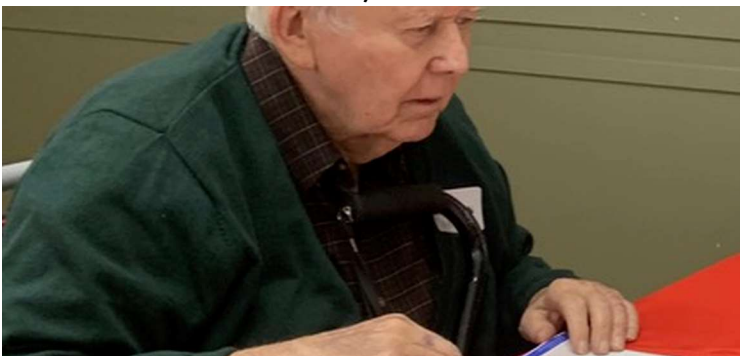
KEVIN & MARIA BISHOP



JUNE HORTIN, TRACY CREAMER



SHIRLEY GILMORE, KAY BUGENHAGEN



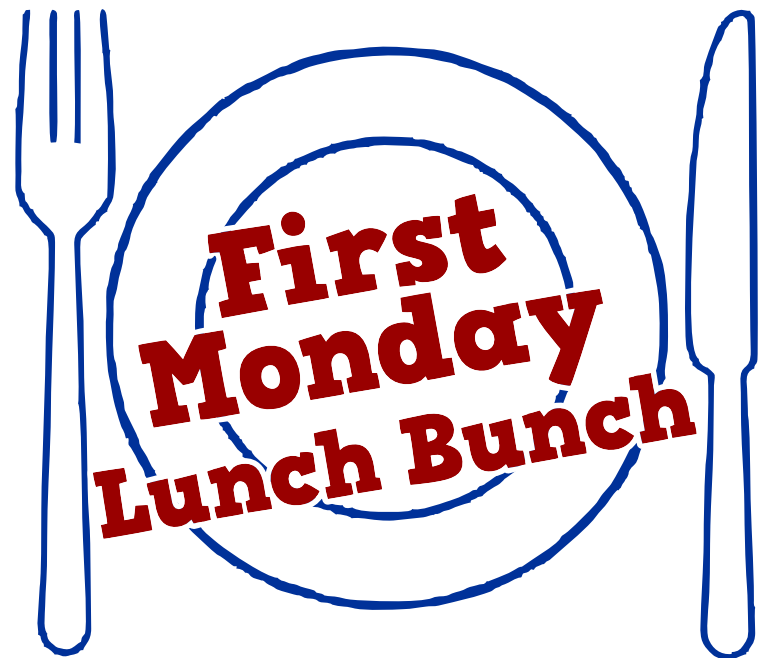
TOM BUGENHAGEN



BECOME A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE NEW FIRST MONDAY LUNCH BUNCH

Coming the first Monday in January – the 6th – 2025! Have lunch with your neighbors and maybe make some new friends. Drop in at 11:30 AM in the Terrace Room in Clubhouse I for lunch (or brunch), scintillating conversation, and LAUGHTER.

No hidden agenda, no minutes, no menu – just fun. Separate checks, of course. And if your neighbor doesn't drive – offer them a ride. Carpooling is probably a good idea. Hope to see you there.



