

Special Dates

4th	A.M.E.N.	10:00 am
5th	Spa Closed/Cleaning	10:00 am
6th	Book Club	10:30 am
6th	Quilting Club	1:00 pm
9th	Daylight Savings Time Begins	
13th	Lunch at the Lodge	12:00 pm
13th	Chess Club	1:00 pm
17th	St. Patrick's Day	
20th	Spring Begins!	
20th	Quilting Club	1:00 pm
21st	POETS	11:30 am
21st	Meet Mayor Jensen	3:00 pm
22nd	Chili Night Contest	6:00 pm
27th	Chess Club	1:00 pm
28th	Crochet Club	1:00 pm



Regular Dates

Spirit & Volunteer of the Year Nominations

Annual Meeting Service Awards

Residents of Avenbury Lakes are encouraged to submit nominations of fellow residents for the 2024 Spirit Award and for the Volunteer of the Year Award. These awards will be given to the selected recipients at the Annual Meeting scheduled for **April 22**, **2025** at the Lodge.

Procedure

You may make as many nominations as you choose. Your nomination must include the following information to be considered.

- The award for which you are nominating the person or the couple.
- The nominee's first and last name(s).
- Specific information as to why you think this nominee is deserving
 of the award. Please include first-hand information about
 situations in which you have witnessed the nominee in action. Be
 as specific as possible.
- Your nomination must be signed but will be kept confidential. This
 will enable the Board to contact you for clarification or for more
 information.

The Board of Directors or their designee will review the submissions and announce the recipients of each award at the Annual Meeting. Please submit your nominations to the Information Center or the Lodge in a <u>sealed</u> envelope marked <u>"Service Award Nominations".</u>

All nominations must be received by Monday, March 24, 2025, and will be kept confidential.

Please use the form enclosed in your March Breeze for your nominations and return it to the Information Center or the Lodge before the deadline.

Additional forms are available next to the Activity Book in the Lodge or at the Information Center if you have multiple nominees for the Spirit and Volunteer of the Year Awards.



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MARCH EVENTS





Meet Avon Mayor Bryan Jensen!

The residents of Avenbury Lakes will again have a chance to meet and hear from **Mayor Jensen** as he expresses his thoughts regarding the State of the City, its future, and the Seniors within it. The Mayor will address Avenbury residents on **March 21, from 3:00 – 4:30 pm**. The City will graciously provide Jimmy John's sandwiches with chips as residents

exit the Lodge upon the completion of the presentation. Police Chief Daniel Fischbach and Fire Chief David Swope will also be in attendance to answer any questions you may have.



Please sign up in the Lodge Activity Book, beginning March 3, so an accurate count of participants can be given to the city and the food provider. The deadline to sign up is March 17, with a maximum occupancy of 120 residents. Any questions can be directed to the Lodge Administrator. ~Your Board of Directors

Thursday Lunch @ the Lodge - March 13 at 12:00 pm - Cost \$10

Menu: Irish Beef Stew or Irish Vegetable Stew, Irish Soda Bread, Coffee, and Dessert

- Lunch at the Lodge is Limited to 40 Residents -
- Please Pay and Choose your Entrée at Sign- up. Deadline is March 5

Lunch @ the Lodge March Co-chairs: M J Mylen & Diane McKay







AVENBURY CHILI COOK OFF!

TH ENTERTAINMENT BY COMEDIAN MICHAEL MAGE!

SATURDAY, MARCH 22 at 6:00 PM

COST: \$20.00 (Please pay at sign-up) Deadline: March 10

Menu Includes Appetizers, Assorted Chilis, Toppings, and Dessert

Prizes will be awarded for:

Best All-Round Chili 🥩 Most Unique Chili 🥩 Spicy Chili 🥩 Best Named Chili

Chili Makers do not have to be on the Committee and will receive a stipend for their Chili ingredients.

Chili Night Co-chairs: M J Mylen & Diane McKay



The Avenbury Lakes Book Club

The Avenbury Lakes Book Club will meet in the Lodge Library on **Thursday**, **March 6** at **10:30 AM** to discuss *Diva* by Daisy Goodman. This is the tender and powerful story of Maria

Callas, opera singer, a woman whose extraordinary talent, unremitting drive and natural chic – not to mention her scandalous love affair with Aristotle Onassis - made her a legend. On **April 3**, the Book Club will be discussing *The Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles.

