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THE AVENBURY LAKES LODGE WILL BE CLOSED ON APRIL 8, 2024



DUE TO LARGE CROWDS AND HEAVY TRAFFIC EXPECTED IN OUR AREA FOR THE SOLAR ECLIPSE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS DECIDED TO **CLOSE THE LODGE ON APRIL 8**. THIS DECISION WAS MADE FOR THE SAFETY AND WELFARE OF OUR RESIDENTS AND TO PROTECT THE LODGE. ALL REGULARLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES IN THE LODGE ARE CANCELLED THAT DAY.

SPECIAL DATES

2nd AMEN	10:00 AM
3rd Architecture Mtg	10:15 AM
3rd Bldg & Grounds Mtg	3:00 PM
4th Book Club	10:30 AM
4th Quilt Club	1:00 PM
5th LOL Box Lunch	12:00 PM
8th Solar Eclipse - LODGE CLOSED!!!	
11th Lunch @ the Lodge	12:00 PM
18th Breakfast Forum	9:30 AM
18th Quilt Club	1:00 PM
19th POETS	11:30 AM
21st Spring Tea Party	2:00 PM
23rd Virtual Annual Meeting	7:00 PM
26th Crochet Group	1:00 PM
26th BINGO	6:30 PM



REGULAR EVENTS

M	Bible Study	10:30 AM
M	Silver Sneakers	11:00 AM
M	Samba	1:00 PM
M,W,F	Body Sculpting	8:45 AM
M,W,F	Stretch & Tone	9:00 AM
T	Pinochle	7:00 PM
T,Th	H2O Aerobics	9:30 AM
T,Th	H2O Aerobics	6:15 PM
T,Th,Sat	Walking (Inside)	9:00 AM
W	Spite and Malice	2:00 PM
W	Poker	6:30 PM
W	Mah Jong	7:00 PM
Th	Samba	10:00 AM
Th	Chess Club	1:00 PM
Sat	H2O Aerobics	11:00 AM

Avenbury Lakes
Virtual/Hybrid Annual Meeting will take place on Tuesday, April 23 @ 7:00 PM



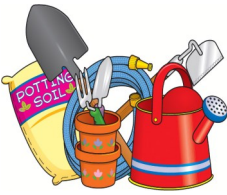
To Avenbury Lakes Residents:

The Nominating Committee met on March 7, 2024, to discuss the results of the search for Avenbury Lakes residents who would be interested in filling the two open seats on the Board of Directors. The Nominating Committee received two letters of intent, with resumes, from the two incumbents, Sue Neiding and Larry Escalante. Therefore an election is not necessary this year. The official results will be announced at the Virtual/Hybrid meeting on April 23, 2024.

To access the Virtual/Hybrid meeting all residents, with an email address, will be sent a Zoom invitation via email. To join the meeting click on the blue highlighted area on the invitation where it indicates Join meeting. Hopefully you will all join the meeting on **April 23, 2024.**

Phyllis Neidhardt, President
ALHOA

Landscape News



~ According to the weatherpersons we are in Spring in northern Ohio. Check all your tools and make sure that shovels are sharpened along with any cutting tools. Time to think about what you want to plant in your mulched area along with identifying those plants that you already have breaking through the soil. Take those sharpened pruners and examine your shrubs. Cut out any dead, dying, or diseased twigs or branches that have been damaged over winter.

~ Now to the soil. This is a great month to incorporate organic and slow-release fertilizers in your beds. Examine the soil and make sure any large clods of dirt are broken up and all debris is removed from the beds. You can also divide large perennials. If space in your garden is at a premium, offer them to your friends, neighbors, and family that may be interested.

~ Of course there are always some problems. In our community we have a great deal of wildlife that love to dine in our yards. Bugs start to emerge and feed on the tender new growth. Deer and rabbits feast on the new shoots coming from many of your shrubs and perennials. There are liquid deterrents that can be used that do not harm the plants. Check with your local garden centers for advice.

~ Avenbury is noted for being one of the most beautiful communities in Avon. Note the rules we have in place (on avenburylakes.com) to make sure it remains a showplace.

~ Please note that you must submit a Landscape Request to the Avenbury Office if you are planning a complete redo of a large bed. After it is submitted, it may take up to 6 weeks for approval. You may remove 3 shrubs and replace with 3 shrubs without this request. If you have questions or concerns, the members of the Landscape Committee are your source of help along with the Property Manager. There is a comprehensive list of plants, shrubs, and trees that was expanded in 2023 and approved by the Board of Directors.

