

The Village Voice

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Newsletter For Country Lakes Village II

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HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION (HOA)

Theresa Stevens, HOA President

Hello everyone, we have had a great summer and are now heading into the fall with a little cooler weather. We have had some wild thunderstorms this past month, with lightning hitting a second tree by the clubhouse entrance, and it also scrambled our gate keypad, which has been fixed. Please be careful if you hear thunder and take cover inside a building, not under a tree. The "Resident Pool Party Potluck" has been a great success, and it is open to everyone in the park. Residents have requested to have them year-round, and they will be held once a month, every month. These are not HOA or Social Committee sponsored; just a bunch of friends and neighbors getting together to have fun. If it rains, we move into the clubhouse where the food is, lol!

I want to thank everyone who attended the August meeting. I am told Judy Faries did a fantastic job with her meeting. The new trash cans will start being delivered on August 18 through September. Our first pickup will be on October 8th, a Wednesday, for trash, recycling, and yard waste. Some people are concerned about the new 96-gallon trash can being too big, so in January, a 64-gallon will be available through the county for anyone who requests it.

Just remember, if you have an object too large for the can, there will be a fee to have it picked up, or you can take it to the dump. Have a great September.

God Bless you and God Bless America!

Sincerely,

Theresa Stevens, HOA President



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SOCIAL/FUN COMMITTEE

Judy Faries, Chairperson

Social Committee:

Hope everyone is having a great summer. There has been a lot of talk and misunderstandings about the Social Committee and the old RAC. At the August 6th HOA meeting, the Social Committee presented a discussion on this very subject. So, to try and clear up any questions or concerns, we provided a summary of what happened to get from the RAC to the Social Committee.

We had a RAC for a long time, even before the CO-OP was formed. The people who owned the park before the CO-OP was formed did not provide money for events. The RAC worked as a business at that time, and even when the CO-OP was formed. Because we sold tickets, we had to pay taxes. People volunteered to host an event and had forms and receipts for each event to support the expenses and to show a profit or loss. Therefore, the RAC had a business account. A business account requires a fee and must be registered with the state.

When Miller took over and provided the monies for events, we no longer "sell" tickets to cover the expenses. Therefore, we are not eligible to have a business account because we are not functioning as a business any longer. The only account we could get would have to be in someone's name, and the money would show as income to the IRS. The best choice for us to function was to disband RAC and become the Social Committee, using the HOA's business EIN to open an account. This was voted on by the committee members and approved by all members.

There is no longer a RAC, and the Social Committee is only responsible for the money Miller provides. We do not report to the HOA, and they have no access to the banking account. The Social Committee reports to the Advisory Board and the park office. We prepare a budget for the following year for approval from the Advisory Board and submit the reimbursement forms with all receipts to Country Lake Village II

the park office. When the check is ready someone from the committee picks it up and deposits it in the Social Committee account.

As a RAC we were running the 50/50. We found out that the Social Committee could not make money off Miller's money. So, the function of 50/50 has been moved to the HOA. The Social Committee has nothing to do with the 50/50 anymore. The Social Committee is a standalone and only deals with the money Mr. Miller provides for events. Included in the events are dances, dinners, Saturday coffee hour, and the Ice Cream Social. This does not include the events particular residents wanted to have available, such as darts, pickleball, Feather Your Nest, card games, etc. If you need things like pickle balls, dart boards, etc., check with the office. They have a separate account for things like that and may be able to assist in providing those items.

Another issue that has come up is the clubhouse building and decorating, etc. We were buying pictures and decorations for the walls with Mr. Miller's money and hanging such items up, putting holes in the walls, etc. This building belongs to Mr. Miller, not us. Therefore, we should not have been doing this. The office must keep an inventory of everything in the clubhouse, for example, tables, chairs, fixtures, pictures on the walls, and appliances. While the decorations we were putting up are beautiful, they belong to Miller, and when we take some down, etc., it messes up the inventory for the office. People forget that we do not own the clubhouse, or how it would feel if someone came into your home and started redecorating.

