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# Be a Good Neighbor

The LGCA Clubhouse is located next door and across the street from residents of Lakewood Gardens. Because of the proximity to our fellow residents, we must be aware of the environmental impact that the Clubhouse has on these residents. It would be a shame if we had to discontinue rentals if this continues to be a problem.

To help with this, we respectfully ask that:

- \*Music must be played from *inside* of the clubhouse building—no speakers allowed on the pool deck. It is both an electrical shock hazard and a noise disturbance for neighbors living on Ashworth and Lakewood Blvd. We've gotten emailed complaints about this recently, especially during large evening gatherings and/or rentals.
- \*If you are renting the clubhouse, please advise your guests to dispose of litter in a trash can, not on the street or curb where their car is parked. Remember, someone lives at that property and no one wants to wake up and find trash left in front of their house or on the street after a rental. We've received complaints about this recently.
- \*If your rental ends after 9pm, please advise your guests to respect the quiet of the neighborhood when they are leaving after your event, especially on Sunday evenings when most people have to work on Monday. Loitering in front of the clubhouse is not acceptable—please ask your guests to stay inside of the clubhouse during your event in order to keep noise levels down.

Let's rebuild a better relationship with our local neighbors!!

# See Something .. Say Something

Recently, there have been several instances of people roaming around the clubhouse at all hours of the day and night, and sometimes their intentions are not good. We've had a couple of break-ins, including one burglary, in the recent past. Luckily, our security cameras have helped apprehend these criminals. If you see someone hanging around the LGCA Clubhouse at odd hours of the night, in the act of spraying graffiti, or throwing trash over the clubhouse walls please help us by reporting any suspicious activity to the **Lakewood Sheriff's Dept. at 562-623-3500.** You may even see someone doing something strange like disassembling a bicycle in front of the clubhouse in broad daylight. This is not normal activity and needs to be reported. That person disassembling the bicycle came back and stole a locked bicycle belonging to a member from the street side bicycle rack. **Please note:** The Lakewood Sheriff's Dept. warns that if you have a bicycle, you need to get it registered at the Sheriff's Dept. because if the suspect is apprehended and your bicycle was not registered, it cannot be returned to you.

If you See Something .. Say Something.

### Don't Forget to Keep Current with Your Membership Dues

### **Membership Benefits:**

- \*Redecorated Member Lounge
- \*Secure Building
- \*Clubhouse Rental
- \*WiFi Hotspot
- \*Key Card Access
- \*Monthly Movie Nights
- \*10% Discount at Garibaldo's Nurserv
- \*Soon to be Going
- Green

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

### **Upcoming Events**

Fri, Aug 19, 2016 LGCA Movie Night The Original "Ghostbusters"

Wed, Aug 24, 2016 Members Only Get-Together

Wed, Aug 31, 2016 LGCA Board Meeting

Sun, Aug 28, 2016 Back to School BBQ (Members Only)

Sat, Sep 3 - Mon, Sep 5 Clubhouse is Open to Members

### **SAVE THE DATE**

Wed, Aug 24, 2016

Members Only Get-Together ... The Clubhouse is "Going Green"!

Details to follow in an email to all members

# **Seeking Volunteers**

<u>Pool Chairperson</u>: Needed to oversee pool safety & security during peak swim season, hire lifeguards, maintain the pool deck, and is the liaison between the LGCA Board and the pool cleaning company. Will also help enforce the pool rules to create a safe and fun environment for our member families. If you would like to help with pool safety, but not commit to a board position, we'd still love to talk to you! Call Jerry Cimino (last year's Pool Chairperson) at 562-822-4288 for more information. Or email <a href="mailto:PoolLGCA@gmail.com">PoolLGCA@gmail.com</a> if you are interested.

<u>Game Room Supervisor</u>: Needed to maintain the game room equipment, check out equipment to members, and ensure that all games are played in a safe manner (i.e. no horseplay and damage to the game equipment.) Also needed to lock up games before rental weekends, and unlock them on Monday. The more volunteers we get, the less time each volunteer would need to commit to each week. Game room equipment includes: Air hockey table, ping pong table, foosball/multi-game, and basketball hoop game. Email <a href="Info4LGCA@gmail.com">Info4LGCA@gmail.com</a> if you are interested.

We NEED our member's help to actively participate and make the LGCA Clubhouse a fun and safe place for our member families to come and enjoy themselves. This is a volunteer-run facility and every person can make a difference!

