



**March 2023**

# **THE ECHOES**

**Newsletter**

## **COMING EVENTS**

- Mar 1 – Mystery Dinner Play – 4:30 p.m.
- Mar 4 – Pancake Breakfast -7:30 a.m.
- Mar 4 – Michigan Day – 1:00 p.m.
- Mar 5,12,19,26–Growing in Christ–6:00 p.m.
- Mar 8 – Pennsylvania Day – 1:30 p.m.
- Mar 9 – Welcome New Residents - 2:00 p.m.
- Mar 10 – Potluck - 5:30 p.m.
- Mar 11 – Workday – 8:00 a.m.
- Mar 11 – NY & Canada Day – 12:00 p.m.
- Mar 17 – Coffee Hour – 8:00 a.m.
- Mar 17 – St Patrick’s Day Dance–6:30–9:30p.m.
- Mar 18 – Cornhole Tournament – 11:00 p.m.
- Mar 18 – Hobo Stew – 3:00 p.m.
- Mar 19 – Indiana Day – 1:00 p.m.
- Mar 21 – HOA Board Meeting – 10:00 a.m.
- Mar 25 – Celebration of Life – 1:00 p.m.
- Mar 28 – Social Meeting – 10:00 a.m.

## **ECHOES COMMITTEE**

- Editor:** Joanne Novelli
- Asst Editor:** Cindy Hubbel
- Activities:** Cindy Hubbel (Alt - Bobbi Snow)
- Roving Reporter:** Wanda Nichols
- Photographer:** Beverly Modloff

## **COVERED BRIDGE**

### **INFORMATION SITES**

- Website address:**  
[www.coveredbridgelakeplacidflorida.net](http://www.coveredbridgelakeplacidflorida.net) (all words are spelled out).
- CB Board Email Address:**  
[coveredbridge@centurylink.net](mailto:coveredbridge@centurylink.net)
- Echoes Address:**  
[cbechoes@gmail.com](mailto:cbechoes@gmail.com)
- Face book Page:**  
Search for “Covered Bridge, Lake Placid, FL”



# POT LUCK



At the February potluck, 65 people were there to share their dishes. Wanda Dickson brought valentine candy and a valentine card and won a door prize that was a beautiful table cover.

Pat Jones was the gold plate winner for February. She and her guests shared many delicious dishes. The March gold plate winner is Rick Kennedy.

Since March is a celebration of St. Patrick's Day, please bring a favorite Irish dish to share along with your drink. See you March 10<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 p.m.

Submitted by Linda Carl

## **NO DRIVING ON THE GRASS!**

New irrigation system has been installed at the Clubhouse. There will be **NO driving on the grass.**

Submitted by Patty Hynes

## **THANK YOU**

We value our partnership with Covered Bridge, and thank all of you for helping make the blood drive a success. We are pleased to share with you the recent blood drive results:

**12 donors participated.**

### **GREAT DRIVE!**

Remember, each procedure can save up to three lives so that means 30 patients could benefit from the lifesaving efforts of blood donors at Covered Bridge. The blood donated at your blood drive will likely be transfused into a patient within 48 to 72 hours. The turnaround is that fast and is that constant.

The next scheduled blood drive is:  
**April 12, 2023**

We thank you for your dedication and commitment to our lifesaving mission.

Jorge Juver

Submitted by Patty Hynes



## **LINE DANCING**

Line dancing is held on Monday and Thursday at 10:00 a.m. at the Covered Bridge Clubhouse.

**Beginner's** line dancing is on Monday and Thursday, at 9:00 a.m. Beginners are welcome any time of the year.

Submitted by Theresa Ziegelbauer

## **“HELPING HANDS”**

### **Painting ...interior and exterior, also Power Washing**

Contact Woody Cook at 863-531-3410.

### **Painting ...interior and exterior, also Power Washing**

Contact Lee Maule at 309-369-9799

### **Need Help with Housework?**

Before – during – after your stay – or all year  
Reliable – dependable service, references.  
Contact Marie Primus at 864-329-7277.

