

The Good Life...

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Meetings are open to all residents.

Architectural Review Board
Wednesday, September 28 - 7:00 p.m.

2017 Budget Hearing
Thursday, September 29 - 7:00 p.m.

Maintenance Committee
Tuesday, October 4 – 4:00 p.m.

Finance Committee
Monday, October 10 – 4:15 p.m.

Board of Directors
Tuesday, October 11 - 6:00 p.m.

Tamarack Annual Meeting
High Point Church
Monday, October 17 - 7:00 p.m.

Board of Directors
Tuesday, November 15 - 6:00 p.m.

Event Calendar

Please mark your calendars.

Holiday Party
Wednesday, Dec. 7, 6:30-8:30 pm

Office Hours

Mon & Wed-Fri 9 am – 4 pm
Tuesday 9 am – 6 pm

Current News

2017 Budget Hearing

Thursday, September 29, 2016

7 pm at the Tamarack Clubhouse

A public hearing on the proposed 2017 Annual Tamarack Trails Budget will be held on September 29 at 7 pm. There will be a presentation on the proposed budget and expenditures for next year with an opportunity for residents to ask questions and provide input. As homeowners, it is important that you participate in this process.

The Finance Committee worked with the Association Manager and Tamarack committees to develop the proposed budget. It was reviewed by the Board of Directors at their September 13th meeting. Summary pages from the proposed budget along with an announcement of the public hearing will be delivered to all households. The full proposed budget will be available on the Tamarack Trails website or obtained at the Tamarack office.

Following the hearing, the Finance Committee will review the comments and suggestions and will consider whether revisions are necessary.

Annual Meeting - October 17

The Annual Meeting of Members and Election of Directors is scheduled for Monday, October 17, 2016 at 7:00 pm at the High Point Church, 7702 Old Sauk Road. The Annual Meeting is open to all Tamarack Homeowners. The final agenda, proxy, and a ballot with information about voting procedures will be distributed to all residents two weeks prior to the meeting.

Lost & Found Items at the Swimming Pool

We have a few items that were left in the pool area this summer and remain in our Lost & Found bin. If you think you lost or forgot an item at the pool please contact Jean at 833-1615 or via email to

Jean.Hilgers@tamaracktrails.com

Pool Schedule and Closing Date

The last day for this year's pool season is Sunday, September 25.

The pool hours are:

- From Now - Sept. 25 2:00 pm-7:00 pm weekdays & 10:00 am – 7:00 pm on weekends
- Monday, Sept. 26..... 10 am – 1 pm (Dogs Only Swimming)

Hours are subject to change based on weather and lifeguard availability. Any changes will be posted at the entrance gate to the pool.

Board and Committee Business

November Board Meeting Date Changed

The Board will meet on November 15 at 6 pm, due to a conflict with Election Day.

New Member Appointed to Finance Committee

At their August meeting the Board appointed David Huttleston (7 Honey Locust Trail) as a new member of the Finance Committee. We thank Dave and all the members like him who volunteer their time to serve the Association.

Activities and Events

Forever Fit Class at the Clubhouse

Forever Fit Fitness Class

Monday & Wednesday 4:00-4:45

Oct. 3 - Jan. 11 (No class Nov. 7, 9, 14, 16)



Testimonial: "Forever Fit exercise class is a fun, affordable way to get or stay in shape. Patti always makes class fun but varied. We use exercise balls, weights, mats and stretchy bands. It's a great way to improve one's strength, fitness, flexibility and balance. Join us!" Jan Haas!

Payment due: September 21 \$80.00

Please call Patti Sponem 279-3149 or Email: psponem@gmail.com

Scheduled Projects and Reminders

See "Seasonal Project and Reminders" on the Tamarack website or on the clubhouse bulletin board. Items updated for September include: Fall Leaf Cleanup, Perennial Care, East Border Fence, Edging and Mulching, Landscape Project at Tamarack Garden, Painting Work Orders.

Did You Know – Parking

Each resident is permitted to park no more vehicles on the property than can be accommodated by their garage and driveway space(s) directly adjacent to the garage. More specifically: Owners with a one car garage are permitted to park no more than two vehicles on the property and only one may park outside of the garage at any time. Owners with a two car garage are permitted to park no more than four cars on the property and only two may park outside of the garage at any time.

