

THE LANDFALL VOICE

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July 4th - Independence Day 2017 A Special Occasion for the Entire Landfall Community

MONDAY, JULY 3RD FANTASTIC FIREWORKS SHOW

Approximately 9:00 pm - visible from the Nicklaus Driving Range

TUESDAY, JULY 4TH

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9:30 am ASSEMBLE AT SUN RUNNER FOR DECORATED VEHICLE PARADE

10:00 am VEHICLE PARADE

Uncle Sam wants you and your decorated vehicle in Landfall's own parade of cars!

If you own a classic or antique car, Humvee, motor home, motorcycle, classic truck, funny car or any vehicle, please decorate and join in the fun of parading through Landfall on the way to the festivities at the Landfall recreation site.

The parade will leave from Sun Runner Place at 10:00 am and will travel down Arboretum, then turn right on Pembroke Jones to Drysdale Drive to meet the kids' parade.

10:30 AM CHILDREN'S PARADE

From Drysdale Drive, the children will join the motor vehicle parade with bikes, skateboards, strollers, etc. Come join

the fun, dress up, wave your flags and decorate your vehicle!

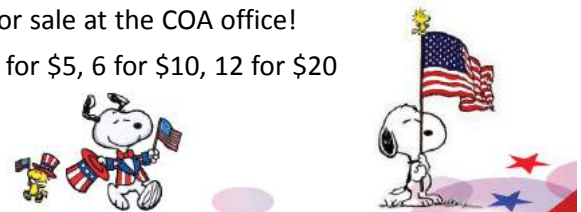
11:00 am-1:00 pm KID'S GAMES & CCL COOKOUT AT THE COA REC SITE

Cake eating contest, inflatables, dunking machine, balloon toss, tug-of-war, face painting, Mr. Magic & Spunky the Clown.

CCL will fire up the grill for a good old-fashioned cookout, available to all for cash or member number. Complimentary popcorn and sno-cones will be provided.

Don't forget your American flags! For sale at the COA office!

3 for \$5, 6 for \$10, 12 for \$20



A Word from Your COA Board Chair

by Mary McKenna

COA Board Election

As I hope many of you already know, the COA Board election has now concluded. The standing Board for this year is as follows:

- Mary McKenna - District 1 - Chair
- Frank Madonna - District 2 - Vice Chair
- Jerry Van Schaick District 3 - Treasurer
- Carl Roark - District 4
- John Dorland - District 5
- Don Britt - At-Large
- Katherine McKenzie At-Large – Secretary

I would also like to thank all of our residents who have volunteered to serve on COA Committees this year!

COA Annual Meeting Wrap Up

We had a wonderful turn out for the COA Annual Meeting on March 28th at CCL. Due to a family emergency, I was unable to attend the meeting. I would like to extend a huge thank you to Frank Madonna and the COA staff who carried on in my absence. At the meeting, staff and board leadership did our best to address lingering resident concerns, as well as go over large projects from the prior year and outline what is to come. Steve Hughes provided in-depth information about the infrastructure of Landfall and the reserve funds needed to maintain it as well as highlight the important work that the

COA does to maintain the community that we love. Sandy Slocum provided a wonderful history of Landfall and explained how the COA came to be as well as the many differing associations and intricate parts of what makes our community run. I was thrilled to hear there were so many new residents in attendance as well. Overall the meeting was a success and we greatly appreciate the attendance and feedback that was received. If you were unable to attend, please visit the COA website to download a copy of the presentation slides from the meeting.

Snakes!

Just a quick reminder on the topic of summer safety, please be aware that the warm weather has brought out the snakes. There have been several sightings and removals so far this spring and there are probably many more to come. You can stay safe simply by being mindful while engaging in outdoor activities and especially when doing any kind of gardening or yard work. It is highly encouraged that garage doors not be left open for long periods. This creates a perfect opportunity for snakes (and possibly other critters) to come in and make themselves at home, creating an unpleasant surprise for homeowners thereafter. For more information about snakes and how to identify them, visit our website: www.landfall.org/wildlife and test your knowledge by taking the “spot the copperhead quiz!”

Maintenance Update

by Steve Hughes, Chief of Operations

It is that time of year again, when our lawns test our patience; some lawns are green already, but others are hardly green at all. Let me see if I can be of help with this issue.

