

# Mobile Manor Monthly

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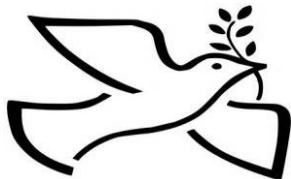
Aluminum cans at office shed

239-543-1414 Off. hrs Mo Tu We Th 830-12 Com Ctr hrs Su 8-5 Mo 9-9 Tu 9-9 We 9-9 Th 9-9 Fr 9-5 Sa 8-5

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PEOPLE WORKING TOGETHER FOR THE FUN OF IT!

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## Condolences

To the families and friends of

**Dale Evans**

**Ellen Sears**

**Theresa Darrow**

## Business



Community Meeting - Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> at 230 pm at the CC.

**Important:** If you are an owner in good standing, please attend this Community Meeting. We need a quorum of 59 members in order to conduct the important business of approving a budget and electing Board members.

Social Club Meeting - Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm at the CC.

Board Meeting - Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 pm at the office.

Maintenance Fee - \$28.00 per month or \$336 annually for 2017.



Road Repair Dilemma - We have had some owners stop paying maintenance fees because the Board of Directors hasn't taken steps to totally replace the roads in Mobile Manor. Six years ago was the last time we got an estimate of the cost of such a project. The estimate was just over \$200,000. Applying a rather conservative adjustment for inflation the cost would be over \$215,000 today. Considering the tightness of our budget and assuming that we don't raise maintenance fees and that we don't try to borrow the money (neither of which seems feasible) and that the issue is causing us to lose revenue, what should be done? If you have thoughts on this, please contact a Board member or come to the Community Meeting and express yourself.

**Welcome** to the following new residents of the Mobile Manor community: **Dan & Bonnie Craft** and **Gary Fenn**.



**S**=Signup, **P**=Pay at door, **D**=Donation

**T**=Tickets, **F**=Free, **CC**=Community Center

2<sup>nd</sup> - Community Meeting-**CC** 230 pm

7<sup>th</sup> - MMSC Meeting-**CC** 2 pm

11<sup>th</sup> - Dance Party-**CC** 7-10 pm **S,D,Tips**

14<sup>th</sup> - Spaghetti Dinner 5 pm \$8.50 **T**

21<sup>st</sup> - Board Meeting-**Office** 7 pm

25<sup>th</sup> - Mic & Myrna's Sausage Gravy & Biscuits  
Breakfast-**CC** 8 am **S,D**

25<sup>th</sup> - Country Dance-**CC** 730-10 **S,D**

## "Rummage Sale"



The rummage sale is set for March 4<sup>th</sup> from 8 am to 2 pm. The setup will begin on March 2<sup>nd</sup> right after

the Community Meeting and then continue on March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9 am. All large items will be accepted and/or picked up on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. At this writing a co-chair with previous experience is needed. Also, a volunteer with a pickup truck and 2 friends are needed to help pick up large items on March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please contact Larry or Sharon Conyers at (757) 613-0314 or (757) 428-3214. To donate smaller items drop them off at the clubhouse. For large items contact Larry or Sharon to arrange for pick up.

**Drawing April 6th at the Community Meeting**

## Raffle for Annual Fees!!

Tickets (1/\$5 or 3/\$10) are still available to win one year's maintenance fees worth \$336 to run from May 1, 2017 to April 30, 2018. You must be in good standing to win. See Bonnie Gilliland for tickets.



**Rumor #1-**Owners who don't pay the \$28 maintenance fee are being charged a \$20 "involuntary fee" by the Water Company.

**Status-False.** This was started by one person who has a water leak which they refuse to acknowledge.

**Rumor #2-**Owners are being billed twice for street lights, once by Lee County Electric Company and once by Mobile Manor.

**Status-False.** Electricity for the street lights would have to pass through the meters of home owners which is obviously not the case.

## "The Way We Were"

Feb. 1932- "Spanky" McFarland joined "Our Gang"; Adolf Hitler



gained German citizenship; Johnny Cash, Ted Kennedy, Faron Young, Elizabeth Taylor born.

