



The Breeze



MARCH 2026



MARCH DATES

3rd	A.M.E.N.	10:00 a.m.
4th	Architecture Meeting	10:00 a.m.
4th	Lunch at the Lodge	12:00 p.m.
5th	Book Club	10:30 a.m.
5th	Quilt Club	1:00 p.m.
8th	Daylight Saving Time	
11th	Landscaping Meeting	10:30 a.m.
14th	Eat @ Joe's	5:00 p.m.
17th	St. Patrick's Day 	
18th	LOL Women's Health	1:00 p.m.
19th	Quilt Club	1:00 p.m.
20th	First Day of Spring	
20th	POETS	11:30 a.m.
27th	Crochet Club	1:00 p.m.



Set your clock ahead **March 8**

REGULAR DATES

M	Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
M,W,F	Body Sculpting	8:45 a.m.
M,W,F	Stretch & Tone	9:30 a.m.
M,Th	Samba	1:00 p.m.
M,F	Vitality Exercise	11:00 a.m.
T	Wii Bowling	10:00 a.m.
T	Pinochle	7:00 p.m.
T,Th	H2O Aerobics	9:30 a.m.
T,Th	H2O Aerobics	6:15 p.m.
T,Th,S	Walking (Inside)	9:00 a.m.
W	Spite & Malice	2:00 p.m.
W	Mah Jong	7:00 p.m.
S	H2O Aerobics	11:00 a.m.

Spirit & Volunteer of the Year Nominations

Residents of Avenbury Lakes are invited to submit nominations for the **2025 Spirit Award** and the **Volunteer of the Year Award**. Winners will be recognized at the **Annual Meeting on April 28, 2026, at the Lodge**.

Nomination Procedure

- ◆ You may submit multiple nominations.
- ◆ Each nomination must include:
 - ◇ The award for which the nominee is being considered
 - ◇ The nominee's full name(s)
 - ◇ Specific reasons why the nominee deserves the award, including first-hand examples of their contributions
- ◆ Nominations must be signed but will remain confidential. This allows the Board to contact you for clarification if needed.
- ◆ The Board of Directors or their designee will review all submissions and announce the recipients at the Annual Meeting.

Submission Instructions

- ◆ Submit nominations in a **sealed envelope marked "Service Award Nominations"** to the **Information Center** or **Lodge**.
- ◆ Use the form included in your March Breeze. Additional forms are available next to the Activity Book in the Lodge or at the Information Center for multiple nominations.
- ◆ **Deadline:** All nominations must be received by **Monday, March 23, 2026**.



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Lunch at the Lodge Reminder

March 4, 2026 at 12 p.m. • Cost: \$10

Menu includes spinach quiche, fresh fruit salad, muffin, coffee, tea

Co-Chairs: Margaret Mary Knoll & Diane McKay



Quilt Club

The Avenbury Lakes Quilt Club will meet at 1:00 p.m. on Thursdays, March 5th and 19th in the Lodge.

Avenbury Lakes Bible Study meets weekly on Monday mornings from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. at Providence Church, located on Detroit Road across from Avenbury. We are discussing Old Testament promises with New Testament fulfillment. All denominations are welcome, and each lesson is stand-alone. Worksheets are provided, and discussion is encouraged. Leaders are Mike Darr and Marilyn Jacobcik.



The Avenbury Lakes Book Club

The Avenbury Lakes Book Club will meet in the Lodge Library on **Thursday, March 5 at 10:30 a.m.** to discuss **The Midnight Library by Matt Haig**. Nora Seed finds herself faced with the possibility of changing her life for a new one. As she travels through the Midnight Library, she must decide what truly makes life worth living in the first place.

On **April 9**, we will be discussing **The Accidental Empress by Allison Ptaki**. All residents are welcome to join this conversation about wealth and power.

Ahead on the calendar...

May 7 *Absolution* by Alice McDermott

June 4 *The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell: A Novel* by Robert Dugoni

July 9 *Finding Dorothy* by Elizabeth Letts

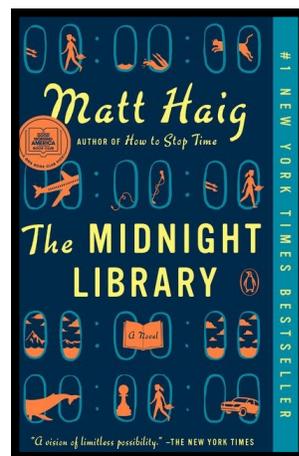
August 6 *All the Colors of the Dark* by Chris Whitaker

September 3 *Book Selection & Annual Luncheon*

October 2 *Code Girls* by Liza

November 5 *Dandelion Wine* by Ray Bradbury

December 3 *The Stolen Queen* by Fiona Davis



To our friends and neighbors at Avenbury Lakes,

Sandra and I would like to invite you to the Lodge on **March 8, 2026, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.** to celebrate **Sandra's 90th birthday!** We will have a small lunch and birthday cake. As you know, the older we get, the more we downsize. We ask you not to bring any presents or flowers but would be delighted by your presence! No need to sign up or RSVP, but please wear your nametag.