It may surprise you to learn that 99% of the lawns in Landfall are warm season grasses. Without boring you too much, warm season grasses that need a combination of day time highs and night time lows of 150 degrees before they start to grow aggressively. When this occurs on a regular basis, the soil temperature should reach about 70 degrees, which is the key. This is why you will notice lawns that are in full sun always green up first. Simply put, it is a lot warmer in the sun than it is in the shade. I always like to explain to people that their lawns in Landfall will usually be at its best around July 4th.

Wilmington is located in the transition zone. This simply means we are too far north to grow warm season grasses year round and too far south to grow cool season grasses year round. To me, the transition zone is the most difficult place I have ever grown turf grass. Between the many different diseases, insects and weeds that call this area home, a real challenge is presented. This is difficult, but not impossible; which is why continuing education and working closely with NC State

University staff is so important. Today's products are constantly being removed from the shelf and replaced with new and more environmentally friendly ones.

So, to sum it up: please do not let a landscaper tell you growing grass is easy. If they do, you might want to think twice before you hand over your hard-earned money.

Over the next few weeks Vector control will be in Landfall spraying our nature trails for mosquitoes. Our counts this year are extremely high and we are working closely with the county to get the best control on the mosquitoes that we can.

I would like to once again thank you for your continued support of the LAS and LOS programs. We are extremely busy and doing our very best to complete work orders as quickly as possible. I assure you that we will give each and every one of you our fullest attention. I will not bring in untrained temporary workers to speed up our lead times or allow for the quality of our work to diminish. Each and every one of you deserves our very best work and that is exactly what I will deliver.

Once again thank you and I wish all of you a very safe and enjoyable summer.

The Frank H. Kenan Chapel Presents:

The Port City Music Festival June 4, 2017 at 5:00 pm

This will be the ninth year for the very popular Port City Music Festival to be in Wilmington. It is a three-night event, beginning right here at Kenan Chapel. It is directed by cellist and conductor Dr. Stephen Framil and will again have international performers such as violinist Luigi Mazzochi, pianist Dr. Daniel Lau and mezzo-soprano Kyle Engler. Featured selections will be from Beethoven and Bach.

Complimentary tickets are available at the NE Branch of the NHC Library beginning May 30th. A reception follows the concert at the Country Club of Landfall. Visit Kenanchapel.com and "Like" us on Facebook for up-to-date information.

Kenan Chapel would like to thank the Landfall Foundation for its continued support of our concert series that features so many amazing young artists from UNCW, UNC School of the Arts and the greater Wilmington community.



IMPORTANT COMMUNITY REMINDERS

Upcoming Landfall Inspection Reminder

Landfall COA performs an annual (from the street) survey of the entire Landfall community. This year, the survey will be conducted in early June. Please take time to address areas of your homesite that may need maintenance. Make sure that siding, foundations, front stairs and walkways are clean and free of mildew, discoloration or damage. Inspect trim around doors and windows, garage doors, rooflines and porches to make sure there are no areas of peeling paint, wood rot or damage. Inspect the condition of paint on trim, shutters, front doors and railings and apply fresh paint if it is needed. Please pay special attention to landscaping; making sure that lawns are mowed, overgrown areas are cleaned up, replace any dead plantings, remove any weeds from landscape beds and apply fresh mulch or pine straw in planting beds if it is needed.

For bare areas in lawns, please make decisions for how these will be addressed. Now is the perfect time to consider new sod, stonework, groundcovers or perhaps converting bare areas into new landscaping beds with attractive plants and shrubs. Please remember to obtain prior ARC approval for changes and modifications to homes and landscapes.

Golf Course Safety

The Country Club of Landfall proposed the following reminder be disseminated to all Landfall residents periodically. As you know, CCL is a private club and establishes rules for its property's access and use. It should be noted that none of the COA dues are given to CCL for maintenance of CCL facilities. Please observe this rule.

Landfall residents, please be aware that the property owned by the Country Club of Landfall is only to be used by members and their accompanied guests. Club property includes all facilities, golf courses and cart paths.

The golf course, in particular, is for use by those playing golf. Any other use during golfing hours would be in violation of this policy. When the course is not open for play, CCL members and accompanied guests are permitted to use the paths for recreational activities such as walking or cycling. Nonmembers are not permitted on the course or paths at any time.

Country Club of Landfall is not responsible for any damage or injury to you or your property in violation of this policy. For safety reasons, during golfing hours anyone other than registered golfers will be asked to leave the course.

