

the Breeze

Special Dates

1st Lodge Christmas Decorating 3rd AMEN 10:00 am **Book Club** 10:30 am 5th **Quilting Club** 1:00 pm 7th Holiday Dinner Party 5:30 pm 12th Chess Club 1:00 pm 17th LOL Holiday Lunch 11:30 am 19th Quilting Club 1:00 pm

24th LODGE CLOSED AT 5:00

24th & 25th STAFF OFFICES CLOSED 24th to 27th LODGE OFFICE CLOSED

25th LODGE LOCKED & CLOSED

25th Merry Christmas

25th Happy Hanukkah

26th Chess Club 1:00 pm 27th Crochet Club 1:00 pm

31st LODGE CLOSED AT 5:00

Jan 1st Staff & Lodge Offices Closed Jan 1st LODGE LOCKED & CLOSED



Regular Events

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М	Bible Study	10:30 am
М	Samba	1:00 pm
M,W,F	Body Sculpting	8:45 am
M,W,F	Stretch & Tone	9:00 am
M,F	Vitality Exercise	11:00 am
T	Pinochle	7:00 pm
T,Th	H2O Aerobics	9:30 am
T,Th	H2O Aerobics	6:15pm
T,Th,Sat	Walking (Inside)	9:00 am
W	Spite & Malice	2:00 pm
W	Poker	6:30 pm
W	Mah Jong	7:00 pm
TH	Samba	11:00 am
Sat	H2O Aerobics	11:00 am

HOLIDAY INFORMATION

The Avenbury Staff Offices

will be closed in observance of the holidays on Tuesday, December 24, Wednesday, December 25 and Wednesday, January 1.

The Avenbury Lodge Office

will be closed for the holidays from Tuesday, December 24 to Friday, December 27 and Wednesday, January 1.

The Avenbury Lodge

will be closed on the following dates: Tuesday, December 24 at 5:00 pm ALL DAY on Wednesday, December 25 Tuesday, December 31 at 5:00 pm All Day on Wednesday, January 1

Voicemails and e-mails will be monitored regularly during that time by the Community Manager.

For any non-emergency concerns, please leave a message at the Info Center at 440-937-9441.

If you have an Emergency, please contact Lawrence Management at 440-937-2800

Happy Holidays!



PLEASE NOTE - The Lodge Activity Book for December/January Event Sign Ups will be Available on Monday, December 2, at 9:00 am

Avenbury Holiday Dinner Party

Saturday, December 7 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm

-Menu-Holiday Punch & Tasty Appetizers -Buffet Styles Serving-

Three Entrée choices, Two Side choices, Two Vegetable choices, Garden Salad and Dinner Rolls

Dessert, Assorted Holiday Cookies



Ladies of the Lake Holiday Luncheon

Tuesday, December 17 Cocktails (cash bar) 11:30 am - 12:15 pm

-Menu-

Mahle's Restaurant, 24945 Detroit Rd, Westlake.

Grilled Pork Tenderloin, Chicken Marsala, Parmesan Crusted Cod, or Pasta Primavera.

Handicap entry is accessible through the ramp behind the restaurant.

Parking is limited, carpooling is recommended.

Lunch Hostesses are Sharen Svec & Louana Dickey.

<u>Breakfast Forum</u> will be Thursday, December 19 at 9:30 am at Perkins Restaurant on Chester Road. Our guests will be a string quartet from **Avon High School** performing Christmas music. Due to low attendance throughout this year, this will be the last Breakfast Forum. There will be no charge for this event. Seating is limited to 44, so only those signed up in the book at the Lodge by **Monday**, **December 16** will be able to attend.





Avenbury Quilt Club Raffle

Get your raffle tickets and win the colorful rainbow quilt made by the Avenbury Quilt Club. Help the Quilt Club raise money to buy batting and other supplies. The quilts, pillowcases, and other items made by the members are donated to various local charities.

The winning ticket will be chosen on December 19 Tickets are \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00 and will be sold before the Avenbury Holiday Dinner Party on December 7. You can also sign up in the activity book and one of the quilters will bring tickets directly to your home or call any of the quilt club members. Thanks for your support!



Thursday Lunch @ The Lodge

January 9, 2025 at 12:00 pm - Cost: \$10.00

Menu: Million-dollar Chicken Casserole or Million-dollar Vegetable Casserole

Our million-dollar chicken and vegetable casserole is rich, creamy, and incredibly savory.

