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Hurricane Frances

Submitted by Margery Arendt

MSC weathered Frances very well with only a few trees down. Most will be able to be up righted again. Our Maintenance committed volunteers were already out Monday morning trimming broken branches. Valley Crest will be here at 6:30 Tuesday morning to tackle the cleanup.

We were most fortunate during this storm and Charley. Our hearts go out to those across the state who were not so lucky.

Activities Fund Report



Below you will find the current monthly Activities Fund report for August, 2004:

BEGINNING BALANCE:			\$401.69
May 16	Coffee	\$ 11.00	\$412.69
July 3	Picnic	\$ 224.00	\$636.69
July 3	Picnic (Cost)	-\$127.00	\$ 509.69
Aug. 7	Card Tables	\$55.64	\$454.05
ENDING BALANCE:			\$454.05

We wish to send our deepest sympathies to Sally Conaway on the death of her husband Douglas, and to his family also.

He passed away on August 8, 2004 of a heart attack while on a fishing excursion with friends in Alaska. Doug is survived by his wife of 39 years, by sons Brent and Matt, and by daughter Kirsten.

Dough was an F4 fighter pilot who served two tours of duty in Vietnam. He joined Delta Airlines and retired after 29 years of service. He was most recently working with Habitat for Humanity.

He will be missed by his neighbors on MSC.

Block Captains

Submitted by Bill Straw

When we moved to Rivendell we became part of a very large development and in the Cottages are part of one section of the whole pie. There is a need to have a good information flow both to and from the governing board and management company for Rivendell and one aspect of that at the most local level is the Block Captain activity. It is a neighbor-helping-neighbor activity with people assigned the responsibility of spreading the word on news, events and activities as well as welcoming new residents and passing information back upstream to the board.

We have divided the cottages into four "sections" of about 21 homes each that are the responsibility of four block captains. They generally correspond to the "rows" of homes from front to back. Our block captains are Jackie Axiom (490 — 516

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even numbers, 525— 541 odd numbers), Rosemary Haley (545 —577 odd numbers), John Costa / Vivian Kunkle (518— 564 even numbers) and Bill Straw (566 — 590). Bill gets information from the RCA board and notifies Rosemary, Jackie and John Nivian and they in turn pass it out to the homes on their 'route' and then confirm that 'their homes have been notified.

The result is a good and fast form of communication and feed back and confirmation that information has been delivered or not. Sometimes it is just as important to know who did not get notified, such as in cases of emergency notices, as it is just to get it out.

The Block Captain function is similar to our Cottages emergency notification system, but is used for more general information and communication from the Master Association Board to all of the members/homeowners.

If you are interested in volunteering to help with the Block Captain activity, please contact Bill Straw and he will put your name on the list for support and help as we refine the process.



ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

The annual cottage community garage sale will be October 16th from 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. This is a great time to do your fall clean out and rid your home of unwanted items. If you would like to have your own garage sale, contact Jackie Axsion, 966-0408, to make a \$3.00 contribution toward the newspaper ad and receive balloons to identify your home. If you would like to donate to the clubhouse sale, simply price your items and bring them to the clubhouse on Friday, October 15th, between 3:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. or contact Margery Arendt, 966-8794, or Jim Parker, 918-8402. If you have books to donate, they will be welcome either for the library or for the sale. All items donated and not sold by the end of the day will be given to charity. Any profit will be given to the activities fund.



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Activities Committee Report

by Carolyn Georgopolis

The MSC Activities Committee has some great events planned for the next few months. We hope you'll mark your calendars and join in the fun.

Oct. 10th First of the season-Sunday coffee at the Clubhouse

Oct. 16th Garage Sale 8 am - 2 p.m.

Oct. 23rd Oktoberfest 5 p.m.
Kids 5-10: \$3.00 Adults \$7.50

Nov. 7th Stoneybrook Golf & Country Club Brunch
(tentative date)

Dec. 5th Annual Holiday Party

Details to follow in upcoming newsletters and flyers.
Interested in helping? Please call 966-5747.

Meadow Sweet Cuisine...

Recipes Contributed by your neighbors.

Chocolate Chip Cake

Compliments of Connie Alarie

1 pkg Duncan Hines Deluxe Devil's Food Cake Mix
1/4 cup oil
2 eggs
1 1/4 cups water
1 pkg instant chocolate pudding
1 cup (6 oz.) chocolate chips

Mix all ingredients together in a 9x13 pan. Bake 35-45 minutes. Serve warm or cool. Top with whipping cream or ice cream as desired.



at the Clubhouse

Sunday, October 10th,
10:00 AM to Noon.

Meet with your friends and neighbors and enjoy some sweets and treats and relaxed conversation. Donation \$1.00 appreciated. We also need volunteers to Host the upcoming Sunday coffees: **Oct. 31st**, **Nov. 14th**, **Nov. 28th**. Please call Barbara or Maury Tragar to sign up: 966-6291.



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Calendar of Events

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

A vibrant old lady puzzled everyone with her consistent cheerfulness since she seemed to have an unusual amount of trouble and relatively few pleasures. When asked the secret of her cheery disposition, she replied, "Well, you see, it's like this. The Bible says often, ' And it came to pass,' but never 'It came to stay.'"