The Social Committee has been busy writing up procedures and duties of the committee for events and such. We have prepared a sheet to describe what must be done for the events, in the hope that it will encourage others to volunteer for duties. This is also being done to help ensure that one person is not always responsible for everything that needs to be done for events. If the tasks are broken into small tasks, it is not so overwhelming. We had some good

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discussions about some ideas for future events and ways we can maximize the money provided by Mr. Miller for community events.

The Funky Monkey dance on the 2nd of August was enjoyed by many. In the summer, there are fewer people around, so we invited CLVI to join us. We can only do this due to capacity issues for summer dances. We are charged the same if twenty people are attending or if fifty people are attending. It was a great turnout, and the band was terrific! A lot of fun was had by all.

I hope this has cleared up any concerns or questions about the RAC and the Social Committee. If there are any additional questions or concerns for the Social Committee, please contact Judy Faries at 301-904-4585.

CLVII Social/Fun Committee

Judy Faries – Chairperson/Financial Manager,
Social Committee Members: Anna Syjud, Judy Marshall, Joanne Fandey, Barry Kastel, Jacquie Weigand

FROM MANAGEMENT NEWS FROM THE MANAGER'S DESK

Katie Dell, Community Manager

Hi Country Lakes! Thank you for all the effort you put into your homes over the summer. I know it can be **MANAGER** difficult in the heat, but your care and detail make our community what it is. With 471 homes, I do my best to see everything, but I am not perfect. Your communication is key to my role in providing you with the level of service you deserve. I love finding solutions and even more so, helping you feel good about where you picked to live. I am so happy you chose Country Lakes Village! With that said, I am excited to announce, Management will be sponsoring a PARTY! "Twilight Movie at the Pool" CLV1 – 10/24 and CLV2 – 10/26. Dirty South Smoke Shack food truck will deliver delicious BBQ, and I have dessert covered. I hope all snowbirds



will be back 'home' to enjoy!

AUGUST 2025 HOME OF THE MONTH! CLV1 #401, Ed & Connie East CLV2 #2129, Suzan Garcia Thank you for the care and pride that shines in your home! Palm trees will be trimmed September 1-14th. Oak trees will be January 5-18th. This biyearly schedule will continue. Some oaks are waiting for permits to be removed, and we are at the county's mercy. You are not forgotten. Continue to manicure your lawns and homes; this is what sets us apart from other communities. Pride in ownership. Please walk around your home, inspect for weeds, debris, or items that need to be stored away in a shed or thrown away. Hurricane season is here. To protect our community, Management can and will maintain your home, if necessary, along with issuing a violation and service fee. Please call the office if you need assistance. I am here to work WITH YOU! - Katie

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NOTES FROM THE ADVISORY BOARD

The Advisory Board comprises CLVI, representing both CLVI and CLVII: Sandy Gilbertson, Bruce Steltzer, and George Schrode, CLVII.

At present, there are openings on the board. Please consider applying for these openings.

Simply submit in writing:

1. Name;
2. CLV address;
3. Email address;
4. Phone number;
5. Date you became a resident of Country Lakes;
6. Are you a full-time/part-time resident?

Give it to any board member or place it in the Advisory Board drop box located in each clubhouse.

The Advisory Board continues to bring residents' concerns and requests to Katie Dell and management. The Board's responsibilities include the annual review and approval of the social activities' budgets of the two community Recreation Activity Committees, along with receiving monetary concerns and requests that affect the improvements in the two communities.

Please use the "Resident Input Form" for your suggestions and concerns. They are available in the clubhouses, from board members, and in this publication. There are input drop boxes in the hallways of both clubhouses to receive the forms or give them to a board member. All input is kept confidential.

The Advisory Board looks forward to receiving your suggestions and ideas for the benefit of our communities.

Discussion on input forms received from residents.

No Input Forms have been received since the last publication of the newsletter. We do appreciate all those we have received and continue to monitor those that are outstanding.

