



FEBRUARY

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Next Board Meeting

February 20 @ 3 p.m.
in the Rotunda
Executive Session 2/5/24

Board of Directors

President

Lloyd Lamb

1st VP

Chris Winther

2nd VP

Kathleen Spiteri

Treasurer

Marj Kelly

Secretary

Casey Jones

OFFICE HOURS

*Walk-ins Monday through Friday
9:30 - 12 p.m.*

*Email and Phone assistance
available Monday through Friday
9:30 - 4 p.m.*

*Closed for lunch daily from
12:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.*

THE CCR ASSESSEMENT AMENDMENT DOESN'T AFFECT ME— OR DOES IT?

By Marj Kelly, LTHA Treasurer

The Leisure Town HOA has put up for vote a change to the CCRs regarding paying assessments. It is a simple change. It makes all assessments monthly with the option for homeowners to pay all, some months, or month by month in advance—member's choice.

Personally, I pay my total assessment on or before July 1, so it doesn't affect me—or does it? It does affect my neighbors who want to pay monthly but cannot under the current CCRs. They have to apply with a form to pay monthly and then pay a \$25 fee to do so. Why? Because it is a special accounting process not covered under the current CCRs. Even though the vast majority of HOAs have monthly assessment payments—we at LTHA do not.

But I don't really care about my neighbors? Maybe or maybe not (actually I love my neighbors!). But I do care about my total assessment. When others don't pay their assessments who picks up the difference? You and I do. Under the current CCRs homeowners may opt to pay twice a year. But if they don't pay then LTHA has to try to collect from them. But under our current CCRs if they signed up for biannual payments, the HOA cannot move to collect until 60 days after the second payment is due. That means we cannot move for up to 8 months to collect overdue assessments on some accounts.

Moving to collect assessments after 8 months of overdue means:

- > it is far harder for the homeowner who is behind to catch up
- > someone else (YOU!) is covering for the unpaid assessment
- > we are going to spend MUCH more time and money on this overdue collection

YOUR VOTE ON THIS ASSESSMENT AMENDMENT IS IMPORTANT – EVEN IF YOU DON'T THINK IT AFFECTS YOU--BECAUSE IT DOES AFFECT EVERY SINGLE LTHA HOMEOWNER.

VOTE—PLEASE VOTE NOW!

*Remember a smile, a kind word and a helping hand never hurt any of us.
Check on your neighbor!*

Women's Club

Our next meeting is February 20, 2024 at 11:30 a.m. If you are bringing a guest, please call Flo Gluden at 707-365-9579 and please don't forget our Fish Food Party donations. I hope everyone has a wonderful Valentine's Day! Our menu this month will consist of chicken chow mien, fried rice, sweet & sour pork, lumpia (by Eloise), almond cookies and fortune cookies, pink champagne, wine, sparking cider, decaf coffee, hot tea, hot apple cider, and hot chocolate.

We will play the Face Off game and "win prizes". We will have our raffles as usual so please come and support our Women's Club. See you for lunch.

-Barb Farnand, President

Some Humor...



What did one plate say to the other on Valentine's Day?

- "Tonight, dinner's on me."



Why shouldn't you trust a pastry chef on Valentine's Day?

- Because he'll dessert you.



What do you call someone with a cold on Valentine's Day?

- Love sick

Town Hall Ad Hoc Committee Members Needed

LTHA is serious about Town Hall upgrades. But we need more members on the Ad Hoc Committee.

The Town Hall Ad Hoc Committee, within the last 6 months, identified 3 top priorities:

1. Fix acoustics. Members are tired of attending events/meetings in Town Hall and struggling to hear as the sound reverberates around the room.
2. Update the kitchen. Appliances, shelving and prep space need replacement and upgrading.
3. The room next to the kitchen should be made into an Art Room--long requested by Members.

We are underway! The LTHA board just approved going ahead with an acoustics firm (rnsacoustics.com) to plan our acoustic solutions for the Hall. The committee will need to look at the options they provide, solicit input from membership and make recommendations to the Board.

We need to plan kitchen and art room replacements and upgrades. Detailing specifications for these rooms is necessary so we can solicit bids. We need your help!

Come out and join this dynamic committee! Moving forward in Leisure Town. Contact the office for more information to submit your name.

The More We Get Together



“The more we get together, together, together,
The more we get together the happier we’ll be.
‘Cause your friends are my friends,
And my friends are your friends
The more we get together, the happier we’ll be.”

It’s a super simple song and a super simple idea. But it works. And that is part of why the Leisure Town Travel Club exists. We want to help our community grow stronger and healthier by building relationships that help us care about one another.

To that point, we shared a smashingly great Christmas Party to finish out 2023. (I confess I missed it, but this is what members reported to me.) In January we were piggybacking on that high as Travel Club members came rolling into the meeting fired up to travel in 2024. They were full of super suggestions. Their spirits were energizing. As Tour Director I’m excited because there is much to choose from for our travels this year.

