



**ALWAYS** look at the **BRIGHT** side  
of **LIFE**



Last week I was leaving Publix when an empty shopping cart zoomed past. This isn't unusual, someone will unload their groceries and then abandon the shopping cart. The wind caught the shopping cart and it picked up speed. Without really thinking, I ran after the runaway cart and caught it before it crashed into a car. Then a guy in a truck drove up, and yelled in the snakiest tone of voice: "WELL, AREN'T YOU MR. BOY SCOUT". Well, I WAS a Scout, but was so surprised by his snarky comment that by the time I'd thought of an appropriate reply, the guy was long gone. My takeaway was that no matter what one does, someone else isn't going to like it. I suspect that this will also be true during my tenure on the Board of Directors, but I'll do my best to keep the dislikes WAY down.

Anchorage is lucky to have an awesome Board of Directors. Bill is the Pool and Grounds Manager, and he's about as close to an "on site" manager as possible, since he lives across the street from the "pool and grounds". The same applies to Mary, our Clubhouse Manager, who lives across the yard from the Clubhouse. Mary is a retired Flight Attendant for United Air Lines. I'm sure she's glad after last week she wasn't working for Southwest! Joe is the Anchorage Treasurer, and he truly goes above and beyond the call of duty. Last week he personally visited several residents who hadn't paid their dues just to save them a late fee, and our roster wouldn't be complete without our Secretary, Lisa, who's been there and done that (and probably has the T-shirt, too). I invite all my neighbors to work with our directors to have a GREAT 2023!

**ITEMS OF INTEREST**

I've lived here about eight years, and for most of that time, the pool gates have not been secure. One gate can be opened by jiggling it, and the other can be opened with a library card. Since we know about this problem, we'd be liable if an intruder drowned in our pool. To temporarily fix this problem until we replace the gates in a couple years, we'll install padlocks on the gates, and the padlocks will open with the same key currently used to unlock the gates or Clubhouse

There's a "No Soliciting" sign at the entrance to Anchorage, but it's JUST a sign. "Door-to-door sales" are legal in Pinellas County, as long as the sales person has a permit. The Supreme Court has ruled that soliciting on a public street is protected by the 1st Amendment of the Constitution.

Please don't *diddle* the Clubhouse *thermostats*. During the brief cold spell, someone turned the heat up to "Extra Crispy", which blew a breaker, resulting in a several hundred \$\$\$ repair.

I'm updating the Anchorage-hoa website page by page, and I need your help! Our website is the first thing many prospective residents see, so it's important that it looks professional. The web designer who initially did the work did a good job, but there ARE mis-spelled words and awkward sentences. If you find a mistake, please let me know, so I can correct it. My HTML skills are rusty, but practice makes perfect, and unlike a professional Web designer, who earns about \$30 per hour, I'm a volunteer and work for peanuts. (Planters Cocktail Peanuts, that is).



anchorage  
directory  
update

The phone number listed for Karen Solovei under the Street Address Listing is incorrect, it should be 508 735-5049.



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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 Mary Alger..... Vice President/Clubhouse Manager.... 631 681-9626  
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### Prospective Resident Interview

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### Architectural Review

Tony Loureiro ..... 512-7578

### Neighborhood Watch

Barbara Kanehl..... 754-4042

### Librarian

Liz Harmon ..... 828 506-8032

## Editor's Notes

I want to apologize for the newsletter being late last month. It was published on time but a decision above my pay grade was made to hold it up pending distribution of the 2023 Telephone Directory.

Articles for the Newsletter are always welcome. If you have something you would like to have published [garage sale, item to go give away or something to sell] just email it to Dkypoo@aol.com.

Articles must be submitted to reach the Editor by the 20th of the month to insure it publication in the next edition.

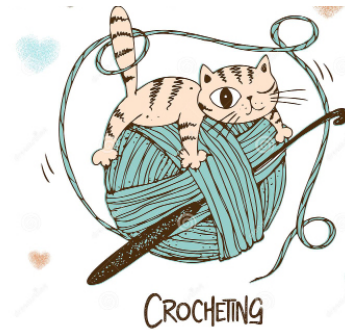
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Board of  
Directors Meeting

Thursday,  
February 16th 7:00 PM

## ACTIVITIES AT ANCHORAGE



## CROCHETING & KNITTING

MONDAY MORNINGS  
10:00 - 12:00 PM

## Exercise Classes

Tuesday and Thursday



**Chair Yoga Classes Are Back  
Wednesday Afternoon**

**1:15 - 2:30 pm**

**Questions concerning Chair Yoga should  
be directed to Karen Solovei  
508 735-5049**



**Happy Hour  
Friday - February 24th  
5:30 pm**

**As usual BYOB and bring a small appetizer to share**