P.S. If you want to give something, please give to your favorite cat, dog, or animal shelter.

Thank you,

Winnie Walter and Sandra Shumway



Erin Go Bragh with Joe's Deli Reminder



March 14, 2026 at 5 p.m. • Cost: \$24

Choose from savory corned beef, Joe's famous club sandwich, or stuffed grape leaves with pita. Each meal comes complete with a Joe's signature potato pancake, coleslaw, and applesauce—plus an appetizer and dessert! Win one of many prizes!

Co-Chairs: Diane McKay, Susan Gallagher, & Judy Cummings

Ladies of the Lake will welcome guest speaker, Cynthia Rimko, PT, owner of 'Let's Get Physical' Therapy, who will present on Women's Health and Aging. The informative presentation will be held on **March 18th at 1:00 p.m.** in the Lodge. Free for all women to attend. Sign-up begins February 2nd. Please call Louana Dickey at 440-547-6902 with any questions.

You're invited to join the **Avenbury Lakes Golf League!** The league is open to women and men of all skill levels, and we enjoy both the game and the camaraderie. We play Wednesdays, May 6-September 30 (weather permitting), with tee times from 8:30-9:30 a.m. at Bob-O-Links Golf Course in Avon. Season dues are \$20, covering the year-end scramble and weekly par 3 and long putt prizes. Sign up in the Lodge activity book and deposit dues in an envelope at the Lodge. Hope to see you on the links!

Crochet Club will meet on **March 27 at 1:00 p.m.** in the Lodge. Knitters are welcome. Questions? Contact Louanna Dickey



Bill Leaser & Ron Rochester, Co-Chairs



On a single-digit January night, Avenbury residents warmed up with a SOUPER delicious evening of soup & trivia fun!

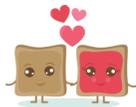
***MANY THANKS** to our Souper Soup Makers! Clare Skor, Beth Marecz, Sandy Drickhamer, Gerri Hura, Barb McGraw, Mary Firis, Cheryl Courtney, Hank Okuma, Suzanne Butch, Jean & Marty Wynne, Joyce & Bob Reese, Clem DeCrane & Carol Mills, Patsy Mahall & Bob McFarland, Cathy Jacob, Kathy Bogner, Sue & Ron Rochester, and Marcel Mylen -- your delicious soups made our night extra special!*

A huge thank you to all our wonderful residents who made Soup Night such a success! Special thanks to our Soup Committee—Jeanne Moser, Yvonne Stella, Carol Mills, Mary Flood, Cathy Jacob, Clem DeCrane, Greg Soeder, Marcel Mylen, and Bill Bogner—and to everyone who helped with set-up and clean-up.

M. J. Mylen, Mary Firis & Susan Gallagher, Soup Night Co-Chairs



THANK YOU to the February Lunch at the Lodge Committee: Mary Flood, Bea Marlette, Barb McGraw, Sue Neiding, Marcel Mylen, and Bill Bogner



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

Thank you to our Catered Affair Committee and Italian Creations! It was a delicious night full of FOOD, FUN, and SURPRISES!



A special thank you to Mary Firis, Joyce & Bob Reese, Clare & Mike Skor, Marcel Mylen, and Sue Neiding for all their hard work.

And heartfelt thanks to the Avenbury residents who stayed to help with the quick clean-up—you truly helped make the evening a success!

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

April Events (Sign-up begins 3/2/2026 at 9:00 a.m.)

Wednesday Lunch @ the Lodge • April 1, 2026 @ 12 p.m. • Cost: \$10

No foolin'—it's time for another Lunch @ the Lodge!

Menu: Meat OR vegetable lasagna, breadstick, green salad, Italian ice, and a cookie

Sign-up begins March 2. Payment is due at the time of sign-up.

Please check the vegetarian box if you would like vegetarian lasagna.

The noon lunch hour is limited to 40 paid residents.