Menu Includes Mixed Green Salad, Roll, Butter, Dessert, and Coffee Noon Lunch Hour is limited to 40 paid residents.

Sign-up begins on December 2. Please check your entrée selection. Payment is due by December 10.

Kick off the NEW YEAR and Join your Avenbury Neighbors for...

Souper Soup Might and Fun Live Entertainment! Saturday. January 25. 2025 at 5:30 pm

The Avenbury Soup Committee and residents will be making their Favorite Soup Recipes.

Menu: Table Appetizer, Variety of Soups, Bread & Butter, Special Dessert, and Coffee Included / BYOB

Cost: \$20.00 per person / Includes Surprise Live Entertainment!

<u>Sign-up begins December 2 in Lodge Book; please pay at December 15</u>



Have a family favorite Soup? The Soup Committee is looking for YOU!

A few soup makers are needed for Avenbury Soup Night scheduled for January 25. Your soup is made at home and delivered hot that night, preferably in a crockpot. Soup makers do not need to be on the Soup Committee or work the event.

Soup Makers will receive a Stipend for their Soup Ingredients.

You can sign up in the Lodge Book to be a soup maker Questions? Contact: M. J. @ 216-533-5968 / mimylen@yahoo.com

Tech Help

Need some help with your Kindle, iPhone or laptop? Did you receive a new device for Christmas? Having trouble navigating the Internet? Melanie from the Avon Public Library is coming here to help! She will be here on **Tuesday**, **January 7 from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm**. You can sign up in the Activity Book for a 20 minute session! Questions? See Laurie in the Lodge.



Wii Bowling Winter League

The Winter 2025 Wii Bowling sign-up will be from December 1 through December 31.

The 10-week season will begin on Tuesday,
January 21 and end on March 25. Please sign up in the Activity Book at the Lodge by December 31. Depending on the number of teams, there will be games scheduled on Tuesday and Wednesday. If you have a teammate in mind, sign up together, or we will assign a teammate for you. If you would like to be a substitute, please indicate that when you sign up. This is a great way to meet new people, have lots of fun, and is easy to learn. Questions? Call Bonnie & Carl Kitral at 440-1937-9424 or Deanna & Mel Roberts at 440-937-2267.

Bible Study

Merry Christmas to all in Avenbury Lakes! **The Avenbury Bible Study** is finishing the study of Relentless Joy - Paul's letter to the Philippians in early December. We will then focus on the timely scripture that points to the birth of Jesus as our minds shift to the holiday that celebrates this world-transforming event. The group meets **Monday mornings from 10:30-11:45 am** at Providence Church, 35295 Detroit Road. We are led by Mike Darr and Marilyn Jacobcik. Contact Marilyn at 440-937-5027 or iccolor: lacebmar2001@yahoo.com for the holiday schedule or for more information. Following the Christmas break, the classes will resume January 6 with a new topic TBD.



<u>The Chess Club</u> will meet twice a month on the **2nd and 4th Thursdays at 1:00 pm** in the Lodge Library. New players are welcome. We will be happy to teach any resident wishing to learn to play chess. Questions? Contact Bob Peter at 415-764-9405

The Avenbury Lakes Book Club will meet in the Lodge Library on Thursday, December 5 at 10:30 am to discuss Six Cats a Slayin' by Miranda James. Charlie Harris and his Maine Coon cat, Diesel, are busy decking the halls for the holidays when an unexpected delivery and a shocking murder conspire to thoroughly shake up the Christmas season. On January 9, the Book Club will be discussing The Alice Network by Kate Quinn. If you love to read, please join us.



Vantaca: What is it and why should I register?

Vantaca is your community's online portal, which Lawrence Management provides. While residents are not required to register on the Vantaca Community Portal, we do strongly encourage you to give it a try, as Vantaca offers many benefits to unit owners.



The portal allows you to easily pay your assessment, view your personal account information, enter and track your maintenance requests, receive electronic notifications about Association events and other important messages, and more. If you have not done so already, it's never too late! For instructions on how to register, please reference the recent budget notice on the reverse side of the letter that was sent to you in the mail or feel free to contact the Information Center for instructions.

Danke Shön to Grillmaster Bob Kennedy, Sous Chefs Tom & Cynthia Skrovan, Lisa Nusbaum, Diane McKay, Margaret Mary Knoll, Bob McFarland, and Jeanine Surace for your part in making our recent Oktoberfest so yummy!



