

#### **Special Dates**

| 1st  | A.M.E.N.            | 10:00 am |
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| 3rd  | Book Club           | 10:30 am |
| 3rd  | Quilting Club       | 1:00 pm  |
| 9th  | Spa Closed/Cleaning | 10:00 am |
| 10th | Lunch @ the Lodge   | 12:00 pm |
| 10th | Chess Club          | 1:00 pm  |
| 13th | Murder Mystery      | 12:30 pm |
| 18th | POETS               | 11:30 am |
| 20th | Easter              |          |
| 22nd | Spring Clean Up     | 10:00 am |
| 22nd | Annual Meeting      | 7:00 pm  |
| 24th | LOL Boxed Lunch     | 12:00 pm |
| 24th | Chess Club          | 1:00 pm  |
| 25th | Crochet Club        | 1:00 pm  |
| 25th | Bingo               | 6:30 pm  |
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#### **Regular Dates**

| Bible Study       | 10:30 am   |
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| Body Sculpting    | 8:45 am  |
| Stretch & Tone    | 9:00 am  |
| Samba             | 1:00 pm  |
| Vitality Exercise | 11:00 am   |
| Pinochle          | 7:00 pm  |
| Wii Bowling       | 10:00 am   |
| H2O Aerobics      | 9:30 am  |
| H2O Aerobics      | 6:15 pm  |
| Walking (Inside)  | 9:00 am  |
| Spite & Malice    | 2:00 pm  |
| Poker             | 6:30 pm  |
| Mah Jong          | 7:00 pm  |
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#### To Avenbury Lakes Residents....

#### 2025 Board Election

The Nominating Committee has reviewed the only two letters of intent, along with the candidates' resumes, that were submitted for the 2025 election. There was also one withdrawal from consideration by Phyllis Neidhardt, whose candidacy was announced in the February Breeze. The two candidates are Bob Kennedy, an incumbent, and Cheryl Courtney. There are two open seats on the Board and these two Association members meet the qualifications to seek election, therefore, according to the governing documents, a mail-in election is not necessary. The candidate's resumes are included in this volume of the Breeze. The official results will be announced at the Virtual / Hybrid Association Meeting on April 22, 2025.

#### 2025 Virtual Annual Meeting

To access the Virtual / Hybrid meeting, all residents with an email address will be sent a Zoom invitation via email. (Make sure that the Information center has your updated information). To join the meeting, click on the blue



highlighted area on the invitation where it indicates "Join Meeting".

Hopefully you will all attend the Virtual Meeting on April 22, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

The Nominating Committee...

Larry Escalante, Board Liaison to the Nominating Committee

Gary Hawkinson, Chairperson

Bob Sexton



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## April Events & Reminders 🌌



# 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

\* Please Pay & Choose your Entrée at Sign-Up \* Lunch at the Lodge is Limited to 40 Residents \*

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



#### 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.



There will be a **Brunch** on <u>Sunday, April 13 at 12:30 pm</u> to assist Detective Varmel in discovering which superhero did it. **Please come to help in the investigation.** 



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. Waitlist Sign-up Only



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

The Box Lunch from The Tree House Gallery and Tea Room will include: 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. Deadline is April 14.

#### Join us on Friday, April 25 for a night of BINGO!

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 12 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 – the cost is \$1.00 per person. Bingo dates for 2025 are July 25, and October 24. Questions? Call Marty or Jean Wynne. The Activity Book will be available on Tuesday, April 1 at 9:00 am

## 👔 May Events

## Kentucky Derby Party



This year's Run for the Roses event will be on May 3. The doors will open at 3:30 PM and the festivities will begin at 4:00 PM. The price per person will be \$15

Since this is a catered event, please be sure to sign up and pick your choice of sandwich in the Activity Book at the Lodge and pay no later than April 25, 2025

There will be snacks at each table plus a mint julep punch that can easily be doctored by adding your favorite liquor.

In response to feedback, the planning committee has made a few changes to this year's event. In order to allow for more comfortable seating and less congestion during the betting, this year's meal will be boxed lunches (provided by Fligners).