### **Need a Haircut?**

Contact Diana Granson, at 16 Jasmine St.  
Haircuts are \$10, perms start at \$40, and  
coloring starts at \$40. You may come to my  
house, or I can come to you. Call 765-210-  
7687 for more information.

### **Care Assistance**

I have 20+ years of long-term care experience.  
I am available to sit/assist you or a loved one.  
Contact Ann Miller-Pedersen at 863-273-  
1019.

### **Need Help Cleaning**

Call the Tidy & Spiffy Gals. Mid Oct – Mid  
May. Call Terri Wacker (734-276-6649) and  
Sue Lilly (810-656-7802).

### **Available for Hire**

Will cook, shop, elder sit, dog sit, dog walks,  
Doctor appointments, grocery store stops, pick  
up prescriptions and Airport rides. If interested  
call Sally Lemke at 863-434-5501.

**“St. Patrick’s Day is an enchanted time  
– a day to begin transforming winter’s  
dreams into summer’s magic.” “**

## **CONDOLENCES**



The sympathy of the entire Covered Bridge community is extended to the family and loved ones on the death of the following residents, as submitted by Joyce Ryan.

Bill Fowler  
Herman Bott  
Tammy Yallelus



Wishes for a speedy recovery are extended to each resident who is not feeling well.

Sandy Drake  
Deborah McGee  
Lois Vara

If you know one of our residents who might be ill or just not feeling well, please contact **Joyce Ryan (our Sunshine Lady)** at 863-273-0461 so she can send them a special card. Joyce collects this information and provides it to the Echoes as well. If she doesn’t know then we don’t know.

**“May the luck of the Irish  
be with you!”**

### **MARINATED CARROTS**

2 lbs. carrots (cooked)  
1 onion, chopped course  
1 green pepper, chopped course

Mix together:

1/2 cup vinegar  
1 cup oil  
1/2 cup sugar  
1 tsp dry mustard  
1 tsp pepper  
1 tsp Worcestershire sauce

Add vegetables and marinate at least overnight.

Submitted by Kathy Melia

**“May you live to be 100 years, with  
one extra year to repent.”**

### **CELEBRATION OF LIFE**

There will be a celebration of life for **John Winters** at:

Bethany Baptist  
26604 State Rd 64  
Myakka City, FL

Date: March 22, 2023  
Time: 1:00 p.m.

There will be a dinner to follow.

Submitted by Nancy Winters

### **MICHIGAN DAY**



Due to popular demand, there will be a MICHIGAN DAY this year! Come join the fun Saturday, **March 4<sup>th</sup>**, at 1:00 p.m. Please bring a dish to share and your favorite beverage along with your own table service. Please sign-up on the sheet provided in the Clubhouse by Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup> (if possible). See you then!

Submitted by Phyllis Lung



### **PENNSYLVANIA DAY**

Come join us for an ice cream social Wed **Mar 8<sup>th</sup>** at 1:30 p.m. Please sign up on the sheet in the Clubhouse, so we'll know how many to plan for, and bring yourself and a smile.

Submitted by David Bieganski

### **NEW YORK AND CANADA DAY**



Come join the fun on Saturday **Mar 11<sup>th</sup>** at 12:00 p.m. Please bring a dish to share and your favorite beverage along with your own table service.

Submitted by Kathy Melia

## INDIANA DAY

Come join the fun on Sunday **Mar 19<sup>th</sup>** at 1:00 p.m. Please bring a dish to share and your favorite beverage along with your own table service. Please call Phyllis Klase if you have any questions.

Submitted by Phyllis Klase

## CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

Last month's corn hole tournament went so great and due to popular demand, we are having **another one March 18, 2023.**

No teams needed; we will draw names to make up teams. There is a \$5.00 entry fee, and the good times start at 11:00.

For more information call Augie Reese.

Submitted by Cindy Hubbel

# WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS!

Michael McKeown  
11 Pinecrest St

Robert & Sharlene Hill  
168 Woodside Dr

Alan & Gail Drake  
108 Hillcrest St

Todd & Nadine Smith  
117 Woodside Dr

All new residents are invited to the welcoming event, held every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month, at 2:00 p.m., in the Covered Bridge Clubhouse.

