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# President's Corner

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February is here and with it Valentine's Day so Happy Valentines Day to all. We are starting our New Year with a new President and Administration that we all hope will be good for our Country. I never discuss politics in my Newsletter as we all have our opinions right or wrong.

The Traffic Lights are up and working as of January 19" 2021. Please be alert when approaching the intersection as many drivers who drive North and South may not be aware of the Lights. I would encourage everyone to make sure traffic has stopped before crossing the intersection.

The Board has fought long and hard to get this light installed and end the loss of life there. There are several people running for the Board this year which is encouraging. Please read the resumes and look carefully at each candidate before casting your vote. You are choosing someone to run the Association on your behalf. Make sure their ideas follow what you want from a Board Member.

Once again I want to remind you that paying your dues on time helps keep costs down as well as your dues. If you have a problem contact the office and I promise you we will work with you rather then send you to the collection Attorney. We continue to keep the office open but encourage you to wear a face mask when coming in. Most business is transacted from the door and there is no need to enter the office area. Please respect this precaution until Covid 19 is under control. The vaccine is available and it is your choice whether or not to get it.

In closing I want to wish all a Healthy New Year and a safe one as well.





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## Bridge



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Barbara Dohm

Did you all have a Happy New Year? I certainly did! My son came down to visit his father for Christmas and stayed until New Year's Day. He really made my holiday a great one. For Christmas dinner with a friend we enjoyed prime rib and all the trimmings that went with it. New Year's Day was really great as we haven't celebrated it in sixty-four years until this New Year's Day! A group of us had lobster and beef and so much more. My friends Barbara, Tammy, and Peter made us all feel welcome.

The biggest thing that has happened for the new year is that our new traffic lights are up and working at the Heather's front entrance. I hope that residents living in The Heather will stop at the lights, and then, when making a right hand turn, will first go into the merge lane instead of going straight across to the fast lane. This has proven to be a deadly method of getting out on US 19. Try to drive defensively and please be safe.

## NEWS FROM THE PITS (Horseshoe pits)



Goods news neighbors, the clanging has stopped! The horseshoe season has finally come full circle. From starting gate to the finish. We enjoyed 7 teams, consisting of two pitchers (players) each.

Let me tell you it was neck and neck for most of the season, until the final stretch. When one team pulled ahead.

The breakdown of the teams is as follows;

Team 1 - "the grumpy old men" with Jay Lemon and Walt Mathau.

**Team 2** - "the honey mooners" with Ralph and Alice. A couple of times Ralph wanted to knock Alice to the moon. Instead as a team they knocked their opponents to the moon.

**Team 3** - "the next generation" with James T Kirk and Luke Picard. They played out of this world. Seemed their heads were in the clouds.

<u>**Team 4**</u> - were the "lone rangers" with Tonto and Kemosabe. They were dusted off, early in the season.

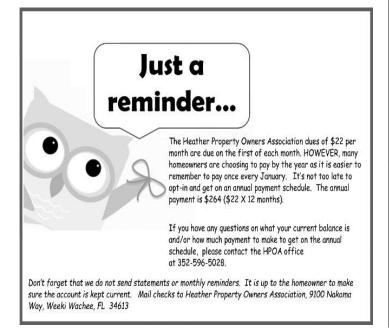
Team 5 - called the "no names" was made up of Rocket Squirrel and Bull Moose.

<u>**Teams 6**</u> - "the flamboyant" had Butch Sundance and Kid Cassidy. They stole a couple of wins.

<u>Finally Team 7</u> - "the Reds" comprised pitchers Lucy and Ricky. They were hysterical. Lucy could not throw a shoe.

Sadly, the great season comes to an end.

Thanks to all our players and sponsors. So, enjoy the thrill of vlctory and the agony of the feet. LOL



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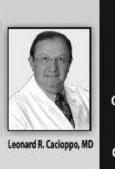
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## Fairway at the Heather

I hope you all had as nice a Christmas as possible. Next year has to be better.

