LAKES BREEZE

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SPECIAL DATES

AVENBURY

2nd	Meet & Greet	6:00 PM
5th	AMEN	10:00 AM
7th	Book Club	10:15 AM
7th	Quilt Club	1:00 PM
9th	Coffee Sign Up	9:00 AM
12th	Mah Jong Class	1:00 PM
15th	POETS	11:30 AM
19th	Pool Deck Closing	9:30 AM
21st	Quilt Club	1:00 PM
23rd	Comedy Night	6:30 PM
29th	BINGO	6:30 PM



REGULAR EVENTS

M,W,F	Body Sculpting	8:45 AM
M,W,F	Stretch & Tone	9:00 AM
М	Samba	1:00 PM
т	Wii Bowling	10:00 AM
т	Pinochle	7:00 PM
T, Th	Walking (Inside)	9:00 AM
T, Th	H2O Aerobics	9:30 AM
T, Th	Pickleball (Beg)	10:30 AM
T, Th	H2O Aerobics	1:00 PM
w	Ping Pong	10:15 AM
W	Spite and Malice	2:00 PM
w	Mah Jong	7:00 PM
Th	Canasta	1:00 PM
Th	Poker	6:00 PM
Sat	Walking (inside)	9:00 AM

What is "Fully Funding?"

The recent collapse of the Champlain Tower South in Miami offers a grim lesson in condominium/HOA management. Forty years is a very long time to defer inspections and funding for repairs and replacements. While we at Avenbury Lakes HOA do not suffer the effects of hurricanes or salt water, we do have physical structures that require monitoring such as siding, roofs, roads, drainage piping, and plumbing, HVAC, and electrical systems at the Lodge and Information Center. Our HOA residents can take comfort in the fact that we contract for a property inspection and Reserve Fund update every four years. This reserve study, prepared by engineers, is a financial plan outlining the estimated life of capital items and the necessary funding that will be required to repair/ replace them when they reach what is projected to be the end of their usable life. Ohio laws require HOAs to be "fully funding" their Reserve Funds which means we must collect enough money from our residents on an ongoing basis to ensure that adequate financial resources will be available to accomplish future repairs/replacements. While we are saving for these future expenses, we are also spending from the Reserve Fund to make the repairs/replacements currently required. For example, we are spending \$616,000 this year for the roof replacements you see in progress on Nottingham. We are also putting aside cash for the remaining phases of the \$5 million roof project and other significant expenditures like the siding replacement and re-plastering the swimming pools. Because we are "fully funding" the Reserve

Fund, all of these replacements and expenses are made in a timely fashion without undue financial stress on our residents. Failure to maintain capital items over a period of time can result in catastrophic damage and expense. Your Avenbury Lakes HOA Board is conscientious about "fully funding" our Reserve Fund to avoid special assessments and bank loans and, more importantly, to protect the safety and property investment of all our residents.



I want to thank all of my committee members who helped make our Brown's Kick Off Party a big success. Thanks to Mary Firis, Bob Kennedy, Bob & Jean Sexton, Carol & Gregg Soeder, Maureen Stender and Marty & Jean Wynne. I really appreciate all of your hard work and kindness throughout the evening. You all did a fantastic job and I really enjoyed working with all of you. Congratulations to Bill Bogner who won the Browns fleece blanket for the best dressed Browns fan contest!



~ Mary Lou McMahon

Book Club



The Avenbury Book Club will meet on October 7th at the Lodge at 10:15 AM to 12:00 noon to discuss and select books to be read in 2022. We welcome new members to join us and share your favorite author's work. If you never leave home without a book or e-reader you might enjoy discussions with others who feel the same passion for reading. We will follow the meeting with our annual luncheon at the Sorrento Ristorante in Sheffield at 12:30 PM. On November 4th we will discuss the novel <u>Florence Gordon</u> by Brian Morton.

Quilt Club

The Avenbury Lakes Quilt Club will meet the first and third Thursday in October and November. We will have our annual quilt luncheon on Thursday, December 2. This fall we have been stuffing bears for Special Spaces, an organization that creates dream bedrooms for children with cancer. We have also donated scent hearts, flannel hearts that help families bond with their infants, to the Fairview Hospital NICU, and donated quilts to the Babies and Children's NICU and to Resource Mothers of Lorain County. Come join us and share your ideas - we are always looking for new members. If you would like more information call Mary Jo Peter or Jean Wynne.



