

River Ramblings

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Welcome Fall!

There is a little coolness in the early morning air, makes you think of sweatshirts and fire pits, then...the afternoon comes and it's air conditioning and shorts! Fall in Florida.

A few Northerners are dribbling in, but it is mainly us permanents.

A couple of things to remind you of, one the stop sign and the other the speed limit. There are cars and golf carts coming out of the side roads and people crossing the road. You are here, stop at the sign and lower your speed as you enter Hidden Acres. Thanks.

Three homes on the back road, River Run, have changed hands: Sam & Jeanie Scales sold to Elaine Allen, Alan & Susan Whatley sold to Sonny Menard and Ruthie Krieg sold to Jan

& Arnie Lord. Congratulations to all.

Elsewhere in this issue is a list of candidates for the Board. The election is in January, please vote.

Welcome back.

Running for the Board

The following people are running for the Board. There are 3 two year terms and a one year term to fill. The election is in January, you will receive a complete package before then.

Please Vote!

Greg Blankinship

Donna Chase

Steve Cline

Charlie Cox

Maryann Erson

Richard "Dick" Gerhart

Patty Gerhart

Marlys Justice

Arnold Lord

Janet Lord

Lance Miller

Sammi Miller

Douglas Ray

Sharon Ray

Clubhouse

Have you seen the inside of the Clubhouse? The Committee really cleaned it up! The carpet is beautifully cleaned, the bathrooms are being repainted. Good job!

There will be a pot luck Tuesday November 10th. Bring a dish and join in, starts at 5:00.

Sewing Mondays 9am. Bingo starts Friday November 13th.

The Porch

The Porch will continue to have appetizers on Fridays at 6:00. Bring a dish to share and then go to Bingo or stay and play cards.

Thoughts, prayers and get-wells go out to Larry King, Lorraine Lennon, Lee Badertscher and Randy Lawrence.

Thanksgiving Riddles

Q. What kind of music did the Pilgrims like?

A. Plymouth Rock

Q. Why can't you take a turkey to church?

A. They use fowl language

Q. What did the baby corn say to the Mama corn?

A. Where's Popcorn?

Q. Why do Pilgrims' pants keep falling down?

A. Because their buckles are on their hats.

Q. Why did they let the turkey join the band?

A. He had the drumsticks.

Q. What do you get if you divide the circumference

of a pumpkin by its diameter?

A. Pumpkin pi.

Q. What's the difference between a chicken and a turkey?

A. A chicken celebrates Thanksgiving.

Q. What's the turkeys favorite black tie celebration?

A. The Butter Ball.

Q. Why do turkeys eat so little?

A. Because they are always stuffed.



Happy Birthday Mika!

A surprise birthday party was held for Mika Sunday October 4th, planned by wife Jeanie and Sammi.

He WAS surprised. After being lured off on a trip by Greg, he was surprised on the Porch by a large group of well-wishers

A pot luck complete with a Batman birthday cake was enjoyed by all

Mika asked the editor to tell everyone "thank you, it was really great."



Animals of HAE

The editor asked Sharon Ray, our resident wildlife expert (the animal kind), what animals she had seen during her time here. The list is as follows:

Foxes	Raccoons	Owls
Bobcats	Possums	Bald Eagles
Panthers	Skunks	Cows
Rabbits	Civet Cats	Moles
Coyotes	Wild Pigs	Jagabar*
Turkeys	Hawks	Small Bear**

*Spotted in Highland Hammocks, cross of panther and?

**Not seen by Sharon but reported to her.

Thanksgiving Dinner

As a tradition here at Hidden Acres we who are in the Park at Thanksgiving get together for a wonderful pot luck dinner.

Thanksgiving is Thursday November 26th. Dinner will be at 4:00 and the meat will be furnished. So make a side dish or dessert and join your neighbors

for all the great food. The meat is donated by both the Porch and the Clubhouse.

Gooble, gooble!

Halloween Party



The Halloween Dinner Dance and Costume Party at The Porch, was great. The food was very good with spaghetti sauce made by Sammi, meatballs by Marti, Italian sausage, salad, garlic bread and pumpkin cake

made by Maryann (recipe on page 4). The costume contest was won by Jay and Kathy, Jerry won the Booby Prize. Carla ran the 50/50 which Wes won at \$50. Entertainment was by Lara, which we all enjoyed. About 40 people turned out for the fun.



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Recipe: Janet's Pumpkin Cake

1 30oz can pumpkin

3 eggs beaten

1 cup sugar

1 can sweetened
condensed milk

1t salt

1t ginger

1t nutmeg

1-1/2t cinnamon

1 box Jiffy yellow cake
mix

1 C pecan pieces

1 stick butter melted

Combine first 8 ingredients, pour into a greased 9 x 13 pan.

Sprinkle the dry cake mix over the top, then the nuts.

Drizzle the butter over the top.

Bake at 350 degrees for one hour.

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