Here's wishing you health, wealth and happiness in the New Year.

I just got information to register with Publix to get the virus shot.

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#### May we all get our shots and be well.

The shock of our lives happened and we are left with the concern of what next and, if so, when. These are such fearful times and we have to just sit back and observe so as not to insight more problems. I plan to have awareness as an important part of my day and participate in anything on a local level that I can to try to do my part to participate in resolving some issues. Our government is broken in so many places it's ridiculous. Our new President has so many fires to stamp out, I pray he does, but he has so many critical situations to handle before he can even begin to work on the other important issues. For myself I can just pray that he can handle it all with as much grace as possible.

I first heard this from Oprah and have tried to remember it ever since.

"People tell you who they are right up front and it is we who do not listen." This is so true and so important to remember with each new person we meet. When this new person pulls a stunt or whatever some time after your initial meeting, reflect on whether you should be surprised by the behavior or not!!!

Let's all try to be as kind to each other as possible. Don't be afraid to talk to your neighbors or wave to them and show a sign of friendship. Don't be afraid to help a neighbor that might be elderly or ill or recently experienced a death of a loved one. Play it forward. We're all headed in that direction so let's not forget that.

Saundra Piercy President of The Fairway



Resumes for Elections to Heather Property owners Association Board of Directors. There are 2 positions to be filled. The following are alphabetically Thank you Richard Rivers Corporate Secretary

#### William Fasulo

I received a BA from Suffolk University, M.ED from Boston College and graduate credits from many other colleges and universities.

I was a 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher and teaching Assistant Principal for 34 years. Other teaching experiences include Peace Corps Teachers in Africa, Substitute teacher for grades 7 and 8, instructor and presenter for b=Bridgewater State University, Technology Coordinator and teacher leader. I was a member of the MTA, NEA, and past president of my local teachers' association. I received the Distinguished Educator Award of Norfolk County. I wrote numerous grants and was a member of several committees in my school district. Over the years, I coached high school football, basketball and track & field.

Some of my civic accomplishments were: member of the School Committee, Conservation Commission, Historical Commission and the Board of Library Trustees in my community.

I want to continue the fine work done by the pervious boards. There is a need for more activities in the Heather, especially more activities that include families that are part of our community. As a board member, I will be proactive in making sure the deed restrictions are followed and enforced, and I will respond to all questions or complaints in a timely manner.

#### Geraldine S. Lampton

I am seeking election to the HPOA Board of Directors for the 2021-2023 term or as long as needed. I have served as ballot counter for the last 3 elections that were held.

My Husband James "David" Lampton, and I have owned in the Heather since 1995.

My work history has been: an assistant office manager of a department store, bookkeeper at a local bank, variety of positions for an insurance company and 27 years as Senior Pastor for a variety of size churches. As you can see, I have a diverse background.

If I am elected, I promise to do my best to serve the interest of the HPOA and the Community.

#### **Richard Mayor**

#### Experience

2010- 2015 Greenburgh Central School District #7- Supervisor for Transportation 2006-2010 Peekskill City School District New York-Assistant Supervisor for Transportation 1995-2014 Wilou Transit Services, Inc Peekskill, New York Owner-President

#### Jim Perretto

My name is James (Jim) Perretto. My wife Rosina and I have been property owners in the Heather for twenty plus years.

I am presently serving on the HPOA board and have done so for the last several years. I am presently the Socials Director as well as director of building maintenance.

I would like to continue serving the Heather community as a Board member in these positions. There seems to be more interest in community events which I intend to arrange more of in 2021.

If you feel I have served the community well and deserve another term as a Board Officer, then please consider re-electing me to the Board. I will continue to work closely with other Board Members to ensure that we maintain the integrity of our finances and continued upkeep of our community.