Fire Safety Workshop

The Avon Fire Department will be at the Lodge for a Fire Safety Workshop on Monday, March 10 at 1:00 pm.

Learn how to properly use a fire extinguisher, what to do in case of a fire, and other fire safety tips!



The Activity Book will be available on Monday, March 3 at 9:00 am





Thursday Lunch @ the Lodge April 10 at 12:00 pm - Cost \$10

Menu: Two Spring Lunch Choices Served on a Bed of Mixed Greens

Cold Chicken Salad or Cold Seafood Salad (shrimp and imitation crab)

Lunch Includes: Muffin, Dessert, and Coffee

April Lunch Co-Chairs: M. J. Mylen & Margaret Mary Knoll



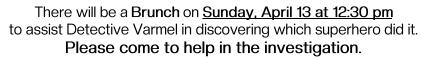
Many Thanks to the February Lunch @ the Lodge Committee!

Judi Wagner, Ellen & Pat Finan Gerri Hura, Jeanne Moser & Mary Flood
-M. J. Mylen, Suzanne Butch & Mary Firis Co-Chairs

The Dangerous Despair of the B-List Superheros Murder Mystery

Are you aware that there has been a murder at Avenbury?

Inspector Varmel has been asked to gather with a group of suspect Superheros to help discover who the culprit is that killed our dear friend, Bill Cody.



A wonderful meal has been planned including:

Appetizers of mini muffins, sweet rolls, juice, coffee, tea and the main course of egg casserole, home fries, au-gratin potatoes, biscuits and gravy, French toast strips, bacon and sausage.

The event will end with a sweet treat and the reveal of the heinous murderer.

The cost of the event is \$25. Please Pay at Sign-Ups on March 3



The Ladies of the Lake are having a "Tree House" Box Lunch on Thursday, April 24th at 12:00 pm. Cost is \$20.



THE DANGEROUS
DESPAIR OF B-LIST

The Box Lunch from The Tree House Gallery and Tea Room will include a Sandwich, Two Salads and a Dessert. Water and Iced Tea will be provided.

Sandwich choices are: Lobster Roll, Chicken Salad, or Egg Salad.

Please make your sandwich choice when signing up. Sign-Ups open on March 3. Deadline is April 14.

TASK FORCE COMMITTEE ON FACILITY MANAGEMENT

The following residents have been selected by the Board of Directors for the **Task Force Committee on Facility Management:**

Bill Baringer Cheryl Courtney Mike Gallagher

Russ Hirth Liz Manning Bob Peter

Ed Ries Bob Sexton Marty Wynne

The Orientation Meeting for the above Task Force Committee Members is March 7, 2025 from 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm in the Board Conference Room at the Information Center, located at 2122 Southampton Lane.

The Board of Directors would like to thank all residents who applied. The Board reviewed 22 letters of interest from residents who expressed a desire to volunteer on the Task Force Committee.

Avenbury Lakes Virtual Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 22, 2025 More details coming soon... Virtual MEETING

Landscape Committee News

Happy March! It is March and March 1st is actually the first day of meteorological spring. Tell Mother Nature that and see if she listens!

Daffodils are starting to emerge from the soil even though it may seem too cold for them. They will survive the cold and once we have more consistent warm days, they will be blooming!

Due to the age of Avenbury, much of the plant life has become overgrown and tired. If you are thinking about changing anything in your landscaping, now would be the ideal time to review the landscape rules and regulations to better plan your landscape design. **The Landscape Committee** will begin meeting in the spring and we are willing to help in any way we can. Remember that it could take 4-6 weeks for complete approval by our committee. Stay warm and safe!



Spring Property Clean-up



The Buildings and Grounds Committee is asking for your help cleaning up our property. In the past, we have had about 30-35 of our great neighbors join in this annual dedicated endeavor. Please think about coming out and joining the team. 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 Spring Property Clean-up is currently scheduled for <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>April 22 at 10:00 am</u>. The rain date <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>April 23</u> and the back-up rain date is <u>Friday</u>, <u>April 25</u>. Please wear gloves and sturdy shoes. Bags will be provided.

