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A message from our president, Lauren "Bird" Siegel, for the HOA Board of Directors:

We now have a nice flat parking lot at our clubhouse, thanks to recently completed work authorized by the board.

At the Oct. 17 meeting, I reported that tree roots were removed, a large (about 10-by-12 inch) trench was filled with concrete and the brick pavers were put back in place. The roots had caused some of the bricks to heave, causing a trip hazard.

The new trench will block the roots from raising the pavers for many years to come, and the bonus is that the work was completed without the loss of any parking spaces.

In addition, the four oak trees have been trimmed to reduce the size of their canopies.

The board thanks residents for their patience during the construction.

The board noted that the social committee has hosted 20 functions since the first of the year. I think everyone appreciates all the committee and its members do for our community. Our thanks to all of them. I certainly enjoy the events.

I ask all our residents to log onto our web site, [silverlakes-gateway-hoa.com](http://www.silverlakes-gateway-hoa.com), and take a look at our new home page fly-over video. It shows off our community entrance and clubhouse quite nicely.

It has been brought to my attention by a Lee County sheriff that a lot of garage doors are being left up when there is no one around. His concern is that the many vendors that are in and out of our community are able to see everything our residents keep in their garages. That could prompt a theft at a later time, probably after dark. It could also lead to a home invasion.

I ask that all residents please remember to blow the grass clippings back into the lawn after mowing. Please help keep our lakes clean.

Because Thanksgiving is the day after the third Wednesday of November, when our regular board meeting would have been held, we have moved our next regularly scheduled board meeting to the

second Wednesday of November, Nov. 14, at 6 p.m. The 2019 budget will be adopted at that meeting.

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

Italian Dinner in the Clubhouse

Sixty people enjoyed a culinary voyage to Italy when Silverlakes held its annual Italian Dinner on Saturday, Oct. 20, in the clubhouse. Food was prepared by Silverlakes residents Marilyn Steiner, chicken piccata; JoAnn Capuano, orecchiette with broccoli rabe and Italian cookies; Pat Macchia, pasta and meatballs; and Shirley Willmering, traditional salad with Italian dressing. The menu also included antipasto, bread with olive oil and grapes.

Coming up

Saturday, Oct. 27: Christmas card making for beginners, 2 p.m., \$1 per card

Saturday, Oct. 27: Bingo, 7 p.m., \$5 for three cards, with additional cards available for \$2 each. The cost includes soft drinks, water and snacks.

Sunday, Oct. 28, Welcome Reception for new homeowners, 2 to 3 p.m. in the clubhouse

Saturday, Nov. 17: Harvest Celebration with dinner at 6:30 p.m. featuring ham, turkey and lots of vegetables and desserts

Saturday, Nov. 24: Christmas gift card and card-making class for beginners, 2 p.m., \$1 per card

Saturday, Nov. 24: Bingo, 7 p.m., \$5 for three cards, with additional cards available for \$2 each. The cost includes soft drinks, water and snacks.

Sunshine Committee

The Sunshine Committee sends greeting cards to people who are welcoming a new child to the family, recovering from surgery or an illness or mourning the loss of a loved one. If you know someone who could use a card, please call Sue Beard at (239) 689-8065 or email her at shadden@comcast.net Sue will need the name and address of the person to whom the card will be sent.

In Memoriam

Yvonne Raskow of 11296 Lakeland Circle passed away Oct. 16 in her home. She was the last of her immediate family.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Italo and Anica Takabokija of 13091 Lake Meadow Drive on the death of their grandson.