Mah Jong



Several residents have expressed an interest in learning how to play Mah Jong, so on **October 12** we will hold a class. The class will be held in the Lodge Library at 1:00 PM. All of the Mah Jong players will be the instructors. Please sign up in the Activity book at the Lodge so that we know how many handouts to prepare. There is no fee for this class. Looking forward to new players for Mah Jong. If you have any questions please call **Phyllis Neidhardt** @ 440-865-2338.

POETS

POETS is coming back and we will once again be meeting the third Friday of every month @ 11:30 AM at the Winking Lizard. POETS is a non-literary group of Avenbury male residents who meet for casual conversation. There is no agenda, just interesting conversation. In an effort to let the Winking Lizard know how many will be attending, please sign up in the Activity Book located in the Lodge at the front desk. Additional information about POETS can be found on Avenburylakes.com under "Groups & Clubs" or contact Barry Himebauch @ 440-937-2261. Hope to see everyone at the Winking Lizard on Route 83 in Avon.





Canasta will be starting in October on Thursdays at 1:00 PM.

Poker will be moving in October to Thursdays at 6:00 PM.



Meet & Greet



Inviting all Avenbury residents to a "Meet and Greet" at the Lodge on **Saturday, October 2 @ 6 PM.** We are hoping that many of our new and pre-pandemic residents will join in. We are anxious to meet you and provide you the opportunity to mingle with our community of fun loving people. Due to the pandemic we are **not** asking people to bring a dish to share. ***NO FOOD WILL BE SERVED***. However, be sure to bring your favorite beverage and a personal snack if you choose. There is no fee, but we ask that you sign up in the Activity Book at the Lodge. Due to COVID, sign up is limited to 75 people. **REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR NAME TAG!** Be prepared to socialize!

Guestions? Contact Barb Valgora @ 440- 937-8587 or Judi Wagner @ 440-695-0546.

AVENBURY ANNUAL COFFEE SIGN UP

Preview the 2022 Social Activity Calendar! Saturday, October 9th 2021 from 9:00—11:00 AM Coffee, Tea & Bakery will be served. FREE Event - Please sign up at the Lodge.

To make each of these social events possible and FUN -WE NEED MEN & WOMEN VOLENTEERS TO HELP WORK EACH EVENT!

If you're **NEW** to Avenbury Lakes, this is a perfect way to meet your neighbors! Social Signup Sheets will be available at the Coffee Event and also located in the Activity Book at the Lodge. Questions??? Contact: **M.J. Mylen @ 216-533-5968**



Our Volunteers make Avenbury Lakes the Friendliest, Fun Place to Live!

Avenbury Lakes Comedy Night



This is a reminder to all those who have signed up to attend our Comedy Night on October 23, 2021. The \$2 cover charge is due by October 9th. If you have yet to sign up to attend the event, please do so immediately. For those who are on the waiting list, no payment is required unless you receive a phone call to fill a last minute cancellation. There are a few days left to sign-up to perform that evening. Anyone interested should contact Bob Sexton at 440-670-5145. Doors open at 6:30pm, with the show from 7pm to 9pm. Due to Covid-19 concerns, we will provide ice, water and bagged snacks. Please bring your own beverage to drink and any additional food items you wish for your own use. **Please wear your nametag** and bring your sense of humor. With your help, we can make Comedy Night the funniest event of the year! Thank you.

Bingo is Back

Join us on **Friday, October 29th** for a night of **BINGO!** Bring your lucky rabbit's foot and cash in on all the fun. Cost is \$2 per person. Please sign-up in the Activity Book at the Lodge. Doors open at 6:30 PM with games commencing at 7 PM. Bring your own dabber, snacks, and a drink. Cups, napkins, and ice will be provided. Bingo cards for twelve games will be \$10 and prize money will be determined by how many Bingo cards are sold. Questions? **Call Marty or Jean Wynne.**

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Ladies of the Lake (LOL)



Who are the Ladies of the Lake? You are! Every woman in Avenbury Lakes is a member of the Ladies of the Lake. There are no dues or membership rituals. Activities are planned by a committee and announced in the Breeze.