Feb. 1937-Charlie Chaplin's "Modern Times" released; "Prince Valiant" comic strip 1<sup>st</sup>

appeared; Don Everly, Nancy Wilson, Roger Penske, Bob Schieffer born. Feb. 1942-U.S. auto

factories switched from commercial to military production; Congress advised FDR to lock up

Japanese-Americans; "Chattanooga Choo Choo" earned Glenn Miller the 1<sup>st</sup> ever gold record;

"Archie" comics debuted; Graham Nash, Roger Staubach, Carole King, Mitch McConnell, Tim

Burchfield born. Feb. 1947-Willie Sutton broke out of jail; Edwin Land demonstrated 1<sup>st</sup> instant

developing camera; Farrah Fawcett, Dan Quayle, Darrell Waltrip, Mike Krzyzewski, Jennifer O'Neill

born. Feb. 1952-Queen Elizabeth II succeeded her father to the British throne; "African Queen"

opened in NYC (Note: the boat is on display and available for cruises in Key Largo; Juice Newton

born. Feb. 1957-1<sup>st</sup> electric portable typewriter went on sale; Buddy Holly and the Crickets

recorded "That'll Be the Day"; LaVar Burton, Vanna White, Jimmy Spencer born. Feb. 1962-

Jackie Kennedy conducted a White House tour on TV; Ohioan John Glenn became 1st American

to orbit the earth; Clint Black, Axl Rose, Garth Brooks, Sheryl Crow, Steve Irwin born. Feb.

1967-Jimi Hendrix recorded "Purple Haze", "Smothers Brothers Comedy Hour" premiered;

25<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Constitution ratified; Aretha Franklin recorded "Respect"; Beatles

released "Penny Lane" and "Strawberry Fields"; Laura Dern, Benicio Del Toro, Kurt Cobain born.

## "Heads Up"



**The N.E./Canada Pancake Breakfast** on Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> has been postponed until March 11<sup>th</sup>. **Ladies' Bible Study** now starts at 10 am. **Mic & Myrna Grey** are doing Coffee & Donuts in Feb. and hosting their popular Sausage Gravy and Biscuits Breakfast on Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>. **The Dance Party** on Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> features Lady K & DJ Watson who will play/perform rock and roll with occasional line dancing and slow dancing. Donations will be accepted at the door and there will be a tip jar for the DJs. **The Country Dance** on Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> features Kathy & Tom Holder providing the music, but without their popular karaoke format. **Larry Conyers** reports that quite a few shufflers have been showing up Mondays at 1 pm and they look forward to welcoming more, so why not give it a shot. **The Spaghetti Dinner** on Valentine's Day is sponsored by the Board of Directors. Proceeds go to the Mobile Manor Benevolent Fund. Get tickets from Board members or the office.

## "It's a Funny Life"



This "Funny Life" story was submitted by Kathy Holder. Thank you, Kathy:

Shortly after being appointed as Deputy City Clerk for very rural South Brunswick, NJ, I was approached while sitting at my desk, by a farmer. The conversation went something like this: "I got a red fox in my truck." My response was a blank stare. "Ain't Mr. Sphar here?" "No, he only works a few hours in the morning, he'll be back at 8:30 a.m. tomorrow.", I replied. "Can't wait that long, you'll have to do it." "Do what?", said I. "Cut off its ear. You have to cut off its ear." "WHAT???" "I need to get the bounty from the County for killing the red fox." What I was then able to ascertain was that the County had a \$3.00 bounty for anyone killing a red fox and had declared that the City Clerk in the jurisdiction where the fox was killed should remove the ear and certify that it had been removed, thus preventing the farmer from going town to town collecting multiple bounties on the same fox. Thankfully my office was a short walk to the police department where one of the officers, Sgt. Barry Spillatore, came to my rescue, did the deed, and sent the happy farmer on his way. I, on the other hand, needed the rest of the afternoon off!!!!!!

(Note: The editor of *Mobile Manor Monthly* encourages feedback and input regarding the newsletter. Be it criticism or praise, corrections or new topics, please let me know. I can be reached at 740-972-9445, or [timburch22@gmail.com](mailto:timburch22@gmail.com).)