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## From: LSR Board

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To: Lake Seminole Resort Residents

From: LSR Board

Subject: Monthly Activity Report: May 2024

Dear Fellow Residents:

**Hurricane Season:** Hurricane season is here. Please take care of yourselves and have an evacuation plan.

**Pinellas County Sewer Project:** Pinellas County is going out for bids from contractors for the new sewer installation. When the Board receives any additional information, the shareholders will be notified.

**Maintenance:**

- Well pump was replaced.
- The Sea Wall inspection was completed by the Board. No issues were discussed.
- The drinking fountain in the hall was replaced.
- Lift station experienced an overload and is now repaired.
- Pavilion curtains are being looked at for repair. The curtains do not fit the openings as they did when new. Replacement is scheduled in a couple of years.
- The spa heater failed and was repaired. Rewiring and relay replacement was needed.

**Lawn Mowing:** The person the Board hired to mow the lawn has resigned. We are using temporary labor to fill in the opening. In addition, we are still looking at outside sources for cutting our lawns. The current quotes continue to be excessive.

**Water Usage:** Water usage continues to be normal. The number of permanent residents in the park is increasing and so is the water usage. The water used to refill the pool remains lower than projections even though Largo is hot and in a drought situation. Water usage is running less than 10,000 gallons a day.

**Long Term Plan:** Please review the Long-Term Plan that was sent out via email blast. The Board is looking for shareholder input.

**Trash:** Trash has been left in the Pavilion area. Please dispose of the trash in the large trash bins located throughout the park.

**Watkins Pond:** A large alligator was in the pond. The Board tried to get the animal removed, but the alligator vacated the pond on its own.

**Informational Notes:** The first in a series of Informational Notes have been sent to shareholders explaining the operation of the park. Any suggestions you have are welcomed. Please contact either Steve Schaefer at [lsrdirector12@gmail.com](mailto:lsrdirector12@gmail.com) or Kathy McQuisten-O'Dell at [lsrdirector24@gmail.com](mailto:lsrdirector24@gmail.com).

**Financial:** The financial reports for May will be posted in the hall.

The bookkeeper hired by the Board did not meet our standards of performance and the contract was terminated. The Board is now interviewing new candidates.

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**Board Meetings:** A board meeting is scheduled for June 10 after coffee. The meeting will be held in the hall.

Best Regards,  
Steve Schaefer  
President



## LAKE SEMINOLE PARK

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Last month I wrote about the history of Lake Seminole, so this month I thought I'd write about my favorite nearby park, Lake Seminole Park. This park is one of eighteen regional parks operated and maintained by Pinellas County. Lake Seminole Park opened in 1968 and is open seven days a week from 7:00 AM till sunset (It's closed on the day after Thanksgiving and Christmas Day). Lake Seminole Park is 258 acres of designated wildlife habitat and sanctuary and is home to raccoons, alligators, hawks, eagles, turtles, snakes and more. The park has thirteen picnic shelters, which can be reserved for group picnics. When the picnic pavilions are not reserved, they are available on a first come basis. Weekends get busy, but during the week many of the pavilions are available. There is a softball field there, as well as a boat ramp to launch into Lake Seminole. There is also ample boat trailer parking available. Fishing is permitted (with a license), but swimming is not permitted. My favorite part of this park are the walking trails, that take you through the many trees in the park and around one of the large ponds. The trees provide shade for much of the two-mile walking trail. You can also use a shortcut, part of the way through the trail, to make it a one-mile walk. Pets are welcome in the park, and many people you see walking have their dogs with them. The trails go throughout the park and many visitors ride their bikes on them. The park has drinking

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fountains and nice bathrooms, and it is wheelchair accessible. If you want to walk the one or two-mile trail, I suggest that you park near the softball field. There are bathrooms right there, and the walking trail is located just across the parking lot from there. The park is located at 10015 Park Boulevard North

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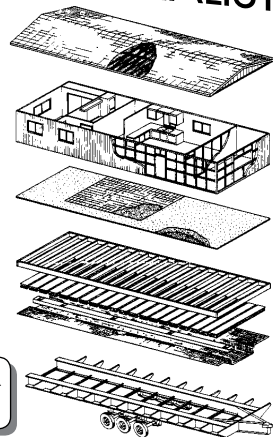


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**M**ark your calendars for some Summer Fun at Lake Seminole Resort. These events are open to everyone in the park, and tickets will be sold at the door. The cost is just \$5.00 per person.

- Thursday, July 4th – 5:00 PM – in the LSR Hall. Come and celebrate the 4th of July with hot dogs, chips, and ice cream Sundays! Bring your own favorite drinks.

## SAVE THESE DATES FOR ‘FRIDAY NIGHTS IN THE PARK’

- Friday, August 16th – 5:00 PM – ‘Friday Night in the Park’ - in the LSR Hall. This event will have music so wear your dancing shoes. Hors d’oeuvres will be served and you can bring your own favorite drink. There will also be a 50/50 drawing at this event. Just \$5.00 to get in!
- Friday, September 20th – 5:00 PM - ‘Friday Night in the Park’ – Pizza will be served along with melons and fruit. This will be a ‘Game Night’ so bring your own favorite game and get your players lined up to play. Or, just come to enjoy the pizza and fruit. Bring your own snacks and drinks if your wish. Just \$5.00 to attend this event as well. Tickets available at the door.



