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JULY – SEPTEMBER 2021



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This publication is for all of the Mariner's Cove residents and we appreciate your input. If there is anything you would like to see in the Beacon, please email me at bvallieu@gmail.com.

Summer is finally here and we can start to enjoy the warmer weather. Please be aware of your property and try to keep it clean and well kept. One thing that we have noticed is that people are putting their trash and recycle cans out before the day and times listed in the regulations. Trash cans should be put out to the curb on Monday's after 4 pm and after 4 pm on Friday (from Memorial Day until Labor Day). Recycle cans go out every other Thursday after 4 pm for pickup every other Friday. The next pick up in July is Friday, July 2nd. Please do not leave your cans out when they are not scheduled to be picked up. If you are a part-time resident, please ask your neighbor to bring your cans in.

Also, remember residents are only allowed to have 1 boat or 1 trailer on their driveway or stone parking at their house.

Let's try and keep our properties in good shape to make our community a great place to live! Have a great summer and have fun!

Following is a list of Emergency Boat Assistance members:

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PRESIDENT- MIKE LHOTSKY

This month's meeting with management was very different from the past meetings. This month seven of your board members were present to meet with ELS Vice President Greg Kane, along with Taunya, James and Matthew. Greg did most of the talking, as we wanted to hear his perspective on our situation. He did agree that the bulkheads have outlived their life span and need attention. He also expressed the opinion that he shares the same desire as we do to make this community one of the best places to live in the area. That being said, I feel that they, ELS are committed to fixing the problems we are currently experiencing. My only concerns are HOW and WHEN they decide to accomplish this task.

Ever since we began this process of receivership, ELS has had a change of heart. They have begun to hear our complaints and react to them. A lot of violations have been noted and things around the community are changing for the good of the community. But, compared to the Bulkheads and Drainage issues, these are the little things.

We did ask what they were doing to fix some of the drainage issues and as we were being specific. James was jotting notes on his laptop. This was again a sign they are hearing what we say. One other positive you may have seen in the community was Harry Caswell's Jetting truck. They were jetting and filming the conditions of the drains to detect any problems with the intent to fixing any problems. This was pointed out by the board, as we noticed the flapper valves were not functioning properly and we feel this was a step in the right direction to solve some of the issues of the past.

Greg has also told us that ELS has applied for a permit to cover all the bulkheads in the community, which to me means once the work starts again it should not stop and we can put this pain behind us.

With that being said, we have not and will not stop the process we have started. I do not see the work being done yet and will not let up until the job is done.

On a much happier note, we received permission from Management to again start using the clubhouse for activities. Barbara and Maria will provide you with the information of all planned events. I would like to ask you all to support us in these events and they will keep doing them. It's all about building a community and a happy place to live.

A lot of work goes on behind the scenes for all these things to happen. We need all of you to stand up behind us or join us in our quest to make this the best community in the area. We will be holding elections of new officers in the next couple of months (August) and none of this would be possible if no one stepped up. So please consider two things...join the HOA and volunteer to make a difference.

To date, we have 190 members. There are 350 homes in the community. It would be nice to sign up everyone, but that is asking a lot. Give it some consideration if you have not yet joined because together as a unit, we can accomplish much more than we can by ourselves. It's only \$20.00 a year and it is the best \$20.00 you will ever spend.

VICE PRESIDENT – LANIE WOOD

Please make your recycling count. There are some items that are not acceptable in Delaware's recycling program. At this point, **the following items are not recyclable in Delaware** and should be placed into a trash container:

Paper— Shredded paper, paper towels, napkins, tissues, paper plates, paper cups, coffee cups, hardcover books, wax paper, tissue paper, bubble envelopes, Fed-Ex envelopes (ty-vex), receipts

Paperboard — Frozen food packaging, refrigerated packaging (box from butter, etc), ice cream containers

Corrugated Cardboard — Greasy pizza boxes

Plastic Containers — **Plastic bags**; bubble wrap; and plastic film packaging from paper towels, toilet paper, water bottles, etc. (take back to retail store), motor oil and chemical containers, potato chip bags, plastic plates, plastic utensils, plastic straws, plastic packaging (blister packaging), plastic toys, plastic furniture, plastic hangers, small pill bottles

Styrofoam — Plates, cups, egg cartons, take out containers, peanuts, packaging material (clean Styrofoam can be dropped off at a DSWA facility)

Metal — Scrap metal, metal hangers, pots, pans, bottle caps, aerosol cans, paint cans, electronics, household batteries, extension cords, string lights

Glass — Mirrors, window glass, glass cookware, glass drinkware, lightbulbs

Food Waste — Rinse all containers of food and liquid residue

Yard Waste — leaves, grass clippings, branches

Any of these items found in recycling cans will cause the load to go to a landfill, thus negating the purpose of recycling. Thanks for your help in keeping Delaware green.

TREASURER – ALICE CACHOLA

After a year of restrictions and uncertainties, this summer should be the dawn of unprecedented and advantageous period for us. Be adventurous and don't be afraid to try new things. A new restaurant with a different meal choice. Shop a trendy store and spend a little. Shop a thrift store and spend a lot. Dance like no one is watching and laugh until your insides ache. Nevertheless, whatever you decide make it new and bold and most of all enjoy the NEW you!

