

LAKESIDE GROVERS OF TAMARIND GROVE

A SOCIAL CLUB FOR RESIDENTS
FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF
MEETING OUR NEIGHBORS IN A
FUN, RELAXED ENVIRONMENT

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Ever been on a Photo Safari? Ever dined on Maine Lobster Rolls? Well - LGSC is giving you the chance to do both!

On Monday, January 25, all you Would-Be Bwanas will gather in your Safari Vehicles (AKA golf carts) in the Sterling Heights' parking lot at 3:30 pm. There you will form teams of three or four, get a list of your quarry, and register the cell phone you'll use to send pictures back to Base Camp. After that you're off to scour the Wilds of The Villages. Your Objective: Capture a picture of your team with each object you find - texting or emailing it back to your Tour Leaders. These photos will be in a slideshow shown during dinner. (Oh, the fame! The notoriety!!) Diners will channel their inner Simon Cowell voting on the Best Picture for each item. The team with the most 1st place votes will bag the trophy as well as bragging rights for the rest of 2016.

If you are not a hunter, you can still join us for dinner at 5:45 pm. Enjoy the photos of your fellow Grovers' safari adventures as well as the food provided by our Orlando caterer. (And trail food was never like this. Monsta Lobsta has won rave reviews on both Trip Advisor and Yelp.)

If you're not into Lobster Rolls, not to worry. A grilled chicken sandwich is also an option. Be ready to specify your choice when you buy your tickets on Tuesday, January 12. (I know you know the time & place for ticket sales: 4-5pm at our mail station.) Chips and dessert will round out your meal.

While a little rain won't deter us, in case of a monsoon everyone will meet at 5:45pm for dinner and a card game.

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Event in Brief
Tickets: \$12pp
Food: Lobster Rolls
or chicken sandwich,



Ticket sales are
conducted at the
Tamarind Grove mail
station Tuesday,
January 12, 4-5pm.

Euchre Card Group



Want to learn to play Euchre? Group leader, Neil Timson, invites everyone to join his Euchre card group. Contact Neil at: neil.timson@yahoo.com

or call 813-545-8224 for more information. **This group meets on Monday, 10am-11:50am,** at Sterling Heights.

Looking for Cinderella



If you lost a shoe at the Holiday Party, Prince Charming (aka Robin Harding rharding22@verizon.net) is looking for you! All we can say is that you must have had a really good time! Oh, and what happens at the Lakeside Grover parties, stays at the Lakeside Grover parties! (Just kidding, a lot of ladies brought extra shoes to dance in)

Meet the New Board Members!

Welcome two new additions to our 2016 Board! The full slate of officers will be announced at our January meeting. There were no opposed offices this year, so elections were not required. Thanks to all who served in 2015 and who will serve in 2016!



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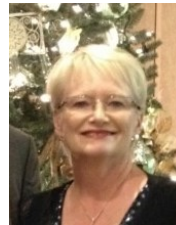
Communications & Records

At the urging of a co-worker who had just bought a new home here, my husband Don and I first visited The Villages in February 2008.

Within 24 hours we knew this was the place for us when it was time to

retire. Our wish came true in May 2011 when our house in Iowa finally sold. We both immediately gave 2 weeks notice, flew down to The Villages, ordered our house in Tamarind Grove and subsequently moved in on August 1st. Prior to my Villages life, I worked with government contracts for a avionics defense manufacturing contractor of communication and navigation equipment. I was responsible for proposals and subsequent acceptance of awards for contracts up to \$5 million.

The wonderful activities offered in our community are only made possible by the effort of a great many volunteers. I wanted to get involved right away and offered my services to the Iowa Club which was in need of a secretary. I remained in that position for 4 years with the duties being somewhat similar to those of the newly created position of Communications – Records Director. Currently a committee is forming to accomplish the many tasks required. If you are looking for an opportunity to become involved, please let me know.



LORELEI HUFF:

Events Director

I am from Aberdeen, SD, but Wayne and I moved here from ND in August 2011. Our first visitor, of course, was Don Parr. We were part of the originators of the Lakeside Grovers and planning committee for the

Grover's first Halloween and holiday parties. I was a member of the Events Committee in 2015 and I believe we had a very successful year with a great team.

