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LGCA Bulletin

Special Interest Arterios

Upcoming Block Sale: Oliva

Block Sale

Sell your stuff at the

Social

From the Editor's Desk

neighborhood Block Sale!

Oliva: 2nd Saturday in June (6/14/14)

Pimenta, Lakewood Blvd, & Andy St: 2nd Saturday in October (10/11/14)

All Block Sales will be from 7:30am – 2pm Block Sale (sponsored by Blair Newman & Dave Emerson of Berkshire Hathaway Home Services) For more information, call Blair at (562) 822-6532

"Your Neighborhood Newsletter for over 60 Years"

We encourage all residents on these streets to park in their driveways if they are not participating to allow for better traffic flow through the streets.

"Doing nothing for others is the undoing of ourselves." Benjamin Franklin

Ice Cream Social at the Club House – June 22nd

Come join us for an Ice Cream Social at the LGCA Clubhouse on <u>Sunday</u>, June 22nd from Noon – 2pm!

FREE EVENT FOR ALL Lakewood Garden Residents!!

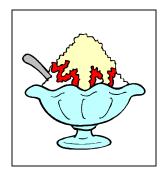
Please RSVP by June 20th so we know how much ice cream & fixings to have for this event.

To RSVP, contact Laura 626-675-3097 or

by email at:

EventsLGCA@gmail.com

We will be serving ice cream cones, sundaes, and root beer floats.



"One great, strong, unselfish soul in every community could actually redeem the world." Elbert Hubbard

Club House Rental Schedule -- June thru July 2014

If you wish to rent the club house for a party or event, you must be a member in good standing (i.e. current with your dues.) For Rentals, contact Chris Martinez at (562) 715-1931.

The following is the Clubhouse Rental Schedule for May (as of the date of the Bulletin printing):

Sat 7/19: Peralta Rental



Sun 6/08: Valenzuela Rental Sun 7/13: Valenzuela Rental

Sun 6/15: **Summer Rental** Sun 7/20: Available

Sat 6/21: Molioo Rental Sat 7/26: Magallanes Rental

Sun 6/22: LGCA Event Sat 7/27: Raid Rental

Sat 6/28: Guerrero Rental

Sat 6/14: Norbomm Rental

Sun 6/29: Available Sat 7/05: Available



"I value the friend who for me finds time on his calendar, but I cherish the friend who for me does not consult his calendar." — Robert Brau

Board Member Bio – Jerry Cimino, Membership Promotion

Jerry Cimino is a Second Generation Gardens Resident. He, his sister Kathie, and their parents, Joe and Pearl Cimino, moved to the Gardens in 1952 and he has been a member of LGCA ever since. In 1973 he married his beautiful wife, Trudy, and had 2 wonderful children, Michael and Kenna. Kenna is currently living in the Gardens with her husband, Brian and their son Mason. That makes 4 generations of Lakewood Gardens Neighbors! In case you are wondering about Michael, he just received his Masters Degree from East Bay College and is moving to Hartford, Conn for his Doctorate in Music.

You may have seen Jerry's name around town, not only as the new Membership Chairman of LGCA, but also as "Your Lakewood Neighbor and Realtor"

"My mission is to bring Lakewood Gardens together as a neighborhood where everybody knows your neighbor and where we support our many local business owners". The Clubhouse is the perfect starting point to accomplish his mission. Please support our upcoming Events to make Lakewood Gardens a Great Place to Live and Enjoy Life with Family and Friends.



Having a Garage/Yard Sale?

"Have you been considering having a Yard Sale? If so, just give me a call with the date and time of your Sale, and I will put the signs up for you.

... and by the way, I am never too busy for your Real Estate Needs"

Jerry Cimino - 562-822-4288

"Your Lakewood Gardens Neighbor and Realtor"

Upcoming Events

July 1st – July 4th: LGCA Fireworks Stand—Volunteers needed to work the firework stand. Please contact Tom or Penny Valenzuela at (562) 529-5295.

This is the biggest fundraiser of the year and we really need your support.

If you can't volunteer, why not support our efforts buy picking up fireworks at our booth. (Located at the corner of Market & Cherry—next to the Pollo Loco)

Sat, Aug 2nd: Casino Night at the Club House! Available for attendees 18 & older.

We will be having a James Bond "Casino Royale" theme for the party. (Guests should come dressed in formal/cocktail attire.)

Games tables will include Poker, Roulette, and Craps.

Hors d'oeuvres & "funny money" are included in the ticket price.

Beer, wine, and our signature beverage (Vodka Martini) will be available for a \$3 donation. (Must bring valid ID to show you are 21 yrs of age or older.)

Tickets are \$25 per person.

50/50 Drawings held throughout the night!

Turn in your chips for tickets to win fabulous prizes!!

Make this a Date Night to remember!!

Place your name on the list to reserve your tickets now! Space is limited!!

More details to follow.

Sun, Sept 7th:
National
Grandparent's Day
Pancake Breakfast.

8am - 11 am

Kids (5 & under): FREE

Kids (6 & up), Adults, & Seniors: \$5

Sun, Oct 26th:
Halloween Costume
Parade & Party 2pm –
6pm at the Club
House.

Sun, Nov 9th: Veteran's Day Pancake Breakfast

8am - 11am

Sat, Dec 20th: Project Shepard & Christmas Party at the Club House.

