

September 2019

MUTUAL-16

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FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT:

It's hard for me to believe that summer is over, although one look at the changing color of our trees confirms it. Kudos to the many residents who planted such colorful flowers for all to enjoy. Despite the intense heat I thought the Mutual looked beautiful all thru the summer. We will be doing an inspection of the Mutual shortly for landscaping violations. You will find a list of "gardeners" attached.

This is the time to start thinking about serving on one, or more, of the LWCC Advisory Committees. It is a good way for both new and "old" residents to help LW function. All potential representatives must complete the attached "Request to be a Representative on an Advisory Committee" and submit it to Joan Allston by October 25, 2019. Even if you are currently serving on a committee you must register.

Our treasurer, Ed Bradley, has been working for a few months on the Budget for 2019. You will receive a mailing with specifics within the next week. Last year we were able to keep condo fees at the previous year's level with no increase. Unfortunately, that is not the case this year. Several factors contributed to the increase including the TV/Internet contract, the increase of 30 % in the water rate and the increase in the minimum wage. The Board of Directors plans to give final approval to the budget at its October 8, 2019 meeting. Please communicate your comments and questions, in writing, to any member of the Board of Directors by October 4, 2019 or attend the meeting.

NEWS ABOUT OUR PARK

From Paula Seebode

Thank you to Doug Allston for donating soaker hoses to the Park. They have made watering much easier in the back and less wasteful of water. As Fall approaches consider donating your unwanted Daisies, Black-eyed Susans, Peonies and other deer resistant perennials to the Park. Call Paula Seebode to discuss donations at 301-944-4759.



Moonflower in bud Stage



Moonflower in bloom



Moonflower seed pod

: The Moonflower bush is one of the most romantic plants you can grow in a garden. The large, trumpet-shape flowers unfurl in the evening and stay open until the sun rises. It is deer resistant, drought tolerant, good in containers and low maintenance. Kathy Geehrens, 15412 Prince Frederick Way, has one blooming now in her front yard. She is saving the seed pods and is willing to share. If you would like to try to grow one of these beautiful plants, call Paula Seebode, 301-944-4759 and she will put you in touch with Kathy.

And then there is our annual PIZZA PARTY IN THE PARK

on Friday, September 13!!

Let's hope we will be eating and socializing in the park – fun that it was last year scooting into the Repeta garage, in refuge from the untimely downpour.

Schedule for Comcast Equipment Installation in Mutual 16

Well before the start of the new Comcast contract, Comcast technicians will need to upgrade existing equipment in each unit. The equipment includes up to four 'boxes' (two of which are wireless) and modem. Existing wiring will remain, and additional wiring is not planned. You will receive a postcard on or shortly after September 29 to set up an installation appointment during the time period of October 27 – November 9th.

NEED HELP WITH YOUR YARDWORK?

People who do gardening work. These people are small businesses, so you often have to leave a message.

1. Gloria Sherman (Leisure World Resident) at 301-980-2867
2. REC Lawn Russ Cooper at 301-614-2938
3. Bill Bowers at 301-831-7893
4. Jose Mayorga at 301-346-5880
5. Mark Emmel at 301-249-3655
6. Carlos Mendoza at 301-624-9769

WAYS TO SAVE WATER

For years we've asked residents to follow reasonable practices to save electricity.

Now since WSSC has raised the water bill 30% we hope you will follow the following suggestions to save water as well!

- Only run your washer with full loads
- Only run the dishwasher when full
- Don't let the water run while brushing your teeth
- Take shorter showers

Golf and Greens Advisory Committee

Doug Allston

Golf course utilization continues to show an increase over last year, according to Golf Pro Richard Rosenthal. Aside from the daily play, we hosted another First Tee DC event to encourage these young golfers who, in the distant future may be Leisure World residents and golfers. Also, the Lions Club held a successful tournament. Superintendent Frank McLaughlin and his Crew continue to maintain our course in excellent condition.

At a recent meeting, the LWCC Board authorized the expenditure of up to \$10,000 for the McDonald Design Group to conduct an infrastructure study of our golf course. This study has been completed and a report is being prepared for presentation to the Committee.

The results of the Revenue Enhancement Study were reviewed by the Committee and several items of the report are under consideration by the Committee.