The boxed lunches will be your choice of ham, roast beef, chicken salad or a garden vegetable sandwich, all served on a croissant. All lunches include potato salad, chips and a cookie. By popular demand, we will be bringing back the popular Derby pie for dessert. Coffee will also be served.

There will be seven Avenbury races, plus the Kentucky Derby race, for you to bet on. All bets will be \$1 each, so be sure to bring plenty of dollar bills. We would appreciate no bills larger than \$5.



Ladies, please be sure to wear your best Derby hat for our contest! There will be three prizes for win, place and show.

<sup>w</sup>, Please contact Mary Lou McMahon at 440-937-6423 or Judi Wagner at 440-695-0546.





Thursday Lunch @ the Lodge May 8 at 12:00 pm - Cost \$10

Our very own Avenbury Hawaiian Chef Hank Okuma

will prepare a special menu to end the season \*Pineapple Glazed Ham, White Rice, and Stir-Fried Veggies <u>or</u> \*Shrimp, Veggies and Noodles Coffee, Tea & Dessert included

A please Pay & Choose your Entrée at Sign-Up 🖗 Lunch at the Lodge is Limited to 40 Residents 🏶

Co-Chairs, M. J. Mylen & Kathy Bogner

THANK YOU! March Lunch at the Lodge Committee

Sue Neiding, Jeanne Moser, Bea Marlette, JoAnne Moore, & Marcel Mylen.

Thank you for joining us for our St. Pat's Lunch!

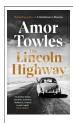


Thank you

#### Avenbury Lakes Golf League

We would like to extend an invitation for you to join our Avenbury Lakes Golf League this year. The league is open to women and men. Barring weather, we play golf every Monday (9:15 am) from May 5 to September 29 at Bob-O-Links Golf Course, located south of Avon on Route 83. Have an interest in joining us? Our skill levels are varied. We enjoy the game and the camaraderie. Hope to see you on the links!

Sign up in the Activity Book at the Lodge. Dues this year are \$20, which covers the yearend golf scramble and weekly golf ball prizes on two Par-3 holes. Deposit dues in the envelope at the Lodge. Questions? Contact Bill Leaser or Ron Rochester



#### Avenbury Book Club

**Quilting Club** 

The Quilting

Club will meet

this month on

The Avenbury Lakes Book Club will meet in the Lodge Library on **Thursday, April 3** at **10:30** am to discuss **The Lincoln Highway** by Amor Towles. This fast paced reflective adventure story centers on three men from disparate backgrounds whose incarceration together in a juvenile detention center brings them together on the outside where conflicting motives and moralities set them on a course for collision across the US. On May 1, the Book Club will be discussing **Remarkably Bright Creatures** by Shelby Van Pelt.



April 3 at 1:00 pm in the Lodge. Questions? Contact Jean Wynne at (440) 695-1155



The Chess Club will meet this month on Thursday, April 10 and April 24 at 1:00 pm in the Lodge Library. All levels of skill are welcome, including those wanting to learn to play chess. Questions? Contact Bob Peter at 415-764-9405

#### Crochet Club

<u>Crochet Club</u> will meet this month on Friday, April 25 at 1:00 pm in the Lodge. Knit-



ters are welcome. Questions? Contact Louanna Dickey at (440) 547-6902

#### **Avenbury Lakes Bible Study**

As we approach the celebration of Easter, the Avenbury Bible Study continues our study of finding Christ throughout the Bible as we compare Old Testament scripture promises with New Testament fulfillment. **We meet Mondays from 10:30 to 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 & Mike Darr. If you would like more information or have questions, please contact Marilyn Jacobcik at <u>jacobmar2001@yahoo.com</u> or 440.937.5027.





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

**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.

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 440-785-7442 or Jeanne Moser 440-376-8077



**Thank you** to the **February Neighborhood Social** team for hosting another successful event. All of your creative thinking to solve problems was much appreciated. Also thanks to those who attended and provided such tasty appetizers.