## CANADA DAY IS ON JULY 1, 2024



**A**ll those who celebrate Canada as their home and native land celebrate Canada Day on July 1. The day commemorates the anniversary of the Constitution Act, which consolidated three territories into the single nation of Canada. Canadians across the country and around the world show their pride in their history, culture and achievements on Canada Day. It has been a day of celebration since 1868, with many festivities held across the nation. There is a website, (below), for Canada Day with more information about the day, and where you can find Canada Day festivities. <https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/canada-day.html> So, wherever you are on July 1, have some fun on Canada Day.

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Romance scams occur when a criminal adopts a fake online identity to gain a victim's affection and trust. The scammer then uses the illusion of a romantic or close relationship to manipulate and/or steal from the victim.

The scammer's intention is to establish a relationship as quickly as possible, endear himself to the victim, and gain trust. Scammers may propose marriage and make plans to meet in person, but that will never happen. Eventually, they will ask for money.

If someone you meet online needs your bank account information to deposit money, they are most likely using your account to carry out other theft and fraud schemes.

#### Tips for Avoiding Romance Scams:

- Be careful what you post and make public online. Scammers can use details shared on social media and dating sites to better understand and target you.
- Research the person's photo and profile using online searches to see if the image, name, or details have been used elsewhere.
- Go slowly and ask lots of questions.
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## Can Crushing

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Please crush aluminum cans and place them in the crushed aluminum can barrel located outside the laundry near the dumpster. The crushed cans are taken to the salvage yard and turned into money for the Social Committee to help to pay for events in the park. There is also a can crusher in the pavilion. Please do not put garbage, glass, tin, paper, or plastic in the crushed can barrel. This is for crushed aluminum cans only. Thanks for your help and cooperation.



## ATTENTION PET OWNERS

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All pets, new and existing, young and old, must be registered with the office and all vaccination records documented. Please ensure that you keep your pets documentation updated annually. Friendly reminder - all pets must be leashed when outside the home. This is not just a park rule, but also a county law.



## PINELLAS COUNTY EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

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**H**ere is a quick overview of what's 'in the works' for next season at Lake Seminole Resort. I'm happy to report that Bingo will be back on Monday evenings. Stay tuned for the start date to be announced in a future newsletter. Other planned events with dates to be determined include, Trivia Night, Karaoke, and the very popular pancake breakfasts. More events may be added, so stay tuned. Events with a date set are shown below.

**Jan. 11** – Portuguese food tasting event – Yummy! Details to follow.

**Jan. 25** – Dance in the hall. Always fun. Theme to be announced.

**Feb. 8** – Comedian and Magician – Magic and comedy in one show!

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**Feb. 14** - Fashion show – Get the runway ready for this Valentine's Day fun.



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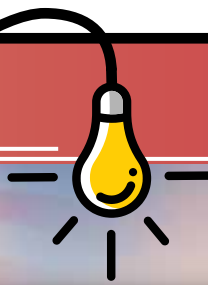
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7		8 Monday Coffee 10 AM	7:30 AM Garden
14		15 Monday Coffee 10 AM	v 7:30 AM Garden
21		22 Monday Coffee 10 AM  Victoria Day	7:30 AM Garden
28		29 Monday Coffee 10 AM	7:30 AM Garden



# Lake Seminole

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
M ing 2	3	4 6:30 PM Euchre Night  Independence Day	5	6
M ing 9	10	11 6:30 PM Euchre Night	12	13
M ing 16	17	18 6:30 PM Euchre Night	19	20
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- Mar. 15** - Pancake breakfast – Another January date may be added as well.
- Mar. 22** - Pool Party - rain date is the 23rd

We certainly have lots to look forward to in the coming year. More details on all of these events will follow in future newsletters. Thanks, in advance, to the Social Committee and all of the many volunteers who make these events possible.

## LSR CARES UPDATE

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**W**ith the Snowbirds off to their northern homes, LSR Cares continues to support the needs of our year-round residents. Judith Friend will be the liaison for the Social Committee for the summer. Judith will have a key to the LSR Cares closet and be able to lend items to those in need as she will also have the paperwork to track the loans. Thank you to Judith for agreeing to do this. If anyone needs something from either closet, please contact LSR Cares at [LSRCares@gmail.com](mailto:LSRCares@gmail.com)