Submitted by  
Barb Brigante and Patti May

## HOBO STEW

For the HOBO Stew we are asking everyone to bring a food item that is on the **list in the Clubhouse.** Annotate on the list which item you're bringing, so we will know what else we will need to supply. The date is **Mar 18<sup>th</sup>**, at 3:00 p.m. Everyone is asked to bring a dessert. Thank you.

Submitted by Cindy Hubbel

**"In heaven there is no beer.  
That's why we drink it here!"**



**WINNERS OF THE CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT**



First Place:  
Woody Cook and Bob Lung

Second Place:  
Augie Reese and Tracy Livingston

**ST. PATRICKS DAY DANCE**



Dance will be on Mar 17<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30 – 9:30, and will be featuring Jay Boree. Tickets are \$7.00, at the door. Please bring a snack to share and your own drink. Contact Bobbi Snow if you have any questions.

Submitted by Bobbi Snow

**GROWING IN CHRIST**

David and Jeanette McClane (the ice cream folks) invite the Covered Bridge community to join them in a non-denominational bible study, prayer, and fellowship group on Sundays from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Covered Bridge Clubhouse. They hope you will join them in "Growing in Christ" and promise you will not be bored but may be challenged. Both David and Jeanette have extensive knowledge of the bible.

Submitted by Patty Hynes

**2023 ANNUAL COVERED BRIDGE FAIR**





**HIGHLIGHTS OF COVERED**  
**BRIDGE HOA MEETING**  
**FEB 21, 2023**

Officers present were Cindy Hubbel, Patty Hynes, Tom Wacker, Connie Charles, Gavin Walls, and Sue Lilly. Absent was Tom Taylor.

Secretary Sue Lilly read the **minutes** from December 22, 2022, meeting.

Patty Hynes read the **Treasurers Report**.

Tom Taylor said we should be receiving letters from Bookkeeper regarding payment of **HOA Fees**.

**PRESIDENTS REPORT:**

Cindy Hubbel said that we will not be having a vote on the **water issues** as there are lots of ongoing investigations.

**Covid** is on the rise. Please take precautions.

Cindy said the **events** are posted on the website, Echoes newsletter, and on the Clubhouse bulletin board.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Tom Wacker is working to design the covers for the **Cornhole** area to utilize the old covers from shuffleboard courts.

The **road patching** has been completed.

The **lawn sprinklers** around the Clubhouse should begin on Feb 22, 2023.

**Gas line** should be done soon.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Pool resurfacing** will be scheduled as soon as the **electrical** has a date for their work to be completed. We are still waiting on **concrete** bids so all the work will fall into place.

**Current Electric** will be doing the electrical for a cost of \$8,952.25. This includes fixing the lights in the pool and surrounding lights for nighttime swimming.

Donna Palmatier asked where the **\$60,000.00** is going to come from. And is this pool going to be utilized.

Bobbi Snow asked what are the **rules for** who uses the **pool**.

Connie Charles reported that \$42.44 of our **HOA fee is from Comcast**. Our contract with them is up in the year 2025. We will have 18 months prior to the end of our contract to **negotiate a new contract with Comcast**. She has been in contact with Jennifer or Linda at Comcast Bulk Priority Team. The number is 561-815-6749. For questions on our account, you must go thru Comcast, as we are a bulk account.

Cindy Hubbel discussed **HOA fees** and asked for a show of hands to increase the monthly fee. Tom Wacker made a motion to keep the fee as is. Gavin Walls seconded it. **Motion was carried**.

**COMMITTEES:**

**Architectural:** Mike Kratz reminded people to make sure that their plastic sheds are secured/mounted to their homes, with the doors locked for the upcoming hurricane season.

**Compound:** Gavin Walls will be getting an estimate on the repair of the fence. Patti Hynes wants a letter to be made if someone wants to park temporarily on a spot when no one is using it. Motion was approved.

Donna Palmatier **thanked everyone** for helping at the Compound, especially during the **Fair**. She said that from last April to now, along with the things that have been sold at the Compound, they have made \$6,175.00.

