



THE SPRING LAKES PARK

GAZETTE

AN AGE 55 COMMUNITY

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March 8, 2024

OUR 51st YEAR

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

FRI. MAR. 8

EXERCISE CLASS 10:00 AM
CARDS 1:00 PM

SAT. MAR. 9

SUN. MAR. 10

MON. MAR. 11

EXERCISE CLASS 10:00 AM
CARDS 1:00 PM
BILLIARDS 1:00 PM

TUES. MAR. 12

AERO. CLASS 10:00 AM

WED. MAR. 13

CHOIR PRACTICE 10:30 AM

THURS. MAR. 14

EXERCISE CLASS 10:00 AM

FRI. MAR. 15

EXERCISE CLASS 10:00 AM
CARDS 1:00 PM

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

CHUCK BROGAN 10TH
JUNE LANGHOFF 10TH
DONNA KANNALL 11TH
DAVID SITKA 13TH
MARLENE ERICKSON 14TH
DICK JONES 14TH
CHET WATSON 15TH

HOMES FOR SALE



**52,125,184,185,216
97 & 181**

Back by Popular Demand!

**TWISTED SANDWICH NIGHT AT SPRING LAKES!
THURSDAY, MARCH 21ST**

FEATURING:

CHICKEN PARMESAN GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH
With Mozzarella Cheese, Homemade Marinara Sauce
On Sourdough Bread with Shaved Parmesan
SAUTE MUSHROOMS & CARMALIZED ONIONS SANDWICH
With Pesto & Havarti Cheese on Seeded Bread
PULLED PORK SANDWICH
With Asian Slaw & Franchise Roll

HOMEMADE TOMATO BISQUE SOUP
Served Family Style

SALAD WITH HOMEMADE BLACKBERRY DRESSING
Served Buffet Style with the Sandwiches
DESSERT ~ It's a Surprise!

Please bring your own table service; bowls will be provided for soup.

Bar opens at 5:00; Dinner served at 6:00.

50/50 Raffle will be happening! Plus, one free dinner giveaway to the lucky diner!

Cost: \$14.00. Reservations open March 4th at the Clubhouse Lobby. Please make your check payable to Spring Lakes Park.

ANY VOLUNTEERS OUT THERE?

In the last park wide Management Committee, we introduced the new waiver form for anyone who would like to volunteer to assist in any common area park related work. The form has been reviewed and approved by our attorney and is available in the office for residents to submit. These forms will be reviewed and approved by the park manager.

And, special thanks to JJ Meyer who volunteered to redo part of the shuffleboard court to make a pickleball court for the partners to use.

COME CELEBRATE

You are invited to Donna Kannall's 95th birthday celebration on March 10th from 2pm-4pm at the Clubhouse. Come enjoy coffee, cake and fellowship. No gifts please!



Gary Luttringer, Space 148

Our beloved husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather, Gary Alan Luttringer passed peacefully on February 17, 2024. Please join us in a celebration of his beautiful life on Saturday, March 9th at 11:30 a.m. at the Spring Lakes Clubhouse. Casual attire requested. "Please RSVP to Sheryl at 720-470-4827"

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The Carport Sale on May 11<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled.

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Rainfall this week! 2.60 inches

Partners Corner



FOR SALE

Two Twin Beds, 80 inches long in, both in great condition and very comfortable. Both mattresses are extremely clean, like new. Both beds for \$150. If you would like to see them they are at space #204. Call Steve at 831-345-1345.

Scenic Oil Painting: \$100.00 55X32. Call Steve, 831-345-1345



Stainless Steel Whirlpool Refrigerator: \$800.00, 25ft. Great cond., very clean, filtered water, crushed/cubed ice dispenser. 36w/70h/32d. Call Steve, Spc. 204 831-345-1345

Ralph Pike retires: After managing the dam at the park's outflow to Camp Evers Creek for many years, Ralph has retired from the task. When storms were predicted, he would open the dam, and water would flow out of the park. This would increase the capacity for storm water in our lakes basin, and counteract erosion and flooding.

Ralph developed a sense of timing, learning when to close the valves toward the end of a storm in order to safely retain the most water in the park. He would walk out onto the dam and open it even when storms hit during winter's longer nights.

Park Manager Jesse Rice will make other arrangements to monitor the dam. Ralph will continue to report weekly rainfall in The Gazette and feed Louise the swan.

Recycled water status Through at least one month every winter, rain has kept our lakes and ponds as full as they are in summer without adding any recycled water. This winter, no recycled water has been added since November 8, 2023. Recent storms partially filled Upper Pond and raised the level of Upper Lake enough to run its spray fountain and recirculation pipe.

Clarification about the February 9 column, which described information gathering by the MC. It states [Upper] lake and [Upper] pond would be *filled in with material to a level that would accommodate any storm runoff*. To clarify, the MC is gathering information about the possibility of *raising the upper lake and pond beds only to a level that would allow stormwater drainage to Upper Stream with no stagnant water*.



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**Q:** What unknowns could affect how much water would be needed to sustain our lakes and ponds in the future, if no changes are made?

**Background** The March 1 Gazette showed the estimated future cost of recycled water for Lower Lake, when it is kept as full as it was in 2023. Lower Lake is used as an example because it has roughly  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the total capacity of all lakes and ponds. The estimated cost for a full Lower Lake in 2024 would be \$48,941. Partners' monthly \$24.50 Lake Redevelopment fees total \$65,562 annually, which would cover the estimated expense of recycled water, with funds left over for redevelopment. The estimated cost for a full Lower Lake in 2025 would be \$132,305, a water expense equivalent to \$49.44 per household monthly, if no changes are made. The estimated cost in 2026 would be \$146,044, a water expense equivalent to \$54.58 per household monthly, if no changes are made.

**Unknowns** include future rainfall. Additional unknowns will be described in future columns. The cost estimates are based on the amount of recycled water we used in Lower Lake in 2023. Record rains during early 2023 kept Lower Lake full. We did not buy any recycled water before April 12 and none after November 8. That's 7 months of purchased water and 5 months of free water in a record rain year. If future years bring less rain—as they have in the past—it would take more recycled water than we used in 2023 to keep Lower Lake full, if no changes are made.

The next MC Team meeting (partners observe), will be March 12 at 10 a.m. at the party house. To chat or tour the basin, call Leslie Willoughby (760) 709-6599. 🗺️