Planning your summer vacation? Do not forget to sign up for our Landfall house checks and Security will check your home while you are away. Visit our website at www.landfall.org/security to download and print the form, which can be dropped off at the COA office on Drysdale Drive or at ANY of the gate houses. Having summer guests? Speed things up at the gates by calling in your guests and contractors in advance - call 910-256-5311.

Summer Boating & Water Safety

by Allison Kasper, COA Maintenance

As the hot weather gets closer, many of us will take to the water of some sort whether it be a pool, lake or beach for fun. No matter what your choice, you should always be very careful and follow general water safety rules.

Before going out on the water, make sure someone knows where you are going and that you have a way of communicating. Always check the local weather conditions. If you notice darkening clouds, rough changing winds or a sudden drop in temperature, get out of the water as soon as you can and seek shelter.

Proper boating safety includes knowing how to swim. Make sure that you have proper life jackets and/or flotation devices. Also be sure before going out on your boat that you have all of the required safety gear and equipment.

One of my biggest safety concerns is avoiding alcohol.

Drinking alcohol not only affects you but could also affect the people surrounding you! As I mentioned before, these are only a few boating safety highlights.

Rip currents are a dangerous beach hazard. If you do get caught in a rip current, the best thing you can do is stay calm and not fight the current. Do NOT try to swim directly into shore. Swim along the shoreline until you escape the current's pull. When free from the pull of the current, swim at an angle away from the current toward shore.

Wherever you are going, they may have their own rules, please follow them! There are several companies that offer a boating safety course, one being the US Coast Guard. If you are new to boating or if you have been doing it for years, this course is great for everyone, even as a refresher.

CERT SpringFest

by Bob Mitchell, CERT

Once every two years, the Landfall Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) has SpringFest to raise operating funds, introduce First Responders to the community and emphasize safety for our residents. We arrange annual CPR and First Aid courses with over 400 people trained!

Saturday, April 22nd turned out to be a beautiful day for the 2017 Landfall CERT SpringFest and Car Show. The day had something for everyone: amazing cars to look at, a bicycle rodeo for the kids, raffle prizes throughout the day, document shredding, recycling of electronics and hazardous materials, and great food.

The Amigo Car Club of Landfall organized the car show and The Rusty Bumpers Band provided an amazing musical back drop for the show with 3 hours of classic rock. The best in show award was renamed the Peter Burr Award in memory of CERT's own Peter Burr (who passed away in 2016) who was an avid car buff. This year's award went to Russell Gosnell for his 1961 Red Mercedes 190 SL chosen by Karen Burr.

The Cape Fear Cyclists set up a bicycle rodeo for the children to teach them the rules of the road and riding safety with assistance from Switchin Gears, a local non-profit that teaches kids how to do safety inspections and repair their own bikes. They were thrilled to receive a dozen bike donations during the day that they will repair, recycle and give to a deserving person in need of transportation.

The Wilmington Police Department, NHRMC-EMS bike unit as well as the New Hanover County Sheriff's office bike unit were in attendance to give riding advice as well as some great giveaways to everyone.

A raffle was held with dinner for 8 at CCL as first prize, 4 hours yard work by the COA (second prize) and both CPR and First Aid courses – a priceless gift!

Joe Tomlinson was the grand prize winner of dinner for 8 at CCL working with the chef to create a menu.

If you are interested in learning more about Landfall CERT, please call Bob Mitchell at 256-0189.

SAVE THE DATE - FALL FESTIVAL

Summer is just beginning, with the beach, vacation trips, and other seasonal activities taking priority for area residents.

Now is the time to mark your calendars for Landfall's 16th Annual Fall Festival, benefiting the Kenan Chapel and the Great Oaks Club. This year's festival will be held on Saturday, October 28th, in conjunction with Halloween festivities.

This year's Fall Festival will include many old favorites, the car show, initiated last year, some new games and Halloween activities, the great food...more details will come later.

As the Chapel's only fund-raising event, the Fall Festival helps ensure that we raise the funds needed to support the free

community concerts, which feature emerging young musicians and Great Oaks' landscape and wildlife projects.

Community residents and local businesses are needed as sponsors and to make donations for the Silent Auctions. If you own a business or have suggestions for a business that might be recruited to be a sponsor or if you as an individual are interested in a sponsorship or have items to donate for the auction, please contact Steve Burdt at 256-5895 steveburdt16@gmail.com or Mike Kane at 679-4184 kanex5@aol.com. The Chapel is a charitable 501(c)(3) organization so donations are tax deductible.