Danke Shön to these männer & frauen whose helping hands made it all come together for an enjoyable evening: Bob Cummings, Karen Kennedy, John Knoll, Shirley & Bill Leaser, Mark Nusbaum, and Sue Satink. Ein Prosit!

~ Co-chairs Judy Cummings, Margaret Mary Knoll, & Diane McKay



A special double thank you to my dedicated Neighborhood Social Committee: Deanna Roberts, Carl Kitral, Bonnie Kitral, Carol Mills, Clem DeCrane, Jeanne Moser, Jean Wynne, Marty Wynne, Jenny

Drahuschak, Ellie Patterson, Marcia Clark, and Diane Koch. Also to spouses Bruce Clark and Bob Patterson who always assist. Your help with the September and November Socials was very much appreciated. I don't know what I'd do without you. You are the best!

Oh, and thanks to the bakers. It's obvious that your creations are real crowd pleasers!

~ Barbara Valgora, Committe Chairman

Reminder for Sign-up and Payment Procedures for Social Events

- New sign-up sheets will be placed in the Activity Book on the first of each month.
- Sign one name per line; couples are not to be listed on a single line.
- Payment for an event is required at the time you sign up. Your payment holds your reservation. There will be a cut-off date for receiving payment for each event, and there will also be a two-week cut-off date before the event for refunds if you are unable to attend.
 - vill friendly reminde
- The committee will NOT call each resident if payment is not received by the cut-off date. Your name will be deleted from the list.
- When the maximum number of spaces has been filled, the names are entered on the waitlist on the sign-up sheet
 for the event. Do not pay if you are on the wait list unless you are called by a member of the committee notifying
 you that there is an opening.
- Payments can be made by cash or check. Place cash in an envelope marked with your name and the event for
 which payment is made. If paying by check, write the event's name on the memo line and put the check in the box
 on the desk. An envelope is not necessary for a check.
- All checks are to be made payable to ALHOA.
- A separate payment is required for each event. No post-dated checks will be accepted.

The 2025 Social Calendar will be published in the January Breeze

The Lodge Activity Book for December/January Event Sign Ups will be Available on **Monday, December 2, at 9:00 am**

From the Community Manager... Ruth Angell

<u>RV LOT</u>: If you see any suspicious activity in the RV Lot over the Holidays, please call the Avon Police Department directly (440-934-1234). They will come out and check it out immediately, issuing citations if needed.

<u>SNOW REMOVAL:</u> Please check the Avenbury Lakes website for the latest information regarding snow removal. Residents can also call the Information Center (440-937-9441) Monday thru Friday 9:00 am -2:00 pm for updates. Snow removal begins with a 2" average accumulation of snow. Snow removal is done in phases, please be patient and allow time for them to reach your street. Because the asphalt streets are graded to the middle towards the catch basins, snow and ice may accumulate in the middle of the street making these areas slippery and bumpy until they melt. Please use caution while driving and walking during the winter months! Walking in the Wetlands, especially alone, during high winds or with low visibility is not advisable and is at your own risk.

<u>SALT ALTERNATIVES</u>: Avenbury is a minimal salt use community. However, kitty litter or product called MELT, will take care of snow and ice without the negative impacts of using salt on concrete and asphalt surfaces.

<u>HOLIDAY DECORATIONS</u>: Residents are welcome to decorate for the Holidays in their own mulch beds, but not in the common areas. Also, please keep in mind that extension cords, spotlights or other decorations that are in areas where the snow removal crews will be working (front walks, driveway edges) may be damaged and/or cause an injury to the crew. Snow removal may take place in the dark with blowing snow and these items can't be seen by a worker driving a snowplow truck or using a snow blower.

<u>LEAF REMOVAL</u>, <u>ORNAMENTAL GRASS CUTTING AND GUTTER CLEANING</u>: Brightview will continue removing leaves in December as weather permits. They will begin cutting ornamental grasses in late January. Gutter cleaning will also take place in December for those on the list and as weather permits.

<u>SECURITY ISSUES</u>: As the days grow shorter, leaving your exterior lights on can help with security around your home. Remember to always use your deadbolt lock on your door, and if you will be out of town, lamps plugged into timers can give the appearance your home is occupied. Make sure all windows are locked and if your vehicle is parked in the driveway, make sure no valuables are left in sight and that all is secured.

Landscape News



The cold weather will arrive and the snow will be flying soon. The stakes have been placed along the driveways and sidewalks in preparation for snow removal. Please remove pots from these areas to make snow removal easier. Soon we will be seeing Poinsettias everywhere and hearing Christmas music.