There will be a sign up sheet in the activity book at the Lodge, or you can contact Bob Kennedy 630-747-6626 (call or text) or email at kennedy12850@gmail.com. Thank you in advance, Bob Kennedy

The Avenbury Bible Study continues our study of finding Christ throughout the Bible as we compare Old and New Testament scripture. We meet Monday

mornings from 10:30 - 11:45 am at Providence Church, across the street on Detroit Rd. All denominations are welcome and lend to great discussions. Leaders are

Marilyn Jacobcik and Mike Darr. Questions? Contact Marilyn at <u>jacobmar2001@yahoo.com</u> or 440-937-5027.



The Chess Club will meet this month on Thursday, March 13 and March 27 at 1:00 pm in the Lodge Library. Questions? Contact Bob Peter at 415-764-9405



From the Community Manager... Ruth Angell

Information Center Reminders: In case you missed it, we have a new email address for residents to direct general matters, please send your request to: avenburylakes@lawrencemanagement.com to ensure a prompt response. You may also contact the Information Center by calling 440-937-9441. We look forward to assisting you.

Property Damage Due to Snow Removal Equipment: If you suspect damage to your property from snow removal services, please report these damages as soon as possible to allow Brightview to assess the damages.

Emergency Contact Information: Lawrence Management needs to have accurate contact information on files for all unit owners. We are happy to assist in updating any changes to your phone numbers, email addresses, and emergency contact information. In an emergency such as a fire or flood, we make every effort to reach the unit owner before contacting the Police or Fire Department to gain entry.

A BIG THANK YOU to our January Super Soup Committee and Delicious Soup Makers.

Cheryl Courtney, Judy Cummings, Clem DeCrane, Gerri Hura, Cathy Jacob, Karen & Jim Lally, Patsy Mahall, Barb McGraw, Mary Lou McMahon, Carol Mills, Cathy Mullee, Marcel Mylen, Hank Okuma, Bob & Joyce Reese, Sue & Ron Rochester, Yvonne Stella, and Jean & Marty Wynne.

Thank you to the Generous Avenbury Residents

who helped fill the Soup Box for the Avon/Avon Lake Community Resource Service Foodbank!

The big, Big, BIG 50/50 RAFFLE IS BACK... With a Twist

for you!

Don't miss your chance to win UP TO \$600!

The Avenbury Lakes Community Fund is sponsoring a 50/50 raffle with **THREE** chances to win.

The drawings will be held at our first Summer Concert on Sunday, June 29th.

(winner need not be present)

50/50 Raffle tickets will sell at \$5 each or five tickets for \$20 giving you a bonus chance to win.

Beginning March 3, tickets will be sold Monday through Friday mornings, and prior to most evening events at the Lodge.

Look for our table near the fireplace.

If you are unable to get your tickets at the Lodge, Call Mary Lou Gross at 440-785-7442 to order tickets



10 Fun St. Patrick's Day Facts

With St. Patrick's Day around the corner, what better way to celebrate than some interesting facts that you may not have known about the holiday. So, grab a Guinness and check out these 10 interesting St. Patrick's Day facts.



ST. PATRICK WAS NOT IN FACT IRISH

He was born in Britain but captured by Irish raiders at the age of 16. He spent 6 years in captivity before escaping back to Britain. During his time as a prisoner, he took to religion. Later he brought the religion back to Ireland.

BLUE WAS THE ORIGINAL COLOR FOR ST. PATRICK

Though we now associate the color green with the holiday, the saint originally wore the color blue. It was changed sometime in the 1600 to 1700's when the clover started to be used to symbolize nationalism in Ireland.

A DRY HOLIDAY

Originally St. Patrick's Day was celebrated as a church holiday and was a dry day for many years. It changed to a national holiday around 1970 when the country realized that it could capitalize on the tourism that the day attracted.