### SPECIAL MEETING OF THE HPOA Membership Thursday, January 21, 2021

Present: Joseph Cuccio, Thomas Taylor, James Perretto excused, Richard Rivers and Barbara Dohm.

Ruthie taking minutes - 22 resident attendees present

Joseph Cuccio gave the Notice of the Meeting, citing the date, agenda, and the purpose of the meeting being to review the 2021-2022 budget and to meet the candidates for the Board of Directors. Two positions are open and 4 candidates are running. Their resume summaries are in the February newsletter.

Board of Directors comments: Each Board member introduced themselves and gave a brief summary of their activities.

Mr. Cuccio noted the accomplishments and improvements that have taken place this past year. Some of these included a new traffic light that is almost up and running by 1/25/2021, the newsletter entries are due by the 10th of the previous month so the President's Corner is written in advance and handed in for example on February 10th for the March newsletter. The Board year runs May to May not January to January.

Mr. Taylor advised of the areas he has been involved in which includes treasurer and the A & D Committee.

Mr. Perretto is in charge of building and events. Although he wasn't present, his activities were covered by Joe Cuccio. He planned and accomplished the BBQ for the Veteran's celebration. It was a great success and we look forward to planning more events as COVID-19 has vaccines for everyone and things become more normal.

Mr. Rivers handles security and the RV Compound. The RV compound is full, there is a waiting list handled by the office and the deputies are doing a great job keeping the community safe. The Gatehouse was discussed as they make a report of all who enter and exit The Heather.

Mrs. Dohm discussed losing her husband and will continue to handle the Newsletter Editing although she has decided not to run as a Board member.

Mr. Taylor then reviewed the 2021-2022 budget and discussed the Profit/Loss and Balance Sheet. There will not be an increase in monthly dues this year. Our cash is great – Dec. 80k, Jan. 115k

The late list has increased in December to \$9,000. Ruthie had surgery which gave residents a break not receiving letters with past due amounts. The sum diminished \$1,000 in January as 17 regular late letters were sent, 8 certified and 8 to collections and the attorney. It is much better to pay dues on time, avoid the late list then to be placed in collections, turned over to the attorney with his fees plus what is owed to HPOA and a lien on your property. All letters went out in January. Ruthie is collecting phone numbers and emails so the late list can be handled with more information automatically from Quick Books. Please email her the information or place it with your check/cash for the office to add in your information. This is only for the office to use to give you information on your account.

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The A&D committee, standing for Architectural & Design, was discussed encouraging more members to join. The Committee consists of Tom Taylor, Geraldine Lampton and Susan Paige. There are 20 new violations of problems with fences, sheds, commercial vehicles, boats parked on the road and campers. Expanded explanations are in Article 6 in our documents. A letter went out for each violation. If more members become available, certain areas of the Heather can be assigned to each person so the job can be handled more efficiently. We can keep The Heather as A Great Place to Live!

In addition to A&D information, the 1st letter is sent addressing the problem, if this is ignored a 2nd letter is sent, if the situation isn't rectified then the fine committee will be contacted with a payment plan daily until the situation is taken care of. If that is ignored then they will be placed with the attorney. The owners are responsible for the properties rented.

Attending all Games and group gatherings – please be safe and wear a mask to show respect for each other.

Each member running for the Board introduced themselves and gave a brief summary of their activities. William Fasulo going by Bill, Geraldine Lampton going by Gerri and Richard Mayer going by Rick.

James Perretto is also running as a present Board member and for the new year.

Please see their resume summaries...

