# **CAREFREE CLUB**

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#### Dear Members:

The annual election for Carefree Board members is coming up in September. If you are new to the neighborhood (or have lived here all your life) and are interested in giving a little of your time to the business of the Carefree Club, won't you consider being on the ballot for the upcoming election?

The Board meets the second Monday of every month. Meetings begin at 7:30 pm sharp and most meetings are finished up by 8:30 pm. Board members each have the opportunity to either fill an officer position (President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary) or to lead one of the various committees that function under the covering of the board.

If you would like be on the ballot for the upcoming election, please send an email to board@carefreeclub.org with the following information:

- 1. Your name
- 2. Your email address
- 3. How many years you have lived in Carefree
- 4. What area(s) of interest you have in serving on the board, i.e. Committees: Activities, Grounds, Newsletter, Website, Clubhouse, Pool, or Officer Position
- 5. A brief statement (2-3 sentences) about yourself and your interest in serving on the board.
- 6. Emails need to be received by July 15, 2014.

Thank you!
Renee-Ann Pikulik
Carefree Club Board President, board@carefreeclub.org

## **ACTIVITIES:**

The Activities Committee is in need of volunteers. If you are willing to help with one event, please contact us. We are also looking for activities that you would like to see in our neighborhood. Please e-mail your ideas or suggestions to <a href="mailto:activities@carefreeclub.org">activities@carefreeclub.org</a>.

## Mark your calendars!

We may have some additional activities in July and August - please check the Activities page of the Carefree Club website and at the pool for updates.

**Fourth of July Cookout** - Friday, **July 4th**, beginning at noon and lasting until the food runs out. Join us for hot dogs, burgers and chips. A great way to start off the holiday weekend. **FREE!** 

Annual Summer Party with band - Saturday, July 12th from 6-10 p.m. Back by popular demand, Stevie & the Dynamos will play from 7-10 p.m. Carefree Club provides appetizers and soft drinks - bring food to share if you would like to do so. \$10/family or \$5/individual. Please remember that the pool will close from 4-6 p.m. for setup and doors and pool will re-open at 7 p. m. The pool will remain open until 10 p.m. Guests are welcome.

Hog roast - Saturday, September 6th from 5-7 p.m. Last activity for the year is the annual hog roast on Saturday, September 6th, from 5-7 p.m. Join us for a great assortment of food, especially the roast pig. Cost is \$10 per family or \$5 per individual - due to the popularity of this event, members will need to bring their pool passes to show at the gate when paying to enter. If you are bringing guests who are not arriving with you, you must meet them at the gate with your pass. The pool will be open weather permitting.

**Water Aerobics:** Carefree is once again offering water aerobics at no cost to members and their guests. There is no need to register, just show up for the classes that fit your schedule.

The schedule is as follows: Monday/Wednesday/Friday from 10-11 a.m., Tuesday/Thursday from 6-7 p.m. These classes are a mix of aerobic and toning exercises. For those interested in an all-aerobic class, we have started offering this on Saturdays from 10-11 a.m. The water is perfect - stop by for a class, get your workout done while having fun, and meet some new friends!

Linda Stemnock, Activities Chairperson, activities@carefreeclub.org

## **POOL NEWS**

Off to another successful summer at the pool. All systems are up and running properly and we are having fun.

A few rules that need reviewed:

No children under 3, or older children who are not yet potty trained, allowed in the big pool. This greatly decreases the chance of closing the pool down due to an accident. We have a beautiful baby pool for you and your family, please use it

Also, with rise of use in eCigarettes, I want to remind everyone that the entire Carefree Complex is NO SMOKING. This includes electronic devices.

Please Remember: The pool will close at 4 pm on the days the Crocodile Swim Team meets. Those days are June 19 & 24 and July 10<sup>th</sup>.

### REMINDER ON IMPORTANT POOL RULES/CHANGES:

**No child under 3 years old will be allowed in the big pool.** Our Kid pool has plenty of depth for a good swimmer under 3 years old to enjoy.

**No floatation devices (i.e. water wings) will be allowed in the deep end**. If you can't swim a lap of the deep well without devices, you will not be allowed in it.

Clara Spenny, Pool Chairperson, pool@carefreeclub.org

#### **NEWS FROM THE CLUBHOUSE CHAIRMAN:**

The Clubhouse has received a decorating update. The décor is now 21<sup>st</sup> Century! In addition to the new furniture a few months ago, Jess and Sandra Carrasquillo, Linda Stemnock, Erich Bauer, and Bill Peoples added their special touches and installed brighter lighting, a new storage room door, and new wall hangings. Looks fantastic.

