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MANAGER'S REPORT

I would like to start with a **thank you** to the Association Board for the Manager's Position. Now to get a start on the things that need the review of the board.

We have a few items that are in the works as you read this report.

- 1) The storage area is being reviewed to make it safe and monitored.
- 2) The budget will be up for review with the board when they are here in Harbor Lights.
- 3) The air-conditioner in the kitchen and restrooms will have to be replaced
- 4) Durk will be working on some of the areas in park where water stands after a good hard rain.
- 5) The board is reviewing all new and old contracts, before the final budget is completed for review.
- 6) There was lightning damage problem in front of the units # 10 / 12. The work should be started on the 26th of this month.
- 7) Complete the new 5 year lease with the State on the submerged land lease.

With no great change in the management office I will be working with the board on the things that need to be done on a daily schedule and look forward to that work. The Board of Directors of Harbor Lights is constantly working to improve the park in the best interest of all residents, and that is something that I get a great deal of joy in helping.

“Let me just say in closing, that I take the job of manager as an opportunity and obligation to do my best and that I shall do.”

PLEASE REMEMBER!! Some residents did not bother to sign out this summer, also did not designate who was allowed to enter their home. From time to time if necessary management needs to enter homes for safety reasons.

Welcome back to all who are on the way home, be safe on the road.

MAINTENANCE

Durk has been busy this summer with maintaining the irrigation, trimming, weeding and day to day maintenance problems that may arise. I look forward to working with him on Projects.

REMINDER -

BE SURE TO CHECK IN AT THE OFFICE UPON RETURN TO THE PARK!

RECREATION NEWS

For those of you returning please remember to bring your arts and crafts for Art in the Park.

We certainly hope that you will consider bringing back your many unwanted treasures for this year's flea market.

Our first TGIF party will be held on Oct. 26, and of course we will have our famous pumpkin carving contest. Hopefully **MANY** of you will try your skillful hands at creating a pumpkin that will get you a prize.

Labor Day brought together approximately 45 people who enjoyed a picnic, consisting of Chef Pat Erwin's Barbecue Chicken along with many fixin's to compliment the chef's great chicken. A great time was had by all.

Your Recreation Board

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BOARD COMMUNICATION

This has been the summer from hell. The four board members here are trying to keep the ship upright, and to do so in a legal manner.

The four of us have become victim of over 60 days without an official board meeting. We are doing a strange dance here having started with a new manager, in time to orient another new manager, at the same time dealing with every day issues and a multitude of unanticipated problems.

The purpose of many e-mails back and forth between board members has been two-fold: 1--We want to keep every board member up to speed, especially with so many things on the plate here. 2--For the four of us to keep things moving we absolutely need the board feedback, input, and even decisions as quickly as possible.

Facing all of us in October is the required task of developing a new budget for 2013. Therefore, all these e-mails become critical for all of us to be in the loop in real time.

Scheduled for Sept. 25 is the completion of repairing the burned 120V leg of an underground electric feed to the Smiths and Weltons (lightning).

A personal surround system at lot 150 was fried (lightning).

The top of one of our utility poles was hammered by (of course) lightning.

Main feed fuses were blown on North Park Drive (lightning).

A transformer on Starboard Drive was destroyed, along with electronics in the home next to the pole holding the transformer (lightning).

The submersible pump for the geothermal system for heating the pool stopped working (lightning)?

Many hours of work have gone into addressing the "Structures Over Water" ordinance (think city and Konecnik).

Many hours of work independently and with the city officials for the beginning of regaining the Army-owned strip of land in Harbor Lights.

The following list are the problems which this past rainy season and violet lightning storms caused in Harbor Lights:

- 1.) A \$20,000+ theft in the storage yard and discussions on how we can tighten security there.
- 2.) Failure of the clubhouse sound amplifier (lightning).
- 3.) Failure of the seventeen-year-old air conditioning system serving the kitchen and restrooms.
- 4.) Many problems with the ice storage chest in the laundry.
- 5.) The board president has given the go-ahead on solving the amplifier failure (lightning).
- 6.) The board vice president has been working on some good ideas and options to greatly increase security at the storage yard (priority).

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BOARD COMMUNICATION CONT.

We have kept running files of information concerning all these issues to be available for all to read.

There is a ring binder with the details of the passage of the new "Structures Over Water" ordinance which places control of docks in the hands of the City of Venice.