Have you signed up for a 3-month trial membership in the Golf Club yet? If not, the next three months could bring some of the best golf weather we've seen all year! The men's and women's tournaments and inter-club play will continue through October and the fall scenery on the course is beautiful. Come join us.

Should the Mutual Pay for It?

When you need work done in your home that you feel the Mutual should pay
for you **MUST FIRST**

Call Jack Looney (301) 938-0718 or 240-669-3530
before calling Physical Properties (PPD). If Jack is not available call Joan
Allston 301-598-2557

If you call Physical Properties directly you will be responsible for any charges
incurred unless it is an emergency situation.

For Emergencies after hours or on Weekends:

Call the Main Gate @301-598-1044

Comcast Issues: Call 1-855-638-2855

SAVE THE DATES

September 10, 2019 @9:30 Mutual Board Meeting

Sullivan Room, Administration Bldg.

October 8, 2019 @9:30 Mutual Board Meeting

Sullivan Room, Administration Bldg.

ENRICH YOUR DAY

(Choose one?)

I will live through the next 12 hours and try not to tackle all of life's problems at once.

I will improve my mind. I will learn something useful that requires effort, thought and concentration.

I will be agreeable. I will look my best, speak in a well-modulated voice, be courteous and considerate,

I will not find fault with friend, relative or colleague. I will not try to change or improve anyone but myself.

I will have a program. I might not follow it exactly, but I will have it. I will save myself from two enemies - hurry and indecision.

I will do a good turn and keep it secret. If anyone finds out, it won't count.

I will do two things I don't want to do, just for exercise.

I will believe in myself. I will give my best to the world and feel confident that the world will give its best to me.

Author unknown

ATTACHMENT A -

Preferred Experience/Qualifications for Serving on an Advisory Committee Ability to Communicate via Email is also Preferred for All Committees

Audit - previous experience serving on an “Audit Committee”, designing or reviewing and managing or directing operational procedures for ‘profit’ or ‘not for profit’ organizations, familiarity with financial operational audit responsibilities of CPA firm, background in finance, accounting, auditing, budgeting, management, law, business and/or contracting for audits.

Budget and Finance - background in finance, budgeting, business operations.

Communications - education, training, and/or experience in any of the following fields: journalism, publication/production of newspapers or newsletters, advertising, web/on-line publishing, blogging, social media or e-mail marketing.

Community Planning - background in project development, engineering, architecture, planning.

Education and Recreation - background and/or interest in education, recreation, travel, music, theater, art, interior design or architecture.

Emergency Preparedness - background in the preparation, review, or approval of emergency procedures at the federal, state, county, or local level including mutual level, Also, experience in assessing or evaluating various emergency situations that may be encountered by LW residents.

Energy – background, experience, technical knowledge in the field of energy.

Golf and Greens –background in golf course maintenance or design, knowledge of USGA rules, or a current or previous golfer.

Health - the member qualifications most useful in handling responsibilities of the Health Advisory Committee are professional residents, e.g., physicians, nurses, pharmacists, physical therapists, occupational therapists, social workers, psychologists, or others with experience in health-related settings, including communications, contract administration, performance evaluation, or public relations.

Insurance - background in property and casualty insurance, (either at insurance company level or agency level), experience in commercial insurance, risk management, or reviewing claims, data and evaluating insurance coverage.

Landscape - background in landscaping and gardening. The member qualifications most useful in handling the responsibilities of the Landscape Advisory Committee are residents who are master gardeners or a longtime gardener, or have knowledge of landscape design, or have familiarity with perennials, annuals, shrubs and trees, or have knowledge of safe insecticides and fertilizers.

Physical Properties - understanding of maintenance services, customer service, business planning and operations.

Restaurant - background in or prior catering or restaurant experience in any of the following areas: wait staff, cook, or restaurant ownership. It would also be beneficial for a member of this committee to be a frequent user of the Food Services facilities and enjoy culinary activities.

Security and Transportation - an understanding of the safety and security issues relating to LW, experience in riding LW buses inside and outside of LW, and, of equal importance, is the willingness to work with other LW residents in a committee environment.

Tennis and Pickleball - an understanding of tennis & pickleball court design and maintenance and an active player using the LW tennis & pickleball courts.