Our Election is March 18th. Volunteers are in place for counting ballots. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

PLEASE EMAIL THE OFFICE WITH YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER FOR OUR RECORDS IN THE COMPUTER SYSTEM. WE THEN CAN REMIND YOU OF YOUR DUES

### THANKS, YOUR PRIVACY WILL BE UPHELD AND PROTECTED. <u>Heatherpoa11@yahoo.com</u> 352-596-5028 Ruthie

# **IN DECEMBER**

ON DECEMBER 19TH, 2020, 70 FAMILIES THAT INCLUDED 216 CHILDREN WERE THE HAPPY RECIPIENTS OF CHRISTMAS GIFTS AND FOOD. PROVIDING ALL THE GIFTS AND FOOD WAS COMMUNITY WIDE EFFORT. THIS PROJECT COULDNOT HAVE BEEN SO SUCCESSFULLY ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF THE RESI-DENTS OF THE HEATHER PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCI-ATION.

THIS PAST YEAR WAS DIFFICULT FOR ALL OF US, BUT WAS EXCEPTIONALLY HARD FOR THE LESS FORTU-NATE RESIDENTS OF HERNANDO COUNTY. THE SUC-CESS OF THIS EFFORT WAS DUE TO YOUR GENEROUS FINANCIAL DONATIONS, AND YOUR SUPPORT IN THE GIVING OF TOYS AND FOOD.

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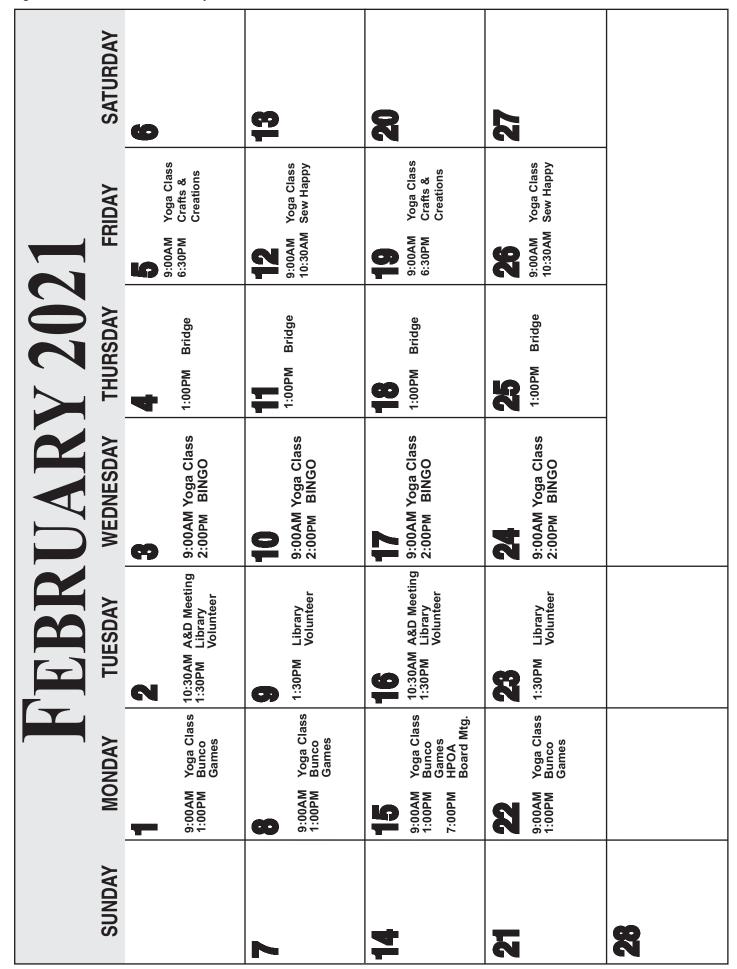
Please come and join us at The Heather Community Center for our Craft and Creativity classes 2 Friday nights a month at \$5 per person, beginning with the 15th Friday, February 5th at 6:30pm till 8:30pm

#### Jewelry and Valentine's Surprise Also the 2nd Friday, February 19th at 6:30pm till 8:30pm Glass Plate Decoupage

If anyone has new craft ideas, please feel free to share them as we will be brainstorming at a separate meeting decided upon according to our schedules. The discussion will be for Spring and Summer projects.

Watch the calendar for all activities you may want to attend.

Ruthie — Your Office Administrator





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