ACTIVITIES – MARIA GUIDONE

Welcome Summer! Looks like we are seeing light at the end of the tunnel regarding the pandemic. Once everything permanently opens up, we will be back to our normal scheduling of events. If you have any suggestions to discuss as to adding additional events, please let me know. Stay safe, relax and enjoy your summer!!

ACTIVITIES – BARBARA VALLIEU

We are scheduling a few activities to start up in July as we head into our summer season. Right now, we are planning our 4th of July activities. Please keep an eye out for signs and bulletin board notices just in case there are any changes or updates.

*****Wednesday Nights – Texas Hold Em Poker – 7 to 10 PM at the clubhouse**

*****JULY 2nd WATER AEROBICS – Monday, Wednesday and Fridays** starting July 2nd at 12 noon at the pool. (Water aerobics will be held from July 2nd to the pool closure after Labor Day).

*****JULY 4TH HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST – 8 PM** Prizes 1st place \$100, 2nd place \$75, 3rd \$50

*****JULY 4TH GOLF CART PARADE – 10 AM** registration at the clubhouse, parade starts at 11.
Prizes \$100, \$75, \$50

*****JULY 10TH GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING – 10 AM** at the Clubhouse - Board member nominations

*****JULY 17TH POKER RUN – 11 AM to 12 PM** registration, **Poker Run from 1 PM to 3 PM**
\$5:00 per person - Winner takes all with highest poker hand

*****JULY 31st All You Can EAT Breakfast from 8 AM to 11 AM** at the clubhouse. All for only \$8 per person

*****AUGUST 14TH – GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING – 10 AM** - Voting results for Board Members.

***** AUGUST 28TH – END OF SUMMER PICNIC** held at the gazebo next to the clubhouse. There will be baskets for raffles similar to previous years and of course 50/50. We always have a great time. Come out and enjoy a great day with delicious food, wonderful people and music to enjoy. There will be a \$10.00 donation if you are not an HOA member.

***** SEPTEMBER 11 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING – 10 AM** at the clubhouse.

***** SEPTEMBER 25TH All You Can Eat Breakfast – from 8:00 to 11:00 AM** at the clubhouse. All
For only \$8.00 per person.

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH – MARA JONES-SHIFLET

If you are unable to do neighborhood watch on your scheduled week, please reach out to the other people on the list, and see if you can switch weeks. If you are unable to switch with anyone, PLEASE CONTACT ME.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact me at 302-569-7172 OR Email me at Madoug2004@yahoo.com

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MEMBER AT LARGE – DONNA BORDEN

Finally, we can start doing what we do in Mariner's Cove. July 4th activities, the poker run, boating, BBQ's, crabbing and getting together with family and friends. It's been a long year and I look forward to seeing old and new faces. We always need volunteers to help us out with everything we do. Happy summer!

BOAT YARD - ED OLLIS

Thank you to all the HOA members that are using the boat yard for watercraft and trailer storage. It is great that so many of the members are taking advantage of this amenity. However, I do have to remind everyone that the summer storage comes with a \$35 storage fee. This fee is used to cover the cost of the ground maintenance such as grass cutting and the labor it takes to move the watercraft and trailers for the maintenance. In addition, all watercraft and trailers are required to have the HOA member's name affixed to the trailer. While many of you have already paid for your storage and made sure your names are affixed to the trailer, there are still many that have not.

If you have not already paid your annual HOA fee plus your summer boat yard storage, I urge you to pay your fee(s) through the HOA PayPal account or contact Al Wentworth, who is the HOA Membership person or myself. Our contact information is located on the front of the Beacon.

All storage fees must be paid by July 15th. After this date, any watercraft or trailer whose HOA fee and storage fee(s) is not paid will be removed from the lot. If your name is on the trailer, we will tow it to your home. If the trailer is not marked with a name, it will be removed from the boat yard and placed on the main road. From this point the watercraft or trailer will be subject to the rules of property management.

We sincerely hope that we won't have to take this action, but in fairness to all of the members that have paid their fees and for those volunteers that give their time to assist with moving the watercraft /trailers for ground maintenance, we feel we will have given everyone more than sufficient time to pay their HOA fee and summer storage payment(s).

Enjoy the remaining months of summer and happy boating.

MEMBERSHIP – ALAN WENTWORTH

2021 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

I would like to thank the **184** residents who have already renewed their membership and welcome our new members. The fee for membership including the \$5 late fee is only \$25. The late fee does not apply to new residents who join the Mariners Cove community anytime during 2021. You may also pay online through our website www.mchoa.webs.com. There is a \$1.00 service charge for online payment.

