



From the Lighthouse . . .

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News & Notes for Lighthouse Cove Residents

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High School Athlete Day



On Saturday, April 17, from 9 – noon, high school athletes are invited to join Bolletteiri Sports Therapy Center's Physical Therapists for a free health screening.

From sore muscles to popping joints, athletes will have the opportunity to work one-on-one with therapists who commonly work with pro athletes.

The screening will be held in Medical Office Building Two, 6310 Health Park Way, Suite 310 - just behind Lakewood Ranch Medical Center.

Tax Help



Call Manatee Central Library (appts. M & F, 9-2pm), 1301 Barcarrota Blvd., Bradenton, 803-8164. Or Braden River Library (W & F, 12-5pm), 4915 53rd Ave. E., 727-6079.

The Search



I went to find the pot of gold

That's waiting where the rainbow ends.

I searched and searched and searched and searched and searched and searched, and then -

There it was, deep in the grass, Under an old and twisty bough.

It's mine, it's mine, it's mine at last . . .

What do I search for now?

-- Shel Silverstein



March 14th!

LHC Board Meeting Highlights

At their February 15th meeting, the Board of Directors discussed these topics:

A. Vote for Property Management Company has been postponed. We will continue to work with Allure Property Management, Inc.

B. Volunteers are needed for our ARC (Architectural Review Committee). Please consider taking an hour or two a month to help. Looks good on a resume, too!



C. Our newsletter/advertising team is working hard to better the quality of our ad page using higher resolution printing.

D. Coming soon - New Tot Lot trash can. Please take care of it!

Next Board Meeting

When: Mon., March 15

Where: The Church at Braden River (across from Bright House)

F.Y.I., LHC



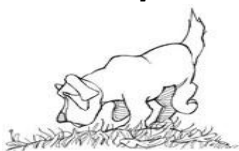
* The US Postal

Service no longer wants commas or periods used when addressing mail, and requires abbreviations for words like "Street" (St) and "Road" (Rd). Consult A

Customer's Guide to Mailing at

<http://pe.usps.gov/cpim/ftp/manuals/dmm100/dmm100.pdf>

* Dog feces can be **SERIOUSLY** unhealthy. According to Pet Butler.com, "a number of common parasites (i.e., roundworm) are transmitted via dog feces. When these infected dog droppings are left on the ground, the eggs of these parasites can linger in the soil for years."



Remember the Frisbee Fido retrieved from the soccer field last week? Yuck times a million. Please pick up Poochie's poop.

Keen Crafts

Check out the Downtown



Sarasota Arts & Crafts Festival. March 27-28 on Main Street in Sarasota. Hundreds of exhibitors. 10-5.

Local Leaders



Welcome to our two new LHC Board Members, Joseph Ramsey and Miranda Monahan, both of Chatum Light. We are pleased to have their knowledge, positive energy, and team spirit.

Help Us Save!

Opt to receive FTL via e-mail rather than a snail mail, paper copy.

Contact the Editor at kiwigirl9081@gmail.com.

Stop Solicitation

Those of you who, like your kind and generous editor, always feel obliged to buy from people selling stuff or asking for donations, listen up. Solicitation is **NOT** acceptable in LHC.



Recently, an unfamiliar man has been ringing doorbells and asking for blankets.

And believe it or not, people im-personating Verizon and Bright House workers have walked our streets. We certainly want to support school fund-raising efforts, but be cautious. You should not open your door for anyone you do not know.



Consider installing a front-door peephole (easy and worth it).

A Little about a Lot

Lighthouse Cove has a cute kiddie spot. This little lot's only for tots. Terrible teens sauntered in, But tots kicked these teens' shins. And now the offenders limp – A LOT.

(LHC's Tot Lot is for tots. Anyone else – not!)

Good Stuff:

* **Kidnetic.com**

Great scavenger hunt to keep the kids busy. Click on the scavenger hunt link and off they go to search for items in the house.



* **ArCadia All-Florida Championship Rodeo.**



Bareback riding, barrel racing, and bull riding.

March 12-14 at Rodeo Arena, 124 Heard St., Arcadia. Seat tickets start at \$15 (kids 11 and under are \$10). Arcadiarodeo.com

Irish Soda Bread



Mix together:

4 cups flour
4 tsp. baking powder
¼ tsp. baking soda
2 tsp. salt
1 cup sugar
1 cup raisins

Heat to liquid and add to mix:

1 Tbs. butter
1 Tbs. Crisco

Beat and add to mix:

1 egg beaten
2 cups milk (at room temp.)

Spoon into 8" frying pan, greased and floured. Bake 1 hour at 325 degrees until golden brown. After 30 minutes in oven, score bread with a +.

Looking for the Write Teen



Hey, LHC Teens! Like to write? This newsletter is looking for a middle or high school student to address various TEEN TOPICS in an occasional column. If interested, contact the editor.

Spring Cleaning

Time to clean:

- * both recycling bins
- * earring backs
- * linen/clothes closets
- * ice-cube maker
- * wallet (see below)

Clutterdiet.com suggests these steps for weeding your wallet:



1. **MAKE ROOM.** Pull out contents and sort receipts that can be filed or tossed; discard expired coupons.
2. **PREPARE.** Photocopy credit cards and IDs, front and back. Keep them in a safe place. Take out your Social Security card (you know the number, and you don't want an ID thief to get it.)
3. **PRIORITIZE.** Replace only the cards that you use often. Find a spare wallet or just rubber band those gift cards together and stash them in your car's glove compartment.

Wanted: Advertisers

Want to promote your wares, services, and specialties? Consider an ad in next month's newsletter.



We'll include your business-card sized ad for FREE (offer valid for first month of ad's run only). For details, contact LHCADS@yahoo.com

Answers to FTL's February Cross- word Puzzle:



Across

1. chatum light run
2. Lisa
4. speeders
5. ad page
6. arc
8. tot lot
10. truscapes
11. hibiscus
12. fido
13. karaoke
14. wednesday
15. lovebugs
16. fine



Down:

1. chinese drywall
3. friday
7. ewatch
9. onehundredseven

Property Manager's Notes

Property Manager Monique Toler reminds owners that 2nd Quarter Maintenance Fees will be due in April.



Look for a coupon sheet in your mailbox mid-March.

Little Sprouts

**Preschool Club –
Butterflies at Marie
Selby Botanical
Garden.**



**DATE: April 6, 2010
TIME: 10:30-11:30am.
Free with admission.
Grow closer with your
little sprout by joining
Donna Krabill, the
Director of Environ-
mental Education,
to have fun with
plants through
interactive activities.**

**Each session includes
a great story, art
project and more.**

Claver Fun



According to The Guinness Book of World Records, the highest number of leaves found on a clover is 14!

Feelin' lucky?

If you've been approached graciously by a Board Member who asks you kindly to move your (consistently) illegally parked vehicle from one of our LHC streets, you are lucky you haven't YET been ticketed or towed.

Important #s:

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*Property Manager,
Monique Toler: 373-6713

*Manatee Sheriff's Office:
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