Save the date! The Ladies of the Lake Annual Holiday Lunch will be held at the Avenbury Lakes Lodge on **Thursday, December 16, 2021**. More information in the November Breeze.

NAME TAGS ARE READY!

If you signed up for a name tag, please stop by the Lodge Office Monday-Friday from 9:00am-2:00pm to pick it up.





Community Manager Report



***Roof Update:** Phase 5 of the Roof Replacement Project will be completed this month. This year 34 addresses were completed on Nottingham. If anyone has any problems with the roof or roof related items in the future, please contact the Information Center.

***Community Walk:** Contractors and AL staff will continue to follow up with repairs and other items identified from the Community Walk. Please remove any items placed in Common Areas. Also, as a reminder, if you are changing something on the exterior of your home, you may need approval from the Architectural Committee BEFORE the work takes place. This includes satellite dishes, exterior lights, security cameras, solar tubes, generators, window well covers, step and porch handrails, storm and primary door replacements, garage

door replacements, window replacements and other items. Forms are available online and at the Information Center. Call us if you need clarification. Failure to get prior approval may mean that the item must be removed, and repairs made at the homeowner's expense.

***Contact Information:** If you have changes to your Contact Information such as a new phone number, email address or Emergency Contact, please let us know at the Information Center. This information is helpful when we need to reach you and for the email blasts.

***Brightview:** Fall clean up begins this month and will continue till the end of the year, including leaf removal when the leaves fall. Mowing will continue through the month. Irrigation systems should be turned off now and will be winterized this month.

***Pond Banks:** Work will continue on the pond banks through the month. Earlier this year, vegetation was cut down, sprayed and woody plants removed. Areas on the west side of the South Pond up to the waterfall will be rototilled and re-seeded with No Mow Grasses. These areas will be identified with small flags indicating the mowing patterns where the No Mow Fine Fescue has been planted and will be established. Please DO NOT move the flags! The Fine Fescue provides a filter limiting fertilizer run-off into the pond which reduces algae blooms in the pond. Eventually, all the pond banks will be treated this way to re-establish the original landscape design in this area. Feel free to contact the Information Center, rather than the Brightview crew, with any questions you may have about this project.

***Sale of Homes:** If you are selling your home, please review "Section N. Sale of Units" in the Rules and Regulations Handbook. This section will answer most questions for Sellers and Real Estate Agents listing a home. Also, if you would like to post to the Homes For Sale section of the Avenbury Lakes website, please let us know at the Information Center. This is a free service for residents and generates a lot of buyer interest. You will need to turn in your Lodge swipe card at the Information Center if you have sold your home.

*Amendment to the Declarations: The Amendment regarding mail in/electronic voting that passed this year was filed with the Lorain County Recorders Office on June 3, 2021, under File 2021-0821052. The Amendment is also available on the Avenbury Lakes website. Please include this document with your Avenbury Lakes documents and pass it on to any future buyers.

*Coupon Books: If you want to continue to use a coupon book, you must send in a \$15 check BEFORE November 20th to Lawrence Community Management Group at 1507 Lear Industrial Pkwy. #1, Avon, OH 44011.

Also, Maintenance Fees can only be accepted at Lawrence. The Information Center <u>DOES NOT</u> accept Maintenance Fee payments.

Landscape Committee News



Can you believe that it is already October? The planting season is not quite over. This is the time for planting your spring flowering bulbs. Daffodils and hyacinths do well at Avenbury. However, tulips do not do as well here. Many times, tulip bulbs are eaten by squirrels, chipmunks and other rodents. In the spring the deer enjoy eating the newly opened tasty tulips. Keep this in mind when selecting your bulbs. The rule of thumb is to plant bulbs in odd numbered

clusters, approximately 3 times deeper than the height of the bulb with a little bone meal or slow acting fertilizer in the bottom of the hole. Water them well and enjoy the beautiful flowers in the spring!

This is also the time to collect seeds from any annuals or perennials you think you would like to grow next year. Cut off the ripening seed heads prior to throwing the spent plant away. It is also a good idea to pull out the annuals and weeds and cut back the perennials to clean up the beds before winter.