**Pool:** Frank Brown reported on washing the pool filters and needing new elements. He needed to change out the reel and cut down the solar cover to fit the pool. He reminded people to **shower before entering the pool**, to wash off any lotion or oil, which has been clogging the membranes of the filters and hindering them from working properly.

**Neighborhood Watch:** Bob Evans talked with the Sheriff's Dept about getting more signs. Cindy Hubbel asked Bob if he was taking down old signs and replacing them with new signs. Bob replied "no". Cindy stated, "then we do not need any more signs, thank you".

**Activities:** Cindy Hubbel reported that **social events** will be posted on the bulletin board inside the Clubhouse, at the main entrance, and in the Echoes.

The **bulleting board outside** of the Clubhouse will be for CB Office postings. The **library bulletin board** will be for residents to post their personal ads.

**NO MORE POSTING ON WINDOWS OR DOORS!**

Also, **no tables in front of the doors**, for safety reasons.

There will be a private party on Feb 25<sup>th</sup>, from 4:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m.

**RESIDENTS COMMENTS:**

Claire Leffler reminded people to **return their name tags** from the Fair.

Henry Preuss was **proud to live in Covered Bridge**, was glad to help at the Fair and would be glad, God willing, to help again.

Vickie Moore has a petition to increase the **lighting** at the **intersection** of Lake Frances and Hwy 27. Duke Energy owns the lights. Jim and Vickie would like to present the petition to the Highlands County Commissioners.

Sally Lemke wanted to know why Gator Co **cuts the lawn** so short. Patty Hynes would give her the number to call regarding her lawn issues.

Danny Muldoon wanted to know why his **water bill** increased so much. Connie Charles gave him the number of Dessiy O'Whitney, 239-344-5637 to answer his questions.

Kathy Melia stated that last year she had a petition, with 180 signatures, for an **engineering study** for our pool. She wanted to know what happened to this petition. She volunteered to find a company that could possibly do a study.

Cindy Hubbel said that she would love to have a new pool, but we must work with what our **budget allows**.

Kathy Melia asked if the Board has a plan. If they don't, maybe we should look into a plan on financing. Kathy volunteered to put one together of **projections**.

Mary Jensen wanted to know how many times the **pool** has been **resurfaced**. Bobbi Snow and Cindy Hubbel thought about 8 years ago. The company used inferior materials and it was not guaranteed. This new company guarantees 10 years and is licensed and insured.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:21 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sue Lilly, HOA Secretary

**PHONE BOOK CORRECTIONS**

Linda Hall	863-699-5543
Shirley Bott	863-414-7885



## **RECYCLING**

This is just a friendly reminder to all residents about recycling in Lake Placid. You can drop off plastic, (bottles, jugs, and jars) steel and aluminum cans, clean flattened cardboard, newspaper, junk mail, office paper (not shredded) and other non-coated paper. There is a separate bin for glass. There is a very helpful attendant on duty who will show you where things go and even help in the process. It is located on the corner of Hickory Avenue and West Royal Palm Street, which is just off South Main Street and there are Recycle signs to direct you there. The hours are Monday and Wednesday from 2:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. and Saturday from 7:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Submitted by Shirley Bott

**“Life is like a cup of tea; it’s all in how you make it!”**

## **COVERED BRIDGE COMPOUND**

The Compound is open Friday mornings from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. for you to drop off your donations. For large items call and we can arrange a time for pick up.

Donna 607-624-8447  
Bobby 607-316-3397

Submitted by Donna Palmatier

## **Covered Bridge License Plates**

CB license plates are available for \$5.00 each. Please contact Sue Schmidt.

Submitted by Sue Schmidt

**“Never iron a four-leaf clover, because you don’t want to press your luck.”**

## **NAME TAGS**

The sign-up sheet is in the Clubhouse. They are \$5.50 this year. If you have any questions, contact Roxie Phelps.

Submitted by Roxie Phelps

**An Irishman is never drunk as long as he can hold onto one blade of grass to keep from falling off the earth.”**