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Kathy	Karabogdan	07/04
Jack	Quigley	07/04
Michael	Robinson	07/05
Margot	Trudeau	07/05
Gerry	McManaman	07/06
Barbara	Dawe	07/06
Stephen	Touchette	07/07
Rick	Haines	07/08
George	Fridd	07/09
John	Stanicki	07/09
Debra	Underwood	07/10
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Neven	Karabogdan	07/14
Mary	Jennings	07/15
Lynn	Wallace	07/15
Dianne	Majewski	07/16
Connie	Zammit	07/16
Geri	Rogers	07/16
Laurie	Gall	07/17
Patricia	Dibart	07/17
Toni	O'Kane	07/17
Bud	Brenneman	07/19
Robert	Grigas	07/19
Judy	Muldoon	07/21
Beverly	Thomson	07/22
Deborah	Wahl	07/23
Connie	Keener	07/25
Sharon	Smith	07/27
Patricia	Horn	07/28
Susan	Kossar	07/28





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**Social club idea:**

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**How to make it special:**

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2	9	6	7	3	5	4	8	1
5	7	9	2	1	6	4	8	3
4	8	7	9	6	3	5	2	1
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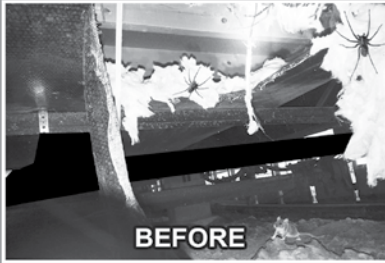
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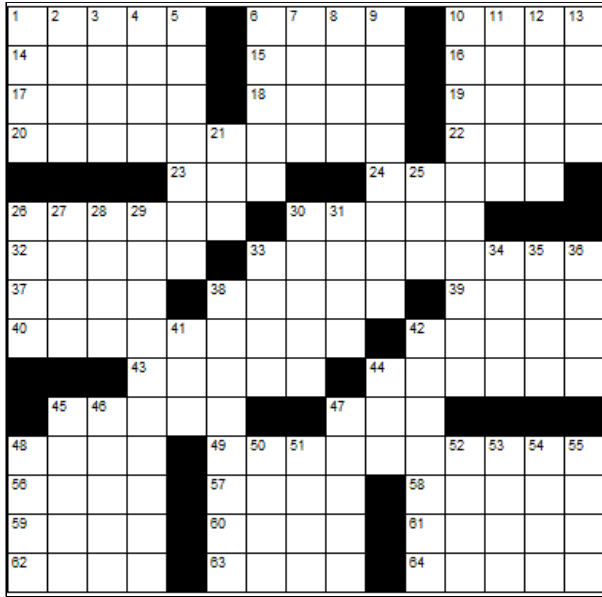
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**ACROSS**

- 1. Like many a superhero
- 6. After-bath powder
- 10. Food thickener
- 14. Companionless
- 15. Dwarf buffalo
- 16. Hint
- 17. Sows
- 18. Agreement
- 19. Piece of identification
- 20. Bleeder's disease
- 22. Ages
- 23. Paddle
- 24. Committee
- 26. Recluse
- 30. No longer a child
- 32. Electronic letter
- 33. Unhappy facial expression
- 37. Pesky insects
- 38. Place into the soil
- 39. Behold, in old Rome
- 40. Make free from bacteria
- 42. Exclamation of contempt
- 43. Avoid
- 44. Busts
- 45. Donkey sounds
- 47. Mister
- 48. Alumnus
- 49. Abstainer from alcohol
- 56. Abominable Snowman
- 57. Celtic language
- 58. Battery terminal
- 59. Primary
- 60. Ascend
- 61. Hollow out
- 62. Dirty air
- 63. Exude
- 64. Terminated

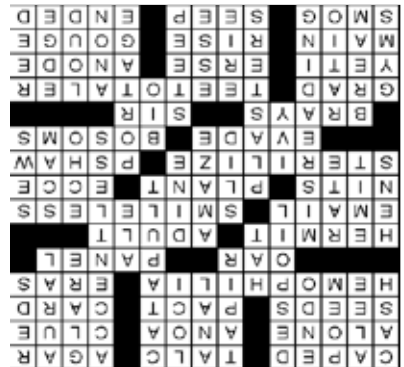


**DOWN**

- 1. Money
- 2. Away from the wind
- 3. Verse
- 4. Prefix meaning "Within"
- 5. Pillage
- 6. Snouted animal
- 7. Nitpicky to a fault
- 8. Hubs
- 9. Siege weapon
- 10. Having no diacritical mark
- 11. Dirty look
- 12. Ear-related
- 13. Communists
- 21. Cap
- 25. Beer
- 26. Female chickens
- 27. Broadcast
- 28. Assess
- 29. Misinterpreting
- 30. Astound
- 31. Banquet
- 33. Slipped
- 34. Reflected sound
- 35. Cheat
- 36. Stitches
- 38. Wall coatings
- 41. Climbing vine
- 42. Carry a boat overland
- 44. Life story
- 45. European freshwater fish
- 46. Relative magnitudes
- 47. Precipitous
- 48. Workout rooms
- 50. A Great Lake
- 51. Being
- 52. Any minute
- 53. At a high volume
- 54. Border
- 55. Marsh plant



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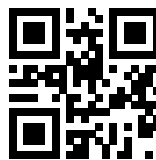


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