



Palmetto Palms News

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Events and Activities

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- **Thank you!** – Thank You letter received from Harry Chapin Food Bank for our end-of-season donation. Thank you to all our residents for your generosity. *Activity Office*
- **90th Birthday Party for Ed Walter** – Friday, November 29; 2:30 – 3:30pm; Main Hall. Ed Walter is turning 90! His family is holding a reception to celebrate. Stop by to wish Ed "Happy Birthday". Cake, snacks and drinks will be provided. *Lynn Darbie, I-251, 513-602-3536*
- **Town Hall** – Tuesday, November 19; 10:00am; Main Hall. Yes! There are issues to be discussed. We need **you**. Lynn Darbie, AD HOC Rules Committee will present changes being proposed to the Board of Directors for review. *Sue Wilson, D-328, 317-507-3189*
- **Charity Quilting** – Every Thursday; 9:00 – noon; Card Room. Meet for fun and fellowship while creating quilts for the Abused Women's Shelter. Newcomers always welcome. You do not need to know how to sew. If you can tie a knot, iron or thread a needle, you are welcome or you can just come by to chat for a while. *Millie Blevins, F-85, 217-825-8056*
- **Celebration of Life for Dottie Hoggatt** – Friday, November 22; 10:00 – noon; Main Hall. Dottie was a 35-year resident of Palmetto Palms. She passed July 14, 2019. Please join us for coffee and doughnuts. Bring a memory to share! *Noreen McCarthy, K-543, 239-633-4153*
- **Post Office** – Welcome Back! We want you to know a few things. The mailroom window opens at 10:30 until mail delivery comes in for sorting. It's very important that you have **Lot Numbers** on mail or packages. Without lot numbers, your important mail/packages will be delayed from your mailbox. **Did you know...**we have color-coded flags: **No Flag in Pole** = no mail has been delivered that day; **Blue Flag** = mail done for boxes 1 – 315; **Green Flag** = mail done for boxes 316 – 700; **Red Flag** = all boxes are done. Have a great season. *Mailroom*
- **Portraits for Directory** – Thursday, November 21; Friday, November 22; Saturday, November 23. Card Room. Time to schedule your photo session for Palmetto Palms Directory. Lifetouch will be photographing all residents and renters for next year's directory. One free 8x 10 standard print included. Sign up Friday, November 15, 10:00 – noon, card room. **OR** Sign up and schedule online. **<http://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/b250dgx2/>** ****Save your username and password!!** (You will not receive a photo directory if you're not photographed.) *Dottie Morris, J-203, 238-222-4557 or Kathy Grabowski, L-495, 586-913-3606*
- **Assistance with Scheduling Appointments for Photo Directory** – There will be people in the game room to assist you with setting your online appointment: Monday, November 18, 10 AM to 12 Noon and 1 PM to 3 PM; also on Wednesday, November 20 10 AM to 12 Noon.

From the Palmetto Palms Office

MINI MALL – POSITIVELY NO DROPPING OFF OF ITEMS WHEN THE STORE IS CLOSED. There is not the room to store large pieces of furniture nor is the desire to have the area look like an unattended junk collection. If you must get it out of your home, and you can't give it to someone, put it in the compactor. Furniture can be broken down and put in the compactor as well as smaller items.

Pool – There is a problem with the pool water being too cool in the morning and if heated enough for early morning walkers it is too hot for the afternoon people. In checking with the pool company about possible ways to handle this problem we learned timers do not turn on the heaters. Timers turn on the circulation pumps because the heaters do not run if the water is not circulating. Our pool circulation pumps are set to run 24 hours so we should set the temperature and leave it. We are going to set the heater temperature at a constant temperature setting and cover the pool at night to keep from losing so much heat at night. The pool maintenance experts tell us the blanket increases the efficiency of the heaters by 30% helping to hold the heat in the water. Volunteers are needed to cover the pool and lock the gates at night. The sign-up sheet is in the card room/library where you can sign up to help keep the water warmer. If you want warmer water first thing in the morning, consider volunteering to cover the pool and locking the gate in the evening.

Pool and Wet Floors – Wet floors are slippery and create dangerous conditions for everyone. When getting out of pool or showers, please dry off before walking into bathrooms, offices, or recreation building. You don't want to cause a situation that creates injury to yourself or anyone else. Falls can do serious injury to the human body.

WIFI in Recreation Building – When using WIFI in the main hall, select Clubhouse. When using WIFI in the card room/library, select amped/sr. No password is needed for either selection.

SPEED LIMIT IN COMMUNITY – The posted speed limit in the community is 15 Miles Per Hour. That is also posted in the Rules and Regulations. Sometimes it takes an extra effort to think about the speed you are travelling. Please think about it and slow down.

Insects and Weeds in Your Yard – TruGreen service sprays the lawns for broadleaf weeds and insects that feed on the turf. For spot treating areas that need extra attention, owners are having success with Spectracide Triazicide insect killer.

Unit Addition/Change Request Forms – Also sometimes referred to as the "blue form" is to be submitted for any change to your unit that can be observed from any viewpoint outside your living space. Your unit is your land and everything on it. These forms are to be filed with the unit file as part of the official record. As stated in the Documents If you are adding, repairing or changing (even if it is like for like) roof, siding, windows, porch, patio, landscaping, etc., the form should be submitted and approved before the work begins.

Edging Around Units / Lawn Service – Many owners have asked for edging around patios and homes be done more frequently. Pricing for having this edging done with every mowing, when the ground was not too wet, was investigated. The cost would increase the current lawn care fees by 88 cents per unit per month or a total \$600.00 per month. The Board of Directors feel this is not a necessary service for the cost and would prefer to leave the service as currently provided in order to control total overall costs.