Already, the May and June 2015 dates are starting to fill up for graduation parties and people have made their December 2014 holiday party reservations. I will take reservations 1 year in advance. To make a Clubhouse reservation call 625-CLUB (2582). This is an excellent facility, with a full kitchen and a, wall hung flat screen TV, for those parties too large to have in your home. Please try to plan ahead. Contracts are a done deal upon receipt of the rent and deposit.

#### **Rental Rates:**

- Monday Thursday half day is \$50 or full day for \$75
- Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and holidays half day is \$75 or a full day for \$125
- Half day = 5 am 4 pm or 5 pm 4 am

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 <u>entire</u> Carefree Club property is smoke-free including E-cigarettes. This includes the Clubhouse, parking lot, playground, basketball courts, etc.

Steve Wisdom, Clubhouse Chairman, <a href="mailto:clubhouse@carefreeclub.org">clubhouse@carefreeclub.org</a> 625-2582 for Clubhouse Rental info

## **NEWS FROM THE GROUNDS CHAIRMAN:**

We have been busy this spring and summer improving our Carefree grounds. A special thanks goes out to all our neighbors that volunteered at one of our three cleanup days. Together we painted all the playground equipment, installed a drainage ditch in the playground area, and secured some of our fencing.

The big ticket item that was completed was our parking lot. We also picked up some additional parking spaces when we re-striped it. New speed signs and stop signs have been purchased for the parking lot. Call or text Jess Carrasquillo at 201-4278 if you would like to help with the installation of these new signs. Another addition was our "new" sidewalk making it safer for pedestrians and bikers to enter/exit our grounds. We will plant grass in August or September as we have to wait for the spring pre-emergent to lose its effectiveness before planting new seed.

Another big...thank you goes out to Robert Jacobson and Jamie Hawkins for their hard work on our landscaping on either side of the side of our "new" sidewalk. It looks great! Thank you to all that have been watering the plants too!

We trimmed a few trees this year and did many other little things to make our grounds look appealing. If you have any interest or would like to volunteer.... one hour a week or one hour month please call/text Jess Carrasquillo at 201-4278. Thank you and enjoy the grounds!

#### **CRIME WATCH:**

On June 17 we had a full house at our second annual carefree Crime Watch "Open House". We had special guests from the Johnson County Sheriff's Department, from FE Moran Security Solutions, from the Greenwood Planning Commission, and from REMC. All of our speakers and visitors provided some valuable information about protecting our families, our property, and our neighborhood. Thank you to all that attended and to all our speakers and presenters!

The question was asked, what can we as residents do about crime? The most important thing we can do is get involved. Know your neighbors... neighbors are often the first to spot problems — and the best able to carry out possible solutions. Become part of our Crime Watch committee, we meet one time a month for one hour. The crime watch meetings are at the Clubhouse on the third Tuesday of each month from 7:30 to 8:30 pm, all are welcome to attend. This year we are especially interested in recruiting some more members from Carefree South. If you want to be a captain or sub captain please call Angie Stone at 691-3650 or Rhonda Purtell at 882-0971.

As isolation increases so does crime. Moral of the story is don't be isolated... be involved... watch out for your neighbors. A criminal's job gets a lot tougher in a neighborhood where people are watching out for each other.

Other items that were discussed: 1). Speeding solutions... driving 25 mph or less, setting the example and safety for our children. How fast do you drive in Carefree? 2). Looking at the possibility for lights in the front yards or starting with the intersections. REMC will attach a light fixture to your pole in your back yard for \$8.00 a month, that's not a bad price and criminals don't like lights. 3). No soliciting signs for our neighborhood... our committee is going to discuss a plan at our next meeting.

As always thank you for donating to and being involved with our Crime Watch Program. Remember the open invitation to join us the third Tuesday of each month and or to be a Captain/Sub-captain.

Watch out for your neighbors especially the one on either side, and in front and in back of you!

Jess Carrasquillo, Grounds Chairman, grounds@carefreeclub.org
Jess Carrasquillo, Crime Watch Coordinator

# **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.

**The Carefree Club dumpster** in the parking lot is for the exclusive use of Carefree Club. It has historically been a problem that people have been using the dumpster as their personal trash container. This causes an over flowing dumpster for the Pool and Clubhouse activities. Continued use of the dumpster in this manner will require more frequent and costly trash pick-up by our trash vendor. Please respect the exclusive use of this dumpster by Carefree Club only and help keep our dues low.