~ Be aware that anything outside of the mulched area attached to the foundation of your home is considered “common area” and must not be touched by the homeowner without written permission from the BOD. This includes trees, shrubs, plants, turf and ornamental grasses. If in question, please consult with the Avenbury office, the Landscape Committee or the BOD. Any tree planted in the mulched area or the common area needs the approval of the BOD. Do not prune any tree in a common area. If there is a problem with a tree in a common area, let the Avenbury Office know of your concern.

~ Notice from the Landscape Committee and Brightview: Preen is used as a pre-emergent in your beds in the spring. Do not sow seeds for 90 days after it is sprayed. Your seeds will not germinate. (Please refer to the BrightView 2024 Schedule of Services insert.)

Have a GREAT SPRING & HAPPY GROWING!!!

The Landscape Committee is here to help with any questions.

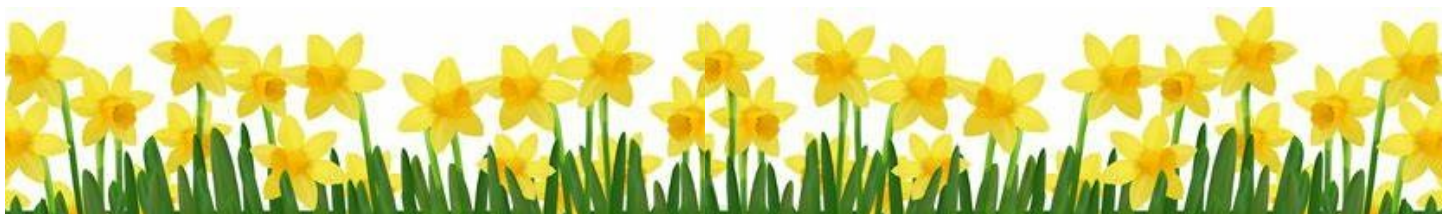
SMOKE DETECTORS FOR THE GARAGE

An Avenbury resident recently had a small fire in their garage which resulted in considerable smoke damage. A number of neighbors have asked about installing a smoke detector in the garage.

Most commonly available smoke detectors are not recommended for use in a garage. Dust and carbon monoxide from car exhaust often will cause false alarms.

The Avon fire department recommends an ionization type heat detector installed above the door to the house. They do not seem to be available at the local stores, but on Amazon, calling up *fire detectors for a garage* will show an ionization type detector for about \$20.





Avenbury Lakes Garden Plots

If you would like to reserve a garden plot, please go to the Information Center to fill out the rental agreement form and pay the required fee starting **April 1. (Due June 1).**

Spring is right around the corner, so contact Barry Himebauch at 440-937-2261 for availability!



Spring Property Clean-Up 2024



Spring is on the way! As I write this article it actually does look like it outside (strange winter weather), but I know winter is still out there somewhere. In the past we have had about 30-35 of your great neighbors join in this annual dedicated endeavor. Please think about coming out and joining the team. Volunteers are needed to help with the project. We break the property into approximately 12 or 13 different sections. You will be assigned a section to complete as the date gets closer.

The Buildings and Grounds Committee is asking for your help in cleaning up our property. It is currently scheduled for **Tuesday, April 16** with a rain date **Wednesday, April 17** and a rain date back-up date of **Friday, April 19**. Please wear gloves and sturdy shoes. Bags will be provided.

We will start at approximately 10 AM. You may sign-up in multiple ways. There is a page in the Activity Book at the Lodge, or contact **Bob Kennedy** in one of three ways – call or text me at **630-747-6626** or email me at **kennedy12850@gmail.com**. Thank you in advance.

~ **Bob Kennedy**

Volunteers Needed for Setting up the Pool Deck

~ I just finished writing about the Spring Property Clean-up. If spring is here soon, that must mean summer cannot be far behind. Each **May** a group of your neighbors get together to clean off and set-up the chairs, tables and umbrellas on the pool deck for summertime enjoyment.



~ I would like to give you a scheduled date that we will be setting up the tables and chairs, but at this time I cannot. I anticipate it will be **no later than mid-May**. I will submit another article in the May Breeze and/or use the website to post a date for setting up the Pool deck. I will also have Patty put a sign-up page into the Activity Book in the Lodge. Thanks in advance for volunteering. ~ **Bob Kennedy**

Bible Study



Easter is still fresh on our minds with this addition of the Breeze, and the AVENBURY BIBLE STUDY is midway through the Gospel of John, which is especially timely for Christians throughout the world. There are still several weeks left to cover this book of the Bible. We meet Mondays from **10:30 - 11:45** at **Providence Church**, on Detroit Rd. across the street from Avenbury Lakes. If you would like to attend a class or learn more, contact **Marilyn Jacobcik** at **440.937.5027** or **jacobmar2001@yahoo.com**. *There will be NO Bible Study on April 1 or April 8.*

***** PLEASE NOTE *****

POETS will now be meeting at Winking Lizard on Rte. 83 starting on Friday, April 19, 2024.