Merchant Marine Memorial Unveiled on National Maritime Day

As we celebrate the 4th of July Holiday, a member of our community is celebrating the success of a project which pays tribute to Merchant Marine veterans. Congress created National Maritime Day in 1933, to be on May 22nd of each year. This day has been observed in every port city since that time. Every major seaport in the United States has a memorial of some kind for the American Merchant Mariners, except Wilmington. Wilmington has celebrated the National Maritime Day lavishly every year, but there has never been a memorial monument to pay tribute. Captain Henry Helgesen, Master Mariner, retired, U.S. Coast Guard, is a Landfall resident who organized a committee of volunteers to change that.

During the celebration in May 2015, Captain Helgesen

and a group of other attendees, including veterans as well as a number of recent graduates from the Maritime Academy began to discuss the lack of memorial in Wilmington. Together, this group of dedicated volunteers organized, gathered funds and in less than a year was able to commission a beautiful monument to be placed in Wilmington along the river walk.

The memorial was unveiled at a ceremony in downtown Wilmington on May 22nd. The monument is 9 feet tall and made of stunning black granite. The monument was made at a granite company in Mount Airy, NC and is very unique. Now the Port City can enjoy a Memorial Monument which honors the American Merchant Mariners who have served the nation since 1775. Next time you are near the river walk, check it out!

U.S. Flag Etiquette

Displaying the United States Flag

When the flag is displayed from a staff projecting from a window, balcony, or a building, the union should be at the peak of the staff unless the flag is at half staff.

When it is displayed from the same flagpole with another flag - of a state, community, society or Scout unit - the flag of the United States must always be at the top except that the church pennant may be flown above the flag during church services for Navy personnel when conducted by a Naval chaplain on a ship at sea.

When flown with flags of states, communities, or societies on separate flag poles which are of the same height and in a straight line, the flag of the United States is always placed in the position of honor - to its own right.

- The other flags may be smaller, but none may be larger.
- No other flag ever should be placed above it.
- The flag of the United States is always the first flag raised and the last to be lowered.

When displaying the flag against a wall, vertically or horizontally, the flag's union (stars) should be at the top, to the flag's own right, and to the observer's left.

Raising and Lowering the Flag

The flag should be raised briskly and lowered slowly and ceremoniously. Ordinarily it should be displayed only between sunrise and sunset. It should be illuminated if displayed at night.

The flag of the United States of America is saluted as it is hoisted and lowered. The salute is held until the flag is unsnapped from the halyard or through the last note of music, whichever is the longest.

For more information, please visit <http://www.usflag.org/flaquetiquette.html>



Home Service Providers

by Phil Ley, Covenants & Security Committee

Landfall residents are reminded that it is their responsibility to investigate and evaluate any service provider or worker they plan on utilizing in or outside their residence. Landfall COA Security does not vet these services; but will permit access to Landfall if the homeowner grants authorization.

It is suggested that you check out any business with

neighbors or friends who have utilized these services and through the Better Business Bureau's database of business (www.bbb.org). The North Carolina Department of Justice's web site has information on home repair and product tips to avoid problems and scams (<http://www.ncdoj.com/Consumer/Home-Repair-and-Home-Products.aspx>).

Changes & Suggestions for Landfall Voice Newsletter

You may have noticed that the newsletter has a slightly different look. We believe that the newsletter is a wonderful tool to inform and engage our community. As we move forward, we would love to get your feedback. Do you have a question or suggestion about our community that you would like to see in the newsletter and get your friends and neighbors talking about? Is there an item or topic that you have been wondering about and would like to know more information? Chances are, you are not alone and we need to hear from you! If you have suggestions for articles that you would like to see in a coming issue, please call our office or email us at coa@landfall.org.

Be on the lookout for more in depth information about projects and issues in Landfall and the work that the COA is doing throughout the year.

Help us go green by signing up to receive the Voice Newsletter electronically! The web edition of our newsletter is in beautiful full color! On average, the COA uses 55,368 sheets of paper per year to print the hard copy of our newsletter - enjoy our full color edition online and help us go paperless! For more information, email us at the address above.

LANDFALL FACTS

Year to date as of May 2017

Owned Lots Paying Dues	1991
Homes Complete	1705
Homes Under Construction	36
ARC Homes in Process	8
Homes for Sale	116
Lots for Sale	55
Homes Sold	35
Lots Sold	5