
The Grapevine



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Calendar

**Next Board Of Directors'
Meeting Tuesday,
March 18, 2014**



JOIN US!!!

in the Administration Building at 9:30 a.m. All unit owners and residents are encouraged to attend all Board meetings.



Property Maintenance Committee, Thursday, March 6 at 1 PM, Administration Building

Where would we be without a Board of Directors? Think of an empty and deserted property, roof falling in and windows broken, tall weeds and rusty junk in the yard; no one to hire contractors for maintenance or repairs, no one to pay the utility bills or the taxes, no one to sign a contract of sale. Luckily, in Mutual 14 our property is governed by a Board of Directors that takes on the responsibility of hiring contractors, paying bills, and signing legal documents, as well as dealing with the many other issues inherent in condominium living.

The terms of two members of our Board of Directors, Richard Bambach and Agnes Glass, are expiring. The election for those two seats (each a three-year term) is coming up at our Annual Meeting in April, and it's imperative that we have residents willing to participate.

The names of candidates must be submitted to Gloria Robar or any Board member by March 10th.

John Radcliffe
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Emergency Robo-Calls

Mutual 14 has been part of the One-Call-Now Emergency Contact System since last year but we've really only had occasion to use it during this winter season. We informed residents about the change to the day of a Board of Directors' meeting back in November, and warned everyone about a water pipe break and flooding in the elevator shaft of Building 15 in January. We've also been told, after a 12" snow fall, when to expect our roads and driveways to be cleared and when the Clubhouses would re-open. This is all timely and important information, coming from both Leisure World Management and Mutual 14.

This system is a terrific tool that allows us to tell you what's happening as it happens. We promise not to abuse it, so please don't "opt-out". If you have not received any of these robo-calls, you may have been left off the list by mistake, or we may have an incorrect number. Please contact our Vice-President, Linda ONeil (438-3232), so she can add you to the database. If you'd like the calls to come to a different phone number (we generally use your "home" number), let Linda know and she can change it.

Notes from the Board

- Snow clearing is begun at different Mutuels after each storm. It's a fairer system but it's also why sometimes we get the snow cleaned up almost immediately and sometimes we don't.
- Joanne Riggles (B14-2D) is the new Building Rep for Building 14 [3501 Forest Edge].
- PPD updated the ABM form [Application for Building Modifications], specifically requesting that the three signatures needed for approval be from "nearest neighbors".
- The Doggie Station at the corner of Glade and Interlachen has been damaged by snowplows. We're aware of it but have to wait until spring before we do anything.
- **Nominations for election to the Board of Directors must be submitted to Gloria or to a Board member no later than March 10th!**

Rules Committee



There have been some questions about the responsibilities of the Rules Committee, so the Board passed a clarifying resolution in this regard at their February meeting.

It's important to state that the Rules Committee does not take the place of the elected Board, and they do not make rules. **The purpose of the Rules Committee is to remind residents of what the rules of our community are, and to point out when and where they are being violated.** They may do this by posting general notices in the Grapevine or in the apartment lobbies, as they did recently when some residents were using 'empty' carport spaces without the written permission of the carport owner [Bylaws Article XV, Section 1, page 45-46]. They may also send a letter to an individual resident so that their violation and the request to cease is in writing, as required by our Bylaws. All actions taken by the Rules Committee are reported to the Board at their monthly meetings. If violations persist and a penalty or sanction is justified, that penalty or sanction can only



be initiated by the Board, and correspondence relating to the penalty or sanction must come from the President – not the Rules Committee.

Advisory Committee



HELP!

BUILDINGS 13 and 17

A New Building Representative Is needed for these Buildings!

Meet new people and get to Know all your Residents.

Call Agnes Glass 301-598-6590.

Property Maintenance Committee



At our last PMC meeting it was decided that owners should take their completed ABM's (Application for Building Modification) directly to PPD. You can still submit your ABM to Gloria Robar or to the PMC Chairman, but it may delay the process. An ABM is needed any time there are structural changes or any plumbing or electrical modifications (see Mutual 14 Rules & Procedures).