Remember to complete a Landscape Request Form if you are planning any major projects in your beds. Please be very specific with the changes you want to make. A full explanation of what you want to remove and plant from the Approved Plant List should be included. Please include an 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " by 11" drawing of your plan with the names of the plants labeled. And please remember that complete approval can take up to 4-6 weeks. We are here to help with whatever you might need.

Enjoy the month and know that all seasons have something to offer.

OUTSIDE POOL DECK CLOSING





<u>Directory</u> <u>Changes</u>

NEW RESIDENTS:

LARAINE & PAUL KRIEGER

2400 Worthington Place Laraine cell: 440-241-0469 Laraine email: raindearone@yahoo.com Paul cell: 216-469-4576 Paul email: thepeddler@yahoo.com

CURRENT RESIDENT CHANGES:

JEAN & MARTY WYNNE

Jean Cell: 440-476-1397 Marty Cell: 440-412-9614 Home: 440-695-1155

GREGG & CAROL SOEDER Home: 440-695-0723

<u>KIMBERELY FRANKLIN</u> Email: Kimberleyfranklin@yahoo.com

The Outside Pool Deck is open to residents thru Friday October 15th. See the website for details on use.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need residents to volunteer to help us store the chairs, tables, and umbrellas for the winter months on **Tuesday October 19th @ 9:30 AM.** We are planning on meeting on the pool deck to store the equipment. (Rain Date Wednesday October 20th).

Please sign-up in the Activity Book in the Lodge by Saturday, October 16th. (Name, telephone number, e-mail). Thanks for your help in advance.

Bob Kennedy - Chairperson - Buildings and Grounds Committee



Looking For New Team Members for Weekend Teams for Indoor Pool / Spa Cleaning

We are looking to add team members to the team to help with our weekend duties. We currently have 8 dedicated team members (4 - two person teams) who open the pool on weekend mornings and weekly check the chemistry of the pool and spa. We also weekly brush down the tile and sweep the pool deck and bi-weekly one of the teams vacuums the pool and spa. Each team works once every 4 weeks, but if we can add team members it is possible to spread out the duties to once every 5 or 6 weeks. To begin, you will get assigned to one of the veteran teams to be trained.

If anyone is interested in joining this great team of individuals please contact Bob Kennedy, Chairperson, Buildings and Grounds Committee at 630-747-6626 or e-mail kennedy12850@gmail.com



I and the entire **Viancourt** family wish to extend a sincere and heartfelt **Thank You** for your condolences and generosity throughout this difficult time as you paid tribute to my lovely wife, **Gail**, who passed away on August 27. Without your support during this trying time, we would not have had the outpouring of so much love as you had shown for Gail. She was a remarkable woman. I will miss her dearly. **~ Ed Viancourt**

Deanna Roberts - The Avenbury Website was created 15 years ago with the objective to keep our residents both informed and entertained. **Deanna Roberts** has been a key contributor from the beginning by creating and maintaining our recipe pages now listing about 150 Avenbury Residents favorites. She also managed the Avenbury Wii Postings. With **Deanna's** help the website has grown to 66 pages using a library of over 750 files. She has now decided to give her laptop a well-deserved rest. **Thank you Deanna!**

Community Resource Services - Thank you for your support by filling the donation box located in the Lodge Library. We are helping our neighbors in Avon and Avon Lake who are facing food and financial difficulties. Current requests are mac & cheese, jelly, dish soap, toilet paper and small laundry detergent. We are looking forward to participating in the annual Holiday Basket Drive with the help of Avenbury Ladies of the Lake. All donations are delivered weekly!