There is now a large ring binder containing all the documents, maps and charts relating to the small strip of land we need to possess.

Everyone not here for the summer has a great deal of information to catch up.

Hangin' in there

Eleanor Johnson, Patrick Keigher, Larry Sanborn, Phil Myers

COVER STORY – TENNIS AWNING / SUN SCREEN

The new Tennis Sun Screen / Awning has arrived and has been installed on the tennis court, see picture.

The Awning came in under cost by \$139.70. The cost of the Awning was shared by the Tennis club players paying 50%, the Recreation Board paying 25% and the Co Op Board paying 25%, so get your rackets ready for the season tennis play, the court is ready and waiting for you to have great fun.

I am sure most of you have been playing and practicing all summer, but if you need some pointers, the good news is Richard has committed to provide the weekly tennis clinic again this season.

With the Awning coming in under budget, this leaves Mac some money to apply for tennis balls write up front. The strap for the net broke over the summer, but, Debby S. mended it and it is ready to go. Hope to see everyone soon on the action court (Tennis).

Larry Sanborn

LADIES BRIDGE

July 18 at Nancy's

1 st	Helen Neiwirth	3150
2 nd	Ann Partridge	3030
3 rd	Pat Marsden	2560

July 25 at Carolyn's

1 st	Nancy Chatfield	3140
2 nd	Pat Marsden	3130
3 rd	Carolyn Welton	1600
4 th	Ginny Walsh	1550

Aug. 1 at Ginny's

1 st	Alida Harrop	3010
2 nd	Carolyn Welton	2600
3 rd	Ginny Walsh	2270
4 th	Nancy Chatfield	1770

Aug. 8 at Carolyn's

1 st	Ginny Walsh	2790
2 nd	Pat Marsden	1950
3 rd	Nancy Chatfield	1750
4 th	Carolyn Welton	1590

Aug. 15 at Nancy's

1 st	Nancy Chatfield	3080
2 nd	Ali Hahn	2430
3 rd	Ginny Walsh	2170
4 th	Carolyn Welton	2110

Aug. 22 at Carolyn's

1 st	Ginny Walsh	2600
2 nd	Carolyn Welton	1960
3 rd	Nancy Chatfield	1840
4 th	Ali Hahn	1200

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FISHERMAN'S KORNER ON THE DOCK

No activity on the fishing dock.

IN THE GULF

No activity in the gulf.

Just a little note, at the present time, those who are getting out to fish are catching black tip sharks, king mackerel and some of the other fish just offshore, that will be moving south for the winter.

Capt. Jack's boat has completed maintenance and is ready for fishing.

As a result of tropical storm Isaac many of the boats had been hauled and stored in the boat yard. Unfortunately three of our boats were involved in a larceny while in the boat yard. Thieves entered our boat yard and stole four lower units from three of our boats. Two lower units were removed from Capt. Glen's boat, one lower unit from Capt. George Satterley and one lower unit from Capt. Ted Meier. The total loss is approximately \$20,000. All of the lower units stolen were Yamahas. Apparently the thieves had a preference for this type of lower unit. At least one other boat and possibly more, were checked by the thieves however, due to various mechanical problems, (no batteries in boat or the thieves were unable to raise the lower units and therefore no lower units were stolen from those boats). The perpetrators were obviously skilled in the removal of these units.

Capt. Charlie Keener was fortunate enough not to have his units stolen. After the larceny he had his units removed and placed safely in storage.

Those of you who own boats with outboard motors need to be aware of this situation and take the necessary precautions next spring when storing your boat. It took a professional mechanic 28 minutes to remove Charlie Keener's lower units and properly place them in storage. Just an idea of how long it may have taken the thieves to remove four lower units, obviously not more than 1 hour.

We hope that next months beacon will bring much happier and more successful fishing.

For those returning in October, please check the current fishing regulations for gag and red grouper, as well as other gulf fish.

On a sad note, the famous dolphin, Beggar, known to many of us, has passed away. As many of us know Beggar resided on the intercoastal near the Albee Street Bridge. He was a friend to all who passed by there on their boats and quite a entertainer. He will be missed.

If you have a nice catch, give us a call.
941-488-2671.

Capt. Jack

CONDOLENCES

We wish to express our sympathy and condolences to **Judy Ward** and family. **Ron** passed away on Sunday, September 23, after a short illness. Cards and prayers would be appreciated.

