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From the HOA President:

Our second regular board meeting of the year on Feb. 17 saw finances slightly over budget for the first month of the new year. This was a result of the many items needed to finalize the setting up of the new entry system that controls our entry gates, as well as our clubhouse entry for all residents. While one category was over budget, others were an average of \$600 under budget, suggesting a continued budget adherence trend for the coming months.

There were more homeowners who did not pay their first-quarter assessments than in past months — 37, to be exact. Some may have paid their first-quarter assessments since the end of January. If you have had problems getting the correct information to pay your assessments, call Compass Rose Management at (239) 309-0622 to obtain the information. You also can contact our community association manager, Scarlet Milano, at her new e-mail address: scarletm@crmfl.com She can then e-mail you the information you need to get your payment in.

The board realizes there have been problems with obtaining the proper payment information with the turnover in property management companies. Therefore, no charges such as interest, late fees or fines will be added to delinquent accounts for the entire first quarter of 2021. Homeowners now have until the end of March to bring their accounts up to date. Don't forget that the second-quarter maintenance fee is due April 1.

Once again, the subject of speeders was brought up by the homeowners in attendance. The board has been looking into having our night-time security contractor here with their radar equipment. Another option is to have Lee County Sheriff's Office catch the speeders, which would result in points off the speeders' driver's licenses. That might be more effective PLEASE slow down, as our "access roads" are much more narrow than Griffin Drive and other county roads.

The board's next regular board meeting is April 21, and our annual membership meeting is on March, 17. Don't forget to send in or drop off your proxy vote so this year's annual meeting can be held. We need 99 proxy votes to hold this meeting. We don't want to put the meeting off again like it was last year. PLEASE drop off your proxy votes in our clubhouse gray drop box or give them to Scarlet on Wednesday afternoons from 1 to 3 in our clubhouse main room.

Once again, I want to thank ALL committee and board members for all they do for Silverlakes.

Social Committee:

Free Coffee and Conversation are offered at 8:30 a.m. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the clubhouse. This is a great opportunity to meet your neighbors!

Game Nights are offered at 7pm on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Hand and Foot is played on Mondays; Euchre on Tuesdays; and a variety of games on Thursdays. All residents are invited.

Coming events

Monday, March. 8: Book Club, 2 p.m. The book for this month is "The Charm Bracelet" by Viola Shipman. Please RSVP by contacting Marilyn at 561-1294.

Saturday, March 27: Easter Egg Hunt at 10 a.m. Social distance while taking a picture *outdoors* with the Easter Bunny. A stuffed animal will be given to all who RSVP by calling Agnes at 561-9661.

Saturday, March 27: Monthly Bingo Night, 7 p.m. Three cards for \$5, and snacks and water are free, Please RSVP by contacting Cheryl at (412) 616-0992.

Saturday, April 3: Free Ice Cream Social. Individually wrapped ice cream will be served. More information to follow.

Monday, April 12: Book Club, 2 p.m. at the clubhouse. The book for this month is "The Vanishing Half" by Brit Bennett,

Saturday, April 24: Monthly Bingo Night, 7 p.m. Three cards for \$5, and snacks and water are available for free.

Sunshine Committee:

The Sunshine Committee sends greeting cards to Silverlakes residents who are recovering from an illness or surgery, celebrating the addition of a child to the family or mourning the loss of a loved one. If you know someone who could use a card, call Sue Beard at (239) 284-3936 or email her at shadden@comcast.net. Sue will need the name AND address of the recipient.