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Debra Bryan Community Manager

Cecily Lederer Administrative Assistant

avenburybusinessoffice@gmail.com

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Emergency Maintenance After Hours: 440-937-2800 Medical Emergency: call 911

Avenbury Lakes Lodge 35400 Middleton Avon, OH 44011

Patty Hales Lodge Administrator

phales@lawrencemanagement.com

Lodge Office Hours: *By appointment only* Phone: 440-937-9387 Thanks to the team that hosted the recent Browns Party. It was fun to hang out with fellow "Dawgs". Go Browns! $\sim Barb \ Veneziano$





2nd Dusty Lane, Kriss Ann Loughman, Winifred Walter; 5th Sarah Shirak;
6th Hank Okuma, Robert Shirak; 7th Shirley Campbell, Sally Strauss;
9th Gerald Fitch, Marguerite Kartson; 11th Nevenka Saulig, Dee Sinzinger;
12th Jim Bartek, Mary Firis; 13th Evelyn (Ev) Hagedorn, Bob Sexton, Dee Tanker; 14th Terri Barna; 15th Sally Herdman; 16th Linda Davis; 17th Bill Nordgren; 20th Linda Kroll, Penny Simmelink; 21st Deborah Baringer,
Mike Skor; 22nd Barbara Veneziano; 24th Barry Himebauch; 25th Marianne Bartek; 27th Cora Trefts; 28th Maureen Coughlin; 30th Gary Hawkinson; 31st Doug Skillicorn



3rd Jean & Dusty Lane; 6th Dalia & Samuel Alterovitz; 7th Barb & Barry Himebauch; 8th Cathie & Larry Pleischl; 9th Bonnie & Joe Kunzelman; 10th Betsy & David Mielcusny 12th Terri & Jerry Barna; 15th Margaret & Mark Christ, Sandy & Dick Ward; 18th Yvonne & Bob Stella; 20th Mary Alice & Dick Novak; 22nd Karen & Roger Tibbetts; 23rd Joyce & Joe Holowczak; 28th Nanci & Rik Danburg

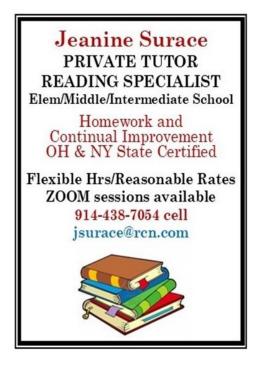
DISCLAIMER: If you would like your information to be taken off either of these lists, please contact Cecily Lederer, at the Information Center at 937-9441, to be removed.

Then What?

Because of the opportunity to teach at Avenbury Lakes I felt like the adopted member of a whole new family. I learned to love the residents I met in my classes, and sought to increase their thirst (pardon the pun) for water exercise. When I had to return to employment, Matt and Sheila Nussbaum stepped up and took over the daytime classes, and did so for over twenty years. Thank you Matt and Sheila. When the pandemic started, Pat McRoberts took over and teaches now. Thank you Pat. I don't know if I will ever be invited back so I want to take this opportunity to thank you for the fun and fellowship and leave you with the thought that your body is your home. Take good care of it. God bless you.











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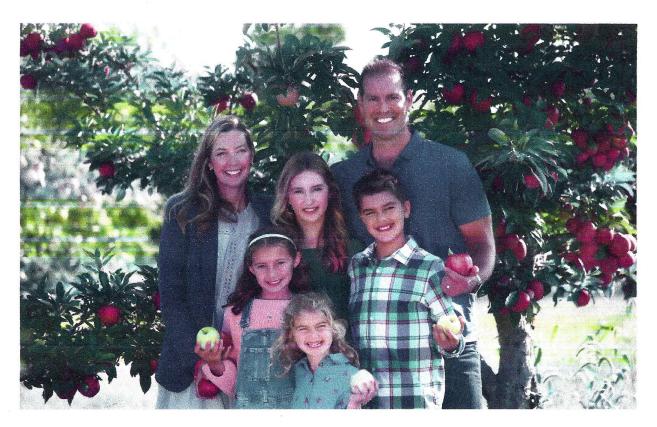
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November 2, 2021



Background & Education:

- Former 6th grade Teacher and Recycling Club Advisor at Avon Heritage Elementary
- Bowling Green State University, Bachelor of Science- Middle
 Childhood Education
- Baldwin Wallace College, Master of Arts in Education- Educational Technology
- Providence Church, Sunday School and Vacation Bible School Teacher
- Avon Soccer League Association Coach
- French Creek Foundation, Volunteer

My Promise:

 As a proud parent of four kids in the Avon School System, if I am elected to be on the Board, I promise to do all I can to make an impact, assure all voices are heard, and that our schools are continuing to move forward in the right direction.

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