

LAKE CLARKE GARDENS NEWSLETTER



SEPTEMBER, 2019

Time to Say Thanks

By Jerry Sauvé



Labor Day in the United States is a public holiday celebrated on the first Monday in September. It honors the American labor movement and the contributions that workers have made to the development, growth, endurance, strength, security, prosperity, productivity, laws, persistence, structure, and well-being of the country. It is recognized as a federal holiday. Canada's Labour Day is also celebrated on the first Monday of September.

LCG is fortunate to have many fine laborers who often go above and beyond their job description. Here are a few examples of their dedication.

- ◇ A resident discovered a possum under the hood of his car and called maintenance. They came and scared the possum away. It could have ended there, but upon further investigation they found a whole family of possum in the vehicle, then removed and relocated them to a more appropriate place.
- ◇ An after-hours leak in a third floor unit resulted in flooding in the first floor unit. Gonzalo was called and arrived within a few minutes. Not only did he fix the leak but went to the maintenance shed, got a shop-vac and helped the resident clean up the mess.
- ◇ As Hurricane Irma approached, our property manager decided to remain on property during the storm. She was concerned that if conditions became bad, she might not be able to get back to LCG the next morning to access the damage and direct the clean-up.
- ◇ At 5:00 pm the main line in the sewer in building 3 backed up. They couldn't get the line cleared. We called Technical Inspections, the ones that line our pipes. Our guys worked with them until 3:00am to get the line cleared and functioning for the residents. Yes, that is correct: 3am! Above and beyond the call of duty.
- ◇ Our men are always helping residents get up that have fallen and can't get back up. They are always checking on one lady who doesn't like to answer her phone. Her son calls the office when he gets concerned.

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TREASURER'S REPORT



Property Manager's Report

Illustration by Chris Cash

Accounts Receivable as of July 31, 2019

Total Receivables	\$ 87,244
Outstanding, Special Assessments	\$ 27,967
Maintenance, & Other Receivables	\$ 59,277

Cash Position as of July 31, 2019:

Total Cash	\$ <u>1,308,110</u>
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Less: Restricted for:

Spec. Assessment	(\$ 19,454)
Building & Common Reserves	(\$ 218,758)
Activities	(\$ 13,874)
Hurricane Contingency	(\$ 202,329)

Month July 2019

Monthly Maintenance Due	\$ 253.828
Maintenance Not Paid (less than 60 days)	(\$ 22,165)

Maintenance Collected in July	\$ 231,663
Prepaid Maintenance	(\$ 112,321)
Net Operating Cash	\$ 741,373

The summer has flown by. The painters are almost finished on property. Everything looks fresh and clean. We are trying to make sure that everyone obeys the rules to keep the walkways, railings, & buildings beautiful. Please, no mats, plants, bikes or rugs on the walkways. This is against Fire Code. These things damage the paint of the walkways, walks and handrails. If you have a mat outside your door, it needs to be placed inside your unit. You may be subject to a fine if it is left outside.

Plants belong in your unit or on your porch, not on the walkways. Washing of rugs is not allowed in our washers, so by hanging them to dry on the railings shows that you are breaking two rules. Please do not hang anything on the railings. Railings are not clothes lines. Help keep LCG beautiful by following the rules!


The East Pool is under construction. We will attempt to keep the BBQ area and lower deck open during the Pool renovation. The West Pool is open for your use. Remember to exercise caution and let the workers do their jobs without interruptions and stay out of taped off areas. If you have a question or concern, please see me in the office.

The men are working on power washing the common areas. Again, use caution in these areas. We are doing our fall maintenance in preparation for season. Please let the

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Deadline for article submissions for the October Newsletter is September 20.
Email: lcg.sauve@gmail.com
Or drop it off in the office

REMINDER The LCG office will be closed on **Monday, September 2** in observance of **Labor Day.**

To our maintenance and office staff, as well as workers everywhere, we wish you a  **HAPPY LABOR DAY**

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- ◇ A resident's hot water heater blew during his absence. He did not shut off his water as he was supposed to do. The men went in and vacuumed all the water and brought in fans to help dry it out. They also turned off his water.
- ◇ A resident's toilet backed up at 5:00pm. Gonzalo had just gotten home from work but came back to help. Sewage was everywhere. He had to snake the drain line, pull the toilet and vacuum sewage out of her apartment.