RESOURCES

CONTRACTORS

•**Electrician**

Ethan Greene 240-388-1616

•**Garage Doors**

BBB Garage Doors LLC 301-309-9100

Billy's Garage Doors 301-367-9160

Fred C. Johnson Co. Inc. 410-792-2126

•**General Contractor**

JLS Contracting, LLC 240-793-2009

JLSContracting@gmail.com

Mike Morrow 301-613-8781

Morrow1200@me.com

Palacios Contractor, LLC 240-671-7258

Palacioscontractorllc@gmail.com

•**HVAC, Plumbing**

Jiffy Plumbing, Heating & AC

Pete Kristiansen

petethehvacguy@gmail.com

240-882-8696

Robertson Plumbing Services

robertsonps@yahoo.com

301-602-4007

•**Painter**

Ralph Carter

Ralphcarter8@aol.com

301-302-1211

HANDYMEN/APPLIANCE REPAIR

Scott Davis 240-463-6134

t00lman7@yahoo.com

John Kent 301-385-8866

a1handymanjack@gmail.com

Senior Appliance Repair 571-445-2623

GARDENING SERVICES

Gloria Sherman (LW Res) 301-980-2867

Jane Zimmerman (LW Res) 301-219-8745

Austin Angles 301-598-5161

Bill Bowers 301-831-7893

Cooper 301-473-2191

Cloverly Landscape 240-714-9531

REC Lawn Russ Cooper 301-614-2938

Mark Emmel 301-249-3655

Jovy's 301-537-9156

Jose Mayorga 301-346-5880

Carlos Mendoza 301-624-9769

Sam & Mari Gardens 301-590-5977

POWER OUTAGE

If you have a power outage, do NOT call Pepco! **Call the Main Gate**, at **301-598-1044**. The Main Gate reports outages to Pepco. We don't have individual accounts with Pepco so Pepco has no record of your residence if you were to call them.

REMINDERS

LITTLE LIBRARY AT THE ROCK

Anyone can put books in, anyone can take books out. After you read a book, bring it back or give it to someone else. If you have questions, call **Paula Seebode**, 301-944-4759.

SUNSHINE LADY

Our "Sunshine Lady" sends cards to our hospitalized residents as well as condolence cards for our deceased residents. If you know of anyone who needs a card, contact **Melinda Proctor** at 301-847-9644 or mefoxp@gmail.com.

SHOULD THE MUTUAL PAY FOR IT?

If you need work done in your home and feel the Mutual should pay, you **MUST FIRST** call **Jack Looney** at 301-938-0718 or 240-669-3530 **BEFORE** calling Physical Properties (PPD) or any contractor. If Jack is not available, call **Paula Seebode**, 301-944-4759. If you call PPD or a contractor directly, you will be responsible for any charges incurred unless it is an emergency situation. For Emergencies after hours, call the Main Gate 301-598-1044.

FRIENDS OF THE PARK

Mutual 16 is home to a Leisure World landmark: the Park at the Rock. Join in to help out – call **Paula Seebode** at 301-944-4759 for more information.

"FILE OF LIFE"

Do you have a red vinyl "File of Life" magnetically attached to your fridge door? If not, get one from Montgomery County Fire & Rescue. Keep it updated with info concerning your medications, doctors, and contacts to be notified in case of serious illness. This data is important to an emergency crew when they are called in due to a sudden illness. First responders will check your refrigerator door for the "File of Life."

ROBO-CALLS:

The M16 President directs the Robo-Call system to alert residents about immediate situations in the mutual. It may be a notice about a repair that affects water service, an event reminder, a last-minute change to a meeting time, or even a "Silver Alert" for a missing vulnerable neighbor.

HELPING HANDS VOLUNTEER

Need help with a minor household task? Call **Lenny Sammarco** 240-535-8627, or **Peter Loan** 240-676-6074.

TRASH SCHEDULE

Here's the schedule for garbage and recycling pickups, with specific requirements for each. Note: garbage and recycling containers may be put out the night before their pickup days.

- **GARBAGE:** Pickup days are **Tuesday** and **Friday**. Be sure your garbage can is tightly covered.
- **GLASS/METAL/PLASTIC RECYCLING:** Pickup days are **Tuesday** and **Friday**. Recycling should be in the appropriate blue container. If you need a blue container, you can get one from PPD.
- **PAPER/CARDBOARD RECYCLING:** Pickup day is on **Wednesday** only. Paper/cardboard should be placed in a blue recycling container. Large boxes may be set out separately. Secure properly so paper doesn't fly around when it's windy.
- **YARD DEBRIS: * BY REQUEST ONLY** on **Monday** and **Thursday**. Contact the Grounds Department email grounds@lwmc.com or call 301-598-1314 to notify them you have yard debris for pickup.

***SUSPENDED UNTIL MARCH 3, 2025.**

COMCAST (XFINITY) SERVICE

For routine service (if you need a technician, etc.) call LW Comcast Bulk 1-855-638-2855. For urgent issues (no TV or Internet), call Comcast Rep Willis Gray directly at 443-370-5018.