Now is the time to start thinking about any landscaping you may want to do in the spring. Just remember that all plants need to be on the Approved Avenbury Plant list. If you have a favorite plant that is not on the list, you can submit it to the Landscape Committee for consideration and a possible addition to the plant list. Our committee will start looking at Landscape requests as we approach spring.

The Landscape Committee is in recess for December and January. We will resume meeting in early spring. If you have a burning question and you need an answer, do not hesitate to call us or send an email and we will bet back to you as soon as possible.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays from the Landscape Committee!

All articles for the **JANUARY** Breeze MUST BE submitted by **Friday. December 20!**LATE articles have no guarantee of being included in the issue.

If you are unable to meet this deadline.

please contact Laurie at Ilynch@lawrencemanagement.com

Why I moved to Avenbury Lakes!

Interviewed by Karen Kennedy, Social Committee Member

MEL AND DEANNA ROBERTS (Manchester) were married in 1966 and lived in both Westlake and Avon Lake before discovering Avenbury Lakes. On their visit to check out Avenbury, they liked what they saw and were impressed with what they heard and the quality of the construction. The community's many amenities would give them an active social life. One of their favorite things to do was walk in the wetlands with their grandchildren when they visited. Mel and Deanna started the Wii Bowling group, a favorite daytime activity which many residents still sign up to play every year. Samba is another group they started, and they welcome new players. Over the years, they participated in many social activities, including pickleball, swimming, water aerobics, stretch and tone. Today, they both agree that moving into the Avenbury Lakes Community was the best thing they did.

BETH MARECZ (Capulet Court) and her husband, Joe, lived in Lakewood and Tremont before receiving the postcard announcing Avenbury Lake's opening. They were not thinking about moving but stopped and looked at the Avenbury Development on a car ride. They were so impressed they bought it right away. Beth and Joe enjoyed living here for many years before Joe passed away. Beth told me the best thing about the community is the many friends they made, and she feels so blessed to have neighbors that look out for each other. My fondest memory of Joe is that, besides being such a fun-loving guy to be around, he would call residents on their birthdays and sing Happy Birthday to them, and he often sounded like Donald Duck.

Interviewed by Gail Liggett, Social Committee Member

PAULINE MOORE (Halifax) and her husband moved from Rocky River to a condo in Westlake, where they became disenchanted. After seeing the Avenbury trailer, they stopped and bought to build. They waited a year for their Red Admiral to be built and moved in 2000. Pauline said it was the best thing they ever did. And it still is. Pauline and her husband, who passed away 4 ½ years ago, quickly met and became friends with other new homeowners. They joined everything and volunteered. They loved the pool and rode their bikes around and through the wetlands. Pauline admits she no longer attends social events and prefers to focus on her family, who live nearby and out of state. Pauline enjoys when her neighbors call, stop to chat, and check on her.

Avenbury "Look Down Memory Lane" Scrap Books can be found in the Gathering Room on the display rack next to the fireplace.



Directory Changes

NEW RESIDENTS:

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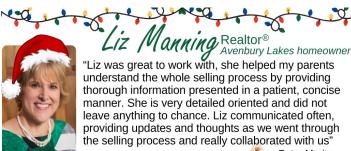
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CURRENT RESIDENT CHANGES:

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Year!









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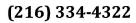
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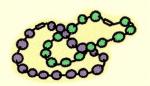
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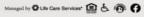
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Companies are offering more telecommuting opportunities to reduce office space and other overhead costs, improve productivity, increase retention, and reduce the negative environmental impacts of commuting.

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Information Center:

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Avenbury Lakes Lodge

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Laurie Lynch

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Lodge Office Hours:

Weekdays: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

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Upcoming Events at Avenbury Lakes

Lodge Sign Up Book will be Available on Monday. December 2 at 9:00 am

December 7



Holiday Dinner Party

5:30 pm-8:00 pm Sign Ups Closed

December 17



LOL Holiday Luncheon

11:00 am-12:15 pm Sign Ups Closed

December 19



Breakfast Forum

9:30 am - Free Deadline: Dec 16

January 7



Tech Help 11:00 am - 1:00 pm Free Event

January 9



Thursday Lunch 12:00 pm - \$10

12:00 pm - \$10 Deadline: Dec 15

January 25



Souper Soup Night 5:30 pm \$20