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### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

Fall is almost here and many of you are already planning your return to Harbor Lights. Summer has been very busy and flown by.

There will be a change in the management office I will be retiring to Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin near my family. Just think, instead of digging in the sand I will be shoveling snow. The years spent at Harbor Lights have been challenging and enlightening. This community is unique, made up with wonderful people who care. The Board of Directors of Harbor Lights is constantly striving to improve the park in the best interest of all residents.

Now it's time to stop by and meet the new manager, John Trimpe. He comes to Harbor Lights with fourteen years of property managing experience, and is familiar with Harbor Lights.

**PLEASE REMEMBER!!** Some residents did not bother to sign out this summer, also did not designate who was allowed to enter their home. From time to time if necessary management needs to enter homes for safety reasons.

### **MAINTENANCE**

Durk has been busy this summer with maintaining the irrigation, trimming, weeding and day to day maintenance problems that may arise.

### **FLU SHOTS – OCTOBER 19.**

The clubhouse floor has been waxed, all tables pressure washed just need people to enjoy the social functions.

Improvements have been made to the pool pump room, making checking for problems easier.

### **REMINDER:**

**BE SURE TO CHECK IN AT THE OFFICE UPON RETURN TO THE PARK!**

### **SAD TIME**

Our beloved Doodles was put to sleep on June 27, 2012. It is a sad time.

If you have ever loved and lost a pet, you can understand the loss we are having. I had no idea a pet could bring such sadness.

He was such a great companion and friend. We had 12+ wonderful years together.

We have a lot of great memories of Doodles, as some of you do also. His 12th Birthday is one of the memories for us and for you and your doggy, if you were able to attend his Birthday.

Thanks for being his friend. Thanks for the treats. He sure looked forward to them!

Memories live on and Doodles will be "Forever in Our Hearts."

**Sincerely, Elizabeth and John**

### **COVER STORY - SIGN**

This past spring we have been working hard to bring old photos into a computer (digitize them) and then create a slide show for all the shareholders to enjoy now and for years to come. As well, we are taking photos currently for those to enjoy years from now. We have built a legacy and continue to each and everyday.

We now have over 200 photographs dating back to before Harbor Lights was ever created.

We hope to have a screen show presentation in the club house in October and then again in January. I feel confident that most will enjoy these old photos of OUR park and will gain a better appreciation for all that has been done to make Harbor Lights what it is today and will grow to be tomorrow.

Please anyone that has ANY old pictures of Harbor Lights---- try to scan (digitized) or just give them to me so I can get them copied. I know there are some great photos out there that we have not seen.

I want to especially thank Niki and Clyde Butcher for taking all the time they did to scan these old photos.

**Glen Ballinger**

### **RECREATION NEWS**

Summer is coming to an end and everyone will be returning to Harbor Lights for the winter season.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> of July we celebrated a good old American tradition, including hot dogs, pulled pork, baked beans, corn, etc. Forty five residents relaxed in the clubhouse for the dinner. After dinner a great display of fireworks could be seen from Sunset Park, all enjoyed the evening. As usual the rain came at the end of the fireworks.

We will be celebrating Labor Day with Pat's barbecue and all the fixings.

For those of you who will be arriving early, September and October, please remember to bring your treasures for the flea market and your personal crafts and anything that you might wish to show at Art in the Park.

With the newly waxed floors and the extremely clean tables (Durk diligently power washed the tables with bleach). Cover your eyes with the brightness glistening from the clubhouse.

Our heart goes out to our former Chair I Ron Ward and Judy. Ron is going through a hard time in the hospital in Michigan. Your cards and prayers would be appreciated.

We wish to thank everyone that donated puzzles for our enjoyment. The summer residents have been working diligently piecing these puzzles together the entire summer.

**Your Recreation Board**

## **FISHERMEN'S KORNER ON THE DOCK**

Mike Dellina's son and grandson have been spending time fishing on the dock. Mike's grandson, Mike, has had the pleasure of catching several catfish, including one very large sailcat and in addition he has also caught a large jack caravel and a blowfish.

## **IN THE GULF**

**Capt. Jack's** boat is in dry dock, having some repairs completed, getting ready for the fall season.

**Capt. Glen** and crew fished offshore on at least three occasions. Their catch included several large red grouper, some scamp, and recently some large gag grouper, now that season is open (August 1 to October 1). On one occasion **Burke Johnson** and his family had several good catches including many of the above named fish. They also caught mangrove snappers, black fin tuna and a very large wahoo over six feet long.

Glen, Glen's friend Aldo and Jack attended a tournament weigh-in at Marina Jack's. There were several categories including inshore, offshore, and far offshore. Some of the inshore catches, included snook (that was released), red fish, sea trout and black drum. The offshore fishermen caught numerous grouper, including gag, red, and black. They also caught several very large amberjack, weighing in as

much as 85 lbs. The third category, far off shore, included wahoo; black and yellow fin tuna, as well as sailfish and marlin (that were released).

Upon your arrival back at Harbor Lights, check our canal to see our new residents, a mother and baby manatee.

You might wish to check out at the South Jetty at a newly created wooden tree carving of a very large dolphin that is displayed in an island setting at the entrance.

If you have a nice catch, give us a call.  
488-2671.

**Capt. Jack**

## **THANK YOU**

Dear relatives and friends, without your prayers and thoughts, I wouldn't be doing as well as I am today. I am so grateful to all of you for your cards, visits, calls. You made my day more than I can tell you. My rehab doctor said yesterday that I am good to go anywhere. I have his permission to continue therapy for another month or so. Having a stroke has been an experience I won't soon forget. The therapy at Mary Free Bed Rehab got me back on my feet and the therapy at Kelsey here in Lakeview is keeping me going. Thanks again for all your good wishes. Don't thank you, too. We plan to be in Venice early October.

**Imelda Kring**

## **SEPTEMBER**

### **Birthdays**

- 2 Richard Carling #148
- 4 Ron Forbes #123  
Dick Meyers #18
- 5 Gini Sabo #14  
Cynthia Murray #66
- 6 Clyde Butcher #37
- 8 Ann Morris #91
- 9 Dorothy Hittenmiller #131
- 10 Verba Prough #77  
Gordon Meyer #145
- 12 Gaylene Pepe #125
- 13 Bernice Wiggins #47
- 17 Betty Aldridge #147  
Madolyn Smith #10  
Pat Pettengill #58
- 18 Bill Addy #34
- 23 Jane Dellina #81
- 27 Joan Emmons #51
- 29 Jerry Young #76
- 30 Wendie Bunnell #128

### **Early OCTOBER**

- 3 Don Awrey #71
- 4 Joan Comstock #55
- 6 Mo Hindmarsh #28
- 8 Ruth Jones #44
- 11 Nancy DeSain #112

## **SEPTEMBER**

### **Anniversaries**

- 3 Jim and Danielle Dixon #53
- 19 Jerry and Barb Layman #36  
Dom and Phyllis DeMarco #104
- 25 Bill and Diane Eaton #79
- 29 Eli and Marge Marposon #121

### **Early OCTOBER**

- 5 Mike and Jane Dellina #81

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## **SEPTEMBER 3rd**

### **DIRECTORY CHANGE:**

**DELETE:** Dolores Trower #152

**ADD:** Derrell Billington

### **ADDRESS CHANGE: Joan Comstock**

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### **CONDOLENCES**

We wish to express our sympathy and condolences to Barb Helt and family. C.J. passed away July 29. Cards and prayers would be appreciated