More details to follow.

Don't forget to keep current with your membership dues!

Keeping your membership in good standing allows you to use the pool and to rent the clubhouse for the discounted member rate!

Contact Tiffany Rodriguez (562) 754-4715 for the status of your membership.

"For a community to be whole and healthy, it must be based on people's love and concern for each other." Millard Fuller

New LGCA Website Launched!!

We have redesigned the LGCA website and have a new Domain Name: www.lgca.info

The new website not only has **a completely new look**, but is more user-friendly and has a lot of great amenities!

Lakewood Gardens residents can now *join* or *renew* their membership online, register for events (RSVP and/or purchase tickets), and download Clubhouse Rental Applications & Bulletins. We now accept credit card payments via the PayPal link on the site. Members will receive an email confirmation for their records of any purchases made through the website.

The new website also features a **Blog** section (where LGCA Board members will post Clubhouse Improvements as we go, and a **Forum** all residents can discuss issues or ask questions.

A Member Only section is available for members who want to read Board Minutes, see the Member Directory, and to check out special *Member's Only Events*! (Movie nights, Bunco Game night, etc.)

Any event photo gallery submissions should be sent to Webmistress Maria Lopez at WebsiteLGCA@gmail.com

Membership Cards are Available!

Membership cards have been reinstated and also have a new look.

Each card will contain the Adult Member's Name, Address, Membership ID#, and will have a validation stamp with the Membership Record's Board Member's signature on the back of the card as proof of current membership status. (All Adult members 18 & older in household will receive a card.)

Every year after the first year, renewing members will receive a different colored sticker to place on the card to denote that the card is valid for the current membership year.

Members must bring your membership card with you to verify that you are a member at any time you are at the clubhouse or pool premises. No Exceptions!

The new membership cards will be issued to all new & current members during the new few weeks.

Membership information packets will also be distributed to current members containing all information regarding Pool Rules & Availability Schedule, Rental Applications, discount coupons from local businesses, and other valuable information.

Red & Blue Child Swimming Cards

Red & Blue Child Swimming Cards are also returning for child swimmers for use during *Open Swimming* time. For those of you who aren't aware of what these are, here is an explanation:

<u>Red cards</u>: Junior members 16 to 17 yrs of age. Members who have not previously had a blue card must pass a swimming test.

Blue cards: Children seven (7) years old and older who have passed a required swimming test.

Members ineligible to hold cards: Children under seven (7) and children seven & older who have not passed a swim test. Also children whose families have not signed up to Door Check are ineligible.

Red & Blue Child Swimming Cards will also be issued to each child of a member when:

- 1) The child has passed the swimming test conducted by our trained lifeguards at the beginning of the Summer Swim Season, and
- 2) The member's family has signed up to volunteer as a door checker for a specified period of time during the Summer Swim Season. Door checkers must be 18 years old or older and <u>may not</u> be in the pool during their duty. See Swimming Pool Chairperson, Sam Rushing, to sign-up.

<u>Please note</u>: Blue/Red cards will NOT be issued to any member's child who has not completed <u>both</u> of these requirements

<u>Door Checkers Duties</u>: Members volunteering to be Door Checkers will be responsible for each person's membership card against the current member roster Members who do not bring their card must not be admitted and need to return home for their card.

Adult members who present their membership cards to the door checker will have it logged into the record, but may retain it in their possession.

Door Checkers will also collect Red and/or Blue Child Swimming Cards from child swimmers and keep them in the card file until the swimmers are ready to leave. No Exceptions!

If the Lifeguard and/or Door Checker has deemed it necessary to send a child home or to ban them from the pool, the swimmer will *not* receive their card back when they leave. The child's parent must meet with the Board to get the child reinstated and must agree to adhere to the Pool Rules.

OPEN SWIMMING: Lifeguard and door checkers are on duty

FAMILY SWIM: No lifeguard on duty. Adult Member must get a key from a Board Member or Block Captain and remain on the premises AT ALL TIMES. You must have your membership card with you

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Check our new Website! See us at:

http://www.lgca.info

Join our Facebook group:
Lakewood Gardens

And Facebook page: **Lakewood Gardens Neighbors**

From the Editor

Summer is fast approaching!

As you see by reading this month's Bulletin, we have made some changes to the old way of doing things at the Clubhouse.

We are working hard to restore the systems and procedures so that it is run smoothly and efficiently, and to try and resolve past issues that may have prevented some members from rejoining.

We have done a lot of internal redesigning of our LGCA website, our membership cards, and our Blue & Red Swimmer's Cards.

We are also trying to add value to your membership by including various Members' Only activities, such as Movie Night and Game Night each month. (Will keep you posted when these will begin.)

Members: Check the new website in the Member's Only section for the event calendar.

We are open to suggestions about any other Members Only activities you would like to have during the month at the club house.

The updates to the external look of the Club House are also coming. It may take a little longer, but change will happen!

Our next event is the Ice Cream Social on Sunday, June 22nd from Noon – 2pm.

Please feel free to bring your favorite baked treat or snack. We will be providing the ice cream and topping buffet.

Please RSVP to let us know how many LGCA residents will be attending.

(This is a FREE event for LGCA Residents only!)

You don't have to be a member to attend this event, just be a resident of Lakewood Gardens.

Hope to see you all there!



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