Enjoy the pool, hot weather, each other, and remember to be kind.

Have a wonderful September!
Country Lake Village II

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR:

Deb Williams



Please refer to the 'Welcome to Country Lakes Village II' article in this newsletter. We have two new residents who have joined our community. Their names are Linda Ward and Cindy King. If you see them out and about, please welcome them to the neighborhood and let them know about upcoming events so they can come have some fun and meet their neighbors.

At the request of her daughter, Betty, I am also publishing the obituary of Midge Virtue-Vinson, who recently passed away. It is not normal for me to include resident obituaries in the Village Voice; however, I decided to make an exception for Midge. Midge was one of the original residents of CLVII and was a great friend to many neighbors and residents. Please take the time to read her life story. She was an exceptional woman and had such a great life. It must have been an absolute pleasure to have known her as a friend, a family member, a neighbor, and a fellow resident.

Many of you have probably noticed the work in progress in the library in the clubhouse. There is a group of residents headed by Joanna Brasher, sorting through all the books and getting our bookshelves under control. Many books are being donated to local thrift stores, and those in poor condition are being thrown out. This has made the shelves more manageable and books easier to reach. Assisting Joanna in this huge endeavor has been Suzan Garcia, Sue Dibble, Mary Miceli, Lore Millet, and Joy Woodbeck. If you would like to help them with this, please contact Joanna and let her know that, as much work is still needed. At this time, please do not donate any 'new' books to allow them to get the work completed. More information will follow to keep you all updated on the progress.

Deb Williams, Editor

MIDGE VIRTUE-VINSON, 1929-2025

After a lifetime of facing challenges with resilience and grace, Mildred Mae Phillips Virtue-Vinson, age 96, of McCordsville, IN, died on July 31 after a short illness.

She was born in 1929 on the cusp of the Great Depression to Carey Phillips and Edna Vanaman. She grew up on a farm without electricity or indoor plumbing, wearing clothes made from feed sacks but with abundant food and plenty of siblings. When a young GI, James Andrew Virtue, came to teach at her school, she caught his eye and reinvented herself into the teacher's wife.

She had three children before she learned to drive. After the third, she got her drivers license and a job. That began a long odyssey of success in kitchen management, teaching in vocational schools, and sales.

Together Jim and Mildred had four children, John (Sharon), Robert (Judy), Betty Moore (Roger) and Janice (Dwight Deuring). Jim died when she was 48 and she kept right on, making a way for her family which grew to include grandchildren Kelly White, Brian Moore and Anne Virtue. She was blessed with a second nine-year marriage to John Kuehnle Vinson



with whom she began traveling to Florida for the winter season and making lifetime friends at Country Lakes Village. In the last two years she enjoyed the company of new friends at Traditions at Brookside.

Throughout the years, she might have been referred to as a cake decorator, investor, tennis champ, house flipper, flower whisperer, antique hunter, bluebird mom, family cooking consultant, and inventor of the family games tradition. All of her children, grandchildren and now great grandchildren Avery and Sam White, Blakely and Brody Moore, and Emmett and

August Wilson, know that no family gathering is finished until the games have been played.

Midge was preceded in death by her husbands Jim and John, her son Rob, her parents and siblings Chester, Howard, Helen, James and Ruby, who was also her best friend. She leaves her brother Wayne to carry on the family legacy.

Midge asked that there be no memorial service. Instead, she asked that you watch for the bluebirds and remember her. You can honor her memory by donations to your favorite nature or wildlife organization.

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Peggy Seiler, Coordinator



We are approaching the dominant hurricane season. The peak period recorded is September 10th. We all well remember last year's hurricane season. Storms come, not only with the weather, but in pain, sickness, surgery, and even death. We walk through those storms with each other. In the storms of life, it is good to remember a passage in Mathew 28-20. 'I AM with you always, even unto the end of the world' and in Hebrews 13-5 'I will NEVER leave you nor forsake you'.