Mary Firis & Suzanne Butch, Lunch Co-Chairs



Neighborhood Social • Saturday, April 18, 2026 @ 5:30 p.m. • Cost: \$3

All Avenbury residents are invited to gather at the Lodge on **April 18 at 5:30 p.m.**

Take advantage of this opportunity to socialize with old friends and get acquainted with new neighbors.

Please bring an appetizer to share and a beverage of your choice. Dessert, coffee, and ice will be provided.

A \$3 fee is required at sign-up in the activity book. If you find you are unable to attend, please remember to cross your name off the list.

Don't miss out—and don't forget to wear your nametag!

Questions? Contact Barb Valgora at barbvalg3@gmail.com



Spring is on the way—and as I write this, it's finally starting to look like it outside! In past years, 30–35 of your wonderful neighbors have joined us for this annual community effort. So far, several neighbors have signed up again this year—but we could use more helping hands.

The Buildings and Grounds Committee is asking for your help in cleaning up our property. We divide the grounds into approximately 12–13 sections, and as the date approaches, each volunteer will be assigned a section to complete.

Scheduled Date: Tuesday, April 14

Rain Date: Wednesday, April 15

Backup Rain Date: Friday, April 17

Start Time: 10:00 a.m.

Please wear gloves and sturdy shoes. Bags will be provided.

There are several ways to sign up:

- *Sign up on the page in the activity book at the lodge*
- *Call or text Bob Kennedy at 630-747-6626*
- *Email Bob at kennedy12850@gmail.com*

Thank you in advance—we truly appreciate your support!

Bob Kennedy



A Note from the Landscaping Committee

It's hard to believe we've made it through another winter—this was a particularly rough one. Now it's time to think spring and begin planning for the growing season.

Once the threat of frost has passed and the soil has warmed, we can begin planting hardy perennials. Because of the harsh winter of 2025–26, it's important to assess your existing perennials, ornamental trees, and shrubs. As soon as the snow clears, check for bud development or new growth to determine what has survived and what may have been damaged. Be patient—some plants simply need warmth, sun, and care to recover.

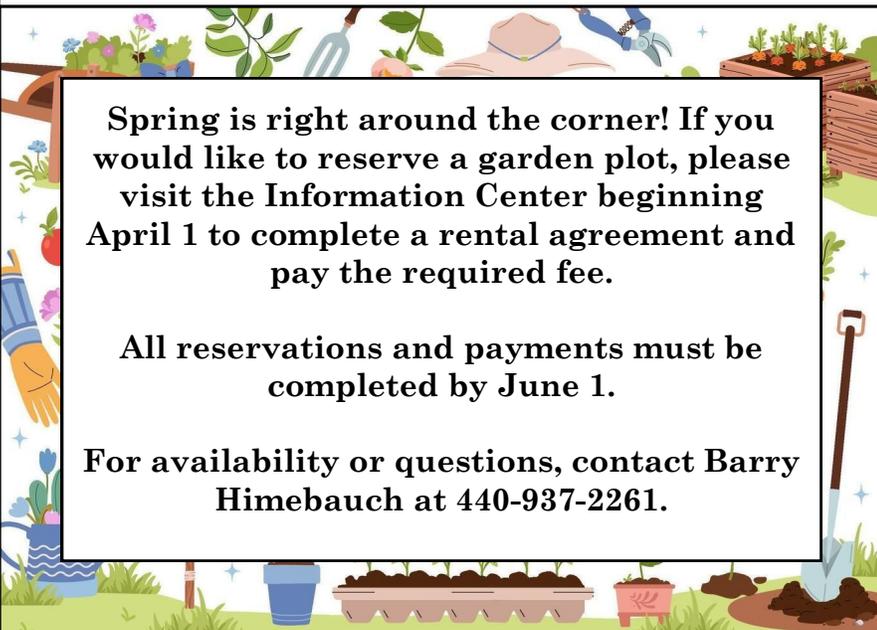
If a plant has not survived or is poorly located, consult the approved plant list for suitable replacements. The Landscape Committee (LC) is happy to assist with questions. If you would like to suggest a plant for addition to the list, submit it to the LC for research and review.

If you are planning a complete renovation of a mulched area, submit your request to the LC as soon as possible. If required, it will then be forwarded to the Board of Directors for approval. No work may begin—by you or a private landscaper—without approval from both the LC and the Board. Please review the community rules and regulations.

Common areas around your home may not be altered without LC and Board approval. If you believe an area needs attention, submit a Landscape Request for evaluation. Your input helps prioritize projects for this season's or next season's budget.