During my working years I was a paralegal and personal assistant to the owners of a large franchise company. As part of that position, I planned conventions and other events, including a weekend party with Tony Bennett entertaining one night and dancing to Les Brown the next night. My hobbies include reading, golf, and anything art or crafts. I was the lead designer of the centerpieces for our recent holiday party at Savannah Center. I paint in acrylics, but pastels are my preferred medium. I have been known to paint on anything that comes my way . . . furniture, feathers, glass, palm fronds, old cupboard doors, and ornaments to name a few.

I look forward to continuing the really great work of the Events Committee that Char set in motion.

News About Ticket Sales



Ticket Subsidies

Did you know that your ticket prices have been subsidized throughout 2015? In fact, you paid on average \$3.50 less per ticket than the event actually cost - that's a total of \$3,882 for the year. If you came to all of our events, your tickets were subsidized by \$38.50. Not a bad return on the \$5 you spent on Club dues!

How did we manage to do this? In addition to dues, our 50-50s and silent auctions have raised money.

In 2016 we plan to raise even more money by opening our March Mentalmania event to non-members. Our entertainer, Mark Stone, is an ESP showman who has appeared on TV numerous times so his show is bound to have wide appeal. Since the event is in Colony Cottage, we have more seating than we need. Therefore, the Board decided to use this event as a fund raiser. Don't worry: members will have First Dibs. You can buy your tickets in February while everyone else will have to wait until March. The money from the sale of our extra tickets will help lower the price of your tickets for the rest of 2016.

Change in Ticket Sales for February/March

Speaking of ticket sales . . . be aware that they go on sale earlier than normal in February because our Night Club Act & Dinner Dance event will take place on Friday, February 19. The specifics will be announced in the February newsletter, but don't wait for that - put the ticket sales date in your Calendar now! It's Tuesday, February 2. At this time you will be able to buy your tickets for our February and March ESP Extravaganza before we make March available to non-members.



LGSC Financial Report

November Cards & Pizza Event

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| Ticket sales | \$200.00 |
| Expenses | |
| Pizza | \$199.18 |
| Tip | \$ 40.00 |
| Supplies | \$ 11.00 |
| Total | \$250.18 |
| Club contributions | \$ 50.18 |

Scenes from The Holiday Party



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Monthly Meetings held on the
last Monday of each month
6:30pm - 9:00pm
Sterling Heights
Recreational Center

**Have You Changed Your
Email Address?**

If you'd like to continue to
receive
our e-newsletter and emails
regarding meetings and events
for the
Lakeside Grover's
Social Club,
please remember to keep us
updated with any changes in
your contact information!
And, make sure we are on
the "approved" list for your
spam filter.



Tamarind Grove Lakeside Grovers Social Club Membership Form

Lakeside Grovers Social Club

2016 Membership Application Form

Please Print Legibly

HOUSEHOLD

Street Address (in Villages)

MEMBERS

Dues are \$5 for the year from October to October.

MEMBER #1 *(Use the first name you use when introducing yourself to others)*

First Name Last Name

Phone Home Cell

Email

MEMBER #2 *(Use the first name you use when introducing yourself to others)*

First Name Last Name

Phone Home Cell

Email

NAME TAGS (Optional) \$6.00 each-CASH ONLY *Complete only if you wish to purchase a tag*

MEMBER #1

Attach NAME TAG with:

Home State (s) Magnet ☐ Pin ☐

Enter state (s) as you wish them to appear on your Name Tag. (e.g., MI & OH) This is optional.

MEMBER #2

Attach NAME TAG with:

Home State (s) Magnet ☐ Pin ☐

Enter state (s) as you wish them to appear on your Name Tag. (e.g., MI & OH) This is optional.

Make any checks for **dues** payable to **Lakeside Grovers Social Club** and return with this form to:

Don Parr, Membership Chair

2339 Bachman Path, The Villages FL 32162

Forms will also be available during ticket sales, since you must have a current membership to purchase tickets

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