Now the Travel Club has a great “night out” activity for you (without the night driving). It’s both a Happy Chinese New Year and a Happy Valentines’ Day celebration. Gather with the Travel Club to see Lacy J. Dalton in concert. She is a multi-award winning country singer performing on Saturday, February 10th at El Campanil Theatre in Antioch. See the included flyer for details and a registration form. One member quipped, “It doesn’t matter who the singer is. Just a night out is enough to get me on that bus.” This trip includes an early dinner at The Point in Rio Vista. Come get together with us.

Why should folks become a Travel Club member? Your \$10 annual dues help pay for the expenses of running the Club and it shows that you want to be notified when travel opportunities are offered. By traveling with a group, you get first notice of events, reduced entry tickets and everything arranged for you.

Come get together with us (member or not) on Thursday, February 8th at 2:00 PM in Town Hall. Learn what’s new on the travel schedule. My husband Jim and I will also share pictures and stories of our December travel in India—yep, that trip is why we missed the Christmas party. If you need a ride to the meeting, please call or text one of us.

For Q&A phone or text: President Diane Blais 707-365-0981; Vice President (Membership) Eileen Roberts 707-317-5543; Secretary Ray Ann Sullivan 707-449-3411; Treasurer Karen Mauer 510-495-4111; and Tour Director Chris Poff 320-248-1626. If you need a ride to the meeting, please call or text one of us.

Submitted by: Chris Poff



Wanted: Banjo Lessons

I am a resident in Leisure Town and looking for someone to teach me to play the banjo. I am a retired Veterinarian from Vacaville and would like to enjoy this new hobby in my free time. I am willing to pay a reasonable fee. If you are interested or know someone that can teach me, please call me at 707-580-2850.



Pickleball Meeting

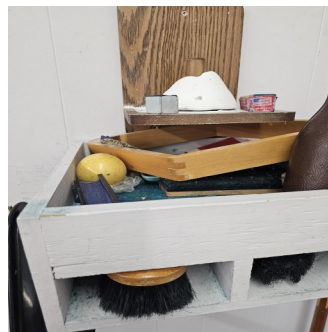
Chris Winther will be holding a meeting to prepare for the launch of the new pickleball club. If you are interested or have questions, please join in.

February 12th at 1 p.m. in the Conference Room.

THE LEISURE TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON FEBRUARY 19TH IN OBSERVANCE OF PRESIDENT'S DAY.

Did You Know....

Leisure Town has a billiard room at the end of Building B. This room is often forgotten about. You can enjoy the vintage feel while playing a round or two of pool on our two pool tables. Invite a neighbor and come check it out.



Learn to Play the Ukulele At the New Leisure Town Ukulele Club



Ukuleles are fun and easy to play. Ukulele clubs have formed all over the world, where people gather to play and sing songs from song sheets that show the lyrics and chords. Watch: [Mighty Uke](#) on YouTube.

A Vacaville ukulele teacher has offered to run a free ukulele club here at Leisure Town for residents and their guests, but he is not an LT resident. To comply with Leisure Town Association Bylaws, a resident must be the official leader and the teacher would be a guest. If you would like to learn and play ukulele here, please volunteer to be the official leader. The teacher would run the meetings, teach lessons for beginners, display the songs on the wall, and lead members in playing and/or singing songs they choose. You would open and close the room and help the teacher arrange the chairs and tables.

To volunteer, please talk to Cindy Ihrig, Community Association Manager, in the Association office or by phone to 707-448-8042 or email cindy@ltha.org .

What is going on over here?!

That has been the question of the week as people stop by the office as they walk through Town Center. They are hearing the sounds of tractors, jackhammering, and dump trucks. Our pool area renovations were able to begin 3 weeks early and is well underway. Professional Pools has worked non-stop during business hours to get ahead of the rain to avoid delays as much as possible. We want to get your pools and spa back to you as quickly as possible. So to answer that question, the original copper piping has been corroded by the pool chemicals, which led to several costly leaks and deteriorating pool plaster. The plumbing upgrades require tapping into the pools, which then kicks in the Health Department, which leads to required health and safety code updates, including removing all coves in both pools. At the same time, there were several trip hazards around the pool decking from the shifting and lifting concrete. This is being fully removed and replaced for safety reasons. Below are photos of the first day of demolition. Just 4 business days later, all concrete is removed and the pools and spas are almost completely broken up.



Local Business Advertising

Leisure Town is now offering spots for business advertising for a small fee. Contact the office for more information.

****Leisure Town does not endorse any business advertised in the newsletter****



The Happy Bandana

LEISURE TOWN DREAM TEAM

Gigi **Jesse** **Carlos**

HOUSE CLEANING YARD AND GARDEN **HOME MAINTENANCE** **PLUMBING**

TRUSTED SKILLED HONEST RELIABLE LICENSED INSURED

WE ARE LEISURE TOWN RESIDENTS!
CONTACT US FOR A FREE HOME EVALUATION
707-895-8566
WWW.THEHAPPYBANDANA.COM

Mobile Notary Services

Dawn Perez

Dawn Perez is a Leisure Town resident and retired Escrow Officer & Certified Signing Agent. Dawn will come to you!