**SMOKE FREE** – The entire Carefree Club property is smoke-free. All of Carefree Club grounds and facilities are smoke free. Residents (and their guests) are reminded that smoking is not permitted anywhere on the property at any time. This includes the E-Cigarettes.

"For Sale by Owner" Notice: Residents who have their property for sale as "For Sale by Owner" need to contact our Corporate Secretary at <a href="mailto:board@carefreeclub.org">board@carefreeclub.org</a>. This is to ensure that all dues are current and no lien is on the property for unpaid dues.

**Neighborhood News: REMC** continues their work burying the primary electric lines in **Carefree North**. Work is expected to be completed in 2014. Some lines have already been buried. Residents will be partly responsible for the hook-up to an underground meter base.

**CAREFREE CLUB BOARD MEETINGS** ARE THE 2<sup>ND</sup> MONDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:30 pm. EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND. FIND OUT ABOUT *YOUR* CLUB AND GIVE US *YOUR* SUGGESTIONS AND CONCERNS.

**VOLUNTEERS** are always needed. Go to <a href="www.carefreeclub.org">www.carefreeclub.org</a> for contact information for all committees or call 625-2582 for more information.

**Register your email at <u>www.carefreeclub.org</u>** - If you have not already done so, please visit the Carefree Club website and register to receive the quarterly newsletter electronically each quarter. It saves the Club a great deal of money in printing costs and postage to mail the newsletter, which in turn, helps keep the membership dues down. Please know that Carefree Club does not share your email address.

#### **General Info for Home Owners New to Carefree**

Carefree Club, Inc. (Club) is a private not-for-profit organization. Pool membership is a part of membership in the Carefree Club. Membership, in the Club, is open to Carefree North and Carefree South residents. Not all properties in the Carefree community are members of the Club.

If you are purchasing or have purchased a home in Carefree, you can check with the original owners or the title company with whom you are closing your new home to see if your new home is a member of the Carefree Club. Any dues settlements will be taken care of during closing and will show up in your closing documents. Ask your closing agent if you are unsure. If you find that your home is not in the Carefree Club you may apply for membership.

#### **Current Members**

You must be a Carefree Club member in good standing in order to use the pool.

#### Annual Assessment (Dues)

No pool passes will be issued in person. You will receive your pool passes in the mail after your check clears. If you have lost the Dues notice, please download the assessment notice from the website. If you are paying your assessment late, you will not receive complimentary guest pool passes and you must wait until your check clears to receive your pool passes.

#### **Requirements for New Membership**

Carefree Club member's properties are permanently bound to the Club with the exception of a group of original owners as defined in the "Covenants and Restrictions." Membership requirements are as follows:

- 1. Property must be located within Carefree North or South community.
- 2. Property is bound to the Club with a filing at the Johnson County Recorder's Office. The Club will generate paperwork and filing for the property owner. Once a property is bound to the Club, the property is permanently bound. The property remains bound to the Club when the property is sold and the new property owners are responsible for dues.
- 3. Pay the pool assessment of \$600.00 (only once)
- 4. Pay the annual maintenance assessment. The current assessment is \$231.00 (yearly)

If you wish to pursue membership in the Club, please email us at pool@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 <a href="mailto:newsletter@carefreeclub.org">newsletter@carefreeclub.org</a>. 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 <a href="mailto:newsletter@carefreeclub.org">newsletter@carefreeclub.org</a>.

FREE MARKET ANALYSIS Curious about your home's market value? Contact Becky Smith for a free market analysis. 317-883-7355 becky@movewithdon.com	Tutoring – Steps to Success for grades 1 – 6 Experienced teacher - my house or yours. Call Regina Young 317-697-6233 or email WYoung4078@yahoo.com	AVON - Call Lisa Wraley for your AVON needs 317-882-5310 in Carefree North
<b>Learn Banjo</b> in your home. It's fun. It's free. Call Tim Frye – 317-888-8549	Tennis Anyone? Anyone interested in playing tennis doubles call Bill Rice, 374-1323	Extreme Clean – Home & Office Ann Gough 908-0879 Ann-gough@sbcglobal.net 11 years in business
Notary Public – Polly Krockenberger 440-7070 or mpollyk@yahoo.com No Charge	Green With Envy Lawn Care Jeff Williams, Owner, 626-9922 e-mail at jeff@green-withenvy.com www.green-withenvy.com www.facebook.com/greenwithenvylaw ncare	Handyman Services:  Mark Baranko – Off Duty firefighter available to help with your various home maintenance/improvement projects.  812-361-8247
	YOUR AD COULD BE HERE. EMAIL YOUR AD TO newsletter@carefreeclub.org	