Pat Leanza
PMC Chair

 **Personals...**

DID WE MISS YOUR BIRTHDAY? Let Beth Leanza know and we will include it.

BELETED BIRTHDAY WISHES

WE REGRET THAT THE LAST GRAPEVINE FAILED TO WISH A HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:
Virginia Dematteo Jan 24 (B10-1F)



- Happy Birthday
- 3/06 Margaret Meredith (B13-1G)
 - 3/07 Frank Lozupone (B17-3A)
 - 3/11 Evelyn Perlmutter (B12-2G)
 - 3/21 Sue Bailey (B12-3C)
 - 3/21 Jim O'Neil (B10-3A)
 - 3/23 Bette Campbell (B13-1C)
 - 3/26 Linda O'Neil (B10-3A)



Social Committee

For all of you who live in Mutual 14, my guess is you have friends who live in other mutual. Have you ever talked to them about social functions that their mutual have? If they live in a high rise, they have a party room and can't use Clubhouse II. A lot of the mutual have one function a year or none. Mutual 14 is one of the most active, but we have come to a point that we need your help.

We have had three members retire and those that are still on the committee are getting tired. To do one function it requires about 10 hours of work. We would hope to have 3 groups (2 people each) to help clean up in the kitchen when the function is over. We have had one group (Linda and Jim ONeil) volunteer for one function, so we just need two groups. If we don't get some help, we will be going up to Clubhouse I for our functions which will cost about \$25 plus cash bar for each function.

The functions we had set up for 2014 are:

April 29	Bingo, Soup and Subs
June 10	Picnic
July 22	Ice Cream and Bingo
Sept 9	Picnic
Dec 9	Holiday Party

If you would like to help us out and give an hour of your time, please call me after March 5th.

Sharon Moores
301-438-0048

Reminders & Vital Info



Hours for moving in or out of a house or an apartment are between 8am and 5 pm, Monday through Friday only. The Mutual President *may* make an exception, but *only* if you contact him in advance, *and* if you have a very special circumstance. Otherwise, if a truck turns up at the Main Gate on a Saturday or Sunday it will be denied entry!

No Coffee Grounds in Your Garbage Disposal

Dear Heloise:

In a recent Washington Post article, you stated that leftover COFFEE GROUNDS should never be put down the garbage disposal. Why?



Many readers were curious, so here's the scoop. It's not that the disposal won't handle them; it does grind up all sorts of food. It's when they go down the drain and supposedly disappear into the sewer system. That black hole in the kitchen sink is attached to the plumbing, and that's where the problem might come up and, well, really stop things up!



IN MEMORIAM

We offer our condolences to the friends and families of:
Charles Dunbar (B17-2A)
who passed away February 19.
William Vaughan (VHR-15111)
who passed away on February 10.



M14 ONLINE:
Contact the Mutual with our e-mail address: M14@mutual-14.org

Web Site: www.mutual-14.org
<http://www.lwmc.com>

The LWCC Executive Board met Friday, February 14 at 9:30 am. The next meeting will be Friday March 21.

The LWCC Board meets Tuesday February 25 at 9:30 am in Clubhouse I.
The next meeting will be March 25.

Tune in to Channel 974 everyday at 4PM and 7PM to see the Jan 28 LWCC Board of Directors televised

Check the LW News for the Broadcast Schedule.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: John Radcliffe
Vice President: Linda O'Neil
Secretary: Agnes Glass
Treasurer: Richard Bambach
Director: James Moores
Director: Bobbie Palmer
Director: Barbara Martin

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Advisory: Agnes Glass & Aleen Phillips
Budget & Finance: Richard Bambach
Landscape: Sharon Moores
Property Maintenance: Pat Leanza
Social: Sharon Moores
Architectural Design (Subcommittee of PMC) Linda O'Neil
Rules Kathy Viney
Mutual Assistant: Gloria Robar
- 301-598-1338

- Building Problems? - **Call** Gloria
Emergencies, when Gloria is not available
- **Call** Physical Properties -301-598-1500
- After hours & weekends -
Call Main Gate - 301-598-1044

Comcast Issues - contact 1-855-638-2855