Phone: 707-430-7123

E-mail: d.perez.notary@aol.com

Mobile Notary Service

Karen Lee Benson - Notary Signing Agent

Karen is a Leisure Town resident that would like to make her services available to other residents on a 24/7 basis. Non-LT residents need to call and schedule an appointment.

Phone: 707-641-3700

E-mail: KLBenson421@gmail.com

**Celebrating our 4th Year
serving our community!**

Stay Connected, Engage and Enjoy!



LEISURE TOWN CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES CONTACTS

Art Shop: (Temporarily Closed) Call contact for access, Bldg. A. Barbara Farnand 707-448-8391

Bingo: 6 p.m., 3rd Thursday @ Town Hall. Stewart McCale 707-447-4850

Bocce Ball: 7:00 p.m. on Mondays & Thursdays, 9 a.m. Eileen Roberts 707-474-5768 or Carol Jones 707-330-0659

Meetings: 4:00 p.m. last Thursday, Card Room

Bosom Buddies: 9 a.m., 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, Sewing Room (Temporarily Closed), Carol Carrier 707-449-1891.

Bowling: 12:15 p.m. (Check-in at Noon), Fridays, STARS Recreation Center, 155 Browns Valley Pkwy. Roze Williams 707-689-5742 or Mike Michaels 707-426-6855

Bridge: 12:30 p.m., 4th Monday, Card Room. Sally Rudy 707-446- 8867

Ceramics: 9 a.m.12 p.m., Tuesdays, Ceramics Room. Lois Richards 707-454-0232. Members only group.

Craft Club: (Temporarily Closed)

Fitness Center: Contact Diane Blais, 707-365-0981, email fitnesscenter@ltha.org. Mon-Fri 6 a.m.-9p.m. & Sat/Sun 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Watercolor Painting Class: learn and explore. Contact Doug Williams 864-680-0521 Saturdays 9 to 12 p.m.

Watercolor Painting Club: Mingle and Paint. Doug Williams 864-680-0521 Tuesdays 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Lawn Bowling: 8:30 a.m., Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays in Spring/Summer; 12:30 p.m. Fall/Winter @ Town Center. Bob Beksel 707-446-9185

Line Dancing: 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Wednesdays, Fitness Center. Joan Stewart 707-469-0487 or 707-888-0051

Quilting: 1 p.m. - 3 p.m., Thursdays, Sewing Room (Temporarily Closed), Paula Gollinger 707-330-4980

Tai Chi: 9 a.m.-10 a.m. Fridays, Fitness Center (Drop-ins). Diane Blais 707-365-0981 or email: fitnesscenter@ltha.org.

Travel Club: 2 p.m. 2nd Thursday, Town Hall, Diane Blais 707-365-0981

Walk/Hike Club: Will re-start in Spring 2024, Diane Blais 707-365-0981

Water Aerobics: Per enrollment schedule call Renee Klecki 707-365-6119 or Susan Benson 707-331-0506

Women's Club: 11:30 a.m. 3rd Tuesday (Oct.-June) Town Hall, Barbara Farnand 707-448-8391

Committee Contacts

Garden Committee, LT Office 707-448-8042

Garden Homes #1, Stan Moore 719-287-1794

Garden Homes #2, Kathy Spiteri 707-514-7447

Welcoming/Communications Committee,

Kathy Gaehler 209-605-2311

Email: welcomecommittee@ltha.org

Other Important Numbers

Library, Joyce Rogers 707-689-5200

LT-Sr. Mixed-4 Bowling, Rozelle Williams 707-689-5742

Ladies Niners Golf, Liz Dykstra 707-451-4566

RV Storage, Robert Wilson 707-446-9355

Town Center Activity Rooms Schedule

Art Room Bldg. A: Call Barbara Farnand, 707-448-8391 for access to room. (Temporarily Closed)

Card Rooms Bldg. A, Rm. 2: Daily 8 a.m.-8 p.m.

Ceramics Room Bldg. B, Rm. 5: Tuesdays 9 a.m. - Noon. Membership only.

Conference Room Bldg. A, Rm. 4: Daily 8 a.m.- 8 p.m.

Fitness Center (FC): During Construction: M, W, F - 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. T, Th, Sat, Sun - 8 am. To 4 p.m.

Pool Room Bldg. B, Rm. 6: 8 a.m.- 8 p.m. Bldg. B, Rm. 7

Library Bldg. A, Rm. 4: Mon. 2 - 4 p.m. and Wed. & Sat. 10 a.m. to noon

Restroom Bldg. A, Room 3 - Daily 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Town Hall: Access by approval only, contact office.