<u>Team Members</u>: Jean and Marty Wynne, Bonnie and Diane Koch and Carl Kitral, Ellie Patterson, Marsha and Bruce Clark, Clem DeCrane, Carol Mills, Deanna Roberts, Jenny Drahuschak



#### New Residents

Christopher Racela & Eileen Gallagher 2358 Roxbury - (216) 536-9828

Susan Gallagher: 2437 Halifax Court - (216) 849-4616

Kathy Ross: 2221 Langford Lane - (440) 452-7728

Janet Bergan: 2185 Southampton

Mike McGuire: 2178 Southampton - (440) 865-9308



### From the Community Manager...Ruth Angell

CLOSINGS: In recognition of Good Friday, the Lodge & Info Center will close at 12:00 pm on Friday, April 18, 2025.

**PETS:** This is a reminder that pets may not be left unattended, nor should they be tethered outside of a unit. Dogs must always be walked on a secure hand-held leash. Pet droppings must be removed immediately from private and common areas. Dogs must always wear a valid tag. Please report violators to the Information Center at 440-937-9441/ Animal Control at 440-933-4567.

**TREE / TREE LIMBS:** The community performs an annual inspection of trees by a tree arborist to identify trees that are deemed an imminent threat to people and property. Due to the cost of tree services, trees and limbs that do not pose an imminent threat may not be addressed immediately and may be addressed during a larger project.

**GARDEN BED ART:** Please refer to the Community Rules and Regulations related to limitations on Yard/Garden art in private owner gardens. We ask owners to refrain from hanging ornaments and bird feeders in the common area trees.

#### Landscape Committee News

Here we are at the beginning of a brand new spring season with lots of hope and plans for the warmer days ahead. Now is a good time to look at your mulched areas and assess the plants that you have. If you choose to add or replace perennials, make sure they are on the Approved Plant List. Annuals will be arriving in the garden centers soon.

Brightview has mowed the meadows and has been cleaning out and edging our beds. They are also applying a preemergent to help control the weeds. Weeds are the hardiest of all plants. If you are able, try to pull them out with their roots as soon as they appear. This is when the root system is easier to remove and maybe they won't return.

An effective and natural way to get rid of weeds is with vinegar, table salt and Dawn. The recipe calls for adding 1 cup of salt and a few squirts of Dawn to a gallon of vinegar. After mixing, pour some in a spray bottle and spray the weeds.



Remember that "April showers bring May flowers". We have an opportunity to keep Avenbury the most beautiful and sought after community in Avon.

#### 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, April 22 at 10:00 am</u>. The rain date **Wednesday, April 23** and the back-up rain date is **Friday, April 25**. 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 <u>kennedy12850@gmail.com</u>. Thank you in advance, Bob Kennedy



#### Volunteers Needed for Pool Deck Set Up

I just finished writing about the Spring Property Clean-up – if spring is soon to here, that must mean the summer cannot be far behind. Each May, a group of your neighbors get together to clean and set-up the chairs and tables/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 as of this printing I cannot. I anticipate it will be some time the week before Memorial Day. The Board has scheduled major work to be done to the outside pool and the work is obviously weather dependent. 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 Laurie put a sign-up page into the Activity book in the Lodge. Thanks in advance for volunteering. Bob Kennedy



Thank you to <u>Mayor Bryan</u> <u>Jensen</u>, and his staff for visiting with the Lodge on March 21 and for providing the delicious Jimmy Johns sandwiches for dinner!!

The Mayor was here to express his thoughts regarding the State of the City, its future, and the Seniors within it. He gave a great presentation and answered a lot of questions and concerns for those attending.

He also spoke about the upcoming vote on ISSUE #3 – The Income Tax Increase for Police & Fire.

*From the City's Website*: "In an effort to continue to protect and serve the residents and visitors in the city



Pictured: Sue Neiding, Phyliss Neidhardt, Finance Director Steve Presley, Larry Escalante, Mayor Jensen, Safety/Service Director Duane Streator, Fire Chief David Swope, Bob Kennedy, Asst Finance Director Beth Raicevich, Councilperson Michelle Patton, Councilperson Dennis McBride & Police Chief Dan Fischbach

HANK YOU

at the highest standard, City Council has placed an income tax on the May 6, 2025 ballot. If the income tax passes, Council is committed to discontinuing collection of the three existing property tax levies that support the Police and Fire Departments. This income tax would spread the burden to those that work in the city and utilize the services. If passed, there will be a decrease of property tax to property owners, starting in 2026. The 0.2% income tax increase will affect those people who work in Avon. Those who work outside of Avon will get an income tax credit of 1.7%, up from 1.5%. This income tax, unlike the property tax, will not impact Seniors except those working and earning a paycheck and will not impact those whose income consists of pensions, social security, annuities, etc."