We were saddened to learn from Betty Moore about the passing of her mother, Midge Virtue-Vinson, on July 31st after a short illness. She was ninety-six. Many in our village knew Midge.

We were also deeply sorry to learn of the passing of Dale Daughtery, another well-known and loved former resident who was noted for the time and talent he devoted to CLVII, particularly the Village Voice and our annual resident directory. He is warmly remembered and missed by many. His wife, Lynda, remains in their home in Michigan.

Bob Autry returned home on August 1st to recuperate after having triple bypass surgery. His wife, Deb, reports that he is steadily recovering at home.

Caring for one another means we all get involved.

Kat and Roger Krauss have been traveling back and forth from New York, visiting Kat's brother, Dennis, who is hospitalized but slowly recovering. The family asks for prayers for strength and healing during this difficult time.

We are relieved to hear that Julia Olsen is recovering at home from a very bad fall she suffered in late July. Her husband, Thor, tells us that she was badly banged up, but is doing much better.

Pete Kerns has had a recent outpatient surgery and is recovering and making much improvement.

Cards of sympathy, encouragement, and get-well wishes have been delivered or mailed on behalf Country Lake Village II

of the residents of CLVII. As words of illnesses and passing of loved ones was heard throughout our community, it was heart-warming to hear the expressions of love and concern for others. This is truly a caring community of caring neighbors, striving to take care of each other!

I, Peggy, personally want to acknowledge and share my appreciation to Janet Wright for covering for me in my absence. She did a remarkable job, which I am sure that you all agree, having recorded the incidents above for the preparation of the September issue of the Village Voice. Thank You, Janet!

Please contact us by text or phone (941-217-9384) if any of our park members who are in the hospital, very ill, having surgery, or have lost a spouse, a child, or in some cases, a parent. We want all to know that WE CARE!

Thank you and Blessings,

Peggy Seiler,

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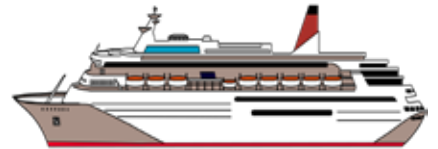
Bev Smith, Coordinator

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Sign up on your travel board in the clubhouse for any trips.

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CLVII UPCOMING SCHEDULED EVENTS

Monday, September 1: Labor Day Celebration, Menu by Dave the Pizza Guy, 1 PM, BYOB.

Saturday, September 27: Kevin Brooks, 7-10 PM, BYOB, 50/50.

Friday, October 31: Halloween Party, Taylor & Taylor, 7-10 PM, BYOB, 50/50.

Tuesday, November 11: Veterans Day Celebration, M-N-M BBQ, 12:30 PM, BYOB, 50/50 to benefit veterans organization.

Sunday, November 23: Friendsgiving, Menu by Carr's Custom Catering, 2 PM, BYOB.

Sunday, December 7: Santa's Gift Exchange, 5:30 PM Golf Cart Parade, followed by ice cream and gift exchange.

Sunday, December 14: Christmas Buffet, M-N-M BBQ 2 PM.

Wednesday, December 31: New Years Eve, Westbound & Down, Menu by Lunch Lady, 8-Midnight, BYOB, 50/50.



LABOR DAY CELEBRATION

Monday, September 1 1 PM

**Menu by Dave the Pizza Guy
BYOB**

Tickets will be available on August 12. See Deb Williams 2072 Tranquility Lane for tickets. Due to caterers need for headcount no tickets will be available after August 25.

KEVIN BROOKS
Saturday, September 27
7 - 10 PM

50/50

BYOB



Tickets available on September 6th.
See Deb Williams, 2072 Tranquility for tickets.

Resident Input to Advisory Board

Board Member _____

Name _____ Phone # _____ Date _____

Item of Concern _____

Suggested Solution by Person Named Above _____

Action Taken by Board Member _____ Date _____

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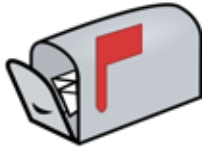
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PLEASE WATCH THE COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARDS AND THE "FRIENDS @ CLVII" FACEBOOK PAGE FOR SCHEDULE AND EVENT DETAILS, CHANGES AND UPDATES.

