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**HISTORY OF CAREFREE**

In a recent club meeting, the suggestion was made that we include some neighborhood history in the newsletter, and this is the first installment, written by Linda Stemnock.

Robert Yeager developed Carefree North and South in the late 1960s. He and his wife, Virginia, vacationed in Carefree, Arizona, and he based the design of our subdivision on what he had liked so much in Arizona. If you look at a map of that Carefree, you see winding streets, cul-de-sacs, and will recognize many of our street names, including Peaceful Place, Easy Street, Nonchalant, Nevermind, Primrose Path and Lazy Lane. There are also a couple variations: Dreamy instead of Dream, and Ramblin instead of Rambling. His original plan was to build two pool complexes, one on the current location, the other on the southwest corner of Leisure Lane and Fairview Road. The Carefree homeowner's association, concerned about the cost to manage two facilities, persuaded him to give the association the funds that would have been spent on the second location. Using those funds from Mr. Yeager, the existing facility was expanded with the new main pool in the early 1970s. The original main pool was transformed into the baby pool (which used to have a depth of two feet), and the original baby pool is somewhere under the green picnic tables. The concrete wall that borders the lower deck to the south had a large section removed to provide access to the new pool, which also featured three diving boards, two low and one high. The new pool also meant the start of the Carefree swim team, which exists to this day. The pools underwent major renovation in 2001 – the bottom of the main pool was replaced, the decks were recovered, and the baby pool was redesigned to have a zero-

**STEVE AND LINDA STEMNOCK**

The Stemnock's have lived in Carefree since 1991, Linda since she was a child. Each has been very active in the Carefree community. Linda has served a total of fifteen years on the Carefree board in positions including president, vice president, pool chair, activities chair, and member of various committees. Steve has managed the pool for a total of nine years, and was manager during the time of the renovation. Steve was also elected to the Carefree board last year.

depth entry and included water features. Pools such as ours are rare these days. Some neighborhoods have pools, but few are the size of ours. When you include the clubhouse, tennis and basketball courts, and the playground, our common property has few peers.

In the 1970s, there was a women's bowling league, card clubs, and a group of mothers put on some great parties for the children in the neighborhood. The clubhouse was decorated as a haunted house for many years at Halloween; there were pool parties that children wrestled a greased watermelon out of the pool, and an annual Easter egg hunt. The kitchen was furnished with the proceeds from some fund-raising dinners at the clubhouse. With many young families in the neighborhood, there were also a lot of activities for parents, including a Monte Carlo night. I know there are still some original owners living in Carefree who attended those parties, and they still talk about what a great time they had (my friends and I used to babysit for their kids for those outings). We are once again having many activities at the clubhouse and pool for members and their guests to enjoy.

I was fortunate to grow up here. My parents moved here in 1970 when I was in grade school and my husband and I bought our house in 1991. What a wonderful place to raise a family – and then stay and retire. Taking my son and a neighbor's daughter back to college a few years ago, they talked about how they couldn't imagine not growing up in a neighborhood like ours, especially without such a pool to spend their summers. Sounds like high praise to me. Maybe they will become future Carefree homeowners.

Linda Stemnock

### SPECIAL THANKS

To Linda Garland for all your efforts at keeping our neighborhood beautiful! Linda is frequently seen on long walks through Carefree with a trash bag full of litter, weeds, and debris that she has cleaned up along her way. Next time you see Linda, thank her for her hard work and let her know that her efforts do not go unnoticed.

## **POOL**

The pool season is off to a good start. Thanks to all the members who are bringing their lot passes to the pool to show at the check-in window each time they visit. We'll be having a few fun days scheduled at the pool during the next 6-8 weeks - it could be a big splash contest, scavenger hunt, relay races, etc. The information will be posted at the pool as well as the pool page of the website. There are three home swim meets when the pool will close at 4 p.m., and this information is posted on our website and will also be posted at the pool a few days prior to the meets.

We look forward to seeing you at the pool this summer.

Linda Stemnock, Pool Chairman, [pool@carefreeclub.org](mailto:pool@carefreeclub.org).

**Carefree Club Board Meetings** are the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. Find out about *your* club and give us *your* suggestions and concerns.

**Volunteers** are always needed. Go to [www.carefreeclub.org](http://www.carefreeclub.org) for contact information for all committees or call 625-2582 for more information.

## **GROUNDS**

If interested in volunteering, please contact Patrick McMahon for information on spring and summer grounds projects.

Patrick McMahon, Grounds Chairman, [grounds@carefreeclub.org](mailto:grounds@carefreeclub.org).

## **CLUBHOUSE**

The Carefree Clubhouse has had more updates this year. Both restrooms have been updated. A baby changing station has been installed in the women's restroom. We have added new vanities, sinks, faucets, and lighting in both restrooms, and the women's restroom had a new toilet installed. If you have not been in the Clubhouse in the last few years, call and setup a time to see what is new.

The availability of the clubhouse can be checked at [carefreeclub.org](http://carefreeclub.org).

So call the Clubhouse phone 625-club(2582) or email the Clubhouse at [clubhouse@carefreeclub.org](mailto:clubhouse@carefreeclub.org)

### **Rental Rates:**

- Monday – Thursday half day is \$53.50 or full day for \$80.00
- Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and holidays half day is \$80.00 or a full day for \$134.00
- Half day = 5 am – 4 pm or 5 pm - 4 am

**\*The above prices include sales tax.**

The only requirements for renting the clubhouse are that you must be a Carefree Club member and that your dues are paid current. The Clubhouse Rental Agreement requires that the Clubhouse be returned to its **SAME CLEAN CONDITION** at the end of each rental so the next rental can also enjoy a clean Clubhouse. Also, all doors should be locked, all of the blinds closed, and prompt return of the key.

**SMOKE FREE – The entire Carefree Club property is smoke-free including E-cigarettes. This includes the Clubhouse, parking lot, playground, basketball courts, etc.**

Thanks for all the interest in the Clubhouse.

Steve Wisdom, Clubhouse Chairman, [clubhouse@carefreeclub.org](mailto:clubhouse@carefreeclub.org)  
625-2582 for Clubhouse Rental info

## **ACTIVITIES**

July 4th at 12 PM - Independence Day Party  
July 25th 6-10 PM - Summer Pool Party  
September 12-6:30 PM- Hog Roast

Mark your calendars for these summer events at the pool and clubhouse and check in at [www.carefreeclub.org](http://www.carefreeclub.org) for updated information as the dates draw near.

Josh Wisby, 2015 Activities Chairperson, [activities@carefreeclub.org](mailto:activities@carefreeclub.org)

## **TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS**

**Carefree Crime Watch Committee** asks that you turn on your outside lights during the night hours.

A greater degree of security will be realized if everyone leaves their outside lights on during the nighttime hours every night. Also, drive the 25 mph or slower to keep speeders off our streets.

**For more detailed information regarding membership, annual dues, and other business, please visit [www.carefreeclub.org](http://www.carefreeclub.org).**

## **Member Business/Service Announcements**

If you are a member of Carefree Club you can place announcements and notices in the newsletter. To have your ad listed for one year, please submit name, phone number and ad text to [newsletter@carefreeclub.org](mailto:newsletter@carefreeclub.org). Members can also place a notice if they are looking for someone to perform a particular type of service for them. To keep the list current, members are asked to submit announcements yearly in January by contacting [newsletter@carefreeclub.org](mailto:newsletter@carefreeclub.org).

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