Please note: mulch will not be provided by the community this year. Homeowners are responsible for supplying mulch, which must be dark brown and triple shredded.

Submit Landscape Requests as soon as possible. The Committee begins its season in March and looks forward to working with you. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.



Spring is right around the corner! If you would like to reserve a garden plot, please visit the Information Center beginning April 1 to complete a rental agreement and pay the required fee.

All reservations and payments must be completed by June 1.

For availability or questions, contact Barry Himebauch at 440-937-2261.

Thinking of replacing windows or doors this spring? Or making changes to your home's landscaping? Check the Architecture and Landscape Committee pages on the Avenbury Lakes website for information on getting approval for changes to the exterior of your house. Contact any committee members for assistance.

*Please send Breeze updates to Lauren:
LPollack@lawrencemanagement.com*



FLAG DETAIL SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

The Avenbury Lakes Flag Detail has the honor and privilege of raising and lowering the American flag on the flagpole near the front entrance to our Lodge.

The three current members of the Flag Detail have handled this responsibility for many years. However, as all the members of the Flag Detail are now in their eighties, it has become more difficult for them to handle this responsibility in a safe manner under all types of weather conditions.

If any resident of Avenbury Lakes is interested in serving on the Flag Detail or has questions pertaining to what would be expected of them, please contact Al Pina at 440-610-3313 or Bob Sexton at 440-670-5145.

You do not need to be a military veteran to serve on the Flag Detail. Any resident, male or female, can serve on the Flag Detail. Proper instructions on how to raise and lower the flag and additional flag etiquette will be provided to all volunteers.

The flag is raised and lowered per an assigned schedule each year and removed from the flagpole when wind gusts exceed 40 mph. The flag can also be flown at half-staff at other times as approved by our Board of Directors.

Thank you for your consideration, and we would greatly appreciate your assistance and involvement in honoring our flag and those who have served and continue to serve our great country.

Respectfully,

The Avenbury Lakes Flag Detail -- Al Pina, Bob Sexton, and Franko Saulig



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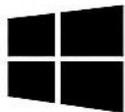
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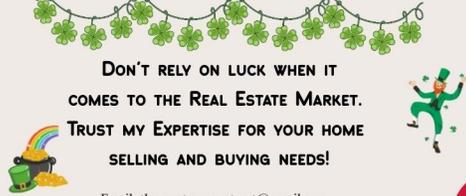


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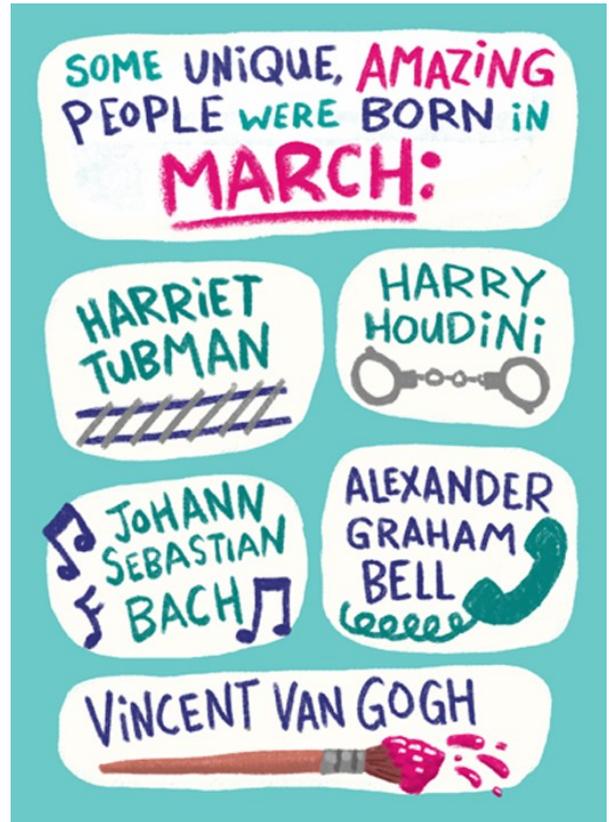
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Get ready! The Activity Book opens for March event sign-ups on Monday, March 2 at 9:00 a.m.

March 4	March 14	March 8	March 14	April 1	April 18
Lunch at the Lodge	Eat at Joe's	Sandra's 90th Birthday Celebration	LOL Women's Health Speaker	Lunch at the Lodge	Neighborhood Social
May 2	May 6	June 2	June 20	July 7	August 4
Kentucky Derby	Lunch at the Lodge	Coffee by the Pool	Campfire Dinner	Coffee by the Pool	Coffee by the Pool