Crochet Group



The crochet group will meet again on **Friday, April 26** at **1:00 PM** in the Lodge. Knitters welcome. Bring any project you are working on. Questions? Call **Louana Dickey**.

BINGO

Join us on **Friday, April 26** for a night of BINGO! Bring your lucky rabbit's foot and cash in on all the fun. Doors open at **6:30 PM** with games commencing at **7:00 PM**. Bring your dauber and a drink. Snacks, 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. Please sign up in the Activity Book at the Lodge and pay – **cost is \$1.00** per person. Mark your calendars for the final two bingo nights in 2024 – **July 26** and **October 25**. Questions? Call **Marty or Jean Wynne**.



Ladies of the Lake



All Ladies of the Lake are invited to a **Box Lunch** provided by the Tree House Galleria and Tea Room **Friday, April 5** at **Noon** at the Lodge. The box lunch consists of a sandwich, pasta salad, fruit salad and dessert. Please sign up in the Activity Book and choose from three different sandwiches: lobster roll, chicken salad, or a caprese roll. Cost is \$20. Questions? Call **Karen Kennedy** or **Mary Zammikiel**.

Thursday Lunch @ the Lodge

~ April 11 @ 12:00 PM

~ Cost: \$10



Lunch is limited to 40 paid residents. Please make your payment by April 1, 2024

If you have any questions, contact the Lunch Co-Chairs: **M. J. Mylen & Mary Firis**.

Be sure to circle your meal choice on the sign-up sheet.

Menu: two lunch choices

- 1) Spaghetti Casserole with Meat Sauce
- 2) Spaghetti Casserole with Vegetables

Lunch Includes garlic bread, salad, dessert, coffee and tea.

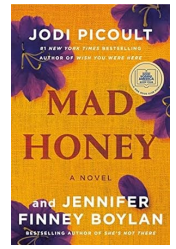


Don't forget to turn in your RSVP to LADY MARY *no later than April 1* for the English Tea on Sunday, April 21 @ 2:00 PM at Avenbury Abbey Lodge. The \$16.00 stipend will be to feed the peasants. Lord Gene Braden and his Lady Carolyn will provide classical music for your dining pleasure.



Book Club

The Avenbury Lakes Book Club will meet in the Lodge Library on **Thursday, May 2**, at **10:30 AM** to discuss **Mad Honey** by Jodi Picoult and Jennifer Finney Boylan. This collaboration between two *New York Times* best-selling authors seamlessly weaves together the journeys of Olivia and Lily, creating a story that is alternately heart-pounding and heartbreaking. It's a riveting novel of suspense, an unforgettable love story, and a moving and powerful exploration of the secrets we keep and the risks we take in order to become ourselves. If you love to read, please join us. On **June 6** we will be discussing **Eternal** by Lisa Scottoline.



Golf League



We would like to extend a personal invitation to you to join our Avenbury Lakes Golf League this year. Our league is open to *both* women and men. Barring weather, we play golf every **Monday (9:15 AM)** from **May 6 to September 30** at **Bob-O-Links Golf Course**, located South of Avon on Route 83. Have an interest in joining us? Our skill levels are varied, and we enjoy the game and the camaraderie. ***Sign up in the Activity Book*** and pay at the Lodge. Dues this year are **\$15.00**, which covers the year-end golf scramble and weekly golf ball prizes on 2 par-3 holes. If paying in **CASH**, please use an envelope and write *your name & "Golf League"* on the front. If paying with a **CHECK**, please write "Golf League" in the memo section. ***Hope to see you on the links!*** ~ Co-Chairs: Bill Leaser and Ron Rochester

Chess Club

SEEKING CHESS PLAYERS!!! (Or those who want to learn how to play.)

We are trying to start an Avenbury Chess Club. We are going to play **every Thursday at 1:00 PM** in the Lodge Library. All levels of skill are welcome, including those wanting to learn to play chess. If interested, just show up! For any questions, call **Bob Peter at 419-764-9405**.