Attention CLVII residents. Did you know we have internal mailboxes in the Clubhouse? They are on the south side of the hallway between the kitchen and restrooms, near the side entrance. These boxes are for postage-free communication between residents and sometimes lost mail, all year long. They are also used after the annual Christmas card boxes are gone, and cards are moved to this location if they have not been picked up. Please check them often in case something is waiting for you!



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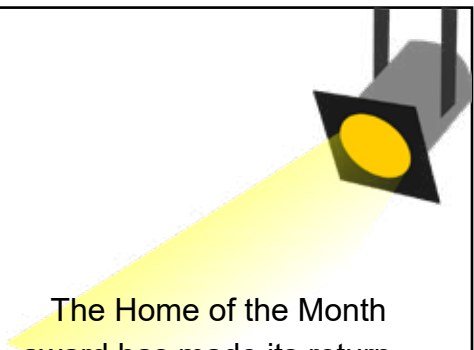
Deb Williams, Coordinator

- 1. The idea first became public in 1882.** In September 1882, the unions of New York City decided to have a parade to celebrate their members being in unions and to show support for all unions. At least 20,000 people were there, and the workers had to give up a day's pay to attend. There was also a lot of beer involved in the event.
- 2. The New York parade inspired other unions.** Other regions started having parades, and by 1887, Oregon, Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, and Colorado made Labor Day a state holiday.
- 3. How did the Haymarket Affair influence Labor Day?** On May 4, 1886, a bomb exploded at a union rally in Chicago's Haymarket Square, which led to violence that killed seven police officers and four others. The incident also led to May 1 being celebrated in most nations as Workers' Day. The U.S. government chose Labor Day instead to avoid a celebration on May 1, and New York's unions had already

picked the first Monday in September for their holiday.

- 4. Two people with similar names are credited with that first New York City event.** Matthew Maguire, a machinist, and Peter McGuire, a carpenter, have been linked to the 1882 parade. The men were from rival unions; in 2011, Linda Stinson, a former U.S. Department of Labor historian, said she did not know which man should be credited - partially because people over the years had confused them because of their similar-sounding names.
- 5. Grover Cleveland helped make Labor Day a national holiday.** After violence related to the Pullman railroad strike, President Cleveland and lawmakers in Washington wanted a federal holiday to celebrate labor, and not a holiday celebrated on May 1. Cleveland signed an act in 1894 establishing the federal holiday; most states had already passed laws establishing a Labor Day holiday by that point. Sen. James Henderson Kyle of South Dakota introduced S. 730 to make Labor Day a federal legal holiday on the first Monday of September. It was approved on June 28, 1894.

HOME OF THE MONTH



The Home of the Month award has made its return to CLVII. Suzan Garcia was the recipient of the award for the month of August. Congratulations to Suzan on her beautiful home

RECENT ACTIVITIES IN THE PARK

Thanks to Anna Syjud for booking the Funky Munkey for this dance. The residents enjoyed the music, and we had many up dancing and having a fun time. We received a lot of positive feedback, and we hope Anna can book them again soon. We were also so happy to be able to invite CLVI to join us for this dance. They all had a wonderful time and stayed until the very end. We look forward to a time when they can join us again.





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AROUND THE CORNER

Lorelei Millet, Coordinator

The Around the Corner article has made its return for the season, and I am so happy to be including her informative articles once again.

It sure has been a hot summer, and I feel that I have been hibernating inside with the air conditioner as my best friend! But September is here, and hopefully it will be a little cooler weather, and praying that all the hurricanes take other corners of the world to spin some wind. Chuck and I will be heading to Colorado for the early part of September to tour four National Parks that are located there. Great Sand Dune National Park, Mesa Verde National Park, Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park, and Rocky Mountain National Park are on the agenda; however, Gunnison is closed as of this writing due to a forest fire.