THE THREE LEAVES OF A SHAMROCK MEAN HOPE, LIFE, AND LOVE

It's believed that St. Patrick used the clover to explain the Holy Trinity (Father, Son and Holy Ghost) to the pagan worshipers. Sometime later the meaning changed to hope, life and love. The fourth leaf is thought to represent luck, which is why they are considered good luck.



PORK WAS THE ORIGINAL MEAT

The original meal of the day included pork, not corned beef. Irish immigrants to America quickly realized that beef was much cheaper and started to use that instead.

BOSTON HAS ONE OF THE LARGEST PARADES

Because Boston has a large population of Irish Americans it also has one of the largest parades in the U.S. It is over 3 miles long and over 1 million people watch it each year.

WHY MARCH 17?

The holiday is celebrated on the 17th of March each year because that is the day that the Saint died in 461. He is credited with bringing Christianity to Ireland and converting the pagan worshipers.

GUINNESS IS ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR BEERS TO DRINK

Over 5 million pints of Guinness are sold throughout the year. That number more than doubles on the world's biggest day for drinking.

IT'S NOT JUST BEER THAT IS DYED GREEN

All over the world, different buildings glow green in honor of the day. Chicago even dyes the Chicago River green in celebration of the day.

THE IRISH IN AMERICA

There are more than 34 million people in the U.S. that have Irish ancestry. Which is more than the population of Ireland.



Happy St.Patrick's Day





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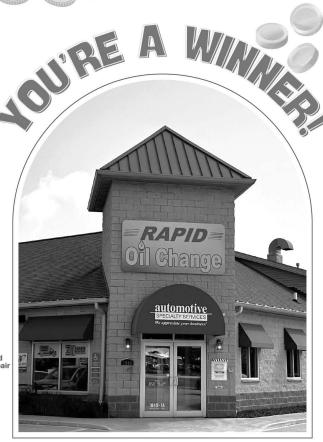
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2122 Southampton Lane, Avon, OH 44011

Ruth Angell - Community Manager rangell@lawrencemanagement.com

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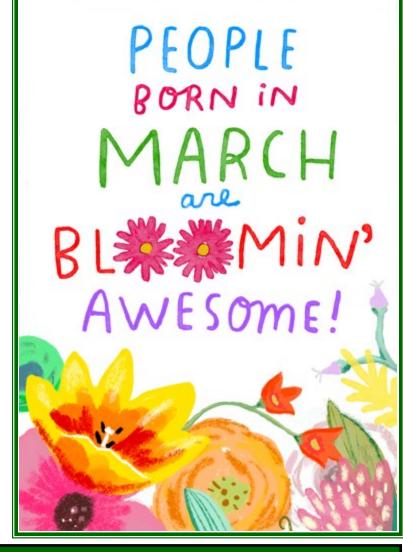
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Laurie Lynch - Lodge Administrator Phone: 440-937-9387 Ilynch@lawrencemanagement.com

Lodge Office Hours:

Weekdays: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

LODGE, LIBRARY & INDOOR POOL M, T, W, Th - 9:00 am - 9:00 pm Fri, Sat, Sun - 9:00 am - 8:00 pm



The Activity Book Opens for New Sign-ups on Monday, March 3 at 9:00 am

March 10



Fire Safety Workshop 1:00 pm - Free Sign-Ups Open

March 13



Thursday Lunch 12:00 pm - \$10 Sign-Ups Open

March 21



Visit with Mayor Jensen 3:00 pm - Free Sign-Ups Mar 3

March 22



Chilly Night Chili Contest 6:00 pm - \$20 Sign-Ups Open

April 10



Thursday Lunch Noon - \$10 Sign-Ups Mar 3

April 13



Murder Mystery 12:30 pm - \$25 Sign-Ups Mar 3

April 24



LOL Boxed Lunch 12:00 pm - \$20 Sign-Ups Mar 3

Save the date for these upcoming events!

April 25



Bingo

May 3



Afternoon Kentucky Derby Party

Mav 8



Thursday Lunch at the Lodge

June 5



Thursday Morning Coffee by the Pool

June 21



Class Reunion Party

June 27



LOL Fashion on the Titanic

June 29



Summer Concert Series at the Lodge