# **Upcoming Clubhouse Rentals & Events (Aug-Sep):**

Sat. Aug.13 - Kendra Jackson (non member Rental)

Sun. Aug 14 - Madrigal Moises (non member Rental)

Fri. Aug 19 - LGCA Movie Night

Sat. Aug 20 - Tiffany Rodriguez (member Rental)

Sun. Aug 21 - Alfonso Gomez (non member Rental)

Wed Aug 24 - Members Only Get-Together

Fri. Aug 26 - Robert Quezada (member Rental)

Sat. Aug 27 - Judith Thompson (member Rental)

Sun. Aug 28 - Back to School BBQ (Members Only)

Wed Aug 31 - LGCA Board Meeting

Sat. Sep 03 - Clubhouse Open to Members

Sun. Sep 04 - Clubhouse Open to Members

Mon.Sep 05 - Clubhouse Open to Members

Sat. Sep 10 - Sandy Roberson (member Rental)

Interested in renting the clubhouse for your next event or party? Email Rentals4LGCA@gmail.com

Note: Dues must be paid up to 6 months in advance if renting the clubhouse. New Members must be paid 1 year in advance.





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# **Back-to-School Tips for Parents**

Starting the new school year can be a time of great excitement... and anxiety. Help calm your child's fears (and your own) with these teacher-approved tips.

**Meet the new teacher.** If personal contact with the teacher isn't possible, try locating the teacher's picture on a school website or in a yearbook, so your child can put a name with a face. If your child's teacher sends a welcome letter, be sure to read the letter together.

**Tool up.** Obtain the class supply list and take a special shopping trip with your child. Having the right tools will help him feel prepared. While keeping basic needs in mind, allow for a couple of splurges like a cool notebook or a favorite-colored pen. These simple pleasures make going back to school a lot more fun... and don't forget to Shop in Lakewood to support the local economy!

**Ease into the routine.** Switching from a summer to a school schedule can be stressful to everyone in the household. Avoid first-day-of-school mayhem by practicing your routine a few days in advance. Set the alarm clock, go through your morning rituals, and get in the car or to the bus stop on time. Routines help children feel comfortable, and establishing a solid school routine will make the first day of school go much smoother.

(Edited from pbs.org)



# Who ya gonna call? LGCA "Ghostbusters" Movie Night!

Join us on **Friday, August 19, 2016**, for a showing of the original 1984 "**Ghostbusters**" movie! This movie is rated PG and is about "three former parapsychology professors who set up shop as a unique ghost removal service." (from imdb.com)

Doors open at 6:30pm and the **movie begins at 7:00pm**. We will have drinks and popcorn, and feel free to bring some snacks to share with your neighbors! If you want, take a swim in the afternoon and cap the evening off with the movie... a great way to enjoy your family and friends!

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Check out our LGCA Website! http://www.lgca.info

# **Presidents Corner**

WE just concluded our BIGGEST fundraiser of the year, the Firework Stand. I would like to personally thank everyone that helped by volunteering their time on such a busy weekend. I know the entire Association sincerely appreciates your efforts and it would not have been a success without you. Our next project we are looking forward to is making improvements in the Large Hall and the front of the clubhouse. I am so honored to be part of the "labor of love" each one of you have for one common goal of making the clubhouse a great place to visit and to have fun with your neighbors and friends. With your help anything is possible.

Jenna Stewart, President Lakewood Gardens Civic Association

### **Pool Rules Reminder**

Summer is here and it's great to see a lot of new faces at the LGCA Pool this season! And along with more traffic at the clubhouse, we need to bring up a few reminders of these important Pool Rules:

- \*Persons must be 18yrs old to enter Clubhouse property without a parent or legal guardian.
- \*Do not allow your underage children and/or grandchildren to use your member Access Card to enter the Clubhouse if you are not present. *This is grounds for losing your pool & clubhouse access privileges.*
- \*Please bring no more than 4 guests per member household.
- \* You are responsible for the behavior of your guests. You & your guests will be asked to leave if you don't respect the rules and/or fellow members.
- \*No horseplay, or foul language allowed.
- \*Music must be playing inside of the clubhouse building, no speakers allowed on the pool deck
- \*No bullying of other members

Want to help keep the Pool safe & fun for our member families? Why not volunteer to be Pool Chairperson! Call Jerry Cimino (last year's Pool Chairperson) for more information 562-822-4288 or email PoolLGCA@gmail.com

If you are not a Member and would like to join and take advantage of our Pool just go to <u>www.lgca.info</u> and join online. If you would rather join in person just give Jerry a call at (562) 822-4288 with any of your questions about membership.

# Tip of the Month

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department recently seized more than 400 5-gallon buckets of counterfeit Tide, Downy, and Gain laundry detergent. Proctor and Gamble, the manufacturer of these brands, does not produce 5-gallon buckets. If you see these brands being advertised for sale in 5-gallon sizes, remember that they are counterfeit. The fake goods are reportedly being sold at swap meets, fundraisers through social media, and online advertisements. To report the sale of counterfeit items, call the Lakewood Sheriff's Station at 562-623-3500.

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