But they are starting to have some great activities Around the Corner from us during the months ahead. As the weather may still be a little warm, I have a few inside and a few outdoor activities that I think will get you started on some great fall/winter/spring activities.

Our local Manatee County Library calendar is full of great indoor activities. The Palmetto Branch will be having Chair Yoga Classes on September 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30th from 9:15 to 10:15. Designed for absolutely everyone, this class will get you moving and those muscles flexed. As with any class at the library, you must register online at www.manateelibrary.libcal.com to attend the class. Manatee Library also has ongoing Tech Help classes for those hoping to understand how to better use electronic devices, such as iPhones, Androids, tablets, laptops, and eBooks. These classes fill up fast so register early at the above webpage address.

Join Tampa Bay Butterfly Foundation on a butterfly walk at Gadsden Park on September 7th from 9:00 to 11:00. Gadsden Park is located at 6901 S. MacDill Ave in Tampa. They will be meeting under the trees north of the softball field at the back of the park. There is plenty of parking and you can view the area on the Gadsden Park webpage to get a better idea of the area. There is a \$5 fee for non-members of the Foundation. Registration is required by going to <https://volunteersignup.org/HHPXB>. Sounds like a great opportunity to see our local butterflies.



Imagine Museum is offering a FREE (and who does not love FREE!) Day at the Museum on September 20th and 21st. Ok, so it is really two free days at the Museum. Discover the Magic of Glass will be on display during your visit. Imagine Museum is located at 1901 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg. You will need to go online to get your FREE ticket, so just go to the Imagine Museum webpage to Discover the Magic of Glass!

I know many of you have bikes and e-bikes and love riding them, but hate the traffic. Duette Preserve offers over five miles of hard-packed trails for bike riding. This is a great preserve with plenty of wildlife to make your ride interesting. You can go to Duette Preserve webpage to get a map of all the trails and parking areas. Taking your bike to Duette Preserve is a fantastic way to explore the park as it uncovers over 21,000 acres and is known for its diverse habitats and wildlife.

Safe travels,
Lorelei Millet



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Sep 13 Don Dean
Sep 13 Don Burchell
Sep 13 Judy Faries
Sep 17 Bill Pfister
Sep 18 Sharon Cristman
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Sep 24 Bill Murphy
Sep 26 Tim McCormack
Sep 29 Larry Chitti
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Sep 29 Beverly Michalski
Sep 30 Don Holland



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Sep 13	Craig & Susie Taunt	
Sep 14	Harold & Pat Nickel	51 Years
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Sep 27	Jim & Faith Abraham	



THINGS TO DO IN THE PARK

Mahjong – Sunday at 1 p.m.
Coordinator: Barb Gibson 941-304-6588

Cornhole – Monday at 1:00 p.m.
Coordinator: Kevin Karcher 609-929-2211

Pickleball – Mon-Sat 8:30 a.m.
Coordinator: Linda Weber 618-977-2705

Beginners Pickleball – Mon, Wed & Fri – 8:30
Coordinator: Jim Roberts 410-465-0159

Chicks with Kicks – Mon & Fri 9:00 a.m.
Coordinator: Susie Taunt 989-329-2097

Yoga – Wed 10 a.m.
Coordinator: Jennifer Berglund 716-471-4599

Pennies from Heaven - Wednesday 12:00 p.m.
Coordinator: Sue Garcia 906-280-2890

Pinochle - Monday - 1 p.m.
Coordinator: Barb Gibson 941-304-6588

Water Aerobics - Tues, Thu, Sat 9:30 a.m.
Coordinator: Joann Dodge 941-224-7106

Dominoes – Tuesday 1 p.m.
Coordinator: Jim Roberts 410-465-0159

Potluck & Social Hour - Tuesday 4 p.m.
BYOB and munchies plus a dish to share.

Darts - Tuesday 7 p.m.
Coordinator: Walter Hull 614-578-6562

Feather Your Nest – Thursday 6 p.m.
Coordinator: Kevin Karcher 609-929-2211

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