Bocce



Mark your calendar. Weather permitting, **Bocce** will return on **Thursdays** from **4:00 - 5:30 PM** beginning **May 23** and ending **Sept. 5**. No experience is necessary. *The only requirement is the ability to relax, enjoy the game and the company.*

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Email: jar1194@aol.com





On **May 4** the "Run for the Roses" will return to Avenbury for our Kentucky Derby party. The doors will open **3:30 PM** and the festivities will begin at **4:00 PM**. Snacks will be



provided for you to enjoy at the tables prior to dinner being served at 5:30 PM. The catering will be provided by Fligner's and the menu will be fried chicken, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw and buttermilk biscuits. Dessert will be a cookie and a pastry tray along with coffee. A non-alcoholic mint julep punch will be provided. Please feel free to bring your favorite liquor to spike the punch or another drink of your choice to enjoy. There will be seven Avenbury races

plus the Kentucky Derby race. Bets will be \$1.00 each, so please bring plenty of dollar bills for your bets, but no bills higher than \$5.00. Ladies, please be sure to wear your best Kentucky Derby hat for the hat contest. There will be prizes for win, place and show. The price per person will be **\$15.00**. Please be sure to sign up in the Activity Book at the Lodge. Since this is a catered event, please either pay when you sign up or **no later than April 22, 2024**. If you have any questions, please contact **Mary Lou McMahon at 440-937-6423** or **Judi Wagner at 440-695-0546**. Hope to see you there!



Thursday Lunch @ the Lodge

~ May 9, 2024 @ 12:00 PM ~ Cost: \$10

Our very own Avenbury Hawaiian Chef Hank Okuma will prepare a special menu to end the season.

- 1) Pineapple Glazed Ham, White Rice, and Stir-Fried Veggies
- 2) Shrimp, Veggies and Noodles

Coffee, Tea & Dessert included

Sign up, pay, and note your meal choice by April 15.
Lunch is limited to 40 paid residents.
If you have questions, contact the lunch Co-Chairs,
M. J. Mylen & Mary Firis



TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE TIPS

The Avon Chief of Police, Daniel Fishbach, and the Avon Assistant Chief of Fire, Brett Bruehler, graciously visited our Lodge on Monday evening, March 18, to provide useful safety tips and information regarding the upcoming Total Solar Eclipse Event on **Monday, April 8, 2024.**



The key take-aways to be aware of are:

- ◇ **AVOID** travel on April 8! Stay home and enjoy the eclipse from the comfort of your own home. Get your groceries, fuel and medications well in advance of the weekend so you can avoid expected traffic congestion.
- ◇ **AVOID** unnecessarily calling the Avon Police about **city** street parking. Parking on Shakespeare, Nottingham, Pembroke and Middleton is legal (non-fire hydrant side only). The police will have their hands full with the MAIN Avon thoroughfares.
- ◇ If outsiders are parking on the asphalt streets, please refrain from calling the police as trespassing will not be a high priority for them to respond to on this day. Asphalt streets can **NOT** be barricaded or blocked off for emergency access purposes.
- ◇ Cars may be used as barricades to block access to the Lodge and tennis court parking lot.
- ◇ It is not yet known if trash service will be rescheduled to Tuesday. Watch for updates on the Avenbury website.



A big **THANK YOU** to the pool volunteers who went over and above this winter! They moved all the equipment and furniture from the pool area out and then back in, once the pool work was complete. They also scrubbed the tile and cleaned the pool of dust and debris to get it ready for swimmers. The entire pool volunteer group helped this effort, especially Ed Viancourt, Mary Jo Peter, Joyce Reese, Bea Marlette, Mary Kemp, Bob Kennedy, and Jeff Kristofeld. These folks spend time every month cleaning the pool and monitoring it on weekends.

They deserve a "SPLASHING" ovation!



Save the date!

Sunday, September 8, 2024

Your Avenbury “Social Committee”

is hosting

A resident’s get-together!

A grand party!

A massive celebration!

(more information to follow)



THANK YOU to everyone who attended our February Potluck. Your homemade dishes were a delight and your company was most enjoyable! Special thanks to the committee members for their time and talent in making the night so successful: Sandy Drickhamer, Shirley & Bob Leaser, Sue Neiding, Lisa & Mark Nusbaum, Joyce Reese, and Jean Sexton. **THANK YOU**, also, to Bob Kennedy for his help during the day Saturday. Each of you is very much appreciated! ~ Diane McKay & Judy Cummings

THANKS to all the neighbors & friends who have offered their condolences, support and cards during this difficult time after Ed's passing. We were honored to see so many Avenbury friends at Ed's service as well.

~ The Skinner Family

Spring was in the air on March 14TH during Thursday Lunch at the Lodge. **THANKS** to the committee for providing the sunshine: Carol & Greg Soeder, Jean & Bob Sexton, Mary Flood, Marcel Mylen, and JoAnne Moore.