We wish to express our sympathy and condolences to **Marie Puma** and family. **Ralph** passed away September 26. Card and prayers would be appreciated.

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EUCHRE

April 19

1 st	Bob Welton	62
2 nd	Rita Prendergast	57
3 rd	Jane Dellina	55
	Barb Erwin	55

April 26

1 st	Helen Alderton	60
2 nd	Shirley Reindl	59
3 rd	Bob Welton	57
4 th	Imelda Kring	55

May 3

1 st	Judy Strudgeon	58
2 nd	Carl Genrick	52
3 rd	Jean Dunn	50
	Carolyn Young	50
	Jerry Young	50

May 10

1 st	Jim Sandwick	53
2 nd	Carolyn Welton	42
3 rd	Shirley Reindl	41
	Helen Alderton	41
	Bob Welton	41

May 17

1 st	Jane Dellina	53
	Barb Erwin	53
2 nd	Carolyn Welton	50

May 24

1 st	Carolyn Welton	41
2 nd	Pat	28
3 rd	Bob Welton	24
4 th	Barb Erwin	23

May 31

1 st	Jane Dellina	58
2 nd	Dom DeMarco	54
3 rd	Phyllis DeMarco	53

June 7

1 st	Carolyn Welton	50
2 nd	Bob Welton	47
3 rd	Jane Dellina	46
4 th	Barb Erwin	35

June 21

1 st	Joan Ronco	53
2 nd	Bob Welton	52
3 rd	Jane Dellina	44
4 th	Barb Erwin	39

June 28

1 st	Bob Welton	46
2 nd	Carolyn Welton	45
3 rd	Barb Erwin	40
4 th	Joan Ronco	27

July 5

1 st	Barb Erwin	50
2 nd	Linda Bolender	48
3 rd	Bob Welton	45
4 th	Joan Ronco	41

July 12

1 st	Jane Dellina	64
2 nd	Barb Erwin	43
3 rd	Bob Welton	41
4 th	Joan Ronco	40

July 26

1 st	Bob Welton	62
2 nd	Joan Ronco	52
3 rd	Jane Dellina	41
4 th	Barb Erwin	37

August 2

1 st	Barb Erwin	44
2 nd	Bob Welton	43
3 rd	Jane Dellina	42
4 th	Joan Ronco	41

August 9

1 st	Bob Welton	65
2 nd	Jane Dellina	56
3 rd	Joan Ronco	43
4 th	Barb Erwin	38

August 16

1 st	Bob Welton	55
2 nd	Barb Erwin	52
3 rd	Joan Ronco	50
4 th	Carolyn Welton	41

OCTOBER

Birthdays

- 3 Don Awrey #71
- 4 Joan Comstock #55
- 6 Mo Hindmarsh #28
- 8 Ruth Jones #44
- 11 Nancy DeSain #112
- 17 Gail Awrey #71
- 20 Ray Cassada #64
Robin Goff #56
- 25 Patricia Marsden #141
Marie Puma #82
- 26 Burke Johnson #22
Niki Butcher #37

Early NOVEMBER

- 1 Jim Jones #1
Mary McRoberts #8
- 2 Frank Friberg #107
- 3 Elizabeth Bradley #109
Jean Dunn #97
- 4 Bob Marsden #141



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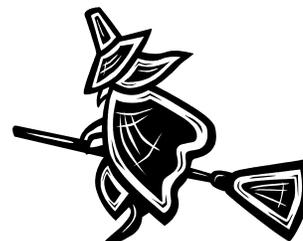
Anniversaries

- 5 Mike and Jane Dellina #81
- 17 Bobby and Madolyn Smith #10

Early NOVEMBER

- 1 Larry and Debby Sanborn #32
- 2 Gordon and Jean Meyer #145
- 12 Tom and Nancy DeSain #112

HAPPY HALLOWEEN



ACTIVITIES TO REMEMBER FOR OCTOBER -

- OCT, 9 BUDGET MEETING
- OCT. 10 FLORAC MEETING
- OCT. 11 CO-OP BD. MEETING
- OCT. 16 BUDGET MEETING
- OCT. 19 FLU SHOTS
- OCT. 26 TGIF PARTY –
PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST

CONDOLENCES

We wish to express our sympathy and condolences to Marie Puma and family, Ralph passed away September 26. Cards and prayers would be appreciated.