For more information on Issue #3, please visit www.cityofavon.com/921/Issue-3-Information.

#### May 6, 2025 Primary/Special Election. There are no candidates of the May Ballot, ISSUES ONLY.

• Issue #2 - Proposed Constitutional Amendment to fund public infrastructure projects by issuing bonds (State)



Issue #3 - Proposed Municipal Income Tax (Avon City Only)

Absentee voting begins April 8, in-person and by mail. Requests for mail-in ballots must be received by April 29. Voted ballots must be postmarked by May 5, or received in person at the Board of Elections by May 6.

#### There are Request Forms for Mail-in Ballots and Sample Ballots at the Lodge by the Activity Book

Election Day Voting for Precinct Avon 2-1 will again be at the Wyndham Hotel, 35600 Detroit Road (by Mitchell's Ice Cream)

Thank you to Assistant Fire Chief Brett Bruehler who gave an informative presentation to residents at the Lodge on March 10. Here are some tips he shared:

- The #1 cause of home fires is unattended cooking fires. If you have an oven fire, leave the oven door closed and call 911. Ovens are meant to tolerate such heat. Opening the door will add oxygen to the fire and keep it going.
- The #2 cause is auxiliary heating equipment such as space heaters, so if you must use them give them space and turn
  off/unplug when unattended.
- The #3 cause is faulty wiring. Use extension cords sparingly; it's safer to use a power strip with a surge protector.
- Smoke Detectors should be replaced about every 10 years, the batteries twice a year. Neighbors Helping Neighbors can do this. Also, every home should have a carbon monoxide (CO) detector.
- Incidents involving lithium-ion batteries are on the rise. Make sure devices are certified, follow charging instructions, plug directly in to the wall and don't overcharge.
- Sleep with bedroom doors closed; it restricts the amount of oxygen available to a fire, slowing its growth & spread.
- If you use a fire blanket, throw it over the fire and leave it, don't lift it up. Make sure the fire blanket doesn't have fiberglass in it (Made in USA is best).
- Have a fire extinguisher readily available in the garage, kitchen and basement; check expiration dates on them. The best for the home is an all-purpose ABC type fire extinguisher.
- You should have a "fire lock box" outside of your front door. If you do, call the fire department to make sure the key in it is current. If you don't have one, you can order one through the Avon Senior Center for a small fee.

If you have questions, call the Avon Fire Department non-emergency number 440-934-1222.







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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



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| The Activity Book Opens for New Sign-ups on Tuesday, April 1 at 9:00 am |   |          |            |          |             |       |  |
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Murder Thursday Spring LOL Boxed Bingo Thursday Kentucky Derby Mystery Clean-Ŭp 6:30 pm - \$1 Lunch Lunch Doors Open 3:30 pm Lunch 12:30 pm - \$25 Sign-Ups Apr 1 4:00 pm - \$15 Noon - \$10 10:00 am 12:00 pm - \$20 Noon - \$10 Sign-Ups Open Sign-Ups Open Sign-Ups Open Sign-Ups Open Sign-Ups Apr 1 Sign-Ups Apr 1 Sove the Date for These Uncoming Events

| Save the Date for these upcoming events!     |                           |                               |  |  |  |                   |
|--|---------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|--|-------------------|
| June 5                                       | June 21                   | June 27                       | June 29                                      | July 3                                       | July 13                                      | July 19           |
| Thursday<br>Morning<br>Coffee by the<br>Pool | Class<br>Reunion<br>Party | LOL Fashion<br>on the Titanic | Summer<br>Concert<br>Mark & Marla<br>Brennan | Thursday<br>Morning<br>Coffee by the<br>Pool | Summer<br>Concert<br>Neil Diamond<br>Tribute | Guys BBQ<br>Party |