Thanks for joining us!

M.J. Mylen & Mary Firis March Lunch Co-Chairs

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the **St. Pat's Day Committee** for all their hard work in making the **Gaelic Supper** an extraordinary event. **THANK YOU** Linda Davis, Margaret Mary Knoll, Patsy Mahall, Bob McFarland, Carol Mills, Sue Neiding, Cora Trefts, Cynthia & Tom Skrovan, and Maureen Stender. A **BIG THANKS** also to Marcel Mylen, John Wagner and Bob Cummings for helping set up, take down and deliver. ~ Judi Wagner and M. J. Mylen

*Go raibh mile maith agaibh.
(A thousand thanks to you)*



1st Trudi Kakos; 5th Raymond Gerber; 6th Ruth Souder, Carole Trevathan; 7th David Crudele; 9th Marie Olson, Carrie Yashin; 11th Jean Morgan-LaTona; 12th Cyrus Field, Carol Knight, Ron Rochester; 14th Louis Brunelli, Bonnie Kitral, Nancy Linonis, Barbara McGraw; Jeanne Moser, Mary Jo Peter, Colleen Thomas; 15th Evangeline Richards; 16th Alice Amos, Diana Lyon; 18th Carol Wharton; 20th Margrit Deistler, Ellen Finan; 21st Bill Baringer, Don Hibler, Mary Ann Konya, Robert McFarland; 25th Margaret Christ; 28th Jonathan (Jay) DesForges, Frank Samsel; 29th Michael Holmes, Judith Reitz



7th Carolyn & Gene Braden; 18th Norma & Hank Okuma; 19th Barb & Marty Valgora; 20th Barbara & Kevin McGraw; 25th Kathy & John VanBlargan

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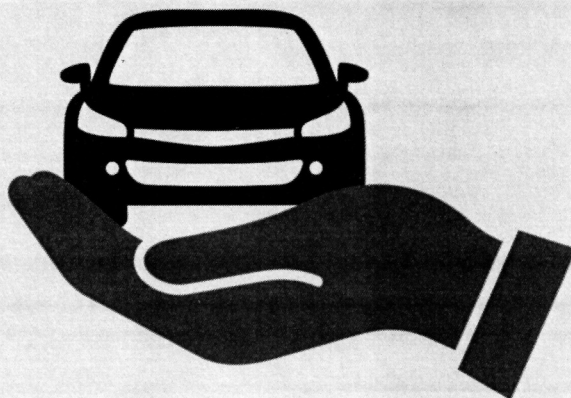
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AVENBURY LAKES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

NO PRUNING AGREEMENT

The Avenbury Lakes Homeowners Association (ALHOA) recommends all homeowners take full advantage of the pruning services contracted by the Board with our on-site Landscape Contractor. In addition to caring for all common areas the Landscape Contractor will perform **in the foundation bed around each residential unit** the following services:

- Pruning of new growth on **shrubs** during the growing season
EXCEPTION: plants that require specialized care such as Roses, Hydrangeas, Junipers, Arborvitae, Mugo pines & Rhododendrons, which our contracted landscaper does not prune
- cutting and removal of **perennials** debris in the fall
- cutting and removal of **grasses** debris in the early spring

Homeowners who prefer to prune the **shrubs and deciduous trees** within the foundation bed of their unit for themselves must submit a signed copy of this “No Pruning Agreement” every year – stickers, tape, ribbons, and signs advising not to prune will not be recognized. Please note that the “No Pruning Agreement” does not apply to perennials and grasses which will continue to be cut by our Landscape Contractor per the schedule above.

In accordance with this agreement, the homeowner takes full responsibility for pruning the **shrubs and trees** within the foundation bed in a manner consistent with the ALHOA Landscape Standards as determined by the Landscape Committee. If the shrubs and trees in the foundation bed are not maintained in a manner consistent with the Standards, the homeowner will be notified that corrective measures may be taken and the homeowner will be **assessed the full cost of the service.**

In the event that the home is sold, this Agreement will terminate, and the Landscape Contractor will again prune trees and shrubs in the foundation bed unless a “No Pruning Agreement” is signed by the new owner before May 1st of that year.

THIS AGREEMENT MUST BE RENEWED BY THE HOMEOWNER OF RECORD ANNUALLY BY MAY 1st.

I (we) have received a copy of this No Pruning Agreement and agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations.

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Signature (Homeowner): _____ Date: _____

Signature (Homeowner): _____ Date: _____