Any vehicle which will park outside of a garage more than 14 days per year must register their license plate number with the Association office.

For more details see Policy Resolution I-102 “Vehicles And Other Large Equipment Kept In Community”.

Neighborhood News

Food Pantry Update

Lussier Center Food Pantry was very happy last month to receive 130 pounds of food and cosmetic donations from Tamarack residents. Thank you to all for your continuing generosity. This month the Pantry would most like to receive packaged or cans of hearty soup, pancake mix, syrup, fruit, and healthy cereal. A big thank you to our August Pantry volunteers Gene and Marge Miller, backed up by Diana Shaw, who made our delivery to the Pantry on August 15. This month, our lead volunteer is Ruth Wagner, backed up by the Millers. The pick-up, delivery, will be made on Monday, September 19. As always, please contact me with any ideas or comments about the Tamarack efforts for the Pantry. I would be pleased to hear from you.

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KNOW YOUR TAMARACK NEIGHBORS – Glen & Carolyn Klotz

This month’s KNOW YOUR TAMARACK NEIGHBORS, Glen & Carolyn Klotz of 201 S. Westfield, had so many things in common in their early life that it seems they were destined to be together. Not surprisingly, they recently celebrated 53 years of marriage!

Both were born in Madison, but, at an early age, they found themselves living on farms on either side of Prairie du Sac, & later going to the same H.S.; Both have German genes; Both have musical genes, and participated in Band & Chorus in H.S.; Both believed in the value of education, and graduated from college, albeit, different schools; Both got degrees in education; and both had the foresight, patience and drive to know what they wanted, & to go for it.

The farm that Glen grew up on was run with an iron fist by his father, and Glen couldn’t get on the school bus in the morning before the 51 cows were milked! Glen said that the farm was located, “In God’s country. God didn’t know it existed!” He had a good singing voice and he loved playing the piano, at an early age, and later the trumpet in the band. He disliked this farm existence so much that he could give me the exact date when he left for good – August 27, 1959. Once he got to the UW Madison, a promised land as far as Glen was concerned, he stayed in Madison (even in the summer to avoid farm work) the six years it took him to finish college. It took him six years for he had no money and he had to drop out of school occasionally to work to accumulate more.

Glen chose Madison because his mother's family lived here, and his family would all (1 older brother, 3 younger sisters, and parents) come here to "The Holy City" at Christmas, & Glen was enthralled – an impression that has lasted a lifetime. He decided that the UW was the place for him, and even today, Wisconsin memorabilia in the condo reflects his love for his Alma matter. Not surprisingly, his major was music.

Meanwhile, Carolyn Lang, with twin brothers also in the family, seems to have had an easier childhood that encouraged schooling. She graduated from Platteville with a degree in Education. She and Glen were married when she had one semester, and Glen had 2 ½ years left in college. Once she graduated, she & Glen got an apartment on the East Side of Madison and she got a job teaching at the Residential Treatment Center for Emotionally Disturbed Children here in Madison. She said this was often like, "Hand to hand combat!" She did this for three years until Glen graduated from the UW, and then they moved to Oak Creek, south of Milwaukee, where Glen taught music for 32 years.

Carolyn continued to teach full time in Oak Creek until their two daughters, Sharolyn and Jennifer were born, and then did some subbing. Both Glen and Carolyn sang in the Milwaukee Symphony Chorus for 19 years, and Glen acted as the Personnel Manager for the group for 17 years. Glen says that this money helped put their daughters through college.

When retirement loomed, they decided to move back to Madison, and buy Glen's aunt's condo here in Tamarack. They are VERY HAPPY here, and have integrated themselves well into this community by serving on committees, and decorating the club house during the holidays. They have no plans for where they might go next when they are "old." They really want to be just "carried out feet first" from their condo!

They seem to be very content with their life. They have four wonderful grandsons ranging in age from 9 – 19; They have a beautiful black and white cat, Mitzi, who is a polydactyl (each foot has five or six toes); Carolyn plays in five or six bridge groups/month, and she told me that "she was raised with cards in her little hands"; Glen works some at Shopko and judges music contests. They both like to garden, and read. Life is good.

*By Joyce Hasselman Nigbor
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