These are just a few examples of the hard work and dedication of our staff. Most of these things are the responsibility of the owner. They should call a plumber but they call our men to save money. The men come to help.

As we celebrate Labor Day, take a moment to say, "Thanks" to all of our workers. They work long and hard to keep Lake Clarke Gardens running smoothly.



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RULES & REGULATIONS *REMINDER*

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Property Manager's Report

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men work. If you have a question please come see me in the office.

The electrical work from the lightning strike earlier this summer is underway. The Auditorium door is repaired and building 10 is complete. We are waiting on FPL to do the work in building 9. As soon as FPL gives us the go ahead, we will get to work!

We have a new Security Company. They have a phone number that we have listed in all laundry rooms on the emergency phone list. You may call them during the hours of 10 pm – 6 am should you need their assistance. The number will be answered by their office and their office will contact the guard on duty to assist you.

New Security Company



As of August 21st LCG has a new nighttime security company, Security Providers of Florida. A roving security guard will work between the hours of 10:00pm and 6:00am. If you see anything of a suspicious nature or need assistance, you can call **(561) 819-9932** and the guard will come and check it out. The number is also posted on the bulletin board and in the laundry rooms on each floor.

Please remember this number is only to be used for non-emergency situations. If you feel threatened or have a medical emergency, call **9-1-1**

RULES & REGULATIONS REMINDER



Vehicles parked in LCG parking areas must not leak automotive fluids such as oil, antifreeze, transmission fluids and/or gasoline, etc. in the parking lots.

The unit owner where the vehicle is registered shall be responsible for any damage to LCG property because of leaking fluids and may be subject to a fine.

WELCOME New Owners

- 4-302 Preston Stuart
- 15-212 Gary Stark
- 16-106 Joseph Furner
Carlos Motta
- 18-212 Radhika Singh
Nalini H Ramnarace
- 20B-302 Patrick J Dickenson
- 20B-303 Larry Daniel
Ethel McKenzie
- 21-112 Dhanraj Singh
- 25-104 Karen L Jones
- 25-303 Valentina Aved

Accidents Happen

Home safety is important, particularly for seniors. For those who are living at home, especially those living alone, it is important to take proper precautions to make sure your home is safe. Here are some simple, affordable ways you can reduce the risk of falls and other injuries in your home:



Bathroom Safety

- Place non-skid strips on the floor of your tub or shower.
- Use rubber matting and a shower chair inside the shower.
- Use a hand-held lightweight shower head to make bathing and cleaning easier.
- Add a motion-sensor light or night light to your bathroom for added safety at night.
- Install grab bars throughout the room, which can also serve as towel racks.
- Install a 'comfort height' toilet that makes it easier to sit and stand.
- Replace your bathtub with a walk-in shower and a bathing seat.



Kitchen Safety

- Install and regularly maintain a high-quality smoke detector that has a 'hush' feature to temporarily silence false alarms.
- Regularly clean out vents and grease traps.
- Keep a fire extinguisher handy.
- Move heavy dishes and pots to lower cabinets that are easier to reach.
- Invest in appliances that shut off automatically, such as induction stovetops and kettles that can't be boiled dry.



General Home Safety



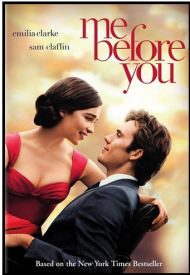
- Remove any tripping hazards like loose area rugs, uneven floorboards, or extension cords.
- Place motion-activated lights throughout your home to improve visibility.
- Use timers to turn lights on at dusk.
- Purchase battery-backup lighting that is activated during a power outage.
- Keep your doors and windows locked at all times; many break-ins occur during daylight hours.
- Maintain an emergency supply of food and water along with a week's worth of any prescription medications.
- Keep rooms clean and free of clutter and make sure walkways are free of cords and wires.
- Consider taking a portable phone with you as you move room to room just in case a fall occurs.