Your membership includes: DMHOA Membership; the quarterly Beacon newsletters; emergency Boat Towing (local); boat and trailer storage (winter free, summer +\$35); and, subject to Federal and State Covid guidelines, the 4th of July Poker Run; eligibility for prizes for the 4th of July Golf Cart parade and the 4th of July and Christmas Decorating prizes; free admission to the Annual Picnic and the Christmas/Pasta Dinner; and Craft Shows and other socials and special events that your HOA sponsors. In addition, your participation helps build the credible Home Owners Association needed to negotiate with ELS and Local Management on issues important to all Mariners Cove residents.

Also, part of your membership fee goes to support the statewide Delaware Manufactured Home Owners Association (DMHOA) which is very much involved with the DE Legislature and the Attorney General's Office to protect the rights and security of the residents of all Manufactured Home Communities. DMHOA is only as strong as the number of members it represents. Remember, votes get the attention of politicians and we vote!

Please send your membership payment and application to:

Alan Wentworth/MCHOA
35474 Pine Drive
Millsboro, DE 19966

For those who mail checks w/o an application **please** include on/with check:

- Mariners Cove **lot number** or US mail **street** address,
- **email** address,
- contact **phone** number

Membership payments will be acknowledged by email, or by snail mail if a self-addressed, stamped envelope is included with your payment.

Mariners Cove Home Owners Association

2021 Membership Application

We are now accepting applications for membership for 2021. Please mail your check payable to MCHOA and membership enrollment form to:

MCHOA
Attn: Alan Wentworth
35474 Pine Drive
Millsboro, De 19966

Membership is \$20.00 if paid by July 15 and \$25.00 if paid after July 15th (\$20 for new residents). You may also pay online through our website @ www.mchoa.webs.com. There is a \$1.00 service charge for online payments. Payments will be acknowledged by email if an address is provided. To receive a paper receipt, please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your application.

Please give us your e-mail address to help us control the costs to keep you informed of activities and other happenings in the park. Remember to check the Bulletin Boards (located by the pool on Cove Drive and behind the mailboxes) and signs posted for upcoming events.

NAME _____ LOT NUMBER _____

MARINERS COVE ADDRESS _____

HOME ADDRESS IF NOT A FULL TIME RESIDENT _____

PHONE NUMBER _____ CELL NUMBER _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____ # of children under 14 years _____

Beacon e-mailed _____ (also available at the mail box location.) The Beacon is published quarterly.

We also need volunteers to help us with the events, if interested please indicate: Yes _____ No _____

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By checking on the line below, you give us your permission to share your information with Neighborhood Watch. If you do not check on the line, we will be unable to notify you if something goes wrong with your property.

_____yes I give my permission to share my information with Neighborhood Watch

Thank you, MCHOA Board of Directors

(Membership Application) revised 6/21

RECIPES FOR THE JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2021 COVE BEACON

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lemon-honey cupcakes

FOR THE CUPCAKES:

- 2¾ cups all-purpose flour
- ¾ teaspoon baking powder
- ¾ teaspoon baking soda
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ½ cup reduced-fat sour cream
- ¼ cup milk
- 1½ tablespoons grated lemon zest
- ¼ cup fresh lemon juice
- ¾ cup (1½ sticks) unsalted butter, at room temperature

- ¾ cup honey
- ¼ cup sugar
- 3 large eggs

FOR THE FROSTING:

- 1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter, at room temperature
- ¼ cup honey
- 1½ tablespoons grated lemon zest
- 4 cups confectioners' sugar
- 7 to 8 teaspoons lemon juice
- Few drops of yellow food color

- 1.** Heat oven to 350°F. Line two standard 12-cup muffin tins with cupcake liners.
- 2.** In a bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder, baking soda, and salt. In a second bowl, whisk together sour cream, milk, lemon zest, and lemon juice.
- 3.** Using an electric mixer, beat butter, honey, and sugar in a large bowl until light and fluffy, about 2 minutes. Beat in eggs, one at a time.
- 4.** Reduce mixer speed to low and beat in half the flour mixture, then all the sour cream mixture. Add remaining flour mixture and blend until combined.
- 5.** Spoon about ¼ cup batter into each of the prepared muffin cups and bake until a wooden pick inserted into the center comes out clean, 18 to 20 minutes. Let cool for 10 minutes, then transfer cupcakes to a wire rack to cool completely.
- 6.** Now make the frosting: Using an electric mixer, beat butter, honey, and lemon zest in a large bowl until combined, about 2 minutes. Reduce mixer speed to low and beat in confectioners' sugar. Add lemon juice and food color and beat until fluffy and pale yellow. Spoon into a large ziptop freezer bag, snip off a corner, and pipe onto cupcakes.

I NEED RECIPES TO PUBLISH FOR THE UPCOMING BEACONS. IF YOU HAVE A RECIPE THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE, PLEASE EMAIL IT TO ME AT bvallieu@gmail.com. I NEED YOUR HELP IN KEEPING THIS PAGE GOING FOR FUTURE BEACONS. THANK YOU!

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DATE: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ LOT #: _____

Detailed Description of Complaint: _____

Complaint Reported By: _____

CORRECTIVE ACTION

Complaint Forwarded To: _____

Date Forwarded: _____

Action Taken: _____

Resident Advised: YES NO (circle)

Date Complaint Closed: _____