Adapted from *UMH.org* by Chelsea Sayegh

SEPTEMBER MOVIES

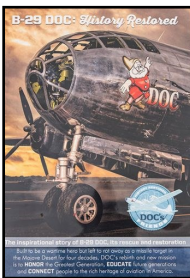


**Come join us for the Sunday Movies
In the LCG Auditorium at 1:00pm**



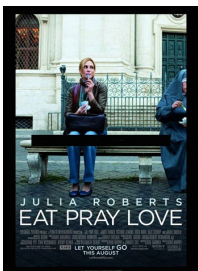
**September 1
ME BEFORE YOU**

*Emilia Clarke, Sam Claflin.
Sometimes love takes them to
places they never expected.*



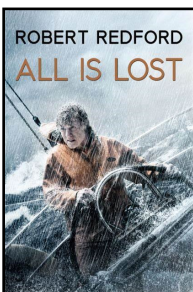
**September 8
B-29 DOC**

*How B-29 DOC, a WWII plane,
was rescued from the desert,
and restored by volunteers.
(See related article next column)*



**September 15
Eat, Pray, Love**

*Julia Roberts leaves her husband
and job to seek self-discovery.*



**September 22
All Is Lost**

*Robert Redford. One man's
battle for survival at sea.*



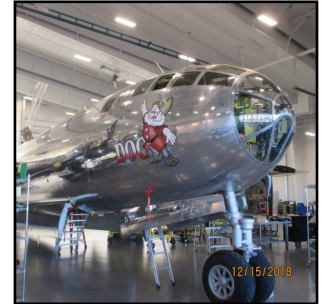
**September 29
Chicago**

*Richard Gere. Velma & Roxie
find themselves sharing space
on Murderess Row.*

About the Movie "B-29 DOC"

(September 8 Sunday Movie)

The B-29 DOC movie is an official documentary from the Wichita, Kansas Boeing Plant where it was assembled in the 1940's.



This restored B-29 WWII plane now has its own home, its own educational hangar. It also flies with Fifi, the only other WWII plane in service, for Air Shows and Educational purposes.

My sister, Loretta, and her husband, Jack Shark, were among the volunteers who worked on it from 2000 until it flew in 2016. An amazing true story. I have many photos of it all along the way to completion.

When I visited my family, I "went to work" every morning on DOC from 9 until noon. All these volunteers love aviation and wanted to complete this project.

Submitted by Sylvia Raftery

HOW TO SPOT A SCAM

Don't become a victim.

In one of the most common scams, a caller may:



Pretend to be from your utility. (Your caller ID may even display your utility's name.)

Threaten to turn off power, water or natural gas service to your home or business within a few hours.



Demand immediate payment with a prepaid debit card.

Suspect a scammer?

Here's what to do if the call seems suspicious:

- 1 Hang up.
- 2 Call the police.
- 3 Call your utility provider at the phone number on your bill.



DO NOT pay over the phone if immediate payment with a prepaid debit card is demanded to avoid disconnection.

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9	Ocean Cay MSC Marine Reserve, Bahamas
10	Miami, Florida

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What's Happening in September

Ongoing Events



Special Activities

MONDAY

8:20am Fitness Walk AUD
 8:30am Free Weights AUD
 9:00am Yoga AUD

TUESDAY

8:20am Fitness Walk AUD
 9:00am Tai Chi AUD

WEDNESDAY

8:20am Fitness Walk AUD
 8:30am Free Weights AUD
 9:00am Yoga AUD
 9:30am Walmart/Publix Bus
 7:00pm Bingo AUD

THURSDAY

8:20am Fitness Walk AUD
 9:00am Tai Chi AUD
 1:00pm Canasta CR

FRIDAY

8:20am Mix Weights/Walk AUD
 9:00am Yoga AUD
 9:00am Zumba CR
 9:30am Walmart/Publix Bus
 12:45pm Bridge CR
 1:00pm Mex. Tr. Dominoes CR

SATURDAY

8:20am Fitness Walk AUD

KEY

AUD-Auditorium **CR**- Card Room
WP- West Pool **EP**-East Pool

DATE ACTIVITY DEPARTURE

SEPTEMBER

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Labor Day Get Together

1:00 PM
at LCG

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POMPANO PARK

Isle Casino

10:00am

12



Ocean's One Bar and Grill

12 NOON

24



Wellington Mall

10:00am

26



Cracker Barrel

12 NOON

All bus trips require advance registration and a \$5.00 Refundable deposit.

Bus will go to **Aldi's** on the third Friday of each month.

**FOR ACTIVITIES WITH REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT,
 NO REFUND GIVEN IF CANCELLED
 WITHIN 24 HOURS OF TRIP.**

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For further information contact the

Activities Office

Mon., Wed., Fri. 9:30am—11:30am

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